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Reflecting A Proud Community

Beals project dedication set for Friday

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

A project in progress for many years — first on paper and for the last two years in its construction phase — is about to celebrate completion.

Friday, Big Spring residents are welcome to attend the 10 a.m. dedication ceremony at the west end of the project site to help city officials celebrate the completion of the Beals Creek Project.

For the last few weeks, the

project contractor has been hauling away contaminated soil as well as planting grass on the slope of the channel, city officials said.

At last report, Community Development Director Todd Darden said the city was now waiting to hear from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers as to what's still owed by the city and the Corps on the project.

"What's owed is based on the original 137,000 cubic feet of contaminated soil found at the site," Darden told the city

council a few weeks ago. "There is approximately 82,000 cubic feet of contaminated soil left that's being treated and will have to be removed."

Despite the long history of the project, it was in October 1992 that Big Spring voters approved a bond election, by a 3-to-1 margin, a 3-cent tax hike for the project, which had an original price tag of about \$4.7 million, \$1.4 million of which the city was supposed to pay.

Early in the spring of 1997, the Beals Creek project ran into an

additional delay in construction because more contaminated soil than originally expected was discovered.

The source of the contamination, according to city officials, stemmed from petroleum products used in the area several years ago.

One of the original ideas was to use the contaminated soil from the Beals Creek site as cover at the city landfill, but the level of contamination, which is

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Warren Longley, associate director of the local VA Medical Center, addresses the Disabled Veterans of America convention held here Friday and Saturday.

Springing Forward

Football may be king — and basketball crown prince — in West Texas but springtime offers the widest variety of choices to area sports fans

It's spring and the busiest sports season of the year is fully under way. Long before basketball's March Madness playoff action began, many of the Crossroads Area's baseball, softball, tennis, golf and track athletes — particularly those at Big Spring High School — had already started honing their skills.

Some, in fact, began their seasons in late January and early February — campaigns that won't end until mid May.

Big Spring's Steers and Lady Steers tennis players officially opened their season during the last week in January at the Midland Invitational Tournament before taking a two-week break prior to hosting the Big Spring Invitational.

The Steers and Lady Steers golf teams were just a week behind, taking part in season-opening tournaments in Snyder and San Angelo, respectively.

They followed those openers by staging the Big Spring Invitational Golf Tournament on the same weekend that Ralph Davis' netters had teams throughout West Texas flocking to the Figure 7 Tennis Center at Comanche Trail Park.

And in the case of schoolboy baseball programs, a season that includes a trip to the state tournament in Austin couldn't possibly be concluded until seniors on the team have become graduates.

"It's a busy season and our kids get a little bid of a head start on people from the smaller schools in the area because we've got more kids that spe-

cialize in one or two sports," Big Spring ISD Athletic Director Dwight Butler noted.

"You've got some of these Class 2A and Class 1A schools where the same kids are playing virtually every sport," he added. "You can't expect them to get out and run track or play tennis and golf until they've finished playing basketball."

Such was the case for Stanton track coach Rob Bird, who didn't get a number of his key runners until last week following the Buffs' loss in the regional basketball semifinals to Lockney the weekend before.

As a result, Stanton's boys' relay teams went into their own meet Saturday without every having practiced a baton exchange.

Recognizing that many of his athletes literally hadn't had an opportunity to take a day off since the start of two-day football workouts in August, Bird gave his team Monday and Tuesday of last week off. They practiced Wednesday, but were out of school Thursday and Friday.

At Class 1A schools like Garden City, Sands and Grady, key performers from the Wildcat and Mustang playoff basketball teams virtually walked off the hardwood and onto the tennis courts and running tracks.

Garden City's Bearkats and Lady Bearkats hosted their annual tennis tournament this weekend, little more than two weeks after the school's girls were eliminated in the regional basketball quarterfinals.

Grady's netters were in Odessa the week after finishing their basketball season, turning in a strong showing in their division of the Ector County ISD Invitational Tournament.

For Coahoma boys' basketball and golf coach Kim Nichols, there was literally no break from

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Unpredictable, windy weather a fact of life for coaches, athletes

It's a familiar adage: If you don't like the weather in Texas, just wait a minute ... it'll change. That's particularly true in West Texas.

And those who are perhaps most familiar with West Texas' weather living up to that saying are the athletes and coaches involved in spring sports programs.

"The weather is something you really can't do anything about ... especially starting as early in the year as most of the spring sports do," Big Spring baseball coach Bobby Doe noted.

"You spend a lot of time hoping you're going to have good weather, but most years you're going to have

days that are almost brutally cold during the high school baseball season," he added.

"For us, we just plan to limit the number of pitches our pitchers

throw ... make sure they don't over-tax their arms and try to make sure everybody stretches and gets warmed up as good as possible before the game starts," Doe added.



For Lady Steers softball coach Wes Overton, pitching arm injuries are not the biggest concern. Instead, cold weather has Overton expressing the same reservations that most track coaches voice.

"The kids tend to make sure their arms are good and loose before they start throwing the ball very hard," Overton noted. "But sometimes they forget to spend enough time making sure their legs are stretched and warmed up properly."

"And while most people think of muscle pulls, hamstrings and that kind of thing as being associated with track, it's a problem in any

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WEATHER

Today: Mon: Tues: Wed:



Today, showers and thunderstorms. Highs around 60. Tonight, showers and thunderstorms. Lows 35 to 40. Monday, showers and thunderstorms likely. Highs around 60. Tuesday through Thursday, a chance of showers. Lows in the 40s.

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Wrinkle sells radio stations to Austin-based network

By JOHN H. WALKER
Managing Editor

Radio stations KBST, KBST-FM and KBTS-FM have been sold by owner David Wrinkle to Equicom, Inc., an Austin-based regional radio network operating as the Texas Eagle Radio Network.

An application was filed last Thursday with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) seeking approval of the sale of the stations, located at 608 Johnson.

Dain Schult is president of

Texas Eagle, self-described as a "rapidly expanding" network that "includes over 40 stations in small-to-medium-sized Texas markets ..."

Schult said listeners will see no change in the day-to-day programming on the station.

"The best surprise is no surprise," he said. "The stations will sound the same. The differences will be behind the scenes."

Eight others are listed as officers, directors or shareholders of at least 10 percent of Equicom, including Randall

Hale, Sherry Schult, Kelly Byrd, Harry Hedges, Donald Robertson, Bennet Springer, Robert Ringle and Nolan Lehmann. Additionally, Equus II Inc. is listed as a shareholder of greater than 10 percent.

Schult said "Texas Eagle intends to become the dominant regional radio network in the state. The stations we have under contract and others we are negotiating for are strong market players."

According to the press release, the stations will carry digital satellite-delivered pro-

gramming and some operating functions, such as bookkeeping, training and national and regional sales will be moved to Austin.

Wrinkle was not available for comment at the stations Saturday and his telephone number is non-published, but several weeks ago he had confirmed that he had been contacted in regards to selling the stations.

At that time, he said that "even if the sale goes through,

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OBITUARIES

Willie Johnson

Service for Willie Lee Johnson, 87, Santa Anna, Calif., formerly of Big Spring, will be 2 p.m. Monday, March 16, 1998, at the Highway 80 Church of Christ with Bro. Larry Hambrick, minister, officiating, and assisted by Bro. Dan Johnson.



JOHNSON

Burial will be in Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Mr. Johnson died Tuesday, March 10, at the Specialty Hospital in Santa Anna, Calif., following a long illness.

He was born on Oct. 24, 1910, in Magnolia, Ark. He had been a resident of Big Spring since 1928 until having to relocate to Santa Ana, Calif., due to his illness. He married Eliza Anderson. She preceded him in death. He was a member of the Highway 80 Church of Christ where he served as treasurer until his illness. He was a porter for over 60 years and had worked at Highland Barber shop until he retired.

Survivors include: two sons, John Lawler of Midland, and Preston Paul Johnson, SR., of Santa Anna, Calif.; two daughters, Ida Hallman of Compton, Calif., and Linda L. Junior of Bellflower, Calif.; one brother, Sam Johnson of Midland; 29 grandchildren; 70 great-grandchildren; eight great-great-grandchildren; and a host of nephews, nieces and friends.

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

James (Jim) Justice, 62 of Coahoma, died at 3:34 p.m. Friday, March 13, 1998, at Scenic Mountain Medical center, following a sudden illness.



JUSTICE

Service will be 4 p.m. Tuesday at Myers and Smith Funeral Home Chapel with Russell Mullins of the Coahoma Church of Christ, and Dr. Walter Lee of the Coahoma Presbyterian Church officiating. Burial will be in the Coahoma Cemetery, with full military honors provided by Goodfellow Air Force Base of San Angelo.

He married Sylvia Clara Tackett, Nov. 1, 1958, in New Holland, Ohio. He had been a resident of Big Spring since 1972, coming from El Paso. He served in the U.S. Air Force from Aug. 8, 1954 to Sept. 1, 1974. He served in Viet Nam

and retired at Webb Air Force Base. He received two bronze stars (for valor), the Air Force Commendation Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal, Outstanding Unit Award (for valor), Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Medal, Viet Nam Service Medal, ARVN Gallantry Cross with Palm Leaf and the Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal.

He was a life member of the disabled American Veterans and the Veterans of Foreign Wars. He was a member of the American Legion and the Viet Nam Memorial Committee. Following Air Force retirement, he began work for the U.S. Postal Service in Big Spring and worked 21 years, retiring Nov. 28, 1997. He was a member of the American Postal Workers Union. He was a member of the New Holland Church of Christ in Christian Union.

He is survived by his wife Clara, of Coahoma; two sons, Paul Justice of Georgetown and Joe Justice of San Antonio; two daughters-in-law, Mary Beth Justice of Georgetown and Debbie Justice of San Antonio; three granddaughters, Cobi Melton of Georgetown, Courtney Justice of Big Spring, Morgan Justice of San Antonio; two grandsons, Jason Melton of Princeton, New Jersey and Nye Justice of Georgetown; one great-granddaughter, BreShay Ausbie-Justice of Big Spring; one brother, Nelson Justice of Washington CH, Ohio; one sister, Martha Ankroom of New Holland, Ohio; several nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his parents, James and Leoma Justice; one sister, Mildred Doyle; one son, D.J. (Dana) Justice; and one grandson, Cameron.

Honorary pallbearers will be letter carriers of Big Spring Postal Service.

paid obituary

Jose Flores

Graveside service for Jose G. Flores, 79, of Big Spring, will be at 1 p.m. Monday, March 16, 1998, at Mount Olive Memorial Park with Carlos Payen, minister of the Spanish Church of Christ, officiating. Mr. Flores died Friday, March 13, 1998, in a local nursing home.

He was born Aug. 6, 1918, in Pecos. He had been a resident of Big Spring since 1955. He was self-employed as a handyman and also worked for civil service. He was a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include two brothers and numerous nieces and nephews.

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

J.L. Sanderson

Funeral service for J.L. "Toby" Sanderson, 78, of Colorado City, were at 3 p.m. Saturday, March 14, 1998, in the Kiker-Sealer Funeral Home Chapel, with Dr. Bentley Gwyn officiating. Burial followed in Colorado City Cemetery.

Mr. Sanderson died Thursday, March 12, 1998, at his residence. He was born Aug. 23, 1919 in Howard County. He married Oneta Franklin on Aug. 8, 1949 in Big Spring. He was a retired jeweler, a U.S. Army veteran of World War II and a member of the Oak Street Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Oneta Sanderson of Colorado City; one daughter and son-in-law, Leada and Don Wood of Colorado City; two sons and daughters-in law, David Ray Sanderson and wife Ann of Smithville, Va. and Ken

Sanderson and wife Mary Ann of Lubbock; one brother, C.F. Sanderson of Colorado City; eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society or the American Diabetes Foundation.

KBST

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During the interview, Wrinkle would neither confirm nor deny reports that the sale price for the properties could have been as high as \$3.5 million, as sources had told the Herald.

The press release said "sales price for the stations was not disclosed." KBST first went on the air on Dec. 21, 1936, transmitting at 1500 kilocycles. The station was owned by Harte-Hanks, Inc., parent company of the Herald as well at the time.

The station's license application was approved on Oct. 30, 1936 and its first studios were located in the Crawford Hotel (now a vacant lot at the corner of 3rd and Scurry). The signal was broadcast from a 167-foot antenna located in the low-lying areas around the railroad tracks in east Big Spring.

Harte-Hanks owned the station until 1959, when it was sold to Minneapolis-based Snider Corp. — a firm formed for the express purpose of purchasing the station. It was then that the Wrinkle family first became involved in the day-to-day operations of the station when Winston Wrinkle became vice president and secretary. Company president was Ted Snider, a Texas native who was in the radio business in Minneapolis.

Snider left the organization on Jan. 28, 1961, which led to Winston Wrinkle's eventual buy-out of the remaining stockholders. David Wrinkle bought the stations from his mother, Betty, on Jan. 1, 1985, following the death of his father, Winston, in January 1984.

FCC approval is expected within 90 days, according to the release.

BEALS

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The original amount of contaminated soil the Corps, the city and the contractor had to deal with now was estimated as being the equivalent of a football field 13 and a half feet high.

Instead of the original cost estimate of \$5.73 million — \$4.24 million being paid by the corps and \$1.49 million by the city of Big Spring — the additional contamination increased the estimated project cost to \$10,885,800, of which \$2,721,450 was to be owed by the city.

The additional cost was incurred because of the soil contamination in the channel.

The city eventually received \$1.9 in credit (for in-kind services) for disposal of the soil.

The city estimated the cleanup process had a value of \$3.8 million.

Because the city did receive in-kind credit, its cash requirement dropped to the 5 percent

BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

cash contribution required by the project, which amounts to \$544,250.

Now that the project is almost complete, residents can expect protection against a 10-year flood event to structures along Beals Creek and within the city limits of Big Spring.

The existing Beals Creek has been turned into a one-mile long 40-foot wide control channel with varying depths from five to nine feet.

A major benefit of the project is that it will keep water off the rails.

When the railyard floods and water is on the tracks Union Pacific Railroad will not allow trains onto the tracks. The project will also benefit the city because Big Spring is a main route between Fort Worth and El Paso.

Businesses owners and residents along the Jones Valley area won't have to lose personal property and inventory when it floods.

The diversion channel alternative requires diverting and realigning a channel separate from the existing creek to the north of the Union Pacific Railroad refueling station. It extends from a point just south of Channing Street and end at a point 450 feet east of the Owens Street bridge.

At the upstream limit of the diversion channel, a concrete drop structure will be placed to direct flood waters into the new channel from One Mile Lake.

SPRINGBOARD

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TODAY • Good Shepherd Fellowship Church, 610 Abrams, has services at 2 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, 11 a.m. closed meeting and 7 p.m. open meeting. •DAV Chapter 47 District No. 1 Convention continues at the Days Inn. Call Don at 267-6769 after 1 p.m. for more information.

MONDAY •Big Spring Evening Lion's Club, 6:30 p.m., 1607 E. Third. Call Al Valdes, 263-6810.

•Project Freedom, Christian support group, 7 p.m. Call 263-5140 or 263-2241.

•TOPS Clubs (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) 5:15 p.m. weigh in and 6:15 p.m. meeting, Family Hospice, 3210 E. 11th Place.

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

•Big Spring-Howard County Retired Teachers Association, 10:30 a.m. coffee and social hour and 11:30 a.m. lunch, Howard College Cactus Room.

•Survivors of Suicide support group, 7:30 p.m., Pastoral Care

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Office of Memorial Hospital and Medical Center in Midland. Mark Mercer, MSW, Hospice of Midland will discuss "Grief and Guilt."

•Encourager's support group, 6 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, Seventh and Rannels (enter through north door.) Bring a covered dish. Romona Harris will be the guest speaker. For more information call 398-5522 or 399-4369.

•New Voice Club, support group for laryngectomies and their families, 6:30 p.m., 2410 Wasson Dr., the house behind the 7-11 store. For more information call 267-2800.

TUESDAY •Most Excellent Way, a chemical dependency support group, 7 p.m., Living Water Church, 1008 Birdwell Lane. Call 267-1424 after 5 p.m. or 263-3168 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

•Al-Anon, 8 to 9 p.m., 615 Settles.

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

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

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

•Big Spring Art Association, 7 p.m., West Texas Center for the Arts, Howard College Campus.

•Big Spring Band Boosters, 7 p.m., high school band hall. All parents of band students in Big Spring are urged to attend. For more information call Rocky Harris at 264-3641.

•Senior citizens dance, Colorado Civic Center from 7 to 10 p.m. The Country Five will provide the music. Everyone is welcome.

WEDNESDAY •Downtown Lions Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room. Call Archie Kountz, 267-3821.

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

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

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 class, 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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Willie Lee Johnson, 87, died Tuesday. Services will be 2:00 PM, Monday at West Highway 80 Church of Christ, with burial at Mount Olive Memorial Park.
James (Jim) Justice, 62, died Friday. Services will be 4:00 PM, Tuesday at Myers & Smith Chapel, with burial at Coahoma Cemetery.

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Dora Roberts endowed Big Spring with more than just money

By KATHY GILBERT
Staff Writer

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is one in a continuing series of articles commemorating Women's History Month.

She could have gone anywhere and done anything after becoming a millionaire in the oil boom of the 1920s.

But rancher and oil baroness Dora Nunn Griffin Roberts chose to remain true to her country roots and stayed to endow Big Spring with her spirit, and her wealth, for another 30 years.

She was known in Big Spring as a remarkable woman. A "tough" woman. A "kind and charitable" woman.

And so connected to the simple pleasures of life, that even as a millionaire and resident of



DORA ROBERTS

a Fort Worth nursing home in her 80s, her favorite treat was to cook up meals of red beans and rice.

"The last five years of her

life," Roberts' granddaughter-in-law Dorothy Garrett said recently, "the nursing staff would drive her into Weatherford to go shopping for vegetables and fruit. She would buy the stuff you buy to make red beans, and the hospital would let her cook up red beans and greens."

"She never quit," Garrett said.

Roberts was born Dora Nunn in Randolph County, Ala., on April 23, 1883. With her parents Elijah Hope and Elizabeth Joyner Nunn, she moved to Hope, Arkansas. Rapidly, the family moved to several different spots in Texas, finally settling in Brown County.

Roberts' father became a cattle rancher, and as a young girl, Dora roped and rode, killing predatory animals and rattlesnakes. Dora's first husband, Andrew (Andy) Griffin, met Dora at her home in Brown

County in 1882.

The two were married within the month. Dora traveled to Howard County that same year, and occupied the dugout home that was soon followed by a frame home.

Dora had two daughters, Doria and Mittie. She also worked alongside Andy, who was a rancher, cattle trader, breaker of wild horses, and collector of buffalo bones.

They homesteaded four sections in the southeastern section of Howard County.

Dora burned, pricked, pear, skinned dead cattle, sold milk, butter, eggs and vegetables, irrigated her large garden, and tended to all the other duties of running a growing ranch.

Tragically, Andy died from riding injuries in 1891. Dora ran the ranch and raised her daughters single-handedly for five years before marrying neighbor

John Roberts on Oct. 21, 1896.

The Roberts combined their land into a 27-section ranch which became well-known in Texas.

They built a house on the corner of Sixth and Aylesford in about 1900 so Doria and Mittie could attend Big Spring High School and Dora commuted from the town to the ranch for the rest of her life.

Tragedy struck again in 1909 when John was also killed in a riding accident. Dora showed great skill in managing the ranch and later its oil wealth until the end of her life.

Unlike many ranchers, Roberts did not lease her land early in the oil game.

She eventually gained controlling interest and was elected President of the First National Bank of Big Spring in 1940.

"She was tough," Garrett said. "She had to be," Garrett, born

Dorothy Dublin, married Horace Garrett, Doria Griffin Roberts' son, in 1941.

Dorothy Garrett lived across the street from Dora Roberts, at 600 Scurry, from 1922 to 1967.

Roberts was "never ugly," Garrett said, "but if she told you to do something, you did it."

Horace Garrett called his grandmother "Big Mama," Dorothy Garrett said, "because she was a large woman in stature, and she was forceful."

Even after she became rich, Roberts never gave up her country ways. "She lived in the country," Garrett said. "She always gardened, she milked the cows, and sold the milk, eggs and chickens. That, and raising her kids, that's all she knew. 'Til the day she died, she talked about those things."

Roberts enjoyed building her dream home out of stone on the ranch.

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sport," he added. "The thing you have to remember is that leg muscle injuries hamper you no matter what you're playing."

Cold temperatures, made almost biting by the seemingly ever present West Texas wind, like that encountered Monday and Tuesday of last week, make it difficult on any outdoor sport.

"About the only track athletes you see that like cooler temperatures are the distance runners," Steers track coach Randy Britton explained. "The cold is virtually an enemy to sprinters, though, because it increases the chance of leg injuries."

"Of course, you never find runners that like the wind, but that's something we live with out here... we use it in training our kids — make them spend a lot of time running into it so they're ready to face it when they get to meets on Saturdays."

Lady Steers track coach Jay Kennedy agreed, noting that he's already spent time telling his girls' not to complain about the weather.

"Sometimes it seems like we don't get good weather for any meet we go to," Kennedy explained. "Last year was a good example. We didn't even get good weather at the state meet in Austin. It was cold and rainy."

As the morning's overcast skies cleared Friday and temperatures warmed, Garden City tennis coach R.L. Coats agreed that the Bearkats and Lady Bearkats couldn't have asked for better weather for the opening of the Garden City Invitational Tournament.

"It's awfully nice today, but it's supposed to get colder tonight and they're saying it'll probably rain Saturday," Coats explained. "The last thing you want during the finals of your tennis tournament is rain. We don't have any control over that, so we'll just have to wait and see what tomorrow brings."

—JOHN A. MOSELEY

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one season to the next. The day after the Bulldogs were defeated

in a bi-district playoff by Jim Ned, several of his players who'd been on the court the night before were on the golf course preparing for the next weekend's first tournament.

It didn't take the 'Dogs long to reach form, either, as they took the team championship in the Forsan Invitational

Tournament last week and the Robert Lee Invitational this week.

Those short turnarounds haven't caused any lack of success in spring sports, however. Having regional qualifiers in golf, tennis and track has become the norm for virtually every school in the area.

What's more, Big Spring's Lady Steers seem to annually take the District 4-4A championship in track before contending for the Region I championship and sending a large contingent to the state meet in Austin.

Almost the same has been true for Stanton's track team.

While Big Spring and Coahoma are the only area schools that field softball and baseball teams, the level of excellence shown by those

teams has been nothing short of impressive.

Coahoma's Bulldogettes, who reached the state tournament two years ago, were eliminated in the regional championship game by Hawley last season.

This season, the Bulldogettes find themselves in a newly realigned district that includes Hawley, and they opened District 2-2A play with a 10-run win over the defending regional champs.

Big Spring's Lady Steers, making their debut in the UIL softball ranks last season, reached the regional championship game before falling to Weatherford.

This spring, coach Wes Overton is looking for another playoff bid for the Lady Steers who returned a majority of last season's starters to provide a nucleus for 1998.

Coahoma's Bulldogs, who reached the state Class 2A baseball tournament for the second time in three seasons last spring, lost a number of important starters to graduation. But coach Trey Morgan says he has confidence in every one of his players at their positions and

has made it clear the 'Dogs expect a return to the playoffs and an extended stay there.

Despite a less than satisfying baseball season in 1997, Big Spring's Steers seem to be returning to the form that has seen them reach the Class 4A state tournament twice in the past five years.

"We have a tradition of playing quality baseball here in Big Spring," Steers coach Bobby Doe noted. "Last season was a nightmare... I didn't coach well and the kids didn't play well... we're not going to let that happen again."

As if all those school sports programs, coupled with the start of summer youth softball and baseball leagues, an influx of players flocking to local golf courses and tennis courts, a new sport has emerged in Big Spring's spring schedule — football.

That's right, spring semi-pro football has been added to the mix with the formation of the Big Spring Warriors of the Pan American Football Conference.

The Warriors opened their season one week ago with a 20-6

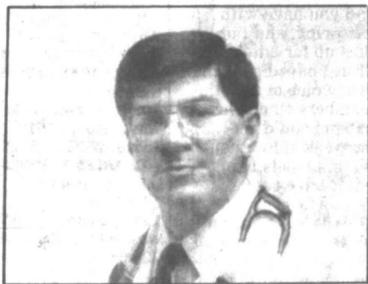
loss to Midland's Gunslingers. Saturday they were back on the field, traveling farther west to face the Odessa Jaguars in a bid to even their season record.

—JOHN A. MOSELEY

On page 1A (clockwise, from top right), Big Spring pitcher Angle Phillips delivers a pitch during the Lady Steers home opener against Midland Greenwood's Lady Raiders; Advanced students practice during a drill staged by Figure 7 Tennis Center professional Jim Blacketter during a Tuesday session of the Spring Break Tennis Camp; Big Spring sprinter Kurt Miranda works on a conditioning exercise during the Steers' workout Tuesday; and Forsan freshman Cliff Dunnam watches his putt head toward the hold on the 18th green at the Comanche Trail Golf Course during the Forsan Invitational Golf Tournament. Photos by Jim Fierro, Linda Choate and John A. Moseley.

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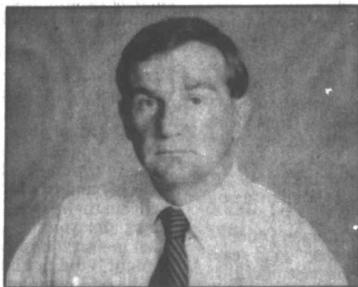
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EDITORIAL

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OUR VIEWS

Students in Big Spring and surrounding school districts return to class Monday morning after that traditional respite from drudgery known as "Spring Break."

Let's give them a break by paying closer attention in and around school zones.

During the school year, we've published several letters to the editor pointing out that some drivers seem to think Birdwell Lane is a race track, ignoring the fact there are hundreds of students moving across those traffic lanes each day.

There can be nothing so pressing that would cause a driver to not reduce his or her speed through a school zone — NOTHING.

And even if you are of the impatient variety of person, you'll lose a very few of your precious seconds by slowing from 30 to 20 miles per hour for the 200 or so yards that are restricted by the school zone's flashing lights.

Please, keep in mind that a child's thoughts are many places as they head to and from school ... many places indeed, but are you willing to bet that they are watching out for you — when you, as a driver, should be watching out for them.

Take a few seconds to keep from taking a life.

YOUR VIEWS

TO THE EDITOR:

I would like to comment in regard to the article in the March 5 edition of the *Herald* from a non-golfing senior citizen's point of view.

It is strange that the fact this course cleared over \$34,000 last year was not mentioned and that green fee increases would even be suggested for anyone, much less senior citizens.

After all, golfing citizens who are no seniors, are the ones who have kept this course going through the past "lean" years.

It is likewise strange that the proposed increase for senior citizens from \$250 to \$325 is 30 percent, while the green fee increase from \$14 to \$15 for adults is only 7.15 percent. Maybe it is that some "young bucks" just want to get some of our "old slow seniors" out of their way altogether.

It is additionally strange to me that \$340,000 prorated over a 10-year period would not be improvement enough for a municipal, non-profit golf course unless there are other ulterior motives for these suggested increases by the City Parks and Recreation Board.

BILL ALEXANDER
Big Spring

EDITOR'S NOTE — The \$325 fee is an annual fee and allows for play on any weekday ... as many holes as the senior golfer wants to play.

If an "old slow senior" golfer played one round on each of the 261 non-weekend days per year, the average cost per round would be \$1.25 — or 6.9 cents per hole.

Even at one round per week, the cost is just \$6.25 per round. If a "young buck" golfer played one round on each of those same 261 days, his annual cost would be \$3,915.

Based on data we viewed last year, \$340,000 for improvements over a 10-year period is a very small amount when one considers the improvements that need to be and should be made at the course.

TO THE EDITOR:

I am trying to find out who

DIANA LYNN NEIS
Platteville, Wis.

No need to make a person two times a victim

I certainly thought Gen. McKinney, former Sgt. Major of the Army, was in more than a little hot water.

A jury in his court martial felt differently, exonerating him on all but one — albeit a serious one — count when they returned their verdicts on Friday.

He was acquitted of 18 counts involving six military women who accused him of pressing them for sex. The jury found him guilty of only one charge: obstruction of justice for allegedly asking one accuser to lie to investigators.

Six women pointed fingers at McKinney, accusing him of a variety of offenses. In the end, after McKinney's defense team attacked the character of each of the six, only the obstruction charge stuck.

Jurors heard all about the personal lives of the women —

from unplanned pregnancies to illegitimate babies — as the defense team sought to get their client off the hook.

Was the experience in a military courtroom so much different from one in the real world? No.

I remember when one of my nieces was raped a number of years ago. I remember the humiliation she went through, the finger-pointing, the whispering, the looks out of the corner of the eye.

And I remember her making the decision to go through with the trial after Odessa police had made an arrest ... and I remember the agony she went through when she and my sister and her husband were told that the district attorney's office had lost the rape kit.

The suspect — after all, that's all you can call him — returned to his home and wife in Norman, Okla.

Several years later, my niece's life began to return to normal. Today, she is the mother of a little boy who loves trains and a little girl. Over the years, my sister and I have talked about the suspect. The incident — such a sanitized word for such a violent occurrence — certainly had an

effect on my sister. In fact, we never told my parents.

Just as my niece and her family were victimized, so were the women who seemingly were part of an air-tight case against McKinney.

According to military officials, McKinney's case has had a chilling effect throughout the services, sending a message that there is no position so lofty that a person can't be investigated.

But what about the other messages this case has sent?

What about the other messages?

When reports of repeated sexual abuses in the military began to surface, the Army set up a telephone hotline to report incidents at its Aberdeen Proving Grounds in Maryland.

Last year, however, the Army shut the hotline down last year. The hotline received several anonymous complaints that derailed some officers' careers, but Army leaders said the hotline, which got more than 8,300 calls, was scrapped to encourage women and men to go through the normal chain of command to lodge complaints.

As a result, the number of

complaints made public has plummeted.

I guess Sgt. Major Gene McKinney should be glad I wasn't on his jury, made up of two male and two female officers and four enlisted men. I would have voted to strip him of something other than his rank and benefits.

And now, McKinney, who is black, is saying that he is a victim of racial prejudices.

McKinney maintains he and other enlisted men are scapegoats, victims of selective prosecution in a "good old boy" military system in which white officers accused of sexual misconduct are quietly punished administratively.

Give me a break. If you do the crime, you ought to do the time — and juries, whether military or civilian, should have the intestinal fortitude to deliver the verdict after hearing the evidence.

After all — if McKinney was innocent of all of the other charges, how could he have obstructed justice?

Just a thought ... what are yours?

(John H. Walker is managing editor of the Herald. Letters in response may be sent in care of this newspaper.)



John H. Walker
Managing Editor



Life without kids takes explaining

By HEATHER STANLEY
Athens Daily Review

ATHENS, Texas — By now, I think I'm one of the only people in the country who hasn't seen "Titanic." Well, besides the people in prison and a few elderly shut ins.

Of course, I still haven't seen "Forest Gump" or "The English Patient," either. But I've never really been one to do something just because everyone else is doing it (regardless of what I used to tell my mother).

Sometimes I deliberately choose not to do something out of spite. Sometimes I don't have a real rationale. Other times I have a very good reason. Like in the case of children and my decision not to have any.

I've noticed that saying such a thing must be a little like coming forward and announcing you don't brush your teeth: People would look at you with a strange, pitying look, marveling that you haven't discovered the joy of clean, sparkling teeth.

It's the same thing when people find out I am intentionally not going to have children. The typical reaction is shock or surprise, followed a look that seems to say I'm too young to make such a permanent and foolish decision.

This look is often accompanied by an almost universal reaction. "Why not?" I wonder

why no one questions the motives of those who do want to have children. Imagine your friend happily announcing she is pregnant and the first thing out of your mouth is "Why?"

The subject of children is a very delicate one.

Acknowledging to a parent that you don't want children is a little like saying you would never be caught dead driving a Ford in front of a man who is in the process of admiring his new F-150. He would probably take it somewhat personally. It's as if you are saying something in which people take great joy and to which they dedicate their lives isn't good enough for you.

Let me set the record straight. I did not have a bad childhood. I am happily married. I do not hate children. I am not afraid of childbirth. (They have drugs for that now.)

That said, some people still think you must be a child-hater if you don't want kids. I think I might have figured out why.

Most people envision their lives unfolding something like this: they meet someone, fall in love, get married and have children. They live to a ripe old age and when they retire, they are surrounded by a gaggle of lovable grandchildren. Do as most people do and most people will speak well of you. Do the opposite and you are different, subject to wariness and suspicion.

The realities of childrearing are no longer a mystery. People talk more openly about the struggles and joys of raising a child, making it easier for people like me to make an informed decision about having kids.

They say there is nothing like the bond you have with your own offspring, and I'm sure it makes up for a host of sacrifices. But I have heard the longing in the voice of a mother who remembers when she and her husband could get away for the weekend without babysitters and planets being in alignment. I have seen the wistful look in a father's eyes when he tells the guys he can't go over and watch the game.

It is true I will never know the joy of seeing my child star in the school play. I'll never beam with pride when my daughter graduates from college. But I'll also never know the agony of disappointment or the feelings of inadequacy that come with parenting. I know I can live a full and meaningful life without having a baby.

Some say the childless are just selfish. The situation is much more involved than that. We have weighed the options carefully. We know what we're losing and what we're gaining and can live with our decision. Besides, the world is weird enough without me creating a race of picky eaters who don't go to mainstream movies.

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Mediator to consider contested Rauschenberg art

HOUSTON (AP) — When pop art pioneer Robert Rauschenberg refused to defend himself in court five months ago, 15 pieces of the 72-year-old's artworks became pawns in a multimillion-dollar tug of war.

On Friday, attorneys for the Texas-born artist and a German art dealer hashed out a deal to allow the art to go on a spring European tour if Rauschenberg posts a \$5 million bond by March 20.

If he fails to come up with the money, the art will go on the auction block so the dealer can recover sales commissions.

The dispute began last summer when Austin lawyer Mitchell Savrick notified Rauschenberg repeatedly that he intended to collect \$1.8 million in unpaid sales commissions for his client, German art dealer Alfred Kren. Because neither Rauschenberg nor his attorneys responded to Kren's lawsuit, and they returned notices unopened, the art dealer's lawyers asked Rauschenberg be found in default.

When Rauschenberg and his attorneys were no-shows in court Sept. 11, a judge found for Kren and increased damages to \$5.58 million.

Collecting the money was another matter.

As far as Savrick knew, Rauschenberg had no assets in Texas. The lawyer, however, did have a plan.

"After the judgment came into place, then we started focusing on how to collect the judgment," Savrick said. "We were aware that stuff was coming to Texas. It was coming to us."

"Robert Rauschenberg: A Retrospective," had opened at New York's Guggenheim Museum last year to raves. A deal was signed with Houston's Menil Collection Museum, the Museum of Fine Arts and the Contemporary Art Museum to show more than 300 of his pieces here.

On Feb. 13, just hours before Rauschenberg was to attend a reception in his honor, Kren's lawyers showed up at the Menil with a trailer and deputies. After some discussion, the posse seized 15 pieces marked as belonging to Rauschenberg's personal collection valued at \$5.5 million.

"We really thought somebody would wake up on this and we wouldn't get as far as the Menil," Savrick said. "We had to do something and we had to do it while it was here."

The exhibit, when it finishes its showing in May, is supposed to travel to Spain and Germany.

Kren, who first met Rauschenberg in New York about 10 years ago, divides his time between Germany and Austin, where he is chief art adviser for Austin Art Consortium Inc., a firm that organizes exhibits. He became a close Rauschenberg associate and two years ago helped broker a deal involving four of

Rauschenberg's pieces to businessman Donald Hess.

According to an oral agreement between Rauschenberg and Kren, the German was to split the commission with a Swiss dealer. Kren received some money, in the "thousands," his attorneys say.

But after failing to receive \$1.8 million in outstanding commission payments, Kren and the Austin Art Consortium sued Rauschenberg last year.

Rauschenberg attorney Neal Manne said his client knew of the suit but never was properly notified about the default hearing.

"They are wrong and we will prove that they are wrong," he said.

It's not clear why Rauschenberg never paid Kren the outstanding balance. A recent sale of his 1962-63 painting, "Barge," to the Guggenheim Bilbao in Spain

reportedly went for \$6 million.

Although the artwork was on loan from the Guggenheim, seizing it in New York before it was loaned to the Houston venues would have been impossible. Twenty years ago, the state passed a law forbidding the debt collection seizure of art loaned to museums. The idea was to offer assurances to uneasy owners who might otherwise refuse to lend their artworks to museums.

Texas, like most other states, has no such protections.

"The allegation as I understand it is that the artist had an unpaid judgment," said Elaine Carlson, professor at Texas A&M University Law Center in Houston. "Art is not, per se, exempt. It is a valuable property."

"And why should we allow the artist to keep that property from someone who has proven the right to the judgment in court?"

A Guggenheim attorney has said the seizure was an attempt to publicly humiliate Rauschenberg.

"They insisted on pressing ahead and pulling artwork off the Menil's walls," said Justin Toth, the Houston attorney for the New York museum. "They didn't care what they did to the Menil or to the Guggenheim."

Officials with the Guggenheim have declined to comment.

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Attorney targets confession from former cadet

DALLAS (AP)—Confessions in which a former military cadet said killing a teen-ager was to appease a U.S. Naval Academy ex-midshipman are targets of defense attorneys who want them excluded from his trial.

Motions to throw out David Graham's written and oral confessions on grounds that police illegally obtained them by threats and promises were filed late last week.

Defense attorneys assert that law enforcement officers in Colorado Springs, Colo., where Mr. Graham was a U.S. Air Force Academy cadet, told him that "he would receive probation if you give us a confession, and the death penalty if you don't."

The motions also state that authorities ignored Mr. Graham's invocation of his right to remain silent. And when Mr. Graham asked for a lawyer, the motion states, he was told that "if you get a lawyer involved, all bets are off and we'll seek the death penalty."

Graham, 20, is charged with capital murder in the December 1995 kidnap-slaying of Mansfield teenager Adrienne Jones. Graham's former fiancée, Diane Zamora, was convicted last month of capital murder for her part in the slaying.

Ms. Zamora, also 20, is serving a life sentence.

Graham is accused of killing Ms. Jones, 16, at the behest of the former U.S. Naval Academy midshipman, who was angry at Graham's assertions that he and the victim once had sex.

Graham typed his own confession to the Mansfield High School student's slaying shortly after his Sept. 4, 1996, arrest. He professed his unyielding love for Ms. Zamora in it.

"When this precious relationship we had was damaged by my thoughtless actions, the only thing that could satisfy her womanly vengeance was the life of the one that had, for an instance, taken her place," Graham wrote in his confession.

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Graham's attorneys, who also have requested that his trial be moved from Tarrant County, filed more a dozen motions in his case last week.

Prosecutors did not seek a death sentence for Ms. Zamora, in part because of a request by Ms. Jones' parents, and will not request it in Graham's case should he be convicted.

Although attorneys in Graham's case have been prohibited from discussing its details, the latest motions give a hint of a possible defense for Graham.

Dan Cogdell, lead defense attorney, has already said Graham will not try to blame Ms. Zamora for Ms. Jones' slaying. Cogdell has requested any information from the state that might be helpful to Graham's case, including evidence of possible drug or alcohol use by state witnesses "prior to observing the events that are the subject of their testimony."

Cogdell's motion also seeks information about whether any state witnesses might have been treated for mental illness.

Bluebonnet making early debut

SAN ANTONIO (AP)—Bluebonnets are popping up already in Central and South Texas, luring wildflower enthusiasts to the countryside early to view the colorful show.

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A mild, moist winter in Texas influenced by the Pacific weather pattern has produced prime conditions for bluebonnets and assorted other wildflowers, experts say.

The bluebonnet, the state's official flower, usually begins to blossom around the end of March or early April. But some of the purplish-blue buds were visible by early March, particularly in warmer spots.

"This is the first year they've come out in February," said Don Kasprowicz, a semi-retired music teacher in Brenham whose front-yard bluebonnets are blooming. "It's strange."

Robert Breunig, executive director of the National Wildflower Research Center in

Austin, said bluebonnets are showing up in Austin, San Antonio and areas to the south.

The blooms have come about three weeks to a month earlier than usual, he said, because this winter has been relatively warm, with regular rainfall and periods of sunshine in between.

But Breunig said bluebonnets never stick to a rigid schedule.

"Every year is different," he said. "People call and ask, 'When do the bluebonnets bloom?' We kind of laugh and joke and facetiously say, 'They bloom on April 2 at 1:30 p.m.'"

"Predicting them is kind of like predicting the stock market," Breunig added. "It's a risky business."

The blooms typically last three or four weeks — also an estimate. The cooler weather in much of Texas this weekend may slow the blooms a bit, but the flower is well-adapted to the state's fickle climate and won't be wiped out by the cold, Breunig

said. He noted that other wildflowers such as the Indian paintbrush and gallardia are blooming, too.

"I think it's going to be a colorful year," he said.

Jerry Parsons, horticulturist for the Texas Agriculture Extension Service in San Antonio, said the bluebonnets appearing in San Antonio are initial blooms that will be much fuller in about two weeks or so.

The flowers are starting to bud about the time they usually do, he said, adding that as long as the weather stays cool in the coming weeks, the blooms will last longer.

Bluebonnets aren't yet appearing in big batches in some parts of the Hill Country.

That's fortunate for April events planned to coincide with the blooms, like the Bluebonnet Ball in Luckenbach on April 18 and the Fredericksburg Wildflower 5K, 10K Run & Walk on April 25.

In the Brenham area, one of the most popular spots in Texas for observing bluebonnets, some of the flowers began appearing early, though they haven't reached their peak.

"That really is the question of the week: What's going on with the bluebonnets?" said Page Michel.

In Washington County, artists often can be seen painting pictures of the flowers, visitors head to the Bluebonnet Trails and the town of Chappell Hill hosts the "Official Bluebonnet Festival of Texas."

Usually the festival is the second weekend of April. But, as luck would have it, the event was moved up this year to the weekend of April 4-5 because Easter is the following weekend.

As bluebonnets have become a big part of Texas' travel industry, Parsons said, some tourism officials have become unnecessarily worried about early blooms.

States still can't agree on boundary

WICHITA FALLS (AP)—Though they agree in principal where most of the Texas-Oklahoma border lies, officials meeting this week near Vernon, Texas, still haven't resolved the boundary along the westernmost 80 miles of the Red River.

Texas believes the permanent vegetation line running along the trickling river's south bank should define the border. Oklahoma concurs for the 360 miles running east of Vernon to the Arkansas border.

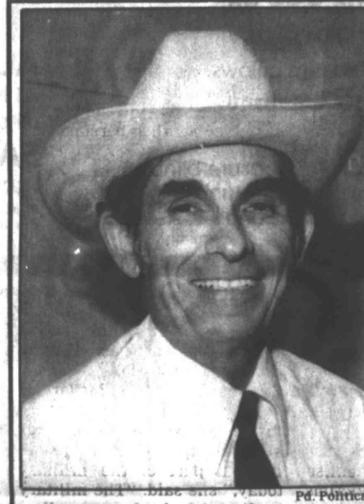
West of Vernon, however, the sides aren't on quite on the same page yet.

"From that point on (westward), we're looking at all the options," said Oklahoma state Rep. David Braddock, D-Altus, whose district lies north of the disputed boundary. "Not everyone's in agreement that's the best line from (the mouth of) the North Fork of the Red River west."

The boundary commissions from each state are trying to pinpoint a boundary that's been in question since Spain and the United States first debated it 195 years ago. Officials want a physically visible border to allow law enforcement, landowners and anyone else to identify where one state stops.

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McKinney case puts military spotlight on sexual harassment

FORT BELVOIR, Va. (AP) — The issue of sexual harassment in the military was on trial as much as the Army's former top enlisted man in the court-martial of Sgt. Maj. Gene McKinney. Legal observers say the military women who watched may be reluctant to bring similar charges in the face of his acquittal.

As in most sex cases, the character of McKinney's six accusers was used against them before the court that convicted him Friday of only one charge: obstruction of justice.

Their personal lives were aired for all to hear, including unplanned pregnancies and illegitimate babies, as the defense portrayed the women as vengeful liars of bad character trying to bring down an honest man.

"They've been savaged," said Susan Barnes, an attorney representing retired Sgt. Maj. Brenda Hoster, a former speech writer for McKinney who brought the first public charges against him. She shook her head in disbelief when she heard the "not guilty" verdicts read Friday.

The other five women who made allegations against McKinney did so after Hoster and also got caught up in the court case. At least one testified under direct orders. "When these women came forward, they thought they were calling a hotline," Barnes said. "They didn't know they were going to be sentenced to McKinneygate."

The case, which cost McKinney his job as sergeant major of the Army, is in fact having a chilling effect among men as well as women throughout the armed forces, according to legal and military observers.

"The message is, there is no person so lofty that he or she won't be investigated," including an accuser, says attorney Eugene Fidell, president of the National Institute of Military Justice. "The Army historically hasn't paid attention to abuses."

As a result of the trial, men from privates to generals —

may be reviewing or changing their behavior, said Anne Coughlin, a professor at the University of Virginia Law School.

For now, nobody seems comfortable as the military — like civilian society — grapples for ways to eliminate sexual harassment in a workplace where women comprise about 14 percent of the workers: the armed forces. Experts say the process itself is clarifying the rules.

"These cases play a role in educating people, including potential victims," Virginia's Coughlin said. "What we are seeing is a fight over the definition of sexual harassment. It's difficult because sex is an issue about which everybody lies. Social convention says we don't discuss sex, and when we do we discuss it in half-truths or no truths."

At his court-martial, McKinney was acquitted of 18 counts involving six military women who accused him of pressing them for sex. The jury found him guilty of only one charge: obstruction of justice for allegedly asking one accuser to lie to investigators.

The jury of two male and two female officers and four enlisted men begins the sentencing phase on Monday. McKinney, 47, faces up to five years in prison, loss of rank and dishonorable discharge. Originally, he faced up to 55 years in prison for alleged adultery with a pregnant soldier, indecent assault and obstruction of justice.

Charles Gittins, McKinney's attorney, said he has not decided whether to appeal the conviction.

McKinney testified that his accusers lied out of revenge or because they were angry over job matters. In a case of he said they said, the women accused him of lying.

McKinney, who is black, also maintained he and other enlisted men are scapegoats, victims of selective prosecution in a "good old boy" military system in which white officers accused

of sexual misconduct are quietly punished administratively.

In fact, the Army shut down the sex-abuse hotline last year that it had set up in the wake of a scandal at Aberdeen Proving Ground training center in Maryland. The hotline received several anonymous complaints that derailed some officers' careers. But Army leaders said the hotline, which got more than 8,300 calls, was scrapped to encourage women and men to go through the normal chain of command to lodge complaints.

"This case is a warning to us that something's wrong," said retired Army Col. Harry Summers, a syndicated commentator on military affairs. "And I think it's a warning to everybody in the military to mind their Ps and Qs."

John Jenkins, a retired Navy admiral and dean of the George Washington Law School, said the McKinney case may make women reluctant to press any but the most egregious charges of sexual harassment — and even then fear coming forward. "It could have a chilling effect," he said.

"Before somebody makes such a serious charge, they must be 100 percent sure something did happen that was inappropriate," Jenkins said. "And they have to realize that they have the potential to ruin the life and career of another person ... as well as their own."

Lt. Col. Karen Johnson, a 20-year Air Force veteran and vice president of the National Organization for Women, said the military has a long way to go to weed out rampant sexual harassment. A September 1997 Army survey showed almost half the women in the service received unwanted sexual attention in the past year.

Johnson said the McKinney verdict surprised her because jurors believed one man over six women. "Women are an integral part of the military today," she said. "The military is diminished when we allow this type of behavior to go unpunished."

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Serbia invites Albanians to talks

PRISTINA, Yugoslavia (AP) — Serb leaders invited a wide range of ethnic Albanian leaders to talks Saturday, hoping to find a political solution to the recent violence in Kosovo province.

The invitation — the third in recent days by a Serb government anxious to stave off foreign sanctions — was broader than any since Serbia stripped Kosovo's Albanians of broad autonomy in 1989.

But it was unclear whether talks would take place as planned Monday. The Kosovo Information Center, run by the ethnic Albanians' largest political party, reported Saturday that two ethnic Albanians had been shot dead by police in two villages in the Drenica region west of the provincial capital, Pristina.

There was no independent confirmation of the deaths.

More than 80 people have died in the Drenica region of Kosovo since police moved against Albanian separatists two weeks ago in Serbia's southern province. Serbia is the larger of Yugoslavia's two remaining republics.

The latest Serb offer of dialogue came in a statement carried by the state-run Tanjug news agency.

It said the Serb government "expresses its openness for unconditional dialogue and its resoluteness for solution by political means all the questions on which depend the human and civil rights of all citizens in Kosovo."

According to the news agency, those invited to new talks included nearly every leader of a political party or trade union in Kosovo.

Also invited were former Communist leaders in the province before it lost autonomy. They included Azem Vlashi, who was arrested and jailed in 1989 for standing up to then-Serb President Slobodan Milosevic. Milosevic stripped the province of autonomy in 1989 before he became president of Yugoslavia, which is composed of Serbia and the smaller Montenegro.

Ethnic Albanian leaders are scheduled to meet Sunday to discuss the latest offer. Serb officials sent to Kosovo waited in vain for two days Thursday and Friday to meet Albanians, who demanded a specific invitation and agenda.

The Albanians will be under pressure to agree to talk Monday, in part because they might otherwise lose foreign sympathy for their plight in a region repressively ruled by Serbia.

Most of Kosovo's Albanians, who outnumber Serbs in the province of 2 million people by nine to one, seek outright independence. Serbia, which treasures Kosovo as cradle of its culture and religion, says that's not in the cards.

Foreign powers have condemned police brutality in Kosovo in recent weeks. But no outside power supports independence, because it would mean the kind of border change that traditionally has sparked war in the Balkans.

Western officials fear continued unrest in the province could carry over into Albania proper, or neighboring Macedonia, which also has a large ethnic Albanian population.

Macedonian President Kiro Gligorov said Saturday the best way to protect his country from being pulled into the conflict would be to have U.S. troops stationed along its border. Currently, a lightly armed U.N. force, including 300 U.S. soldiers, is stationed in Macedonia.

First Freeman go on trial Monday for armed standoff

BILLINGS, Mont. (AP) — Six Montana Freeman with attitudes head into court Monday for the first trial resulting from the anti-government group's 1996 armed standoff with the FBI.

The trial may last several weeks, but how long the defiant Freeman will remain in the courtroom with a no-nonsense federal judge is anybody's guess.

All six have refused court-appointed lawyers and will defend themselves. They deny the American courts have any jurisdiction over them. They dump documents on the courtroom floor, argue with judges and generally express contempt. One has threatened a federal magistrate in court.

U.S. District Judge John C. Coughenour of Seattle, however,

has laid the groundwork to swiftly expel Freeman who cross the line.

He has appointed lawyers to act as standby counsel for each Freeman, so the trial can continue if he banishes any defendant to a holding cell to watch on a TV monitor. The standby counsel would step in to protect the interests of the absent defendant.

About two dozen Freeman have been jailed since June 13, 1996, when they surrendered after an armed, 81-day standoff with FBI agents at their isolated farm compound in the remote outback of eastern Montana's "Big Open."

Charges against various Freeman include wire and bank fraud and threatening the life of a federal judge and other public officials.

The FBI says some 800 people from around the country visited the rural stronghold for Freeman lessons in issuing the worthless liens and "warrants" the Freeman claim are legal tender. They also heard lectures on what the Freeman claim as their legal principles, a mish-mash of odds and ends from the Bible, the Constitution, the Magna Carta and the Uniform Commercial Code.

Appearances by Freeman supporters have faded from few to none in the 21 months since the standoff ended, but courthouse security will be tight. Federal marshals have diverted city buses away from a transfer station beside the federal building since March 2.

These six defendants are not the major figures of the standoff — those trials begin in late May

— but they include Edwin F. Clark, who emerged as a leader late in the standoff and helped bring it to a bloodless conclusion.

Clark is an original owner of the foreclosed farm where the Freeman operated for two years and the only Montanan in this group.

He also is charged with attempted bank fraud for trying to deposit a \$100 million Freeman check in the Garfield County Bank at nearby Jordan and writing checks on the account to pay real estate loans.

The other defendants are Steven C. Hance and his sons, John R. Hance and James E. Hance, all of Charlotte, N.C.; Elwin Ward of Salt Lake City; and Jon Barry Nelson.

All six are charged with being accessories by aiding federal

fugitives to avoid arrest during the 81-day standoff.

All three Hances are charged with being fugitives in possession of firearms — assault rifles and pistols — when they came to the Freeman stronghold. They were charged in North Carolina in connection with an assault on a police officer.

Steven Hance was removed from a hearing last June when he jabbed his finger toward U.S. Magistrate Richard Anderson and said, "You're going down, son."

Ward also is charged with trying to pay his federal taxes with a worthless check for \$282,634, twice what he owed.

Two others charged as accessories in the same indictment, Casey Clark and Stewart Waterhouse, pleaded guilty last September.

History online

Archivists putting early photos, films on Internet

WASHINGTON (AP) — Archivists are showing off sketches and drawings that have made history — from the sewing-machine patent to the design for the reactor used to make the first atomic bomb — along with the first films of the Spanish-American War.

The sewing machine, the reactor and nearly 100 other original designs are in an exhibit called "Designs for Democracy" that opened Friday at the National Archives in downtown Washington. It will be on view, admission free, until Jan. 10, 1999. The Library of Congress has recently put the old war film online at www.loc.gov.

Elias Howe's lockstitch sewing machine was a failure at first. The story goes that he was ill and watching his wife sew shirts when the successful idea came to him. Eventually it transformed the world textile industry and made a fortune that enabled him to recruit and equip a regiment in the Civil War. He served in it as a private.

His patent was for a small, simple machine, the power coming from a wheel that had to be turned by hand. Later, the addition of a foot treadle

enabled the operator to keep both hands free.

"The Spanish-American War in Motion Pictures" was filmed in the United States, Cuba and the Philippines. The producers were required to deposit paper prints, made directly from film negatives, with the Library of Congress. The library has transformed the prints into projectable film.

Some designs on view at the National Archives are plausible but never made it to success. One of the first attempts at naval camouflage — a brightly colored design to foil submarine attacks — dates from World War I.

"It looks to me like the equivalent of painting a bull's eye on the ship for the benefit of the submarine," said Bruce Bustard, co-curator of the exhibit "but maybe it dazzled the eye then."

In the Civil War, the navy got its first armored ship — the Monitor — in record time after President Lincoln said he thought there was something to the idea.

Critics derided it as a "cheesebox on a raft" and a "tin can on a shingle," but its battle with the Confederate ironclad

Merrimack eased fears that the rebel vessel could steam up the Potomac and shell Washington.

Nevertheless, Lincoln's secretary of war, Edwin M. Stanton, turned down a design for a "land monitor" that might have been the first tank. The hopeful inventor claimed two men could operate it and it would be equal in strength to an army division.

Another Civil War invention that didn't make it was a shovel with a metal-pointed handle that could be used like a bayonet. The soldier could detach the scoop to use as a breast-plate.

"We've got hundreds of things like that," said Marilyn Paul, the other co-curator. "I don't know if they were spontaneous or if the War Department asked for ideas."

A peacetime fiasco was a diploma designed for American Indian schools. It pictured books and other educational symbols, but made no reference to the graduate's Indian heritage. It came at a time when the government was trying to assimilate Indian children into the American mainstream.

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Steers close tourney with wins over Monahans, Lubbock Christian

HERALD Staff Report

SNYDER — Despite having to scramble for pitching, Big Spring's Steers closed out the Snyder Invitational Baseball Tournament with a pair of wins Saturday over Monahans and Lubbock Christian.

In the first game Saturday, Clayton Pate moved from behind the plate to the mound and turned in a strong performance, hurling the Steers to a 13-3, six-inning win over the Lobos.

And in the finale, Steers coach Bobby Doe called on Adam Hyatt, who chalked up his first varsity victory as Big Spring took a 9-5 victory.

Hyatt, who was moved up from the junior varsity, worked six strong

innings before turning over the mound to reliever James Darling.

"We were hurting for pitching today," Doe said following the Lubbock Christian win. "We really ran out of pitching yesterday and it was good to see Clayton and Adam come in and do the job they did."

Pate gave up just six hits and struck out three in working all six innings of the first game. He was helped considerably by the Steers' 11-hit offensive attack.

Marcus Hyatt, Wes Mouton and Robert Legg paced the hitting clinic, each going 2-for-3 at the plate. Aaron Boadle, Pate and Brock Gee added to the offensive effort with run-scoring hits.

The Steers were even more prolific in supporting Hyatt in the second game, pounding out 12 hits.

Big Spring took the lead in that one from the outset, loading the bases in the first inning before Marcus Hyatt slapped a double to give the Steers a 3-0 lead.

J.J. Aguirre and Robert Legg both added two-hit performances against Lubbock Christian, while Gee contributed to the total with an RBI double.

The two wins improved Big Spring's record to 6-7 on the season going into Tuesday's game with Midland Greenwood set for 4:30 p.m. at Steer Park.

Big Spring rebounded from its loss to

El Paso Ysleta in the opening round of the tournament by taking a 2-0 win over Brownfield.

Senior pitching ace Jeff Denton went the seven-inning distance in chalking up the win, allowing just three Brownfield hits while striking out eight. He did not allow a single walk.

The game's only scoring came in the second inning when Marcus Hyatt drew a base on balls and Doe called for a hit-and-run play with Wes Mouton at the plate.

Mouton responded with a double that allowed Hyatt to score easily. Mouton would cross the plate a few moments later on a passed ball.

District 4-4A rival Pecos ruined the Steers' chances of reaching the consolation bracket championship in Friday's second game, taking a 4-2 win.

The Steers managed single runs in the first and third innings, but Pecos finally got to Big Spring's Clint Bamert in the fifth inning, scoring three runs.

Bamert, who went the distance in taking the loss, gave up seven hits and walked just one.

"Clint did a great job of pitching ... really threw well," Doe said of the freshman hurler. "He ran into a little bit of shakiness there in the fifth, but handled it really well."

"The whole team played well," he added. "We played 21 innings the first two days and had one error. We lost two of three games, but we probably played better than we did today."

Buffaloes narrowly win meet

HERALD Staff Report

STANTON — Stanton's Buffaloes, despite having had only one day for several key performers to workout, piled up 132 points Saturday — just enough needed to win the Stanton Relays team championship over Brownfield's Cubs.

In the girls' division, Kermit put together 160 points to take a six-point win over Brownfield.

The Buffs' 132-point total was just one point more than the 131 tallied by the Cubs.

Stanton began accumulating its points in the field events with Tyron Davis winning the high jump, and Maurice Martinez taking the long jump win. The Buffs' Justin Cobb finished second to Davis in the high jump, while Kyle Herm was fourth in the long jump.

Davis and Cobb also finished second and third in the triple jump.

The Buffs were also strong in the weight event, Kason Anderson taking the discus title with a 140-8, while Jeremy Smith was fifth. Smith also finished sixth in the shot put.

Although the Buffs hadn't had an opportunity to work on relay handoffs, they shined, turning in a clocking of 44.24 seconds to edge Seminole in that event.

Davis contributed another first-place finish in the 110-meter high hurdles and added a third in the 200 meters. Cobb finished fifth in the hurdles, while Jeremy Hull was fifth in the 200 meters.

Herm was second in the 100 meters, timed at 11.05 seconds, and Nicky Sanchez came through with important points in the 300-meter hurdles, taking fifth place.

The Lady Buffs finished fourth in the girls' standings, just behind Garden City's Lady Bearkats.

J'Layne Niehues gave Garden City important points with a first-place finish in the high jump, while Stanton's Julie Adams was fourth. Adams added a sixth in the long jump and was fourth in the triple jump.

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Lady Hawks, Walters almost mirror images

By JOHN H. WALKER
Managing Editor

SALINA, Kan. — In a little more than 48 hours, Howard College's Lady Hawks will take the floor of the Bicentennial Center here to play one more game in Coach Matt Corkery's one-game-at-a-time season.

This time, the Lady Hawks (31-2) will face Walters State College (27-4) of Morristown, Tenn. Game time is 2 p.m. Tuesday and the winner will face ... well, Corkery would just as soon not talk about Howard's second game until the first is out of the way.

Howard and Walters are basically mirror images of one another if one looks at the stats.

Walters scores a few more points per game, while Howard allows a few less. Rebounding stats are virtually identical, as are shooting statistics.

But other than the information gathered through a variety of sources, neither Corkery nor Dave Kragel, in his 21st season at the East Tennessee school, know much about their opponents.

"We've been expecting a film from their regional championship game," Corkery said after the team's final workout in The Dorothy on Friday.

"The coach at Columbia State (67-58 losers to Walters) said he would send me the film, but we haven't gotten it yet," Corkery said, adding that he had another coach who had volunteered assistance if he needed it.

"I'll call them and see if they can FedEx it to us up there (Salina) ... I hate to go into a game like this without having seen them."

Put at least Corkery knows jersey numbers, names and has the starting line-up for Walters. Kragel doesn't know that much.

"It's the darndest thing," Kragel said in a Thursday afternoon telephone interview. "I can't find anybody in Texas that will tell me anything about them."

"Shoot, folks up here'll at least usually talk to you about a team."

Both teams expect a tough game.



HERALD photo/Am Fiero

Howard College's Latasha Moore (24) prepares to start the Lady Hawks' fastbreak after coming down with a rebound during the opening game of the Region V tournament against Grayson's Lady Vikings. The Lady Hawks will be facing an up tempo team like themselves, Walters State (Tenn.) Community College, in the opening round of the NJCAA national tournament in Salina, Kan., Tuesday.

"To begin with," Corkery said, "there are only 16 teams left and they had to do something pretty special to get where they are."

And, just as he has all season, Corkery emphasized to his team that there is no game any more important than their next one against Walters.

"You can't look past anybody," he said. "You do and they will send you home."

Kragel said that based on reputation alone, he expected the game to be a good one.

"Texas schools have an excellent reputation, just like the teams from Tennessee. Both states play pretty darned good basketball, so I don't expect anything else."

Bulldogs' running too much for Taft in 5A title victory

AUSTIN (AP) — Charles Tatum kicked Midland's running and pressing attack into high gear as the Bulldogs raced to a 63-51 victory Saturday night over San Antonio Taft and claimed the Class 5A state title.

Early this season, Taft beat a Midland team earlier in the year that had an unrefined running and pressing attack. But Taft got the Bulldogs' best Saturday night as Midland (36-2) won its first state title in five trips.

Taft, which lost in last year's semifinals, finished the season 35-5 and was led by Joe White, a 6-foot-9 Texas A&M signee with 15 points and Sam Mercedes with 11.

After both teams tested each other for four minutes, Tatum single-handedly accelerated the speed of the game, grabbing loose balls and racing at top speed down court for acrobatic drives to the basket and pull-up jump shots.

Tatum finished with 22 points and was voted most valuable player. His teammates quickly raised their game.

Senior 6-foot-6 forward Kirby Lemons, who had 18 points and 12 rebounds, was a jack-in-the-box down low, rising up seemingly out of nowhere to swat away shots or tip in misses by his teammates.

Jay Christian, who had 23 points, hurt Taft inside and out, hitting 3-pointers and slashing to the basket with equal proficiency.

Rather than slow it down, Taft tried to answer Midland at a high-octane pace. But before the Raiders could get to the halftime locker room to discuss new schemes, they had 13 turnovers that led to 15 Midland points and were down 40-17.

Taft reeled off a 14-2 run while Lemons was on the bench with foul trouble and pulled within 52-42 with 3:43 left to play. Without the 6-foot-6 Lemons in the middle, Taft worked the ball inside to White with success.

But Midland coach Jack Stephenson decided to gamble and put Lemons back in with four fouls and it paid off. He scored two quick baskets, hit

two free throws and re-energized the Bulldogs as they rebuilt their lead to 60-44 with 1:40 left.

Taft could get no closer than 11 points the rest of the way.

In actuality, Midland's 70-60 loss to Taft at a Thanksgiving tournament in San Antonio was the only game it lost all year. That's because Midland's other loss was actually a forfeit of a game it won against Odessa Permian for using an ineligible player.

Payback came swiftly. Tatum broke open a tight first quarter, scoring nine points — including two 3-pointers — in an 11-2 run that put the Bulldogs up 19-10 with 7:18 left in the second quarter.

After Taft's Justin Harbert hit a 3-pointer, narrowing Midland's lead to 19-13, the Bulldogs intensified their defense and Tatum went crazy again.

He scored on a drive, two free throws and two pull-up jumpers before Christian hit two 3s sandwiched around an alley-oop by Lemons in an 18-2 surge that put Midland up 37-15 and brought the huge Midland crowd to a deafening roar.

Class 4A Championship
Houston Waltrip 67,
Highland Park 60

Cedric Taylor scored 24 points, including 10-of-10 from the free throw line as Houston Waltrip held off a late rally by Highland Park and won the Class 4A state championship with a 67-60 victory Saturday.

Taylor, who was 7-of-13 from the field and blocked five shots while altering several others, proved to be the difference down the stretch for Waltrip, which lost most of a 21-point third quarter lead and was forced to hit key shots late to hold on.

Peter McNulty, who led Highland Park with 20 points, brought the Scots back with gutsy ball handling in traffic, no-look assists and acrobatic drives to the basket.

A slashing drive by McNulty with 1:01 left pulled Highland

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Steers golfers fourth at San Angelo, Lady Steers fifth in Andrews

HERALD Staff Reports

SAN ANGELO — Andrews' Mustangs literally blistered the Riverside Municipal Golf Course on Saturday, shattering the course's team record on route the Class 4A division championship in the San Angelo Classic.

The Mustangs, who posted a 294 to shave 10 strokes off the course record for teams, combined that round with the 309 they posted at the Bentwood Country Club on Friday for a 603 total and a 14-stroke win over San Angelo Lake View's Chiefs (318-299, 617).

Andrews will have to share the team record, however, because Borger matched the 294 total, roaring back from a 337 the first day to finish third.

Big Spring's Steers turned in a 329-312, 641 to finish fourth — one stroke better than the 333-309, 642 total posted by Justin Northwest.

Andrews grabbed the top three individual honors, as Brad Gibson edged teammate Ben Gulley by one stroke for the medalist title. Gibson toured the par 72 Riverside course in 5-under-par fashion to finish with a 78-67, 145. Gulley finished 4-under Saturday for a 78-68, 146 total.

The Mustangs' Jay Chris Hubert, the first round leader, finished third individually with a 74-73, 147.

Sammy Rodriguez paced Big Spring's effort with an 80-75, 155, while Heath Bailey finished at

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82-76, 158. Blake Weaver turned in a two-day total of 83-80, 163 and Rudy Gamboa carded an 84-82, 166. O.J. Hernandez rounded out the Steers five-man team scoring with an 86-81, 167.

Big Spring's Richard Gaitan, playing for medalist honors only, finished the tournament at 84-87, 171.

"You can tell our district meet is going to be a tough one," Steers coach Gary Simmons said following Saturday's round. "We played really well today, but Andrews, Borger and Lake View just smoked it."

"We go to the Fort Stockton meet next week and then start our district tournament," he continued. "Hopefully, we'll continue to improve and put things together in time to give Andrews and Lake View a run for their money."

Lady Steers finish a strong fifth

ANDREWS — Big Spring's Lady Steers, facing the strongest tournament field they've encountered this spring, managed a 351-349, 700 to finish fifth out of 23 teams in the Andrews Invitational Girls' Golf Tournament.

Defending regional champion Snyder's Lady Tigers took the title with a 327-325, 652 — winning

with a 30-stroke margin of victory over Andrews' host squad.

Andrews finished at 340-342, 682; while Midland Lee was third at 343-345, 688. El Paso Hanks was fourth at 349-350, 699 to edge Big Spring by one stroke.

"I'm pretty happy with the way we played," Lady Steers coach Mike Scarbrough said following Saturday's second round. "We were playing the region's two top teams in Class 4A in Snyder and Andrews, as well as two of the top Class 5A teams in Midland Lee and Hanks."

Scarbrough said the Lady Steers downfall during the weekend proved to be their short iron game. "Our short game has just killed us ... we've got to get a whole lot better from 100 yards on in and we've got to do it in the next couple of weeks."

The Lady Steers host the first round of the District 4-4A meet on Saturday, March 28, at the Big Spring Country Club.

While Snyder took the team title, El Paso Hanks' Lesley Hawley grabbed individual honors with a 77-75, 152, to take a 4-stroke win over Post's Casey Hardin, who posted a two-day total of 78-78, 156. Abilene's Devon day was third at 77-80, 157.

Kelly Hollar and Alicia Wood led the way for the Lady Steers — Hollar turning in an 87-86, 173 total, while Wood had the best round for Big Spring on Saturday, her 85 giving her a 173 total for the tournament.

Stefanie Waggoner and Ashlie Simmons both had 88-89, 177 totals for the tournament, while Tatum Weeks rounded out Big Spring's entry with a 109-102, 211.

Steer thinclads shine in rain

SAN ANTONIO — Torrential rains virtually washed out the finals from the Converse Judson Relays on Saturday afternoon, but that didn't keep Big Spring Steers from shining.

Meet officials decided to run only the three running events in which no prelims were held — the 1,600 meters, 800 meters and 1,600-meter relay — then called off the meet and awarded medals based on qualifying times.

Big Spring finishes the meet with 54 points, thanks to three first-place finishes by junior Tory Mitchell. He took the top spot in the morning's long jump competition with a 21-6 leap and then was awarded firsts in the 100 meters and 200 meters based on the best prelims times of 10.5 seconds and 22.2 seconds.

Antwoyne Edwards added another first in the 110 hurdles, his prelims time of 14.4 seconds topping all those entered in the finals.

Marco Torres added a third-place finish in the 1600 meters, clocked at 4:34.0, while the 1,600 relay foursome of Jimmy Hawkins, Colby Ford,

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Second Round
Monday, March 16
Georgetown (16-14) at Georgia Tech (18-13), 6:30 p.m.
Purdue (16-12) at Dayton (21-11), 7 p.m.
Auburn (16-12) at Marquette (19-10), 7 p.m.
Aie-Birmingham (23-11) at Minnesota (16-15), 7 p.m.
Memphis (17-11) at Fresno State (19-11), 9 p.m.
Gonzaga (24-9) at Hawaii (20-8), 11:30 p.m.
Tuesday, March 17
Vanderbilt (19-12) at Wake Forest (16-13), 6:30 p.m.
Georgia (17-14) at North Carolina State (17-14), 8:30 p.m.

Third Round
Wednesday-Friday, March 18-20
Wake Forest-Vanderbilt winner vs. Georgia-N.C. State winner
Penn St.-Dayton winner vs. Georgetown-Georgia Tech winner
Hawaii-Gonzaga winner vs. Fresno State-Memphis winner
Marquette-Auburn winner vs. Minnesota-UAB winner

At Madison Square Garden Semifinals
Tuesday, March 24
New York
Third round winners
Thursday, March 26
Championship Semifinal winners

NCAA-WOMEN

EAST REGIONAL
Second Round
Sunday, March 15
At Norfolk, Va.
Nebraska (23-9) vs. Old Dominion (28-2), 6 p.m.
At Raleigh, N.C.
Youngstown St. (28-2) vs. North Carolina St. (22-6), 5:30 p.m.
At Tucson, Ariz.
Virginia (19-9) vs. Arizona (22-6), 10 p.m.
At Stone, Conn.
Connecticut (32-2) vs. George Washington (20-9), 9 p.m.
Regional Semifinals
Saturday, March 21
At Dayton, Ohio
Nebraska-Old Dominion winner vs. Youngstown St.-North Carolina St. winner
Virginia-Arizona winner vs. Connecticut-George Washington winner
Regional Championship
Monday, March 23
Semifinal winners

MIDWEST REGIONAL
Second Round
Sunday, March 15
At Lubbock, Texas
Notre Dame (21-9) vs. Texas Tech (26-4), 7 p.m.
At Tuscaloosa, Ala.
UCLA (20-8) vs. Alabama (23-9), 7:30 p.m.
Monday, March 16
At West Lafayette, Ind.
Drake-Colorado St. winner vs. Washington-Purdue winner, 7 p.m.
At Ruston, La.
Clemson-Miami winner vs. Holy Cross-Louisiana Tech winner, 8 p.m.
Regional Semifinals
Saturday, March 21
At Lubbock, Texas
Notre Dame-Texas Tech winner vs. Drake-Colorado St.-Purdue-Washington winner
Clemson-Miami-Holy Cross-Louisiana Tech winner vs. UCLA-Alabama winner
Regional Championship
Monday, March 23
Semifinal winners

MIDWEST REGIONAL
Second Round
Sunday, March 15
At Chapel Hill, N.C.
Florida International (29-1) vs. North Carolina (25-6), noon
Monday, March 16
At Knoxville, Tenn.
Western Kentucky-Stephen F. Austin winner vs. Kentucky-Tennessee winner, 8:30 p.m.
At Ames, Iowa
Rutgers-Oregon winner vs. Kent-Iowa State winner, 9 p.m.
At Champaign, Ill.
Vanderbilt-UC-Santa Barbara winner vs. Wisconsin-Green Bay-Illinois winner, 8:30 p.m.
Regional Semifinals
Saturday, March 21
At Nashville, Tenn.
Florida International-North Carolina winner vs. Vanderbilt-UC-Santa Barbara-Wisconsin-Green Bay-Illinois winner
Western Kentucky-Stephen F. Austin-Tennessee-Liberty winner vs. Rutgers-Oregon-Iowa St.-Kent winner
Regional Championship
Monday, March 23
Semifinal winners

WEST REGIONAL
Second Round
Sunday, March 15
At Iowa City, Iowa
Kansas (22-8) vs. Iowa (18-10), 6:30 p.m.
Monday, March 16
At Stanford, Calif.
Hawaii-Arkansas winner vs. Harvard-Stanford winner, 11 p.m.
At Gainesville, Fla.
Wisconsin-Virginia Tech winner vs. Montana-Florida winner, 7 p.m.
At Durham, N.C.

NCAA-MEN

Utah-Louisville winner vs. Middle Tennessee-St. Duke winner, 6:30 p.m.
Regional Semifinals
Saturday, March 21
At Oakland, Calif.
Kansas-Iowa winner vs. Hawaii-Arkansas-Harvard-Stanford winner
Wisconsin-Virginia Tech-Montana-Florida winner vs. Utah-Louisville-Middle Tennessee-St. Duke winner
Regional Championship
Monday, March 23
Semifinal winners

THE FINAL FOUR
At Kemper Arena
Kansas City, Mo.
National Semifinals
Friday, March 27
Midwest champion vs. West champion
East champion vs. Midwest-Champion
National Championship
Saturday, March 29
Semifinal winners

EAST REGIONAL
Second Round
Saturday, March 14
At The Hartford Civic Center
Hartford, Conn.
North Carolina 93, NC-Charlotte 83, OT
Michigan State 63, Princeton 56
At The Kiel Center
Washington
Washington 81, Richmond 66
Connecticut 78, Indiana 68
Regional Semifinals
Thursday, March 19
At Greensboro Coliseum
Greensboro, N.C.
North Carolina (32-3) vs. Michigan State (22-7)
Connecticut (31-4) vs. Washington (20-9)
Regional Championship
Saturday, March 21
Semifinal winners

SOUTH REGIONAL
Second Round
Sunday, March 15
At Rupp Arena
Lexington, Ky.
Duke (30-3) vs. Oklahoma State (22-6), 11:10 a.m.
New Mexico (24-7) vs. Syracuse (25-8), 30 minutes after previous game
At The Georgia Dome
Atlanta
Kentucky (30-4) vs. Saint Louis (22-10), 1:30 p.m.
Michigan (25-8) vs. UCLA (23-8), 30 minutes after previous game
Regional Semifinals
Friday, March 20
At Tropiana Field
St. Petersburg, Fla.
Duke-Oklahoma State winner vs. New Mexico-Syracuse winner
Kentucky-Saint Louis winner vs. Michigan-UCLA winner
Regional Championship
Sunday, March 22
Semifinal winners

MIDWEST REGIONAL
Second Round
Sunday, March 15
At The Myriad
Oklahoma City
Villanova (22-9) vs. Florida State (18-13), 1:20 p.m.
Kansas (35-3) vs. Rhode Island (23-8), 30 minutes after previous game
At The United Center
Chicago
Stanford (27-4) vs. Western Michigan (21-7), 1:15 p.m.
Purdue (27-7) vs. Detroit (25-5), 30 minutes after previous game
Regional Semifinals
Friday, March 20
At The Kiel Center
St. Louis
Kansas-Rhode Island winner vs. Villanova-Florida State winner
Purdue-Detroit winner vs. Stanford-Western Michigan winner
Regional Championship
Sunday, March 22
Semifinal winners

WEST REGIONAL
Second Round
Sunday, March 15
At Arco Arena
Sacramento, Calif.
Maryland 67, Illinois 61
Arizona 82, Illinois State 49
At BSU Pavilion
Boise, Idaho
West Virginia 75, Cincinnati 74
Utah 75, Arkansas 69
Regional Semifinals
Thursday, March 19
At Arrowhead Pond
Anaheim, Calif.
Arizona (29-4) vs. Maryland (21-10)
West Virginia (24-8) vs. Utah (27-3)
Regional Championship
Saturday, March 21
Semifinal winners

THE FINAL FOUR
At The Alamodome
San Antonio
National Semifinals
Saturday, March 28
First game starts at 4:02 p.m.
East champion vs. West champion
South champion vs. Midwest champion
National Championship
Monday, March 30
Semifinal winners, 8:18 p.m.

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Park within 61-56. But Taylor finished his perfect night from the free throw line, hitting two with 53.2 seconds to play and then scoring a putback with 36 ticks on the clock, giving Waltrip a 65-58 lead.

Antonio Falu hit two more free throws with 34.5 seconds to play for a commanding 67-58 lead. Highland Park could only manage one more field goal the rest of the way.

Waltrip (33-3), which beat Lamesa 76-73 in the semifinals, won the title in its first appearance at the state tournament and got strong outside shooting from Falu, who had 15 points, and Field Williams, who had 14 points, including four 3-pointers.

Highland Park finished the year 33-4 after making its fifth state tournament appearance. The Scots' star 6-foot-9 center Chris Young had 16 points and 18 rebounds, while Ryan Small added 11 points.

Class 3A Championship
Clarksville 90, Crockett 83
Deon Tavie scored 28 points and Steven Edwards added 22 as Clarksville won its second Class 3A state championship in four years, defeating Crockett 90-83 Saturday.

The game was in question until the final minute as Clarksville saw an 83-73 lead with 1:27 to play erode to 83-79 with 54.3 seconds left as

Crockett successfully pressed and scored off of turnovers. But Clarksville hit 7-of-10 free throws in the final 46.8 seconds as Crockett began misfiring from 3-point range and could get no closer than six points in the closing seconds.

Clarksville, which also won the 3A title in 1995, when Tavie was a freshman, finished the year 33-5.

Crockett, led by Wadell Smith with 17 points and D.T. Hopkins with 16 points, finished the season 26-8 after making its first state tournament appearance.

Both teams played well and set three Class 3A championship game scoring records. The combined 173 points was the highest aggregate score for a 3A title game, replacing the previous mark of 169 set by Lamesa's 100-69 victory over Gonzales in 1990.

Clarksville's 90 points was the highest score by the winning team in a 3A title game, replacing its own mark of 87 set in 1995. Crockett's 83 points was the highest score by a losing team in a 3A title game, replacing San Antonio Taft's 73 in the 1970 3A championship game.

Class 2A Championship
Krum 64, Little River Academy 52
Houston Marquis had 27 points and 11 rebounds, dominating inside as Krum beat Little River Academy, 64-52, Saturday to win its third state championship in five years.

Krum, which received balanced scoring from Marquis inside and strong perimeter shooting by Chris Arledge and Tyler Jones, also won 2A titles in 1994 and 1996.

Arledge, the most valuable player from Krum's 1996 championship game, had 14 points, including two 3-pointers, while Jones added nine points on three 3s and had 12 rebounds.

Academy, led by Joshua Smith with 13 points, finished the season 36-2 after making its second trip to the state tournament.

Academy created turnovers off a pressing defense, cutting a 56-41 deficit to 56-48 with 4:36 left as Chad Cothier converted a 3-point play and Ryan Ehler and Smith each scored.

But Brady Andrus dribbled through Academy defenders and scored twice on inside drives, and Marquis hit a baseline jumper as Krum extended its lead to 62-48 with 2:03 to play. Academy never threatened again.

Class A Championship
Moulton 67, Goodrich 44
Robert Tovar scored 19 of his 32 points in the first quarter as Moulton raced to an 18-point halftime lead and cruised to a 67-44 victory over Goodrich for the Class A state championship Saturday.

was the head of Moulton's press, picking off passes and taking the steals in for easy layups.

Goodrich, which finished the season 33-5 and was led by Brandon Garrett with 32 points, shot 50 percent from the field in the first half but suffered 12 turnovers that Moulton converted to 18 points. Moulton also connected on 5-of-8 3-pointers in the first half.

Moulton (38-2) won its second state title of the 1990s, also winning the Class A crown in 1991.

Tovar, a lanky, 6-foot-3 sophomore, was the finals most valuable player and had a shot at the Class A championship game individual scoring record of 35.

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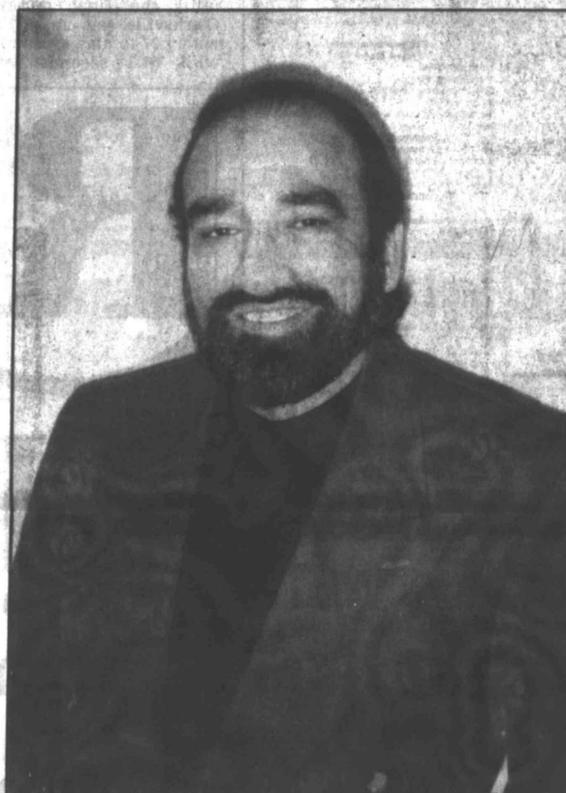
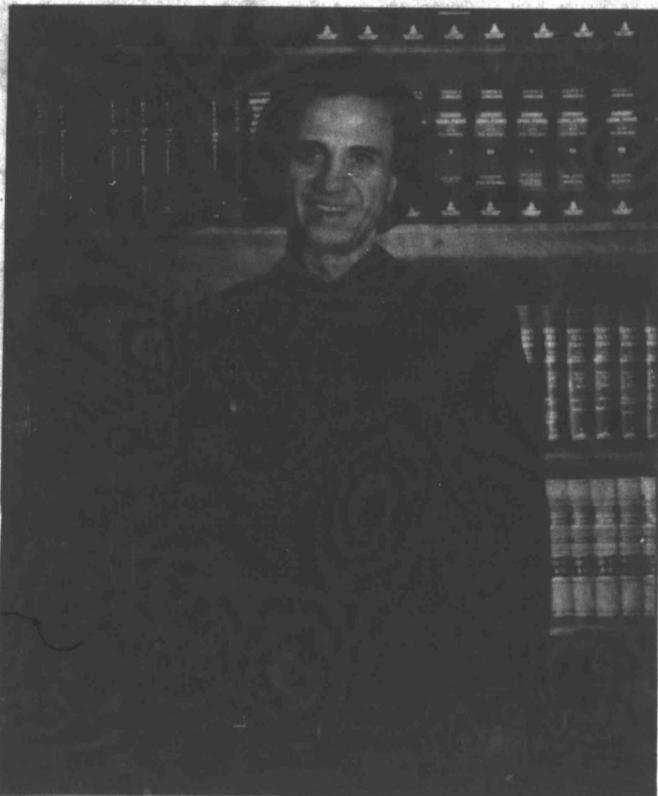
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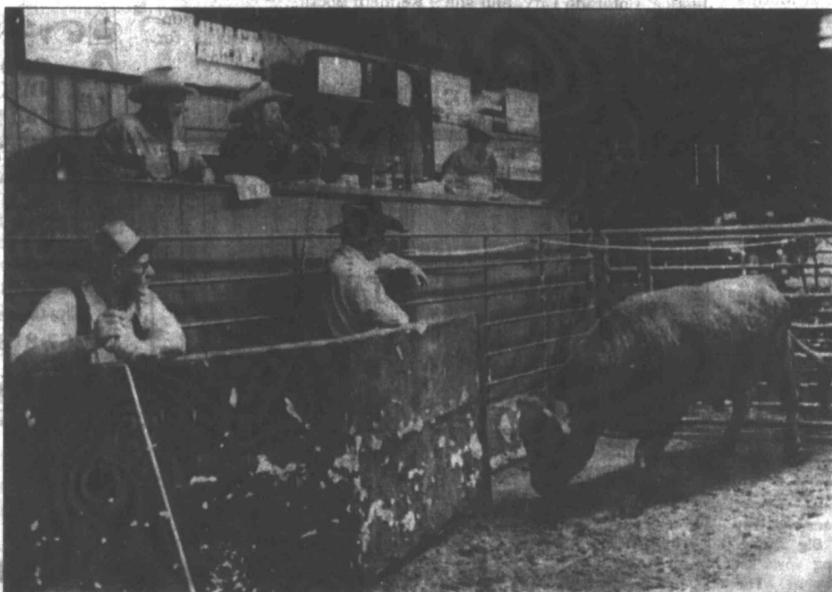
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'Enemies' find common ground in a town that no longer exists

Around 1917 or 1918 there was a very small town in southwestern Wyoming called Sublette. It is no longer on the maps...it's only reason for existence was the coal mine located there. As of July of 1990 all that was left of the little town was the walls and ruins of two or three buildings. It is as if it never existed. During this time, World War I was being fought. Since the out-



Myrtle Griffith
Columnist

put of coal depended on foreign miners there was a considerable amount of tension and resentment on both sides, which ran high at times. One day it became necessary for Roseanna to go downtown on business. Her husband G.C. was "Tippie Boss" at the mine and couldn't leave the job. Her home was on Main Street but there was no pavement or even sidewalks except around the main square, where the businesses were. These consisted of more saloons than other businesses. Roseanna's family consisted of her husband and small daughter aged 6 years. She was a strong woman. The weather that day hovered around a frigid 40 degrees below zero. The family had moved from a

somewhat isolated homestead to the little town so that the little girl could go to school. Since their rented house had only a coal burning heater for warmth she felt it wouldn't be safe to leave the child alone, so they both bundled up into over-shoes, leggings, heavy coats, mittens and "stocking caps". These were a knitted cap to pull over the head, and had about 30 inches of "tail" which would wrap around the neck and face so that only the eyes were visible, and even then, their breath would freeze. It was about a quarter-mile walk to town. Of course they had to walk, there were no autos at that time. Even if there had been they couldn't have gone through the snow in the

street. When they were probably about half way down the street, an Austrian woman came out on her tiny porch and asked the bundled couple to come in and get warm and have some tea. Remember Austria was united with Germany, therefore, was considered an enemy country. The couple gratefully accepted the invitation. Once inside, they shed their outer wraps. The woman served hot light-bread just out of the oven generously covered with fresh butter and hot sweet tea. The woman explained that none of her neighbors would have anything to do with her and didn't even speak to her. Her English was broken and accented. "This is my country now and I love it,

but I worry about my brothers who are fighting over there. It is so sad that young men have to die this way." The little girl was all eyes and ears taking in every word. She wondered in her young mind why people were so mean and killed one another. I will say here that this is a true story. How do I know this? Because I WAS that child. The lady also offered to keep me where it was warm while my mother went on to attend her errands. Because so many years have passed I don't remember if I stayed or not. That which still stands out in my memory is the things the lady said and the warm buttered bread and hot sweet tea, the cozy kitchen and the coal burning range which

had the largest oven I thought there ever was. The refreshments still seem to be the best I've ever tasted. I guess the fact that they were served by a total stranger also impressed my young mind. In looking back I can see that lady had a lot of courage to ask us in, since she probably expected a snub. Her kind heart overruled her fear. I don't recall if she and my mother became friends; I hope they did. I suppose the whole point of the story is; if you have young children in your home or if you are a grandparent be careful what you say and do because unexpected things, make strong impressions on a child's mind and can often influence their entire lives.

ANNIVERSARIES

Key



Mr. and Mrs. Key in 1948.

Mack and Nell Key will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary with a reception from 2 to 4 p.m. on March 21, 1998, at the First Church of the Nazarene hosted by Mr. and Mrs. Stephen M. Key and children Brian, Shawn, Amanda, and Stephanie.



Mr. and Mrs. Key today.

Colorado City and Big Spring during their 50 years of marriage.

Mr. Key is retired and previously worked for Fina Oil, and Nell was previously a hairdresser. They are affiliated with the Nazarene Church. They enjoy sewing and painting.

Their was Mack's comment about their marriage, "The years have gone by as fast as our courtship, which was three weeks," and this was Nell's comment: "God has been good to us. Our faith has brought us through the 50 years of marriage."

Friends and relatives are invited to attend this reception. No gifts please.

An 'Affair' that's mildly enjoyable, forgettable

Affair. Amanda Quick.
Bantam Books, New York, New York, February, 1998. 388 pages. \$6.99.

Baxter St. Ives' aunt is convinced that Charlotte Arkendale has murdered a young London society woman. To appease his aunt,



Pat Williams
Book Reviews

Baxter hires on as Charlotte's man-of-affairs so he can spy on her. Soon after he begins to work for Charlotte, he discovers her personal dismay over the recent death, as well as her own, rather clumsy, attempts to find the murderer. Baxter finds Charlotte headstrong and determined, while she discovers he is more than just a scientist. As a team, they work to ferret out various connections with the dead woman and anyone who might have a motivation to kill. In order to make their public appearances more normal, they concoct an artificial engagement. From here the plot is rather thin, but

the schemes that Baxter and Charlotte create are fairly clever. Baxter's skill as a chemist is involved in almost every conflict, while Charlotte's physical beauty is used to every advantage. Amanda Quick is the author of a number of historical romance novels, and she is equally successful writing contemporary romances under her own name, Jayne Ann Krentz. In *Affair*, Quick follows the successful pattern of most of her stories: a somewhat believable plot, limited numbers of well-developed characters, and a speedy climax and end. Quick's stories are not bur-

dened with vast amounts of historical data. In fact, it it were not for the mention of horses and carriages-the lack of reference of modern conveniences such as phones-it would be easy to imagine the story taking place in today's world. *Affair* was mildly enjoyable, but the lack of intensity and suspense made it an easy book to put down and look for a more pleasurable pastime. In fact, watching the dog hunt for imaginary birds was much more delightful.

RATING: ()** two out of four=Cure for insomniacs.

IN THE MILITARY

The Air Force Thunderbirds perform two shows during Air Fiesta '98, May 9-10, at Mathis Field in San Angelo. The event is free and open to the public. F Gates open at 10 a.m.

Marine Sgt. Thomas W. Moore, son of Jettie A. and Thomas W. Moore, Jr., Big Spring, recently returned to his homebase of Camp Pendleton, Calif., after a six-month deployment to the Western Pacific and Indian Oceans and Arabian Gulf with the 13th Marine Expeditionary Unit (MEU). The 1988 graduate of Big Spring High School joined the Marine Corps in September 1988.

NEWCOMERS

Israel Jr. and Sonya Molina, San Diego, Texas. He is employed by the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, Colorado City, and she is employed by Professional Health Care.

Robert and Leah George, Dublin. He works for T.S.T. Oilfield Paraffin.

Ricky A. Sleight, O'Fallon, Ill. He is employed by 7-11 and Cowboys Restaurant.

Wendy Schleich and daughter Deanna, Phoenix, Ariz. Deanna is employed by Furr's Cafeteria.

Gerardo and Mimi Pallares, son Samuel and daughters Selena and Tabhiyah, Ogden, Utah. He is employed by Kenneth Booth.

Donald and Audrey Johnson, Jackson, Miss. He works for America Texas Cont. Co.

Ernie Zamparelli, Texarkana. He is employed by the Union & Pacific Railroad.

Jerry Bullard, Pine Bluff, Ark. He is employed by the Union & Pacific Railroad.

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Laurie Ann DesRosiers and Troy Lynn Hyden, both of Big Spring, will exchange wedding vows on March 21, 1998, at The Stampeded.

She is the daughter of Earl and Jacqueline DesRosiers, Sweetwater.

He is the son of W.M. Hyden, Lubbock, and Dorothy Newby, Big Spring.



TUCKER-MILLER

Carol Lynn Tucker, Lubbock, and Stephen Miller Fleming II, Plainview, will be united in marriage on May 16, 1998, at the Indiana Avenue Baptist Church, Lubbock, with Kyle Kelley, youth minister of Indiana Avenue Baptist Church, officiating.

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"Betsy" Female mix breed, gold and white, 1 year old, spayed.

"Diane" Female Doberman mix, 2 years old, spayed.

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These, plus many more dogs and cats are awaiting adoption. Adoption fees for dogs are just \$50 and cats are \$40. This includes spaying or neutering, vaccinations, wormings and rabies shots. Also covers feline leukemia tests for cats. All pets come with a two-week trial period.

Ongoing battle: Who does household chores?

By H.J. CUMMINS
Minneapolis Star Tribune

These are the facts as we know them, household-wise: Wives do it an average of 32 hours a week; husbands, eight.

Women have rated it second only to "mental cruelty" as grounds for divorce. Men never mention it as grounds for divorce because it's not something they notice. That might be why men do so little of it.

Another theory to explain the inequity: Women literally find it erotic. Something about repetitious motions releasing happy hormones in their brains. Of course, this comes from a study of Parisians.

Why on earth do women put up with this, wondered Ted Huston. This household thing is so unfair. Then he thought of his wife. He tries to help at home. But he has noticed that his wife is as preoccupied with his attitude toward chores as she is with his actual contributions.

"I was willing to pitch in, but only if she told me what to do," said Huston. "She wanted me to take certain responsibilities as my own."

That's when Huston, a social psychologist at the University of Texas at Austin, decided existing analyses were incomplete. They explained the phenomenon with ideology — who should wash the

car in a feminist household, for example. But to Huston, household isn't about politics. It's personal.

So he decided to look at love and its connection to housework. He enlisted 90 couples and measured their "love" for one another with a standardized test. And he measured their perspectives on housework, through interviews and a variation of a daily log.

Huston found this paradox: Loving husbands did assign themselves more of the 26 household chores on a list Huston gave them. But these husbands didn't do any more than the others.

What stopped them? Huston thinks it's a gender clash. Men thought that "sharing" the work literally meant doing the chores together, first cleaning the house and then shopping for groceries as a team.

To the women, "sharing" meant splitting the work into two lists, and then reuniting when the dust had cleared.

In any case, Huston took heart in the men's intent to do more.

The scientist in him knows that in most areas of human conduct, new convictions are leading indicators of new standards of behavior.

"To me, love is an unacknowledged force in all this," he said.

David Brueshoff talks about gender

issues in the classes he teaches for the Working Family Resource Center in St. Paul, Minn. Although he and his wife, Bonnie, are partners in the care of their home and family in Apple Valley, Minn., they're not entirely free of gender issues, they say.

For example, David chose the biggest, baddest Kirby vacuum cleaner when their old machine died not long ago. And Bonnie is in charge of the family calendar, her husband being convinced that women's brains are innately better at remembering birthdays.

But connecting everything, they both say, is an 18-year rhythm of stepping in whenever something needs to be done.

There's no plan about who'll clean what, necessarily. Or who'll iron the shirt that son, Ben, will need for school the next day.

They just know that one of them will get to it by morning. And both swear they carry no more than half the load.

"The work just flows," Bonnie said.

"It's like a dance," David said.

But for Bonnie Miller-McLemore, who teaches counseling at the Vanderbilt Divinity School in Nashville, Tenn., ideology is a powerful force in household labor.

It's the touchstone that keeps couples from relapsing to the old, comfortable but inequitable habits.

"You have to work quite hard to fight off the powerful inclination for women to do all the domestic labor," said Miller-McLemore, who wrote "Also a Mother: Work and Family As a Theological Dilemma."

For example, her children's nanny always calls her if there's a problem at home, even though she works an hour from home as opposed to her husband's seven-minute commute.

"I think we're all sort of making up our new lives as we go along," she said. "Whenever you go against the grain, you have to constantly reaffirm your ideas as distinct from the larger culture."

Way to go, Brueshoffs, said Sharon Hills-Bonczyk, manager of Family Resources at Children's Hospitals and Clinics in Minneapolis and St. Paul. But the Brueshoffs go-with-the-flow approach doesn't work for a lot of busy couples, Hills-Bonczyk said.

That's one reason she usually recommends a more structured strategy. It involves making a complete list of all household responsibilities — from roof repairs to baby's bath — and then dividing the duties in fair proportion.

The sheer workload alone, there in black and white, usually convinces men to pitch in more, Hills-Bonczyk said. And even if they still won't, they can see that it's all too much for one person.

'Moby Dick' ends up harpooned

By ROBERT BIANCO
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

It's the Great White Whale vs. the Great White Ham. And in all respects, "Moby Dick" winds up harpooned.

Though I've never been a fan, I do agree there are appropriate venues for Patrick Stewart's scenery-scarring hamminess. He was fine as a flamboyant decorator in "Jeffrey"; even better (or so I'm told by critics whom I respect) in his one-man stage version of "A Christmas Carol." And there are those who worship his Captain Picard from "Next Generation," though that may not count, since the tolerance of "Star Trek" fans for ham-bone theatrics is legendary.

Having already done a Captain Ahab knockoff in the

Contact," he must have seemed a natural to play the real thing in USA's two-night adaptation of Herman Melville's "Moby Dick." Sometimes, nature should be resisted. Given full rein as the real Ahab, Stewart predictably succumbs to actorly excess.

From the moment he steps on deck, Stewart pulls out every Shakespearean trick. He whistles one minute, screams into the wind the next — but it's all empty noise incapable of provoking terror, awe or pity. It is, in many ways, a fearless performance — but as Ahab's first mate Starbuck so wisely says, "a fearless man is more dangerous than any coward."

Yet here's the really strange part: when Stewart's off-screen (and he doesn't appear until halfway into Sunday's Part 1), the screen seems completely empty. No one else makes a dent in "Moby's" oceanic void, not even screen great Gregory Peck, who has an early but important cameo as Father Mapple.

As film buffs know, Peck was himself a badly miscast Ahab in John Huston's failed earlier adaptation of "Moby Dick" (a movie curiously absent from Peck's USA resume). It may just be that Melville's great American novel is unadaptable — but even if it isn't, it's certainly found an inappropriate adapter in Robert Halmi's Hallmark Entertainment.

The company has frequently done wonderful work, but it isn't known for its skill at exploring characters with dark, tragic obsessions. Instead, Hallmark seems determined to turn "Moby Dick" into the "spectacular family entertainment" promised by the press release — a noble goal, perhaps, but not one Melville would have likely embraced.

Written by Anton Diether and Franc Roddam (who also directed), "Moby Dick" premieres Sunday and Monday at 8 p.m. ET on USA, which should at least be congratulated for its ambition. As in the book, our representative on board the whaling ship Pequod is Ishmael (a flat Henry Thomas from "ET"). A novice at sea, Ishmael is befriended by veteran Polynesian harpooner Queequeg (Piripi Waretini).

The leader of the crew is Ahab. Having lost his leg to the great white, Moby Dick, he is determined to get revenge whatever the cost. His first mate Starbuck (Ted Levine) argues, but to no avail.

Alarming complex and suffused with religious imagery, Melville's book is a symbolic battle of good vs. evil, with each reader left to decide which character plays which role. Symbolism, however, has never been a TV strong point. On the small screen, the depths vanish, and what's left is the bare bones.

STORK CLUB

Brooke McKenzi Marshall, girl, Feb. 26, 1998, 10:21 p.m., seven pounds, 15 ounces and 20 1/2 inches long; parents are Timothy and Misty Marshall.

Grandparents are Beverly Marshall, Jeff and Mavis Morton, and Bobbie and Judy Bayes.

Joseph Scott Herrera, boy, Feb. 26, 1998, 9:29 p.m., five pounds and 18 1/2 inches long; parents are Scott Herrera and Priscilla Barrera.

Grandparents are Fernando and Adelia Barrera and Jay and Hilda Herrera.

Kappi Jean Moron, girl, Feb. 26, 1998, 3:17 p.m., six pounds 15 1/4 ounces and 20 inches long; parents are Merlinda Moron, Coahoma, and Gene (Bouder) Villarreal, Jr.

Grandparents are Cruz Moron, Coahoma, Ray Moron, Big Spring, Yvonne Ramirez, Big Spring, and Gene Villarreal, Sr., Alpine.

Michael Allan Acuff, Feb. 27, 1998, 1:12 p.m., seven pounds

one ounce and 22 inches long; mother is Jacklynn Yvonne Acuff.

Grandparents are Jack and Lynn Acuff, Big Spring.

Caitlin Cheyenne Faye Jones, girl, Feb. 28, 1998, 8:32, seven pounds 14 ounces; parents are Allen and Arthena Jones.

Grandparents are Lora Moore and Sam and Wanda Pansell, all of Big Spring.

Tommy Dimitri Cantu, boy, March 3, 1998, 10:45 a.m., six pounds six ounces and 20 1/2 inches long; parents are Monica Marquez and Jason Cantu.

Grandparents are Virginia Diaz and Ted Diaz, Sr., Eutemio Losoya and Mr. and Mrs. Cantu, Big Spring.

Trisha, Steven and Garrett Nichols announce the arrival of their little brother, Austin Reed Nichols, on March 4, 1998, at 5:40 a.m., at Midland Memorial Hospital, eight pounds 14 ounces and 20 inches long; parents are Martin and Leslie Nichols, Knott.

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Is chivalry outdated? Many people say no

By ANN WEBER
Toledo Blade

Looking for chivalry? Take a cruise, or take in a showing of "The Titanic." Otherwise, take your chances. Today's behavioral waters are considerably muddier than they were in April, 1912, when the great ship went down, taking many male passengers who sacrificed their lives in the spirit of chivalry.

There are widely differing views on whether such gallantry still exists in an era of feminism, political correctness, and possibly epidemic incivility. We live in an age in which a professional basketball player registers a gripe with his coach by attempting to strangle him — twice — and the New York City Transit Authority finds it necessary to post signs on buses and subways asking riders to "please" give up their seats for the elderly and disabled.

Yet many still firmly believe that chivalry lives. Asked how they define the concept in today's world, they talk about respect, good manners, putting others first, doing the right thing. Chivalry has morphed into an informal code of ideal conduct that applies to men and women alike.

"It's a moving target, but it's certainly not dead. Not for me," said Stacy Schmidt, 36, of Toledo, Ohio.

"I think it crosses the traditional gender lines," he said. "It's leading by example; demonstrating all that we would hold on a pedestal."

Chivalry simply means being a gentleman, said Ned Coyle, 51, who explained that his definition doesn't exclude women. "A gentleman is somebody who is more than anything else morally ethical, treats other people with a great deal of respect, listens to others' opinions, offers their own when asked, and I guess when the time comes, acts courageously."

He said that could mean self-sacrifice, but it also means having the strength to speak up in the face of injustice or do what's right in an ethically challenging situation.

A simple "thank you" goes a long way with Sandie Heyneman, 45.

"A man always says 'thank you' when I open a door for him," she said. "It makes me mad when I open a door for a woman and she doesn't say thank you."

Mrs. Heyneman said the men who have been in her life all have been chivalrous. "Maybe it's something I expect. I went out with a guy one time who did not walk me up to the door when he brought me home, and I never went out with him again. I just felt that was an indication of what would be to come — that he would put himself first and he hadn't been raised with manners."

Her 19-year-old daughter, Tara Hall, has a much different take on the subject. "Not too many guys my age are chivalrous," she said, but then again, "I don't necessarily

expect it." Nor is she offended if, after the first date, a man doesn't open the car door or honks for her rather than coming up to the house. But woe to the date who doesn't wait for her to get inside before driving away at the end of the evening. "That is the worst... If you leave before I'm in, you're done. I'll let anything else go."

Old-fashioned etiquette still is observed at sea, where the noble concept of "women and children first" remains the unwritten law.

"At Royal Caribbean it absolutely is the rule, in theory at any rate," said Rich Steck, spokesman for the Royal Caribbean International cruise line in Miami. Every ship conducts a lifeboat drill before leaving port, with women and children lined up in the front and men in back.

It's hard to say what would happen in an emergency, he admitted. "We're all very chivalrous when there's no threat."

Mathematics sank the Titanic's passengers and crew as surely as the iceberg sank their ship. There were 2,201 passengers and crew aboard, but lifeboat seats for only 1,178.

Today, international law requires every passenger ship to carry enough lifeboats, floats, rafts, and life preservers for everyone on board, "so there isn't a need to make distinctions," said Scott Price, U.S. Coast Guard historian.

Price said that saving women and children first "was never a policy. It was an attitude."

Furthermore, "It was hypocritical," because it was unevenly applied in the life-and-death decisions that were made on the Titanic. "Women and children in third-class died," he pointed out.

If it happened today, "the men wouldn't be so willing to step aside," Price believes.

That's not how Dr. Ray Tucker sees it. A professor emeritus of interpersonal communication at Bowling Green State University and author of five studies on romance, Tucker said his research shows that "men still treat women pretty much the way they've always treated them historically in this country."

Most men would stop to help a woman change a flat tire on the highway, he said. "Men still have a great respect for women. There's a sense that we need to take care of them."

Feminism has made only "a small dent in chivalry," he added.

Certainly the changing roles of women have made both sexes unsure of what's appropriate. Decency dictates that anyone give up a bus seat for a pregnant woman, for example, but is a middle-aged man expected to similarly defer to a young woman in robust health?

Corinne Krakoff, who says she has been called the "Emily Post of Toledo" because of her work as a wedding and etiquette consultant, said it's terribly confusing.

Wakeful children who torture parents

By ROSALIND SHARPE
London Observer Service

Ever since I've had children, I've been surprised there isn't a special adjective to describe the state of people whose sleep is disrupted for years on end by their kids. It sounds pathetic to keep saying, "Exhausted, but otherwise OK," when people ask how you are.

What parents need is a robust, scientific label for this type of tiredness that would command the respect of spouses, employers and traffic police.

Homeopathy recognizes the syndrome; I was once prescribed a remedy for "sleeplessness due to children." The day may come when SDC is as valid an excuse as PMS for a temporary inability to function normally.

My friend Mary and her husband suffer from chronic SDC,

having hardly had an unbroken night since the birth of their first child five years ago. Before he was two, he was joined by a brother, and 18 hellish months ensued when each child woke twice every night. Now they both wake up once most nights, and their sister, born last November, wakes a lot to feed. The boys often get up at 5:30 a.m.

As a result, Mary says she feels muffled, cut off from reality. She is forgetful, her reactions have slowed, and though she rarely has the energy to lose her temper, when she does she finds it difficult to be restrained. She's good-humored about it, but says, "I used to be more intelligent than this."

Mary is an extreme example, but few parents avoid SDC. All new babies wake to be fed, many small children wake once or twice a night and most get

up early. They never want to stay in bed till 10:30 a.m. when you need to sleep off a late night. So not only is your sleep reduced, but you lose control of when you sleep.

John Schlapobersky is a psychotherapist with the Medical Foundation for the Care of Victims of Torture in London. In the 1960s, he was subjected to sleep deprivation by the South African police. The torturers need to be patient; he says, "but applied systematically it is the single most effective form of torture."

It works by upsetting the victims' biorhythms: the internal mechanisms that control, among other things, the daily cycle of sleepiness and wakefulness. These rhythms are crucial in maintaining psychological and physiological equilibrium. When they are disrupted, victims lose their sense of

place, time and identity, and eventually begin to hallucinate.

Unlike torture victims, parents are volunteers, and their junior torturers are objects of love, not terror. But many parents will recognize the symptoms of derangement.

In psychological experiments, people who are deprived of more than five or so hours of uninterrupted sleep a night become irritable, rigid in their thinking, worse at expressing themselves and tearful when criticized.

And according to Mark Blagrove, a psychologist at the University of Wales at Swansea, sleep interruption is potentially more debilitating than sleep deprivation. During a normal night's rest, short spells of light sleep alternate with longer spells of deep sleep, when the body's regenerative processes are most active.

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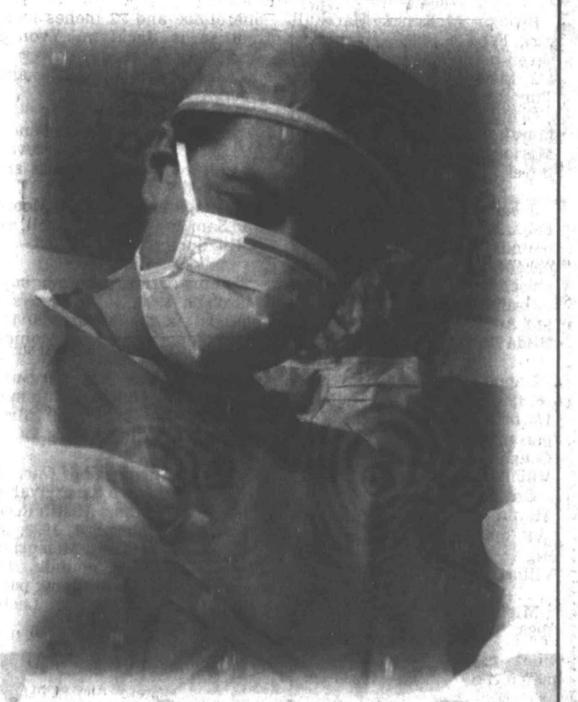
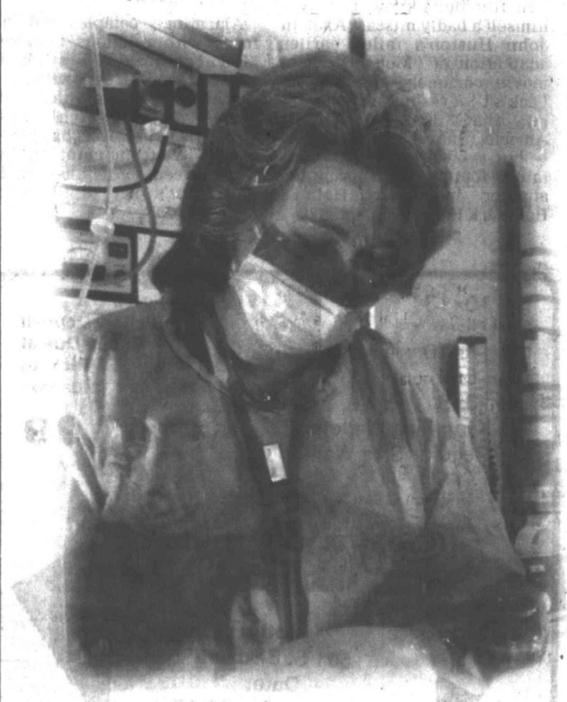
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St. Louis Post

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Decorative crafts big with hobbyists, study shows

By CHRISTINE ARPE GANG
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You might be too busy to start cross-stitching a tablecloth or hooking a rug, but that doesn't mean you won't tackle a new painted finish for an old chest of drawers.

That's what emerges from a study conducted for the Hobby Industry Association. It shows that in 84 percent of U.S. households at least one person pursues crafting as a hobby. The trend in those crafts, though, is toward quick projects, especially those that help decorate the home.

"People buy a latch hook kit when they get married and it's not finished by the time they get divorced," says Robert Wang, founder and chairman of the board of Wang's International Inc. "Seventy to 80 percent of the craft kits sold are never finished."

Young people want instant gratification. "They aren't making crafts as much as they are making things to decorate their homes," says Wang.

That's why items such as plaster columns and cherubs that crafters can finish themselves are among the big sellers at craft retail stores.

Cross-stitch embroidery still attracts the largest numbers, followed by crocheting, fashion sewing and craft sewing. Although their numbers are the greatest, needlecrafters tend to be older.

"The sexy trends are scrapbooking, rubber stamping and anything to do with home decorating," says Susan Brandt, a spokesman for HIA.

There's a blending of crafts and decorating, adds Carol Sterbenz, editor of Handcraft Illustrated magazine.

"Forgivable style trends in decorating, along with better materials and tools, make crafters more courageous."

While traditional crafters get satisfaction purely from the creative process, new crafters like the value-added aspects of making something for the house or to give as a gift, says Sterbenz.

Ginger Webb and Paula Webb, Memphis sisters, are so enthusiastic about creating with stained glass they converted a tool shed in Ginger's backyard into a studio.

"I took a class (in stained glass) last fall, and I loved it," Ginger says. She and her sister now make dozens of butterfly sun catchers as well as concrete stepping stones decorated

with stained glass mosaics to use themselves, to give as gifts and to sell.

The Webb sisters learned how to cut glass and solder it together at Touch of Glass, a Memphis stained glass business that focuses on hobbyists and teaching.

"Every month we start another series of four weekly classes," says owner Jim Moffitt. "Some people take (classes) for two or three years."

Lee Drenning, another of Moffitt's stained glass students, graduated from the three-piece sun catchers to large windows for skylights in her house and also for the master bath at her daughter's. She just converted a spare bedroom into a workshop for her stained glass.

"I think it will be a longtime hobby for me," says Drenning.

Many of the students in Barbara Angelici's class come to make centerpieces, swags and wreaths from silk and dried flowers for their homes.

"I think most come to do a hobby as a release from stress," said Angelici, a florist who teaches through the continuing education department of the University of Memphis.

Two of her students were talented enough for her to hire them as designers in her shop,

Angelici's Flowers & Gifts.

For her quarterly magazine, Sterbenz concentrates on projects that can be completed in a weekend. There's a full-color picture of the finished items along with step-by-step instructions and drawings.

"Our mission is to create the easiest pathway to do something," she says. "Crafters want something that is beautiful, foolproof and quick."

Many of the tools now embraced by crafters were originally designed for other uses, and are relatively easy to get. The indispensable hot glue gun was borrowed from the shoe-making and computer circuitry industries. Metal washers are now being used to emboss velvet, and a computer mouse can be disassembled and used to create block designs on walls and furniture.

Those who want to learn complicated crafts requiring expensive equipment such as stained glass typically enroll in adult education classes through schools, community centers or shops.

But most crafters learn specific crafts from friends or relatives or through books, magazines, newspapers and television.

"The tradition of crafts is

Comfy now becoming fashionable as at-home styles continue changing

By BECKY HOMAN
St. Louis Post-Dispatch

At-home clothes aren't what they used to be. They're better.

Remember when sweats and warm-up suits were the ubiquitous options for home-based dressing?

In recent years, style has collided with comfort to add new twists to things we wear around the house.

And the women who wear these clothes are bringing their own sense of chic to the mix.

Take, for instance, Michelle Wright, talent coordinator for a modeling agency in St. Louis. Wright applies what she's learned about fashion to the funkier, home side of her wardrobe.

She'll buy, on sale, an armload of leggings — black, as well as a soft shade of gray (a fashion color of the moment). And she'll pair one of them with a big pastel-colored top or oversized sweat shirt.

That is, when she's not wearing her favorite, and roomy, brushed-cotton overalls with a mock-turtleneck top.

Or her dark-denim jeans plus T-shirt and, if she's going out, motorcycle boots.

Or, if she's truly at home on a Sunday, her favorite men's pajamas plus a pair of cozy rag socks.

"I like versatility," Wright says. That means — except for the pj's — that she wears things on weekends and evenings that "I could be comfortable in at home or go out in and not worry about changing."

Wright's casual credo is one that seems to be catching on with fashion designers, as well as with fashion customers, across the country.

As "corporate casual" takes over segments of the workplace, "casual casual" could become the term for clothes at home.

Corbin Seitz, Target's national fashion director, sees this happening.

She cites the high-fashion trend of comfy pajama pants and drawstring pants to wear out of the house. "In everything from silk to linen to chambray and even cotton knit in the lingerie department to lounge in."

Leggings, on the other hand, are a long-standing look that continues into spring.

"A lot of what people are wearing now," Seitz says, "are the thermal leggings and ones

in pretty colors and patterns. What we used to think of as long underwear and night shirts are carrying over into more feminine fabrics for lounging in.

"That," she adds, "is sort of the young version."

Khakis, too, are making something of a comeback.

The flat-front, slim-fitting versions are a fashion look, with tennis shoes or flip-flops at home or with loafers for a workday-casual ensemble.

"The freshest way to wear khakis," Seitz says, "is to play them off pastels."

"For a long time, we wore dark on weekends," she says, "because we hadn't had bright color for so long."

But with grays and these neutrals such as khaki, the pastels

look fresh and new."

And then there's plaid, seen recently on certain college-age trends as pajama pants worn out to parties or to the mall.

For spring, that idea continues but in lighter-weight fabrics and floral prints or solids on the pajama bottoms.

"Often in the mornings and on the weekends when I'm lounging around at home," Wright says, "I wear men's pajamas or those sleep sets for women that are styled like men's boxer shorts plus crop tops."

"I have a bunch of those," says the pajama maven.

"And when it's chilly, I wear boxers and a big sweat shirt."

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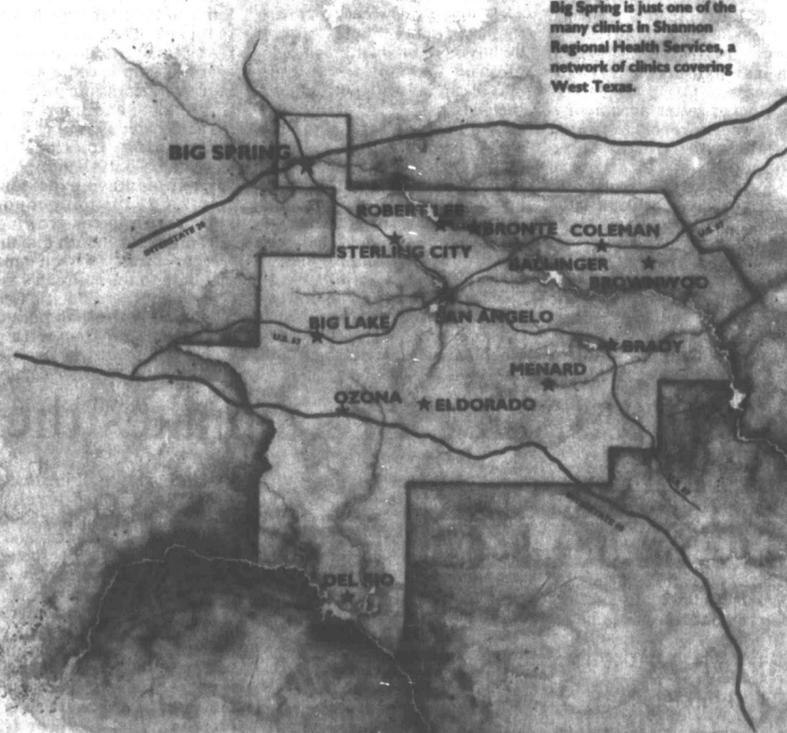
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Cold damages peach crop, some areas thinned 15 percent

By JAY JORDEN
Associated Press Writer

Texas' most recent late-winter cold snap thinned out some of the state's peach crop after repeated freezes damaged tender buds on the Hill Country's claims to fame, agricultural experts and growers said Thursday.

County agents checked orchards in Gillespie and other counties after early-morning temperatures last week dropped to the low 20s.

"It thinned the crop some — there could be 15 percent thin-

ning," said Stephen Zoeller, Blanco County extension agent at the Texas A&M Agricultural Extension Service.

"There will still be plenty of production," he said. "But it will set the season back on early varieties."

In South Carolina, with the nation's second-largest peach harvest after California, growers worked overnight Wednesday to save their fruit and blamed the Pacific warming phenomenon El Nino for a mild, wet February that triggered early blooms.

That was before cold air spilled into the South and East

behind a storm system that produced weeklong flooding in the Southeast and a weekend blizzard across the Plains and Midwest.

Peaches in Texas apparently fared much better than in the Southeast. But that didn't mean growers here were unconcerned.

Extension horticulturist Jim Kamas of Fredericksburg, who is also Texas A&M assistant professor, surveyed Gillespie County orchards for damage Thursday morning. And other agents were checking in their counties for possible dam-

age. "I had several producers come by and say there was 24 degrees on their thermometers," said Zoeller.

He said many trees in western Blanco County are in full bloom and such readings — combined with frost and moisture — can spell danger for peaches as well as plums, apricots and even bermuda grass on rangeland.

"Some other crops got burned," he said.

In Freestone County, where peaches comprise the main horticultural production, low temperatures this week have hov-

ered from 25 to 26 degrees. But the agricultural agent said daytime readings have been much higher with plentiful sunlight.

"Up to today, we have had minimal damage — five percent or less," said Dale Hurst, Freestone County agricultural extension agent. "The premature thinning will be of benefit to our producers."

Extension horticulturists last month, noting that peach varieties were beginning to bloom, said that prompted early grower concern.

In 1996, at least 90 percent of the state's \$4 million peach

crop was destroyed by record high temperatures in February and frost and cold temperatures in March.

This year, most trees in Freestone County are in first bloom, or "pink bud stage," where they can be vulnerable to cold.

"It has not stayed below freezing for a prolonged time and we've had lots of sunshine," said Hurst. "Also, the ground under the trees is clean, so the bear ground soaks up more heat during the day and protects the buds from freezing," he said.

AT&T, MCI seeking lower access rates

AUSTIN (AP) — AT&T and MCI are asking state regulators to lower the amount Southwestern Bell can charge long distance telephone companies for access to its lines.

AT&T, MCI and other companies on Wednesday filed a complaint with the Texas Public Utility Commission, arguing that the 12.14 cents per minute long distance companies pay — and pass on to customers — is too high.

"Texans pay more to call from Midland to Marfa than to call from Midland to Maui because of the high access charges," said Sandra Haverlah, head of Texas Citizen Action.

SWB spokesman Bill Maddox said what the long distance carriers are calling for is an increase in local rates.

"AT&T and MCI know full well that access charges in Texas are crucially linked to the state's public policy to keep local rates low and maintain quality universal services," Maddox said.

The spokesman said in addition to paying for the cost of granting long distance companies access to its lines, the charges help offset the cost of local service.



Top photo: Howard County maintenance section of TXDOT (Texas Department of Transportation) employees receiving awards at the annual Safety awards Banquet were (standing) John Allred, Jimmy Clanton, Claude Horn, Ruben Reyes and Herb Sarinana. Kneeling are Joey Hernandez, former employee Joe Moreno and Martin Garcia. Bottom photo: Big Spring area office employees receiving awards were (front) George Garcia, David Elmore, area office manager, Mike Lee and Ron Boley. Back row recipients are Robert Kilpatrick, Jim Payne and Dan Richardson.

Producers face decisions as planting season nears

As planting time for cotton approaches, agricultural producers are faced with a variety of decisions. One of the decisions is what type of seed treatment to use on their planting seed.

When producers are faced with cool damp conditions after planting, the cotton plant is set up for several seedling disease complexes.

Three of the most common are Rhizoctonia, Thielaviopsis and Pythium.

The seedling disease Rhizoctonia (commonly referred to as sore shin), can affect cotton before and after emergence. It can slow plant development and limit plants' vascular development. Baytan and Vitavax are two fungicides that work best to protect against Rhizoctonia.

Another seedling disease com-

monly found in West Texas is Thielaviopsis (commonly referred to as black root rot). It develops well in cool wet conditions after planting. It tends to be more of a problem in heavier soils. If left untreated it will limit stands as well as cut yields up to 20 percent and can affect fiber quality as well. The best method of control is Baytan.

Pythium is another seedling disease found in the soil that affects cotton. Again it is most severe in cool, wet growing conditions. Often most plants do not emerge. A Pythium infected plant usually shrivels up and dies. Apron Fungicide is most effective on this seedling disease.

If a producer is looking at an early season planting, then they had better have a high vigor seed and a variety of seed treatments to protect the plant from the cotton seedling diseases previously referred to. Like most decisions that a has, they would be easy if cotton was bringing 80 cents per pound. With producers having to look at every option of saving money, all decisions are hard ones.



David Kight
County Agent

UP sets deadline to ease rail backlog

DALLAS (AP) — Union Pacific Railroad has imposed its own 30 day deadline to improve its clogged rail system or it may halt taking any new shipments.

In a cover letter accompanying its weekly report to federal regulators, the Omaha-based railroad said its attempts to clear up the nine-month-old traffic jam have been "inadequate" and "unacceptable."

The railroad, a subsidiary of Dallas-based Union Pacific Corp., outlined several new actions aimed at resolving the issue, and set the 30-day deadline for making "very substantial improvement" or it might halt new shipments to allow its

rail lines to clear. The railroad will try to ease the jam during the next month by buying, borrowing and redeploying locomotives to help move traffic on its most congested lines.

"We're going to redeploy about 300 locomotives in Texas this month," spokesman John Bromley said today. "We'll see how these additional locomotives work out for us. We think the locomotives down there are key to our congestion."

The company is buying 35 new locomotives and borrowing about 75 from other railroads. Others will be coming from other parts of Union Pacific to the Texas region.

Union Pacific told the federal Surface Transportation Board that aside from adding locomotives it also would: move managers to help speed operations; improve communication in the Gulf region; and improve train crew efficiency.

According to the Texas Railroad Commission, Texas companies have experienced about a \$1 billion economic impact with losses growing by \$100 million a month due to the traffic jam, which many attribute to the railroad's merger with Southern Pacific Corp.

Union Pacific has acknowledged difficulties with the merger, including problems with putting together computer

systems and starting a new traffic system.

Union Pacific's problems began in Texas and mushroomed across the railroad's 23-state network last fall. The railroad said it shrunk the problem back to the Gulf Coast area, but the problem has remained serious.

Bromley said that congestion has not improved in recent weeks and train speeds have slowed.

"It hasn't been showing much progress from the week before," he said.

The railroad also reported to the STB that last weekend's Midwest snowstorm slowed traffic.

Motivated sales forces makes the difference

By PAUL TULENKO
Scripps Howard News Service

We've all heard of the Wonder Kid who can sell sand in Arabia or refrigerators in Antarctica. But actually finding one for your business can be as hard to do as ... well, selling sand in Arabia or refrigerators in Antarctica!

If you truly want to improve sales, you will have to change your whole attitude toward your sales force, your customers and your company.

Not all, but many firms have the belief that selling goods and services is the task of the sales force with a little help from the marketing department. At high level meetings the CEO often turns to the sales vice president

threat, veiled or outright: "If things don't pick up pretty soon..."

All this kind of talk will get you is turnover, inconsistent sales, anger and inaction. Here are some tips that can dramatically change the selling atmosphere at your company, improve the bottom line and foster the development of your own group of Wonder Kids:

— Changing focus: The focus of your company must change from selling widgets to one of active competition. Your mystical and great-sounding mission statement looks good in print, but probably means nothing to either your customer or your sales force. You must replace this antique with a reality statement such as, "Our goal is to sell our new widget."

Without this extremely narrow focus, you don't stand a chance of motivating your sales force to action. This change of

view probably will engender a fight at the board level, but unless you make a decision to do something concrete, and let your sales force know the goal, you are barking up the wrong tree!

— Finding your customer: Do you really know who your customer is? Are you assuming Jane and Jim Doe are the buyers? Are you ignoring the fact that your real buyers may be the wholesale, retail or franchise establishments that stock and sell your widget? Without a realistic analysis, your sales force is out there beating the bushes for squirrels when the real prey should be a lion.

— Targeting your customer: People are going to buy widgets. The question is: "Who's

concentrates on the bulk sale, not the onesies and twosies."

— Support your customers: Set up or modify a division in your company dedicated to helping your customers. Provide immense latitude for problem solving. Give this division the task of keeping customers happy with your product, your service and especially your sales force. Also give this new division the task of pursuing disenchanted customers of your competition. There's always something wrong with your competition's service or product, and if you actively help potential customers to solve their problems, you can replace Brand X with your widgets.

— Maintain contact: It is important to keep your customers advised of every move you make that could affect their bottom line. Ask for and act on input. Feed problems back to your customers and ask for solution suggestions.

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grantee: Norma L. Colunga and
Luciano Olvera
property: lots 5 and 6, blk. 18,
Washington Place Addition
filed: March 2, 1998

grantor: John W. and Janet Lilley
grantee: Shannon and Leslie Fader
property: lot 2, blk. 15, according
to the corrected plat of lots 8 and 9,
blk. 19, lots 1-7, blk. 15, College
Park Estates
filed: March 2, 1998

grantor: T.M. Newton
grantee: Donald Nichols and Lucille
Nichols
property: the south 270 acres of
the West 1/2 of section 9, blk. 33, T-
1-N, T&P Ry. Co.
filed: March 3, 1998

grantor: James and Dina Voigt
grantee: Robyn V. Voigt
property: lot 12, blk. 28, College
Park Estates
filed: March 3, 1998

grantor: Big Spring Fuel Co., Inc.
grantee: Danny Hull
property: being a 0.92 acre tract of
land, more or less, out of the south-
east 1/4 of section no. 5, blk. 32, T-
1-S, T&P Ry. Co.
filed: March 3, 1998

grantor: Charles Barbee, Jerrell
Barbee and Darrell Barbee
grantee: Mack Darnell and Sandy
Darnell
property: out of and a part of sec-
tion 45, blk. 31, T-1-N, T&P Ry. Co.
filed: March 5, 1998

grantor: Gayland Kent Wood and
Dedra Ann Wood
grantee: Ricky J. and Angela S.
Grimsley
property: all of lot 5, blk. 2,
Washington Place Addition
filed: March 5, 1998

grantor: Joyce Marie Chapman
grantee: Wesley and Rebecca
Peacock
property: a tract of land in the
southeast 1/4 of section 7, blk. 33,
T-1-N, T&P Ry
filed: March 6, 1998

grantor: Dorothy Bell Algood
grantee: Lyndell Wayne Smith and
Patricia Lea Smith
property: lots 3 and 4, blk. 5,
Lakeview Addition
filed: March 6, 1998

Trustee's deed:
Quit claim deed:
grantor: Frances Korchenko and
Melvin Korchenko
grantee: Dorothy Allgood
property: lots 3 and 4, blk. 5,
Lakeview Addition
filed: March 5, 1998

Martin Mata vs. Judy Mata, dis-
missed-family
Norma Jill Childs vs. Randy Harley
Childs, dismissed-family
Anastacia R. Lopez vs. Armando
Lopez, family law
Sherry Jean Shubert vs. Billy Gene
Shubert, dismissed-family
Mary Lou Herrera vs. Rolando
Ybarra, dismissed-tax
Billy Cole vs. Sarah Pollard, dis-
missed-family

Rosie Vanderbilt vs. Jessie
Ramirez, dismissed-family
Howard County, Et Al vs. Jimmy B.
Caldwell, Et Al, dismissed-tax
Tomas Hernandez, Sr. vs. Tomas
Hernandez, Jr., dismissed-family
Ernestina Zubiate vs. Juan
Smithwick, family law
Cosmons ISD vs. Caprock Tool &
Specialty, Inc., dismissed-tax
Howard County, Et Al vs. Rebecca
Acosta, dismissed-tax
Howard County, Et Al vs. Rex
Holler, Et UX, dismissed-tax

Cosmons ISD vs. Craig Kilpatrick,
dismissed-tax
Cosmons ISD vs. Jack and Toni J.
Thompson, dismissed-tax
Cosmons ISD vs. Ronald Cross, dis-
missed-tax
Cosmons ISD vs. Robert L.
McCullough, dismissed-tax
Lora Vashon Caboon vs. Charles
Bertram Caboon, dismissed-family
Cosmons ISD vs. Kenneth Martin,
dismissed-tax

Cosmons ISD vs. Marcus Mendez,
Et Al, dismissed-tax
Sandra ISD vs. L. Karen Jones
Mitchell, dismissed-tax
Howard County, Et Al vs. Taylor
Rudd, Et UX, judgment-tax
Delfina Leos vs. Arthur Miramontes,
family law
Sheila Renee Nixon vs. Wesley A.
Browning, dismissed-family
William C. Clanton and wife vs.
Tanos Production, Inc., dismissed-
IDO
Howard County, Et Al vs. Peggy J.
Mitchem, dismissed-tax
Cosmons ISD vs. Richard and Linda
Hall, dismissed-tax
Cosmons ISD vs. Jesus Perez, dis-
missed-tax

Cosmons ISD vs. Susan Elizabeth
Turner, dismissed-tax
Melinda Ramos vs. Luis A. Ramos,
dismissed-family
Howard County, Et Al vs. Patrick
Ferguson, dismissed-tax
Brenda Sue McCutcheon vs. David
Tull McCutcheon, family law
Natalie Dawn Johnson vs. Randy
Wayne Johnson, family law
Linda Lee vs. Sean A. Messing,
dismissed-IDO
Howard County, Et Al vs. Juanita
Bishop, judgment-tax
Tony Marie Bridge vs. Cloyd K.
Barnes, family law
Elena Cantu vs. Ricuarte Deleon,
family law

V.S. Sand, Dr. vs. Champion
International Corp., judgment-family
Howard County, Et Al vs. Floyd
McIntyre, judgment-tax
Howard County, Et Al vs. Aurora
Flores Puga, dismissed-tax
Magdalena Ledesma vs. Alfred
Ledesma, disposed-family
Letha Fayo Lange vs. Jose Antonio
Vera, family law
William Darrell Weiss vs. Jim and
Linda Leonard, judgment-IDO
Leigh Ann Fleming vs. Stephen
Fleming, judgment-tax
Cosmons ISD vs. Stephen
Tanner, judgment-tax
Heather Quinn Helgeson and John
Gregory Holden, granted-divorce
Melanie Dawn Miller vs. Edwin M.
McNulty, dismissed-family
Howard County, Et Al, vs. Max W.
Elliott, judgment-tax

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the tobacco industry, according
to organizers of a new group
formed to oppose the fees.
John Butler, president of
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Fees, said he doesn't know
what a reasonable payday
would be for the five private
attorneys.
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U.S. District Judge David
Folsom, in approving the
state's \$15.3 billion lawsuit set-
tlement earlier this year, ruled
the \$2.3 billion for the attor-
neys reasonable. He's set to
consider whether to allow state
leaders opposed to the fees —
including Gov. George W. Bush
— to intervene in the case.
The fees equal 15 percent of
the total settlement. Attorney
General Dan Morales in 1996
cut the 15 percent deal with the
attorneys, who agreed to
finance the state's lawsuit.

Being a working parent can be a life of hard choices

By NICCI GERRARD
London Observer Service

Is this you? You wake up in the morning, horribly early because your children are yelling for you, yelling at you, jumping up and down on top of you.

You wash them, dress them, feed them, oversee their homework (which they forgot to do the night before), shout at them, hug them. You rush out of the door, porridge on your good clothes, snot on your collar, and arrive at work already frayed around the edges.

You dread the phone call that says the nanny is ill and can she go home, or one of the children is unwell and can you come home, or there's been a case of head lice and can you immediately collect her and comb them out.

You work hard — perhaps more efficiently than your childless colleagues, probably with more sense of focus — and leave promptly, turning down all offers for a quick drink at the bar, tearing home through rush-hour traffic to the tyrannical and precious routines of putting them to bed.

Dental appointments, sports days, school plays and concerts and all the relentless, joyful pleasures become the furtive obstacle courses of your working life. Holidays are frantic with arrangements — swaps with friends, complicated courses. They want just to slop

around at home, but you've got to go to work, and at work you are sometimes made to feel that your child is an inconvenience and an obstacle.

People whose children have grown up are like the consultants who look at medical students going through the mill they had to go through too, in their time; people who do not have children can't know the juggling that goes on.

Guilt dogs your days: guilt that you're not spending enough time at home. You are filled with the sense of time passing too quickly; of their childhood hurtling by, the last baby words falling away from their sentences, the puppy fat disappearing. Does it have to be like this?

The number of dual-income families is steadily rising. People no longer assume that care of children is the prerogative of the mother. Companies recognize — or say they recognize — that it benefits both their employees and themselves to reduce employees' stress and anxiety, their sense of leading split and irreconcilable lives.

But while it is common for large companies to have gyms and health spas, in-house doctors and counselors, onsite nurseries and other forms of child-care support are still rare. In France and the Netherlands, companies often seek partnership with local authorities and private firms to offer workplace nurseries.

With today's job insecurity, the traditional ties of loyalty to a company have been loosened, and instead employees want balance in their lives — a sense of equilibrium and peace. Look at the numbers of self-help books on stress, on mental health, and on improved lifestyles; look at the proliferation of time-management courses (in which you are taught how to make lists, prioritize, use up all the corners of your time as a thrifty cook uses leftover scraps of pastry); look at the rise of massage, yoga, aromatherapy.

A recent global survey of college business students by the consulting firm Coopers & Lybrand found that the chief goal was to "achieve a balanced lifestyle and have a rewarding life outside work."

Most people would surely say the same. And most parents would say that the most important thing in their life is their children — yet there are some working parents who hardly see their children during the week. It's been called the new middle-class deprivation and the intermittent parent syndrome.

Many employees feel, more strongly now than ever, that the demands of their jobs can destroy their personal lives. In a poll conducted last year in Britain, one in four workers did not believe it was possible to get ahead at work and have a good family life.

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Spacious 1 bd. Washer connections, big closets, ceiling fans, \$235. No petal 811 Runnels. McDonald Realty 263-7816.

Attractive clean, 1 bdr. apt. w/carpot. Large closets, carpet, ref. air. Lease, dep. & credit certification. 1104 E. 11th. \$225/mn. 267-7628

Apartments, houses, mobile home. References required. 263-6944, 263-2341.

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3 bd, 2 bath. CHVA, garage, big fenced backyard. Call 263-0436.

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2701 Central back on market. 3 bdr. 2 bath corner lot! C/H/A, 5500 mn. 263-5822

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2 & 3 bdr. houses for rent. No pets. Call 267-2070 for further information. NO HUD

Duplex 3/1/CP \$450; 2/1/CP \$395. Appliances, fans. No petal 267-2070. NO HUD

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR OIL AND GAS WASTE DISPOSAL WELL PERMIT

COBRA OIL & GAS CORPORATION P.O. Box 8206 Wichita Falls, TX 76701 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to dispose of produced salt water or other oil and gas waste by well injection into a porous formation not productive of oil or gas. The applicant proposes to dispose of oil and gas waste into the San Andres/Clearfork Formation, Gular 1 Lease, Well Number 1. The proposed disposal well is located 1.5 miles Northwest of Big Spring in the Alfalfa (Fusselman) Field, in Howard County. The waste well will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 4045 to 6300 feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512/463-6782). 1798 March 15, 1998

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Moore Development, For Big Spring, Inc. reserves the right to reject any and all bids submitted for this notice. March 8 & 15, 1998 1792

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTOR OF PROPOSED TEXAS HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE WORK

Sealed Proposals For: CSJ NO. 6265 78 001 Street Sweeping in Howard and Mitchell Counties Will be received by the Texas Department of Transportation located at: 4250 N. CLACK, ABILENE, TEXAS UNTIL RESPECTIVE BID OPENING TIME ON TUESDAY, MARCH 24, 1998 then publicly opened and read.

ALL PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS ARE ADVISED THAT THESE WILL NOT BE A PRE-BIDDERS CONFERENCE FOR THIS CONTRACT. Bidding proposals and plan view will be available ON AND AFTER TUESDAY, MARCH 3, 1998 at the District Office located at:

4250 N. CLACK ABILENE, TEXAS TELEPHONE: (817) 676-6822 CONTRACT: SAUNDRA A. COLLINS Usual Rights Reserved 1789 March 9 & 15, 1998

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR SUNDAY, MARCH 15:
You can get depressed over what you feel is lacking in your life. Actually, you are opening up to new possibilities. Though there are highs and lows, many gifts, invitations and opportunities will present themselves to you. Release anxiety, refuse to feel sorry for yourself and greet new horizons. You will walk a line where light and dark merge; you can choose either side - joy or sadness, challenge or stagnation. If you are single, a new person in your life encourages you to move forward. You are lucky with interpersonal relationships. If attached, a partner will do his best to boost your feelings. ARIES rains on your parade.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult. ARIES (March 21-April 19)
It seems that the best of intentions go haywire. You can explain and cajole, but others are not going to get your message. Allow more laughter in your life. Relax and lighten up. Not everything is your responsibility. Tonight: Let another explain himself.***

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
You are out of sorts because of the pressure someone puts on you. Be reasonable and direct. You need time off to recharge; it is up to you to make this happen. Take the day off. Discussions can happen another day. Tonight: Take it easy.***

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
Though you don't say much, you get upset when plans are thrown off. Honor another's feelings, but make yourself the highest priority. Listen, laugh and take a light approach. Your strength is that you let go of problems. Tonight: Naughty and nice.***

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
Be sure of yourself, despite another's challenge. You will do very well, and can correct a problem. Family is disruptive and creates chaos where you best expect it. Stay in control. Trust your feelings. Take a day off if it feels right. Tonight: The party happens now.***

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
Others have difficulties; chip in, to make a difference. Plans change, dampening everyone's spirits. But don't worry; all will turn out fine. Moods change today, especially yours. You are personality-plus; your smile soothes others. Tonight: Step into the limelight.***

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
Expenses trouble you. A partner is tésy and wants feedback. No matter what you say, you upset another. Examine desires, and have a needed discussion. You feel as if you are walking a tightrope. Be willing

to treat yourself. Tonight: Soak in a hot bathtub.***

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
You thought you handled that grumpy partner, but think through a recent decision. You could find that you have pushed another way past his limits. Take back your power. Hedging and excuses will no longer work. Tonight: Ask for what you want.***

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
Take a deep breath, and reconsider your choices. Be willing to honor your own fatigue. Be careful how far you push yourself. Establish limits, or your limitations will stop you. Go out into the country, for fresh air. Tonight: Be with friends.***

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
A loved one is wayward. Try as you will, there is nothing you can do to make things better. Emphasize desires. Gather friends together, and make the most of the moment. Others want you to pitch in on an important project. Tonight: Where the fun is.***

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
You need a break from a domestic matter because you feel extremely pressured. For now, don't worry too much about home. Instead, be more responsive to the outside world. Pacing yourself is important, as energy is a bit off. Tonight: Get a head start on tomorrow.***

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
No matter what you say, it seems that nothing makes a difference. Invariably, someone will misunderstand you, making you feel put out. Sometimes, you give too much of yourself. Take off, and visit friends. Think in terms of the big picture. Tonight: Take in a movie.***

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
Money matters toss you into a funk. You can't always control situations; and the resulting frustration is enormous. A loved one helps you work through the depression and opens a new door. There are ways around a problem. Open up to feedback. Tonight: Follow through on a special request.***

BORN TODAY
Columnist Mark Green (1945), actor Judd Hirsch (1935), singer Sly Stone (1944)

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WOMAN PONDS HER OWN PATH AFTER FIANCE GETS COLD FEET
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DEAR ABBY: I feel sorry for "Keeping the Peace," who wrote in response to "Charlotte in North Carolina." Both women have mother-in-law problems. I would like to tell you my experience:

Like you, Abby, I love my mother-in-law. She knows that I didn't take her place in her son's eyes, and she never tries to come between us. In fact, my husband is an only child, and she refers to me as her daughter. We have received some strange looks when she introduces me as her daughter and then as her son's wife! To my mother-in-law's credit, even though she wants a grandchild badly and her son and I have been married five years, she is not pushing us.

My parents and my husband's parents get along so well that the six of us often do things together. It's not unusual for us to spend birthdays together, and no one has a problem sharing holidays.

I consider myself lucky, and I want others to know that not everyone has in-law problems. - HAPPY IN-LAWS IN OKLAHOMA

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THE Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

Crossword puzzle grid with clues:
ACROSS
1 'Waiting to Exhale' star
8 Injuries
15 Remove wrapping
16 Translucent, milky glass
17 Majestic
18 Studies again
19 Hardens
20 Vex
21 Divide the deck
22 Explosive letters
23 Droop
26 Winning service in tennis
27 Mineral in the raw
28 Washington's bill
29 Columnist Landers
30 Kernel
31 Encountered
32 Of mom and/or dad
35 Makes a lawn
36 Say again
40 Turner of tunes
43 Maladies
47 Excitement
48 Actress Thurman
51 Cave dwelling
52 Exploit
53 Pop group, Speedwagon
54 Collide
55 Break fast?
56 Sch. org.
57 Frenzied
58 Short cut?
59 Part of QED
60 Roman greeting
62 Sports figure
65 Sanitize
66 Water racer
67 Methods
68 Have
DOWN
1 Marilyn Monroe movie
2 Insect's feeler
3 Spread far and wide
4 Drunkards
5 First wife?
6 Aviv, Israel
7 Make an attempt
8 'The Picture of Gray'
9 Brief summary
10 Grocery store
11 Alternative to lager
12 Composer Puccini
13 Withstood
14 Sonnet stanzas
23 In one's right mind
24 Against: prof.
25 Peaky insect
26 End of an
34 Showed the way
35 Sargasso
37 Take the bus
38 Sailing
39 Temporary shelter
40 Road surfaces
41 Under the best conditions
42 Pasta
44 Paramount
45 Willa contents
46 Ushers, at times
48 Effortlessly gracious
49 The Chairman's philosophy
50 Walks easily
59 Blighted trees
61 Head cover
62 Egyptian cobra
63 Couple
64 That guy's

Friday's Puzzle Solved

Grid for Friday's puzzle with words:
ODOR IRISH PETE
DIRE SANTO URAL
DIABOLICAL RITA
SIT PEDAGOGICAL
OPED GOT
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EMIR COMA NYSE
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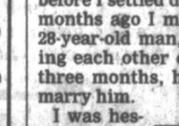
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