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Bill Fryrear, head of USDA research center, announces retirement

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

The man who some say put Big Spring on the map for wind erosion research is retiring after 42 years of service to the Agricultural Research Service (ARS).

Bill Fryrear's last day is Friday.

"I've been in research for 42 years and I thought that's about enough," Fryrear said. "My main emphasis has been to do research that would be helpful to the farmer. I thought if I could help the farmer produce more for less, it would help the consumer as well."

Fryrear began his career with ARS as an agricultural engineer in 1957 in Akron, Colo. and had stays in Manhattan, Kansas and Temple, Texas before coming to Big Spring.

Fryrear has worked in Big Spring for the last 36 years, serving as research leader of the Wind Erosion Management Research Unit for the last 23 of the 36 years.

"Because wind erosion is a natural erosion process, we'll never get rid of all of the erosion in West Texas, but we can reduce it," Fryrear said. "A shining example of wind erosion in West Texas is the dust storm that blew in last June.

"Certain weather conditions

produce those types of storms and I've only seen two of them in 30 some-odd years," Fryrear added. "Since I came to Big Spring, we've had the reputation of being the place to come if you wanted to learn what to do out in the field about wind erosion."

Fryrear is internationally known for his pioneering research in the area of wind erosion prediction, measurement and control. He developed wind erosion sampling equipment that has been extensively tested in laboratory wind tunnels then field tested under natural conditions. With the equipment Fryrear created, the quantity of wind eroded material

being transported by wind at heights from three millimeters to six meters above the soil surface can be accurately measured.

In addition to developing wind erosion measuring equipment, Fryrear has also developed innovative techniques of analyzing the field data, such as mathematical expressions to determine how much soil is being transported. Fryrear is also credited with leading research into control practices and is called instrumental in transferring his technology to producers.

As recognition of the importance of his contributions to the agricultural industry, Fryrear

has been asked on a number of occasions to share his experience, including testifying before the U.S. House of Representatives Subcommittee on Conservation, Credit and Rural Development to discuss wind erosion control systems. Fryrear has also served on several international committees and has been identified as a world expert in the area of wind erosion control.

As for retirement, Fryrear will continue to do what he has done for 42 years.

"I plan to continue to do research on my own as well as some consulting work," Fryrear said. "Farming is a high-risk enterprise."

Victims identify Howell as rapist

Women's testimony highlights first day of sexual assault trial

By JOHN H. WALKER
Managing Editor

Ricky DeWayne Howell's alleged victims got a chance to look him in the eye Tuesday afternoon during the first day of testimony in his trial in 118th District Court.

Howell, 33, faces charges of aggravated sexual assault and burglary with the intent to commit sexual assault in connection with two incidents in late December 1996. Both charges carry prison terms of between 5 and 99 years or life.

The defendant, who is suspected in a string of sexual assaults in West Texas, has already been convicted of two counts in Lubbock and is currently appealing the two life sentences he was assessed.

The first victim, a 55-year-old woman who lived in central Big Spring, had difficulty recounting the events of the early morning hours of Dec. 20, 1996. She took several measured pauses as her voice first wavered and then broke before Judge Robert H. Moore III allowed her to leave the courtroom to compose herself.

The seven-woman, five-man jury listened intently as District Attorney Hardy Wilkerson asked the woman what happened that morning after her husband had left for work and she was home alone in bed.

"When I woke up, I heard a noise in my house," she said. "I thought it was my husband, coming back for something he forgot."

It wasn't. "But then, I saw a man standing there..... I asked him, 'What are you doing here?' He stood there for a minute and then came over and sat on the bed next to me.

"He put his hand on my mouth ... it was cold," she said. She said the intruder instructed her as to what he wanted her to do.

"He said 'If you don't, I'll hurt you.'"

The woman said she thought her assailant had a cord from a pair of mini-blinds in her bedroom that he held across her

face and mouth area as he sexually assaulted her.

"So scared ... Lord, I was so scared," she said.

When Wilkerson asked what she thought the man was going to do with the cord, she replied: "I thought he was going to choke me to death."

The woman experienced a momentary difficulty in identifying Howell, whom she said wasn't wearing a mask or disguise during the assault.

"Yes, I can," she told Wilkerson when asked if she could identify him. After first looking toward Howell and then quickly away, she wavered.

"I think I can ... oh, I don't know," she said before finally offering a firm identification of the defendant.

The second victim, a 51-year-old white woman who lived in southeast Big Spring, also testified that she feared for her life when her home was entered on Dec. 28, 1996.

But unlike the first victim, she was apparently able to talk her way out of being raped.

She said she was lying on her couch, watching old movies on television while her two teenage daughters were out of the house.

The youngest came home while she was still awake, while the oldest came home about midnight — waking her up briefly.

"The next thing I know, this man is on top of me ... sitting on my legs," she testified. "He had something around my neck ... I thought he was going to choke me ... kill me...."

The woman fought back tears during her testimony, telling herself as much as the court, "I didn't think I was going to do this (cry)."

She said she was struggling to loosen the ligature around her neck when her assailant told her that if she'd stop struggling, he'd loosen the cord.

After she complied, he loosened the cord and then told her to remove her clothes.

"I told him 'no,' that I had a real bad yeast infection and he didn't want it," she said.

She then testified that she

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Ricky DeWayne Howell, right, testifies out of the jury's presence during his aggravated sexual assault trial Monday at 118th District Court. At left is District Judge Bob Moore.

Strip of cloth could tie Howell to crimes

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A simple piece of cloth, tied to at least three crime scenes and defendant Ricky DeWayne Howell, could be a key piece of evidence to consider as a seven-woman, five-man 118th District Court jury decides whether or not the 33-year-old gets more prison time.

Howell, of Snyder, has already been convicted on two counts of sexual assault in Lubbock County and is now on trial here on charges of aggravated sexual assault and burglary with the intent to commit sexual assault.

Both charges carry prison terms of between 5 and 99 years or life.

Big Spring Police Department ID Technicians Wayne Jones

and Art Dehlinger both testified to finding a white piece of cloth with a green floral pattern on it when they separately worked the two Big Spring crime scenes.

Jones worked the Dec. 20, 1996 assault and testified that during his investigation of the victim's bedroom, he found "one piece of cloth that was not conducive to the area ... it was out of place."

Jones said the cloth was found of the floor, underneath bedding that had been kicked off the bed during the assault.

"It had a distinctive pattern. It did not resemble any other (thing found) in the room," he said of the torn strip that he described as "resembling the texture of a sheet."

The fabric, which had a white background with a green

floral pattern on it, would surface again when Dehlinger testified about working the crime scene on Dec. 28, 1996.

Dehlinger said among the items he collected in his evidence bag was "a long strip of what appeared to be a sheet."

His testimony indicated the strip, found on the arm of a recliner, was 65 inches long and 4 1/2 inches wide.

And like at the first residence, there was nothing at the second location that matched the fabric.

Both victims also testified that they had never seen the material before their homes had been entered by the assailant.

The material would then turn up in Lubbock, when police

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County auditor honored 12th time

By CARLTON JOHNSON
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For 12 consecutive years, 1985-1996, Howard County Auditor Jackie Olson's office has received the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting, which is awarded by the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) of the U.S. and Canada.

The award is given to government units and public employee retirement systems whose comprehensive annual financial reports (CAFR) meet specific standards in government accounting and financial reporting.

But this year could be different — not because of a decline in performance but because of modesty.

Earlier this week, the county's CAFR for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1997, was presented to commissioners by Certified Public Accountant Tracy Tarter, who proclaimed the county's financial report excellent.

Olson told commissioners that the award is based on county's submitting its CAFR to the GFOA, a process which costs between \$300 and \$400.

"I don't really plan on submitting the report for the award again," Olson said. "We've done it long enough and I hadn't planned on doing it again unless the commissioners' court has strong feeling about it."

Olson told commissioners that receiving the award was a great help to the county when the county was in the process of trying to sell bonds, a situation Commissioner Bill Crooker says the county may have to face in the future.

Commissioners decided to leave the decision on submitting the report up to Olson.

Of the 254 counties in Texas only about 20 percent receive the award.

As for Howard County's performance during fiscal year 1997, Tarter said Olson and County Treasurer Bonnie Franklin have a good system set up.

"In my opinion, the general

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WEATHER

Tonight:



Thurs:



Fri:



Sat:



Wind advisory northern Permian Basin today. Tonight, clear. Lows in the mid 30s. Thursday, sunny. Highs around 65. Thursday night, fair. Lows in the upper 20s to mid 30s. Extended forecast, Friday, partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 50s to lower 60s. Saturday and Sunday, mostly cloudy. Lows in the upper 20s to mid 30s. Highs in the upper 40s to upper 50s.

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Gunselman making second try for council seat

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Big Spring resident Jeff Gunselman has the experience of running for a seat on the Big Spring City Council in 1996 under his belt, and will use that to push his bid to gain the seat in District 5 during the



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May 2 city election.

The District 5 seat is currently held by Jimmy Campbell, who will be relocating to Arizona in April.

Gunselman challenged incumbent Chuck Cawthon and Greg Biddison in 1996 for the District 3 council seat, to which Cawthon eventually won reelection after defeating Biddison in a runoff.

"My decision to run for the council seat has been made over a period of time," Gunselman said. "The last few elections have shown that the people of

Big Spring are becoming more interested in positive change and in the betterment of the city for everyone."

"After discussing the issues with family and friends, I have decided to actively campaign for the District 5 council seat," Gunselman said.

Gunselman is employed as a regional personnel security specialist at Big Spring's Federal Correctional Institute (FCI) and says his professional experience can be of significant value to the city government where people are concerned. He has been

employed with FCI for 11 years and has 12 years of military experience.

"By being involved with governmental affairs on a daily basis, I bring a considerable amount of knowledge and ability to an efficient city government," Gunselman said.

Gunselman is a regular guest at various meetings around the city and says his family is supportive of his campaign and have also addressed issues in the city.

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OBITUARIES

Alma "Lomax" Jones

A memorial service for Alma "Lomax" Jones, 70, Winslow, Ark., will be 2 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 26, 1998, in the Winslow United Methodist Church with Pastor Perry Hall and Pastor Kelly Giese will be officiating. Burial of the cremains will be in Mt. Olive Memorial Park, Big Spring. A graveside memorial service will be on April 25. Mrs. Jones died Tuesday, Feb. 24, in Winslow, Ark.

Survivors include: one son, Louis Dawkins of Wichita, Kan.; one daughter, Dianna Stahl of Vacaville, Calif.; two sisters, Edna Merrell of Snyder, and Elsie Neill of Big Spring; one brother, Robert Lomax of Odessa; and three grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to The Winslow United Methodist Church, Winslow Assembly of God Church; the Washington Co. Hospice and the American Cancer Society.

Arrangements under the direction of Nelson's Funeral Home & Crematory, Fayetteville, Ark.

Cordelia Green

Graveside service for Cordelia Green, 87, Big Spring, was 3 p.m. today at Garden of Memories Cemetery in Paducah with Rev. Sam Crosby, pastor of First Baptist church in Paducah, officiating.

Mrs. Green died on Monday, Feb. 23, 1998, in a Big Spring hospital.

She was born on March 3, 1910, in Collins County, and married De Green on Aug. 4, 1929, in Farmersville. He preceded her in death on Dec. 15, 1991. She moved to Paducah in 1942 from Aspermont. She moved to Big Spring two years ago. She was a member of First Baptist Church in Paducah and was a homemaker.

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6:30 a.m.-6 p.m. For more information, call the YMCA at 267-8234.

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TODAY
•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.

THURSDAY
•Good Shepherd Fellowship Church, 610 Abrams, has services 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.
•Spring Tabernacle Church, 1209 Wright, has free food for area needy, 10 a.m. to noon.
•Big Spring Senior Citizens Center art classed, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., 55 and older.
•Al-Anon, 8 to 9 p.m., Scenic Mountain Medical Center small cafeteria.
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•Masonic Lodge No. 598, 7:30 p.m., 219 Main.
•Alzheimer's Association support group, 7 p.m., Comanche Trail Nursing Center.

FRIDAY
•Spring City Senior Citizens country/western dance, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. Music by CW & Co. Area seniors invited.
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•Alzheimer's Support Group, 10 a.m., Carriage Inn Retirement Center, 501 W. 17th.
•Open birthday night, covered dish at 7 p.m. and birthday meeting at 8 p.m., 615 Settles. This is to celebrate AA sobriety yearly birthdays.

BIG SPRING YMCA WILL have a spring break camp for kids whose parents must work during the upcoming school holiday. Trained staff will provide activities in a structured environment March 9-13 from

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

Texas Lottery PICK 3: 3,9,8
CASH 5: 8, 12, 19, 22, 31

RECORDS

Tuesday's high 82
Tuesday's low 48
Average high 64
Average low 33
Record high 88 in 1918
Record low 8 in 1960
Precip. Tuesday 0.00
Month to date 0.33
Month's normal 0.61
Year to date 1.84
Normal for the year 1.24

POLICE

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following incidents between 8 a.m. Tuesday and 8 a.m. Wednesday:
• SHARON THOMPSON, 47, was arrested for driving while license invalid.
• MICHAEL AYERS, 35, was arrested for public intoxication.
• STEVEN BICKFORD, 46, was arrested for public intoxication.
• ASSAULT reported in the 1300 block of Harding.
• ASSAULT/FAMILY VIOLENCE reported in the 1600 block of Martin Luther King, Jr.
• BURGLARY/VEHICLE reported in the 2600 block of Barksdale and the 800 block of Rosemont.
• BURGLARY/HABITAT reported in the 700 block of Creighton.
• CRIMINAL MISCHIEF reported in the 600 block of E. 7th and the 600 block of Main.
• THEFT reported in the 1000 block of W. 6th; the 1600 block of E. 4th; the 1700 block of E. Marcy; the 1500 block of E. Marcy and the 400 block of Gregg.
• AGGRAVATED ASSAULT WITH A DEADLY WEAPON reported in the 1300 block of 11th Place.
• BURGLARY/BUILDING reported in the 800 block of Comanche Trail.
• CRIMINAL TRESPASS WARNING reported in the 2000 block of Gollad.
• UNAUTHORIZED USE OF A VEHICLE reported at the police station.
• BURGLARY/COIN-OP MACHINE reported in the 700 block of West U.S. Interstate 20.
• FORGERY reported in the 2200 block of Gregg.

MARKETS

March cotton 63.90 cents, up 80 points; April crude 15.47, up 16 points; Cash hogs steady at \$3.50 lower at 31; cash steers steady at 59; April lean hog futures 49.50, up 30 points;

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Mobil 69% - 1/2
Norwest 40% + 1/2
NUV 9% + 1/2
Phillips Petroleum 45% nc
Palex Inc. 14% - 1/2
Pepsi Cola 35% + 1/2
Parallell Petroleum 5% - 1/2
Rural/Metro 33% - 1/2
Sears 54% - 1/2
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Sun 40% + 1/2
Texaco 55% + 1/2
Texas Instruments 58% + 1/2
Texas Utils. Co 40% + 1/2
Unocal Corp 35% + 1/2
Wal-Mart 47% + 1/2
Amcap 16.68-17.70
Euro Pacific 27.66-29.35
I.C.A. 29.52-31.32
New Perspective 20.71-21.97
Prime Rate 8.50%
Gold 292.20-292.70
Silver 6.27-6.31

FIRE/EMS

Following is a summary of Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reports:
Tuesday
5:42 a.m. — 2500 block Ann, medical call, patient transferred to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
10:25 a.m. — 3200 block Parkway, medical call, patient transferred to SMMC.
11:12 a.m. — 3200 block Parkway, medical call, patient transferred to SMMC.
3:33 p.m. — 500 block W. 17th, medical call, patient transferred to SMMC.
3:47 p.m. — 2500 block Cindy, medical call, patient transferred to SMMC.
5:57 p.m. — 1900 block Wasson, medical call, patient transferred to SMMC.
6:29 p.m. — 100 block NW 8th, medical call, patient transferred to SMMC.

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Lawmakers question military presence

WASHINGTON (AP) — With the risk of war over Iraq eased for now, lawmakers are asking when the massive U.S. military commitment to the Persian Gulf region will end and wondering where the money for the deployed troops will come from.

Clinton administration officials offered no clear answers Tuesday, saying that for now, the beefed-up force must remain in the Gulf until Iraq lives up to its promise to allow unfettered weapons inspections. Lawmakers, while proposing no softening toward Iraq, raised concerns about the impact of the growing U.S. presence in the region.

The committee heard from several senior officers Tuesday that the static guard duty they are maintaining over Iraq is eroding battle readiness and causing some enlistees and officers to opt out of the military.

"They didn't sign up, very frankly, to just be part of an unending commitment to floating around in the Persian Gulf forever," said Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., a member of the Senate Armed Services Committee.

Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., said Defense Secretary William Cohen, in private briefings with senators, did not specify the expected duration of the U.S. presence.

"How long can we keep the tempo that we have now for our military men and women — and equipment — in the Persian Gulf?" Lott asked. "That's beginning to have an impact on our operations in other places around the world."

He was alluding to a confidential memo to the Pentagon by Army Gen. John Tilelli, commander of U.S. forces in Korea. Tilelli wrote that the dispatch of an aircraft carrier and several ammunition supply ships from the Pacific theater to the Persian Gulf region left him vulnerable in the unlikely event of a North Korean attack on the South.

Sen. John Warner, R-Va., a senior member of the Armed Services Committee, said that while the Clinton administration remains close-mouthed on the cost of the Persian Gulf deployments, he has estimated that the Pentagon has spent \$750 million beyond its normal budget since late last fall.

Democratic senators were asking similar questions about the costs of the Iraqi deployment as they met with senior administration officials who went to the Capitol to brief them on the U.N.-negotiated agreement that ended the latest crisis with Iraq.

"That question was asked in (the Democratic) conference: How long will we stay militarily?" said Senate Minority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D. "The answer is, we really don't know."

If the United States does pull forces out of the Gulf region it will hear no protests from Iraq. In an interview with Associated Press Television, Iraqi Deputy Prime Minister Tariq Aziz urged the United States, Britain and their allies to remove their forces from the Gulf.

"I think they have made a grave mistake by this military buildup ... because the matter did not need military force," Aziz said. He said it was time for Gulf coalition countries "to withdraw their forces and let the region live in calm and peace." Administration officials and

lawmakers adopted a wait-and-see attitude toward Iraq's promise to allow full and unfettered inspections of sites suspected of concealing chemical, biological or nuclear weapons.

But both Cohen and Joint Chiefs of Staff Chairman Henry Shelton acknowledged that the deployment of more than 30,000 soldiers, sailors, airmen and Marines to the Gulf region has strained a steadily shrinking military.

"It's a management problem and a challenge and it's one that we're wrestling with," Cohen told the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

The United States has maintained a continuous military presence in the Gulf since the 1991 Persian Gulf War, much of it involved in enforcing the no-fly zone over Southern Iraq.

At various times the Pentagon has dispatched additional forces in response to a provocation by Iraq, and several times those deployments have led to limited air strikes against Iraqi targets.

A series of crises over the past two years has kept the force level above 20,000 for much of the time.

Baptists bounce church for its support of gays

DALLAS (AP) — Church members expelled from a statewide Baptist group for actively supporting homosexuals say the action is similar to efforts in the 1940s to keep blacks out of white church pews.

The 180-member executive board of the Baptist General Convention of Texas voted Tuesday to disassociate itself from Austin's University Baptist Church.

"We cannot approve of churches endorsing homosexual practice as biblically legitimate," said Tullia pastor Charles Davenport, head of the committee that drafted the motion.

It wasn't the first time the Austin church found itself ousted for such reasons.

In 1948, it was disavowed by the Austin Baptist Convention when it allowed blacks to sit in the same pews with whites. Then in the early 1970s, it was criticized for ordaining female deacons.

Hans Venable, a gay man whose ordination as deacon at University Baptist helped precipitate Tuesday's action, said biblical arguments also were made against blacks in the church.

"I do see this as a very similar issue," Venable said.

But Venable said he found hope in debate that preceded the board vote.

"I have to say that there are a lot of positive outcomes," he said. "It's just been such a wonderful opportunity to talk about our ministry and spread the debate further about how gays and lesbians can be safe in church, where they can be loved and participate fully."

David Stahl, a church member and Venable's partner of 15 years, said the expulsion could actually help the gay and lesbian cause.

"From what I heard ... this debate is going to continue in the BGCT churches," Stahl

said. "They're going to go back to their home churches and talk about this, and know what's right. It was a very encouraging step into the future."

The motion supported by the board asks University Baptist to remove any claim of affiliation with the convention from its literature and Internet site. The convention also will no longer accept money donated from the church for missionary programs.

Tuesday's vote was sparked when top group officials learned last month that the University Baptist Web site mentions its convention affiliation.

The church has had a tenuous relationship with the convention since it ordained Venable in 1994.

The church also drew fire for sponsoring and inviting homosexuals to participate in Open Circle, a ministry for gays and lesbians.

Convention leaders insisted their vote was not a condemnation of the church's acceptance of homosexuals.

"We commend the church for their ministry, and we feel that churches should minister (to homosexuals)," Davenport said. "But ministering to is different than an affirmation of, and we interpret (the church's activities) to be an affirmation of."

University Baptist Pastor Larry Bethune said he doesn't understand the distinction.

"I don't feel very commended as a church for our ministry to gays and lesbians today," Bethune said after the vote. "The convention has an odd way of showing it."

Several convention members decried the motion as a threat to the traditional independence of Baptist churches.

Bethune said he believes the congregation will likely respect the wishes of the convention in removing any reference to the group from their Web site and literature.

Oozing mud brings disaster, death in California

LAGUNA BEACH, Calif. (AP) — Mud oozed down the canyons of this seaside enclave like lumpy chocolate pudding, smashing through homes and sweeping away residents as they scrambled to stay above the hip-high torrent.

"It was a washing machine as far as I knew, I was just rocking and rolling, and just desperately crawling my way to the top of wherever I was," Ann Quilter said.

Quilter and others escaped with their lives as the wall of mud came thundering toward their Laguna Canyon Road homes early Tuesday.

But as the sun rose, rescuers found the body of Glenn Flook, 25, in the mud. A search for more victims was to resume today.

At least nine people were killed as the season's most powerful El Nino storm struck the waterlogged West Coast, killing

people from Tijuana, Mexico, to northeastern California. It moved east Tuesday after leaving hundreds homeless, severing roads and rail lines and closing 35 miles of pristine Los Angeles County shoreline.

The storm was apparently the last in a series of rigorous weather systems that have repeatedly punished the state since late January, causing more than \$475 million in damage and prompting 36 of 58 counties to declare states of emergency.

As Los Angeles recorded 13.7 inches of rain for the month — breaking a 114-year record — a flooded Los Angeles County sewer system sent millions of gallons of untreated sewage spilling into Santa Monica Bay.

Beaches from Palos Verdes to Malibu were closed. Meanwhile, a rescue effort ended sadly early Tuesday when the bodies of two

California Highway Patrol officers were found lodged inside their patrol car, turned upside down in a rain-swollen river in Santa Maria, about 200 miles north of Los Angeles.

Officers Rick Stovall and Britt Irvine were on their way to help a disabled motorist on fog-shrouded Highway 166 when they were swept away by a torrent that had gouged 100 yards out of the two-lane rural highway.

"They were out doing what they are supposed to do. They were out helping the public," said patrol Lt. Paul Matthias.

Three other vehicles, including a jackknifed big rig, were stuck in the mud.

Two drivers were rescued by helicopter; crews did not immediately find a third motorist in a submerged pickup.

Other damage from the storm included an underground drain that burst and carved a sink-

hole 65 feet deep, 25 feet wide and 700 feet long at an interstate on-ramp in San Diego. Parts of six beachfront homes in Del Mar were slowly toppling into the sea.

In Northern California, waves chewed into a cliff beneath eight precariously perched homes in Pacifica, south of San Francisco, and residents remained barred from 500 homes around the rising Clear Lake north of Santa Rosa.

Two tornadoes — almost unheard-of in Southern California — touched down early Tuesday, ripping up storage sheds and knocking down trees in Huntington Beach and Long Beach. No injuries were reported.

In the snow-capped San Bernardino Mountains, east of Los Angeles, search crews were expected to look for two men aboard a Beechcraft Bonanza that disappeared Monday.

Former dissident assumes South Korea presidency

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — Kim Dae-jung, once South Korea's leading dissident, became its president today, pledging to revive the nation's economy and end corrupt, authoritarian rule.

Under cloudless skies, Kim was sworn in before 45,000 people in a plaza in front of the National Assembly — the same place where he used to castigate the country's military dictators at opposition rallies.

Then, he was persecuted. This time, he was honored by dancers and singers in traditional flowing gowns, the release of 1,500 doves and a 21-gun salute.

Among those in attendance at the inauguration were two past targets of Kim's ire — former presidents Chun Doo-hwan and Roh Tae-woo, ex-army generals who took power in a coup in 1979, arrested Kim on sedition charges and condemned him to death.

Kim spared them any recriminations in his inauguration speech today, focusing instead on praising democracy and rallying South Koreans to combat the country's economic ills.

"Today is a proud day when a democratic transition of power is taking place on this soil for the first time," Kim said after being sworn in.

Acknowledging the enormous problems facing him in restoring South Korea's shattered economy, Kim urged his opponents to give him a honeymoon "if only for one year — this year — when the nation is standing on the brink of disaster."

Ranked as the world's 11th largest only six months ago, South Korea's economy plummeted late last year and had to be bailed out by the International Monetary Fund with a record aid package of \$57 billion.

"Consumer prices and unemployment will rise this year," Kim said. "Incomes will drop and an increasing number of companies will go bankrupt. All of us are being asked to shed

sweat and tears."

The economy was destroyed, Kim said, because "the political, economic and financial leaders of this country were tainted by a collusive link between politics and business."

He promised a smaller, more responsive "government of the people" that will push both democracy and economic development.

"Democracy and the market economy are two sides of a coin, or two wheels of a cart," he said.

"Every nation that has embraced both democracy and a market economy has been successful."

Saying he will try to thaw long frozen relations with communist North Korea, the new president proposed that the two Koreas exchange special envoys to discuss rapprochement.

Kim also renewed his earlier proposal for a summit with North Korean leader Kim Jong Il. In an apparent response to Kim's earlier offer, North Korea said last week that it is willing to talk with the new South Korean government — something it has refused to do for years.

Kim set forth three principles as the basis for peaceful coexistence — no North Korean armed provocations, no South Korean attempt to absorb North Korea and expanded business, cultural and other exchanges.

He also pledged not to seek revenge for his years of persecution by previous rulers in the 1970s and 80s, including what he believes were at least three assassination attempts.

He took a major step toward national reconciliation shortly after his December election when he successfully sought the release of former dictators Chun and Roh, convicted and jailed for their role in the 1979 coup.

The death sentence imposed on Kim by Chun's government was lifted after intervention by the United States. But Kim spent the next 15 years in prison.

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OUR VIEWS

Congratulations to auditor Olson

It has become so commonplace, it's tempting not to consider it newsworthy. For the past 12 years, Howard County Auditor Jackie Olson and her staff have received the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting, a rather long-winded award that tells the people of the county that their auditor is one of the best in the business.

The award, presented by the Government Finance Officers Association of the U.S. and Canada, is given to government units and public employee retirement systems whose annual financial reports meet specific standards in government accounting and financial reporting.

In simple English, Olson's office keeps her books straight and, more importantly, spotless.

So what's the big deal, you may ask. What's so wonderful about keeping your numbers in the right columns?

You'd have an ally in Olson, who downplayed her award.

"I don't really plan on submitting the report for the award again," Olson said. "We've done it long enough and I hadn't planned on doing it again unless the commissioners' court has strong feeling about it."

With apologies to Olson, however, this is an important milestone.

How many times in the recent past have you read news reports about governmental agencies that got into hot water because somebody fudged on the figures? The answer is: Too many times.

It is reassuring to know, therefore, that in Howard County, we not only have a competent auditor, but a consistently excellent one.

Congratulations to Olson and her staff. Another award may not seem that big a deal to her, but it is a very big deal to us.

OTHER VIEWS

Federal Reserve Board Chairman Alan Greenspan is that rare public official applauded by Congress for having done nothing the past year.

March, 1997, was the last time the Fed raised interest rates.

Since then, Greenspan said, economic performance has been so "exemplary" the Fed has kept its hands off the monetary controls.

Growth has been the fastest in 10 years; price stability and unemployment the best in 30 years; wages up 4 percent and inflation only 1.7 percent.

This March also marks the seventh anniversary of what Greenspan called a "remarkable expansion."

In his semi-annual overview of the economy, Greenspan said Congress — and we trust Congress was listening — could greatly increase the chances of that expansion continuing by balancing the budget and saving the surplus.

His forecast for 1998 was for an economy almost as good as 1997's.

Greenspan did have a couple of caveats — investors getting reckless, the United States going protectionist — but in contrast to his usual morose appearances before Congress the chairman was almost giddy.

However, Greenspan is not a practitioner of the dismal science for nothing and he did see

"storm clouds massing over the Western Pacific and heading our way."

The faltering economies of Southeast Asia will almost certainly worsen the U.S. trade deficit as those nations buy less from us and export more.

In one of his two-handed answers that aggravate Congress so, Greenspan said that, on the one hand, the Asian problems could act as "a discernible drag" on U.S. output, and on the other hand, they could be a beneficial check on inflationary pressures.

And it is inflation that worries the Fed most.

Good times almost always end in inflation. Greenspan said the Fed was prepared to strike preemptively so that "any intensification of inflation should be delayed, very gradual and readily reversible."

Still worried that he was imparting too much cheer to Congress, Greenspan paraphrased an old gambler's maxim: "As history counsels, it is unwise to count on any string of good fortune to continue indefinitely."

The Fed, he pledged, would watch, worry and, for the time being, keep monetary policy "on hold" — in short, do nothing.

Dale McFeatters
Scripps Howard

Keeping busy in the eye of the storm

By TOM RAUM
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — From the State of the Union address to the flare-up over Iraq, President Clinton has been in a nearly constant state of motion for the past month, seizing one opportunity after another to shape attention.

So far, the calendar and luck have worked to his advantage.

With the Iraqi confrontation easing, some White House aides have even jokingly wondered what the president will do next to divert attention away from the Monica Lewinsky matter.

He gives no signs of slowing — or wallowing.

He was leaving for Florida today to inspect tornado damage first hand en route to a five-day visit to California and Utah. He's got a 10-day trip to Africa planned for next month.

And Clinton keeps drumming away at initiatives he rolled out in his State of the Union message and 1999 budget. In recent days, he's been to Philadelphia to talk about his tobacco-tax proposals, Baltimore to provide more details on clean-air legislation and Wheaton, Md., to spell out a health-care "Bill of Rights."

In the meantime, he's been hitting the fund-raising circuit

hard, raising \$1.5 million in one 24-hour blitz last week and headed for more fund-raisers in California.

"This has been a very busy week in Washington," Clinton told the National Council of Jewish Women on Tuesday — a day after he cautiously endorsed an agreement between the United Nations and Iraqi President Saddam Hussein on weapons inspections that averted a U.S.-led military strike.

Even the visit earlier this month by British Prime Minister Tony Blair provided Clinton an opportunity to show his level of engagement in the international arena.

"There has been a series of events that have helped the president look in charge, focused on governing," said Stuart Rothenberg, publisher of a political newsletter. "It's been a significant plus for him."

But Rothenberg said there are limits to how long Clinton can keep such a process going on, especially if new accusations surface — or if special prosecutor Kenneth Starr's Whitewater grand jury starts handing down indictments.

Furthermore, questions linger about the Iraqi agreement that could return to haunt Clinton should Saddam

renege on some of the terms.

"This is still very much a dicey and unresolved issue, and we're going to have to give some serious thoughts to how we deal with the continuing problem," said Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss.

Still, Clinton has displayed resilience and inventiveness in shaping and controlling the national agenda, many analysts suggest.

"Skillful presidents can keep up this kind of thing forever," said Erwin Hargrove, a political scientist at Vanderbilt University.

He said Clinton in many ways resembles President Reagan for his ability to stay on message.

But Clinton's high approval ratings could slump if there is "a deluge suddenly" from the Starr investigation, including a possible subpoena of the president or "if it's showed he lied," Hargrove said.

White House adviser Paul Begala, part of Clinton's damage-control team, credits neither luck nor the calendar for Clinton's recent performance. "Football coaches say you can't teach speed, you can't teach someone to run fast. You can't teach someone to be president. It's been his ability to dominate the agenda and the landscape."

Part of Clinton's luck in being able "to defy the laws of presidential gravity" is the continuing strong economy, suggested Thomas Cronin, a political scientist who has written books on the presidency and who is president of Whitman College in Walla Walla, Wash.

Good economic times give many Americans little reason to focus on goings on in Washington, he suggested.

Not only has the good economy made Clinton and his aides confident, it has made some of them sound downright cocky.

"My suggestion is that Republicans should not even think about defying the Social Security-first principle," Gene Sperling, chairman of Clinton's National Economic Council, told a White House briefing Tuesday.

It was a reference to Clinton's challenge to Congress to forgo spending any budget surplus until Social Security is shored up.

"Or else what?" he was asked.

"I think they will be making a very unwise policy and political decision," Sperling said.

EDITOR'S NOTE — Tom Raum covers politics and national affairs for The Associated Press.



An artist with a passion for speed

The color of electricity. I never thought about that.

Lee Wilson saw electricity as green, specifically the metallic chartreuse of a junked Mustang.

In Wilson's photograph, a massive power plant hums with the tired old car in the foreground. It is early, and the photographs of Lee Wilson almost seem part of the morning mist. They are hanging in the Lamar Dodd Art Center at LaGrange College, a building with much glass and class.

As art professor John Lawrence turns on a series of lights, the images are bathed in an artificial dawn. I wonder what Lee would have thought of his first solo show, his impressive body of work showcased to greatest advantage in a place as beautiful as this.

"I'm not sure that Lee cared for anybody to lift him up real high in terms of achievement," Bill Wilson of Decatur says. Bill, 79, is Lee's father.

"He was a really modest guy. But right now the show, seeing his work preserved, is my biggest reward."



Rheta G. Johnson
Columnist

Lee Wilson was lost at sea in 1995. He was sailing alone from England to the Canary Islands, logging solo ocean hours in a trimaran he hoped to enter in a transAtlantic race.

On Oct. 27, the same hour he left England, Lee phoned his father. They talked for one minute. Bill still has the phone records.

"I didn't talk long, because I didn't want to detain him. I knew he was eager to be off," Bill says. "I just wished him Godspeed."

Six weeks later Bill called the British Coast Guard, which already had been alerted by a friend. Three months passed, then the Coast Guard gave Bill Wilson the short list of grim scenarios. The chance that he was somewhere alive was only a grain of sand on the beach.

Lee liked racing things — sailboats, Formula Fords at Road Atlanta, motorcycles. He often took risks — and sometimes undemanding jobs to leave time for his on-the-edge hobbies.

"As a father, I didn't try to control him. You don't try to control a child who's in his 30s, as long as it isn't illegal or immoral," Bill says. He had known about Lee's passion for speed since the boy was 11. In the four acres of piney woods around their home, Lee laid

out a course for his small trail bike, and he rode it at amazing speeds.

"I knew then," Bill says. You could spend a day inside the storeroom of the college art center. It holds the work of countless artists who use a camera. That's why when Bill called to ask about the award his son had won at the 1994 LaGrange National, John Lawrence had to look up the photo the museum had purchased.

"His father was planning a memorial service, and I couldn't remember offhand which photo was Lee's," Lawrence says. When he found it, he also found irony. The photo was of the Seven Mile Bridge in the Florida Keys, those stepping stones to the Atlantic.

Most of Lee's color work was shot with a Deardorff, an unwieldy, large-format camera that takes time and patience. His photos are not action shots, but strikingly elegant views of bridges, overpasses and stock-still urban landscapes.

Lee had a 1981 degree in cinema and photography from Southern Illinois University. At age 36, he was coming into his own as an artist.

There are a couple of pictures of Lee himself with the exhibit. In one he is on a sailboat, wearing a yellow rain slicker. He looks handsome.

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◆On a ship, remember the "fore" is the front. The "aft" is the back.

Got an item?

Do you have a story idea for the life! section? Call 263-7331, Ext. 236.

Big Spring Herald

Wednesday, February 25, 1998

Breast screenings offered free

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN
Features Editor

Mammogram, the life-saving test to detect breast cancer, will once again be available to those who could not afford to pay for it.

Thanks to a grant from the Dora Roberts Foundation, the American Cancer Society and Texas Department of Health will offer mammograms free to women at least 40 years old. The grant of \$12,500 will be used "as long as it lasts" for women in Howard and Glasscock counties.

"This is an ongoing thing for the last three years," said nurse practitioner Nancy Vassar, manager of the TDH clinic at 501 Birdwell Lane.

"The women served by this grant must not be able to afford

MAMMOGRAMS

The American Cancer Society and Texas Department of Health offer free mammograms to women at least 40 years of age who cannot afford to pay for the service. Call 263-9775 to schedule an appointment for screening for the program.

a mammogram because of their income or other reasons," Vassar said. Screening for those who qualify will take place at TDH, and the mammograms are performed at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Call for an appointment at 263-9775.

In the past, the free mammograms have detected some problems and helped women receive

further testing or treatment they needed.

"If a problem is detected, the next step would be an ultrasound," Vassar said. "We hope we can map out some kind of plan for them."

Additional funding is sought for the required testing, Vassar said, so the patient will not usually have to pay the full cost of needed procedures.

It is estimated that 180,300 new cases of breast cancer will be diagnosed in the U.S. in 1998, and 43,900 of those stricken will die.

The American Cancer Society recommends a mammogram every year after age 40, with a baseline mammogram by age 40, for all women. Early detection is the key to survival, according to information from ACS.



HERALD photo/Debbie L. Jensen

Above, Ronna Reeves, left, Big Spring native and country recording artist, is presented with a historic Howard County trophy by Big Spring Downtown Lions Club member Guy Teague, as Ariele LaFond looks on. Below, Ariele LaFond gets Reeves' autograph on a pair of her boots won by him in a drawing at the Heritage Museum Friday. Reeves was visiting Big Spring while in West Texas to receive honors in Odessa.

Superhero play can be positive

Remember back when you had to look up to all the "big" people and tasks like tying your shoe were still a challenge? It was fun to imagine yourself as a superhero and take on the powers you wished for in everyday life.

Children naturally imitate fearless superheroes who can overcome any obstacle in their path. When children begin leaping and tumbling about, however, adults worry that accidents will happen. Sometimes adults discourage superhero play for fear that it will become too disruptive, or that children will engage in it at inappropriate times.

Keep in mind that this type of play gives children the chance to face their fears and show off physical feats. When supervised by adults, "superhero play" can help children improve their language skills and teach them to work together to solve problems. It also encourages creativity. When children begin pretending they are superheroes, adults can help them make the most of it.

Here are some tips:
1. Show children that superheroes are not special just because they are physically powerful. Point out when superheroes show kindness and helpfulness to others. Praise children when they do the same.

2. Talk about real heroes with children. Introduce them to people like Helen Keller and Martin Luther King, Jr., and discuss how everyday people can demonstrate acts of courage and goodness.

3. Point out the difference between movies, TV and real life. When you see actors pretend to leap out of windows or jump over speeding cars, explain to children why they shouldn't "try this at home."

4. Make the rules about when and where superhero play is allowed. You may limit this sometimes rough and tumble play to outdoors, or during recess time. Be consistent -- if "flying" indoors is not allowed on Monday, it shouldn't be allowed on Tuesday.

5. Help children build on their interests through superhero play. Watching Star Wars may lead to learning about space travel. A Spiderman comic book may lead to exploring the world of insects. Always keep your eyes open to learning opportunities for children.

6. Be on the lookout for overly aggressive play. Get involved if you see a child become frightened or angry. When the laughter stops, and threats or complaints begin, help children get back on track or end their play. Show them you are there to help, and offer options. Maybe it's time to take a break, or to find out why the frustration occurred. In any case, make it clear that physical or verbal aggression are not

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Dana Tarter
Extension Agent



HERALD photos, Debbie L. Jensen
Some participants in the Heritage Museum's "Around the World in 80 Bites" dressed the part. At left, Phillip Bridge added a German touch to the booth of Moorehead Transfer. Above, Kaylor Stanley was all Hawaiian at the Saturday event.



SUPPORT GROUPS

MONDAY

•Al-A-Teen, 7:30 p.m., 615 Settles.

•Narcotics Anonymous, 6-7:30 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 10th and Goliad.

•TOPS Club (Take off pound sensibly), weigh-in 5:15 p.m., Family Hospice, 3210 E. 11th Place, meeting starts at 6 p.m. Call 263-1340 or 263-8633.

•Project Freedom, Christian support group for survivors of physical/emotional/sexual and/or spiritual abuse. Call 263-5140 or 263-2241 for dates/times of upcoming groups.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting.

•Encouragers Support Group (formerly Widow/Widower support group) first and third Mondays each month. First Monday meetings are at a local restaurant at 6 p.m. Third Monday meetings are at 5:30 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church Seventh and Rannels (enter through north door). We have various activities, such as guest speakers, play games, have covered dish supper, visit or go out to eat. For more information call 398-5522 or 399-4369.

TUESDAY

•Support for MS and Related Diseases, 6:30 p.m. second Tuesday of each month. Canterbury South. Public invited. Call Leslie, 267-1069.

•Al-Anon, 8 p.m., 615 Settles.

•Seniors' diabetic support group, 2 p.m., Canterbury South. Call 263-1265.

•Compassionate Friends support group for parents who have experienced death of a child, 7:30 p.m. first Tuesday in February, April, June, August, October and December in the Family Life Center Building, First Baptist Church, 705 West Marcy. Enter by southeast door. Call 267-2769.

•Cancer support group, first Tuesday of each month, 7-8 p.m., VA Medical Center room

213. Call Beverly Rice, 268-5077.

•"Most Excellent Way," a chemical dependency support group, Tuesdays, 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.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting and 8 p.m. closed meeting.

•Family Education and Support, sponsored by Howard County Mental Health Center, meets the second Tuesday of each month at 5:30 p.m. at 319 Rannels. For more information call Shannon Nabors at 263-0027.

•The Big Spring Alliance for the Mentally Ill meets the fourth Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at 409 Rannels (formerly the TU building). For further information call Sondra at 267-7220.

•Samaritan Counseling Center of West Texas will have Dr. Ronald Meyer, D.Min., LCDC, LMFT, specializing in individual and marriage counseling. Attention Deficit Disorder and chemical dependency, available for clients at the First Christian Church. Appointments for counseling services are made by calling 1-800-329-4144.

•Narcotics Anonymous, 6-7:30 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church.

WEDNESDAY

•Gamblers Anonymous, 7 p.m., St. Stephen's Catholic Church, room 1, 4601 Neeley, Midland. Call 263-8920.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting and 8 p.m., 12 and 12 study.

•Samaritan Counseling Center of West Texas will have Sharon Beam, who is a licensed professional counselor interim specializing in play therapy for children, adolescent counseling and women's issues, at the

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Healthy eating What is 'the good stuff' in fruits, vegetables?

By LoANA GONZALES
Waco Tribune-Herald

WACO — One of the most commonly repeated health tips from nutritionists and dietitians is to eat more fresh fruits and vegetables.

So you go to the grocery store and stock up on apples, oranges, carrots and plenty of lettuce for salad.

Good move. It seems obvious that all this natural stuff is great for your health. But you might be left wondering why.

Just what is it about this stuff that makes it so good for us? More specifically, what's inside the more common fruits and vegetables that everyone seems to eat anyway? How nutritious are they?

For those of you who have resolved to do those healthy things this year — like eat more fruits and vegetables — here's a list of 10 of the most common fruits and vegetables and how they can benefit you:

— Apples. That cliché about eating one of these a day gave apples a good name long ago. Lisa Hoelscher, local consultant dietitian, said apples — when eaten with the peel — are a good source of soluble fiber.

— Oranges. Eat one medium

orange a day, and Hoelscher says you'll meet your daily requirement for vitamin C. Vitamin C is "an antioxidant thought to have a protective effect against certain chronic diseases such as cancer," she said. These fruits also contain soluble fiber and potassium.

— Grapes. Particularly popular among children, grapes contain small amounts of vitamins, minerals and some fiber. Hoelscher said grapes do not contain high amounts of any one nutrient.

But as with any natural food, grapes are an excellent substitute to candy and other sweets kids can't seem to get enough of.

— Strawberries. Though not available year-round, one cup of strawberries also fulfills one's daily need for vitamin C. Hoelscher said these berries are also high in fiber.

— Kiwi. Hoelscher said kiwi, which is high in fiber, is also popular with children. Marilyn Preston, syndicated health columnist, said one little green kiwi has more than twice the vitamin C of an orange.

Kiwi fruit also has about as much potassium as bananas, not to mention healthy amounts of vitamin E and magnesium.

— Corn. If you don't like greens, corn might be one of the only vegetables you eat on a regular basis. Hoelscher said corn is a source of fiber and some B vitamins.

— Potatoes. Also a good source of complex carbohydrates, potatoes contain a variety of vitamins and minerals including potassium, vitamin C, iron and vitamin B6.

— Broccoli. Popular for vegetable trays and available at salad bars everywhere, broccoli is an especially good choice for those wanting to consume a healthier diet. Included in this green vegetable are vitamins C and A.

Like C, vitamin A is an antioxidant that helps fight against chronic diseases, especially cancer, Hoelscher said. Broccoli also contains fiber and some calcium.

— Carrots. One of the best sources of vitamin A, one medium carrot provides more than twice the daily requirement for this nutrient, Hoelscher said. Carrots also contain fiber.

— Lettuce. While it does not contain significant amounts of any one nutrient, Hoelscher said lettuce has two main benefits: it is low in calories and is a good base for foods like salad.

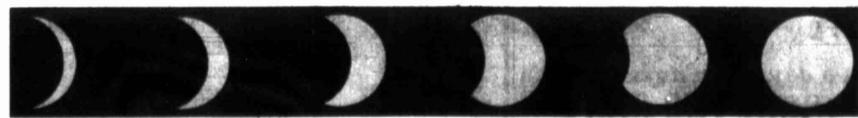
COMMUNITY NEWS

Solar eclipse Thursday

On Thursday, Texans will see something unusual in the sky at lunchtime — a solar eclipse. At its maximum, about 11:15 a.m., about 25 percent of the sun will be blotted out by the moon. Depending on the location, the eclipse will last about 1-3/4 hours.

To watch the eclipse safely, a special filter must be placed over the eyes, protecting them from the harmful rays of the sun. Cameras, binoculars and telescopes are not safe for viewing the eclipse without the special filter.

Thursday's eclipse will be visible in about 70 countries, and in eight of those the moon will completely cover the sun for a short time. The next eclipse will occur on Aug. 11, 1999.



FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Radio club course set

The Big Spring Amateur Radio Club will be sponsoring a class teaching you how to become a "ham." The class will be for 10 weeks, beginning Saturday, Feb. 28, at 9:30 a.m. The class will be at the Radio Clubhouse. For more information, call Jim LeMarr at 394-4424 or Jose Gonzales at 263-5777.

Coahoma has recycle trailer

Coahoma recyclers now have a trailer to place recyclable items in on a regular basis. They accept cans (place aluminum and steel together for now), corrugated cardboard, and newspaper.

If you have carpet padding, eyeglasses or Campbell Soup labels, call Irene LeMarr at 394-4424 and she will pick them up.

THE LAST WORD

Man — a creature made at the end of a week's work, when God was tired.
Mark Twain

I find television very educating. Every time somebody turns on the set, I go into the other room and read a book.
Groucho Marx

A good storyteller is a person who has a good memory and hopes other people haven't.
Irvin S. Cobb

Slice of life!

Scientists say obesity should get more respect as a disease

By LEE BOWMAN
Scripps Howard News Service

PHILADELPHIA — Scientists are edging closer to being able to turn off and on the body's weight-regulating system, researchers meeting here said Thursday.

But there's also frustration that obesity isn't getting more respect as a disease and more research money to understand its cause, said speakers at the 150th annual meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

"Obesity is in a special position in the disease field because there is still such a strong prejudice and social feelings about it," said M.R.C. Greenwood, a clinical nutritionist at the University of California-Santa Cruz and president-elect of AAAS.

Judith Stern, a nutrition researcher at the University of California-Davis, said that with an estimated 63 million obese Americans running up health costs in excess of \$100 billion a year due their weight "it should receive a greater share of federal funding" and more public health attention.

Yet the National Institutes of Health are devoting only \$92 million this year to studies on the problem. "We've come a long way, but we have an extremely long way to go," Stern said.

And while experts generally agree that the body mass index — an intimidating formula of weight divided by height — should be no higher than 27 to 30, or about 164 to 180 pounds

on a 5-foot-5-inch woman, there's also considerable disagreement about how much physical conditioning can alter the picture.

"Let's put it this way: Luciano Pavarotti is a 42; Cal Ripkin Jr. is a 27, which could be borderline if he weren't so muscular," Stern said.

Dr. Michael Schwartz said that given the breakthroughs in understanding the hormone leptin — which tells the body it's full — and in some of the genetic flaws that cause the body to miss the signals, "I'm fairly optimistic we'll have much more effective treatments down the pike in a matter of a few years."

The researcher at the University of Washington Medical School and Puget Sound VA Health Care System in Seattle cautioned, however, that such medications may not be a dream pill for everyone.

"I'm not sure that everyone who's 50 pounds overweight should be given that pill automatically without considering all the factors that brought that person there," he said. "There should be some reason to treat them other than that they don't like the way they look."

Schwartz said he thinks the preliminary human trials using leptin on overweight people are likely to show poor results "because there's pretty strong evidence that a lot of people are resistant to it, and that the resistance builds, at least in some people, with the amount of fat in their body."

It appears that leptin's signals run along several different

pathways between fat-storing cells and the brain, and that there may be a dozen or more genes that direct this wiring.

"Right now, we don't really know why very obese people have such high leptin levels, but we're beginning to have some understanding of the mechanisms and these show promise that we can come up with drugs that bypass those disrupted pathways," Schwartz said.

While the research focuses on genetic predisposition to gain weight, Schwartz added that only about 50 percent of obesity is likely to be genetic in origin; the rest results from environmental factors and bad eating habits learned early in life.

Greenwood and Stern argue that the epidemic of obesity has developed in the United States and across much of the world in recent decades and seems to be getting worse because most people's genes favor storing fat.

"In evolution, it was a desirable trait for a species, especially in women. But we've moved away from a more vigorous lifestyle in this country and live in an era of plentiful and accessible food, and that genetic advantage seems to turn against us," Greenwood said.

As with most diseases, the researchers said, while many people may be genetically predisposed to gain weight, lifestyle conditions, voluntary and involuntary, also play a significant role.

(Lee Bowman covers health and science for Scripps Howard News Service.)

SUPPORT

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First Presbyterian Church, Runnels and Eighth St. Appointments for counseling services are made by calling 1-800-329-4144.

THURSDAY

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting.

•A.D.A.P.T. non-profit support and learning organization about attention deficit disorder, learning disorders and dyslexia. Meets second Thursday of September, October, November, January, February, March, April and May, Cerebral Palsy building, 802 Ventura, Midland.

•Grief Support related to the death of a loved one. Call Nurses Unlimited, Inc., at 264-6523.

•Alzheimer's Association Support Group, fourth Thursday of the month, Comanche Trail Nursing Center, 3200 Parkway, 7 p.m.

•Narcotic Anonymous, 8 p.m. St. Mary's Episcopal Church.

FRIDAY

•Turning Point A.A., 8-9:30 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 10th and Goliad. Open to all substance abusers.

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

SATURDAY

•Alzheimer's Association Support Group, second Saturday of the month, Carriage Inn Retirement

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acceptable.

7. Give children the chance to make choices and take on responsibilities. Children become bored when activities are not challenging, and frustrated when they are too advanced. Keep a close eye on children so that you know when they are ready to take on new challenges, like helping with a recipe or dressing themselves.

8. Praise children when they accomplish real "feats" like putting together puzzles or learning to spell their own names. Children may still imitate superheroes, but they'll have more confidence both during play and in everyday living.

Source: National Association for the Education of Young Children.

life! policies

All Sunday items are due to the Herald office by Wednesday at noon.

Birth announcement, engagement, wedding and anniversary forms are available at the Herald office. We will only accept announcements printed on our forms, and we will include only information listed on the forms. There is no charge for these announcements.

Call Debbie L. Jensen, 263-7331, ext. 236, for details.

Center, 501 W. 17th, 10 a.m.

Family support group for current and former patients and their families, 1 p.m. weekly, Reflections Unit of Scenic Mountain Medical Center, Call Beverly Grant, 263-0074.

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

•"So I Forget," Attention Deficit Disorder support group for individuals and couples, first Saturday of the month from 9 to 10:30 a.m., Samaritan Counseling Center of West

Texas, Inc., Midland. Call the center at (915) 563-4144 or 1-800-329-4144. Cost is \$15.

•West Texans Living with Chronic Fatigue and Immune Dysfunction Syndrome/Fibromyalgia, 1-3 p.m., on different Saturdays of the month, HealthSouth facility at Hwy 191 and Loop 250, Midland. Call Joann Carney, (915) 686-7977, or Marsha Brunet, (915) 337-4829.

•Narcotic Anonymous, 10 p.m. St. Mary's Episcopal Church.

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Women can reduce risk of heart disease with two vitamins

CHICAGO (AP) — Women may be able to reduce their risk of heart disease dramatically by taking three to four times the recommended daily allowance of two vitamins, folate and B-6, a study suggests.

A survey of about 80,000 nurses found that those who consumed far more than the recommended daily allowance were about half as likely to develop heart disease as those who took in less than the RDA, researchers said in Wednesday's *Journal of the American Medical Association*.

The women were tracked for 14 years, beginning in 1980. Participants in the study got their folate and vitamin B-6 mostly through multiple vitamins and cereals. They also consumed orange juice, green leafy vegetables, broccoli and eggs, all of which are excellent sources of the two vitamins.

The women on high-vitamin diets got an average of 700 micrograms a day of folate, compared with the recommended daily allowance of 180. They got an average of 4.6 milligrams of B-6 a day, compared with the recommended allowance of 1.6.

The American Heart Association said the findings agree with earlier research linking folate to men's risk of heart disease, and with other

evidence that low levels of folate and vitamin B-6 increase the risk.

But Dr. Ronald M. Krauss, chairman of the heart association's nutrition committee, said the study should be interpreted cautiously because it depended on participants' recollections, as recorded on mailed questionnaires.

"It will be important in future studies to determine whether supplementation of the diet with folate and vitamin B-6 beyond the current RDAs for these nutrients will directly benefit heart-disease risk," he said.

However, the heart association believes daily folate intake should be 400 micrograms — above the recommended daily allowance.

Women who had one or two drinks a day in addition to lots of folate had the very lowest heart risks, said the researchers, led by Eric B. Rimm, an assistant professor of epidemiology and nutrition at Harvard School of Public Health.

Previous studies have linked moderate alcohol consumption with protection against heart disease.

Dr. Robert S. Rosenson, director of preventive cardiology at Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center in Chicago,

said plenty of evidence exists to encourage people to increase their intake of folate and vitamin B-6. Multiple vitamins are an easy and safe way to get both, he said.

"Even though the study was performed among women, we would expect similar findings with men," Rosenson said.

To get 700 micrograms of folate from food, a person would need to drink 6 cups of orange juice, eat 6 cups of raw chopped spinach, down nine cups of cooked broccoli or put away 29 large eggs.

To get 4.6 milligrams of vitamin B-6 would require 21 cups of orange juice, 16 cups of spinach, 33 cups of broccoli or 66 eggs.

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Lady Hawks gunning for top regional seed at Frank Phillips

By JOHN H. WALKER
Managing Editor

Only Frank Phillips College's Lady Plainsmen (7-16, 2-11) stand between Howard College's Lady Hawks (27-2, 11-2) and an anticipated No. 1 seeding from the Western Junior College Athletic Conference in the Region V Tournament next weekend in Midland.

And Howard should clear that last hurdle with little difficulty — if everything goes as expected — when the two teams meet Thursday night in Berger at 6 p.m.

Howard got back on-track Monday against Clarendon, taking an 86-41 win over the Lady Bulldogs in Dorothy Garrett Coliseum in the final home game of the season.

Against Frank Phillips, a team Howard dismantled 101-36 back on Feb. 2, Howard will be

looking to fine tune both its offense and defense heading into the playoffs.

Still, the Lady Hawks will have to be careful not to look past Frank Phillips on the road.

Howard enters the game averaging 82.3 points per game following the Clarendon win — up one-tenth of a point from last week — while FPC averages 56.7 points. The Lady Plainsmen's offensive average dropped six-tenths of a point following Monday's night's 99-38 loss to New Mexico Junior College.

Shawnta Johnson continues to lead the Lady Hawks with a 16.1 points per game average while Karlita Washington averages 14.7 points per outing.

Three Lady Hawks — Lataica Spencer at 8.7, Donelle Jones at 8.1 and Ricka McKee at 8.0 points — are all close to double-figure scoring. Johnson and Jones share the team lead in

rebounding at 5.5 each per game, followed by Spencer with 5.3 caroms.

Spencer also leads the team in field goal percentage at 57.0, while three teammates — Johnson, Jones and Lataica Moore — are all shooting better than 50 percent from the field.

Washington leads the conference in 3-point field goals at 45 percent, followed closely by McKee at 35.9 percent while Washington is hitting 75 percent of her free throws.

And if Howard has an overall weakness, it appears to be the free throw line. While shooting just a fraction more than 20 free throws per game, Howard is missing near eight charity tosses per game on the average.

Following Thursday's game, the Lady Hawks will continue to get ready for the Region V Tournament as they await the seedings and game pairings.

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Women		Men			
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Howard	11 2	27 2	Midland	10 3	24 3
Midland	11 2	22 7	South Plains	9 4	18 11
South Plains	11 2	21 7	Howard	9 4	16 13
Clarendon	7 6	16 7	New Mexico	7 6	16 11
New Mexico	6 7	12 11	NMJI	6 7	11 15
Odessa	2 11	9 17	Odessa	5 8	11 15
F. Phillips	2 11	9 17	F. Phillips	4 9	11 17
W. Texas	2 11	6 22	Clarendon	2 11	10 13

Monday's Results		Monday's Results	
Howard College 86, Clarendon 41;	Midland 111, Odessa 58; South Plains 78, Western Texas 68; New Mexico JC 99, Frank Phillips 38.	Howard College 80, Clarendon 77;	Midland 64, Odessa 55; New Mexico Military 79, South Plains 75; New Mexico JC 98, Frank Phillips 85.

Thursday's Games		Thursday's Games	
Howard College at Frank Phillips,	Midland at Western Texas, New Mexico JC at Odessa, Clarendon at South Plains.	Howard College at Frank Phillips,	Midland at New Mexico Military, New Mexico JC at Odessa, Clarendon at South Plains.

Jim Ned no stranger to Bulldogs

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Sports Editor

When Coahoma's Bulldogs step onto the floor of the Scurry County Coliseum for their bi-district basketball playoff Friday night with Jim Ned's Indians, they'll be all too familiar with their opponent.

Not only have the Bulldogs already faced the District 7-2A runnerup Indians once this season — a three-point loss at the Eula Invitational Basketball Tournament during the Christmas holidays — but until two years ago, Jim Ned and Coahoma were residents of the same district.

As a result, Bulldogs coach Kim Nichols and his players say they know what to expect when the game begins at 7:30 p.m. Friday.

"They're small and extremely quick ... like to press you all over the floor," Nichols explained. "We'll have a height advantage, but they're very aggressive on the boards at both ends of the court."

"Offensively," he added, "they'll probably run a three-guard front with a high and low post, and sometimes, go with a high post and a baseline runner. They're probably going to gap our zone, like everyone else tries to do, and they really want to score off their press."

In addition, Nichols notes the Indians have a strong basketball tradition. "They've been here before ... are used to being here," he explained. "They're almost always in the playoffs."

The 'Dogs, however, have a tradition of their own and have won two consecutive District 8-2A championships.

"It's the first time in a while that we've won back-to-back championships," Nichols said, noting the extremely competitive 8-2A chase should benefit the Bulldogs during the playoffs.

"It was a tremendously com-

petitive district ... as competitive as there is around," he added. "We played really well during the first part of district, then had a couple of weeks when we kind of went into a slump."

"Of course, there were several times when we were playing people who had their backs to the wall," Nichols continued. "We got their absolute best, because they were in a position that a loss took away any hope of making the playoffs."

That's now a position the Bulldogs, 21-10 on the season, face themselves, as does every opponent they'll face in the playoffs.

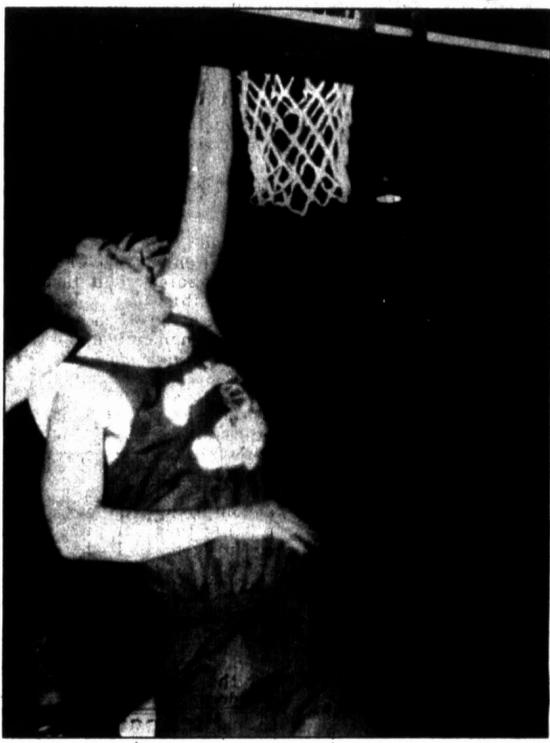
"You have to be able to rise to the occasion," Nichols continued, noting his team knows what it wants to accomplish. "We've been here before and know what to do. These kids have good work habits and they're dedicated. We've been in a little bit of a slump, but I think we're going to pull out of it Friday."

The Bulldogs five starters — Jason Gwyn, Robert Lain, Blake Nichols, Ryan Peckham and Regi Roberts — say their loss to the Indians during the holiday tournament should be no barometer for Friday's play-off.

"We had no intensity ... weren't prepared to play a game," Roberts explained. "It will be a different story this time."

The Eula tournament, Peckham noted, came during the holidays and the Bulldogs had opened district play prior to the break, altering their focus to some extent.

"On top of that, we played them in the morning," Peckham, who averages 12 points per game, said. "It was the third day we'd had to drive over there. We'd gotten up at 6 a.m. to get there and we were tired. And we'd already lost a game, so we weren't going to



Bulldogs post Jason Gwyn gets up in the air, hitting a shot during Coahoma practice drills Tuesday afternoon. The 'Dogs face Jim Ned in a bi-district game Friday in Snyder.

win the tournament." Blake Nichols, who leads the team in scoring with 17.8 points per game and along with Gwyn leads the Bulldogs in rebounding with more than nine caroms per outing, said he believes the tight man-to-man pressure employed by Jim Ned will work to Coahoma's advantage.

"Zone defenses have given us a little bit of a problem lately," the younger Nichols, "probably because we haven't shot well from outside during the last

couple of games. We tend to have a little better success when people try to man up on us."

Gwyn, who averages 10.4 points per game for the 'Dogs, believes there will be a more important factor Friday than his and his teammates' shooting percentage.

"Rebounding is the key ... we've got to rebound," he explained. "They're not very tall, but they jump extremely well. We've got to get on the boards."

Lady Steers remain perfect with twinbill sweep over Monterey

HERALD Staff Report

Big Spring's Lady Steers were in almost perfect form Tuesday afternoon, sweeping a double-header from Lubbock Monterey with a pair of shutout wins.

"It was a really good day for us," Lady Steers coach Wes Overton said of Big Spring's 13-0 and 3-0 victories. "We hit the ball well, had two strong pitching performances, had no errors and got a chance to let lots of girls play."

In the opener, the Lady Steers literally pounded Monterey, while Jessica Canales went the game's five-inning distance, allowing just one hit while striking out three and refusing a single base on balls.

Big Spring took control from the outset, the most intimidating presence being third baseman Melissa Martinez who ripped a two-run homer into the strong wind blowing in from left.

Martinez would finish the first game with a 3-for-4 showing at the plate and three runs batted in. Canales would aid her own cause with a 3-for-3 perfor-

mance and an RBI.

Catcher Jessica Cobos had just one hit in the opener, but was credited with three RBIs. Juanita Valdez also had a big game, going 2-for-3 with a pair of runs batted in.

The Lady Steers improved their record to 3-0 going into Thursday's opening round of the Midland Invitational Softball Tournament, taking the nightcap behind the strong pitching performance of Angie Phillips.

Phillips went the seven-inning distance, scattering five Monterey hits and striking out three. As was the case with Canales in the first game, she refused to allow a single batter to reach base on balls.

The Lady Steers' top hitters in the nightcap were Phillips, who went 2-for-3 in supporting her own cause, and shortstop Monica Rubio, who was 2-for-4 at the plate.

Martinez, Valdez and Mandi Lance were credited for the game's all-important RBIs.

Big Spring opens the Midland tournament at 7 p.m. Thursday, taking on Odessa High.

Bulldogettes win season opener, stopping Lady Westerners, 9-6

HERALD Staff Report

Coahoma's Bulldogettes opened their 1998 softball season in positive fashion Tuesday, taking a 9-6 road win over Lubbock High's Lady Westerners.

Senior Tara Sterling collected two hits, but more importantly, allowed the Lady Westerners only the same number in 5 1/3 innings on the mound in chalk-up her first win of the season. Shana Earnest and Kenni

Kay Buchanan provided relief help.

Offensively, the Bulldogettes were led by center fielder Cassie Tindol's four hits and two runs batted in.

Also figuring heavily in the Bulldogettes' 13-hit offensive barrage were Earnest, who collected three hits, and Krystal Waltermeyer, who matched Sterling's total of two.

The Bulldogettes return to action at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, facing Midland Christian.

Lady Mustangs head to region tourney; Garden City, boys teams fall

HERALD Staff Report

Sands' Lady Mustangs continued their romp in the Class 1A girls' basketball playoffs Tuesday with a 59-45 win over Irion County's Lady Hornets.

The win was a repeat of Sands' performance at the same level a year ago when they bombed the Lady Hornets into submission with 10 shots from outside the 3-point arch.

Once again, Sands' ability to score from 3-point range was a problem the Lady Hornets couldn't handle, but it was not more troublesome than the problems Lady Mustangs post Brianne Fryar posed.

With star guard Mendi Floyd seated almost half the game in foul trouble, Fryar took charge — hitting nine layups and finishing with a game-high 20 points.

As a result, the Lady Hornets only consolation was losing by just 14 points. The Lady Mustangs beat Irion County by 26 in the regional quarterfinals a year ago.

Despite her limited playing time, Floyd did plenty of damage. She finished with 19 points, including half of the Lady Mustangs' eight 3-pointers.

Floyd scored the Lady Mustangs' first five points before having to take a seat with two fouls with little more than three minutes gone in the game.

She returned in the second quarter just long enough to hit back-to-back 3-pointers before drawing another foul and having to return to the bench. And she would get one more basket before getting her fourth foul whistled midway through the third quarter.

"We got a little panicked when one of our leaders was off the floor," Lady Mustangs coach Leland Bearden admitted. "I thought Hollie Zant did a good job of getting the ball inside where we needed it."

With 1:06 remaining in the third quarter and the Lady Hornets having scored eight unan-

AREA PLAYOFF ROUNDUP

answered points, trimming Sands' lead to 39-30, Fryar took charge, taking a pass from Katy Gaskins and hitting a shot from the paint.

Fryar added another one from close range for the fourth quarter's first score, giving Sands a 43-31 edge, and the Lady Mustangs cruised in from there.

In addition to Fryar and Floyd, the Lady Mustangs got double-digit scoring from Andrea Gillespie, who finished with 11 points.

With the win, the Lady Mustangs improved to 25-5 and advanced to the Region II, Class 1A tournament at McMurry University in Abilene.

In the evening's nightcap, Sands saw hopes of a playoff sweep dashed as Christoval's Cougars took a 70-45 win over the Mustangs in a boys' bi-district game.

REGION II-1A QUARTERFINALS

Sands 59, Irion County 45
Tuesday at Grape Creek

SANDS - Jimmie Daniels 0 0 0 0; Laci Webb 0 0 0 0; Hollie Zant 1 0 0 3; Jessica Pascock 0 0 0 0; Katie Barnes 0 2 2 2; Starr Hopper 0 0 0 0; Anne Hall 0 0 0 0; Katy Gaskins 2 0 0 4; Andrea Gillespie 3 2 2 11; Mendi Floyd 6 3 4 19; Brianne Fryar 9 2 6 20; Shelli Blagrove 0 0 0 0. Totals 21 9-14 59.

IRION COUNTY - Amanda McCutchen 7 2 6 15; Kristi Turner 1 1 2 3; Nony Pierce 1 1 2 3; Wendy Robertson 7 2 3 16; Aubry Walston 0 0 0 0; Melinda Beck 0 0 3 0; Kacie Daves 2 0 0 4. Totals 18 6-16 45.

Score by Quarters: SANDS 10 22 9 18-59 IRION COUNTY 4 14 13 14-45

3-point goals - Sands 8 (Floyd 4, Gillespie 3, Zant); Irion County 1 (McCutchen). Fouls - Sands 20, Irion County 18. Fouled out - Irion County: Turner, Technicals - none. Records - Irion County finished 26-8; Sands is 25-5. Next game - Sands vs. Slaton/Brock winner at Region II-1A tournament, McMurry University, Abilene, 6 p.m.

Menard 55, Garden City 43

There will be no return to the Region II, Class 1A girls' basketball tournament for Garden City's Lady Bearkats after Menard's Lady Yellowjackets rallied from a seven-point deficit in the third quarter to take a 55-43 regional quarterfinal win Tuesday in Robert Lee.

Garden City saw its season end with a 27-5 record.

Having owned a 31-24 halftime lead, the Lady Bearkats found themselves in trouble at the third quarter's outset, as the Lady Jackets scored nine unanswered points in less than three minutes to take a 33-31 lead.

Misti Batla stopped the bleeding momentarily with a jumper that tied the game at 33-33, but Menard promptly rattled off another eight straight to make it 41-33, assuming a lead that would never be threatened.

Menard had shown first signs of that streaky play in the opening period when they scored the first eight points, but the Lady Bearkats held them to just four points to the end of the period and began finding the range.

Batla hit three 3-point shots in the frame, leading Garden City to a 14-12 lead at the end of the quarter. The Lady Bearkats continued their own hot streak, breaking out to a 19-12 lead.

However, disastrous 7-of-16 free throw shooting in the second quarter robbed the Lady Bearkats of an opportunity to really expand their lead.

"I felt like the third quarter really told the tale," Garden City coach Mike Meek said, noting emotional and mental strain may well have taken a toll on his team.

"They've been through a lot, losing Tiffany (Maxie) and they played an emotional game against their former coach (Wink's Phil Swenson) last week," he explained. "It really drains you."

Matla paced the Lady Bearkats with 19 points, while M'Lynn Niehues added 11 more.

REGION II-1A QUARTERFINALS

Menard 55, Garden City 43
Tuesday at Robert Lee High School

GARDEN CITY - Hina Larkford 0 0 0 0; April Bryant 0 2 0 0; Tiffany Kujewski 0 0 0 0; Paula Braden 0 2 1 2 1; Meagan Goodwin 0 1 0 2 0; M'Lynn Niehues 4 6 3 6 11; Stormi Chandler 1 2 3 6 5; J'Layne Niehues 2 8 0 0 4; Hyndra Batla 1 4 1 2 3; Misti Batla 6 8 3 5 19. Totals 14-32 11-23 43.

MENARD - Lizzy Ortega 2 8 1 2 5; Melissa Tanner 1 3 0 0 2; Lynsie Blau 6 11 2 4 14; Meredith Hooten 0 0 0 0; Nikki Lopez 1 2 1 2 3; Kami Jo Williamson 10 16 2 2 23; Darby Stovall 0 3 0 0 0; Cara Conley 3 9 0 1 6; Megan Cordes 1 3 0 2 2; Lindsey Austin 0 1 0 0 0. Totals 24-55 6-

13 55.
Score by Quarters: GARDEN CITY 14 17 7 5-43 MENARD 12 12 19 12-55

3-point goals - Garden City 4-11 (M. Batla 4-6, Bryant 0-2, Goodwin 0-1, K. Batla 0-2); Menard 1-6 (Williamson 1-3, Conley 0-3). Total Fouls - Garden City 15; Menard 21. Fouled Out - none. Technicals - None. Rebounds - Garden City 26 (M. Niehues 8); Menard 30 (Blau 12). Turnovers - Garden City 20; Menard 11. Records - Garden City finished 27-5; Menard is 26-3.

Eden 69, Grady 60

After having battled back from an 11-point halftime deficit, Grady's Wildcats saw their basketball season come to an end when Eden's Bulldogs scored 12 points in overtime to take a 69-60 win Tuesday night in Big Lake.

Brady Peugh scored a game-high 25 points and Greg Gibson added 18 more, most of them coming in the second half, as Grady rallied from a 30-19 lead the Bulldogs had forged behind the scoring of Caleb Waggoner and Kendal Castleberry.

The Wildcats, who finished the season with a 14-14 mark, outscored the 'Dogs by an 18-13 margin in the third quarter, entering the final eight minutes of regulation trailing 43-37 and then scored 20 points to deadlock the game at 57-all at the buzzer.

The comeback had taken most of what the Wildcats could muster, however, and Eden outscored them 12-3 in the extra period.

Waggoner led the way for Eden with 23 points, while Castleberry had 20 more points for the Bulldogs.

The Bulldogs, now 20-7, advance to the area playoff round Friday, facing Bronte in Ballinger.

REGION II-1A BI-DISTRICT PLAYOFF

Eden 69, Grady 60 OT
Tuesday at Reagan County High School

EDEN - Waggoner 8 2 2 23; Hernandez 1 0 0 2; Castleberry 10 0 0 20; Marks 2 0 1 5; Watkins 8 3 4 19. Totals 29 57 69.

GRADY - Peugh 11 0 0 25; Garza 1 0 0 2; Haggerton 3 0 3 9; Gibson 9 0 0 18; Hinojosa 2 1 2 6. Totals 26 15 60.
Score by Quarters: EDEN 15 15 13 14 13-69 GRADY 7 12 18 20 3-60

3-point goals - Eden 6 (Waggoner 5; Marks); Grady 7 (Peugh 3; Haggerton 3; Hinojosa). Fouls - Eden 15; Grady 12. Fouled out - None. Technicals - None. Records - Eden 20-7; Grady 14-14.

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CANCER (June 21-July 22) Look toward growth and new insights. Work might be taking an enormous toll on you. Consider getting a new degree or going back to school for more expertise. A change would be excellent for you in the long run. Ignore office gossip. Tonight: Relax to your favorite music.*****

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) A risk involving funds or a relationship could royally backfire. Be smart, and don't even try! You will notice that others are demanding. Don't let anyone corner you. All discussions need to happen on a one-to-one level. Tonight: Take time out with a friend.***

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You are frazzled as partners tug on you and a personal matter runs riot. Pull back. After careful consideration, you might decide that a new resolution for your relationship is in order. Listen to an offer, but don't commit just yet! Tonight:

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) As problems flash in your face, take time to pull back and gain perspective. What you are doing isn't working. Make decisions involving your work. Determine more of what you want from your career. Don't be influenced by others. Tonight: Soak away stress.***

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Magic happens when you realize your creative dreams. But you must not take any risks now. A money situation is not what it seems. When you adopt a new outlook, you find answers. A new beginning with love, children and romance is possible. Tonight: The fun begins.***

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) You are definitely out of sorts. Do not push, stomp or yell. Rather, recognize and acknowledge the wall you are hitting. Ask yourself what you can do to change it. A new beginning in your personal life can occur if you work with the situation. Tonight: Hide out.***

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Communications are active, so much so that you might decide you need a second phone number, answering machine or your own secretary. On another level, you might overreact to something you hear. Realize how incredibly sensitive you are. Tonight: Return calls.***

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) What you believed was a given might not be. Do not test a friendship when it comes to money matters. Right now, you need to make new resolutions for yourself. They could involve an investment and a new direction. Don't fight the inevitable. Tonight: Money alert!***

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) New beginnings are possible. Someone in charge could be pushing your buttons left and right. Be sure about your limits. You need to pull back and make decisions without others' influence. This is your year to wish upon a star. Go for what you want. Tonight: Out and about.***

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR THURSDAY, FEB. 26: This could be one of the more memorable and dynamic years in your life. You will be unusually creative, strong and unafraid of proceeding on your chosen path. An authority figure might challenge you: Use what happens here to energize your walk in a new direction. Relationships are confusing; you don't know your limits or how much to give. If you are single, others are attracted to you like a magnet. If attached, you will learn to balance both of your needs. PISCES is a soul mate.

WEDNESDAY

FEB. 25

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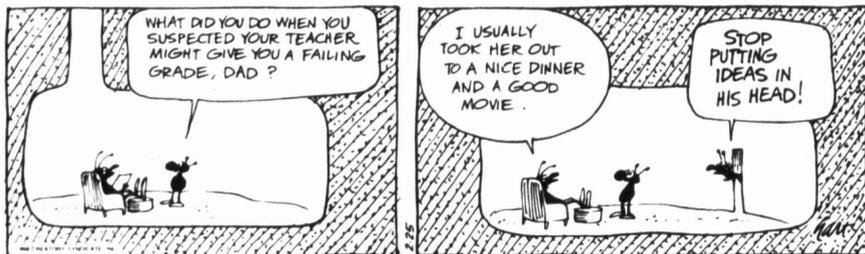
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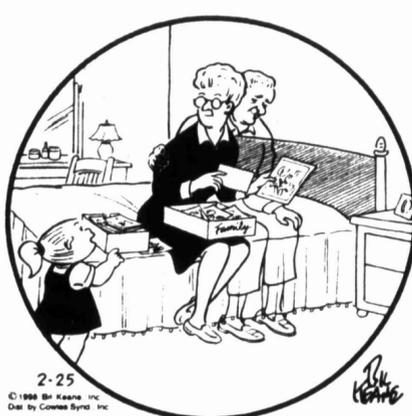
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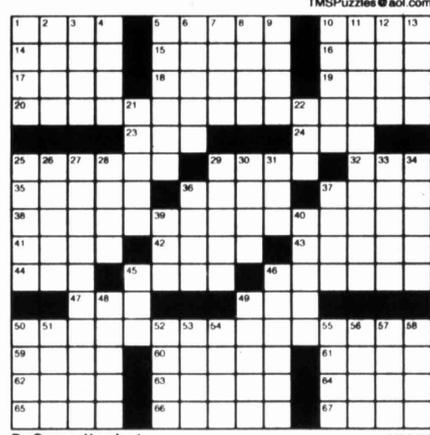
Today is Ash Wednesday, Feb. 25, the 56th day of 1998. There are 309 days left in the year.

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On this date: In 1570, Pope Pius V excommunicated England's Queen Elizabeth the First. In 1836, inventor Samuel Colt patented his revolver. In 1901, United States Steel Corp. was incorporated by J.P. Morgan. In 1919, Oregon became the first state to tax gasoline. In 1948, Communists seized power in Czechoslovakia. In 1950, "Your Show of Shows" made its debut on NBC. In 1956, Soviet leader Nikita Khrushchev harshly criticized the late Josef Stalin in a speech before a Communist Party congress in Moscow. In 1973, the Stephen Sondheim musical "A Little Night Music" opened at Broadway's Shubert Theater. In 1986, President Ferdinand E. Marcos fled the Philippines after 20 years of rule in the wake of a tainted election. Corazon Aquino assumed the presidency. In 1990, Nicaraguans voted in an election that led to an upset victory for opponents of the ruling Sandinistas.

THE Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

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5 "The Maltese Falcon" co-star
10 Withered
14 Charlie Chaplin's wife
15 Run after someone
16 Beyond
17 Resting atop
18 Showy lily
19 Explosive report
20 End of time overlapping inherit
23 Language suffix
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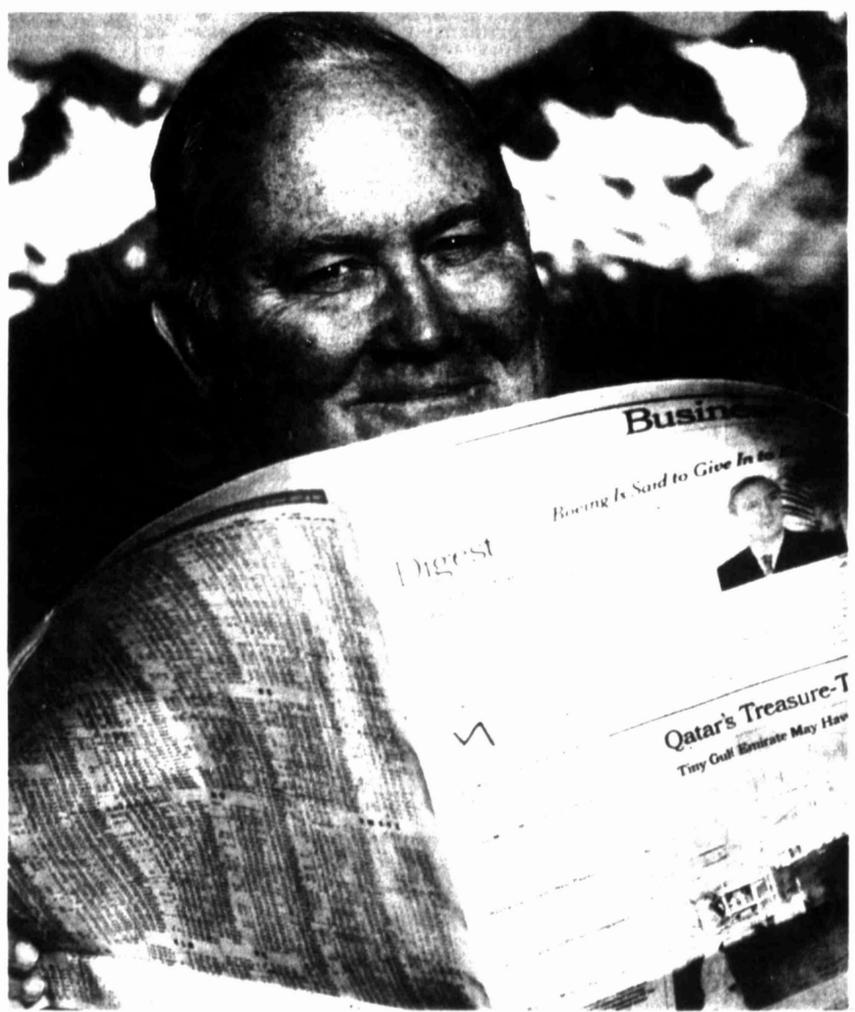
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