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Ector County prepares to take its turn against serial rapist

By KATHY GILBERT
Staff Writer

If cross-dressing serial rapist Ricky Dewayne Howell pleads guilty to his latest sexual assault charges he will receive his fifth concurrent life sentence, Odessa area Assistant District Attorney Bobby Bland said Wednesday.

If he decides to plead not guilty, the case will go to trial. "We want to make sure we get a conviction for our victim," said Bland, who is prosecuting the case with District Attorney

John Smith before Judge Bill McCoy of the 358th judicial district.

No trial date has been set at this time, Bland said.

Howell, a former Snyder resident, was convicted of aggravated sexual assault and burglary with intent to commit sexual assault in Howard County on Feb. 26. A 118th judicial district jury handed down two life sentences and a \$10,000 fine on Feb. 27.

He was indicted eight months ago in Odessa on one count of burglary with intent to commit

sexual assault and aggravated sexual assault of a 43-year-old woman, Bland said.

The woman had offered testimony during the punishment phase of Howell's Howard County trial last month.

Howell is currently appealing two life sentences handed down in Lubbock County, and has a record of sexual assaults dating back to the early 1980s, court documents show.

"We're looking at pleading him guilty to a concurrent life sentence because he can't serve more time than he's already

been given," Bland said. "It will be 90 years before he's eligible for parole. He'd have to be the oldest man alive to make that."

Bland, who prosecutes sexual assaults, mostly of children, in Ector County, said they would be glad to take the case to trial. "If he pleads not guilty, at this time we plan to try him."

Howell is charged with breaking into a woman's house and raping her, putting her in fear for her life.

The convicted serial rapist was wearing a woman's dress or nightgown at the time, Bland

said.

A key element in the successful prosecution of Howell has been a strip of green floral print cloth left at the homes of each of his Big Spring and Lubbock victims.

The pieces of cloth, cut from the same bolt, were found in each of the Big Spring and Lubbock victims' homes after the crime was committed, police officials testified at the Howard County trial.

Howell was sentenced to five years in prison on four undisclosed charges in 1983, his for-

mer-parole officer testified in the February trial. In 1984 he was convicted on charges of burglary with the intent to commit sexual assault. Howell confessed to the Odessa crime during questioning at the Lubbock City Police Department after his arrest in February, 1997.

"There is no rehabilitation for this man," Howard County District Attorney Hardy Willkerson told the seven-woman, five-man jury that convicted Howell last month.

"You must lock him up and lock him up for along time."

Trash Off set for Saturday

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

With only two days remaining before one of the nation's largest volunteer cleanup efforts, there is still time for residents to sign up for the 13th annual Great Texas Trash Off, according to organizer Pat Simmons.

Several area churches, schools, clubs, organizations, civic groups, businesses and individuals have committed to participating in the largest single-day cleanup event.

The trash off is part of the "Don't Mess With Texas" litter prevention campaign.

"Keep Texas Beautiful and the Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT) are partners in this event," Big Spring Coordinator Pat Simmons said. "This is the 13th annual event and last year it involved more than 4,000 Adopt-A-Highway groups and Keep Texas Beautiful affiliates across Texas."

"We have good territories that will be covered Saturday," Simmons added. "The area of Third Street from Birdwell to State will be covered; Howard College will cover Fourth Street from Birdwell to Main and Sixth Street from Birdwell to Main."

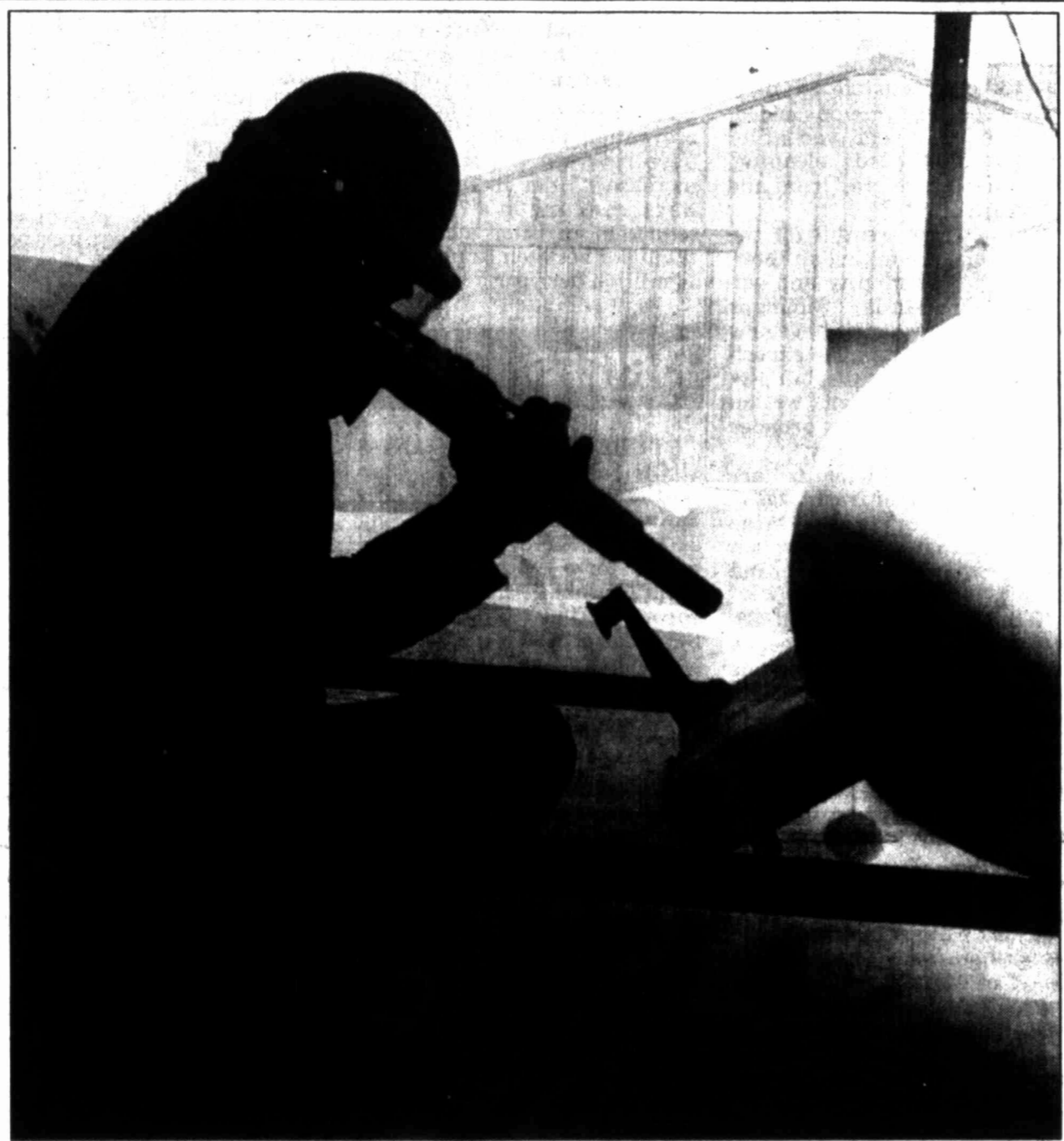
According to Simmons, Howard College groups will also cover Eleventh Place from Birdwell to FM700; Sand Spring's Boy Scout Troop 25 will cover FM700 around Wason Road to Parkway and then proceed north up Parkway; the old K-Mart parking lot will be cleaned up; Runnels Junior High School will cover its campus area as will Big Spring High School; and the city of Big Spring will work on Nolan and Johnson beginning at Fourth and proceed to the north service road of FM700.

Statewide, more than 112,000 volunteers also participated last year to help rid Texas of more than eight million gallons of trash.

"We have asked hundreds of businesses, organizations, churches, schools and individuals to participate in this year's cleanup," Simmons said.

Residents wanting to participate in the trash off may contact Simmons at 263-4607.

"We asking all citizens on this



Shaun Scott of Spencer Coating performs sandblasting work on the Vietnam Memorial Committee's F-4 recently at Hangar 18 in McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark. The committee is renovating the fighter jet for display at the local Vietnam Memorial.

Grand jury

Panel levels 28-count charge against couple in connection with August injury to child

By STEVE REAGAN
Staff Writer

A Howard County grand jury returned six indictments during its Wednesday session, including a 28-count charge against a Big Spring couple for allegedly injuring their infant son.

Bernard and Kristi Myers were originally indicted on two counts of felony injury to a child in January, but the indictments were resubmitted to the grand jury Wednesday to allow for a greater range of possible punishment, said William Dupree, Assistant 118th District Attorney.

The indictments charge the Myers of injuring their 10-month-old son in August 1997, then compounding that injury by declining to seek proper medical care for the child until several days later, Dupree said.

"It's called 'shaken baby syndrome,'" Dupree said. "The doctors say the baby has a brain stem injury, and he may have vision and motor problems."

Dupree said declining to take the child to the hospital was a felony act of omission on the Myers' part.

"That baby was lying in bed

for two or three days," he said. "Any fool could see it was injured, and they didn't do anything. That's injury by omission."

Under the new indictments, the Myers face a wide range of possible punishment. If found guilty of first degree injury to a child, the couple could be sentenced to between 5-99 years or life in prison. On the other hand, the new indictments also allow a jury to consider lesser negligence charges, which call for between 2-5 years in prison.

If a jury finds the couple inflicted permanent injury to the child, that would be grounds for a first-degree felony conviction, Dupree said.

Other indictments returned by the grand jury Wednesday included:

- Gene Barber, Big Spring — sexual assault of a child.
 - Ralph Lopez, Big Spring — indecency with a child.
 - Fidel Martinez Jr., Big Spring — indecency with a child.
 - James Winn, Big Spring — Burglary of a habitation.
- In addition, the grand jury declined to indict seven others Wednesday, and passed on four cases.

BHS students to receive academic awards today

By KATHY GILBERT
Staff Writer

Ten Big Spring High School students will receive State Board of Education Celebrations of Educational Excellence awards at Angelo State University today.

"Students who have demonstrated academic achievement in core subjects are eligible for the awards," BSHS counselor Rue Ann Cox said.

Students Maggie Haddad,

Allison Thomas, Stefanie Waggoner, Kirsten Williams, Yuching Li, Jearlyn Holland, Alicia Phifer, Christine Medellin, Cheryl Platte and Sarah Sanghavi will receive Medals of Accomplishment in a regional honors ceremony from 10-11:30 a.m.

Senior Kirsten Williams is a semi-finalist National Merit Scholar, Allison Thomas and Stefanie Waggoner are commended National Merit Scholars. National Merit

Scholars are named at three levels: finalist, semi-finalist and commended.

Only students who have demonstrated outstanding academic accomplishment in foundation subjects, such as English, Math, Science and Social Science, were given awards, Cox explained.

The top 2 percent of each class and those who have been academically recognized on the TAAS test, or are National Merit Scholars, valedictorians,

salutarians or have won spelling bees, Academic Decathlons, or other academic competitions were considered.

No grade 9-12 students competed in spelling bees or academic decathlons this year, she reported.

Big Spring High School administrators reviewed the top students' files, then subjectively chose the final ten, looking at several criteria, Cox explained.

"There were several things we looked at, and weighed it back

and forth," she said. "We want to pass this around, we don't want to select the same students over and over."

Judges tried to spread the awards across all four school years, Cox said.

Big Spring High School has participated in the awards for the past two years.

Ten students are selected from each high school in the state. They are honored at regional ceremonies across the state.

Howard College breathes new life into fine arts department

By KATHY GILBERT
Staff Writer

The curtain opened once again on the Howard College Theatre Arts Department, as board members approved the hiring of a theatre arts/speech professor at its regular meeting Monday.

"In the 1950s we were a mecca for fine arts in the community. That's what we're striving for, that's what we want to regain," President Cheri Sparks told the board.

Howard's once thriving drama department became a budget cut casualty during an enrollment crisis six years ago,

Sparks said. "Now we're to the point where we have a healthy fund balance and we're ready to move ahead."

The board approved the hiring of a 10-month contract professor in theatre arts/speech. One of the first duties of the new instructor will be to direct the remodeling of the auditori-

um, Liz Lowery-Sorley, division director for general studies said.

The new professor will also teach core speech classes to increase the position's job security. "We wanted to do it in such a way that if cutbacks came again, this position was not the first to go," she said.

"We would have liked to expand our offerings last Spring," she added. "We posted the position requiring an M.F.A. but very few qualified people applied."

The position description was redrawn, Lowery-Sorley

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Appointee Rios seeks election to school board spot

By KATHY GILBERT
Staff Writer

Domingo Rios, Jr., a recent appointee to the Forsan Independent School District board of trustees, is one of five candidates competing for three at-large seats in this year's election.

Rios, who replaced Barney Haas, who resigned from the board in Sept. 1997, says his interest in serving stems from his coaching experience.

"I have a lot of interest in kids," he said in a recent inter-

view. "I've been involved with kids as a coach and assistant coach so I thought I'd get into it and learn more about the organization."

One of Rios' main concerns as an ex-instructor in the Army

Reserves, is that teachers provide complete information in their classes. "They always told

us 'do not eliminate any of the information that needs to be put out,'" Rios said.

Quality of education is critical, Rios said. "These are our future leaders."

Rios has been in the Forsan district about 13 years, and his children have had no complaints about their education, he said.

He is proudest of being a team member on the board. "I learned a lot, about the hiring and the firing," he said, "I learned how to work together, and that they all get involved. It's a real nice

organization and I'm real proud of being part of it."

Technology programs are important, he said, especially because he is himself a computer science major. "If you don't have a background in computers, you won't get hired," he said. "But there are plenty of kids out there who could be very proficient in using their hands in other jobs, not just computer technology. It's just one of the courses."

Rios has coached PeeWee

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WEATHER

Tonight:



Fri:



Sat:



Sun:



Wind advisory in effect today north, central, and west portions of the Permian Basin. Tonight, mostly clear. Lows around 40. Friday, mostly sunny. Highs in the mid 70s. Friday night, mostly clear. Lows in the 40s. Extended forecast, Saturday through Monday, sunny days and clear nights. Lows in the 40s. Highs mid 70s to near 80.

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OBITUARIES

Mattie Draper

Mattie Draper, 63, Temple, formerly of Big Spring, died on Saturday, March 28, 1998, in a Temple hospital. No services are planned.

She was born on Feb. 7, 1935, in Hale Center, and married Billie Draper in 1988 in San Angelo. She had lived in Temple for the last several years.

Survivors include: her husband, Billie Draper of Temple; two sons, James Bean and Michael Bean, both of Hitchcock; two daughters, Robin Walcott of Durango, Colo., and Teresa Lane of San Angelo; two sisters, Frances Bell of Andrews, and Elizabeth Mallow of Alvin; five brothers, Preston Harrison of Denton, Harold Harrison of Whiteface, Paul Harrison of Levelland, Bill Harrison of Hobbs, N.M., and Ray Harrison of Baton Rouge, La.; several grandchildren; and 22 nieces and nephews.

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

Juanita Fannin Flowers

Graveside service for Juanita Fannin Flowers, 76, Houston, formerly of Big Spring, will be 2 p.m. Friday, April 3, 1998, at Trinity Memorial Park with Rev. Don Snipes, pastor of Baptist Temple Church, officiating.

Mrs. Flowers died on Monday, March 30, in a Lake Charles, La., hospital.

She was born on March 1, 1922, in Oklahoma. She married Charles Fannin on Aug. 21, 1941, in Abilene. He preceded her in death on May 2, 1969. She then married James W. "Ted" Flowers in Lovington, N.M., on April 10, 1970. He preceded her in death on Sept. 13, 1992. She came to Big Spring as a young child with her family and attended Big Spring schools, graduating from Big Spring High School. She worked for Hemphill-Wells for a number of years before moving to Houston in 1972. She was a member of Baptist Temple Church in Big Spring and had been a member of the Phythian Sisters while in Big Spring.

Survivors include: two sons, Paul Fannin of Colleyville, and Dwain Fannin of Houston; one daughter, Pat Prentiss of Houston; four sisters, Imogene Neill, Mary Pybus, both of Big Spring, Yvonne Ash Thompson of Seattle, Wash., and Betty Whitehead of Houston; two brothers, Glenn Jones of Spicewood, and Jimmy Knous of Corpus Christi; six grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends at the funeral home tonight from 6 to 8 p.m.

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

Raymond Neill

Service for Raymond Neill, 85, Big Spring, is pending with

Myers & Smith Funeral Home. He died Wednesday, April 1, 1998, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

Spencer "Slim" Wright

Graveside service for Spencer "Slim" Wright, 85, Midland, formerly of Stanton, will be 2 p.m. Friday, April 3, 1998, in Evergreen Cemetery in Stanton.

Mr. Wright died Tuesday, March 31, in Midland.

He was born on Aug. 19, 1912, in Fannin County, and moved to Martin County in 1914. He then moved to Wickett in 1974 and then to Midland in 1990. He married Oleta Violet Kilpatrick in 1932, in Martin County. She preceded him in death in 1989. He was a retired rancher.

Survivors include: a sister, Vera Coburn of Brownwood; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Arrangements under the direction of Glibreath Funeral Home, Stanton.

HOWARD

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explained. Rather than try to find a person with general fine arts background, they decided to seek a specialist in one area, which is a better match with the candidates available.

Theatre arts was selected because Howard College has several art and music offerings, but no drama offerings at all.

"Howard College should be the center of Fine Arts in Big Spring," Lowery-Sorley said. "In the last six years we haven't had a really strong Fine Arts Department, specifically in the theatre. There were a lot of cut-backs. Now we're doing a lot of rebuilding."

All courses will be transferable to four-year colleges, to increase their popularity, she said.

The Big Spring community will be an important part of the program, Sparks and Lowery-Sorley said.

Major productions will be offered in the Fall and Spring, and the new instructor will coach a community theatre production once a year during the summer.

"Part of our vision for the community is the use of the amphitheatre," she said. "The West Texas Center for the Arts and Big Spring Symphony tells us there is a lot of interest in the community," Sparks said.

"In order to be a comprehensive community college we need to provide the full spectrum of accomplishments for the community," Lowery-Sorley said.

To draw the community in is important, the board agreed. Plans are afoot for the new theatre arts department to perform or assist the community in performing at the Howard College auditorium, the outdoor amphitheatre at Comanche Trail Park and the municipal auditorium.

RIOS

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Football, Little League and YMCA basketball. He has five children, ages 25, 22, 21, 17, and 16.

A San Antonio native, Rios has lived in the Forsan school district since 1985.

He studies personal computer maintenance and repair at Howard College four nights a week. He needs just nine more hours to complete his program, he said.

A general carpenter at Bob's Custom Woodwork, Rios also served in Vietnam in 1969, was a member of the Marine Corps from 1968-1970, a member of the Army from 1971-1973 and an Army Reservist for 20 years.

He attends Templo Belen Assembly of God Church where his wife, Maria, is pastor.

The five candidates running for office in the Forsan Independent School District are incumbent Debbie Burt, incumbent Cynthia Breyman, and challengers Robert Stapp and Debra Wallace.

Elections will be held Saturday, May 2. March 27 was the last day to withdraw from the election. The deadline for write-in candidates to declare their candidacy is April 2. Early voting will take place April 19 through April 28.

TRASH

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day to be responsible for their own property," Simmons added. "If there is a corner, vacant lot or area that needs cleaning, please lend a helping hand and take care of it."

"I'm am real grateful for the people who are taking an interest in the community and getting out on Saturday," Simmons added. "From what we have now as far as volunteers, I'm expecting pretty good results, but people can still call me and we can make this an even broader sweep of the community."

Saturday, participants are asked to take their trash bags to the landfill or to the large dumpster that will be placed on Eighth Street between Main and Scurry.

"If this is not possible, call 263-4607 and we will have someone pick your trash up," Simmons said.

For people who do make it to the landfill, they should be sure to tell officials there that they are participating in the trash off and the trash will be weighed and reported to Keep-Texas Beautiful.

Groups committed to participating include First Baptist Church, First Church of the Nazarene and Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in the church category.

Businesses committed to working during the trash off include Bent Tree Apartments, city of Big Spring, Crossroads Communications, Faye's Flowers, Fiesta Dodge, Fina, First Big Spring Banking Center, Franklin and Son Tire, H-E-B, Carrot Patch, Norwest Bank, Clyde McMahon Concrete, Newpark Envelope Service, Pizza Inn, Simpler Pleasures, State National Bank and TU Electric.

"Groups are also welcome to challenge each other during the trash off," Simmons said. "I want any and everybody to participate in this event."

BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

Texas Lottery

PICK 3: 9, 2, 8

LOTTO: 12, 14, 16, 32, 49, 50

Cifra	17% to 18
Coca Cola	29% - 1/2
Compaq Computer	25% - 1/2
Cornell Correc.	25% + 1/2
De Beers	23% + 1/2
Diagnostic Health	12% nc
DuPont	68% + 1
Excel Comm.	23% nc
Exxon	69% + 1/2
Fina	62% - 1/2
Halliburton	51% - 1
IBM	105% + 1/2
Intel Corp	76% - 1/2
Medical Alliance	3% nc
Mobil	79% + 1/2
Norwest	41% + 1/2
NUV	9% nc
Phillips Petroleum	50% + 1/2
Palex Inc.	13% - 1/2
Pepsi Cola	43% - 1/2
Parallel Petroleum	5% + 1/2
Rural/Metro	32% - 1/2
Sears	58% nc
Southwestern Bell	43% + 1/2
Sun	42% + 1/2
Texaco	61% + 1/2
Texas Instruments	57% + 1/2
Texas Utils. Co	39% - 1/2
Unocal Corp	38% - 1/2
Wal-Mart	50% - 1/2
Alpac	17.79-18.88
Euro Pacific	29.63-31.44
I.C.A.	31.10-33.00
New Perspective	22.49-23.86
Prime Rate	8.50%
Gold	302.60-303.10
Silver	6.47- 6.51

• ANICETO AGUINAGA, 18, arrested on local warrants.

• DAVID CANTU, 31, arrested for expired motor vehicle registration.

• JAMIE HARRELL, 21, arrested on local warrants.

• JACOB BARRERAS, 20, arrested for failure to identify.

• BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE reported in the 700 block of West I-20.

• THEFT reported in the 200 block of Gregg (3 instances) and at 3rd and Owens.

• INVESTIGATION OF SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITIES reported in the 1600 block of East 6th, 1600 block of Owens, 400 block of Ryon, 300 block of West Marcy and in the 1200 block of East 11th Place.

• MINOR ACCIDENTS reported at 11th and Settles, in the 1400 block of East 4th and in the 3700 block of Parkway.

• FORGERY reported in the 2000 block of Gregg.

• CRIMINAL TRESPASS WARNING issued in the 2100 block of Allendale.

• JUVENILE PROBLEMS at Moss Lake and in the 800 block of Lorilla.

• DISTURBANCE/FIGHT reported in the 1400 block of East 6th.

• INTOXICATED DRIVER/SUBJECT reported at West 22nd and Lancaster.

• DRAG RACING/RECKLESS DRIVING reported on South Gregg and U.S. 87 South.

FIRE/EMS

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

Wednesday 10:10 a.m. - 1300 block Baylor, medical call, patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

2:16 p.m. - 1300 block Gregg, medical call, patient transported to Midland Memorial Hospital.

5:28 p.m. - 2500 block Peach, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

6:11 p.m. - 1900 block Simler, trauma call, patient transported to SMMC.

RECORDS

Wednesday's high 81
Wednesday's low 50
Average high 75
Average low 45
Record high 99 in 1946
Record low 27 in 1920
Precip. Wednesday 0.00
Month to date 0.00
Month's normal 0.03
Year to date 2.71
Normal for the year 2.25

Police investigate burglary of home

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Big Spring Police are investigating the burglary of a residence in the 900 block of Scurry in which more items valued at more than \$6,800 were taken.

The burglary, reported to police this week, took place some time during the last two weeks of March, according to the police offense report.

According to police records, among the items reported taken were a 27-inch television, a 25-inch television and a 20-inch television. Also reported stolen was a tool box and tools valued at \$600, a microwave, a VCR valued at more than \$950 and a satellite receiver.

Persons with any information concerning the theft are asked to call the Big Spring Police Department at 264-2550.

POLICE

The following activity was reported by the Big Spring Police Department for the period ending at 8 a.m. today:

BRIEFS

STUDENTS FROM SANDS High School Wilderness Club will conduct a roping benefit Saturday in Lamesa beginning at 10 a.m. The event will raise money for a group trip to Big Bend National Park. For more information, call Tommy Smithson at 353-4744.

COAHOMA LIONS CLUB WILL sponsor Bob Crosby's Donkey Basketball Saturday at 7:30 p.m. at the Coahoma High School gym. Tickets are available from any Coahoma Lion in advance for \$5 adults and \$3 students. At the door, tickets are \$7 adults and \$3 students.

MARKETS

May cotton 66.70 cents, down 76 points; May crude 15.73, up 19 points; Cash hogs steady at 50 cents lower at 34; cash steers steady at 61; April lean hog futures 51.40, down 95 points; April live cattle futures 64.47, down 15 points.

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Index 8900.70
Volume 207,112,330
ATT 66% - 1/2
Amoco 86% + 1/2
Atlantic Richfield 78% + 1/2
Atmos Energy 30 - 3/4
Calenergy Inc. 30 - 3/4
Chevron 82% + 1/2

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Scenic Mountain Medical Center
1601 W. 11th Place
263-1211

MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL
24th & Johnson 267-4288
Raymond Neill, 85, died Wednesday. Services are pending.

NALLEY-PICKLE & WELCH Funeral Home
Trinity Memorial Park and Crematory
906 Gregg St. (915) 267-6331
Juanita Fannin Flowers, 76, died Monday. Graveside services will be 2:00 PM Friday at Trinity Memorial Park.

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Priest gets life in assaults

DALLAS (AP) — A suspended priest convicted of molesting altar boys was sentenced to life in prison less than a year after the scandal led to a record \$119.6 million verdict against the Catholic Diocese of Dallas.

Rudolph "Rudy" Kos, 52, was sentenced Wednesday for convictions on three counts of aggravated sexual assault. He also was sentenced to 20-year prison terms for convictions on four other counts. He had pleaded guilty to one count of sexual assault of a child and two counts of indecency with a child.

Kos will be eligible to seek parole in 15 years.

"He's gotten what he deserved. It should be death, but he got the most that the law allows," said Wade Schlossstein, one of those who accused Kos of assault.

The charges arose from the claims of four former altar boys who told police they were molested about 1,350 times over five years from the time they were 10, 11 or 12 years old.

Before the sentences were announced, some of Kos' accusers addressed him in court.

"Because of you, I thought I wasn't even deserving of my own family. And I asked you why, why you should do this to me?" Robert Hultz said. "I hope you never forget my eyes and the pain you have caused."

"It is men like you that bedevil our society, and thank God you will no longer be a part of it."

As one of his accusers addressed him, Kos called out: "You're a liar."

Some victims and their families said they will fight his attempts for parole.

"There's no more you can do to the man than put him away for life and I hope he stays there," said Pat Lamberger, whose 21-year-old son Jay killed himself in 1992, allegedly after years of Kos' abuse. "Fifteen years from now, if he's eligible for parole, I will be at the parole board, I can tell you that."

Last year, another jury returned the multimillion-dollar verdict against the Dallas diocese in lawsuits filed on behalf of 11 men who accused the diocese of covering up for Kos' assaults at three area churches from 1981 to 1992. It was the largest clergy sexual abuse award in U.S. history.

Clinton breathes sigh of relief after judge dismisses Jones suit

WASHINGTON (AP) — Freed from the prospect of an embarrassing trial for sexual harassment, President Clinton responded today with an understated, "Obviously, I'm pleased." One of Paula Jones' attorneys described her as "tearful" and said her legal team would meet today to plot a "99-percent" certain appeal.

Both sides acknowledged that the case is not yet behind Clinton.

While Clinton savored his court victory with an unlit cigar, the president still must confront a criminal investigation by Whitewater counsel Kenneth Starr that grew out of the Jones' lawsuit.

Mrs. Jones was not commenting but her lawyers and supporters were making the rounds of morning TV.

"I don't think this is over until the 8th Circuit rules (on an appeal)," Susan Carpenter McMillan, spokeswoman for Mrs. Jones, said today.

Responding to U.S. District Judge Susan Webber Wright's opinion that Clinton's alleged crude advances on Mrs. Jones did not constitute harassment, Carpenter McMillan added: "If that ruling stands, then you just have an open season on women here in this country for groping and grabbing."

"Mrs. Jones was tearful ... it's been an ordeal for her," John Whitehead, Mrs. Jones' attorney, said on ABC's "Good Morning America." He said there was a "99 percent" probability of an appeal.

In Africa with his wife, Clinton tempered his first public remarks on the victory, telling reporters today: "Obviously I'm pleased with the decision. The judge's ruling speaks for itself."

Mrs. Clinton was more effusive. "Both Bill and I have felt throughout this whole thing that it would turn out fine ... based on the fact that there was no evidence to support these

groundless claims," she told American Urban Radio Network.

Wright's stunning ruling in Little Rock, Ark., on Wednesday did not vindicate the president.

Rather, the judge said Mrs. Jones' allegations fell "far short of the rigorous standards" for establishing her job discrimination claim under Arkansas law.

Senior White House adviser Rahm Emanuel said today that Wright's dismissal meant that Starr, whose grand jury investigation is probing whether Clinton committed perjury and obstructed justice in the Jones case, needed to "move and wrap this up quickly."

"There is going to be some questions by the Americans people why you would have an ongoing investigation of a matter when the judge has decided that this case has been dismissed," Emanuel told NBC's "Today" show.

Former Clinton adviser James Carville, appearing with Carpenter McMillan on NBC, said he yet hoped to see the Jones case spawn another investigation.

"I think a lot of money was changing hands for a lot of people to tell a lot of lies," Carville said. "We need a thorough investigation into payola."

Their burden would be high for reversing the judge who threw out the Jones lawsuit and spared the president a sensational trial.

Although Mrs. Jones contended she was placed in a dead-end government job for refusing sex with Clinton on May 8, 1991, Wright said the former Arkansas government clerk, who filed her suit in 1994, "failed to demonstrate that she has a case worthy of submitting to a jury."

"She admits ... she continued to work ... another 19 months ... she never filed a formal complaint or told her supervisors of the incident," Wright said.

Clinton's behavior in the hotel room, "if true, may certainly be characterized as boorish and offensive," the judge wrote in her 39-page ruling, but failed "to reveal a basis for a claim of criminal sexual assault."

Wright's decision could go down well with Americans, who continue to give the president high job approval ratings. In a poll taken Wednesday night by Gallup for CNN and USA Today, half of those surveyed said they did not believe Clinton's conduct with Paula Jones was sexual harassment; 30 percent said it was. Two-thirds of those surveyed said further investigation of the president's personal life should stop, and his presidential approval ratings remained high at 67 percent.

Wednesday's ruling could make it easier for the White House to pressure Whitewater Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr to wrap up his investigation into allegations Clinton had sex with the intern, Monica Lewinsky, and lied about it under oath.

Republican pollster Jim McLaughlin said voters were apt to dismiss the Lewinsky case along with Jones lawsuit. "I think in a lot of ways people don't understand those are two separate trials," he said.

Starr issued a statement saying his criminal investigation of Clinton was moving ahead.

"Judge Wright's ruling today has no effect on our authority and we will continue working to complete the investigation as expeditiously as possible," Starr said.

Any one of Starr's areas of investigation could land Clinton in trouble, possibly in the House, where Republicans have discussed how to handle an impeachment inquiry.

Starr's investigation ranges from whether Clinton had an affair with Ms. Lewinsky and tried to cover it up to his failed Whitewater land dealings.

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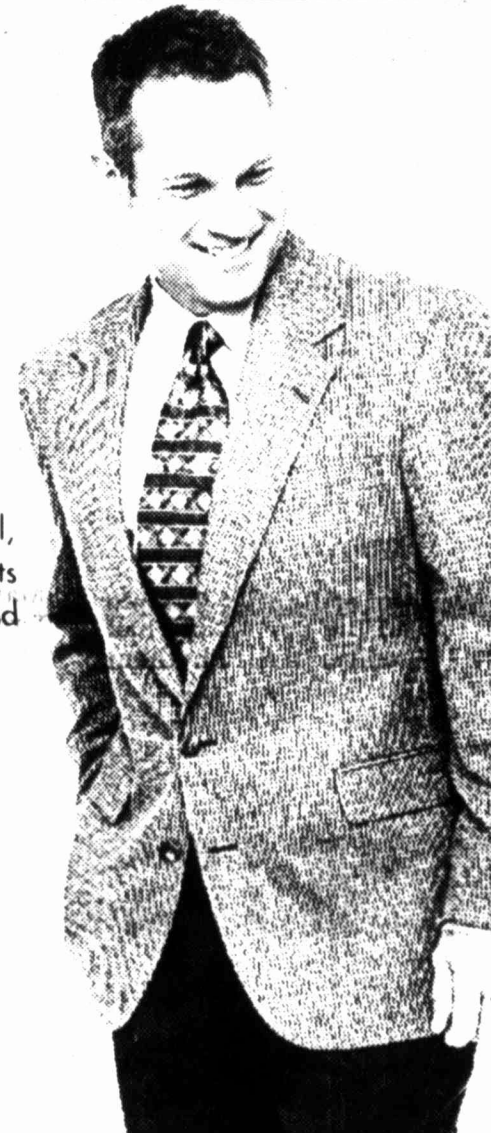
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OUR VIEW

Weekend events combine fun, helping others

Two fun events for the whole family are planned this weekend, along with an opportunity to help others in critical need of blood. The ninth annual Spring City Arts and Crafts Show is planned Saturday and Sunday at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. Organizer Mel Prather has once again gathered more than 160 artists and crafters from all over the Southwest to show and sell their wares at this event. Admission, as always, is free.

Hours for this show are Saturday from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 6 p.m. Expect to see plenty of new exhibits along with your old favorites.

Another event for the whole family is this weekend's Old Sorehead Trade Days, which will take on an Easter theme. The Hotel on Main Street will be open for the first time, with vendors inside. There will also be pony rides and a train for the kids.

Hours are from "can" to "can't" as always on Saturday, and the booths reopen Sunday at noon.

We urge you to participate in these community events, and when you have had as much shopping as you can stand, take time to do something for someone else. United Blood Services will conduct a drive at Big Spring Mall Saturday from 1-5 p.m.

Officials say March has been an unusually difficult month for blood donations, and they are especially in need of O-negative and A-positive types.

If you can help, please do. Blood donations saves lives. And if you share an outing with the kids, take them by the blood drive. Then — if you are healthy — set a good example for your children, and roll up your sleeve.

OTHER VIEWS

A federal judge's decision to throw out the Paula Jones sexual harassment suit against President Clinton isn't entirely a victory for him, although it does appear to be one for an intelligent application of sexual harassment law.

Even if Clinton made the rather shocking sexual advance that Jones claims, there was no evident quid pro quo that would constitute sexual harassment under one interpretation of the law. A boss may be judged guilty only if he uses his supervisory authority to reward or punish an employee for sexual favors granted or denied. Clinton was governor of Arkansas and Paula Jones was a state employee when the incident allegedly occurred, but if there was a rejection of a request, it was not met by pay reductions. Nor was Jones demoted or fired.

There's another interpretation of sexual harassment that some feminists were particularly fond of until it was used against a president they were still more fond of. This is the one that says a boss is guilty of the offense if he has established a "hostile work environment." But this concept should not be applied in so broad and vague a way that no one can have a sure sense beforehand of what might get him in trouble. Too many minor or innocent acts could get caught in the net. The judge said the accusations against the president did not constitute either sexual harassment by this interpretation or criminal sexual assault.

Although the White House is surely rejoicing at the judge's decision, the president is not yet off the hook. The question of his lying in a deposition about Monica Lewinsky is not resolved. His reputation as a person of mature judgment, controlled conduct and integrity has certainly been severely eroded by the allegations associated with the case. There

could be an appeal, of course, and an independent counsel probe goes on. Much damage has already been done.

Jay Ambrose
Scripps Howard

Lie detectors sometimes lie, despite pretensions of scientific infallibility, and the U.S. Supreme Court was therefore wise to rule the other day that their results may be banned as evidence in state and federal courts.

The fiction is that polygraph tests are some kind of super-precise, mathematically certain means of differentiating between utterances of falsehood and truth. All they actually measure is certain physiological responses to questions. The supposition is that fear of getting caught causes the heart to beat faster and other physical conditions to change when a question about an illegal activity is fired at a guilty party. But an innocent person can react the same way out of anxiety, while some liars may remain a sea of physical calm during an exam.

By some disputed calculations, the accuracy of these tests isn't much higher than 60 percent. A jury, though, could look at the results as definitive, making their admission as evidence extremely prejudicial. As Justice Clarence Thomas wrote in this case, it's nothing new to limit the evidence a defendant is allowed to produce if its reliability is questionable.

The court's decision won't change much, for all states but New Mexico either prohibit lie detector test results as evidence or else strictly limit their use. But a decision the other way would have opened the floodgates for the use of lie detector test results in courtrooms, and our judicial system could have been rendered a ludicrous mess.

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Covering the courts: Of wetlands and women

The 4th U.S. Circuit has been making big news lately. In December, a three-judge panel walloped the wetlands law. On March 3, the full court heard argument in a case involving VAWA (the Violence Against Women Act of 1994). Counsel in both cases surely will seek Supreme Court review.

The wetlands case goes back to 1988, when James J. Wilson, a prominent developer in Maryland, pursued work on his planned community of St. Charles. He and his associates wanted to build upon four specific parcels of land. Their own engineers advised them that the parcels probably would be defined as wetlands under the Clean Water Act of 1972. If so, Wilson would need a permit from the Army's Corps of Engineers.

The developers went ahead anyhow. They brought in backhoes and dug drainage ditches. They spread a considerable amount of fill dirt and gravel on the plot. The Corps of Engineers obtained a restraining order, and the lawyers

marched in. A grand jury indicted Wilson on felony charges of pollution. Defense lawyers contended that the act, as applied to the four parcels in question, amounted to an unconstitutional expansion of the Constitution's Commerce Clause. After a seven-week trial, a jury found him guilty. The district court sentenced him to 21 months in prison and a million-dollar fine. Two other defendants were fined \$3 million and placed on five years' probation.

On appeal to the 4th Circuit, Wilson won on a 2-1 vote. Circuit Judges Paul V. Niemeyer and J. Michael Luttig shocked the government. They reversed the convictions. The government asked for reargument but the full court denied the motion.

Judge Niemeyer's opinion went straight to the heart of the Clean Water Act. The act prohibits the pollution of "navigable" waters of the United States. By liberal interpretation of that word "navigable," federal courts and federal regulators have greatly expanded the jurisdiction of the Corps of Engineers. The law now covers even puddles and potholes.

In the case at hand, the four parcels were 10 miles from the Chesapeake Bay, six miles from the Potomac River, and hundreds of yards from the nearest creek. The land was not "adjacent" to any waters

that were even remotely subject to navigation. The government argued that Wilson's drainage ditches "could" affect interstate commerce somehow, someday. The trial jury bought that limp contention, but Judges Niemeyer and Luttig, on appeal, would have none of it. The corps' regulation, they ruled, offended the Commerce Clause.

The 4th Circuit's view of the Violence Against Women Act went the other way. This was the ugly case of Christy Brzonkala at Virginia Polytechnic Institute. The young woman, a freshman student, had barely arrived on campus in 1994 before two Tech football players raped her.

The university behaved disgracefully. After some puffing and blowing, Tech reduced the charge against the players from raping to cursing, gave them a wink and a nod, and sent them back to give their all for the Hokies. Justifiably outraged, the victim sued the two players under VAWA.

In U.S. District Court, Judge Jackson L. Kiser dismissed her complaints. In a carefully reasoned opinion, he held that VAWA amounted to an unconstitutional expansion of the Commerce Clause. Rape, he ruled, could be criminally prosecuted as rape, but not for its effect on interstate commerce. I thought Judge Kiser's opin-

ion as to VAWA was a model of thoughtful jurisprudence. The Commerce Clause has its limits, he concluded, and the act exceeded them. In support of the law, a House committee had found that acts of violence directed at women "decrease the supply of and demand for interstate products." Such violence, said the committee, deters women from going to work for interstate firms. Judge Kiser found his sense of credulity sorely strained. The act lacked a constitutional foundation.

On appeal, the 4th Circuit panel voted 2-1 to reverse. The House report, said Circuit Judge Diana G. Motz, provided abundant foundation. For one thing, battered women cannot go to work. Their loss of productivity plainly affects interstate commerce. Congress had a rational basis for approving the law.

Judge Luttig, who had been on the winning side in wetlands, was on the losing side here. True to his principles of limited government, he wrote a vigorous dissent.

You win some, you lose some. I applaud the wetlands decision and deplore the VAWA decision. In my old-fashioned view, rape isn't commerce and ditches aren't meant for cargo ships. Let's hear it for Judge Luttig! May his tribe increase!

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An apology to Africa is overdue

WASHINGTON — I have never been among those who demanded an official apology for the institution of slavery in these United States.

I fear that such an apology would be only lip service, and would enable millions of contemporary Americans to absolve themselves of any blame for the residuals of slavery that are still very much a part of American life. Yet, I have no quarrel with President Clinton over what he said about slavery in Uganda. In fact, I am incensed that some right-wing politicians and publications are pretending that Mr. Clinton committed heresy, or some kind of traitorous act, when he expressed his shame about slavery and U.S. inaction during times of horrible genocide in Africa.

I would like to think that the assaults on the president come only from those who wish to drive him from office and who grasp at ridiculous chances to discredit him. After all, most critics of his African remarks reveal their political bias by throwing in the gratuitous argument that he ought really be apologizing to Paula Jones, Kathleen Willey and Monica Lewinsky. But I see in some of the attacks on the president's comments in Africa a thinly-veiled contempt for Africa and black people in general. Pat Buchanan, who laced his presidential campaign with rhetoric about his angst over seeing the sons of slaves "playing bongo drums on street corners ... in my city (Washington, D.C.)," now accuses the president of "groveling" before Africans because he dared say that "the U.S. has not always done right by Africa."

You see where Buchanan is coming from when he writes: "When Europeans arrived in sub-Saharan Africa, the inhabitants had no machinery and no written language. When the Europeans departed, most of them by 1960, they left behind power stations, telephones, telegraphs, railroads, mines, plantations, schools, a civil service, a police force and a treasury."

After Europe let its colonies go, many descended into chaos within a decade. Why doesn't old Pat just flat out say that the "superior" Europeans did "inferior" Africans a favor by imposing colonialism? Then he can extend that "logic" by arguing that all of the slaves brought to the U.S., and their progeny, were and are blessed to endure servitude beneath the superior white slavemasters, because slavery gave us black people a chance to absorb some European intelligence.

Thomas Jefferson had the guts to call slavery a wretched abomination when it had wide support in America; can anyone expect William Jefferson Clinton to do less than deplore it in 1998? Some profess to see great horror in the fact that the president criticized slavery on foreign shores. That's like telling a German that he ought not express shame over the Holocaust in Israel. The Washington Times takes umbrage at Mr. Clinton's statement that "the American government for many years, in effect, was complicit in the apartheid of South Africa." The president spoke the truth. The Times tries to justify U.S. support for or condoning of apartheid with the argument that "Mr. Mandela's African National Congress was dominated by communists."



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◆The color of chicken eggs comes from the pigment in the outer layer of the shell and they range from an almost pure white to a deep brown with many shades in between.

◆Military historians generally trace the custom of wearing military decorations on the left breast to the crusaders who wore the badge of honor over the heart.

Got an item?

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

Mail mob Retirement brings crowd of friends, family for Slate

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN
Features Editor

Retirement parties don't often draw a crowd like the one for Edward Slate.

Slate, a veteran of nearly 33 years as a carrier for the U.S. Postal Service, had about 50 well-wishers walking with him as he finished his route Tuesday. It was the last time Slate would take the familiar path, but the first time he was joined by grandchildren, children, friends, co-workers and members of his church congregation.

"My emotions are catching up with me," Slate said, as he stopped at his truck to fill his mailbag for the last few blocks. "I'm overwhelmed. I've never seen, never expected to see, anything like this."

Slate said he suspected his wife, Jean, was planning something for his last day on the job. But he admitted the crowd of about 50 that met him on Edwards Street was a shock.

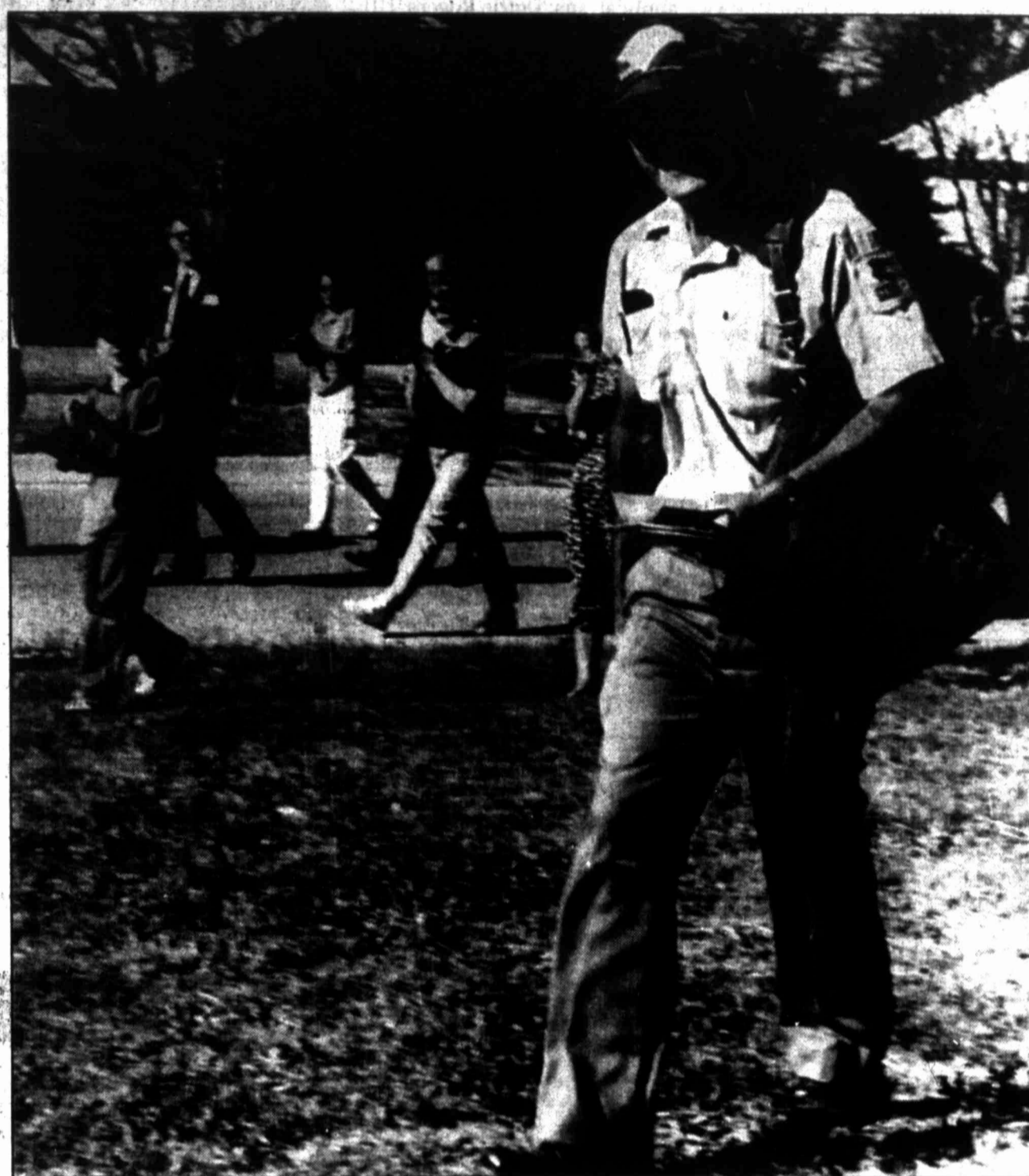
Slate's grandson, Ryan, predicted his grandfather's emotional state.

"I think he's going to bowl," the 11-year-old said. "This is too cool."

Jean Slate said she had to keep up a charade all day to prevent her husband from finding out her plans.

"He wanted to stop by the house earlier, and I told him, 'No.' I said I had bought him a present, a new storm door, and it wouldn't be ready in time."

Then Mrs. Slate joined her husband for a block or two of his route, and left, saying she would return with some iced



Edward Slate, retiring as a mail carrier after nearly 33 years, was joined by friends, family and co-workers on his route Tuesday, his last day on the job.

tea for him later.

"Then my supervisor shows up and tells me he's here because I'm going too slow," Slate said. "Something was suspicious."

The mob following the mail carrier, armed with cameras and video cameras, burst into applause several times as Slate carried on his duties.

"I didn't think they thought

that much of me," Slate said, pointing out relatives and friends who had traveled from as far as Lubbock and Amarillo for the occasion.

"I'll never forget this."

HERALD photo/Linda Choate

SCHOOL NEWS

Kentwood Elementary

By Kendal Adams and Heather Vassar, 5th Graders

Kentwood invited Mr. Stallcup to our school. He taught us how to be safe around snakes. He showed us a few different kinds of rattlesnakes. One was the diamond back snake.

The 5th graders wrote stories and sent them to The Carriage Inn, a retirement home center. They invited us to come and eat lunch with them. When we got there, they seated us at tables and we dined on hotdogs. Later we sang a few songs for them, then introduced ourselves, thanked them for lunch and left.

We had a fundraiser named Jump Rope for Heart. The money raised helps people to get research for the treatments for heart disease. Our school raised \$1,737.55.

The ITBS test was Monday-Thursday. It is only for 1st and 2nd grades. The ITBS test is on achievement. It stands for Iowa of Basic Skills. The test involves Reading, Language, Spelling and Math. It is a real challenge for the 1st and 2nd graders.

Coahoma Elementary

Coahoma Elementary students raised funds to help preserve rainforests in Guatemala.

The students at Coahoma Elementary have something extraordinary to celebrate this year—they have actively participated in a conservation project in order to better their world! The entire elementary took part in a special Rainforest Adopt an Acre project that is being conducted simultaneously in over 1,000 schools across the country and in Canada via a special network of educators called Earth Foundation. By selling environmental T-shirts and packs, Coahoma elementary students raised funds that will help protect countless species of plants and animals in Sierra de las Minas and Cerro San Gil parks in Guatemala, Central America. So far, Coahoma Elementary has protected 6 acres of endangered land.

According to Earth Foundation, a Houston-based environmental education organization, rainforests really do need rescuing. At present, half of the world's rainforests have been burned and bulldozed. According to the web page of the Rainforest Action Network (www.ran.org), or RAN, the rest are being destroyed at an alarming rate of 78.8 million acres a year—or 150 acres a minute! At this rate of destruction, tropical forests will vanish within 30 years.

Washington Elementary

Washington Elementary School recently completed its



Keith Imken congratulated Washington Elementary science fair winner Geoffrey Hughey.

second annual Science Fair. Thirty-five students in grades three through five submitted entries. Keith Imken, of Fina Oil and Chemical Company, presented a \$100 savings bond to Grand Champion winner Geoffrey Hughey, a third grader. Geoffrey explored the relationship between heights and weights of neighborhood dogs, concluding that height does correlate with weight.

Imken presented \$50 saving bonds to the first place winners at each grade level, also courtesy of Fina. Katie Morris, of Western Container, along with Leatrice Adams and Peggy Luxton, of Cap Rock Electric, presented trophies provided by these companies. Third grade winners were Keesta Heiman, First Place; Nicolas DeAnda, second place; and Amber Sides, third place. In fourth grade, the winners were Ashley Gentry, first place; Justin Wilson, second place; and Jessica Cox, third place. Winners in the fifth grade were Agnes Garcia, first place; Courtney Davila, second place; and Jessica Hughey, third place. Judges for the event were Dorothy Downey, Joe Dawes, and Lance Telchick.

Coahoma High School

The Coahoma High School UIL Academic Team traveled to Wall for the 8AA District competitions recently. The results are as follows:

- Calculator science -- Jason McCain, third.
- Science -- Jonathan Barr, fourth.
- Lincoln/Douglas Debate -- Allison West, second.
- Ready Writing -- Leslie Martin, first; Natalia Tucker, fifth; Ginger Sullivan, sixth.
- Headline Writing -- Lynsey Bunn, first.
- Accounting -- Shana Earnest, fifth.
- Computer Applications -- Daniel Clark, sixth.
- Literary Criticism -- Jason McCain, first; Amanda Morales, fifth.

Please see **SCHOOL**, page 6A.

Adopted kids, like all, come with challenges

QUESTION: Are adopted children more likely to be rebellious than children born to biological parents? If so, are there any steps I can take to prevent or ease the conflict? My husband and I are thinking about adopting a toddler and the question has me worried.

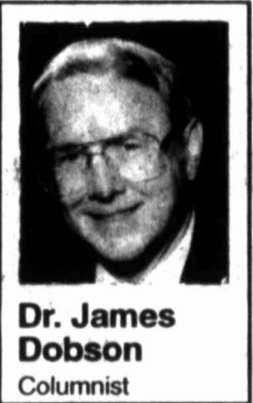
DR. DOBSON: Every child is different, and adopted kids are no exception. They come in all sorts of packages. Some boys and girls who were abused or unloved prior to the adoption will react to those painful experiences in some way, usually negatively. Others, even those who were not mistreated, will struggle with identity problems and wonder why their "real" mothers and fathers didn't want them. They may be driven to find their biological parents during or after adolescence to learn more about their heritage and families of origin.

I must emphasize, however, that many adopted kids do not

go through any of these personal crises. They take root where they are replanted and never

give a thought to the questions that trouble some of their peers. As with so many of their behavioral issues, the critical factors are the particular temperament of the child and how he or she is handled by the parents.

I hope you won't be reluctant to adopt that child because some special problems might—but probably won't—develop. Every child has his or her own particular challenges. Every child can be difficult to raise.



Dr. James Dobson
Columnist

Every child requires all the creative energy and talent a parent can muster. But every child is also worth the effort, and there is no higher calling than to do that job excellently.

Let me add one more thought. I knew a man and woman who had waited for years to adopt a baby. When a female infant was finally made available to them, they were anxious to know if she was healthy and of good heritage. They asked if her biological parents had used drugs, how tall they were, whether or not they had attended college, etc.

Then, the father told me later, he realized what he and his wife were doing. They were approaching the adoption of this baby much like they would have bought a used car. They were "kicking tires" and testing the engine. But then they thought, "What in the world are we doing? That little girl is a human being with an eternal

soul. We have been given the opportunity to mold and shape her as a child of God, and here we are demanding that she be a high-quality product." They repented of their inappropriate attitudes and embraced that child in love.

Adopted children, like all children, are a blessing from God, and we are privileged indeed to be granted the honor of raising one of his precious kids.

QUESTION: Since you disapprove of public school sex-education programs as currently designed, who do you think should tell children the facts of life, and when should that instruction begin?

DR. DOBSON: For those parents who are able to handle the instructional process correctly, the responsibility for sex education should be retained in the home. There is a growing trend

Please see **DOBSON**, page 6A.

Why are we not better spellers? And are we worse than we used to be?

By ALLISON ROBERTS
Sacramento Bee

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — We're nearing the millennium, but that doesn't mean most of us can spell it.

Not to mention minuscule, accommodate, weird and irascible. Trust us, we can find words that you won't be able to spell. We have even printed some, so you can test yourself and stay humble.

It's not so easy to find words Haley Owen can't spell. If you can say it, she can probably spell it. She rattles them off, letter by confident letter, her eyes seeming to gaze at some distant horizon point as though bringing the word into focus from afar.

In a way, that's what she's doing. She just sort of sees the correct spelling.

"Once you've seen a word it's kind of imprinted on your

mind," she says.

Spelling on command is business as usual for Haley. She won the 1998 California Central Valley Spelling Bee last week. Now, the 13-year-old eighth-grader will represent the Central Valley at the National Spelling Bee in Washington, D.C., in May.

Haley, a student at Carden Sunrise Christian School, knows she's a good speller. But what about the rest of us? Are

we worse than we used to be? And why does spelling matter, anyway? How about just handing the language over for a phonetic overhaul, making the letters and sounds match up rationally?

But maybe life would be too boring without spelling mistakes.

After years of seeing misspellings in public places thanks to his out-and-about job as a California Highway Patrol

Officer, Mark Wilson decided to make a hobby of it. He has collected more than 40 items, including his favorite, a posting from a bulletin board in the small town of Happy Camp, that reads: "Pot-bellied bigs (pigs) for sale, just winged (weaned)."

Though Wilson delights in these, he also has sympathy for their authors. He struggles over everyday spellings, including the word "recommendations,"

which finishes up his work reports: "I have to think about 'two c's or two m's?' every time."

And would former Vice President Dan Quayle have become president if he hadn't insisted that potato is spelled "potatoe" in front of a bunch of kids — and reporters — in 1992?

If a leader of the free world can mess up, what hope is there for the rest of us?

COMMUNITY NEWS

Line dancing classes still going strong

Local line dancers, shown here at the recent festival, have several opportunities to practice their hobby. Classes are offered at the Spring City Senior Center Tuesday at 9 a.m. and Wednesdays at 1 p.m. The YMCA hosts a class Fridays at 11 a.m., and an evening classes geared toward working people is now forming. Call Dorothy Kennemur at 398-5522 for more information. Dancers shown here are, left to right: Thelma Ditto, Frances Loftis, Mary Ann Fincher, Sydney Rosene, Dorothy Bailey, Joy Dugan, Socorro Correa and Jo Wyatt.



FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Roping benefit Saturday

Students from Sands High School Wilderness Club will conduct a roping benefit Saturday in Lamesa beginning at 10 a.m. Books open at 9 a.m.

The event will raise money for a group trip to Big Bend National Park. For more information, call Tommy Smithson at 353-4744.

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THE LAST WORD

There are two kinds of fools: One says, "This is old, therefore it is good;" the other says, "This is new, therefore it is better."

Dean William R. Inge

Have the courage to act instead of react.

Earlene Larson Jenks

If you want things to stay as they are, things will have to change.

Giuseppe di Lampedusa

Is English all that difficult to spell?

By ALISON ROBERTS
Sacramento Bee

It's not as irregular as you might think, especially when you're trying to blame the language itself for your shortcomings in spelling it. Granted, many other languages are more phonologically reliable in their spelling — Spanish, French and German.

Analyses show that as much as 85 percent of English spellings are in fact regular — they adhere to rational patterns. And less than 5 percent of English spellings are so unpredictable that they must be learned entirely by rote.

But many of the 400 or so irregular spellings in English are among the most frequently used words in the language, so they seem to be everywhere.

Why is English irregular at all? Sounds change, and spellings don't keep up. The "Great Vowel Shift" of 15th century Britain made many spellings obsolete phonetically. Similarly, letters that were sounded in Anglo-Saxon became silent (the "k" of "know" and the final "e" in "love").

In the late 16th and early 17th centuries, many words entered English from French, Latin, Greek, Spanish, Italian and Portuguese, and their spellings reflected their origins and the spelling rules of other languages. Blame the printers, too. Many of England's early printers weren't English, and used spelling rules from back home.

The result is a mess. People have been trying to clean it all up for more than 400 years. The urge to reform reached a peak at the turn of the century.

Proponents included President Theodore Roosevelt and librarian Melvil Dewey (who changed his name from Melville to set an edifying example).

SCHOOL

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Literary Criticism, team — Jason McCain, Amanda Morales, Ginger Sullivan, first.
Current Events — Marianne Mullins, sixth.
Mathematics — Jason McCain, third; Shana Earnest, sixth.
Computer Science — Robert Boyett, fifth.

Informative Speaking — Daniel Clark, third.
CX Debate — Team: Jennifer Winn and Lorin Wolf, third.

Regional competition will be in Abilene April 25. Advancing will be Jason McCain, Daniel Clark, Amanda Morales, Ginger Sullivan, Lynsey Bunn, Allison West and Leslie Martin.

Coaches for the teams were: Kent Boyd, Science; Larry Cole,

math and Number Sense; Dicky Stone, calculator science and accounting; Carrie Conley, CX debate, LD Debate and extemporaneous speaking; Kay Pittman, literary criticism and computer science; Melinda

Marquez, spelling and vocabulary; Mary Rowell, Ready Writing and prose/poetry interpretation; Sue Neff, computer applications; Dottie Rogers, UIL coordinator and journalism.

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DOBSON

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for all aspects of education to be taken from their hands (or the role is deliberately forfeited by them). This is unwise. Particularly in the matter of sex education, the best approach is one that begins casually and naturally in early childhood and extends through the years, according to a policy of openness, frankness and honesty. Only parents can provide this lifetime training, being there when the questions arise and the desire for information is evidenced.

Unfortunately, moms and dads often fail to do the job. Some are too sexually inhibited to present the subject with poise, or they may lack the necessary technical knowledge of the human body. Another common mistake is to wait until puberty is knocking at the door and then try to initiate a desperate, tension-filled conversation that embarrasses the kid and exhausts the parent. If this is the way sex education is going to be handled, there has to be another alternative to consider.

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

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Regardless of how they play, Rangers' payroll is championship caliber

ARLINGTON (AP) — The Texas Rangers set their opening-day roster boasts championship quality payroll.

The price tag is that of a contender: A \$54.25-million payroll for the 25-man roster and three players on the disabled list. Consider that ownership's way of saying it believes this team can win.

"We think we've got a pretty good ballclub," Rangers president and general partner Tom Schieffer said. "We think with that kind of payroll, you're supposed to have a pretty good ballclub."

Ownership permitted general manager Doug Melvin to go above the payroll budget of about \$52 million.

The generosity allowed the Rangers to keep luxuries such as Roger Pavlik,

earning \$1.6 million, to be a long reliever/sixth starter; and former All-Star Roberto Kelly, in the first season of a two-year \$3.85-million deal, to be the fourth outfielder.

The Rangers opened last season with similar high expectations and a \$50.18-million payroll.

The figure dropped to \$42.9 million because of deals in which the out-of-contention Rangers traded veterans to begin retooling for this season.

This year's opening-day payroll puts the Rangers in sixth on the overall list, behind Baltimore, the New York Yankees, Atlanta, Boston and Cleveland.

The top five teams must pay a luxury tax of 35 percent on all spending more than about \$55 million. That fig-

ure includes about \$5.1 million each team spends on benefits.

Schieffer said the Rangers want to avoid the luxury-tax bracket.

That will not change if the pending sale to Dallas businessman Tom Hicks is approved during the season.

Hicks has said he does not plan on increasing the payroll.

"We knew our payroll was going to be high, but we have not had to cut back," Melvin said. "There's no doubt when you start spending this kind of money, you think you have a chance to win."

The final moves did not involve the payroll. Right-hander Tim Lincecum beat out left-hander Larry Thomas for the final bullpen spot.

Mike Simms won the final bench

spot over Warren Newson. Crabtree, acquired two weeks ago from Toronto, did not pitch well with the Rangers.

He allowed two hits and one run in the final inning of a 10-5 exhibition loss to Houston, giving him a 7.71 ERA and a .472 opponents batting average in six appearances with the Rangers.

Oates said the Rangers saw enough late-spring improvement in Crabtree to keep him.

The Rangers put Thomas on outright waivers

If no team claims him, Thomas can take free agency rather than report to Class AAA Oklahoma. The Rangers expect Thomas to remain in the organization because he has a high minor league salary at \$100,000.

Simms' performance made him the

clear choice. He hit .346 with three homers and 15 RBIs for 52 at-bats. Newson hit .200 with no homers, seven RBIs and 16 strikeouts in 50 at-bats. Pinch-hitting ability also influenced the decision.

Simms hit .300 with two homers and 10 RBIs in 20 pinch-hit at-bats last season. Newson hit .146 for 41 pinch-hit at-bats the last two seasons.

"It wasn't a hard decision, but it was a tough decision," Oates said.

Newson, who will have several days to decide what he wants to do now, expressed disappointment at the move.

"I've been with them the last two years and gave them experience," said Newson, who had consecutive 10-homer seasons. "I thought that was important."

Villarreal sets sights on state

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Sports Editor

For some, simply being a two-time district champion and an overwhelming favorite to repeat with a third title would be reason enough to rest on one's laurels, but not Big Spring's Monica Villarreal.

To Villarreal, the District 4-4A girls' singles tennis championship isn't enough — her sights are set on reaching the Class 4A University Interscholastic League (UIL) State Tournament in Austin this spring.

As a result, Villarreal has been pushing herself to improve her game — lifting weights to improve her strength, stressing her footwork and concentrating on a serve-and-volley style so foreign to the baseline game that yielded her first two 4-4A singles championships.

"Getting to state ... that's the goal I've been shooting for a while now," Villarreal said after a practice session on the Figure 7 Tennis Center's No. 1 court with teacher and former Stanton tennis coach Tom Posey. "It's a matter of doing what I know I can do."

Villarreal, you see, knows what it's like to reach the state tournament. She's been there.

As a freshman, Monica teamed with her older sister, Maria, as a doubles entry and reached the state tournament, finishing third.

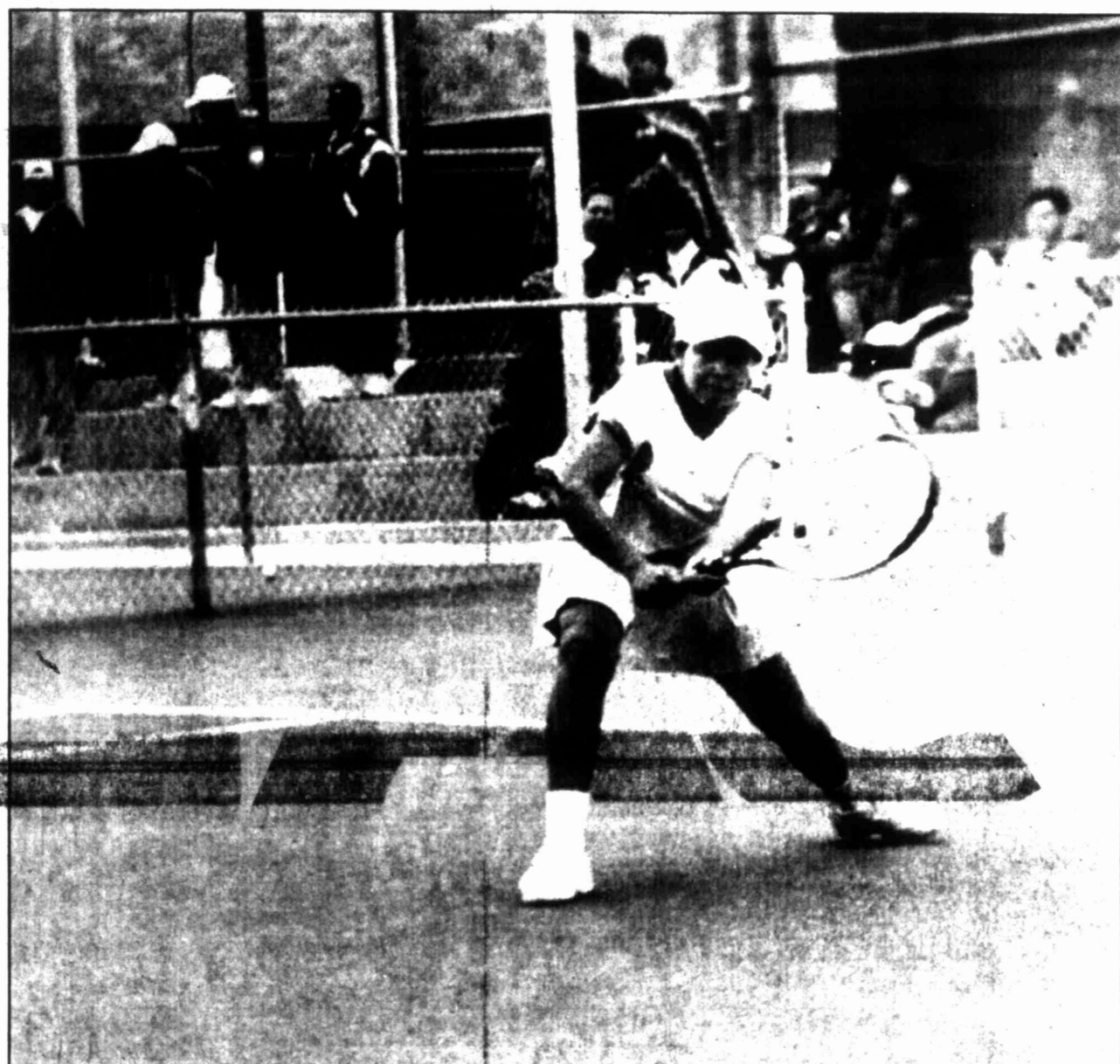
"We had two match points on the team from Texarkana (Texas High) in the semifinals and lost," Villarreal recalls, adding that she's felt the pressure to return to the state meet ever since.

"I think I've played like I had pressure on me," she explained. "This year I'm just trying to go out on the court and take care of business ... play the best game of tennis I can play that day and it will have to be enough."

When Maria graduated and headed to Southern Illinois University in 1995, Monica became tennis coach Ralph Davis' top girls' singles entry.

Monica has already made a verbal commitment to Southern Illinois to play Division I tennis there next year. And while she's looking forward to a chance to play with Maria again, there are just a few goals left to accomplish at the high school level.

"It's going to be exciting to play collegiate tennis, but I realize it's going to be really tough, too," Villarreal said. "Every player you come up against is going to be as good or



HERALD photo/John A. Moseley

Big Spring senior Monica Villarreal strokes a two-handed backhand shot during the semifinals of the Big Spring Invitational Tennis Tournament. Villarreal, who reached the state tournament as a freshman partnered with her older sister in doubles competition, has twice been thwarted in singles at the regional level. As a result, she's trying to elevate her game to another level to reach the state tournament in her final high school season.

better than the best opponents I run up against in high school.

"That's one of the reasons I've tried to step up my game," she added. "You have to be able to come to the net, to set up the short ball and come up and finish the point off."

"I can play at the net ... did that when I was playing doubles my freshman year," she continued. "Now I just need to put it all together."

In addition to being one of West Texas' best schoolgirl players regardless of classification, Villarreal has stayed busy competing in a number of the state's top USTA tournaments.

They make her a clear favorite to knock off her closest District 4-4A rival, Sarah Pennington, and make it three straight 4-4A singles championships at the district meet set for April 17-18 in Midland.

But for two straight years, Villarreal has run into a roadblock at the Region I, Class 4A

tournament — finishing third two years.

Last year's regional champion, Fort Worth Arlington Heights' Dee Herring, has graduated — leaving Villarreal and Wichita Falls' Abbe Ullrich, the runner-up to Herring last year, as the region's top-ranked singles players.

It was Ullrich who ended Villarreal's run last spring, taking a 1-6, 6-2, 6-4 win in the semifinals.

The two have played only once this season — when the Steers and Coyotes met in the Region I, Class 4A team tennis championship match last fall.

"I had four match points on her when they came and pulled us off the court because Wichita Falls had won enough of the other matches to clinch the championship," Villarreal said. "We haven't run up against each other since, but I'm looking forward to it."

"Right now ... in the last

month or so, I think I'm playing better than I ever have," she continued, noting that a week's layoff from competition to rest a sore right shoulder has improved her game even more. "I want to be at the absolute top of my game in the next few weeks, so that when it comes time, I can put it all on the line."

As far as Posey is concerned, having been beaten in straight sets during their practice match Wednesday, Villarreal is at her best.

"She's moving a lot better than I've ever seen her play," Posey said. "I used to give her a pretty good game last year, but now she lets me win a game or two in every set."

Besides, reaching the state tournament is a tradition in her family. Her father, Rey, and an uncle, Oscar, won state championships in tennis for Monahan High School and another uncle, Rick, was a runner-up.

TMS officials can only hope second time out is better

FORT WORTH (AP) — The first crash at Texas Motor Speedway came on the first turn of the first lap of the first Winston Cup race.

How fitting. Nothing seemed to go as planned last April during the debut weekend at the speedway.

With the stock cars coming back this weekend, speedway general manager Eddie Gossage is expecting a much better show, though some drivers say there haven't been enough changes. The action begins Saturday with the Busch series Coca-Cola 300, followed Sunday by the Texas 500, the Winston Cup feature.

"A year ago, we knew we were trying to avoid a disaster," Gossage said. "This year, we're putting on a sporting spectacle."

Looking back, Gossage admits "we were not prepared" when NASCAR returned to Texas for the first time since 1981.

Record rains in the preceding months were partly to blame, keeping crews from finishing some roads and turning fields that were supposed to be parking lots into mud bogs. The result was a traffic nightmare, with nearly 260,000 people spending up to four hours to get in with nowhere to park once they did.

Rains also washed out several test sessions, practice days and qualifying, preventing drivers from becoming familiar with the 1.5-mile quad oval. Those who did make it around found several dangerous spots.

The lack of practice combined with the tricky areas caused quite a mess. The event, then sponsored by Interstate Batteries, was marred by 10 caution flags, the first for Darrell Waltrip's first-turn crash.

Crash victim Rusty Wallace was so upset that he said a "total reconstruction" was needed. Fallout from his quotes lingered, overshadowing Jeff Burton's initial career victory.

"Last year, we had our dry run in front of 200,000 friends. That's such a tough, tough chore," Gossage said. "But we weathered it."

Since then, Gossage and his crew have been hard at work.

The speedway spent \$6.5 million to improve roads and used another \$4.5 million to pave more parking spaces. Some 400 acres of gravel aisles were added to keep grass parking lots

from flooding. They also can be used as parking spots in case of heavy rain.

"We now have more parking than Walt Disney World," Gossage said.

As for the track itself, \$517,000 was spent to fix up spots drivers complained about.

Five feet of pavement was added last summer to the exit of turn four along the infield grass, and the exit has been milled to ease the transition from the 24-degree banked curve to the 8-degree front stretch.

Drivers who have tested the track in recent weeks appreciate the work — but they say it's still not enough.

"It's identical," Kenny Wallace said. "I don't see any difference at all."

"It goes flat so quick you're still sliding out to the wall. It kind of tosses the car out there like a rock. You can't be on the outside of somebody coming off turn four. If you are, you're meat."

Todd Bodine said he wanted to be politically correct in his assessment of the changes, then called it "the same track it was last year."

Gossage dismisses the drivers' complaints, and points to other areas where the speedway has been a hit.

Sunday's crowd — another 200,000-plus sellout — will be the season's second largest, behind only the Brickyard 400 in Indianapolis.

And the purse will be just over \$4 million, up about \$400,000 from last year and third to the Daytona 500 and the Brickyard.

Gossage also is counting on another huge TV audience. Only Daytona was watched by more people than last year's event in Fort Worth.

All things considered, Gossage feels good about his speedway and the races. He's been around stock cars and tracks long enough to know that the first-year fiasco will be forgotten, and that the speedway can still become the gem owner Bruton Smith envisioned when he built it for \$130 million.

"We're just a 1-year-old infant," Gossage said. "I'm not too concerned with where we're at. I don't think the Dallas Cowboys won a game their first year, and aren't they considered one of the world's most successful pro sports franchises?"

Martinez, Devil Rays all even ... one win each; Cubs nip streak in bud

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Pedro Martinez and the Tampa Bay Devil Rays are all even. One AL win apiece.

Martinez, baseball's \$75 million man, made a marvelous debut Wednesday night for Boston. The 1997 NL Cy Young winner struck out 11 and allowed just three hits in seven innings, leading the Red Sox over the Oakland Athletics 2-0.

"Of course, it's special to win on opening day," Martinez said. "It gets the first one out of the way and gets you ready to go. It gives you confidence. It was a pleasure for me to give the Red Sox an outing like this. I hope it's one of many."

The expansion Devil Rays earned their first victory ever, defeating the Detroit Tigers 11-8. Tampa Bay

MAJOR LEAGUES

bounced back from its opening-day defeat and rewarded manager Larry Rothschild with a beer shower, rather than champagne.

"It didn't matter," he said. "It still felt good."

In other AL games, Anaheim defeated New York 4-1, Cleveland downed Seattle 9-7, Baltimore beat Kansas City 10-1 and Toronto topped Minnesota 3-2.

In National League games, it was Chicago 10, Florida 3, Colorado 6, Arizona 0, Houston 7, San Francisco 6, San Diego 10, Cincinnati 9, and Pittsburgh 4, Montreal 0.

Martinez, who signed a six-year contract after being traded from Montreal to Boston, faced his biggest jam in his

final inning.

After giving up only one hit through six innings, he ran into trouble in the seventh when Matt Stairs and Jason Giambi singled. But after Scott Spiezo's sacrifice, Martinez struck out rookie A.J. Hinch and Jason McDonald.

"He's tough. He's worth the money," said Spiezo, who struck out twice. "We had never really seen him before. We all watched film on him, but it's not the same. Now we know. Now we can go home and write in our little books what he's got and hopefully, that will help us next time."

Former Oakland relief ace Dennis Eckersley and Tom Gordon finished up, with Gordon getting a save.

The host Athletics lost their opener for the fifth straight season. Knuckleballer Tom Candiotti, signed

as a free agent, lost despite giving up one earned run in seven innings.

Devil Rays 11, Tigers 8

Tampa native Fred McGriff drove in four runs to lead his hometown team to its first victory at Tropicana Field.

Cuban defector Rolando Arrojo won in his major league debut, pitching six innings and leaving with a 7-4 lead. He is one of eight rookies on the Tampa Bay roster, and became the last one to play in a game.

The Devil Rays had 18 hits, including a home run by Rich Butler.

Orioles 10, Royals 1

Cal Ripken hit the eighth grand slam of his career, highlighting a five-run first inning that carried Baltimore at Camden Yards.

Lenny Webster hit two solo homers

and Jeffrey Hammonds also connected, giving Ray Miller his first win as the Orioles' manager.

Scott Erickson recorded his 100th career victory. He pitched a four-hitter, nicked only by Dean Palmer's home run.

Blue Jays 3, Twins 2

Roger Clemens picked up where he left off in 1997, pitching two-hit ball for seven innings in the season opener at SkyDome.

Clemens struck out three and walked three.

Jose Cruz Jr. drove in all three Toronto runs with a homer, triple and single. Tim Johnson won in his first game as a major league manager.

Randy Myers worked around a lead-off single by Minnesota pinch-hitter Alex Ochoa in the ninth for a save.

Tarkanian, NCAA reach settlement; Can peace be declared at last?

LAS VEGAS (AP) — What might go down as Jerry Tarkanian's biggest win came at a heavy personal cost. More than two decades after he and the NCAA first locked horns, Tarkanian was expected today to formally settle a fight with the NCAA that left him battered but not beaten. "They totally beat the hell out of me," Tarkanian said. "They screwed me and they know they did. But I would never give up. I was going to fight this forever if I had to." The NCAA and Tarkanian planned to

announce today a settlement of his suit that claims the NCAA manufactured evidence against his basketball programs in an attempt to run him out of coaching. Tarkanian will get \$2.5 million from the organization, and sources familiar with the case said the NCAA also will issue a conciliatory statement in which it says it regrets the battle. Tarkanian's wife, Lois, confirmed the settlement figure Wednesday, and proclaimed it a win for the oft-beleaguered coach. "We felt it was an amount that showed we had victory in this case," she said. Settlement of the seven-year-old suit was reached one month before it was to go on trial here, the city where he had coached for almost 20 years. Tarkanian, branded an outlaw coach in the dispute, had contended the NCAA targeted his teams at Long Beach State and UNLV. "They can never, ever, make up for all the pain and agony they caused me," Tarkanian said Wednesday.

speaking by phone from Fresno, Calif., where he coaches the Fresno State team. While not admitting liability, the statement from the NCAA will say the organization regrets the dispute, which began 26 years ago when Tarkanian was still coaching at Long Beach State, the sources said, speaking on condition of anonymity. The NCAA declined comment on the settlement, saying executive director Cedric Dempsey would talk about it Thursday. Tarkanian's attorney, Terry Giles, said he was preparing to go to trial May 18 when he was approached about a settlement a few weeks ago by the NCAA. Giles said testimony from former players, officials and lawyers would have shown that, except for one minor infraction, the NCAA had no evidence to back up probations given to basketball programs at Long Beach and UNLV. "We felt very confident about our case for seven years," Giles said.

SPORTS BRIEFS

BSCC charity scramble scheduled for Saturday

A four-person charity scramble golf tournament, sponsored by the Big Spring Woman's Club, has been scheduled for Saturday at the Big Spring Country Club. Teams will be composed of players with handicaps of A, B, C and D. Entry fees are set at \$50 per player plus cart rental. Mulligans will be optional. The deadline for entries will be noon Friday. The tournament will get under way with an 8:30 a.m. shotgun start. For more information or to register, contact Julie Wolf at 263-7664 or the country club's pro shop at 267-5354.

Coahoma Lions Club sets donkey basketball

The Coahoma Lions Club will sponsor an exhibition of Bob Crosby's Donkey Basketball at 7:30 p.m. Saturday in the Coahoma High School gym. Tickets may be purchased in advance from any Coahoma Lion priced at \$5 for adults and \$3 for students. Tickets at the door will be \$7 for adults and \$5 for students.

Golf tournament set with 'Relay for Life'

A four-person scramble golf tournament benefiting the

American Cancer Society has been scheduled for April 25-26 at the Big Spring Country Club in conjunction with the Relay for Life.

Entry fees will be \$75 per player plus cart fees. Team will include A, B, C, and D players. For more information, contact the country club's pro shop at 267-5354.

SMMC officials schedule fun run, walk on mountain

Scenic Mountain Medical Center has scheduled the first ever "Master the Mountain" Fun Run/Fun Walk for 8 a.m. Saturday, April 18, at Big Spring State Park.

Entry fees for the event will be \$10 per runner which includes entry into the park. Trophies will be awarded for the top three finishers. T-shirts and certificates will be given to all participants.

For more information, contact Lauri Phillips at 263-1211, Ron Alton at 263-4931 or the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce at 263-7641.

BSHS' Jacob Rios ninth in state powerlifting meet

Big Spring High School's Jacob Rios finished ninth in his 165-pound weight class Saturday at the state powerlifting meet in Killen. Rios had combined lifts totaling 1,170 pounds.

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Cancer threat shocks chewers back to reality

WASHINGTON (AP) — Bravado quickly turned to apprehension when tobacco-chewing baseball players sat in the dentist's chair this spring.

That's because more than half of those tested at nine training camps were found to have tobacco-related lesions. Eleven percent were serious enough to require biopsies to detect possible cancer.

The findings, presented Tuesday by baseball representatives and Donna Shalala, the health and human services secretary, made for sobering news on opening day. They also added fuel to the Clinton administration's anti-tobacco sentiment, even as Congress writes a tobacco bill.

"We need to tell children over and over again, 'You have to be a dip to use spit tobacco,'" said Shalala. "Spit tobacco is not cool. It's gross, it's addictive, it causes cancer and other health problems."

The examinations were conducted by Dr. John Greene, dean emeritus of the University of California at San Francisco School of Dentistry, as part of the fledgling National Spit Tobacco Education Program.

Greene said players would enter the room saying, "I can quit anytime I want. I don't need any help." But they quickly changed their tune when they could see what was happening inside their own mouths.

FISHING REPORT

Here is the weekly fishing report as compiled by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department for April 2:

CENTRAL
BROWNWOOD: Water fairly clear; black bass up to 7 pounds are fair to good on Carolina-rigged Fin-S worms and on Power Worms fished in the shallow water on the edge of the brush and along the outer edges of the grass line. Hybrid strippers are fair to good on live bait and on Cyclops spoons. Crappie are fair to good on live shiners fished over brush and around boat docks in fairly deep water. Channel catfish are good rod and reels baited with live trotline shiners and chicken livers fished in the shallows.

BUCHANAN: Water fairly clear; 64 degrees; black bass up to 9 pounds are fair to good on Texas-rigged Power Worms and lizards fished in 2 to 5 feet of water. There are also a number of bass coming on red and black spinners fished in the shallows, particularly in the evenings. Striped bass are fair to good on live bait fished in deep water in the river channel and around the deep water dam. White bass are good on live bait and on slab spoons fished in the river and also around the strippers. Crappie are fair on live minnows and on small tube jigs fished around the crappie barges. Catfish are fair to good on trotlines baited with cut bait and with cheese bait.

SOUTH
AMISTAD: Water clear; lake level 1083; black bass up to 10 pounds are good on Carolina-rigged worms, and on Texas-rigged worms and lizards fished in various depths. A number of bass are still being caught on jerk baits and crank baits. Striped and white bass are fair to good on live bait and crank baits fished in deep water in the Devil's river. Catfish are fair to good on rod and reels baited with shrimp and cheese bait.

CHOKE: Water fairly clear; low; black bass up to 6 pounds are fair to good on black spinners and on Texas-rigged Zoom worms fished in 2 to 6 feet of water. Some bass are also being caught on live shiners. Catfish are fair to good on trotlines baited with cut bait and chicken liver. Rod and reel action for catfish has been fair to good on Bob's Cheese Bait fished in the shallows.

WEST
LAKE ALAN HENRY: Water clear on main lake and murky in the tributaries; elevation 2183.90; 58 degrees; black bass are good on black jigs and pig trailers and on red, white, chartreuse and black spinners fished in 4 to 8 feet of water. Crappie are fair to good on minnows around the boat docks in 5 to 10 feet of water. Channel and blue catfish are fair to good on jugs and trotlines baited with shrimp and night crawlers in the upper end. Yellow catfish are fair on trotlines baited with shad.

LAKE KEMP: Water fairly clear; elevation 1145.48; 61 degrees; black bass to 5 pounds are fair on Carolina-rigged worms, spinnerbaits and crank baits fished in the 5 to 10 foot range. Striped bass to 20 pounds are fair to good on live bait and by downrigging Hellbenders with buck-tail jig and Sassy Shad trailers. Catfish are good on cut bait and shrimp.

HUBBARD CREEK: Water clear on main lake and murky in the tributaries; 60 degrees; black bass are fair to good on 3/8 oz. fire tiger spinners. Crappie are fair to good on minnows around the boat docks in 5 to 10 feet of water. Channel and blue catfish are good on the flats in 4 to 12 feet of water on hot-dogs. White bass are good in the upper end on white spinners and Rat-L-Traps.

OAK CREEK: Water fairly clear; elevation 1997.70; 62 degrees; black bass are fair on jigs and spinnerbaits in 6 to 12 feet of water. Crappie are good on minnows and jigs in 8 to 12 feet of water. Catfish are slow.

O.H. IVE: Water clear on main lake; 62 degrees; black bass to 10 pounds are fair to good in 1 to 7 feet of water on white and chartreuse spinners, black lizards, Rat-L-Traps. Some good bass are also being taken off the first break in 8 to 16 feet of water on black jigs with pork-trailers. Crappie are good on minnows and white, yellow and chartreuse maribou jigs fished in 4 to 8 feet of water around brush piles in the creeks. White bass are slow. Channel and blue catfish are good on cut bait. Yellow catfish are fair to good on trotlines and jugs baited with live perch.

POSSUM KINGDOM LAKE: Water fairly clear; 60 degrees; black bass to 10 pounds are fair to good on jigs and white spinnerbaits in 5 to 10 feet of water. Crappie are good on minnows and jigs fished in 4 to 8 feet of water. Sand bass are slow. Strippers to 8 pounds are fair to good on live shad and with deep-diving crank baits. Channel and blue catfish to 60 pounds are good on cut bait, earthworms and stink bait. Yellow catfish are fair.

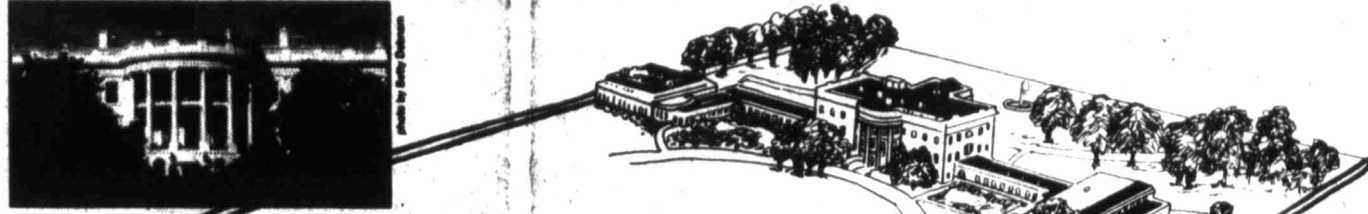
LAKE SPENCE: Water fairly clear; 62 degrees; black bass are fair on white spinnerbaits and black Texas-rigged worms fished in 2 to 8 feet of water. Striped bass are fair to good on live bait, Rat-L-Traps and Pop R's. Crappie are fair to good on minnows and tube jigs fished in 4 to 8 feet of water. Blue and channel catfish are fair to good on shrimp, chicken liver and night crawlers. Yellow catfish are fair on live perch.

The Mini Page

Especially for kids and their families

By BETTY DEBNAM

The Bunny Hops to Washington The White House Egg Roll



On the day after Easter, the Easter Bunny has one last thing to do. On Easter Monday, he hops to the president's back yard to help out on the annual Easter Egg Roll. He has been doing this for more than 100 years. This event for little kids has grown to attract the biggest of all White House crowds. More than 30,000 people are expected. President and Mrs. Clinton, TV, movie and music stars, and storytellers usually make appearances. More than 400 volunteers will help.



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Q: What do you call a teacher of a school of fish?
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(sent in by Robin Burroughs)

Q: How do federal investigators go to sleep at night?
A: They close their EB eyes!
(sent in by Adriano Lombre)

Meet Jewel

Jewel Kilcher is a jewel of a singer. Her first album came out in 1995 and has sold millions of copies. She grew up in a log cabin with no electricity or running water near Homer, Alaska. She has two brothers. Their parents were singers and songwriters, so there was always music and singing around the house. At age 6, Jewel began performing with her parents. She began playing the guitar when she went to a high school for the arts in Michigan. After graduating, she moved to San Diego, Calif., where she played music in clubs. She lives outside San Diego. One of her hobbies is riding horses.

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- 2 tablespoons mayonnaise
- 1 tablespoon mustard

What to do:

- Combine all ingredients, except mayonnaise and mustard, in a medium bowl. Mix well.
- Stir in mayonnaise and mustard. Mix well.

Serves 4.

THE NEWS HOUND'S EASTER EGG ROLL TRY TO FIND

Words about the White House Easter Egg Roll are hidden in the block below. Some words are hidden backward or diagonally. See if you can find: EASTER, WHITE HOUSE, EGG, BACK YARD, ROLL, COLORFUL, GRASSY, CAPITAL, CUSTOM, MUSIC, BAND, SPOON, LAWN, RABBIT, RACE, MONDAY, GAMES, LANES, GATE, FUN, LINE.

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Mini Spy ...

Mini Spy and her friends are at the Easter Egg Roll at the White House. See if you can find:

- caterpillar
- drum
- mushroom
- teapot
- bell
- snake
- strainer
- word MINI
- letter A
- heart
- sailboat
- bird

A White House Easter Egg Hunt

Have your own Easter egg hunt right here in The Mini Page. Match these captions, or words that identify a picture, with the photos. Write the answers in the blank bunny boxes near the photos.

Then

1. In the 1920s, first lady Grace Coolidge brought her pet raccoon, Rebecca, to an Easter Egg Roll. Mrs. Coolidge and her husband, Calvin, were famous for their love of pets.
2. In 1929, first lady Lou Hoover introduced Maypole dancing as a part of the Easter Egg Roll events.
3. President Benjamin Harrison asked the Marine Band to play at the Easter Egg Roll in 1889. The famous conductor and composer John Philip Sousa directed the band.
4. The Easter Egg Roll was held on the grounds of the U.S. Capitol until members of Congress passed a law saying that no part of the grounds could be used as a playground.
5. First lady Lucy Hayes started the Easter Egg Roll at the White House in 1878. She agreed to do so after a group of kids knocked on the White House door and asked her permission to roll their eggs on the back lawn. More than 100 years ago it was a lot easier than it is today to visit the president and his family.

Now

6. A bunny hug is special, especially at the White House Easter Egg Roll.
7. Today, the crowds pack the White House lawn. Some of the events are held on the Ellipse, a park right next to the South Lawn.
8. Attorney General Janet Reno is one of many top government people who have come to the Easter Egg Roll. She is very good at reading to kids. At this year's roll, professional storytellers, cowboys and other famous people will sit on stages and read to kids.
9. The National Park Service helps put on the event by passing out tickets, helping with crowd control and looking after the grounds.

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SLEEPING BEAUTY! T.L.C. plus a few minor repairs is all that's needed to make this home glisten. 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, large family room/dining, breakfast room, and huge game room. Great location! Great investment! \$50's. Call Reeder Realtors, 267-8266 or Lila Estes, 267-6657.

2 bd. home for sale: \$19,500; Owner will finance w/low down payment, low monthly. 1104 E. 13th. Call 915-520-3648.

FREE HOUSE w/ purchase of \$60,000 Pecan trees. Must sell quickly. May see at 1602 Runnels. Call 264-6211.

NEW ON THE MARKET Beautiful Highland South. 607 Highland Home for sale by owner. 4 br. 3 bath; den; fireplace; garden room; corner lot

Sprinkler system: Many extras. Call 263-4649 day 263-8735 evening.

I'M MAD ... at banks who don't give real estate loans because of bad credit, problems or new employment. I do, call L.D. Kirk, Homeland Mortgages, (254) 947-4475.

FOR SALE BY OWNER 5 acres in Moss Lake Estates with totally remodeled 3 BR, 2 bath, 2387 sq.ft. home. This is your chance to live in the country, and be in the Coahoma School District as well. \$125,000. Call 393-5628 if interested.

Live FREE one side. Owner finance. \$29,000. \$2,000 down. \$350./mo. 2107 S. Main. Call 1-800-554-1325.

Sparkling clean! Move in Kentwood. 3/2. family living room. From carpet to ceiling, all new. Tile fence, lg. storage, garage. Now \$58,000. Call 263-3786.

A GOOD PLACE TO RAISE CHILDREN! Spraced out in this 3 or 4 bedroom, 2 bath home in quiet, private setting on large lot. Roller skate on L-shaped, covered patio. Picnic under huge pecan trees. Send the children to Kentwood school! \$50's. Call Reeder Realtors, 267-8266 or Lila Estes, 267-6657.

A WORD TO THE WISE! This neat 2-bedroom brick cottage has just been reduced in price. Open floor plan for large kitchen/cozy den. Economical heat/air. Garage! Fenced Storm Cellar! Patio! Pecan trees! \$20's. Hurry! Call Reeder Realtors, 267-8266 or Lila Estes, 267-6657.

DOUBLE DELIGHT! Nice home! Nice priced! Charming and comfortable 3 bedroom with formal separate dining and nice kitchen. Very pretty setting on corner lot with picket fence and 2-car garage. \$30's. Call Reeder Realtors, 267-8266 or Lila Estes, 267-6657.

MOBILE HOMES

1997 Abandoned Doublewide 653-1152 or 800-626-9978.

1998 Singlewide \$13,900. Call for Brochure. Storm windows, 5 year warranty. Set-up delivery. A-1 Homes of San Angelo 653-1152 or 800-626-9978.

Doublewide Fixer Upper \$8,900. A-1 Mobile Homes of San Angelo. 653-1152 or 800-626-9978.

REPO Doublewide. Must sell! A-1 Homes of San Angelo 653-1152 or 800-626-9978.

* 1997 doublewide repo 4 bedroom 2 bath, low down payment and you can own a nearly new home. Homes of America Odessa, TX. 1-915-363-0881 or 1-800-725-0881.

* Casa mobil doble. Infrinidad de gabinetes, doble ventanas mas insulation. 10% de enganche y \$249.00 pr mes, 300 meses, 9.75 p. i. a flame hoy a Homes Of America Odessa, Tx. 1-915-363-0881 or 1-800-725-0881

* Used Mobile Home for sale 363-8963

* Very, Very, low down payment!!! 1997 16x80 must sacrifice, only 2 left Hurry and get your's today. Homes of America Odessa, Tx. 1-915-363-0881 or 1-800-725-0881 Se habla español

LAKE PROPERTY

8x32 ft./Trailer at Lake Colorado City on leased lot. Fur. 1/1, w/10x20 screened in porch. \$4100. Call 806-794-3870 or 806-781-3545

FURNISHED APTS.

1 bedroom apt. for rent on 505 E. Nolan. Apt. D. \$200/mo, \$100./dep. 263-7648 or 263-3855.

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

FURNISHED HOUSES

2 bd, 1 1/2 bath, Washer & dryer, double comfort. All bills RENTED./dep. \$375/mo. Call 267-2898.

UNFURNISHED HOUSES

100 Jefferson 2 br. 1 bath, large utility, fenced back yard. No pets. Deposit, references. \$450.00 264-6453 or 263-2844

1 br. furnished apt. No pets. Bills pd. Come by 1804 Scurry.

PONDEROSA APARTMENTS *Furnished & Unfurnished *All Utilities Paid *Covered Parking *Swimming Pools 1425 E. 6th St. 263-6319

LOVELY NEIGHBORHOOD COMPLEX Swimming Pool Carports. Most Utilities Paid. Senior Citizen Discounts. 1 & 2 Bedrooms & 1 or 2 Baths Unfurnished KENTWOOD APARTMENTS 1941 East 25th Street 267-5444 263-5000

NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL PROPERTY THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF HOWARD

By virtue of an Order of Sale issued out of the District Court of Howard County, Texas, pursuant to judgment rendered in 118th Judicial District Court of Howard County, Texas, by the District Clerk of said Court, in the hereinafter numbered and styled suits and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said County, I did on the 7TH day of APRIL, 1998, at 10:00 a.m., levy upon and will proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder at public auction on the 7TH day of APRIL, 1998, being the first Tuesday of said month beginning at 10 o'clock a.m. on said day, at the North Courthouse door, said County, at the right title, and interest of the Defendants in such suits, and in the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said Defendants, to-wit: being and being situated in the County of Howard and the State of Texas, to-wit:

CAUSE NO. T-92-07-3970 State of Suit and Property Description HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL VS. TAYLOR RUDD, ET AL D/B/A THE PLACE AND F/D/B/A/T/R AND HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS, BOTTOMS LOTS ONE THROUGH FOUR (1, 4), BLOCK FIFTY-TWO (52), ORIGINAL TOWN OF FORSAN, HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS. Cause No. T-95-11-4288 State of Suit and Property Description HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL VS. JUANITA BISHOP LOTS TWENTY-TWO, TWENTY-THREE AND TWENTY-FOUR (22, 23, 24), BLOCK NINETEEN (19), WASHINGTON PLACE ADDITION TO THE CITY OF BIG SPRING, HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS. Cause No. T-96-02-4324 State of Suit and Property Description HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL VS. FLOYD MCINTYRE LOTS SIX, SEVEN AND EIGHT (6, 7, & 8), BLOCK ONE (1), NORTH PARK ADDITION TO THE CITY OF BIG SPRING, HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS. Cause No. T-97-02-4411 State of Suit and Property Description HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL VS. MAE W. ELLISON (18), BLOCK TWENTY-TWO (22), COLLEGE PARK ADDITION TO THE CITY OF BIG SPRING, HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS. Cause No. T-97-02-4413 State of Suit and Property Description HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL VS. OSCAR G. OVALLE LOTS THREE AND FOUR (3 & 4), BLOCK THIRTY-TWO (32), WRIGHTS AIRPORT ANNEX ADDITION TO THE CITY OF BIG SPRING, HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS. Cause No. T-97-04-4420 State of Suit and Property Description HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL VS. KERRY LYNN DAUGHERTY, ET AL A ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY NINE FOOT BY ONE HUNDRED TWENTY FIVE FOOT (179' x 125') TRACT OF LAND LOCATED IN SECTION THIRTY TWO (32), BLOCK THIRTY-TWO (32), LOT TWELVE (12), BLOCK THIRTY-THREE (33), P. R. CO. SURVEY, HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS, MORE FULLY DESCRIBED BY MEETS AND BOUNDS OF TRACT NO. 2: Being a tract of land out of and part of Section No. Thirty two (32), in Block No. Thirty-three (33), Township 1-North, City No. 1937, T & P Ry. Co. Survey, Howard County, Texas, described by metes and bounds as follows: From the Northeast Corner of Lot No. One (1), Block No. Five (5), in the M. N. Parker Addition to the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, South 77' West a distance of 188.8 feet to a point in the South line of West Fourth Street. THENCE North 13° West a distance of 70 feet to point of beginning, said point being the Southwest corner of this tract. THENCE South 77° West a distance of 181.7 feet to point for Southwest corner of this tract. THENCE North 13° West a distance of 130 feet to point for Northeast corner of this tract. THENCE South 13° East a distance of 130 feet to place of beginning. Cause No. T-97-04-4421 State of Suit and Property Description HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL VS. W. J. BECKHAM LOT FOUR (4), BLOCK EIGHT (8), EARLES ADDITION TO THE CITY OF BIG SPRING, HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS. Cause No. T-97-04-4422 State of Suit and Property Description HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL VS. L. R. CROWELL AND WIFE, ELLEN CROWELL TWO TRACTS OF LAND IN THE SOUTH-EAST QUARTER (SE1/4) OF SECTION FOURTEEN (14), BLOCK THIRTY-THREE (33), TOWNSHIP ONE-SOUTH (1S), T & P RY. CO. SURVEY, HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS, DESCRIBED AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED BY MEETS AND BOUNDS BEGINNING AT A 3/4" L.P. in the North-right-of-way of an East and West County Road from which an iron pin in a County Road intersection, the SE corner of Section 14, Block 33, T-1-S, T&P Ry. Co. Survey, Howard County, Texas bears S. 14° 37' E. 40.0' and N. 75° 23' E. 1207.85' Said 3/4" L.P. being the SW corner of a 0.808 acre tract numbered 83 and the SE corner of this tract. THENCE N. 14° 37' E. along the East line of said 1.0 acre Tract #7, 208.7' to a 3/4" L.P. for the common corner of Tracts #4-5-6-7 and the NW corner of this tract. THENCE S. 14° 37' E. along the East line of said Tract #5, 168.75' to a 3/4" L.P. in the North right of way line of said East and West County Road for the SE corner of said Tract #5 and the SW corner of this tract. THENCE N. 75° 23' E. along the North right of way line of said East and West County Road 208.7' to the PLACE OF BEGINNING, containing 0.808 acres of land. Section 14 Cause No. T-97-05-4424 State of Suit and Property Description HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL VS. ENRIQUE LONGORIA AND WIFE, OFRILA LONGORIA LOT TEN (10), BLOCK THIRTY-ONE (31), GOVERNMENT HEIGHTS TO BAUER ADDITION, TO THE CITY OF BIG SPRING, HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS. Cause No. T-97-05-4424 State of Suit and Property Description HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL VS. WILLIAM C. PACELEY AND WIFE, AVA PACELEY LOT SIX (6), BLOCK THREE (3), HIGHLAND PARK ADDITION TO THE CITY OF BIG SPRING, HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS. Cause No. T-97-05-4424 State of Suit and Property Description HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL VS. SHERIFF OF HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS BY: Ed Covington, Deputy 1782 March 18 & 26, 1998 & April 2, 1998

UNFURNISHED HOUSES

3/2/1 Nice area \$485.; 3/2/CP Duplex \$450.; Mob. Home 2/2/CP \$345. All have appliances. No pets. 267-2070

1009 Nolan: 2 bedroom, Stove & frig. furnished. \$225/mo. Call 263-4410.

3 bd., 1 bath Duplex. 2107 Main. HUD only! \$350/mo + \$50./dep. Call 1-800-554-1325.

OWNER MUST SELL! Great family home. 2300 sq.ft. 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 living areas, sunroom, double closets, 3 car garage. 2315 Mishler. Call for more information: Jim Cavthron 6602-535-1436 home, 602-386-6443 work.

2 br. 1 bath, new paint, C/H/A Ceiling fans, new carpet. \$325. 1008 E. 15. 263-3426

TOO LATES

FOUND: Vicinity of Hillcrest Daycare, Male Rottweiler puppy w/red collar. Approx. 9 wks old. If owner not found, needs new home. 263-8813.

Giant Backyard Sale: 4219 Calvin St. 8-2 Sun. 8-12. Dishes, lots of clothes from infant to XX Large sizes. Lots of misc. items.

YARD SALE: Saturday, 8-1. 705 E. 17th. Clothes, Futon, full size bed, misc. NO EARLY SALES!

LOST: Female Bassett Hound. If found call please call 263-0607.

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TOO LATES

3 Br 1 1/2 bath, freshly painted. Rent \$375., \$200 dep. After 5:00 267-2939.

750 Kawasaki Motorcycle. Fully dressed. 13K miles. Call 267-8437.

Nice 3 bd, 2 bath House for rent. 17 miles South of Big Spring on 87. Glasscock ISD. 915-398-5565.

1989 26ft. Prowler Travel Trailer. Fully self-contained. Great condition. Must see to appreciate. 267-6126.

2517 Central: Sat. & Sun. 8-5. Lots of stuff, interior doors, electric range top, solid wall unit, tables, more.

1993 T-Bird LX. Keyless entry/remote control. Automatic, loaded. 78K mostly highway. \$6000. 3709 Connally or 264-7414 after 6pm.

Telephone receptionist. Should have great telephone voice. 8-5. 40hr/wk. Call 55-768-55.

Two Female Red Chow puppies for sale. 7 wks old. Full blooded. Non-registered. \$100. 263-5037.

ORIGINAL TY BEANIE BABIES Princess Di, Erin, Valentino, Pease & others. Call 284-6144 leave offer & number.

Gill's Fried Chicken in now hiring for part-time only. Counter help & poultry cutter needed. Apply in person only, 1101 Gregg.

Call 263-7331 for the Big Spring Herald Classified Dept.

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF CITY ELECTION (AVISO DE ELECCION CIVIL) To the Registered Voters of Forasan, Texas: A los votantes registrados del FORSAN, Texas. Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on May 2, 1998, for voting in a City election to elect a mayor and 2 aldermen. (Notificamos, por las presente, que las casillas electorales sitadas abajo se abriran desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 2 de Mayo de 1998 para votar en la Eleccion para elect a mayor and 2 aldermen.)

LOCATION(S) OF POLLING PLACES (DIRECCIONES) DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALES Forasan ISD Administration Office Forasan, Texas Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each week day. (La votacion en adelantado en persona se llevara a cabo de lunes a viernes en) Forasan ISD Administration Office, 411 W. 6th, Forasan, Texas between the hours of 8:00 am and 4:00 pm beginning on April 15, 1998. (entre las 8:00 de la mañana y las 4:00 de la tarde empezando el April 15, 1998) and ending on April 26, 1998. (y terminando el April 26, 1998.) Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to: (Las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran en ausencia por correo deberan enviarse a:) Judy Park PO Drawer A Forasan, Texas 79733 Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on: (Las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran en ausencia por correo deberan recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio en:) April 24, 1998 Issued this the 2nd day of April, 1998. (Emiada este dia 2nd de April, 1998) 1808 April 2, 1998

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Knowing when to retreat is important. Obligations force you to handle personal matters. You feel you are getting conflicting information. Understanding might take more feedback, and some emotional detachment. Mixed messages are likely to occur.

THURSDAY

APR. 2

	KMID (2)	KPEJ (3)	KERA (5)	FAM (6)	KOSA (7)	WFAA (8)	KWES (9)	WTBS (11)	UNI (13)	DISN (14)	NASH (15)	TMC (18)	SHOW (20)	HBO (22)	KMLM (24)	A&E (25)	DISC (26)	TNT (28)	FSN (29)	ESPN (30)	AMC (31)	BET (33)
6:30 PM	News (CC) Fortune	Simpsons Home Imp.	Science Guy Creatures	Waltons	News Grace Under	News (CC) Fortune	News Seinfeld (CC)	Andy Griffith Major League	Esmeralda	Family Circus Easter Bunny	Dallas	Love (20) Movie: Cupid (CC)	It: The Animated Movie	Jewish Voice-John Hagee (CC)	Law & Order (CC)	Gimme Shelter	Babylon 5 (CC)	Last Word Sports News	Outside the Lines	Istanbul	Planet Groove	Black Ent.
7:30 PM	Figure Skating: World	Wildcat Police Videos	New Tastes Travels	Rescue 911 (CC)	Promised Land (CC)	Figure Skating: World	Friends (CC) Just Shoot Me	Baseball Milwaukee	Maria Isabel	Is Coming An American	Championship Rodeo	Movie: When a Man Loves a Woman (CC)	Movie: Street Gun	Movie: 3 Ninjas (CC)	The Substitute 2: School's Out (CC)	Light of the Southwest	Biography	Wild Discovery	Movie: The Devil's Brigade	FOX Sports Major League	Lines Oshkosh Fly-In X Games	Movie: The Egg and I (CC)
8:30 PM	Championships (CC)	New York Undercover	Mystery! (CC)	Movie: Stand by Your Man	Diagnosis Murder (CC)	Championships (CC)	Seinfeld (CC) Veronica's Cl.	Brewers at Atlanta	Pueblo Chico, Inferno	Tail (35) The	Prime Time Country (CC)	Movie: When a Man Loves a Woman (CC)	Gun	Movie: Street Gun	Movie: No Way Back (CC)	Titanic: Death of a Dream	Animal X Movie Magic	Wings	Baseball Chicago	White Sox at Texas	X Games Baseball	Movie: The Lawless
9:30 PM	General Hospital	Team Knight Rider	Nova (CC)	48 Hours (CC)	General Hospital	ER (CC)	Braves (35) Movie: Bienvenidos	P. Impacto Noticiero Uni.	Wall Disney Presents	Dallas	Movie: Lover's Leap (10)	Movie: StarGate SG-1 (15)	Shock Video 4	Something Good	Law & Order (CC)	Justice Files	Warner Bros. Story	Rangers Major League	Sportscenter	Breed Week	BET Tonight	
10:30 PM	News (CC) Cheers	Home Imp. Mad Abo. You	News-Lehrer	700 Club	News (35) Late	News (CC) Nightline	News Tonight Show (CC)	Maximum Overdrive	AI Film de la Noche	Zorro (CC) Mickey Mouse	Dukes of Hazzard (35) Movie:	Movie: The Armitville (10:50)	Movie: Always	Creflo Dollar Crystal Lyons	Biography	Wild Discovery	Movie: The Killing Fields	Baseball	Baseball Cheerdance	Spring Weekend	227 (CC) Midnight Love	
11:30 PM	Nightline (36) Keenen	Vibe	Special Presentation	Bonanza-Lost	Show (CC) Married... With	Ent. Tonight Politically Inc.	(CC) Late	(40) Movie: Wallock	Club America	Movie: The Incredible	Prime Time Country (CC)	Ghosts Can't Do It	Horror (CC)	Outnumbered (CC)	Light of the Southwest	Titanic: Death of a Dream	Animal X Movie Magic	FOX Sports News	Half Marathon	(12:15) Movie: The		
12:30 AM	Hoy Ways Politically Inc.	Martin (CC) In the Heat of	Paid Program	Late Late Show	News Ent. Tonight	Night (CC) Gayle King																

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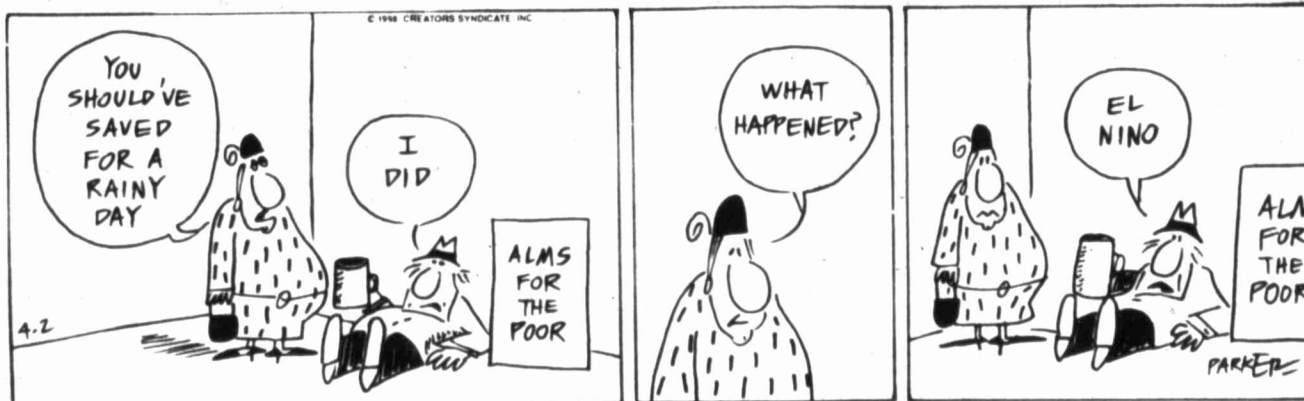
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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

Today is Thursday, April 2, the 92nd day of 1998. There are

273 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On April 2, 1917, President Wilson asked Congress to declare war against Germany, saying, "The world must be made safe for democracy." On this date:

In 1513, Spanish explorer Juan Ponce de Leon landed in Florida.

In 1792, Congress passed the Coinage Act, which authorized establishment of the U.S. Mint.

In 1860, the first Italian Parliament met at Turin.

In 1865, Confederate President Davis and most of his Cabinet fled the Confederate capital of Richmond, Va.

In 1932, aviator Charles A. Lindbergh and Dr. John F. Condon turned over \$50,000 in ransom to an unidentified man in a New York City cemetery in exchange for Lindbergh's kidnapped son. Not released, the infant was found dead the following month.

In 1942, Glenn Miller and his orchestra recorded "American Patrol" at the RCA Victor studios in Hollywood.

In 1974, French president Georges Pompidou died in Paris.

In 1982, several thousand troops from Argentina seized the disputed Falkland Islands, located in the south Atlantic, from Britain. Britain seized the islands back the following June.

In 1986, four American passengers were killed when a bomb exploded aboard a TWA jetliner en route from Rome to Athens, Greece.

In 1992, mob boss John Gotti was convicted in New York City of murder and racketeering. He was later sentenced to life in prison.

In 1995, baseball owners accepted the players' union offer to play without a contract, ending the longest and costliest strike in the history of professional sports.

Ten years ago: Secretary of State George P. Shultz briefed Pope John Paul II on his Middle East peace proposals during a private audience at the Vatican.

Five years ago: The Bosnian Serb parliament rejected a peace plan drafted by U.N. and European mediators and already approved by Bosnian Muslims and Croats. President Clinton presided at a daylong conference in Portland, Ore., on how much logging should be allowed on federal land.

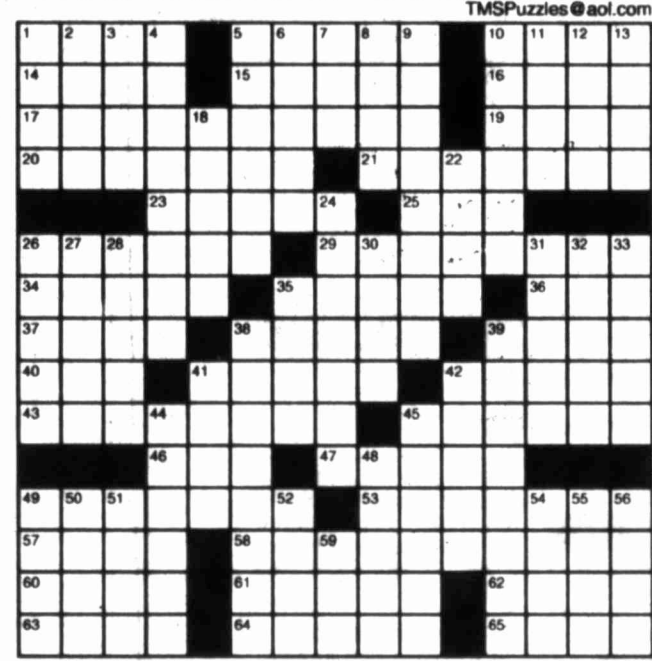
One year ago: The White House released documents showing how eager it had been to exploit the money-drawing powers of President Clinton and Vice President Gore during the 1996 campaign while coordinating with the Democratic Party's fund-raising machine.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Buddy Ebsen is 90. Actor Sir Alec Guinness is 84. Actor Dabbs Greer is 81. Actress Sharon Acker is 63. Singer Leon Russell is 57.

THE Daily Crossword

Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

- ACROSS**
- Indian housemaid
 - Pet protection: grp.
 - Sleuth Charlie
 - Bert's ex
 - __ out (parachutes)
 - Bonheur or Parks
 - Capt. John Smith's friend
 - Copycat
 - Jackie or James
 - Ottawa chief
 - Countertenors
 - Caviar base
 - Lipinski's footwear
 - Matrix of computer networks
 - Ness and Lomond
 - Curved moldings
 - Beer type
 - Operatic solo
 - Dogpatch resident
 - __ monster
 - Actor Beatty
 - Woman's netlike cap
 - Absolutely not!
 - Fuel measuring device
 - Alluring women
 - French friend
 - With 28D, protein bases
 - Chiricahua
 - Apache chief
 - Fitness
 - Translucent gem
 - Chief Metacum, aka
 - Stick in the mud
 - With 51D, "Flashdance" star
 - South of France
 - Teddy
 - Exclude
 - Drying kiln



By Edgar Fontaine, Dighton, MA

Wednesday's Puzzle Solved

DOWN

- Swiss range
- Debatable
- Deliver ending?
- Onondaga chief
- Scrubs, as a mission
- Domingo
- Abyss
- Applaud
- Classifier
- Lunar depression
- Pueblo dweller
- On the briny
- Drug coop
- Alan and others
- Negatives
- Milano Mrs.
- Colloquialism
- Asian peninsula
- 38 Apache leader
- 41 Partial: pref.
- 42 Last inning
- 30 Requirement
- 31 Inexperienced
- 32 Glasgow or Barkin
- 33 Crocodile
- 35 Hautboy
- 49 Hair splitter
- 50 Mayberry boy
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- 56 Roasting rod
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