

Garry Mauro files for run for governor

AUSTIN (AP) - Garry Mauro on Wednesday filed to be on the primary ballot seeking the Democratic nomination for governor, saying former Gov. Ann **Richards and Attorney General** Dan Morales have agreed to be honorary co-chairs of his campaign.

Mauro is the only Democrat to announce for the race so far. The filing deadline is Friday.

On the Republican side, Gov. George W. Bush, who filed for office a month ago, has drawn one primary opponent, R.C. Crawford, of Round Rock.

"I'm running for governor because I want to change the way things work in Austin," said Mauro, who was has been land commissioner since 1983. "Lobbyists and Austin insiders put their clients and the special interests first. I'm running for governor to put Texas families first.

After filing, Mauro reiterated his campaign themes of: Working to eliminate the sales tax Texans pay when they buy a car, truck or sports vehi-

cle.

choice in choosing their doctor. Ending the use of portable classrooms and certifying teachers in the subjects they teach.

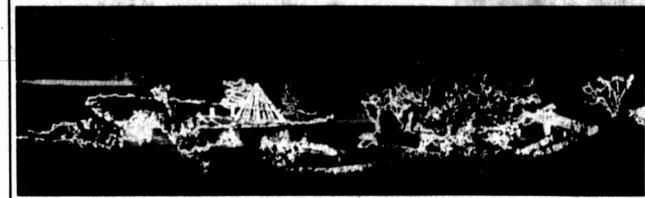
• Fighting the U.S. Supreme Court to keep felons from being released early from Texas prisons.

Karen Hughes, a spokeswoman for Bush, said Mauro can't claim to be an Austin outsider.

"Garry Mauro is a 16-year Austin insider," Hughes said.

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LAST NIGHT FOR LIGHTS AT HISTORIC SPRING



Tonight is the last night the lights at The Historic Spring will be illuminated. More than 30,000 lights were placed around the spring during the first lighting effort at the historic site.

New state law prompts one local teen's resolution to quit

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN

Features Editor

Bryan Kennemur, 17, has resolved to quit smoking for the new year.

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"I don't want to get my license taken away," he said, referring to the provision of the law that could punish him for smoking by revoking his driver's license.

In Bryan's case, the law may have worked already. The most difficult part for him will be keeping his resolution.

Other local teens who continue to smoke, however, face criminal penalties that could include forced attendance at a tobacco education program, fines up to \$250, and revoking of their licenses.

Local police, Chief Lonnie Smith said, are trained and

ready to target teen smokers. He said in Monday's Herald that the department would handle the new law much like a traffic offense.

Bryan has been smoking for about four years, against the wishes of his parents, and despite the complaints of some friends and other adults.

"I'm going to quit now while I'm out of school and away from my friends," Bryan explained. "I won't have any (cigarettes) and I hope by the time I'm back in school, I'll be off the habit."

He said he began smoking with his friends in Boy Scouts, when they would sneak cigarettes on trips. Although he kept the habit secret for a while, Bryan was eventually forced to admit to his parents that he was addicted.

His father, Danny, quit smoking 21 years ago. His mother, Kay, is allergic to smoke. "I never thought my kids

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Still smoldering — Californians scoff as smoking ban arrives

LOS ANGELES (AP) - Told that they were smoking in violation of the law, many Californians kept right on puffing away at bars early today as the New Year and a new ban arrived.

Nearly 200 rebellious smokers at the Pine Cove Inn tavern in Sacramento continued puffing on cigars and cigarettes after midnight, when the state's strict no-smoking ban officially went into effect.

"Ladies and gentlemen, you are all officially breaking the law if you are smoking," hollered tavern manager Gerry Sherman. He was met with jeers and cat calls - and everyone kept smoking.

At San Francisco's Gold Dust Lounge, Jake McClean, 21, kept smoking his cigar right through midnight. He didn't plan to stop, "unless they pry it from my fingers."

California banned smoking in most indoor workplaces in 1995, including the non-bar areas of restaurants. Bars and casinos were temporarily exempt.

But the only exempt businesses now are casinos and bars on American Indian reservations and owner-operated businesses with no employees. More than 35,000 bars, gambling parlors and bar-restaurants are affected. California is the first state to ban smoking in most bars and casinos. The ban isn't meant to criminalize smoking, state officials say, but to give employees a workplace free of secondhand smoke, which has been linked to lung cancer, respiratory problems and other illnesses.

Owners breaking the law could be fined up to \$100 for a first offense and up to \$7,000 per violation for a series of offenses. Smokers can be fined.

State officials estimate that 82 percent of California's adults don't smoke. While smoking foes eagerly awaited the new law, others scoffed at it.

"This is the weird thing. We're in L.A. ... what's the difference of inhaling secondhand smoke and smog?' asked Vincent Jung, owner of Formosa Cafe in Hollywood. "We didn't ban cars did we?"

Kenaf: Plant long-touted by local USDA facility gains credibility as cash crop with Houston factory

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

A plant long studied by officials at the local agriculture research station is gaining support as a viable cash crop alternative to cotton

At a factory on the east side of Houston, a processing plant is up and running, part of an attempt to turn a cousin of cotton and okra into a cash crop.

Using equipment that borrows heavily from cotton gins, the Petroexx company is turning the weed-like stalks of kenaf into an absorbent used for soaking up oil spills and an additive to mix with the mud used in drilling oil and gas wells.

Only 25 pounds of the company's Kenaf 2000 brand absorbent will soak up a 42-gallon barrel of crude oil, it says, compared with 67 pounds of peat or 665 pounds of clay-based absorbent.

Target markets, in addition to offshore cleanup, are wellheads, compressor stations and refineries.

J.D. Bilbro of the local U.S. Department of Agriculture research station, who has been studying possible applications for kenaf,

said it has a variety of possible uses. Among other things, it can be used as

paper, poultry litter, packing material, matting, seed and fertilizer mats and even cloth. In its green stage, kenaf can also be

used as cattle feed. But its high rate of absorbency may hold the key to its most profitable use, Bilbro said.

"It's just super-absorbent," he said. "Every pound of kenaf you use can hold up to 10 pounds of liquid."

But convincing area farmer to grow the product has proven to be an uphill struggle for Bilbro and other kenaf boosters.

A downside to growing the plant is that it is highly susceptible to nematodes, microscopic worms that the roots of certain plants. Area cotton farmers who have these worms in their fields would definitely want to stay away from kenaf. Bilbro said.

Even if a nematode-resistant strain of kenaf is developed, making it commercially viable will be a long-term project.

It's a typical chicken and egg situation: local farmers growing the crop need factories such as the one in Houston - there are only three others in the United States - to justify planting kenaf.

But the processing companies need large plantings to assure a supply of raw materials.

"That's the catch — you've got to develop a market for it," Bilbro said. "You've got to prove that kenaf is better or cheaper - or both — than the alternative. You've got to show that person a definite advantage, or he won't switch."

The mud additive has been used in the United States and exported to Canada, Venezuela, Italy and Egypt, said Clifford Johnson, the company's vice president and chief financial officer.

It forms a seal in the bore hole to prevent seepage of drilling fluid, which must be kept circulating while the bit is turning.

The plant is designed to handle 40 tons per day, but isn't to that point yet, plant manager Richard Hensley said. The operation isn't yet profitable, but is close and should reach that goal next year, Johnson told the Houston Chronicle.

Now it is getting its kenaf raw material in 450-pound rectangular bales from International Paper, which is growing kenaf on 1,500 acres of an old farmstead in

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No room at shelter, Humane Society forced to turn away animals

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

The local Humane Society has always prided itself in not turning away any abandoned animal. That policy, however, is going to be sorely tested during the next few months.

of the Margeret Lloyd Humane Society said Wednesday that, because of a recent deluge of abandoned animals, the local shelter cannot accept any more strays for the foreseeable future.

"We've had so many brought to us, and we've taken so many in, that we can't take any more at this time," Lloyd said. "But we will go to any length to place these animals, rather than having them at the shelter."

The shelter, located west of Big Spring on the Interstate 20 service road, usually houses about 200 dogs and around 50 cats. That population, however, has mushroomed recently to 350 dogs and more than 75 cats.

"I don't know why, but a lot of people have moved away and left their dogs behind," Lloyd said. "Also, a lot of people have let their dogs breeds, haven't gotten them spayed or neutered, then they come here and say, 'Could you please take these six puppies off my hands?'

Recent donations allowed the shelter to obtain more animal pens, but it still has more of a demand than it can handle.

"It's been coming on gradually for the past few months," Lloyd said, "but it's really gotten bad recently."

A stopgap solution officials

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TO OUR READERS:

So that our employees might have the opportunity to spend as much of New Year's Day with friends and family as possible, today's newspaper was produced on an early deadline.

We will observe normal hours Friday and our offices will be open from 7:30 a.m. until 5 p.m.

We appreciate your patronage and look forward to continuing to provide you with Big Spring's most complete and accurate local news coverage in 1998. JOHN H. WALKER

Managing Editor



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Today, partly cloudy afternoon. Highs 60 to 65. Tonight, mostly cloudy Lows in lower 40s. Friday, mostly cloudy. Highs in mid 60s. Friday night, mostly cloudy. Lows in 40s. Saturday through Sunday, mostly cloudy with chance of thunderstorms. Lows upper 30s to mid 40s. Highs in the 60s. Monday, slight chance of rain. Lows in the 30s. Highs in the 50s.

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United Blood Services slates five drives

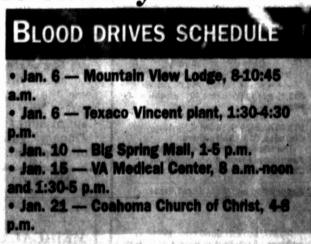
By JOHN H. WALKER

Managing Editor

Local and area residents will have ample opportunities to give blood during the first few weeks of 1998 as United Blood Services (UBS) has five blood drives scheduled through Jan. 21.

Blood drives will be held at both Mountain View Lodge and Texaco's Vincent plant on Tuesday, at Big Spring Mall on Saturday, Jan. 10, at the VA Hospital on Thursday, Jan. 15 and at the Coahoma Church of Christ on Wednesday, Jan. 21.

San Angelo-based UBS is a not-for-profit exclusive blood provider for about 18 hospitals across West Texas, including Scenic Mountain Medical Center and the Big Spring Veterans



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OBITUARIES

Jose 'Quate' Munoz

Jose "Quate" Munoz, went to be with his Lord on Dec. 30, 1997, at 6:21 p.m. at Memorial Hospital

Midland, at the age of 49 years. Rosary will be p.m.

Thursday, Jan. 1998, at Myers & Smith

Chapel Funeral Mass

MUNOZ will be 1 p.m. Friday, Jan. 2,

1998, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church with Rev. Cornelius Scanlan officiating. Burial will follow in Mount Olive Memorial Park under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home & Chapel.

He was born on Feb. 20, 1948, in Big Spring.

He was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church. He joined the Job Corps at age 16 and later served the National Guard. He worked for the City of Big Spring Sanitation Department until he became disabled in 1986. He enjoyed playing bingo and dominoes with his family.

He married Hilda Rodriguez in 1968. They had three children; Melinda Saiz of Big Spring, Bertha Rubio and Mariano Michael Munoz, both of Lubbock.

Later he married Martha Gomez on Sept. 22, 1979; they had two children: Orlando Munoz and Carlos Munoz both of Big Spring.

He left his brothers and sisters: Johnny Munoz of Waiwa, Hawaii, Mrs. Joe "Beatrice" Ybarra of Big Spring; Mrs. Juan 'Mary' Ruiz of Coahoma, Mrs. Jose "Tommie" Regalado of Big Spring and Samuel R. Munoz, also of Big Spring.

He left eight grandchildren: Melissa Munoz, Angela Saiz, Miranda Saiz and Ernest Saiz all of Big Spring, Amy Rubio, Fred Rubio, Jr., and Ryan Rubio all of Lubbock, and Juan Angel Gomez, Jr. of New Mexico.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Mariano M. and Claudia R. Munoz.

Pallbearers will be Joe "Cooter" Smith, 89, Lamesa, will be 10 a.m. Friday, Jan. 2, 1998, at First Baptist Church, Lamesa. Burial will be in Lamesa Memorial Park.

Mr. Smith died Tuesday, Dec. 30, 1997, at Medical Arts Hospital.

He was born on Jan. 30, 1908, in Teague. He married Geraldine A. Smith on Jan. 15, 1932, in Lovington, N.M. and had lived in Lamesa since 1930. Survivors are his wife, Geraldine A. Smith, Lamesa; two sons, Wayne Smith and Bob Smith, both of Lamesa; two daughters, Alice Howard, Lamesa, and Martha Belew, Big Spring; two sisters, Katherine Hill, Hillsboro, and Mary Brad Dooley, El Paso; eight grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

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

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have recently developed is to have local residents temporarily adopt an animal or two.

"It's called the Foster Home Program," Lloyd said. "We want people with a fenced-in yard to take an animal for a three-week period ... We'll even provide the food for them."

Animals open to adoption have all been spayed or neutered and dipped and sprayed for fleas. In addition, each dog has received a rabies shot.

For more information contact shelter officials at 267-7832 or 267-5646.

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Arkansas, near Texarkana. As of November, Petroexx was one of four active fiber separation plants in the United States. according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, which has promoted kenaf.

The USDA says three more are planned for 1998, and a 200ton-per-day, \$130 milliofi newsprint mill is in the final

to punish oil and gas companies that pollute.

LOCAL

"With Gary Dugger as Texas Railroad Commissioner, the safety and well-being of Texas communities and the environment will come first," Dugger said.

The Railroad Commission is responsible for overseeing the state's oil and gas industry, promoting alternative fuels and ensuring railway safety at road crossings.

Dugger, 45, is the only Democrat so far to file for the Railroad Commission seat. The filing deadline is Friday.

Former U.S. Rep. Steve Stockman from Friendswood is vving with Steve Holzheauser, a six-term House member from Victoria, for the Republican nomination.

The candidates are competing for the post now held by Republican Barry Williamson. who is running for attorney general.

Dugger, the son of Texas Observer founder Ronnie Dugger, has said he will propose a "graduated progressive severance tax" on Texas energy producers.

That plan would shift tax burdens from smaller, independent producers to larger national and multinational corporations, he said.

Dugger said he would urge the Railroad Commission to study oil and gas production see if companies are costs charging too much.

He said he would also push for a moratorium on uranium mining until there is a reliable way to dispose of radioactive waste.

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Administration Medical Center. According to UBS' Angie Tyson, the organization must collect at least 325 units of blood each week just to provide an adequate supply to area patients.

In order to give blood, donors must be between the ages of 17 and 79, must weigh at least 110 pounds and must be well and healthy at the time of the donation. Donors must also know the name of any medication

they are currently taking.

A ROUND THE TOWN

his new pen. The cage door was opened, and Tigger bounded across a 3,000-square-foot enclosure.

Tigers are happier when they have company, but the declawed and neutered Tigger will remain alone in his pen for a few weeks until he gets used to his neighbors, said trust director Nancy Schonwalter. Then the staff will pair him with females until it's clear that Tigger is compatible with

one. The trust keeps 280 animals from 16 species and finds humans who will help pay the animals' living expenses.

BRIEFS

THE HISTORIC SPRING IN Comanche Trail park will be decorated with a lighted display of thousands of lights nightly beginning at 6:30 p.m. through

tonight. For more information, call Pat Simmons, 263-4607.

BIG SPRING FAMILY YMCA is holding a holiday camp for children in the community whose parents must work during the school break. Trained staff will provide edu-

cational, fun activities in a safe environment. The final camp date is Saturday from 6:30 a.m.-6 p.m.

For more information, call 267-8234.

HEALTH will offer flu shots to those 18 and over every Wednesday of the winter months (October through February). The injections are available from 8:30-11:30 a.m. and 1-4:30 p.m. at 501 Birdwell Lane.

is no co-payment, but the card must be presented at the time of the injection. For others, the fee is \$5.

SERVICE is looking for volunteers to assist taxpayers with preparation of their 1997 Income Tax Returns. Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) training for volunteers will be Monday-Friday, Jan. 12-16 from 9:30 a.m. to noon at the First Presbyterian Church, Eighth and Runnels.

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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.

•NA meeting, 6 to 7:30 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church.

 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. 1340, 7:30 p.m., 2101 Lancaster. Call Ron Long, 267-8715.

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 to 11:30 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad. Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, open meetings at noon, 8 p.m. and 10 p.m. SUNDAY

•Good Shepherd Fellowship Church, 610 Abrams, has services at 2 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) 5:15 p.m. weigh in and 6:15 p.m. meeting, Best Home Health Care, 1710 E. Marcy Dr. 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. •Encourager's support group, for widows and widowers, 6 p.m., Santa Fe Sandwich Shop, Big Spring Mall. For more information call 398-5522 or 399-4369 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. •Al-Anon, 8 to 9 p.m., 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.,

Alcoholics Anonymous, 615

267-1628 for more information.

All ages welcome.

BIG SPRING HERALD

Thursday, January 1, 1998

VFW Hall.

 Cancer support group, 7 to 8 p.m., VA Medical Center room 213. Call Beverly Rice, 268-5077. Coahoma senior citizens luncheon, 11 a.m., Coahoma **Community Center.**

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.

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Post 506, 7 p.m. Call 263-2084.

•Christmas in April, noon, 1607 E. Third. Call Theresa Hodnett, 263-0147.

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

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Ybarra, Jr., Albert Ybarra, Jimmy Ybarra, Johnny Ybarra, Andy Ybarra, Jerry Ybarra, Juan Ruiz, Jr. and Rene Ruiz. (Paid obituary)

Wayne William 'Cooter' Smith Service for Wayne William

NALLEY-PICKLE & WELCH **Funeral Home** Trinity Memorial Park and Crematory 906 Gregg St. (915) 267-6331

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MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL

24th & Johnson 267-8288

Evelyn Vigar, 76, died Monday. Services are 11:00 AM, Friday, at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial Mt. Olive Memorial Park. The family will recieve friends from 4 to 6 PM, Thursday at Myers & Smith.

Jose Munoz, 49, died Tuesday. Rosary will be 7:00 PM Thursday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral Mass will be 1:00 PM, Friday at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, with burial at Mount Olive

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stages of planning somewhere in the South.

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The Associated Press contributed to this report.

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For more information, call UBS in San Angelo at (800) 756-

Abandoned tiger finds new home

PITTSBORO, N.C. (AP) The 350-pound pet tiger found chained to a tree in downtown Houston three months ago finally made it to his new home thanks to a two-day van trip after his airplane ride fell through.

The 6-foot cat named Tigger arrived in Chatham County Tuesday night. On Wednesday, he went into a pen at the **Carnivore Preservation Trust**, where 27 tigers already live.

Tigger was emaciated when he was found but was nursed back to health during his long stay with the Houston SPCA. Exxon officials heard about his plight and donated \$10,000 to build him a new pen in North Carolina. Exxon's longtime corporate symbol is a tiger.

Getting to North Carolina took longer than expected.

Continental Airlines offered to fly the tiger to Raleigh-Durham International Airport, but Tigger's crate wouldn't fit through the jet's cargo door. So three trust workers drove last weekend to Texas in a panel van. They loaded Tigger and his cage early Monday and returned late Tuesday.

Carnivore Trust staffers hoisted his metal cage on poles Wednesday and placed him in

NOW OPEN MEL'S BAR Mixed Drinks •Beverages Complete Bar Available 267-6266 504 Gregg Street

For more information call Dorothy Kennemur at 398-5522.

THE MOBILE MEALS **PROGRAM**, also known as Meals on Wheels, needs volunteers to deliver meals.

If you can spare one hour per week to deliver eight or 10 meals, we need you. About 85 to 90 meals are prepared, packaged and delivered within the city limits of Big Spring. If you can volunteer, please call 263-4016 before 3 p.m.

LINE DANCING IS **OFFERED** at the Big Spring Family YMCA, Fridays from 11 a.m.-noon. This is a great way to get exercise and have fun at the same time. Call for more information, 267-8234

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

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

The Howard County Sheriff's Office reported no incidents between 8 a.m. Wednesday and 8 a.m. Thursday:

POLICE

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

 NÍCHOLAS MINDLING, 34, arrested on a theft warrant. • TRICIA CASTILLO, 22,

arrested on charge of possession of marijuana under two ounces

VICTOR CASTILLO, 25, arrested on charge of possession of marijuana under two ounces

• ERNEST CLARK, 57, arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• JOE MATA, 19, arrested on a charge of possession of marijuana under two ounces.

 ROSHANDA BETHANY, 18, arrested on charge of no driver's license.

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GENERAL NEWS

Administration quizzing Russia about missile cooperation with Iran

dministration is sending a senior U.S. diplomat to Moscow seeking the government's help in reining in Russian companies that may be providing missile technology to Iran.

Announcing former Ambassador Frank Wisner's mission to Moscow, a State Department spokesman said the Russians have made clear they oppose Russian companies' cooperation with Iran in developing missiles.

"We believe they share our concerns," spokesman James Foley said Wednesday. He said Wisner, a former U.S. ambassador to India, Egypt and other major countries, was "hard at work on this issue" and would go to Moscow sometime this month.

Also causing distress within the

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Clinton Clinton administration is a report that a rising moderate force in a fundamen-Russia is taking steps toward selling a nuclear reactor to Syria.

A third bone of contention is that Russia joined with China and France in 1997 to keep the U.N. Security Council from taking a tougher stand against Iraq over President Saddam Hussein's refusal to give inspectors full access to suspected weapons sites. The result could be strains in rela-

tions between the Clinton administration and President Boris Yeltsin's government.

Even so, the administration is taking seriously an offer by Iranian President Mohammad Khatami to have a dialogue with the United States after nearly two decades of diplomatic impasse.

The hope is that Khatami represents

talist regime that the United States has tried with limited success to isolate and punish with economic sanctions.

"Our areas of concern and the issue of dialogue are not in any way mutually contradictory because, if we get to an official authoritative dialogue with Iran, we would be raising these concerns," Foley said.

In Hilton Head Island, S.C., where President Clinton is taking a year-end holiday. White House spokesman Joseph Lockhart said, "A change in policy towards Iran must be based on actions, not intentions."

At the same time, a senior Iranian official called on the United States to revise its policies and stop attacking the Islamic Republic.

"The misconceptions of the people of the Russian Interfax news agency said the United States about Iran must be corrected and the United States should seriously revise its policies," said Deputy Foreign Minister Mohammad Javad Zarif, quoted in the Iran News. CNN plans to interview Khatami next; week in what would give the Iranian president an opportunity to speak directly to the American people. The interview is to be televised Wednesday.

In Israel, meanwhile, a government official told the newspaper Haaretz that Israel believed Russia was negotiating nuclear cooperation with Syria.

Vitaly Nasonov, a spokesman for Russia's Atomic Energy Ministry, said he was unaware of any such plan.

"The Russian government supports the Atomic Energy Ministry's proposal that cooperation with the Syrian Arab Republic in peaceful uses of atomic energy should be stepped up," Haaretz reported.

A senior Clinton administration official registered U.S. concern, as well.

Meanwhile, according to published reports, U.S. satellite reconnaissance of the Shahid Hemat Industrial Group research facility south of Tehran picked up on Dec. 15 the heat signature of an engine test for a new generation of Iranian ballistic missiles, each capable of carrying a 2,200 pound warhead more than 800 miles.

That range would cover Israel and A government statement issued by most of Saudi Arabia and Turkey.

Emotions bathe Nichols' trial DENVER (AP) — Ending the

prosecution's penalty phase with an emotional barrage, a mother tearfully shouted at Oklahoma City bombing conspirator Terry Nichols and jurors that her dead daughter 'was stolen from me."

Jurors appeared stunned as Kathleen Treanor screamed and pounded the lectern Wednesday as she recalled losing her 4year-old, one of 19 children to die in the blast.

"I buried a little white box. I never saw her again and I had to live with the guilt, the guilt of being a mother who had to work. ... I wanted to die," Mrs. Treanor shouted, hammering out each word and rising slightly from her chair. Nichols looked surprised.

U.S. District Judge Richard Matsch later told the jury that Mrs. Treanor, who also lost two in-laws in the blast, was out of control.

"The woman lost it and the volume with which she expressed her anger is something that may have been " intended to suggest more to you than she was asked," Matsch, said. "You'll have to disregard it. Obviously, that was inappropriate.'

Mrs. Treanor was one of the last witnesses called before prosecutors rested their uphill bid to secure a death penalty Michols. fenne attorneys will get

Nichols' relatives to show him as a committed, loving father. His ex-wife Lana Padilla, who testified for the prosecution during the guilt phase of the trial, has been subpoenaed by the defense. Nichols' attorneys have indicated they will wrap up early next week.

Court was in recess today. The government brought in 55 witnesses over three days in an effort to persuade the jury to impose the death sentence, even though that same jury found Nichols guilty only of conspiracy and eight counts of involuntary manslaughter on Dec. 23.

Nichols was acquitted of murder charges after the jury concluded he never intended to kill. Co-defendant Timothy McVeigh was convicted earlier this year of all 11 murder and conspiracy charges and sentenced to death.

Because of the mixed verdict against Nichols, legal experts have said it would be unlikely the jury would give Nichols the death penalty. The other options are life in prison or a lesser term to be determined by Matsch.

Earlier Wednesday, the judge warned jurors to steel themselves and maintain their perspective as they listened to the sometimes graphic testimony about the 168 people killed in the April 19, 1995, bombing.

He said he noticed some their chance to respond on jurors wiping away tears as riday, when they begin calling they listened and reminded

them that their duty was to weigh all testimony evenly.

The admonition came after defense attorneys objected several times to some of the testimony, especially when witnesses speculated on the motive of the bombing or talked of graveside services.

Taking the stand in the late afternoon, Mrs. Treanor calmly told jurors her daughter, Ashley Eckles, was "the sunshine of my life.

On the day of the bombing, Ashley begged Mrs. Treanor to stay home and "play with her," but Mrs. Treanor said she couldn't because she had just started a new job.

By the time she took Ashley to her in-laws, who watched her during the day, the girl had settled down.

"She threw her arms around me and kissed me one last time and the next time I saw her was in a box," Mrs. Treanor said, her voice rising as she began to shout.

"My daughter was gone. She was taken from me. She was taken from my family. I have no daughter now," she said, crying.

Roy Sells, who lost his wife Lee in the bombing, later said he was "sad" to see the outburst, but said, "I can understand why.'

"I think probably we've all felt like that from time to time. We have to keep a cool head about it. I don't want anything

Another Kennedy killed, this one on Aspen's slopes after hitting tree

ASPEN, Colo. (AP) America's first family, dogged for more than half a century by tragedy and controversy, has lost another member once thought to be its next political star

Michael Kennedy, the 39-yearold son of the late Sen. Robert F. Kennedy who inherited his family's propensity for politics and scandal, was killed in a New Year's Eve skiing accident on Aspen Mountain.

Kennedy, a father of three, was with several family members on a slope groomed for those of intermediate skill Wednesday afternoon when he crashed into a tree, resort and sheriff's officials said.

"Michael's death is a terrible. tragedy for his children, his wife, Vicki, and his entire family," said his older brother, Rep. Joseph P. Kennedy II. "We will miss him dearly.'

Kennedy was skiing at the end of a clear, mild day on

snow described by other skiers as very fast when he crashed. The ski patrol began administering first aid within four minutes, and he was brought to the base of the mountain for more care.

He was pronounced dead at 5:50 p.m., about 90 minutes after the crash

Kennedy was the second of the 11 children born to the former senator and his wife, Ethel, to die under tragic circumstances. His brother David died in Florida in 1984 of a drug overdose.

"Ethel Kennedy and her family are mourning the loss of their beloved son Michael who was fatally injured while skiing with his family in Aspen," the Aspen Skiing Co. said in a statement. "He was a special and wonderful father, son, brother, cousin and friend, and his family would appreciate your prayers during this tragic time.'

It was a stunning blow to a family long stricken by tragedy. Kennedy's father was assassinated in 1968; his uncle, President John F. Kennedy,

was assassinated in 1963; another uncle, Joseph P. Kennedy Jr., died in a plane crash during World War II. An aunt, Kathleen Kennedy, also died in a plane crash.

Once considered a likely traveler along the well-worn political path of his family, Michael suffered a fall from grace last spring when he was accused of having had an affair with his family's baby-sitter.

The Boston Globe reported in April that Kennedy's estranged wife, Victoria Gifford Kennedy. daughter of sportscaster Frank Gifford, caught the two in bed two years ago.

The subsequent furor was a factor in the withdrawal of Joseph P. Kennedy II from the 1998 gubernatorial race in Massachusetts.



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McBride said. "At this point, we feel like it was

DALLAS - Sitting on the couch all day eat-

ing bonbons doesn't just make you fat and clog

your arteries — it could cost the nation an addi-

Being overweight is a major cause of cardio-

vascular disease, and the cost to research and

treat the disease is expected to climb by about

six percent next year, the American Heart

That's according to figures released in the

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Martha N. Hill, American Heart Association

president. "As the population increases and

ages, more people will be having heart attacks

and strokes. And while we're developing new

and better ways to treat those diseases, the

People are heavier than ever before, the heart

association found. During a 1988-94 study, 65.7

million Americans exceeded the healthy weight

range defined by U.S. dietary guidelines. That's

a 43 percent increase over figures compiled for

HOUSTON — Devoted arts patron and human

With her husband, John, she amassed one of

the largest private collections in the world. She

died Tuesday night at her Houston home, said

Suna Umari, director of the Rothko Chapel.

"She was a great teacher, a great mentor, a

great visionary and had so much to offer,"

which was founded by the de Menils.

ights champion Dominique de Menil is dead at

"Costs are rising for several reasons," said

he was shot at least four times by Phillips.

Umari said Wednesday. "She was very passionate about many issues, and I think she wanted very much to share what she knew and what HEMPHILL – Sabine County Sheriff Tom she had with as many people as she could." Philips says a man he shot to death wanted to Mrs. de Menil was born and raised in Paris, be killed and had carefully planned the inci-

the daughter of Conrad Schlumberger, who helped establish Schlumberger Ltd., a worldwide oil-field services company.

During World War II, Mrs. de Menil, a graduate of the Sorbonne, fled to New York with her then three children while her husband joined the French resistance during the occupation.

AUSTIN — Claiming he was the victim of retaliation, an Austin police captain filed a whistleblower lawsuit against the city and one of his bosses.

Capt. Joe Putman's lawsuit, which also names Assistant Police Chief Bruce Mills, asks for \$1 million in actual damages and \$2 million in punitive damages, the Austin American Statesman reported today.

Putman says his superiors shouldn't have punished him for seeking a federal investigation into the Austin Police Department.

"The Police Department wrongfully, indefinitely suspended him as a result of him making a report he felt obligated to make," Putman's lawyer Steve Gibbins said.

The department since has given Putman back his job. He's working in the organized crime unit, but he's on administrative leave and is eligible for retirement in February.

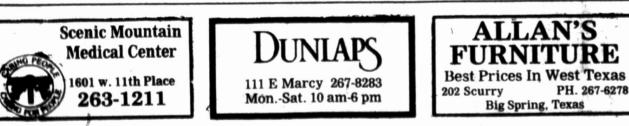
AUSTIN - A national report showing an overall drop in the number of drug-related emergency room visits is far from a sign the battle against drugs is being won, a Texas drug expert says.

Dallas figures included in the study show an increase in emergency room visits by teenagers involving cocaine, heroin or morphine and marijuana, said Jane Maxwell, chief of research for the Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse.

She said Wednesday she believes that trend would hold true in other Texas cities as well.

"I'd hate for people to be lulled into complacency thinking the numbers are down when they're not," she said. "We still have a serious problem, particularly among our young people.'

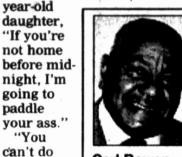
The Drug Abuse Warning Network survey, which polled a sampling of U.S. hospitals including Dallas, shows an overall 6 percent drop in the number of drug cases at emergency rooms from 1995 to 1996.



OPINION

Forcing parents to spare the rod

I recently heard a loving father say to his beautiful 15-



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said.

dling era in which the most caring but disciplinarian parent may be prosecuted for child abuse.

No matter the parent's views about bringing up children, our lawmakers have walked away from the biblical warning "He that spareth the rod hateth his son; but he that loveth him chasteneth him betimes' (Proverbs 13:24).

Two recent court cases in Michigan are reminders of the extent to which we have allowed - even forced teachers, doctors and neighborhood busybodies to make parents the victims of the modern judgment that corporal punish-

daughter, Rebecca, during an argument over the 18-year-old's defiance of an order by her parents to come home. Rebecca chose to spend the night with her boyfriend. The argument also was about Rebecca's drinking alcohol, smoking, lying and cursing her parents. Mrs. Skousen was hauled into court on charges of aggravated domestic assault after Rebecca told a teacher that her mother had abused her.

A jury acquitted Mrs. Skousen — but only after she had endured national humiliation.

Even if I were not the beneficiary of more than a few lashings with black gum switches by my mother and grandmother, I would say that this is a case where "the law is an ass." Dr. Benjamin Spock, who is credited with fathering the "enlightened" era of child upbringing, wrote in 1946: "The more people have studied different methods of bringing up children, the more they have come to 'he conclusion that what good mothers and fathers instinctively feel like doing for their babies is the best after all.'

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JANET RENO MEANS NEVER

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YOU'RE SORRY!

Is the "instinct" that is best for a baby not also good for a teenager?

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I know. The issue does not lend itself to simplistic bromides. Michigan also just had the case of Kathi Herren, an alcoholic who slapped her allegedly wayward 14-year-old daughter so hard so many times that she gave the child a black eve and bruises. Mrs. Herren was rightly convicted of misdemeanor assault and battery and put on probation for two years during which she must undergo random drug tests and get family counseling. There must be some limits to physical punishment meted out in the name of discipline.

Yes, children obviously need some protection from parents " who are violent abusers or sexual predators. But we have erred in totally abandoning the age-old admonition that to spare the rod is to spoil the child - or worse!



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OTHER VIEWS

"Going postal" is a dark parody of an already dark phrase, "going ballistic," and it has happened again, this time during a season infamous in post offices for high stress, short tempers and behemoth workloads.

Anthony Deculit, 37, "went postal" Friday. He killed one fellow worker and wounded two others. Before putting his pistol in his mouth, he gave his phone number to a frightened co-worker and asked that his wife be called. Then he pulled the trigger.

The Postal Service has been working since at least 1986 to identify workers who might crack and seek deadly vengeance. Programs have been initiated to help supervisors improve relations with and among employees.

The reality is that the Postal Service and many other businesses are pressure-driven and rely on thousands upon thousands of workers routinely to meet deadlineenhanced demands that can push more fragile people beyond their limit.

There is never an excuse for taking a weapon to a job and killing people. But just the fact that it occurs, and recurs, is reason for authorities to better understand the origins of such tragedies.

-THE DISPATCH **COLUMBUS (OHIO)**

A federal appeals court has stated the obvious in overturning a previous judicial ruling that sought to deny the voters' right to impose term limits on the people they elect: The majority that imposed legislative term limits in California knew exactly what they were doing.

The 9-to-2 ruling ... reinstates the 1990 referendum results and effectively ends the careers of 26 legislators. including the assembly speaker and the Senate president pro tem. Legislators in the assembly are limited to three two-year terms and state senators to two four-year terms, lifetime restrictions similar to those imposed on state legislators in seven other states. The ruling should ensure the validity of those laws and define the extent to which term limits elsewhere can go.

Gov. Pete Wilson, a supporter of the restrictions, called the ruling a victory for "the ideal of the citizen-legisla" tors," one in which citizens are motivated by something more than a political career. Barring a successful appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court, the ruling will ensure that legislators eventually return home to live under the laws they have written, rather than become political fixtures in Sacramento....

Carl Rowan Syndicated Columnist

NEWS ITEM:

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Going home for New Year's

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iail. She was probably correct. And therein lies the reason for so much of the drug abuse, so much teenage prostitution, so many births out of wedlock and so much of the juvenile delinquency in America now. The respect for - and even fear of — parents that was such a powerful force during my boyhood vanished in a cod-

ment is always wrong. Deborah Skousen slapped her

-THE POST AND COURIER **Charleston**, S.C.

If you thought poor old Hamlet faced one tough question ϵ "To be or not to be, that is the question" – consider the agonizing toughie that the balding American male now faces after this week's big news from the Food and Drug Administration:

Baldness or impotence?

Oh yes, for one short, shining moment it may have seemed that there really is a Santa Claus, and he works out of the offices of Merck & Co. in West Point, Pa Monday, the Food and Drug Administration said that it has approved the company's new pill, called Propecia, for the ongoing battle against that scourge of half of human ity – male pattern baldness. The new pill promotes hair growth — "real hair" and "not fuzz," according to one dermatology professor — atop the front and mid-scalp.

As the 20th century draws to a close, were we not see ing a transformation in the nature of life itself? Was it not Voltaire who said centuries ago, "Man can have only a certain number of teeth, hair and ideas; there comes a time when he necessarily loses his teeth, hair and ideas?' But before anyone could say "Take that, Francois-Marie" or "All this, and Monday Night Football, too," came the fine print. The drug, it turns out, has some potential side effects

And, it turns out, those side effects are not unrelated to the reason some men feel the need to have shaggy pates in the first place. Two percent of the men in the FDA study lost interest in sex or became impotent. Not a big number - except, perhaps, if you're one of the 2 percent No, Hamlet — hairy if not happy — had it easy.

-THE OREGONIAN Portland

The war over how to teach children to read is producing a lot of little casualties. About 40 percent of the chil dren in American schools can't read well.

That's a disgrace — an economic death sentence for those children. It's time for the nation's public school systems to accept responsibility for that fact and do what is necessary to correct it.

As the Baltimore Sun reported recently, the National Institutes of Health has been studying reading problems for two decades. And it has reached several important conclusions:

• Most children can learn to read. ...

Most reading problems are preventable....

What's needed is the right mix of approaches. ...

A'child who does not learn to read well is at a terrible disadvantage. The fact that 40 percent of American schoolchildren fit into that category should shame us all.

They should not be free, however, to assert that some children just can't learn.

The research says they can.

Today or sometime late tonight, I'll go home for New Year's

Scripps Howard News Service

By SHARON RANDALL

I'll leave my husband and children sleeping. And I'll slip down the stairs and out through time to remember all the people I call "home."

There are lots of them. More every year. They're not perfect people. Not always likable or agreeable. They may not even seem very interesting to anyone but me.

But they are good people. The kind who make you feel better off, just for having known them. And better off again for having remembered them. You know people like that, don't you? I hope you are nodding your head.

I'll start with my family, as that seems fitting: First, my parents, who gave me life; and my grandparents, who taught me how to live it. Then my aunts and uncles and dozens of cousins who overran my grandparents' house and made it, for me, the best place on earth.

Next, some schoolmates: Brenda "Boom-Boom" Weaver, first in our group to earn a bra: Sam Earle Edwards, who could spit through his teeth and whistle "Dixie" all at once; and my college roommate, Hallie, who had a near-perfect score on the SAT and liked to open bottles with her teeth.

A few teachers: Mrs. Camp, who called me a writer; Mr. Childs who called me a flirt; and Dr. Allen, who fell asleep in his own lectures.

Certain old flames: A redhaired boy who had no teeth; the captain of the high school basketball team, turned corporal in Vietnam; one guy I

another I tried to forget. name is now my own. I'll remember my children

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whose name I can't recall; and

all the children they've been along the way: An applecheeked newborn searching frantically for his fist; a woollv-headed toddler out to conquer the world; a little girl in long braids playing Barbies

and baseball and Bach. And I'll remember my husband, the boy he was and the man he has become.

It may take a while, but I'll try to remember them all family, friends, neighbors and coworkers — all the people who've left marks on my life.

Some of the memories may be painful. My favorite aunt, for example, was someone I assumed to be too much alive ever to be tapped by death. She proved me wrong years ago, and yet the taste of disillusionment lingers, strong as ever.

But I'll remember her — how she could light up a room just by walking through the door and I will know once more how good it felt simply to be in her presence. I'll remember her, so as never to forget.

Memory is bound not by years or miles or even by death. It takes us anywhere, anytime, to be with anyone we choose. It's a magical ride, needing nothing more than a little time and imagination.

Home, they say, is where you come from, where your heart always wanders when it's free to roam. I come from good people. More every year. To remember them is to be home. So sometime today or late

tonight, I'll go home for New Year's, if only for a while.

I hope you will, too. (Sharon Randall is a winner of the American Association of Sunday and Feature Editors and the Best of the West commentary awards.)

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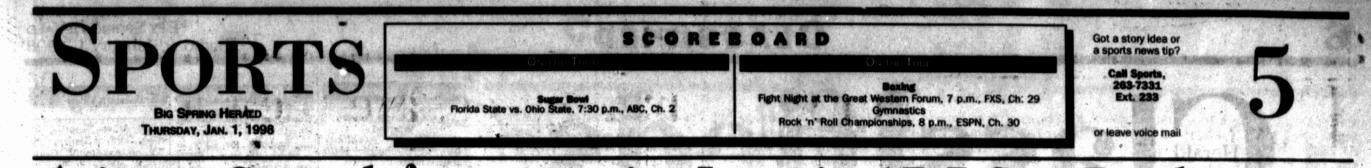
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EL PASO - The talk going into the Sun Bowl was about Arizona State's inexperience at quarterback, where a career backup was taking over for the injured starter who led the Sun Devils to a winning season.

But the game plan made the most of quarterback Steve Campbell's abilities, and No. 16 Arizona State leaned heavily on its running game and defense as the Sun Devils (9-3) defeated Iowa 17-7 Wednesday.

"The goal was just to take it to them," running back Mike Martin said.

The Sun Devils rolled up 377 offensive yards, led by Martin, who was

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voted the game's MVP after rushing 49 seconds remaining. for 169 yards on 27 carries and scoring on a 1-yard run.

The ASU defense did the rest, keeping the nation's ninth-ranked scoring offense out of the end zone until the final minute and limiting the Hawkeyes (7-5) to 209 yards. Iowa came into the game averaging 424 yards and 37 points.

We came into this game motivated. We put on a real bad display last game on national TV (a Nov. 28 loss to Arizona). So we felt we wanted to go out with a bang," ASU cornerback Courtney Jackson said.

The Hawkeyes, managed only one score, a 26-yard touchdown pass from Randy Reiners to Richard Carter with

The Sun Devils also stopped the Hawkeyes on fourth-down attempts on three consecutive series in the second half.

"They just really shut us down. Nothing really ever jelled for us. Arizona State did a real fine job," Iowa coach Hayden Fry said.

The final blow really came with just over two minutes remaining in the third period.

ASU stuffed Iowa's Tavian Banks on a 4th-and-1 at Iowa's 42. The Sun Devils then turned it over to the ground game, driving 58 yards to take a 17-0 lead on Martin's 1-yard scoring run.

"I knew we were going to run the ball. But I didn't think we were going to do it that much." Martin said.

ASU coach Bruce Snyder said the plan was to keep from having to throw the ball a lot.

"The way our defense was playing, we didn't have to," Snyder said. Campbell started in place of Ryan

Kealy, who was injured in ASU's season finale.

Campbell made the most of his first career start, completing five of 11 passes for 109 yards, including a 35-yard touchdown pass to Lenzie Johnson that put ASU up 7-0 in the second quarter. The Sun Devils extended their lead to 10-0 on Robert Nycz's 21-yard field goal

one minute after ASU recovered Iowa quarterback Matt Sherman's fumble at the Hawkeyes 28.

It proved to be the only turnover of the game.

As Campbell made his mark, lowa struggled with its quarterbacks. The Hawkeyes alternated Sherman and Reiners, but neither could move the ball. Iowa managed only 30 yards in the first half to ASU's 236.

Sherman finished 8-of-22 for 120 yards. Reiners was 4-of-5 for 70 yards and a touchdown.

Snyder said that despite the focus placed on Campbell's inexperience. prior to the game, the team felt confident with the backup quarterback taking the helm.

"I think myself, my staff and my team rallied around him," Snyder said. "He did a great job today.

Lady Steers ready to defend 4-4A

PEACH BOWL from Atlanta.

No. 13 AUBURN (9-3) vs. CLEMSON (7-4), 2 p.m Televised: ESPN

Favorite: Power Ratings say Auburn by 12. Coaches: Terry Bowden (45-12-1 in 5th year at Auburn) and Tommy West (28-19 in 4th year). Payout: Each school receives \$1.5 million. Bowl Records: Auburn is 13-10-2. Clemson is 12-

Series History: Auburn leads, 31-11-2. Last Meeting: Auburn won, 35-13, in 1971. Stat that Matters: Over last 2 years, Clemson 2-8 against teams with winning record.

Game Facts: Similar schools (small towns, both called Tigers) resume long-standing series with Auburn winning last 11 games from 1951-71. Bowden must get pitiful running game going (minus-16 yards in 30-29 SEC title game loss to Tennessee) to help QB Dameyune Craig (3,277 passing, 18 TDs, 13 ints.), WR Karsten Bailey (53 catches, 7 TDs). LBs Takeo Spikes, Martavius Houston lead underrated defense. Clemson relies on tough defense (6th in nation against run, 88.3, 18th in scoring, 18.0) anchored by LB Anthony Simmons (144 tackles led ACC, 21 for loss), S Antwan Edwards (4 ints.). RB Raymond Priester (894 rushing), WR Tony Horne (68 catches, 8 TDs, led ACC with 1,693 all-purpose yards) are also weapons.

ORANGE BOWL from Miami.

NEBRASKA (12-0) vs. TENNESSEE (11-1), 8 p.m. Televised: CBS

Favorite: Power Ratings say Tennessee by 1. Coaches: Tom Osborne (254-49-3 in 25th year at aske) and Phil Fulmer (54-10 in 6th year).

Payout: Each school receives \$8.47 million. Bowl Records: Nebraska is 17:18. Tennessee is

By JOHN A. MOSELEY

Sports Editor

After taking a week off for the Christmas holiday, Big Spring's Lady Steers have returned to the hardwood floor of Steer Gym preparing to defend their six straight District 4-4A girls' basketball championships.

The Lady Steers, now 10-3 on the year, will get their final tune-up for district play Saturday when they play host to Snyder's Lady Tigers at 6 p.m. They'll open 4-4A action hosting San Angelo Lake View's Maidens at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday.

Following the week's layoff, Ron Taylor couldn't have been happier with his charges, saying the Lady Steers returned to workouts in better playing condition than they have in recent years.

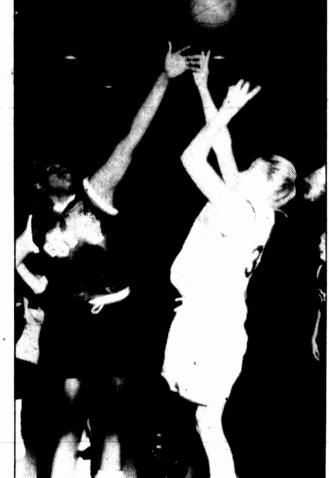
"We learned from last year," senior post Traci Bellinghausen explained, adding that she's ready to resume the season. "Last year, he (Taylor) ran us to death getting us back in shape. We remembered and made sure we were ready."

Bellinghausen's classmate and front line cohort Nadia Cole said she, too, is ready for the second semester to start. "I'm ready for it all ... both the season and for classes to start," she explained. "This is what a bunch of us have been working toward for four years.'

Not surprisingly, the Lady Steers will open the District 4-4A schedule as the favorite to repeat and provide a seventh consecutive championship trophy.

Taylor, however, quickly stresses that this Lady Steers team has plenty to prove.

"Since we've won it (district title) six years in a row, everyone pretty much figures we should be the favorite," he explained. "But it's probably more about what we've done in the past, rather than respect for this team that's creating those predictions."



HERALD photo/Jonathan Garrett

Lady Steers guard Kara Hughen (left) puts up a shot over junior varsity post Nina Eyans during

their third varsity season.

The other seven seniors are guards Marlena Light and Kara Hughes; wings Krissy McWherter, Maggie Haddad and Mari Carnero; and posts Keesha Lott and Marisa Smith.

Freshman Amy Jackson, sophomore Chandra McBee and junior Leslie McLellan round out the Lady Steers roster.

It's a close-knit, focused team that Taylor says is not only a joy to coach, but makes the Lady Steers legitimate contenders for the district championship.

"They're a good, hard-working bunch of kids," he said. "As a coach, it's nice to be able to walk into workouts each day and enjoy it. I've been able to do that with this group."

Another factor that works in the Lady Steers' favor, Taylor contends, is the tradition previous Big Spring teams have provided.

"That tradition makes a big difference," he explained. "Nobody wants to be remembered as the team that didn't defend the championship.

"We've seen it the last three or four years. when district rolls around, there's a different look in their eyes. They're just a different ball club. It's almost like they refuse to lose, no matter what."

While the Lady Steers are not a big team – McWherter and Bellinghausen are Big Spring's tallest players at 5-foot-10 --- they are a strong one. "I think we're physically stronger than anyone

else in the district." Taylor noted. "Our offseason and weight lifting program really produce benefits. Not only are we able to play with anyone physically, but we don't have as many injuries as some other teams.

We're also a quick team and quickness can go a long way to offsetting size," he added."

But what perhaps makes the Lady Steers most

21-16.

Series History: First meeting.

Stats that Matter: Cornhuskers 59-3 overall since start of 1993 season and 12-1-1 against SEC teams under Osborne.

Game Facts: If Michigan loses in Rose Bowl, this decides national title. Cornhuskers have added incentive of the retiring Osborne's farewell, but so do Vols, who feel senior QB Peyton Manning got jobbed out of Heisman. Cornhuskers' option ground game (led nation in rushing, 392.6) will pound early on smaller Vols' front seven with QB Scott Frost (1,096 rushing, 19 TDs, 1,237 passing, 5 TD passes). RB Ahman Green (2nd in nation with 1.877 rushing, 22 TDs), Joel Makovicka (685 rushing, 9 TDs) while DE Grant Wistrom, DT Jason Peter (combined for 15 sacks, 5 fumbles caused) take aimat Manning. Vols need good start to boost confidence. Bothered by sore knee, Manning (3,819 passing, 36 TDs) has slew of targets in WRs Marcus Nash (76 catches, 13 TDs), Jermaine Copeland (58 catches, 9 TDs), Peerless Price (48 catches, 6 TDs) with RB Jamal Lewis (1,364 rushing) providing balance. Erratic defense must play best of year with LBs Leonard Little (8 sacks), Al Wilson (83 tackles), DE Jonathan Brown (13 sacks), CB Terry Fair (5 ints.) impact guys.

That doesn't mean, Taylor believes the Lady Steers should take a back seat to anyone.

In fact, he admits being confident that his team will, indeed, chalk up its seventh district title.

"I feel confident and these girls are confident," he explained. "But none of us is too confident. They (players) ... especially these seniors ... have worked too hard not to defend it.

"We're certainly as good as anyone in the district," he added. "It's just that with Sweetwater,

practice session at Steer Gym.

Andrews and Lake View in our district, you can't afford to have a bad game. All four of us are very similar and close talent-wise.

"Tuesday night, when Lake View comes in here, will be the most important game we've played this season ... could be the most important game we play, period."

Bellinghausen and Cole are just two of nine seniors on the Lady Steers' 12-player roster, and most of those nine upperclassmen are playing

dangerous is their ability to make the most of an opponent's weaknesses.

"We're capable of hurting you inside with Keesha, Nadia and Traci, or rip you apart from outside," Taylor said, noting that on any given night the foursome of Haddad, Hughes, Light and McBee can literally light up the scoreboard from three-point range.

Unbeaten in district play last season, the Lady Steers have lost just four district games in the past six years, never more than one per campaign.

Loss to Farmington closes out Steers' frustration in Clovis tourney

Herald staff report

The Scorpions from Farmington, N.M., lived up to their name Wednesday, stinging Big Spring's Steers with 26 third-quarter points en route to an 83-60 win in the final round of the Clovis, N.M., Invitational Basketball Tournament.

Farmington broke open a 18-18 tie at the end of the first quarter by outscoring the Steers 21-12 during the second eight-minute period and owned a 39-30 halftime lead.

But that run was just an indication of things to come, as the Scorpions opened the third period on

the run — hitting three quick field goals.

The result was a frenzied period in which the Scorpions dictated the game's pace - one much faster than the Steers needed to attempt. The result was a 65-44 margin going into the final period, and from that point, Farmington was able to coast to the 23-point victory

It was Big Spring's third loss of the tournament, the Steers having opened the tournament with a 74-42 loss to Albuquerque St. Pius and followed that with a hard-fought 70-67 setback at the hands of El Paso Del Valle.

Big Spring got 22 game-high points from Andy

Hall, while Casey Cowley and Justin Myers added 16 and 11 points, respectively.

Luke Nerbling paced the Scorpions with 21 points, while Jay Collins added 14 points and J.D. Zant added 11.

Hall, Cowley and Myers consistently provided double-digit scoring throughout the tournament.

Myers led the way in the first two games. He had 13 points in the opener with St. Pius, as the Steers battled to a 20-20 halftime deadlock before seeing the Albuquerque team run away and hide in the second half. Hall had 12 in the Monday game, while Cowley had 10.

Kansas State makes most of bowl bid with 35-18 win The ASSOCIATED PRESS

TEMPE, Ariz. - Mark down New Year's Eve as the start of Michael Bishop's Heisman Trophy campaign.

Bishop, unknown even to Kansas State fans last summer after transferring from a junior college in Texas, put on a show in the Tostitos Fiesta Bowl.

His four touchdown passes and 12-yard run for another score added up to a 35-18 win over Syracuse on Wednesday night, capping the best season in school history.

"Mike Bishop watched the films," said Darnell McDonald, who caught TD passes of 19, 41 and a Fiesta-record 77 yards. "He knew exactly what coverage they were going to be in A couple times when he threw it, I wasn't open, but by the time the ball got there I was open.

"I wouldn't be surprised if he's up for a Heisman."

The No. 10 Wildcats (11-1), who had 10-win seasons in 1910 and 1995, won their eighth straight and snapped an eight-game Syracuse winning streak with explosive offense and another strong show by the fourth-rated defense in the nation.

Although the No. 14 Orangemen (9,4) had 447 yards in total offense, Kansas State stopped them when it counted, accentuating the con trast between Bishop and Syracuse's Donovan McNabb, who came in as the better-known

Linebacker Travis Ochs picked off a deflected pass by McNabb in the second quarter, and Bishop took the Wildcats 54 yards in five plays – the last a 28-yard strike to Justin Swift — to put Kansas State ahead 21-3 with 2:18 left in the second quarter.

But Syracuse's Kevin Johnson returned the ensuing kickoff 55 yards, and McNabb took the Orangemen to a score in two plays — a 21-yard keeper and a 24-yard pass to Dee Brown with 1:49 left in the half.

The Wildcats had to start from their 6 because of a clipping penalty on the kickoff. and on the second play Kendyl Jacox snapped the ball over Bishop's head in the shotgun formation, and the Wildcats got a safety

Then Johnson returned the free kick 26 yards to Syracuse's 44, and McNabb moved the Orangemen within range of Nathan Trout's 33yard field goal, his second of three, with four seconds left to make it 21-15 at halftime.

But in the fourth quarter, Ochs was there again when McNabb, who had Syracuse with a first down on the Wildcats 17, fumbled.

"I was fighting off my blocker and trying to chase him, and he just dropped the ball," Ochs said. He recovered with 6:38 left in the game, and Bishop sealed the win with his 41-yard throw to McDonald - the last of McDonald's seven receptions for a bowl rec 'd 200 vard. Bishop raised his record as a starting college quarterback to 35-1 on the national telecast.

Southern Mississipi defense keys 41-7 Liberty Bowl win "We came up here to win a ball game, and I The ASSOCIATED PRESS

MEMPHIS, Tenn. - Now the waiting begins for Southern Mississippi.

The 22nd-ranked Golden Eagles routed Pittsburgh 41-7 Wednesday in the Liberty Bowl to finish the season at 9-3, their best record since going 10-2 in 1988.

The victory, by the widest margin in the Liberty Bowl's 39 years, means the Eagles will finish in the Top 25 for the first time. The only question remaining is how high.

"We've achieved so many things this year going to the bowl and winning nine games and back-to-back championships," coach Jeff Bower said. "I think the biggest thing about this win was how convincing it was. I don't think there's any doubt we'll go from 22 into the teens.'

Southern Mississippi set that goal at the beginning of the season, along with reaching the Eagles' first bowl since 1990, which they managed by winning the Conference USA title for a second straight year. They also want to be ranked in the Top 25 before the 1998 season.

Southern Mississippi never trailed as Lee Roberts connected with his favorite receiver, Sherrod Gideon, on the Eagles' sixth play on a 31-yard touchdown pass. The duo also had TDs of 8 and 5 yards.

- That combined with three TDs by the defense in the second half, ruined the first bowl game for Pittsburgh (6-6) since 1989. div

couldn't be prouder of the football team for going to a bowl, enjoying a bowl, but most importantly, getting themselves ready to play and play to win a football game," Bower said. Pittsburgh, which earned a bid as the Big

East Conference's fourth-best team by upsetting Virginia Tech and West Virginia in its final two games, ran out of magic against Southern Mississippi.

First-year coach Walt Harris said the layoff between games combined with his team's lack of bowl experience hurt. But he still was disappointed with the three turnovers.

"I don't know if we could've beaten these guys if we had played up to our ability, but we did not play like we are capable of playing and that's what hurts," Harris said.

Roberts picked the Panthers' defense apart, completing 18 of 26 passes for 227 yards. All three of his touchdown passes were to Gideon, who finished with a bowl record seven catches for 111 yards.

"These guys have some sort of communication between them that's unbelievable ...,' Bower said. "They know each other extremely well. They've made big plays all year and did it again.'

The Golden Eagles' aggressive defense kept Pete Gonzalez, who led the Big East in passing with 241 yards per game, from getting into a rhythm. Gonzalez, who threw for 30 touchdowns and 2,657 yards in the regular season.

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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) **Everyone occasionally needs** a day off, to slow down, rest and think. But you don't favor a change in plans, and let others know. Regroup, and take leisurely time for yourself. You have been partying hard. It is time for a break. Tonight: Early to bed.***

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Aim for what you want. A partner might want to distract you. Join friends, attend a 'must" happening and be more upbeat. You have a unique time. Get together for a fundraiser, or start planning with friends. A partner is in a funk. Tonight: Where the action is *****

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and address what is happening. A friend or partner is disappointed by a change in plans; after all, he wants to be with you. Listen to another's ideas to streamline responsibilities. People appreciate your effort. Tonight: A force to be dealt with.***

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CANCER (June 21-July 22) You might be active of spirit and mind, but your body has had enough. You are forced to change gears and become more of an armchair player. Go to the movies, curl up with a good book or call a distant neighbor. Tonight: Don't push.**** LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

A child acts up. The holiday fun has him out of whack, tired and high-strung. If single, a new friend could be out of sorts too. Relate on a one-to-one level, and iron out a misunderstanding. Your views are welcome. Tonight: Thank another in the nicest of ways.****

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Listen to the drumbeats, and get to the bottom of a problem rather than adding to it. What looks like a family revolt might be a simple statement of limits. Discussions need to happen, so don't avoid them! Find a successful solution. Tonight: Work through the issue.***

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

Handle work-related matters. You can be optimistic and direct, though it might be a problem for a co-worker. Observe what goes on, and make reasonable decisions. Get into a project that involves

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reorganization and greater clarity. Tonight: Do what relaxes you.***

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) You are sorely tempted to take a money risk. Don't, if you want to be a happy camper. You can have a wonderful time laughing, loving and flirting. Your sensuality speaks to another. You have a decision to make, if you are single. Tonight: Grin away.****

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

Pressure is intense with family. How could this happen? You are a stronger personality than you are aware. Consider how you can be less tenacious. Take time with a family member, and hear what he is saying. Both of you could be right! Tonight: Ease hostilities.***

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

You might not be aware of how hard you are pushing another. Look in the mirror; you might not see yourself as others do. Be direct, as you try to clear up a hassle. Listen carefully to another's feedback; he means well. Don't overreact. Tonight: Hanging out is fan.***

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Expenses are out of whack, so

much so that you might need to

Book helps wife handle verbally abusive husband

DEAR ABBY: Like so many others, I have learned from you and your readers for years. I finally feel I must respond to a

recent letter from a woman who described her husband as goodlooking, well-educated, clean, but also mean, bad-tempered.

abusive, name-calling, com plaining and usually absent." My husband also fits that

let go of a pressing need. Be direct with a friend, who might pressure you to do what he wants. Honor who you are, and decide what is best for you. Tonight: Go for the inexpensive!***

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) You might be feeling energetic, but another lets you know that his objectives aren't yours. Yes, someone is raining on your parade. A smile, along with your centered ways, tell him there is no changing you right now. Go for what you need. Tonight: Instigate what you want.****

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ask oneself, "Is it true? Is it helpful? Is it kind? And what will I accomplish by saying

this?" If the answer to any of those questions is negative, leave the room and cool off. **DEAR ABBY:** I agree with your advice to tell children the

truth about Santa Claus. When a child first begins to question whether there really is a Santa Claus, it's time for the parent and child to have a heart-toheart talk.

Almost 30 years ago, my mother was faced with this duty when my then 8-year-old brother began having doubts about Santa Claus. His friends were teasing him unmercifully because he still "believed," and shouting and shoving matches occurred. My mother sat down and told him the truth. My brother was heartbroken - so much so that, with tears streaming down his face, he wailed, "Oh Mama, why did you have to tell me NOW? Why didn't you just wait and let my WIFE tell me?" Sixteen years later, my late father told this story at the rehearsal dinner the night before my brother's wedding. At the end of his toast, he welcomed the bride into the family by saying she was the best gift 'Santa Claus'' could have brought us. Everyone shed happy tears that night! My brother and his wife have two little "believers" of their own now, and we all have a sweet memory to cherish. Sign me ... SANTA'S HELPER, MOBILE, ALA. DEAR SANTA'S HELPER: Thank you for sharing this wonderful story. Since your brother and his wife are the parents of two little "believers," I wonder who enlightened him about the stork. For Abby's favorite family recipes, send a long, selfaddressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Cookbooklet No. 1, P.O. Box 447. Mount Morris, Ill. 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)



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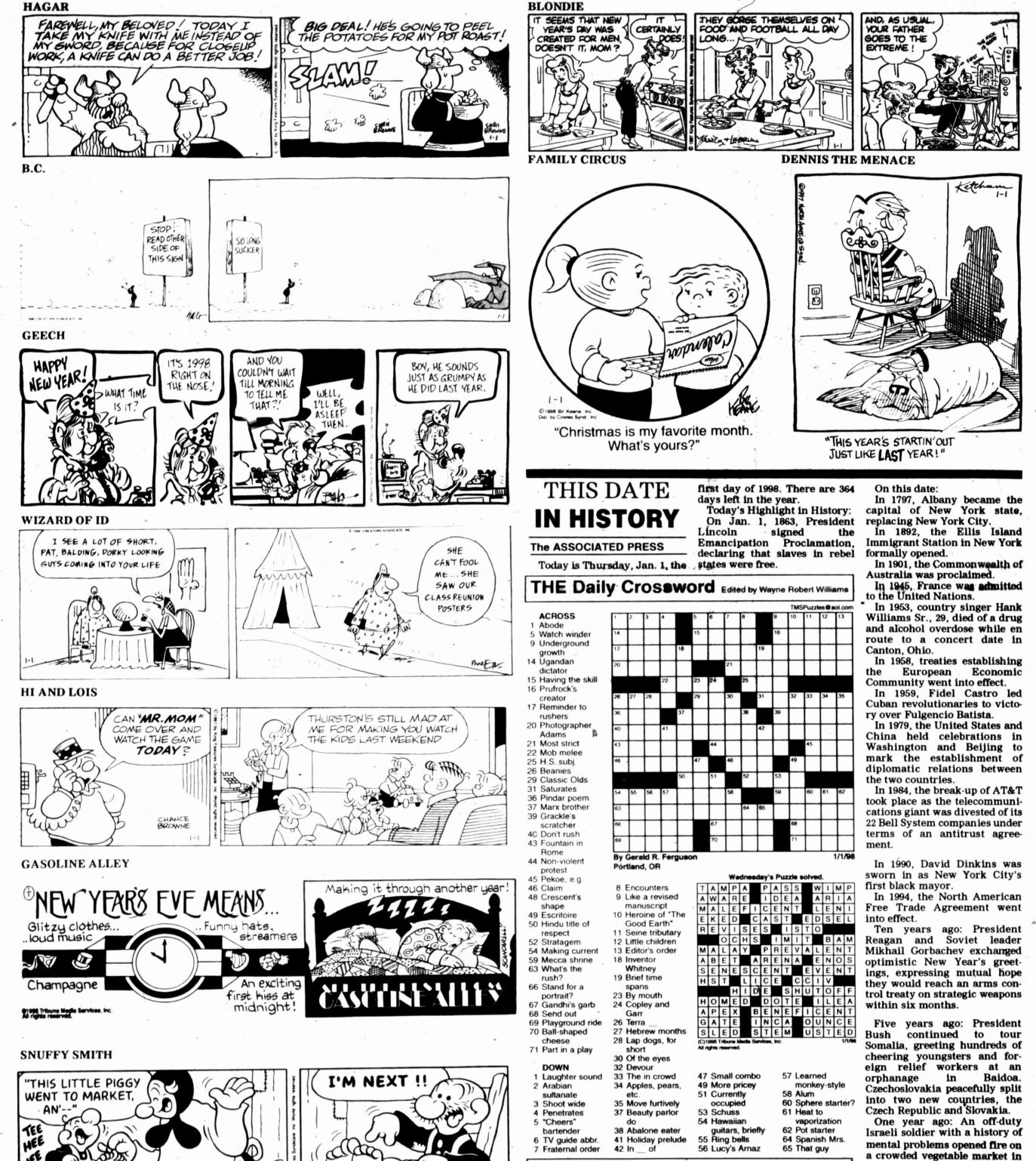
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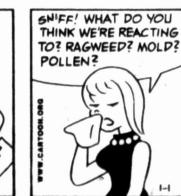
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