

## Union Pacific's problems bringing U.S. grain harvest to screeching halt

### **Rail-car** shortage jeopardizing **U.S. grain exports**

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) - As corn, wheat and soybeans pile up on the ground this fall, critics are blaming Union Pacific's merger with Southern Pacific for a railroad traffic jam.

The problem is transportation between the nation's fields and key grain ports on the Gulf of Mexico along the tracks of the nation's largest railroad.

Farmers, grain elevator managers and politicians said they think the newly enlarged company is overwhelmed and fear the backlog will ruin the nation's international markets and sink grain prices.

The shipping problems were expected to be discussed by federal regulators today at a hearing in Washington. The problem was affecting or expected to affect most of the grain-producing states.

"It is a terrible mess, the worst we've ever seen," said Bill Sebree of NIK Marketing, which coordinates grain shipments for 112 elevators in Nebraska, Iowa and Kansas.

"We are running better than 30 days behind schedule for guaranteed grain trains to arrive and we have loaded trains sitting still for up to two weeks," he said. "Elevators are losing up to \$30,000 on each train that's late.

Union Pacific said the congestion would be worse if it had not purchased the Southern Pacific and its key lines, but agreed there were problems.

"It's so political and I don't want to upset the railroads by saying anything," said Rick Sorenson, manager of the Continental Grain Co. Outside his elevator in Shelton, about 150 miles

west of Omaha, 700,000 bushels of grain happened at the same time shipping stood in a pile nearly three stories high.

Sales of soybeans for export have reached only about half the amount sold by this time last year, said Bill Biedermann, a commodity analyst with Allendale Inc. in Crystal Lake, Ill. And only about 20 percent of what's been sold overseas has actually been shipped so far.

"The demand for U.S. grain is good but the guys on the dock are not delivering," Biedermann said.

"Our foreign customers will be forced to go to other countries for their imported grain if they have to wait much longer," Biedermann said. "This is a huge problem for U.S. agriculture.'

Union Pacific cites problems affecting its merger partner.

Railroad spokesman John Bromley said floods and derailments in Texas

business increased and that all combined to overwhelm the Southern Pacific.

Union Pacific sent some of its people, locomotives and equipment to help, but that diversion meant the traffic jams spread.

Now loaded grain cars wait in rail yards for locomotives, which may be busy elsewhere. Heavy traffic along the routes to the Gulf ports mean it takes longer for the grain trains that are moving to make the trip, which delays the return of locomotives and empty cars.

The timing couldn't be worse for farmers who are reaping an expected record soybean crop, the third-largest corn crop and above-average milo and wheat crops.

"Rail-car shortages are not new What makes this year so odd is the amount of grain coming in," said Don

Roose at U.S. Commodities Inc. of West Des Moines, Iowa. "It's a strange phenomenon."

Grain elevators want more covered hopper cars to hold the grain, and Union Pacific said elevators are partly to blame for holding grain from last season's crop in hope of receiving better prices this year.

The railroad has 33,000 grain cars and Bromley said more won't solve the problem.

"You don't fix a traffic jam by adding more cars," Bromley said.

In the meantime, elevators across the Midwest are turning away fresh crops because their storage bins and outdoor stockpiles are overflowing. In Kansas, elevators have been forced to shut down, up to three days at a time, while they wait for rail cars.

"The railroads will catch up - but the big question is when and will it be too late?" Biedermann said.

## Salvation Army makes difference with funds

EDITOR'S NOTE — This is the sixth in a series of feature stories on member agencies of the United Way of Big Spring and Howard County. Next week: Westside Community Center.

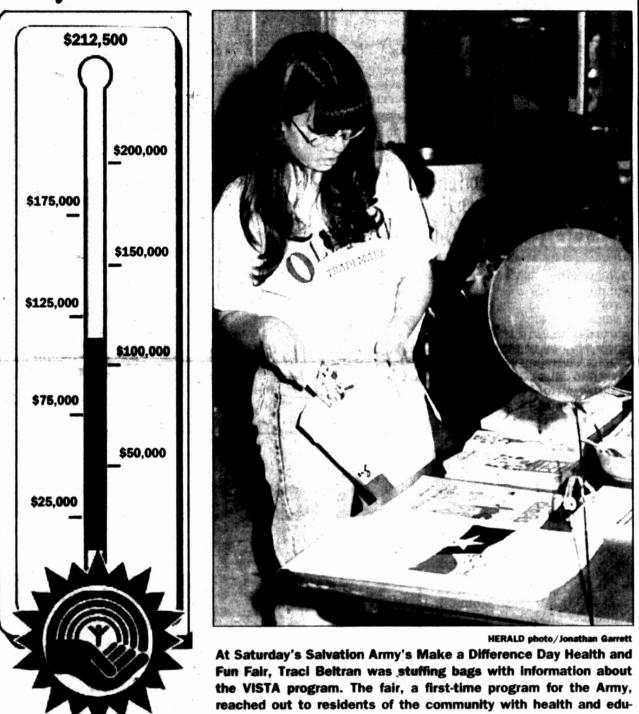
#### By DEBBIE L. JENSEN Features Editor

A busy service agency like the Salvation Army, has no time for resting on its laurels. Years of serving the area's

needy with hot meals, clothing, shelter and education behind them, the staff just keeps working to find new ways to help.

Saturday they observed Make A Difference Day with a health and fun fair aimed at the neighborhood around the headquarters building, where many peofle cannot afford needed treatments.

"Salvation Army meets needs, wherever they are, and whatev-



### <u>Computer learning</u> New instruction system at Howard College may herald a new method of learning

#### By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

A new computer instruction system at Howard College may herald a new method of learning, college officials say.

Plato Curriculum The Manager computer system, which was installed in June, was displayed to the public during an open house at the college Thursday afternoon.

Esther Lopez, Howard director of continuing education, said the new system allows for students to learn at their own pace. The results so far, she said, have been impressive.

"I see a lot of different uses for "Lopez said. "I also see it used as a supplement to academic instruction."

in the program, and the computers begin instruction at the student's skill level. From there, students advance at their own level.

"It enrolls you in tutorials and you go through a lesson cycle for each of those objectives," Wait said. "At the end of each cycle is a mastery test. If you don't (answer 80 percent of the questions correctly), you go through the cycle again."

Wait said another advantage to the system is that it offers specialized instruction. For example, if students are lacking in just one area of a grade level they can receive instruction in that area, instead of having to take the entire curriculum.

er they are," said Maj. Roy Tolcher, commander.

The Army is one of the local United Way agencies that will receive funds from the campaign now in progress.

Although the United Way funding is a fraction of the Army's half-million dollar budget, losing it would mean the loss of programs - or the need to make up the funding another way. Tolcher said.

Local Salvation Army staffers are extremely busy at this time of year, with holiday programs in full swing. A food drive to fill Thanksgiving food baskets for the needy begins today.

Applications for Christmas help are being taken now, and Angel Trees will be placed around the community in a few weeks. Christmas fund drive kettles will go out Nov. 21.

"All the other projects of the Salvation Army don't fold up at this time, either," Tolcher said. "They just get added to the list." Salvation Army may be best known for its lodge, 308 Aylford, and its Thrift Store at 503 N. Gregg. In 1996, the lodge served more than 21,000 meals to hungry people.

The thrift store, where the needy are given vouchers for clothing donated by the community, is also open to the public.

In the summer, the Army buys school supplies for needy children. Religious programs are offered: Tolcher is a minister at the adjoining church for services and study programs each week.

cation.

"If we can get them to church. we can feed their souls," Tolcher said. "But we concentrate on the need, whatever it is, so we worry about the outside first."

As welfare reforms are implemented, Tolcher said he expects social service agencies to take a larger share of that load. Already, he said client numbers are increasing as changes in

food stamp benefits and other programs come into effect. But Tolcher said the Salvation Army will just change with the times, reach-

ing out to help with new projects and programs. "Our thing is to meet the need

at the point of need," he said. "We'll see what needs doing, and what can be done."

After the system was installed in June, a pilot program of 24 students tested it, Lopez said. During the program, the students advanced an average of 3.2 grade levels, with one student advancing seven grade levels.

Melinda Wait of TRO Systems, which installed the computers, said they teach curriculum ranging from the second grade to middle years of college.

After the student's skill level is assessed, he or she is placed

"The system diagnoses what you specifically need to learn," Wait said. "Then you learn that one skill, instead of having to go back through the whole chapter."

The system, Lopez said is ideal for adults in continuing education, but also works in other areas as well.

"Anybody on campus can use this," she said. "There's no age limit to it ... I think it's ideal for home-schooling."

About the only students the system is not appropriate for, Wait said, are those below the third grade.



## Crews work to reopen rail line after head-on collision

HOUSTON (AP) - Gusty winds slowed efforts to reopen a Union Pacific rail line Sunday, a day after a two-train collision closed it.

Four crewmen were injured Saturday when two trains collided on the city's southwest side, sending up a huge fireball and thick black smoke that could be seen for miles.

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Union Pacific crews had hoped to have the track reopened by 6 p.m. Sunday, but could not move in as soon as expected to repair the rail line because of delays in purging a nearby propane pipeline of its explosive contents, Union Pacific spokesman

Mark Davis said. High winds slowed efforts to burn off the gas in the line, Davis said. The company expected to reopen the track by 1 a.m. Monday, he said.

The train crews suffered cuts and bruises from jumping off just before the fiery crash, officials said.

The trains were moving at about 10 mph when they crashed Railroad Texas head-on. Commissioner Barry

Williamson said. One train was traveling from Houston to Long Beach, Calif., and the other was going from Tucson, Ariz., to Houston.

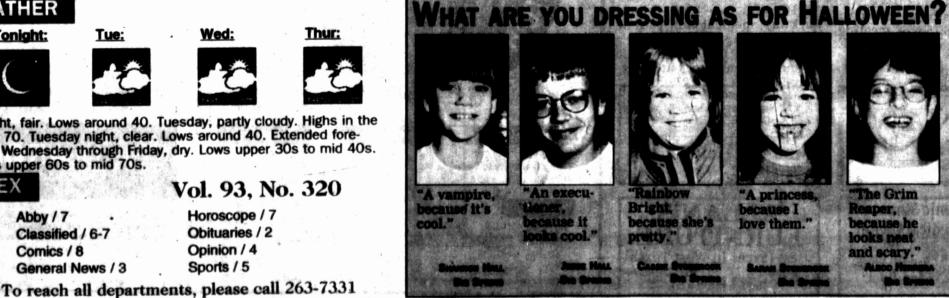
Five of the six locomotives involved were destroyed. A flat car also derailed.

Both trains were carrying general merchandise, such as clothing, electronics or lumber.

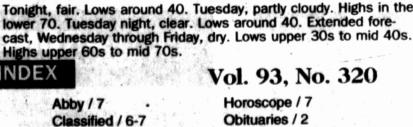
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Brooke Barber (back to camera) and Brandy Logsdon work at computer workstations at Howard College. The college recently unveiled a self-paced computer instruction curriculum.

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### OBITUARIES

### Ross Hill

Ross Hill, 93, of Big Spring, died Friday, Oct. 24, 1997, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center, following a short illness. Graveside services are 1 p.m. today at Trinity Memorial Park, with the Rev. Don Snipes, pastor of Baptist Temple Church, officiating.

Ross was born June 17, 1904. in Jones County. He married Addie Cotter on June 2, 1928 in **Big Spring**.

He was a lifetime resident of Howard County. He was a farmer and rancher, and had lived in the Elbow Community many years. He retired in 1975 and moved to Big Spring. He was preceded in death by his wife of 66 years, Addie Cotter Hill: his parents, Clint Hill and Maude Ashworth Hill; three brothers, Robert Hill, Bascomb Hill and Richard Hill. He is survived by several nieces and nephews, great nieces and nephews, and great-great nieces and nephews.

Ross will be missed by his nieces, nephews, in-laws and many friends in Big Spring. Pallbearers are: Lloyd Thomas, Charles Dunnam, Phil Elliott, Wayne Bristow, F.D. Rogers, Randol Sherrod, D.R. Bates, Jim Alexander and Allen Bailey.

Arrangements are under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

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### Thomas Cook

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Thomas Cook, 73, of Big Spring, died Sunday, Oct. 26, 1997, in a Midland hospital. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home in Big Spring.

### **Richard G. Hughes**

Service for Richard G. Hughes, 61, Kingsland, formerly of Big Spring, will be Tuesday, Oct. 28, 1997, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Dr. Ed Williamson, pastor of First United Methodist Church, officiating. Interment will follow at **Trinity Memorial Park.** 

Mr. Hughes died Saturday, Oct. 25, 1997, at his residence in Kingsland. He was born April 26, 1936 in

Paso; one granddaughter and two great-grandchildren. The family suggests memori-als to the American Cancer

Society, c/o Lucy Bonner, P.O. Box 2121, Big Spring, Texas, 79721-2121.

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

## BRIEFS

THE BOY SCOUTS ARE having a food drive Saturday, Nov. 8, from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Please leave non-perishable items on your front porch in the HEB bag for the scouts to pick up. All items donated will be given to the Salvation Army and the Northside Center.

CANTERBURY SOUTH WILL HOST a seminar on Calorad, a weight-loss product, Monday at 7 p.m. Refreshments will be provided.

THE BSIIS KEY CLUB will trick-or-treating on be Thursday, Oct. 30, for donations to help prevent Iodine Deficiency Disorder.

The lack of iodine in the body is a cause of mental disability. All it takes is one teaspoon over a lifetime to prevent this disorder. We in the United States receive our iodine through iodized salt. You can help prevent iodine deficiency disorder for only 5 cents.

BSHS CHOIR BOOSTERS ARE having a pancake supper on Friday, Nov. 7, from 5 to 7 p.m. Tickets are \$5 for adults, \$2.50 for children 6-12, and free for children under six. Tickets are available from any choir member, booster member, at the door or by calling Mrs. Lindell at BSHS.

WAL-MART WILL HOST A cookie baking contest Nov. 1. Bakers are invited to bring a dozen of their favorite cookie recipe to the service desk by 2 p.m.

They will be judged by 4 p.m. and prizes are planned for the top three entries. 00 11

THERE WILL BE A benefit Month to date 0.79 Fort Worth, and married turkey dinner and dance at La Month's normal 4.58

 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.

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 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.

•Al-Anon, 8 to 9 p.m., 615 Settles.

•Narcotics Anonymous, 6 to 7:30 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.

•Big Spring Alliance for the Mentally Ill, 6:30 p.m., 409 **Runnels** (formerly TU building). Call Sondra at 267-7220.

WEDNESDAY Downtown Lions Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room. Call Archie Kountz, 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.

•"Healthy Horizons," an educational seminar provided by Scenic Mountain Medical Center, 4 p.m., Scenic Mountain Home Health, 600 Main. For more information call 267-1314.

THURSDAY •Good Shepherd Fellowship

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

•Spring Tabernacle Church, 1209 Wright, has free food for area needy, 10 a.m. to noon.

### RECORDS

Sunday's high 58 Sunday's low 29 Average high 73 Average low 46 Record high 94 in 1988 Record low 29 in 1925 Precip. Thursday 0.00



BIG SPRING

**HERALD** photo/Jonathan Garret

**BIG SPRING HERALD** 

Monday, October 27, 1997

The Big Spring Woman's Club was painting faces at Harvest Saturday, in Big Spring State Park at Scenic Mountain on Saturday. Carly McMahon, in her sunflower costume, is shown getting a spider painted on her face by Karen Fraser.

ferred to SMMC. 8:31 p.m. - Fourth and

Gregg, traffic accident, two patients transferred to SMMC. Service refused by one patient.

### MARKETS

Dec. cotton 72.20, up 12 points: Nov. crude (no price at press time); Cash hogs steady at 47 cents; cash steers steady at 68; Dec. lean hog futures 63.10, up 12 points; Dec. live cattle futures 67.67, up 57 points.

Noon quotes provided by Edward D. Jones



Department reported the follow-

•HERMAN AUSTIN, 18, was driving with an invalid license. arrested for public intoxication. •LOUIS GUDINO, 24, was arrested for public intoxication. arrested for driving while

intoxicated. •LAWRENCE MARTINEZ, 38, was arrested for public

•RALPH RODRIGUEZ, 33,

•SABINO TOLEDO, 29, was arrested for public intoxication. •JOHN PEREZ, 23, was arrested on county warrants. •RAUL MARTINEZ, 40, was arrested for forgery.

JESUS SOLIZ, 32, was arrested for public intoxication. •DARYL WASHINGTON, 32, was arrested for public intoxi-

•JAMES BALDWIN, 34, was arrested for failure to identify. •MARCUS CHAVERA, 42,

•DONALD BROOKS, 25, was was arrested for driving while intoxicated.

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E. 11th; 400 block of Gregg; 900 block of Willia; 2300 block of Wasson.

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Jammylu Brewer on Dec. 28, 1969, in Big Spring. She preceded him in death Dec. 3, 1985.

He came to Big Spring in 1948 and graduated from Big Spring High School in 1954. He attended Texas Tech University in Lubbock. He worked as terminal manager for Union Pacific Motor Freight Company, retiring in 1996. He had served in the U.S. Army and was a member of Big Spring Masonic Lodge 1340, A.F. & A.M. He was a Methodist.

Survivors include: one stepdaughter, Keighla Cline of Grapevine, one stepson, John N. Achard of Dallas; his mother. Mary Alice Hughes of Big Spring; two sisters, Martha Newton of Austin and Carol Phelps of Garland; two brothers, Dale Hughes of Sandy, Utah, and Steven Hughes of El

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**FUNERAL HOME** & CHAPEL

24th & Johnson 267-8288

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**Funeral Home** 

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Saturday. Services will be

11:00 AM Tuesday at Nalley-

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Chapel. Interment will follow

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Sunday. Services are pending

with Nalley-Pickle & Welch

at Trinity Memorial Park.

Funeral Home.

Trinity Memorial Park

and Crematory

906 Gregg St.

(915) 267-6331

Vedera Club on Saturday, Nov. 8, for Mr. and Mrs. Frank (Chico) Rubio, Sr. The dinner will be from noon to when ever and is available for dine in. take out or delivered. The cost is \$4 per plate. The dance will be from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. and is \$3 per person. Call 267-9339 or 263-4260 for more information or to call in orders.

This benefit is to help the Rubios due to their house being burned down.

**BIG SPRING WOMAN'S** CLUB annual coat drive is set for Oct. 1-31.

The group will collect coats. windbreakers, scarves and gloves to give to the needy of our community. Bins for donated items will be at Harris Lumber, 1515 E. FM-700, and Howard County Courthouse.

SPRINGBOARD

IF YOU HAVE ANY

CHANGES IN A SPRING-

BOARD ITEM OR FOR

MORE INFORMATION, CON-

TACT GINA GARZA, 263-

7331 ext. 238, BETWEEN 8:30

A.M. AND 2 P.M. All

Springboard items must be

submitted in writing. Mail

to: Springboard, Big Spring

Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big

Spring, Texas 79720; bring it

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TODAY

Club, 6:30 p.m., 1607 E. Third.

Big Spring Evening Lion's

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Scenic Mountain

**Medical** Center

1601 w. 11th Place

263-1211

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Call Al Valdes, 263-6810.

5140 or 263-2241.

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Year to date 18.45 Normal for the year 16.68 \*\*Statistics not available



Following is a summary of Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reports:

Friday 9:10 a.m. - 2300 block Wasson, medical call, patient transferred to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

9:45 a.m. - 3200 block Hudgins Memorial, medical call, patient transferred to SMMC.

11:08 p.m. - 1900 block Owens, medical call, patient transferred to SMMC. Saturday

7:43 a.m. - 500 block W. 17th, medical call, patient transferred to SMMC.

8:08 a.m. - 500 block W. 17th. medical call, patient trans-ferred to SMMC.

9:02 a.m. - 3200 block Parkway, medical call, patient transferred to SMMC.

9:21 a.m. - 1400 block Aylsford, smoke scare at residence.

11:43 a.m. - 1300 block Gregg, medical call, patient transferred to Midland Memorial.

2:10 p.m. - 2200 block Lynn, medical call, patient transferred to Midland Memorial.

2:50 p.m. - North Highway 350, structure fire, extinguished by responding units.

Sunday 12:26 a.m. - 1000 block N. Main, medical call, patient transferred to SMMC.

2:06 a.m. - 900 block Goliad,

7:10 a.m. — 3200 block Parkway, medical call, patient transferred to SMMC.

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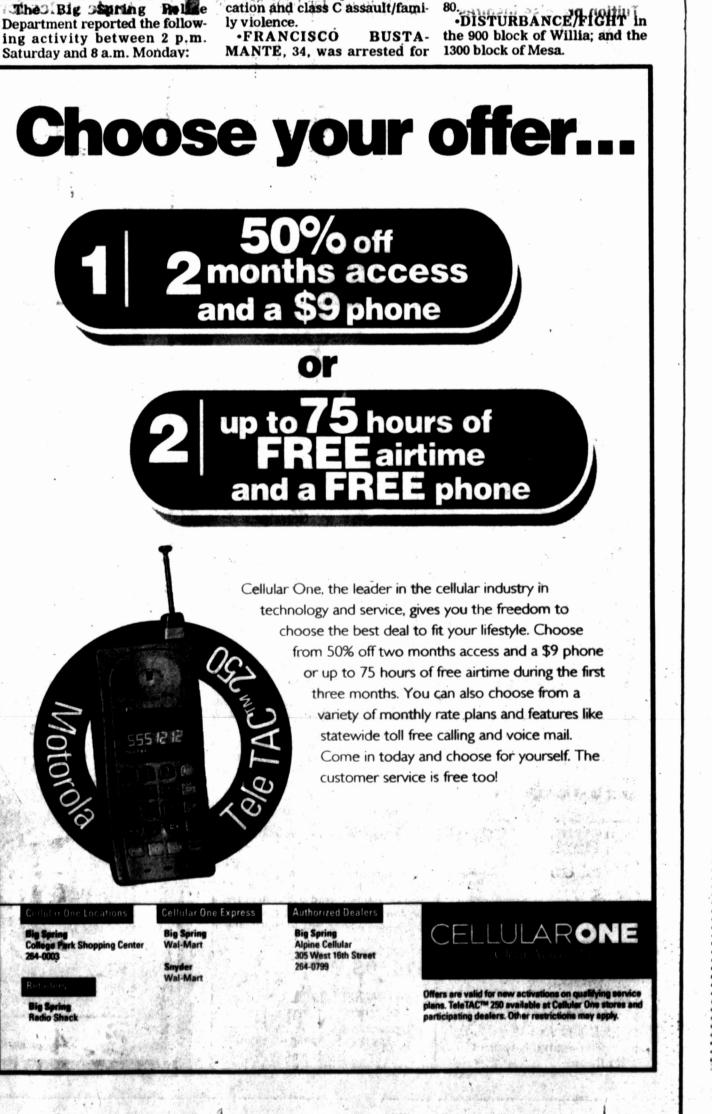
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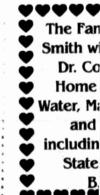
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### The ASSOCIATED PRESS

UT pays 94 percent of staff below average Austin wages

AUSTIN - A study has found that 94 percent of University of Texas secretaries, computer technicians, librarians and other nonteaching employees are paid below average for the Austin market.

That means just 380 of 6,281 employees surveyed were mak-ing the same or more than those in similar jobs outside UT.

Even for officials, the results were an eye-opener.

"I knew it was bad, but I hadn't figured it up," Sandy Moreno-Haire, UT assistant vice president and human resources director, said after hearing the findings. "That's awful.

Since Buck Consultants of St. Louis took the salary snapshot in April, workers have received a \$100-a-month raise from the Legislature, and selected workers got even more. As a result, fewer employees might be in the below-average pay category.

### Jarrell twister didn't fit normal stormpatterns

AUSTIN - A scientist studying the tornado that devastated Jarrell last May says the twister had several unusual aspects that contributed to its deadliness

The May 27 storm killed 27 people in the central Texas town, leaving nothing behind of several homes but their concrete foundations.

Baylor University meteorology professor Don Greene spent six days studying the tornado's path. It was his first opportunity to investigate an F5, the rarest and most powerful of tornadoes.

He plans to present his findings to the Texas Academy of Sciences at a meeting next spring.

Only one in 200 tornadoes is powerful enough to be classified as F5, with winds blowing at least 261 mph — strong enough to carry away sturdy frame houses, turn cars into missiles and suck trees out of the

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### **Tuition promise inspires** Amarillo students

students with free local college tuition if they maintain at least an 80 percent grade-point average and a 95-percent attendance all four years of high school.

She admits she didn't believe the offer at first.

"I thought it was a hoax," she says.

#### **Festival includes discussion** of books-to-film experience

AUSTIN - Your book is going to be turned into a film. Dream come true, nightmare or something in between?

"Selling your work is selling your baby," says author Mary Willis Walker, whose "Under the Beetle's Cellar" was purchased by ABC.

"I think it's really difficult to let go for me, and mere money can't compensate for it.'

People who attend the second annual Texas Book Festival this weekend can hear a discussion of the book-to-movie process by Ms. Walker; Janice Woods Windle, whose "True Women" was a CBS miniseries; and Doug Richardson, a screenwriter who just had his first novel published.

Their Sunday talk is among numerous panels on topics ranging from true crime to Texana to twinship to teeing off.

### Former Bexar housing head is subject of Florida probe

SAN ANTONIO – A former San Antonio housing official is being investigated by a federal grand jury in Flo, ida involving possible misuse of funds from a job he held there after leaving Texas, the San Antonio **Express-News reported.** 

George A. Arias was executive director of the Bexar **County Housing Authority from** 1980 to 1994. He was fired in a dispute with Bexar County Housing commissioners and later reached a settlement when he sued for reinstatement.

Arias took a similar job in the northern Florida town of Palatka.

attorney, Paul Arias' Meredith, acknowledged Arias is being investigated by a Jacksonville, Florida, grand jury for possible use of public funds to pay for trips back to San Antonio and entertainment at adult nightclubs. Meredith

## GENERAL NEWS

## Republic of Texas trials may end turbulence

ALPINE (AP) - The days of nap the Rowes. fear and frustration, when Richard McLaren and his Republic of Texas held sway, might soon be over for residents of the Davis Mountains.

The first group from McLaren's separatist movement was set for trial today, bringing the hope of relief to those who suffered as McLaren waged paper war on his neighbors before actual gunplay resulted in a weeklong standoff with police.

"We'd like to think we'd be rid of his shadow hovering over us," said Joe Rowe, who was taken hostage along with his wife, Margaret Ann, in the incident that sparked the siege outside Fort Davis.

Court officials were to decide this morning whether to try McLaren and his chief lieutenant, Robert Otto, or Gregg Paulson and his wife, Karen. All four are charged with engaging in organized criminal activity for allegedly plotting to kidThey face five to 99 years or

life in prison and fined \$10,000 if convicted of the felony. About 200 prospective jurors were summoned this morning in Alpine, where the trial was

moved from Fort Davis, nearly 30 miles to the north. The group not selected for trial today will go to court later. as will Richard Frank Keyes III, accused along with the Paulsons of carrying out the abduction.

"Whichever one is ready to go, that's what we'll try," said Judge Kenneth DeHart.

Authorities say Keyes and the Paulsons were retaliating for the arrest of a group member April 27 when they shot their way into the Rowes' house in the Davis Mountains Resort.

By the time the siege ended May 3 with the group's surrender, 300 state troopers, Texas Rangers and other officers had poured into the area where McLaren had set up an

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"embassy" in a trailer and wooden cabin.

**Republic** followers believe Texas was never legally annexed by the United States and is an independent nation.

The trial was drawing keen interest in the resort, where residents have watched closely as their one-time tormentors make their way through the legal system.

McLaren was generally viewed for years as a thorn in the community's side, making life miserable by filing liens on people's property and harassing them through suits they had to waste time and money to fight. The locals called it paper terrorism.

Resort residents later came to consider McLaren an outright threat as he helped launch the statewide Republic movement and surrounded himself with armed supporters, his so-called embassy forces.

Now they're hoping the trials will help heal the community.

**ODESSA REGIONAL HOSPITAL** 

**Big Spring Specialty Clinic** 

We Will Be Closed Friday, Oct. 31st

616 So. Gregg St. • Big Spring, Texas

"It may provide some closure for the people here that someone is trying to dispense justice," said Rachel Barr, who remained in her home during the standoff's first day.

A cynicism born in the days of the siege lingers, however. Residents say they have seen McLaren escape the fate he deserves too often, and don't believe they will have heard the last of him, even if he goes to prison.

McLaren proved the skeptics right to some extent when he sued DeHart, the Rowes and other officials while in jail for what he called unlawful imprisonment and acts of war against the Republic.

"I was extremely disappointed that the man left here alive. I may seem like a witch, but that's just the way I feel about said Michele Behrent, it." another resident. "The only way our problems would have been over is if McLaren had left here dead.'

Dr. Morehead,

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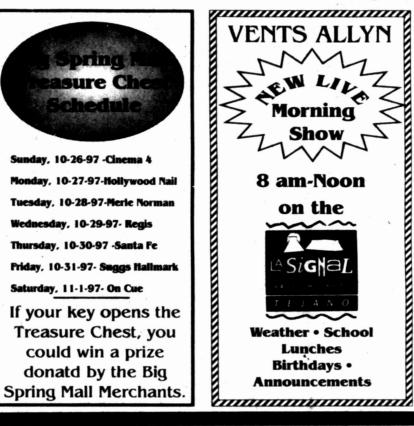
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# High school bands have stellar year at competition

lmost without exception, our area's football teams have had sterling seasons so far. But if you're one of the many fans who head for the concession stands at halftime, you've missed out on another brand of excellence.

All three Howard County high school bands - Big Spring, Coahoma and Forsan - capped excellent marching seasons last week at their respective regional marching contests.

The three bands all finished within the top two spots in their respective classes to earn invitations to arealevel competition last Saturday.

The Big Spring Steer Band, under director Rocky Harris, had its best showing in a decade when it earned the top rating of any 4A band at the regional contest in Odessa. It was the only 4A band to receive three Div. I ratings — the highest bestowed by judges at the contest.

The Coahoma Bulldog band, under the husband-andwife team of Jeremy and Jincy Ross, earned a spot at the 2A area competition in Bedford, while Forsan's band, directed by Jim Rhodes, qualified for the 2A area contest in Amarillo.

The students in these bands have spent countless hours since the summer honing their skills and perfecting their routines, and last week's awards show the hard work paid off.

So, when you go to the game next week, fight off the urge to grab a snack at halftime. What you see will be entertaining, to say the least.

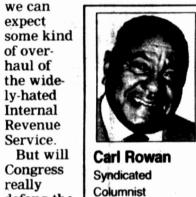
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IN AN EARLIER LIFE I WORKED FOR THE IRS ... BUT I CAME BACK IN A HIGHER STATE."

## Will IRS reforms be a Trojan horse?

Now that the Clinton administration has capitulated in the face of a Republican juggernaut,



defang the tax collection agency?

Mr. Clinton and Democrats in Congress were in a political bind as Republicans claimed the unusual role of champion of the underdog.

"In the David-versus-Goliath

**House Ways and Means Committee Chairman Bill** Archer, a Texas Republican.

Even though Archer's proposed IRS reforms carry the worrisome look of a Trojan Horse, Clinton and most Democrats found it "no win" to seem to reject the principle that a taxpayer is innocent until proven guilty. Archer steamrolled them with his comment that "criminals have more rights in this country than taxpayers do.'

So we are allowed to hope that no Americans will ever again have reason to cry that the IRS is investigator, indicter, judge, jury and exe-

cutioner in most tax disputes. But the reforms may constitute a smaller slingshot than Archer suggests For example. will the IRS be stripped of the power to file liens and seize

In campaigns against drug abuse, prostitution and even reckless driving, this society long ago effectively abandoned the presumption of innocence. We let lawmen seize the cash of people merely suspected of being drug peddlers and seize the cars of "Johnsaccused of soliciting sex before they are found guilty in any court of law. Some small-town police earn their pay by seizing the vehicles of persons they allege to be speeders.

Will Congress really take away this worst of police state tactics, but which is probably the most effective weapon employed by the IRS?

A lot of people are rejoicing prematurely over the nowbipartisan talk of switching the burden of proof from taxpayers to the IRS in court cases. This may sound great

will still have the burden of proving that he declared all income and took only deductions allowed by law. IRS agents may request or subpoena far more documents and do more "detective" work to build a case that will stand up in court.

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So, as the IRS develops new ways to deal with tax cheats and scofflaws, the honest people who pay voluntarily may find the tax system more burdensome after "reforms" than it is now.

This talk of making the IRS taxpayer-friendly may sound soothing, but the reality is that the agent who takes your money can never really be your friend. The most we can hope for is that Congress will make the rules so clear that an IRS agent can never again be Goliath and we taxpayers

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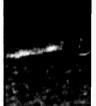
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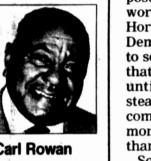
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### TO THE EDITOR:

The officers of Student Council would like to say "thank you" for the coverage in the Herald during our 33rd homecoming celebration at Big Spring High School. We do appreciate the pictures and articles that were printed. Thank you from each of us for the continued support of the Big Spring Herald.

**BSHS STUDENT COUNCIL** (signed by eight members)

#### TO THE EDITOR:

On behalf of the Big Spring High School Student Council, the officers would like to say "thank you" to the City of Big Spring for their support in preparing our annual homecoming bonfire. The bonfire that was held on Thursday night of homecoming week at the compost site was a huge success. We especially want to thank Mr. Perry Hall of the City of Big Spring for making all the plans and preparations for the bonfire, as well as all the other employees of the city who pitched in to help make homecoming memorable.

We think it is important for the community of Big Spring to know that the city "came to our rescue" when it looked like we might not be able to have a bonfire. As it is not possible for students to be taken out of class during the day to build the bonfire, we could not have held the bonfire without the help from the City of Big Spring. We also want to take

this opportunity to publicly say

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"thank you" to the fire department for being in attendance at the bonfire.

Our sincere thanks also goes to the Big Spring Police **Department and the officers** who were in attendance at the homecoming parade. We appreciate each of the officers who helped throughout the parade. Thank you again for your support.

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To the Editor:

I have lived in Big Spring many years but seldom have I seen so many improvements being accomplished within the city that the city is doing that according to years of precedent, it doesn't have to do.

To those citizens that work or strongly want to make this city a better place to live, these efforts are a welcome relief and are noticed and appreciated not only by us that live here but by the growing number of visitors who get their first impression of our home town by its appearance, and by our friendly people secondly.

Thanks for your good work on the park entrance, the Spring, golf course, the paving and utility lines, cleaning up around the auditorium, the great effort on Beals Creek, the judicious use of the prisoners. and the forthcoming Hangar 25 Museum, and others.

Keep up the good work. JERRY WORTHY **Big Spring** 

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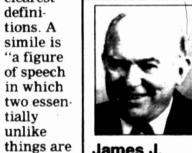
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and "the American way." but don't forget that in audits and other challenges the taxpayer

## Sweet are the uses of the simile

The question comes up all the time: What is the difference between a simile and a metaphor?

The American Heritage Dictionary has the best and clearest



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usually by means of 'like' or 'as."' Thus Chaucer described Cleopatra. "And she was fayr AS the

A metaphor, by contrast, is "a figure of speech in which a word or phrase that designates one thing is applied to another, in an IMPLICIT comparison." In the Song of Solomon the woman speaks: "I AM the rose of Sharon, and the lily of the valleys.

Out of my file of "The Good Stuff," let me offer a few contemporary examples. First some similes:

A sportswriter for the Savannah (Ga.) Morning News covered a racetrack demonstration of "IndyCars." He found them "not that much

**Two writers for Newsweek** wondered in August about fashions of the future. Costumes might be conservative, as in "Star Trek," or outrageous, as in "The Fifth Element," but "since fashion changes faster than a traffic light, we'll probably end up wearing each at some point

Moving on to metaphors: Lawrence Toppman of **Knight-Ridder Newspapers** reviewed a movie last year, "Barb Wire," and was mildly displeased with the performance of actress Pamela Lee: "Lee goes beyond ordinary badness to a realm achieved by few, sucking the whole movie down to her level ... She's a Chernobyl of incompetence, a Mount St. Helens of miscasting, a human ash cloud that chokes off all life in her presence.

Mr. Toppman then tossed moderation to the winds. William Raspberry, a gifted columnist for The Washington Post, commented a few months ago on the disdain shown by talk-show hosts for newcomers not yet members of their fraternity. "I worry about political correctness and snobbery and the pull-up-therope arrogance of those already in the treehouse." R.M. Campbell, music critic

for the Seattle Post-"a pint-sized mobster in a pinstriped suit." The words sing.) Intelligencer, went down to San Francisco to cover the reopening of the city's famed opera house. It had been badly damaged in the earthquake of 1989 and had been closed for 18 months for wholesale renovation: "The opera house had a facelift that refreshed its complexion but didn't change its marvelous bone structure.'

**Ron Wiggins of The Palm** Beach Post wrote a rueful piece in August about the closing of Manero's restaurant in West Palm. For 27 years Manero's had epitomized fine dining. Now it had become "another casualty of global smarming, the shrinking ice cap of grace and civility."

In a mystery novel, "Clues of the Caribbees," T.S. Stripling described a sleuth who relied on abstract reasoning rather than methodical investigation. "He had become a theoretical spider, spinning his web not to catch flies, but to indulge a passion for geometry."

Notice, if you will, one characteristic common to these similes and metaphors: They relied for their punch, explicit or implicit, on familiar things: roses, chain saws, totem poles, traffic lights, tree houses, ice caps, spiders, pin-striped suits and footprints in the snow. Go forth, you writers, and do likewise.

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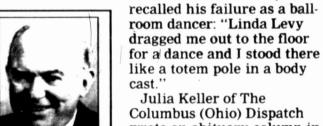
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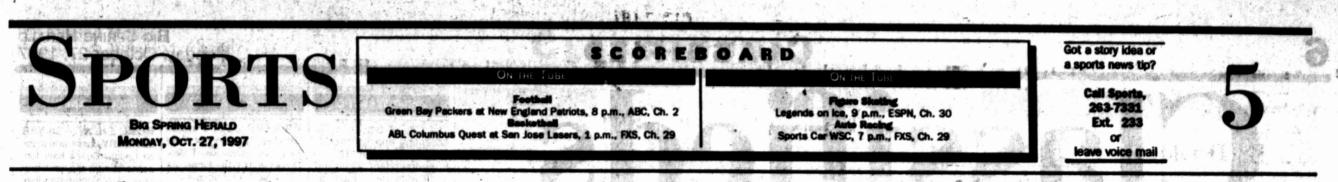
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## Marlins take Series trophy with 3-2 win in

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MIAMI - This is what baseball is all about.

Coming oh so close and falling oh so far.

The exuberance of youth fulfilling dreams.

A curse seemingly dooming one of baseball's oldest teams to unending failure.

It was one of the great ones Sunday. a seventh game of the World Series going to extra innings for only the fourth time. And in the end, eight months after the season's start, baseball had its youngest champion, a Cuban defector who relished in rewards and reunion all at once, and a

slipped through its hands.

I guess every little boy imagines this might happen at one time. It's a total fantasy for me," Marlins manager Jim Leyland said after Florida's incredible 3-2, 11-inning victory over Cleveland.

A fantasy for one team was a nightmare for another.

Two more outs. That was all Cleveland needed in the ninth inning to wrap up its first World Series title since 1948.

But singles by Moises Alou and Charles Johnson, and Craig Counsell's sacrifice fly tied the score against Jose Mesa in the ninth. And Tony Fernandez's error in the 11th set up a

team that just couldn't believe what Edgar Renteria's game-winning hit off fielder Manny Ramirez nearly let Charles Nagy.

In just their fifth season, the Marlins had won it all, the fastest title ever for any franchise in the majors. The \$89 million they spent on free agents last winter showed money can buy success in baseball these days.

"I'm very disappointed that we lost. I can't describe how disappointed," Indians manager Mike Hargrove said on his unhappy 48th birthday. "I don't really know what to tell the team, other than they played hard all year long."

The tension in extra innings was immeasurable. Players knew even the tiniest mistake could blow it apart just look at the way Cleveland right

Alou's two-out, two-on fly in the 10th pop out of his glove.

"I was too nervous to watch," Florida first baseman Jeff Conine said. "I don't think you can find a better finish than that.'

The World Series had been bashed for 10 days: The Marlins were a wildcard team than finished nine games out of first; the Indians, at 86-75, had just the fourth-best record in the American League; neither team could manage a well-pitched game; television ratings were at an all-time low.

Well, all of that was true. Yet none of it mattered Sunday night.

Players and fans spend their entire lives hoping for night like this. Most

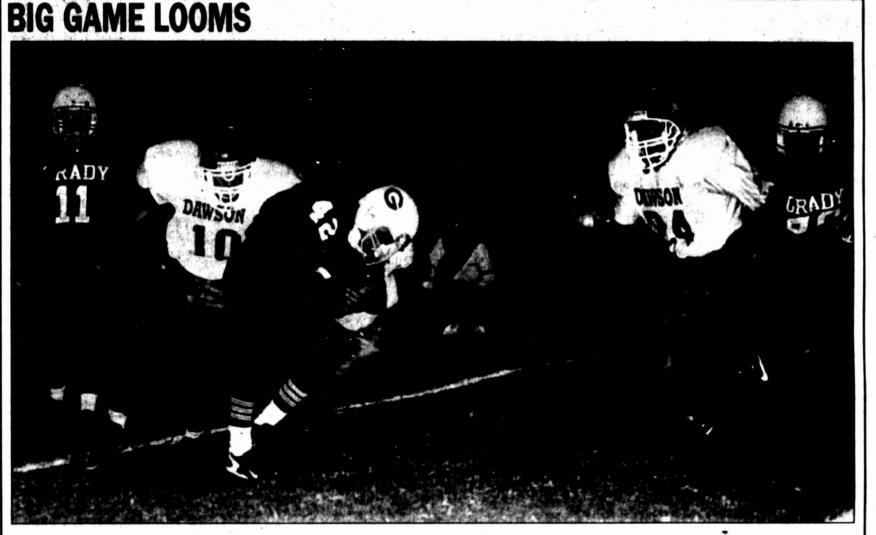
never make it.

"We haven't given up all year," Leyland said, "and tonight, wasn't a night to give up.

Fernandez had the biggest turnaround of all. His two-run single off Al Leiter had put Cleveland ahead in the third. Jim Thome walked, Marquis Grissom singled and Jaret Wright moved the runners over.

For most of the night, it appeared Wright would become the first rookie to win Game 7 since Babe Adams led Pittsburgh over Detroit 8-0 with a sixhitter in 1909.

He gave up two hits in 6 1-3 innings. One of them turned out to be critical - a leadoff homer by Bobby Bonilla in the seventh.



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Grady freshman Vincente Ramirez holds tightly to the football as Dawson's Tim Barrera (10) and Randy Rodriguez (24) bear down to make a tackle during The Wildcats' 42-20 win. The "Cats, now 6-2 on the season and 3-0 in district play, will play host to Wellman this week in a game that would virtually clinch a playoff spot for the winner.

## **BSHS** swimmers take fifth, sixth at Abilene meet

#### HERALD Staff Report

**Big Spring's Steers and Lady** Steers swimmers turned in impressive fifth- and sixthplace team finishes Saturday at meet record 1:57.74. the Abilene Swimming &

Diving Invitational meet. San Angelo Central swimmers took firsts in both the boys' and girls' divisions, far outstripping the competition. The Lady Bobcats piled up 422 points, compared to runner-up Amarillo's 284.5; while the **Bobcats finished with 488** points and runner-up Pecos managed 210.

The Lady Steers' 176 points was just 16 points off the total turned in be Pecos' fourth-place team. The Steers squad - eight of its members missing the meet to take part in area band competition — finished with 160.5 points, just behind Odessa High, which had 168. Both teams' showings pleased Big nith We had some really good swims and showed good speed, but we just don't have enough depth in our girls' team," Smith noted. "And our boys did extremely well considering we had only half our team there." Big Spring's best showing of the day came in the 200 individual medley where Stephen Smith finished first with a 2:12.78, almost eight seconds ahead of Central's Keith Wright. Brent Sissons added more points for the Steers with a 2:39.28 time, good enough for 12th place. Leubner and Thomas provided the Lady Steers with a three second-place finishes -Leubner finishing behind a meet record time in the 200 individual medley posted by Amarillo Tascosa's Angela Mullins and another runner-up clocking of 5:59.29 in the 500 freestyle, while Thomas finished less than a second behind Central's Adrian Reese in the 200 freestyle.

Allison Thomas, Michelle Tuttle, Melissa Sheedy and Somer Leubner posting a 2:05.97 clocking in a race where San Angelo Central swam to a

The boys' team of Stephen Smith, Billy Beckworth, Manfried Robinson and Brent Sisson finished with a 1:56.67 in a race where Central again set a meet record of 1:43.20.

The same pairings provided points in the 400 relay, the girls' squad finishing just one hundredth of a second behind Amarillo with a 4:05.47, while the boys were 14th.

Beckworth turned in a good 24.68 clocking in the 50 yard freestyle, but that was only good enough for eighth-place points.

Sheedy and Sieglinde Robinson provided the Lady Steers with points in the 100 butterfly, Sheedy finishing seventh with a 1:14.71, while Robinson was 15th with a 1:23.70. Tuttle also contributed with a third in the 100 freestyle, finishing with a 1:00.08 time, and another thirdplace clocking in the 100 breaststroke. Thomas added to the Lady Steers' total with a sixth in the 100 backstroke. Smith also provided a thirdplace finish in the boys' 100 freestyle with a 53.35, while Beckworth was fourth in the 100 breaststroke at 1:10.31 and Manfried Robinson was fifth in the boys' 100 butterfly with a 1:05.90 and eighth in the 100 breaststroke. Toby Molina was 16th in the 500 freestyle with a 7:23.05. The remainder of Big Spring's points came in the diving competition, where Jill Johansen was 15th in the girls' 1 meter event, while Sisson was ninth and Willberg was 16th in the boys' event. **Big Spring's swimmers will** host the Big Spring Invitational this weekend at the YMCA pool. Diving begins at 6 p.m. Friday and swimming events start at 11 a.m. Saturday.

## Eagles knock off Cowboys, KOing Aikman

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**PHILADELPHIA** — While a woozy Troy Aikman struggled to make sense of it all, Rodney Peete made something crystal clear to Philadelphia Eagles fans who don't want him to be their quarterback.

"They should know that I haven't lost a game at home that I've started and finished,' said Peete after running his record in such circumstances to 9-0 in the Eagles' comeback 13-12 victory over the Dallas Cowboys on Sunday.

The trend bodes well for Philadelphia, which plays four of its next six games at Veterans Stadium. And it gives Peete a strong foundation as he builds his case to remain a starter.

Since taking over from an inconsistent Ty Detmer last week, Peete has played poorly most of the time, then well

enough at the end to eke out two close victories.

"We did struggle for three and a half quarters, but .. as long as we're in striking distance, I feel very comfortable about our chances of winning," said Peete, who finished 13-for-31 for 126 yards.

That the Eagles were still within striking distance, trailing only 9-3 going into the fourth quarter, is a testament to Philadelphia's defense, which knocked Aikman out of the game in the first quarter. and Dallas' continuing inability to produce touchdowns.

The Cowboys defense did their part. It limited the Eagles to 81 yards in the first half. only 23 on the ground.

And Dallas' special teams came through, setting up three scores with two long kickoff returns and nearly blocking a punt that instead traveled only 8 yards.

The enhanced that excellent field position — until the end zone came close into view. Then, as they have often during the season, the Cowboys froze.

On their first drive, the light turned red at the Eagles 8, and **Richie Cunningham kicked the** first of his four field goals.

On their second scoring drive, the stop sign materialized at the Eagles 6, and Cunningham trotted out to pad the lead.

A missed field goal by former Cowboy Chris Boniol once again gave Dallas good field position late in the first half. said Emmitt Smith, who ran Again, after the Cowboys stalled at the Eagles 18, Cunningham connected, but instead of the 21 points the dominating Dallas offense would have had in its heyday, it had only nine.

When there was a situation had a chance to score that elu-

Cowboys offense field goal position, we were thinking, 'We'll give them the three, but that's it," said Rhett Hall, who recorded 3> of the Eagles' six sacks.

The temptation is to blame the loss of Aikman, who suffered a sore neck and a concussion when he took a helmet-tohelmet blow. But even with Aikman, Dallas entered the game getting touchdowns on only 32 percent of its drives inside the opponent's 20.

"With Troy going down. that's a big shot to the offense, but I thought Wade Wilson stepped in and did a good job," for 126 yards. "We actually beat ourselves. We didn't execute when it counted."

After Boniol finally put the Eagles on the board late in the third quarter and early in the fourth, the Cowboys once again

where they were already in sive touchdown, but didn't.

Both of Big Spring's 200-yard medley relay teams took fourth place finishes, the girls' team of



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Warren Moon proved that he's not too old to be a starting quarterback in the NFL.

Moon, in his 20th season of professional football, passed for 409 yards and five touchdowns to lead the Seattle Seahawks to a 45-34 victory over the Oakland Raiders (3-5) on Sunday.

**Rookies Jake Plummer and Tony** Graziani, each making his first pro start, showed they aren't yet ready to lead their teams. Graziani completed just four passes and threw two interceptions before being pulled at halftime of Atlant a's 21-12 loss to Carolina. Plummer threw four interceptions in Arizona's 41-14 loss to Tennessee.

Moon, who completed 28 of 44 passes, including three TD tosses to Joey Galloway, was so hot his own coach was afraid to stand too close to him on the sidelines.

"I didn't want to touch him." Dennis Erickson said. "I didn't want to burn myself."

ed by Moon, who will be 41 on Nov. 18, the Seahawks rolled up 554 yards. their second most in history. The Seahawks (5-3) won their third in a row and fifth in their last six games.

## NFL ROUNDUP

'Too much is made of the fact that I'm 40 years old," he said. "I can still read defenses and throw the football. As long as I'm surrounded by good people, I'll be OK."

Moon had his seventh 400-yard passing game in his 14th NFL season. tying Joe Montana for second place behind Dan Marino's 13.

"He plays like he's in his 20s," admired Oakland quarterback Jeff George.

In other games Sunday, Denver edged Buffalo 23-20 in overtime, Pittsburgh beat Jacksonville 23-17 in OT, the New York Giants beat Cincinnati 29-27, Minnesota topped Tampa 10-6, Philadelphia edged Dallas 13-12. Baltimore beat Washington 20-17, Kansas City topped St. Louis 28-20, San Francisco shut out New Orleans 23-0 and San Diego topped Indianapolis 35-19.

The Bears-Dolphins game, originally scheduled for Sunday afternoon in Miami, was rescheduled to tonight to accommodate Game 7 of the World Series. Green Bay and New England will also play tonight in a Super Bowl

Detroit and the New York Jets were idle.

### **Oilers 41, Cardinals 14**

Steve McNair ran for two touchdowns and threw for two more as Tennessee took advantage of Plummer's four interceptions.

"Hopefully this will never happen again," Plummer said. "It's not what I wanted for my first start, but I'm going to go back and look at my mistakes and correct them.'

McNair threw 55- and 20-yard scoring passes to Chris Sanders for the Oilers (4-4), who have seven interceptions in the past two weeks after having none in the previous six. All five **Oilers TDs came after Arizona (1-7)** turnovers.

### Panthers 21, Faicons 12

Tshimanga Biakabutuka rushed for 104 yards and two touchdowns as Carolina (4-4) beat a rookie quarterback making his first start for the second week in a row.

One week after stopping New Orleans and Danny Wuerffel, the Panthers kept Graziani on the run almost constantly and the seventhround draft pick from Oregon complet-

ed just four of 18 passes for 24 yards. Graziani was intercepted twice before being lifted at halitime in favor of Billy Joe Tolliver.

### Steelers 23, Jaguars 17

Kordell Stewart completed 25 of 42 passes for 317 yards and two touchdowns, including a 17-yard shovel pass to Jerome Bettis in overtime as Pittsburgh moved into first place in the AFC Central.

Bettis' fumble at the Steelers' 16 led to Mark Brunell's 3-yard go-ahead scoring pass to Pete Mitchell with 8:13 to play, but Pittsburgh's Norm Johnson sent the game into overtime with a 19-yard field goal with 2:21 remaining.

The visiting team still hasn't won in six games of a fast-developing rivalry that has succeeded the Browns-Steelers as the AFC Central's biggest. Jacksonville (5-3) has won all three at home, as have the Steelers (6-2).

### Broncos 23, Bills 20

Jason Elam kicked a 33-yard field goal with 1:56 left in overtime as the Broncos overcame a 20-point Buffalo (4-4) rally to defeat the Bills, one day after Denver battled through a blizzard back home.

Terrell Davis ran for 207 yards on 42 carries and scored one touchdown, and Elam added field goals of 23 and 22 yards for the Broncos (7-1).

### Vikings 10, Bucs 6

Charles Evans scored on a 1-yard run and Eddie Murray kicked a 28yard field goal as Minnesota (6-2) won for the fourth time in five games.

Murray's field goal snapped a scoreless tie with just over four minutes left in the third quarter, and David Palmer returned a punt 57 yards to set up Evans' TD in the final minute of the period.

The loss was the third straight for the Bucs (5-3), who opened the season with five successive victories.

### Giants 29, Bengals 27

Tyrone Wheatley and Charles Way each scored twice and Jason Sehorn intercepted a 2-point conversion pass with 1:30 to play as the Giants (6-3) won their fifth straight.

Coupled with losses by Dallas and Washington, New York enters its bye week with a 1-game lead in the NFC East

The Bengals (1-7) lost their seventh consecutive game despite opening a 21-10 halftime lead.

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HOUSE FOR SALE Newly remolded 3 bed. 2 full bath's New ash kitchen cab's. 421 Westover, \$48500.00 263-4548 or 270-0590	NO MONEY DOWN - USE LAND or HOME EQUITY. A-1 Homes of San Angelo 915-653-1152 or 1-800-626-9978	1 & 2 BEDROOM adult community unfurnished apartments. Completely remodeled, new carpet, new paint, all utilities paid, carport, no pets please.	Attention: Phen - Fen surviviors all natural doctor recommended. 30 day guarantee. Barbara (915) 235-3933	Place a Herald SUPER CLASSIFIED AD	OIL AND GAS WASTE DISPOSAL WELL PERMIT Bettis,Boyle & Stovall, P.O. Box 1240, Graham, TX 76450 is apply- ing to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to dispose of produced salt water or other oil and gas wate by well injection into	HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR TUESDAY, OCT. 28: Much happens that causes you to question this year; go	blu V en
Lg. 2 bd., 1 bath. Lg. den, livingroom, ref. air / central heat, garage, privacy fence. \$27,500. 267-3040.	ONLY 5,000 I Your choice, 3 bedroom or 2 bedroom pre - owned homes. Don't miss out, these bargains won't last! USA Homes 4608 W. Wall, Midland Tx 520-2177, 80-520-2177	GOOD LOCATION. Call 267-3940 for more information. 1 bdr, 1 bath, apt. cha, clean, quiet. Super value. On site	Too Lates 1995 Dodge Neon. 4-dr., Automatic, AM/FM Cass., 40K. Cleani Hail. \$3950. OBO. 267-2107 after 5pm.	PUBLIC NOTICE BID RFP 98-401 Advertisement for Bids The Howard County Junior College District is now accepting bids for the following: RESTRUCTURE THE WIDE	a polous formation not productive of oil or gas. The applicant propos- es to dispose of oil and gas waste into the San Andres Formation, Garden City "24" Lease, Well Number 2 SWD. The proposed dis- posal well is located 2 Miles South of Garden City in the Jailhouse	within to find answers. Also, observe your motives, con- scious and unconscious. Your awareness is increased through your willingness to open up to new ideas. Soul-searching	fa im oc ne loi
College Park, brick/alum. 3-1-1, Moss School. No owner finance. 267-2070.	Pay off your home faster than your car. Only 4 years to pay on 3 bedroom furnished mobile home, 15% down, 10.25% var apr,	Houses	REWARD- Lost on Todd Rd Tubbs Addn. Child's Pet - Male Boston Terrier. Wearing chain collar. Call 267-2753, 270-2753.	AREA NETWORK (WAN) Specifications may be obtained from Dennis Churchwell, Purchaser, Howard College, 1001 Birdwell Lane, Big Spring, TX 79720, 915-254-5167. Sealed bide will be accepted through 3:30 p.m. on November 19,1997 at which	(Fusselman) Field, in Glasscock County. The waste water will be injected into strata in the subsur- face depth interval from 2797 to 5429 test. LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as	enhances your professional sta- tus, as well as your personal confidence. If you are single, romance blossoms. However, do your homework and make	ch Pa l
FOR SALE: 1870 sq.ft., 3 bedroom, 2 bath formal living and dining with den. Completely remodeled, sprinkler system, RO unit, Central H/A, fireplace. 1702	\$299.00 per month. Homes of America Odessa, Tx. Se H a b l a E s p a n o l 1-915-363-0881 1800-725-0881 *Used homes as low as	3 Bedroom, 2 bath, central heat & air, den, fenced yard , utility room. 702 W. 18th, \$565/mth, \$250/dep. 267-7449.	PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF BEULAH MAE BIBY JORDAN	time they will be opened in the Administrative Annex and read aloud. The bids will then be tabu- lated and final determination of bid award will be made at a future board meeting. Technical questions should be	amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas. Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for	sure this person is emotionally available. If attached, you and your mate need special time together to reconnect on deep levels. Share some of your own emotional exploration. LIBRA	di be m ad ap fe
Harvard. 270-2535 or 263-8559. I PAY CASH FOR HOUSES quick, courteous response.	\$1449.00 total price. Homes of America Odessa, Tx. 1-915-363-0881 1-800-725-0881 Se Habla Espanol	new carpet, fenced yard.	Notice is hereby given that original Letters of Testamentary for the Estate of BEULAH MAE BIBY JORDAN were issued on October 21st, 1997 in Cause No. 12331 pending in the County Court of Howard County, Texas, to: PATRI-	directed to Tessa Brooks, Computer Services, Howard College, 915-264-5056. Bidding questions directed to Dennis Churchwell, Purchaser, 1001 Birdwell Lane, Big Spring, TX 79720, 915-264-5167. Howard County Junior College District	further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P. O. Box	understands more than you know. The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4- Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-	pa sc av
Don Hankins, 806-794-5964. By owner 3 br, 2 bath, 3 living areas, 22.3 sq. ft., ca/ch Open House Sun. Oct. 26, 2-4 pm. 267-8861.	BUSINESS PROP RENTAL Commercial Properties for sale or lease. Owner will	263-3350 3-2 , CARPORT, \$450/mo. plus deposit. Available Nov. 1st. 267-2296. 1610 Lark: 2 bdr., 1 bath, no	CIA JANE BIBY ANDERSON. The residence of such PATRICIA JANE BIBY ANDERSON is Midland, Texas, the post office address is: 5208 San Antonio, Midland, Texas 79707. All persons having claims against the forth which communications	reserves the right to reject any and all bids. 1620 October 26 & 27, 1997 PUBLIC IN THE NAME AND BY THE	12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512/463- 6792). 1621 October 27, 1997 NOTICE	Difficult. ARIES (March 21-April 19) Defer to others. Reach out for another, and you'll get your point across. Make that extra	by th st re er
I'M MAD at banks who don't give real estate loans because of bad credit, problems or new employment. I do, call L.D.	remodel to suit tenant. Terms are negotionalble. 4th & Benton . Large building for oifice or retail, attached garage. Snyder Hwy, 40x60	utilities paid. \$225/mon., 100/dep. Call 267-7449. Neat 1 bd.; 2 bdr. 1 bath, adjacent grade school; 3	this Estate which is currently being administered are required to pre- sent them within the time and the manner prescribed by law. DATED the 21st day of October, 1997. PATRICIA JANE BIBY ANDERSON	AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN AS FOLLOWS: TO: A. P. SLIGH AND VALINA SLIGH LYTLE, DEFENDANT LIENHOLDERS and any and all other unknown	securing the payment of same, as provided by law. All parties to this suit, including Plaintiffs, Defendant(s), and Intervenors, shall take notice that claims not only for any taxes which were delinquent on said property at	effort. Closeness marks conver- sation. The unexpected occurs with a friendship. Be ready to roll with the ups and downs.	ha go
Kirk, Horneland Mortgages, (254) 947-4475. 2 bd., central h/a, appliances, new roof, carpet, blinds, 1/2 acre. 263-2011 or	shop separate office, 5 acre yard. 263-6021 week days or 267-8696 weekends. FOR LEASE, shop building with office, 2 acres, fenced yard. 120 & Sand Springs.	\$220 per mo. 264-0510. UNFURNISHED HOUSES	TAKE TIME OUT	owners or persons, including adverse claimants, owing or having or claiming any legal or equitable interest in or lien upon the follow- ing described property delinquent to Plaintiffs herein, for taxes, to-wit: Lot Eleven (11), Block Six (6), Suburban Heights Addition to the	the time this suit was filed but all taxes becoming delinquent thereon at any time thereafter up to the day of judgment, including all interest, penalties, and cost allowed by law thereon, may, upon request there- fore, be recovered herein without further citation or notice to any par-	Expand your horizons, and be willing to break patterns. Tonight: Say yes to a request.***** TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Stay focused on your work.	R P aj g lo
263-3856. WE LOVE ♥ Veterans. \$0 down payment to any qualified veteran on a NEW Key Home. Interest rates	\$250/month, \$250/deposit. Call 263-5000 for more information.	2 - 2 bdr. houses, partly furnished. 2 - 1 bdr. houses, partly furnished. Call 267-3104	FOR YOURSELF	City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas Lot Twelve (12), Block Six (6), Suburban Heights Addition to the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas Which said property is delinquent	ties herein, and all said parties shall take notice of and plead and answer to all claims and pleadings now on file in said causes by all other parties herein, and all of those taxing units above named who may intervene herein and set	You get a lot done, very quick- ly. A partner's insight helps eliminate red tape. Take their suggestions with grace; they	m te m W
are great, call today and let us start your new custom built Key Home. 264-9440. 3 bdr. 2 bath, living , dining, utility, sep. apt. in rear, &	408 W. 5th. Bills paid. HUD approved. 263-4922 or 634-3685.	Nice clean 2 bdr. 1 bath house at 1607 Sycamore has new carpet, fenced yard & carport. 350/mon. & 150/dep. Call 267-1543		to Plaintiffs for taxes in the follow- ing amount: \$3,411.69, exclusive of interest, penalties, and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes all said inter- est, penalties, and costs thereon, allowed by law up to and including	up their respective tax claims against said property. You are hereby commanded to appear and defend such suit on the first Monday after the expira- tion of forty-two (42) days from and after the date of issuance hereof,	a positive and unexpected change that supports you. Tonight: Work hard.****	19 Se
carport., fenced yard, 263-0577. FOR SALE BY OWNER: 4/bedroom, 2 1/2 bathrooms, 2/car garage, 2/living areas.	home. References required. 263-6944, 263-2341. OFFICE SPACE	3 BEDROOM, 2 bath, 2 car garage. Fireplace, open floor plan, and sprinkler system. Call 267-4350. 2 bedroom house. Stove 8		the day of judgment herein. You are hereby notified that suit has been brought by HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL as Plaintiffs, against ROMAN LOPEZ, ET AL as Defendant(s), by Amended Petition filed on the 8th day of October,	the same being the 24th day of November, 1997 before the Honorable District Court of Howard County, Texas, to be held at the courthouse thereof, then and there to show cause why judgment shall not be rendered for such taxes.	listen to a partner. They give you key feedback. There is always a naughty side to you, and it is likely to flare. Go with	d tř p c
laundry room, patio, cinderblock fence on large comer lot in Highland South 263-1246/263-1126. MOBILE HOMES	office. Parking in front &		ing in this newspaper is subject to the Federal Fair Housing Act of 1968 which makes it illegal to advertise "any prefer-	1997, in a certain suit styled HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL VS. ROMAN LOPEZ AND WIFE, ANGELITA LOPEZ for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Howard County,	condemning said property and ordering foreclosure of the consti- tutional and statutory tax liens thereon for taxes due the Plaintiffs and the taxing unit parties hereto, and those who may intervene	flirtation could be building. If attached, a little flirting could send temperatures up. Tonight: Just say yes.*****	a T
1997 16x80 three bedroom/two bath, shingle roof, 2x6 walls, special ordered. Never lived in . Pick up payments. (915)	Neat 1 bd.; 2 bdr. 1 bath, adjacent grade school; 4 bd., 2 bath, East side. \$300 per mo. 4 acres chained link fence with truck scales, stage	\$300.00/mo. 263-6824 263-7373. Small 2 bdr. house: Carpet ceiling fans, fence. 235	<ul> <li>crimination based on race, color, religion,</li> <li>sex or national origin,</li> <li>or an intention to</li> <li>make any such prefer- ence, limitation or dis-</li> </ul>	Texas 118th Judicial District, and the file number of said suit is T-95- 11-4293 that the names of all tax- ing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinabove described, not made parties to this suit, are NONE.	up to and including the day of judg- ment herein, and all costs of this suit. Issued and given under my hand and seal of said court in the City of	You can't help but prioritize right now. Trust your limits, and make what you want hap- pen. A partner surprises you	ti v
653-1859 Cash 10", Used Mobile Homes & Travel Trailers 915-528-7970.	with truck scales, stee box car, office & shed at 1400 N. Birdwell lane, was a scrap fron yard. 264 0510	pets! Ref. & dep. McDonald Realty 263-7616.	This newspaper will not knowingly accept any advertising for geal estate, which is in	Plaintiffs and all other taxing units who may set up their tax claims herein seek recovery of delinquent and valorem taxes on the property hereinabove described, thereon up to and including the day of judg- ment herein, and the establishment	Colleen Barton Clerk of the District Court Howard County, Texas France A 118th Judicial District. 1612 October 27 &	After the initial jolt, you need to rethink. New insights permit a new door to open. Tonight:	v T t d
*7 years to pay on a new 3 bedroom 2 bath doublewide		2 hadroom 11/2 hath 4210	informed that all dwellings advertised in	and foreclosure of liens, if any.	November 3, 1997	Happy at home.****	

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blues, browns or greens.\*\*\* VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

Your more possessive side emerges when dealing with family and career. Let your imagination flow with a family member. The unexpected occurs at work. Your willingness will help you adapt in the long run. You might be up for a change at home, too. Tonight: Pay bills.\*\*\*

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

Your allure is evident, even if a loved one acts in an unpredictable manner. They might be overwhelmed by the animal magnetism you project. You are adaptable and might choose to approach a touchy person differently than you have in the past. Tonight: Your call.\*\*\*\*\* SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

Much is going on behind the scenes that you might not be aware of. However, you can see by another's actions where there might be a misunderstanding. You might want to redesign your finances differently or change your banking habits. Tonight: Curl up with a good book.\*\*\*

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

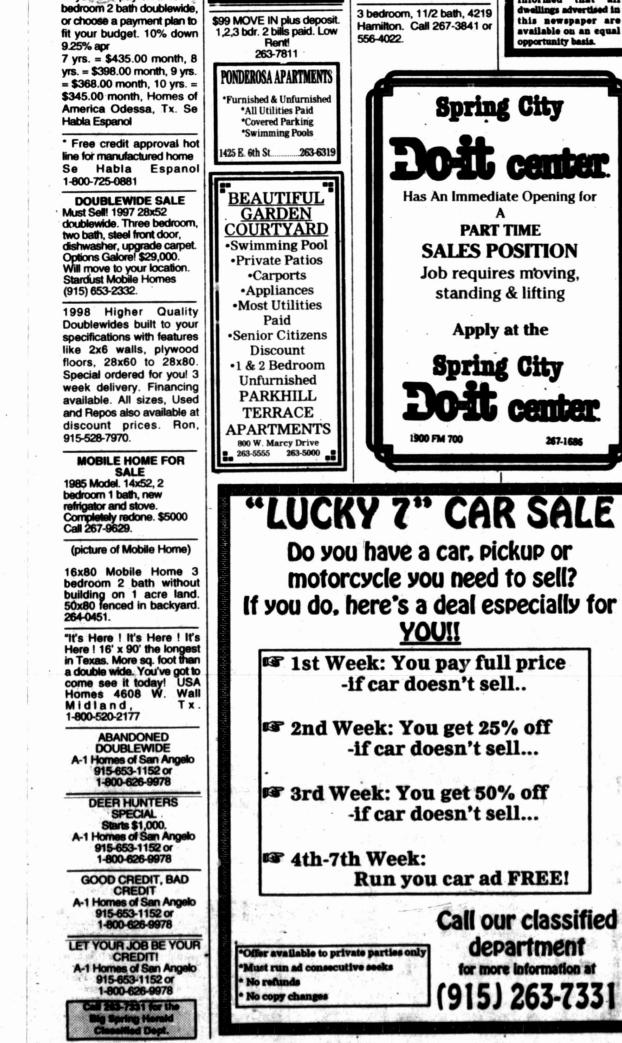
Zero in on what you want. Remain in charge of your life, perhaps by canceling an appointment or maybe letting go of a commitment that no longer serves you. You are more in touch with your longterm goals. Go with the element of surprise. Tonight: Wherever you are, the action is.\*\*\*\*\*

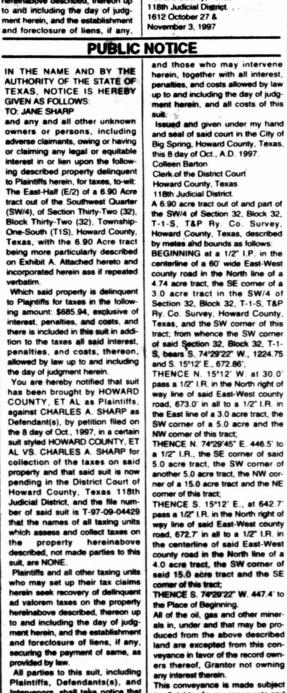
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

Use instincts with a boss or someone you consider in charge. You might have a very different point of view than they do. In a situation where a power struggle could happen, check in with yourself and examine your motives. Stop and buy a lottery ticket, Tonight: Be noticed.\*\*\*

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) As usual, you bring an air of excitement and the unexpected. Part of the reason others find you novel is that your perceptions and point of view are very different. Discussions could change a friend's point of view. Flow with the moment. Tonight: Follow, the less-trod-den path.\*\*\*\*\* 5-4 (X )

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)





Plaintiffs, Defendants(s), and Intervenors, shall take notice that laims not only for any taxes which were delinquent on said property at the time this suit was filed but all taxes becoming delinquent thereon at any time thereafter up to the day of judgment, including all interest ities, and cost allowed by law thereon, may, upon request there-fore, be recovered herein without further citation or notice to any per-ties herein, and all said parties shall take notice of and plead and answer to all claims and pleadings now on file in said causes by all ther parties herein, and all of exas.a those taxing units above named who may intervene herein and set up their respective tax claims above described premises, togeth-er with all and singular the rights nst said property. You are hereby commanded to

er with all and singular the rights and appurtenances thereto, in any-wise belonging, unto the said grantee, his helen and assigns for-ever; and I do herbiby bind mysell, my heirs, executors and adminis-trators to WARRANT AND FOR-EVER DEFEND all and singular the said premises unto the said grantee, his heirs and assigns, against every person whomsoever r and defend such suit or the first Monday after the expira ion of forty-two (42) days from and fter the date of issuance hereof the same being the 24th day o November, 1997 before the Honorable District Court of Howard County, Texas, to be held at the courthouse thereof, then and there to show cause why judgment shall not be rendered for such taxes, against every person with lawfully claiming or to same or any part thereof. EXECUTED this 16th day of maillies, interest, and costs, and March, A.D. 1983. THE STATE OF TEXAS ing said property and preciosure of the consti COUNTY OF HOWARD and state ory tax liens CHARLES & SHAR for taxes due the Plaintif 613 October 27 &

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

Chat up a storm, and be direct with others. They appreciate your feedback. You love the spontaneity of your associates. Give them permission to be whimsical. Unusual creativity and vitality mark your choices. Let your imagination spin. Tonight: Bat those baby

Your insight is appreciated, though in discussion you might be startled by a revelation. You will have a moment of illumination. A partner is key to this process. Work is demanding; follow through and leave more pleasant pastimes for later. Tonight: Your door opens to life!\*\*\*\*

## Schooling at home gets low marks from teachers

you after reading the column on the merits of home-schooling. I am a fourth-grade teacher who has taught for many years.

Abby, I cringe every time I hear the words "home-schooling." I am sure that the students who wrote you were sincere; and yes, there are some advantages to being hometaught.

However, my experience has taught me that without exception, children who come into my class after being hometaught have large gaps in their education. They tend to read well and

write using proper grammar a spelling, but their writing is stilted and disorganized. Abigail Social sci-Van Buren ences are Columnist lacking

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and science is a foreign word: Furthermore, they can't problem-solve in cooperative groups, which is an essential skill in the job market of today.

Today's education involves more than just the basics. Students need to understand concepts, and that problems can be approached in more than one way and can have more than one solution.

Teaching is a full-time job, and I have never met a parent who can give his/her children the quality of education I can offer. - BETTY MONT-GOMERY, DIAMOND BAR, CALIF.

**DEAR BETTY: Thank you for** writing. I heard from many

DEAR ABBY: I had to write enthusiastic home-schooled students; however, it is important to hear the views of professional educators. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: It's amazing that so many readers give home-schooling high marks. I never would have attempted it. In high school I had four years of English, French and history; two years of Latin, chemistry and physics; and one year of algebra, plane and solid geometry and trigonometry. Not many parents are qualified to teach these subjects more than 20 years later.

When our son was enrolled in advanced biology, his teacher held up the textbook and said, "More than half the contents of this book are new since your parents attended high school."

A high level of literacy is commendable, as is an early foundation in the humanities, but I doubt that would have been sufficient for our two children to gain admission to, let alone graduate with honors from, two Ivy League colleges. - DALLAS DAD

For an excellent guide to becoming a better conversationalist and a more attractive person, order "How to Be Popular." Send a businesssized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby Popularity Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054-0447. (Postage is includ-

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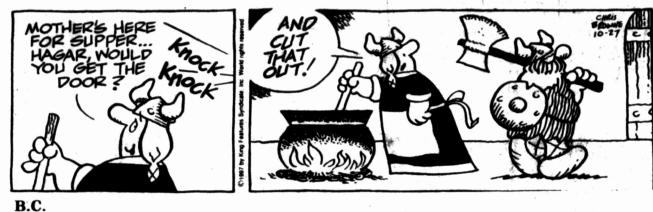
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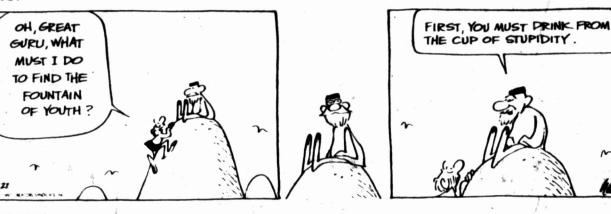
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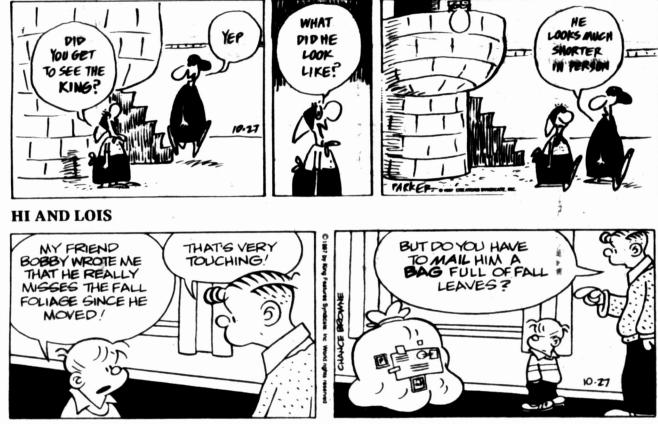
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Today is Monday, Oct. 27, the 800th day of 1997. There are 65 days left in the year.

On Oct. 27, 1787, the first of the Federalist Papers, a series of essays calling for ratification of the U.S. Constitution, was published in a New York newspaper.

Today's Highlight in History:

On this date: In 1795, the United States and Spain signed the Treaty of San

Lorenzo (also known as Pinckney's Treaty), which provided for free navigation of the Mississippi River.

"I'M NOT UP TO ANYTHING. I'M STILL DOWN HERE.

In 1858, the 26th president of the United States, Theodore Roosevelt, was born in New York City.

'n 1880, Theodore Roosevelt married Alice Lee.

In 1904, the first rapid transit

### **GASOLINE ALLEY**



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subway, the IRT, opened in New York City.

In 1914, author-poet Dylan Thomas was born in Swansea, Wales.

In 1938, Du Pont announced a name for its new synthetic varn: nylon.

In 1947, "You Bet Your Life," starring Groucho Marx, premiered on ABC Radio. (It later became a television show on NBC.)

In 1954, Walt Disney's first television program, titled "Disneyland" after his yet-to-be completed theme park, premiered on ABC.

In 1967, Expo '67 closed in Montreal.

In 1978, Egyptian President Anwar Sadat and Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin were named winners of the Nobel Peace Prize for their progress toward achieving a Middle East accord.

Ten years ago: South Korean overwhelmingly voters approved a new constitution,

establishing direct presidential elections and other democratic reforms. Associated Press correspondent Terry Anderson, a hostage in Lebanon, spent his 40th birthday in captivity.

Five years ago: The government reported that the U.S. gross domestic product grew at an inflation-adjusted annual rate of 2.7 percent in the third quarter of 1992. Friends of Queen Elizabeth II staged an elaborate celebration for the 40th anniversary of her ascension to the British throne.

One year ago: U.S. envoy Dennis Ross shuttled between Jerusalem and the Palestinians' Gaza Strip headquarters, trying to finesse a deal to start an overdue Israeli withdrawal from Hebron.

Today's Birthdays: Former "Tonight Show" executive pro-ducer Frederick DeCordova is 87. Actress Teresa Wright is 79. Actress Nanette Fabray is 77. Baseball Hall-of-Famer and sportscaster Ralph Kiner is 75. Actress Ruby Dee is 73. Former Secretary of State Warren M. Christopher is 72. Pianist Floyd Cramer is 64. Actor-comedian John Cleese is 58. Country singer Lee Greenwood is 55. Actress Carrie Snodgress is 51. **Rock musician Garry Tallent** (Bruce Springsteen & the E Street Band) is 48. Author Fran Lebowitz is 47. Actress and TV personality Jayne Kennedy-Overton is 46. Actor Peter Firth is 44.