

Commissioners close Howard County Library on Saturdays

By T.E. JENKINS Staff Writer

Howard County Commissioners Court announced Monday it will change the county library hours in an attempt to cut down on departmental expenses.

We've had to make a lot of expense cuts this year," said Commissioner Sonny Choate. "All of the other departments have had to make sacrifices, and

we couldn't exclude the library." The library will now be closed on Saturdays, with newly extended hours during the week.

"The library will now be open from 8 a.m. until 6 p.m. on weekdays, with extended hours of 8 a.m. until 9 p.m. on Thursday," said Commissioner Jerry Kilgore. "We've looked at the circulation on Saturdays, and on average, it's about half what it is on their slowest weekday.

"We've had a lot of illness among the employees, and they are already stretched too thin. We feel that this is the best way to utilize the manpower that we already have."

"What we really need at the library is more employees," said Choate.

"However, with the current cut-backs, we can't afford it. It's usually pretty slow on Saturdays, and we have talked this over with the library staff and customers, and they approved of the measures

"We have had to make cuts at all levels this year, and the library is no different. We went with this plan of action to avoid having to cut the amount of books bought, and items such as that. We also expect to save a little on utilities, and at this point, every little bit helps." Howard County Library will begin its

new hours of operation immediately.

New junior high to boast latest in technology By MARSHA STURDIVANT

County expects no tax increase

WEDNESDAY

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TUESDAY July 14, 1998

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It appears Howard County will be able to absorb a loss in oil revenue without having to raise taxes, commissioners said Monday.

"We've about got it together," said Choate. "We have had good cooperation from all of the county departments.

We're in pretty good shape right now. It looks like we will be able to absorb the loss in oil revenue this year without having to raise taxes. We took a substantial loss when the oil prices came down this year, taking about \$25 miltion in lost revenue. That translates in to a loss of about \$120,000 in revenue for the county."

We're still waiting on the final judgment from the appraisal office," said Kilgore. "Once we get that in, as well as the finals from the insurance people, we'll be able to move into the final phases of approving the budget."

will be home to some of the

Staff Writer A wish becomes a reality for Big Spring, and for 680 junior high students, a dream which

became a \$12.5 million bond issue and then an 86-page plan, now becomes a building. The 150,000 square foot facility will provide more than just new space for the students - it

newest technology available for classroom learning, said Ron Logback, assistant business manager for Big Spring Independent School District.

"We have, basically, five sections. One through three are the classroom and administration. Section four has a few classrooms, the band and choir, cafeteria and kitchen. Section five is the gym and locker rooms," Logback said.

A recent tour of the building revealed a northern entrance with two entry ways. Administration offices are centered between.

Spanish tile and terrazo floors will blend together with

carpeted areas throughout the building, he said. The terrazzo, a polished blend of white concrete and marble chips, is about 60 percent poured, he said.

The entry way walls consist of dark-colored, red brick, with blonde-colored "soldier" brick inlaid, adding a touch of contrast. "Soldier" brick are those laid in a different direction, in this case horizontal, to contrast with the vertical dark brick, Logback said.

Wilson wall board, a half-inch thick wall covering, completes some of the texture within the entryway. "This is sturdy mate-rial," he said.

Across the hall from the administration offices is the technologically-advanced library, with three different doorways into the surrounding halls.

The library, designed to be the center of the communication network, will feature eight televisions, as well as a central link system that controls all the classroom computers and televisions.

Logback explained the technlogy while standing in a science classroom, located in the western portion of the building.

"Students will be able to access Internet from this classroom right here: Students can read a book in the library from this room right here," Logback



WHAT'S UP ... Quarterback Club, 7:30

m. All Tootball parents a fans welcome. For more information call Monika at 263-6729

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

Scrapbooking basics workshop, 7-9 p.m., East Fourth Baptist Church, 401 E. Fourth St. There is a \$20 fee which includes all supplies needed to make an album page.

WEDNESDAY

□ Line dancing, 1 p.m., Senior Citizens Center in the Industrial Park. Call 398-5522 or 267-1628.

Optimist Club, 7 a.m., College Cactus Howard Room.

GFraternal Order of Eagles, 7 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 704 West Third.

THURSDAY

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

C Evening line dancing class, 6:30 p.m., Big Spring Mall, the room near Hallmark and Bealls. For more information call Dorothy Kennemur at 398-5522 or email at drkbigspring@xroadstx.com

D Giddeons International Big Spring Camp No. 4206, 7 a.m., Hermans.

G Kiwanis Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room. Call Billy Smith at 267-6479.

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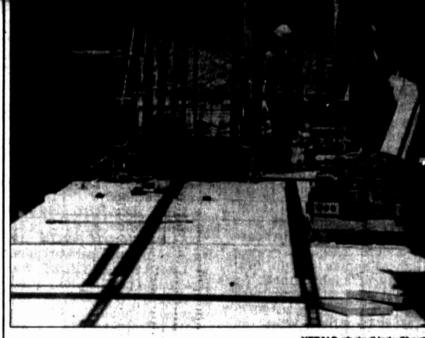
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HERALD photo/Linda Choste Masons build the brick walls of the west entrance of the athletic facility in the new Big Spring Junior High School. Approximately 750,000 brick and 250,000 cinder brick has been used in the construction of the school.

said Each classroom will have its See TECHNOLOGY, Page 2

A mason lays cinder brick in the wall of the new gymnasium at the Big Spring Junior High School. After some delays, the school is expected to be completed in December.

December completion date still targeted

By MARSHA STURDIVANT Staff Writer

Eighty-six pages of blueprints are being transformed into walls, floors and ceilings as the new Big Spring Junior High School faces its last few months of construction. The big question - when will

the school be completed - is answered by both Ron Logback, assistant business manager for BSI\$D, and Milton Smith, owner of Monterey Construction Co. in charge of the project.

"They can make it if they continue to do what they're doing. The kids ought to be

able to start to school here in January (after the Christmas break)," Logback said. Smith confirmed the December completion date.

"A lot has depended on the masons. We can't put the roof up without the walls up," Smith said.

And the walls continue to move upward, as the building begins to take the shape of a school, and not just another dirt construction site.

A recent walk through of the building reveals not just any school, but a state of the art facility with 150,000 square feet of learning opportunity. The building is equipped

with two "student common" areas, televisions in every classroom, computer links throughout the building, and 76 individual cable wires for the communication portions of the facility.

"This is truly a first class building," Smith said. He said the construction of

the building thus far has included more than 70 workers, including masons and bricklayers, drywall workers, electricians, plumbers, heating and air conditioning experts, terrazo workers and iron workers.

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Delinquent collections in better shape than ever, tax attorney says

By MARSHA STURDIVANT

Staff Writer

Howard County tax collections are in better shape than ever, according to Drew Mouton, tax collection attorney for the local taxing entities.

"This is the second-best twoyear period we've ever had in tax collections, and that is second only to the two years preceding.

"The last four years have been the best ever in delinquent tax

collections," Mouton said in a recent interview.

His report to the county commissioners Monday stated he believes the reason for the increase in successful collections is a system that has had an opportunity to iron out any difficulties.

"For the last four years, we've had one man, Richard Cypert, who's been doing that, and going through the rolls, and he's doing a better job.

"Over the past 15 years, differ-ent people have collected taxes,

lose ground over time. We knew there was good money out there that wasn't being collected, and we set out to collect it," Mouton said.

Consistent trends in tax payments and those taxes that reach delinquency enable Mouton to project future tax collections, he said.

"We have seen trends in delinquent tax collections that indicate the tax rolls are in pretty good shape.

What this will allow us to do

and whenever you switch, you is guess, or prognosticate, what we will collect next year, based on what goes on the new delinquent tax roll," he said.

The fiscal year for tax payments is July 1 through June 30, and the report Mouton presented was the 1997-98 figures.

"Last year, in '97, our delinquent tax roll was up some from the year before. In '96, fewer taxes became delinquent because more people paid their taxes currently," he said.

In 1996-97, \$558,000 was collected in delinquent taxes,

although that was down \$100,000 from 1995-96, because fewer delinquent taxes were due, he said.

Mouton's two-year contract as the county tax collecting attorney was also renewed at the commissioners meeting.

Another boost to county tax money has been the Sheriff's Tax Sale. The last county sheriff's sale was in October, which netted about \$20,000, he said. "There were 47 parcels owned

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Local entities plan meeting to discuss Permian Building options

By MARSHA STURDIVANT

Staff Writer

said.

Local taxing entities will meet today to discuss a three-year extension for repairs to the Permian Building that owner Al Moore requested from the city last week.

"We met with him and he asked for three years just to fix that wall, for just the wall. We felt like we could not give him three years," Todd Darden, community development director for the city, said.

Moore cited his source of income as his social security check, which allows him to pay

the ad valorem tax, Darden "He asked the city for more

time, and we felt like we could not comply and said no. Now we've set up a meeting with the city, county. school district, college and attorney Drew

cuss our opt-ions," Darden said. Options open might be filing

ing the building, Darden said. Mouton said in an interview

today that he may recommend filing foreclosure. Delinquest taxes are about \$10,000, including penalties and interest, he said.

"He (Al Moore) signed a contract to pay the taxes out, and he has been fairly regular mak-ing payments. However, I understand that last week he said he was not going to make any more payments," Mouton

Mouton said Moore has not listed a telephone number or residential address with the his office. Moore has said he travels through Austin and retrieves his mail, Mouton said.

"All I have is a post office box," Mouton said.

Darden said Moore seemed aware of his options as well, citing Chapter 13 bankruptcy as a possible solution during last week's meeting.

"Technically, if we do the work and do a lien on the building, and he files Chapter 13, that means we wouldn't get our money," Darden said.

Darden said no decisions will be made until the taxing entities meet today, at 3:30 p.m. at City Hall. "(Moore) had a good dream.

and he had investors from California, but they decided they didn't want to make that

investment," Darden said, Moore's plan for the Permian Building, which was construct-ed in 1952, was to renovate and remodel the multi-story 'structure into offices and apartments. He offered his investors two options, to fund the project completely through a purchase plan, or to invest and allow Moore to manage the construction, Darden said.

"We never received the names of these investors," he said.

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DARDEN said.

Mouton, to dis-

filing tax foreclosure or repair-

Obituaries

Mrs. Bill Earley

Mrs. Bill (Helen Creath) Earley, 92, Big Spring, passed away on Sunday, July 12, 1998, in a local nursing home following a long ill-

ness Service will be 010 a.m. Wednesday July 15, 1998, at Myers & Smith Chapel with Rev. Gary Groves, minister of

Fairst Christian Church, officiating. Burial will follow in Mount **Olive Memorial Park.**

She was the daughter of John R. and Mayme Berry Creath. She was born on Aug. 26, 1905, in Oklahoma City, Okla.

She married Garland James (Bill) Earley on June 7, 1933, in Big Spring. He preceded her in death on July 12, 1958.

Mrs. Earley had been a resident of Howard County since 1914, moving here from New Mexico. She was a member of the First Christian Church, being baptized in the original Christian Church and was married in the second building. She was also a member of the Daughters of the American **Revolution**, Howard County Historical Society, and the Genealogical Society of Big Spring.

She received her BA and BS from The University of Texas. She had taught in rural schools in Howard, Glasscock and Martin Counties from 1924 to 1935. She also worked at the **Big Spring State Hospital as a** social case worker from 1959 to 1972. After her retirement, she was active in volunteer work at the Veterans Administration Medical Center. Helen had also wrote, "History of Howard County Churches," and "History of Big Spring Churches."

Mrs. Early was an active Girl Scout leader in Big Spring for a number of years. She had also been a tutor for many neighborhood children for a number of years.

She is survived by: one son. Billy John Earley and his wife, two daughters, Beth Ann Mary, of Nacogdoches; one

Don Swinney The family suggests memorials to: First Christian Church Missionary Fund; 911 Goliad; Big Spring; or the Heritage

Museum; 510 Scurry; Big Spring. The family will be at 2311 Allendale and will also be at the funeral home from 6:30 to 8 p.m. today.

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

Paid obituary

Jerry McGee

Memorial service for Jerry Duane McGee, Midland, will be 10 a.m. Wednesday, July 15, 1998. at Kentucky Baptist Church in Midland with Rev. Bob Porterfield officiating.

Mr. McGee died Monday, July 13, in a Big Spring hospital

He was born on Feb. 20, 1938, in Stanton. He was a trucker and a member of Cottonflat Baptist Church.

Survivors include: his wife. Reata McGee of Midland: seven daughters, Syndi Daughtrey of Midland, Debra McGee-Abshier of Bastrop, Savanna Adams of Atlanta, Ga., Diane Lang of Lafayette, La., and Rhonda McGee and Kim Ysasaga, both of Coppell; two sons, John Carver of Abilene, and Coby McGee of Lubbock; his mother. Willa Dean McGee of Midland; a brother, Don McGee of Dennison; 15 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to St. Stephen's Fund-Poor; 4601 Neely Ave.; Midland: 79707.

Arrangements under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Annette Ross

Service for Annette Ross, Midland, will be 10 a.m. Wednesday, July 15, 1998, at Memorial Christian Church, Burial will follow in Resthaven Memorial Park.

Mrs. Ross died Tuesday, July 14, in Midland.

She was born on Nov. 11, 1927. in Thorton.

Survivors include: her husband, C.A. Ross, Jr. of Midland; Broughton of Midland, and tion, the cameras will swing toward you, and provide immediate, one-on-one teaching." Logback said.

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Connected, mirror-image art rooms also have space provided for a ceramic kiln, he said.

The second east-west hall has three special education rooms, and a Career Center, which will be furnished with modular learning systems.

"What we knew as Home Economics, only now it will be computerized," he said.

In the fourth level, at the doors to the cafetorium, the cement columns of the now demolished Boydstun Elementary grace the entry way. They were placed in tact construction workers, bv Logback said.

When we're finished dressing them up, they will look brand new," he said.

This big hallway has high ceilings, approximately 25 feet. and unique, round windows at the top. The entire area is dark red brick, with the blonde soldier inlays.

The band hall and choir departments are on this level. Both these departments have smaller practice rooms built into the larger classrooms.

The vocational department, or shop, is also located in this area. A concession stand that occupies the west end of the kitchen, with access to the hall. is available for patrons attending sporting events, he said.

The fifth level is the gymnasium, where mirro-image connecting gyms will provide seating for about 1,200 people each, he said.

The gyms will have their own dressing rooms, girls and boys, and boast a climate-controlled air system, with heating and cooling units, he said.

There will be 650 fixed seats. or bleachers, and another 600 seats that roll away. Underneath the fixed seating will be weight rooms, boys and girls, he said.

The athletic area has its own entrances from the east and west, and the dressing and locker rooms are the last walls to be raised. Parking is also being constructed, he said.

Logback said the building site will be completed with landscaping and irrigation systems. "It's as maintenance-free as we could make it," he said.

BIG SPRING ROUND THE TOWN

repair the building, Darden said. Because of severe electrical damage due to plumbing deteri-

oration, the cost was estimated at \$2.4 million for renovation. 'And Gary told us the cost would be \$250,000 to demolish the building, with no abate-

ments for asbestos or lead removal," Darden said. The building today is out of code, and needs extensive elec-

cal repairs, he said. The last tenants abandoned the building in the early 1980s, because of plumbing problems that caused serious electrical malfunctions,

COLLECTIONS_

the tax rolls." the county sheriff to sell these properties for any amount to a

not the delinquent taxpayer or the county. Formerly, the law required the parcels to be sold for delinquent taxes due, or the appraised value, whichever was less. Selling some property for

he said. "That's how we accumulated the 47 properties. Our first sale we sold every bit of property we had up for sale." "Some, we received a good price, some a low price. The county has the option of bidding against somebody, but

often, considering the location or condition, the (low) price is not unreasonable," Mouton said.

SUPPORT GROUPS

TUESDAY •Support for MS and Related

of E. 15th. Dec. cotton 73.30 cents, up 18 points; Aug. crude 14.26, up 35 points; Cash hogs steady at 50 lower at 34; cash steers steady at 50 cents lower at 60 cents even; Aug. lean hog futures 50.75 up 27 points; Aug. live cattle futures 61.85, up 5 points. courtesy: Delta Corporation.

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BIG SPRING HERALD Tuesday, July 14, 1998

SHERIFF

The Howard County Sheriff's Office reported the following activity between 8 a.m. Monday and 8 a.m. Tuesday:

• BRIAN KEITH SMITH. 29. was arrested on a motion to

BOBBY JOE SPEARS, 70.

· MICHAEL ALLEN SEAY,

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RECORDS

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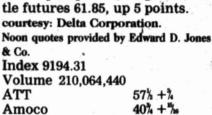
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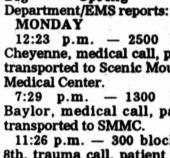
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daughter, Betty Jo Birdwell and her husband, John, of Big Spring; one sister, Mildred McFall of Big Spring; five grandchildren, John (J.J.) Birdwell, Jr. and his wife, Teresa, of Big Spring, Kathy Lang and her husband, Mark, of Orlando, Fla., Mark Earley of Dallas, Jamiann Earley and Donald Earley, both of Austin; five great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandson; and several cousins, nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers are J.J: Birdwell. Chasten Birdwell, Mark Earley, Donald Earley, Mark Lang and



Friday.Graveside services were at 10:00 AM Tuesday at Trinity Memorial Park.

MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL

24th & Johnson 267-8288

Helen Early, 92, died Sunday. Services will be 10:00 AM, Wednesday at Myers & Smith Chapel, with burial at Mount Olive Memorial Park. The family will receive friends from 6.30-8:00 PM tonight at the funeral home.

Jerry McGee, 60, died Monday. Memorial services will be 10:00 AM. Wednesday at Kentucky Baptist Church, Midland.

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Jerilyn Wilkerson of Big Spring; and two grandchildren. Arrangements under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home, Midland.

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own television and computer. Messages may be sent to classrooms via the television using the linkup in the library. Logback said 76 cable wires make up the system, which will also include a full security system and motion detectors.

Cable television access is prewired, although that service has not be subscribed, he said. The science wing features six

classrooms. Every two science classrooms connect and share a large teacher workroom area.

For science experiments, the classrooms will have sinks. flumes for exhaust and gas detection units that will shut off gas valves if a leak happens, he said. Fire alarms and smoke detectors will be included.

Two student commons areas, or gathering places, feature the terrazzo flooring, and brick seats arranged in a semi-circular pattern. These areas will offer television access, as well as locker areas for the students.

A computer room, with three ground levels for computers and student seating, was designed partially by the teachers, Logback said. The staff selected colors and floor covering, he said.

The information delivery center, a separate classroom, offers seven elevating floor levels for seating, that will be complete with four cameras, two computers and speakers that are voice activated, Logback said.

The intent is to provide remote access teaching, with students able to question the teacher and receive immediate response, using the speakers and cameras installed. The height variance provides greater visibility, he said.

"Down the line, we'll be able to hook up with Texas Tech or China. When you ask a ques-



"Our target date is Christmas to get in here," Logback said.

CONSTRUCTION

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And naturally, many roofers, carpenters and all the construction "helpers", have worked since the project's beginning. in April 1996, he said. The building holds more than 5.000 yards of concrete, 750,000

bricks and 250,000 cinder block bricks, Smith said. "There's no wood in our building. The wall studs are

metal," Logback said. And Smith added,"All structural is metal.

Specialized tradesmen and an unusually busy construction season throughout the state have added to the delay in completion of the school, Smith said.

"We've imported most of the bricklayers from Fort Worth and Dallas, and (paying) \$22 an hour, just to get them. This boom is the busiest I've seen it

in the last 20 years," he said: "It's tough getting people to work, and few young people are getting into the building trades. It's hard to find young people interested in the trades (like masonry)," Smith said.

Smith added that he has conducted several school projects through his construction company.

And he agreed that a project of this magnitude is bound to encounter some unforseen problems.

"We try to figure in all the intangibles, but sometimes we just miss some," Smith said. However, with most of the problems seemingly solved, construction continues, and students should be in the new building after Christmas break. Logback said.

BUILDING

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In 1993, Gary and Associates provided the city with an estimate of what the cost was to

> DUNLAPS Now with Estee Lauder & Clinique 111 E. Marcy 267-8283 Mon.-Sat. 10 am-6 pm

Diseases, 6:30 p.m. second Tuesday of each month, Canterbury South. Public invited. Call Leslie, 267-1069. •Al-Anon, 8 p.m., 615 Settles.

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

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

 Cancer support group, first Tuesday of each month, 7-8 p.m., VA Medical Center room 213. Call Beverly Rice, 268-5077. •"Most Excellent Way," an addiction support group, 3610

Dixon, call 264-9900. Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting and 8 p.m. closed meeting.

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

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

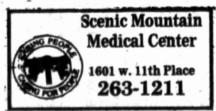
•Samaritan Counseling Center of West Texas will have Dr. Ronald Meyer, D.Min., LCDC, LMFT, specializing in individual and marriage counseling, Attention Deficit Disorder and chemical dependency, available for clients at the First Christian Church. Appointments for counseling services are made by calling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

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

WEDNESDAY

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

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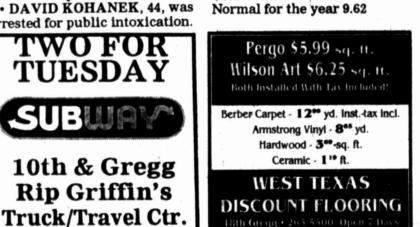
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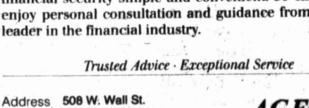
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GENERAL NEWS

FBI says flick of Bic had deadly intent

BROWNSVILLE (AP) Federal authorities say three self-proclaimed Republic of Texas members schemed to kill President Clinton and a host of government officials with lethal toxins delivered via converted cigarette lighters.

But federal officials still have not said whether the reported members of the militant separatist group actually had the deadly toxins to do it.

At a hearing at federal court in Brownsville Monday, U.S. Magistrate Judge John William Black ordered unsealed the affidavit used to arrest Johnnie Wise, 72, Jack Abbott Grebe Jr., 43, and Oliver Dean Emigh, 63.

The three are charged with conspiracy to use weapons of mass destruction, an offense punishable by life in prison. Officials have been virtually

silent about the case since the men were arrested at Wise's mobile home in the tiny town of Olmito, north of Brownsville, on July 1. But the affidavit includes sevi

eral intriguing allegations. Primary among them is the trio's purported near-success at converting disposable Bic lighters into air guns that would propel a toxin-laced cactus thorn into a victim.

Among their intended targets were Clinton, Texas Attorney

'Japan has been gridlocked

General Dan Morales, the directors of the FBI, CIA, DEA and IRS, and members of the Texas Department of Public Safety.

The investigation hinged on the efforts of a confidential informant, who was asked by Wise and Grebe to find a way to transmit untraceable e-mail, the affidavit says.

The message eventually sent was penned by Emigh and entitled "A Declaration of War," the FBI alleges.

A portion of the document states: "we certain citizens of the United States of America can, will, and shall bring the utmost and grievous harm to federal agents and their fami-

On June 12, the affidavit says, Wise and Grebe e-mailed the message to the targets from the informant's home.

Court records say Wise and Grebe sent more specific threats to the same targets on **June 26**.

"Your FBI employees and their families have been targeted for destruction by revenge," says one message listed in the affidavit, addressed to FBI **Director Louis J. Freeh.**

The two men also said their first target for a biological attack would i be Cameron County Judge Migdalia Lopez, records show.

Japan's new leader to inherit reform pressure

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WASHINGTON (AP) - The 50 years. Clinton administration wasted no time in letting it be known for nearly a decade. While it that the Japanese leader may be could play a key role in resolving the Asian economic crisis, different but the U.S. message is

the same — reform in the world's second largest economy is an imperative. "It is very important to the United States that the new government, whatever its composi-

reaction to the resignation of

Private analysts were skepti-

cal that Hashimoto's successor

will be any more successful at

shaping up a Japanese economy

Minister

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Hashimoto.

tion, move quickly to implement concrete fiscal and banking measures to achieve strong domestic demand-led growth in Japan," presidential spokesman Mike McCurry said Monday in

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its political paralysis has made it unable to do anything positive," said Greg Mastel, an Asian expert at the Economic

Strategy Institute. The worry is that if Japan can't soon find a way to revive growth, Asia's troubles will deepen and spread, possibly triggering a global recession that could bring an end to America's seven consecutive years of economic growth.

Hashimoto announced on Monday that he would step down after his Liberal Democratic Party suffered a stunning setback in parliamentary elections that analysts mired in its worst recession in attributed to widespread unhap-

piness among Japanese voters about the economy.

"The good news is that the Japanese public is fed up and not going to take it any more.

"The bad news is that the ability of the Japanese political system to deliver something different is very much in question," said Clyde Prestowitz, who was a top Japanese trade negotiator during the Reagan administration.

While the Clinton administration was careful to steer clear of any speculation on the next prime minister, some Wall Street economists indicated they favor the dark horse candidacy of Seiroku Kajiyama, who has pushed for a more aggressive response to Japan's economic troubles, over the more cautious Foreign Minister Keizo Obuchi.

Whoever is chosen, the administration let it be known that President Clinton would like to meet with him as soon as possible.

Even with the repudiation of Hashimoto's party at the polls, many U.S. economists believe the "Total Plan" his government produced in recent weeks to deal with the economy's biggest problem, \$530 billion in bad bank loans, is a credible effort to resolve Japan's banking crisis.

But the crucial question, analysts said, will be how quickly Hashimoto's successor and Japan's notoriously cautious bureaucracy move to deal with a banking crisis that dwarfs America's savings and loan crisis of the 1980s, which took six years and \$125 billion in taxpayer money to resolve.

Texas bakes Heat deaths increase in triple-digit weather

DALLAS (AP) - The boiler-room heat suffocating Texas has killed at least 21 people this year and is already responsible for seven deaths in Dallas County alone this week.

Triple-digit temperatures in Dallas claimed two lives on Monday and five on Sunday, according to the Dallas County Medical Examiner's office.

Dallas County has had 15 heat-related deaths since June 1 including that of a 58-year-old disabled man without air conditioning in a trailer.

"We've probably got another three or four pending," Charles Gaylor, a field agent, told The Dallas Morning News. "This is too many."

Ten of the victims were older than 60 and all but four died in homes where air conditioning was broken or turned off. At least six more deaths have been reported statewide.

The upsurge in deaths comes after the year's hottest weekend. Dallas hit 110 degrees, the hottest day on record since July 18. 1980.

The all-time record of 113 was recorded three weeks earlier that year, on June 26-27.

A persistent high-pressure air mass over Texas for the last month is responsible for the heat, according to the National Weather Service in Fort Worth.

The system, which compresses the air, combines with low humidity to facilitate quick heating, according to meteorologist Brian Curran of the Weather Service.

This summer's sweltering temperatures - 21 days in triple digits so far - has awakened memories of 1980's worst-ever summer.

That year, 66 people in Dallas County fell to heat-related deaths during a summer that had 69 day of 100 degrees or more, the medical examiner's office said.

Twenty-nine of those days broke or tied or records, and the daily high rose above 100 for 42 days, from June 23 to August 3rd, he said.

And even the nights this year have been little relief, Curran said.

"We've had eight days where our low temperatures have been at or above 80 degrees," he said.

By comparison, the average low for this time of year is 74 degrees with a high of 96.

Report: Companies still far from being truly family-friendly

NEW YORK (AP) — Many companies allow workers to slip away for school plays or stay home with a sick child. But Corporate America has, far to go before it can be called truly familyfriendly.

One of the first comprehensive studies of work-family programs reported today that many companies lack even help is available, or fail to hold man, agers accountable for sensitivity to work-family needs. The study also found that big companies and those with women and minority leaders were far more likely to offer such support. The "Business Work-Life Study," by the Families and Work Institute, draws attention to gaps between the widespread corporate rhetoric given to family concerns and the actual help offered to workers.

Forty percent of the companies didn't make a 'real and ongoing' effort to tell employees of available work-family programs, according to the survey.

basic work-family policies, don't make survey that showed that workers with hood development. Secretary of Health a real effort to inform workers that more supportive employers and better and Human Services Donna Shalala jobs were more likely to be loyal to their companies — an important finding in today's tight labor market. "It's a mixed picture," said Ellen Galinsky, president of the New Yorkbased institute, a private research group. "There's certainly a lot going on, and certainly a great deal of room for improvement. Companies are much more likely to offer the no-cost or lowcost options.'

It complements the institute's recent discuss the importance of early childmore supportive employers and better and Human Services Donna Shalala, and child advocate and film director Rob Reiner were to attend the forum, which was closed to the press. Only a few years after the term "work-family" became recognizable to many Americans, many companies offer at least some initiatives to help employees balance their lives: -Nearly 90 percent of the 1,000 companies surveyed by telephone allow workers to take time off to attend school events, and half let workers stay home with mildly ill children without

using vacations or sick days. -More than two-thirds of employers

employees to change their hours.

Yet only 9 percent of companies offer child care at or near the workplace, 33 percent offer maternity leaves more than 13 weeks long, and 23 percent offer elder care resource and referral services." (DREIDING O 15,880A ALS

work-family needs.

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The report also said nearly 40 perallow flextime, such as authorizing cent of human resources representatives said their company didn't make a "real and ongoing" effort to tell employees of available work-family programs.

"It's shocking," said James Bond, the study's co-author. "It almost suggests a holding back of information."

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She released the report to business leaders brought together for the day to with more than 100 workers. The results had a margin of error of plus or minus 3 percentage points.

Of course, just having a program available to workers doesn't always translate into a family-friendly environment. Managers and top executives must be supportive, and employees must know about the programs to make use of them.

Only 44 percent of companies, for example, hold supervisors accountable for sensitivity to their employees'

characteristics of a family-friendly company, they found that companies with more women and minorities in top positions were far more likely to offer such programs.

Not only are women and minorities likely to be more empathetic, but they probably rise faster in companies that are willing to question all types of traditions, the study said.

Sharon Allen, an office managing partner at Deloitte & Touche, said the accounting firm's 5-year push to pro-

Justice Department to appeal court decision

WASHINGTON (AP) — The **Independent** Counsel Kenneth Justice Department said today Starr can question Secret it will appeal a court decision Service personnel before the grand jury looking into allegacompelling Secret Service pertions that President Clinton sonnel to testify in the Monica had a sexual relationship with Bert Brandenburg, Attorney former White House intern General Janet Reno's chief Lewinsky, then lied about it spokesman, said the Justice and asked her to lie.

Six of the full court's 11 judges would have to agree to reconsider the case. If the full appeals court does not rehear the Justice the case, Department could ask the Supreme Court to consider it.

If the full court hears the appeal, it would set Starr further back in his attempt to question Secret Service personnel about what they saw and heard about any relationship between Clinton and Lewinsky. Justice Department lawyers

argued unsuccessfully that forcing an agent to reveal the actions and words of the president could undermine trust between the president and his bodyguards and increase the chances of an assassination.

In its decision last Tuesday,

the three appeals court judges said it should be left to Congress to determine whether a protective function is appropriate in order to ensure the safety of the president, and, if so, what the contours of that privilege" should be.

Starr is seeking testimony from uniformed Secret Service officers Gary Byrne and Brian Henderson and agency lawyer John Kelleher about what they or others learned while guarding Clinton.

new 'Call Waiting ID' today HOUSTON (AP) - Have you ever heard a beep while you're on the phone, notifying you that another caller is trying to reach vou?

Southwestern Bell began offering a service today that lets its customers see who's calling before they interrupt their present call to take the new one.

Call Waiting ID ties together two of the company's most popular services — Call Waiting and Caller ID. A subscriber to the new feature sees the name and phone number of a caller even if he or she is talking on the phone when the call comes

The new service requires that a subscriber have both Call Waiting and Caller ID, as well as a viewing box or a screen telephone that works with Call Waiting ID.

The service costs an additional \$3 on top of the cost of Call Waiting (\$2.80 a month) and Caller ID (\$6.50 a month).

Kristen Malacarne, a spokeswoman for Bell, said not all addon viewers and Caller ID-capable phones will work with Call Waiting ID.

However, she said most Caller ID hardware manufactured since December should work with the service.

Spent nine years on death row Two men wrongly convicted receive \$500,000 each

MIAMI (AP) - Freddie Pitts said he'll always carry the pain of years he spent behind bars, but now he and a second man have \$500,000 each from the state for their wrongful murder conviction in the deaths of two gas station attendants.

Lewinsky investigation.

Department, which represents

the Secret Service, was filing

notice asking the full U.S.

Court of Appeals for the D.C.

A three-judge panel of the

court ruled last week that

Circuit to reconsider the case.

"I am bitter, and-I will be until the day I die," Pitts said Monday, when the two men received the money. "But it's a bitterness I control. It's like a scar, a burn. It's going to be there."

Pitts, 54, and Wilbert Lee, 62, who are black, twice were convicted by all-white juries of murdering two white gas sta-

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tion attendants in 1963 in Port St. Joe, a Florida Panhandle fishing and paper mill town. They were on death row for nine years.

The convictions were thrown out after a white man. Curtis "Boo" Adams, admitted to the murders. During a retrial, however, Adams' confession was ruled inadmissible, and Pitts and Lee were convicted again. They were pardoned in 1975

by Gov. Reubin Askew, who cited substantial doubt about their guilt.

For more than 20 years, the men have asked the state to compensate them for the years they spent behind bars. "This is the biggest miscar-

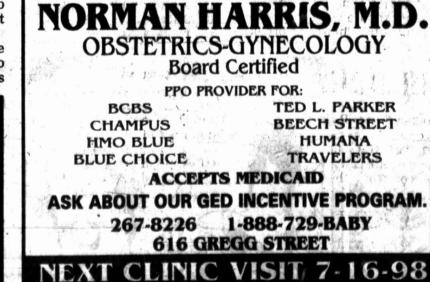
riage of justice," said state Rep. Kendrick Meek, a sponsor of the compensation bill. "They deserve this and more. If it was me, I would be bitter."

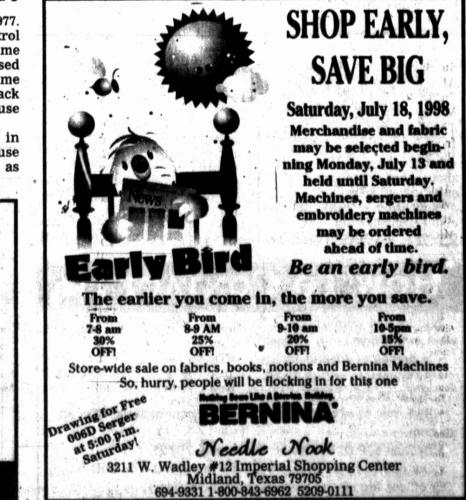
Lee is a correctional counselor for Miami-Dade County. Pitts works as a truck driver. Legislation to compensate the

two men has been introduced

during every session since 1977. The Republicans, who control the Legislature for the first time since Reconstruction, passed the compensation bill at a time of political strife between black lawmakers and House Democrats.

The troubles erupted in January when House Democrats ousted a black as their speaker-elect.





OPINION

BIG SPRING HERALD Tuesday, July 14, 1998

"Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances. -FIRST AMENDMENT

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OUR VIEWS

Academy builds bond between police and public

hat's it like to be a cop? You can find that out and a lot more by attending the next class of the Citizens Police Academy. It's one of the best programs we've heard of to get the public and law enforcement interacting with each other. In times like these, where no family, it seems, is untouched by crime, it may be citizens' best defense.

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From there, students move into traffic control, criminal and narcotics investigation, searches and deadly force.

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It's all designed to give the general public a better understanding of the rights and restraints of law enforcement officers, their challenges, the dangers they face, and even their frustrations.

With that understanding, graduates of the 12-week

Steps to limit the effects of screen violence

omanswatched human beings kill each other for recreation. Nobody ever accused the Romans of being sensitive. Why then

would anyone expect American children who grow up watching human beings kill each other on television, in the movies CHARLEY and in video arcades to be sensitive and

compassion-

ate? The situation today is worse than it was a few decades ago. The fictional killing is more voluminous, more graphic, but most important, it is gratuitous, amoral and often presented as a source of humor.

War II, I was, of course, exposed to violence in the movies and on the news, but there was a big difference. The violence was always shown as

a necessity - good men forced by evil men to fight. It was never celebrated or joked about. Everyone, most especial-ly the soldiers, longed for the day when the real violence could end and they could come home to their peaceful pursuits.

Film stories presented violence in the same context. The movie heroes of those days were not assassins. They were men forced as a last resort to violence in order to defend the good. The killing of a human being, even a bad guy, was generally shown as a regrettable and sad event. As a note of film history, the

first break with that tradition, to my knowledge, was the initial James Bond movie, "Dr. No." It was the first film in which the hero killed an unarmed man in cold blood. It. was also the first film in which the hero cracked a joke about killing a person. Unlike the Bond in the novels, who was more human and motivated by patriotism, the film Bond was and still is depicted as an amoral and cynical assassin. Unfortunately, that became

the pattern for the Hollywood

action hero. The volume of killings increased tremendously, and many movies of that genre degenerated to the same formula: kill a man, crack a joke; kill a man, crack a joke. Thus the value of human life is degraded and the act of killing is shown as gratuitous, even funny. This is a deadly message to implant in the impressionable minds of children.

There is something you can do about it. The best choice is to dump the TV set. I know that's hard to do for sports fans and for public TV fans who are addicted to watching sea turtles lay eggs and hyenas scratch fleas.

The next best thing is to regard the television set as a hazard to mental health and control its use accordingly. You wouldn't, I hope, hand your children over to some strangers standing on the street and say, "Entertain them for a couple of hours. I've got errands to run." Well, don't hand them over to the strangers in Hollywood and New York.

And complain about the violence and the vulgarity. Don't waste time writing to the net-

works or cable companies. The life support system of television is advertising. Write to the advertisers. Take note of their names. Any public library will have a directory that will give you the name of the chief executive officer and his address.

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Movies are even easier. Be careful what you buy tickets to see. And don't let your children play violent video games.

One often hears, as a political slogan, something like, "Let's take back the country. Politicians can't do that. Only the people can, as individuals, by making intelligent, moral choices in every aspect of their lives.

We don't need government to control the entertainment industry. Its customers can do that -- if they have the will.

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OTHER VIEWS

The euphoria that marked the 11th World AIDS conference in 1996 was missing ... as researchers gathered in Geneva for the 12th international meeting.

This year, the focus returned to the epidemic's relentless march. ...

The hope sparked two years ago by protease inhibitors has also dimmed. ... Two new drugs reduce the number of pills that must be taken daily. But the drugs are expensive for developing countries, which have 90 percent of HIV infections. ..

Worst of all, some countries still deny they have an AIDS problem. ..

In America, denial remains strong in the group hardest hit today – African-Americans. ...

Surgeon General David Satcher blames black ministers and civil rights groups for not speaking out more forcefully about what is becoming "an epidemic of color."

Prevention — frank talk about transmission — remains the only sure way to avoid this

fatal disease. International conferences can be of little help if silence is allowed to fuel its spread. THE PALM BEACH (FLA.) POST

U.S. military presence in several of the world's hot spots. necessary because of potential armed conflict, is not being aided by the uncertainty of long-term diplomatic vision in the Clinton administration.

There may well be an increase in tensions, despite **U.S. Defense Secretary Cohen's** stated hope to the contrary, following the June 30 incident of an American F-16 firing on an Iraqi missile site that had used radar to illuminate British jets flying over southern Iraq. ..

There is nothing wrong with the firm military response made by U.S. forces, but there is a distinct danger the Clinton Administration will not prove capable of backing up such firm actions in the long term.

> THE DAILY TIMES, FARMINGTON, N.M.

ply, moon-yellow toilet paper are jotted lyrics about marriage: "A remarkable institu-

scroll begins. A napkin's lyrics start this way: 'Not a costume in the world could disguise you And on the

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back of an envelope: "The girl of my dreams belongs to

five other guys . .

Scraps of paper, bits of merriment. Johnny Mercer could write anywhere about anything. The Savannah native left a remarkable record of his craft, and Georgia State University's Pullen Library has

You might think you know a the downtown library

Even if you haven't heard a Mercer tune in years, "Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil" surely jogged memories of his unique contribution. The movie opens with a shot of his grave. There's'also been a Broadway

musical recently, and the U.S. Postal Service honored Mercer with a stamp. But stand in front of the

library's bubbling Wurlitzer and read the names of his songs. He wrote the words to "Moon River" and "The Days of Wine and Roses," of course. There's also "That Old Black Magic," "Hurray for Hollywood," "In the Cool, Cool, Cool of the Evening," "Strip Polka," "Ac-cent-tchu-ate the Positive," "I'm an Old Cowhand," "Autumn Leaves," "Laura," "P.S. I Love You," "Blues in the Night," "You Must Have Been a Beautiful

Baby. The list goes on and on. He wrote songs for 90 films; 18 were nominated for Academy Awards; four won Academy Awards.

Between 1930 and his death in 1976, Johnny Mercer wrote lyrics for 640 songs and the music for 55 of them. (All this an actor and who couldn't read music.)

box and album covers on the wall, you can't help periodically exclaiming: "Why, I didn't know he wrote that!' "Don't feel bad," archivist Chris Paton says. "That's what

That's exactly what I said 15 vears ago."

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Chris remembers - after moving to Atlanta from Chicago -- hearing Johnny Mercer songs as the background music for two different luxury-car commercials. The smooth music seemed to say: "You are sophisticated, you have arrived."

Then she saw a kid on a TV sitcom acting sad and eating chocolate-chip cookies. The child actor took a bite, then said, "One for my baby, one more for the road.

She decided Johnny Mercer's words and music had become ingrained in our culture. We might not always know who wrote those words, but we know the words.

"There's a very fine pop music tradition in this country that largely goes unappreciated," Chris says.

The devoted Johnny Mercer expert takes me to the bowels. of the archives and goes straight to the gray box -- one among countless gray boxes -that has the toilet-paper notes. (I had asked to see that one.)

There is so much to see. (Mercer's widow in 1981 donated the extensive collection of manuscripts, correspondence, photographs and awards to the school.) There's a watercolor Mercer painted. The portable typewriter with a cracked space bar that he used to com-

pose the first draft of his lyrics. Letters from Bing Crosby. A telegram from Cole Porter. Memorabilia from Capitol Records, which Mercer co-founded. A Valentine to his wife, Ginger: "V is for the Vicks you rub my chest with

The last couple of years Chris has been all over the nation working on an oral history, talking to Mercer's friends and fellow musicians. Mercer, the outline, has been filled out; in her head he's become Mercer the man. She now knows about his mellow personality. His private nature. How he helped dozens of struggling, young performers.

She's even heard his daughter sing the lyrics Mercer wrote for his grandson's Cub Scout den: "Men of the Werewolf Den.

And she's given hundreds of tours of the Mercer collection. for groups that barely speak English and senior citizens who are huge fans. Savannah visitors are among the most frequent.

"If he had lived longer, Mercer would have seen his kind of music reaffirmed.' Chris says.

He would have marveled at the revival of interest in mellow music, his in particular. P.S., we love you.

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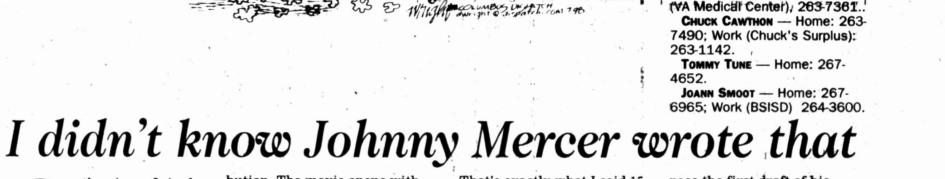
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SPORTS

Golf tourney scheduled to help scholarship fund

Hispanic Women for Progress has scheduled its 11th annual golf tournament for Sunday at the Comanche Trail Golf Course.

Tee times will be from 10 a.m. to noon.

The four-man scramble will raise funds for the organization's scholarship fund.

Teams will be composed of A,B,C,D players and entry fees are \$15 per player. Trophies will be awarded to the top three teams and prizes

will be awarded for the longest drive and closest to the hole.

For more information, call Essie Ortiz at 264-7865.

Sweetwater widens lead in Crossroads standings

A 2-0 forfeit win over Grady Sweetwater to allowed improve its record to 13-0 in **Crossroads Girls Summer** Basketball > League play Monday, while Sands tightened the race for second by pulling to within one-half game of Grady with a 63-21 win over Garden City. In other games Monday, Coahoma took a forfeit win from Sterling City, Ira knocked off Big Spring 36-28, and Stanton received a forfeit from Odessa.

Tonight's schedule calls for Big Spring I to take on Coahoma in junior division play at 5:30, while Sands takes on Big Spring II in the 6:30 game.

Senior league games will have Coahoma facing Garden City at 7:30, Big Spring taking on Sterling City at 8:30 and Sweetwater playing Sands at 9:30

Running club schedules 5K run at Comanche Trai MiedoComanche of Warrior Running Club will hold 'an organizational 5K fun run through Comanche Trail Park on at 7:30 a.m. July 18. Registration is set for 7 a.m. at the Figure 7 Tennis Center. The fee is \$2 per entrant. For more information, call Jill Brode at 263-5359.

Gailey another believer of putting Cowboys under the heat WICHITA FALLS (AP) - Back in the days of Tom Landry and Tex Schramm, it was considered an excellent idea to have training camp in cool-weather

It was a way, they reasoned, to get the most out of football players as they shed excess weight and slowly conditioned themselves for a grueling season.

Invigorating weather was supposed to help speed this process along so the Cowboys worked in Forest Grove, Ore., in 1960, their first season; then in

In Thousand Oaks, a perfect 70-degree sons.

When the Cowboys fell on hard times, along came Jerry Jones and Jimmy

climes.

Northfield, Minn., in 1961 and in Marquette, Mich., in 1962 before settling in Thousand Oaks, Calif., in 1963.

day greeted the gladiators almost every workout. This formula worked well enough for two Super Bowl championships and 19 consecutive winning sea-

No. 1 pick Ellis signs; Williams cut IRVING (AP) - The Dallas Cowboys

signed their top draft pick, gave tight end Eric Bjornson a two-year contract and cut running back Sherman Williams on Monday in transactions before training camp started.

Defensive end Greg Ellis of North Carolina, the No. 8 pick in the NFL draft, signed a six-year, \$11.5 million contract that included a bonus check of \$5.4 million.

Ellis is already slotted as a starter because veteran Tony Tolbert was cut

Johnson, who changed the philosophy of how a training camp should be run and how hot the temperature should be.

Johnson, a Texan from Port Arthur who loved hot weather, said his Miami of games in the fourth quarter because Hurricane college teams got into shape we were in condition.'

because of his bad knees

"It was important to get Greg into camp the very first day," said owner Jerry Jones. "He needs time to get entrenched."

Ellis ordered his agent, Butch Williams, to get the contract done by the time camp started on Wednesday in Wichita Falls.

Williams, a second-round draft pick in 1995 out of Alabama, became expendable when the Cowboys got free agent Chris Warren.

quicker and better by working in the fatreducing heat.

"It's the best way for a team to get into condition," said Johnson. "We won a lot

When Johnson moved the team from Thousand Oaks to Austin prior to the 1990 season, some critics suggested the Cowboys would be a dead tired team in December. It turned out Johnson was right and his critics dead wrong.

Dallas won two Super Bowls under Johnson and one under Barry Switzer, who kept the same training camp regime when Jerry and Jimmy couldn't get along any more. Switzer liked to work his Oklahoma teams in the heat.

It's hard to argue with the success of Dallas teams forged in the heat since training camp was moved to Texas eight vears ago.

The team has won three Super Bowls, played in four NFC championship games, won five NFC East titles, and compiled a composite record of 95-48.

New coach Chan Gailey, who grew up in Americus, Ga., also believes a team gets in better condition practicing in the heat.

Junior All-Stars stun Floyd Gwin

By JOHN A. MOSELEY Sports Editor

Big Spring's All-Stars roared back from the dead in the final three innings to take a 10-9, come-from-behind win over **Odessa's Floyd Gwin All-Stars** in a battle of District 3 Junior League Tournament unbeatens Monday night at the Roy Anderson Complex.

"I guess you could say I believe in miracles now," Big manager Rudy Hernandez said, shaking his head in amazement after having seen back-to-back RBI singles by first baseman Brandon Mendoza and catcher Andrew Vizciano leave the host squad one win away from its second consecutive District 3 championship.

back," Hernandez added. "They turned it around at the plate in the last three innings."



Mariners pound Rangers

SEATTLE (AP) - The fans booed Ken Griffey Jr. at the All-Star game last week because they were upset he wasn't entered in the home run derby. On Monday night; the fans in the Kingdome gave the Seattle Mariners' center fielder a standing ovation. With good reason.

In the fifth inning of a 10-3 Mariners' victory over the Texas Rangers, Griffey made a spectacular catch with his back to home plate.

Manager Lou Piniella's jaw dropped. Afterward, he tried to put it in historical perspective.

"What a great play," he said. "I'll tell you what. He makes it

look routine, doesn't he? "I remember watching that play for the first time. Willie Mays catching Vic Wertz's ball at the 1954 World Series and I'd never seen it before. "But this one here was right against the wall. He just timed it perfectly and made it look very pretty without too much effort Said Mariners hitting coach Jesse Barfield, a former Gold Glove right fielder in Toronto in the 1980s: "It was phenomenal. It really was. Willie Mays probably taught him that. But I've seen him make even better catches than that." Edgar Martinez homered twice, and Texas hurt itself with three errors. After Griffey's RBI single, Martinez hit a three-run homer to cap a four-run first off Todd Van Poppel (1-2). Martinez led off the sixth with a solo homer. his 17th, to make it 9-3. Griffey, who had an RBI grounder in a three-run fourth, made a basket catch of Will Clark's towering fly ball while running toward the fence in the fifth. The 25,170 fans in the Kingdome were dumbstruck. They stood and applauded in tribute to him as he went into the dugout. "How does he do a lot of things he does?" said Ken Cloude (5-7). "He's amazing. That's why he's the best player in baseball all around. It's kind of unexplainable. But that's Ken Griffey for you."

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Women's Club planning benefit golf tournament

The Big Spring Women's Club will host a benefit golf tournament on July 18 at the **Big Spring Country Club**. Proceeds will pay for improvements to Kid's Zone. The four-person scramble with teams made up of A, B, C, D handicaps. The entry fee is \$40 per person.

For more information, call the country club at 267-5354 or Julie Wolf at 263-7664.

Rose Magers-Powell sets camp for July 27-31 run

Former U.S. Olympian Rose Magers-Powell will conduct a volleyball camp July 27-31 at Big Spring High School. Camp sessions for girls in in grades 4-6 wil be July 27-29 from 9 a.m. to noon, while those in grades 7-9 will have a 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. session on July 29 and 9 a.m. to noon sessions on July 30-31. Fees for both groups will be \$80. For those in the 10th through 12th grades, the sessions will be from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Fees will be \$95.

Registration forms are available at Athletic Supply, Neal's Sporting Goods and the BSHS Athletic Training Center.

ON THE AIR

TODAY:

BASEBALL 9 p.m. - Texas Rangers at Seattle Mariners, LIN, Ch. 98.

BOXING

8 p.m. - Heavyweights Chris Byrd vs. Ross Puritty; Purcell Miller vs. Carl Daniels for vacant USBA junior middleweight championship, USA, Ch. 38.

BICYCLING

Midnight - Tour De France, Stage 3, ESPN, Ch. 30.

super defensive plays to keep things from getting completely, out of hand in the fourth, after the Odessans had scored six runs in the third to take an 8-1 lead.

Floyd Gwin's third-inning rally chased Big Spring starter Erik Chavez, who gave up 11 of the Odessa squad's 15 hits, and gave every indication that the host squad would drop into the tournament's loser's bracket and face the winner of tonight's game between Midland Eastern and Odessa Sherwood for the right to play for the tournament title.

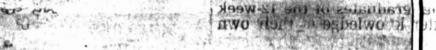
Although Big Spring turned in a couple of spectacular defensive players in the top of the fourth behind reliever Michael Ornales, it appeared another Floyd Gwin run in the top of the fifth sealed any hope of a comeback.

Someone forgot to tell Big Spring's players, however.

Having been held to just three hits and one run in the first four innings by Floyd Gwin starter Angel Mendoza, the Big Spring All-Stars began the long road back with four runs in the bottom of the fifth. Dustin Beauchamp got things started by drawing a lead off

walk and moved to third on an infield single by Mendoza. That set the stage for Vizciano, who ripped a two-run double to right center.

scored Vizciano. Taylor Fraser capped the



HERALD photo/Linda Choate

Big Spring's Erik Chavez (16) pops up in a cloud of dust sfore the ball ever reaches second after stealing a base against Lamesa in the first round of the District 3 Junior League Tournament. Chavez had a rough night on the mound in the All-Stars' 10-9 comeback win over Odessa Floyd Gwin, but his teammates continued to run the bases almost at will, stealing 11 bases.

Vizciano, who led Big ving in Clements and trimming Spring's offense with a 3-for-4 sh wing, scored a few moments later when Billy Bob Walker singled to left. Walker then swiped second, moved to third on a ground out by Ornales and capped the four-run rally by stealing home.

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After retiring Floyd Gwin in order for only the second time, Big Spring added three more runs in the sixth.

Mario Hernandez scored the first run after reaching base on an error and stealing two bases when Mendoza lofted a sacrifice fly to shallow center field after Beauchamp had reached base on a walk.

Then, with two away Vizciano reached base on a fielder's choice play that forced Beauchamp at second. Nathan Clements, who'd scored Big Spring's initial run in the first inning, drew a walk and Ornales helped his own cause with a single to right that

rally with a single to right, dri-

Floyd Gwin's lead to just one run, 9-8.

Odessa coaches had seen enough in the Big Spring sixth to change pitchers, but reliever Brian Young was no match for the home team's suddenly hot bats.

Young managed to strike out Chavez to open the inning, but Hernandez promptly doubled down the line in left and Beauchamp singled.

Beauchamp would be cut down trying to reach third when Mendoza singled to left, scoring Hernandez with the tying run. But Mendoza was able to move to second on the play at third and after stealing a base, had not trouble scoring the winning run on Vizciano's drive deep to left.

The Big Spring squad now has two days off, waiting for a 7 p.m. Thursday game against the loser's bracket survivor. Floyd Gwin gets one day off and will play the Midland Eastern-Odessa Sherwood winner at 7 p.m. Wednesday.

SENIOR LEAGUE EP Manning 7, Big Spring 1

Big Spring's All-Stars saw their bid for a District 3 Senior League Tournament championship come to an end Monday in Odessa when El Paso Frank Manning defeated them 7-1 in an elimination game.

Big Spring's only run came on an error, as Frank Manning pitcher Damion Salcedo threw a no-hitter to take the win.

LITTLE LEAGUE MAJORS

Big Spring's National Majors All-Stars face North Ector at 8 tonight in the first round of final four play of the District 3 Little League Majors Tournament in Odessa with both teams facing a must-win situation.

Both Big Spring and North Ector suffered defeats in area bracket play and carry those losses into the final four, meaning the loser will be eliminated.

The other two teams in the bracket, Midland Northern and El Paso Fabens, are unbeaten and play at 6 p.m.

Wright, Tribe bring Yankees' streak to an end at 10

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

There's only one team that can hang with the Yankees lately. And it's the same one that ended New York's season last October.

The Cleveland Indians denied the Yankees a chance to make some more history and snapped their 10-game winning streak Monday night with a 4-1 victory at Jacobs Field.

Jim Thome hit his 24th homer and Jaret Wright, sporting a new dyed-blond hairdo, became the first pitcher to beat the Yankees twice this season.

Wright (9-5) became a postseason hero last fall when he defeated New York twice in the AL division series. And with the teams seemingly on a collision course for this fall, the right-hander sounds as if he wouldn't mind another crack at the Bronx Bombers.

"Anybody can beat anybody three out of five or four out of seven," Wright said. "If they're there and we're there, it's going to be fun."

Wright allowed one run and eight hits

ing out four. He sensed from the first pitch that Indians fans weren't seeing the Minnesota Twins.

"As you can tell from the fans, it's not a typical game when we play New York,' Wright said.

A victory by the Yankees would have given them the record for the most wins after 86 games. Instead, at 65-21, they tied 1912 New York Giants and 1902 **Pittsburgh** Pirates.

Elsewhere in the American League, it was: Boston 2, Tampa Bay 0; Chicago 5, Minnesota 2; Baltimore 5, Toronto 0; Kansas City 6, Detroit 4 in 10 innings; Seattle 10, Texas 3; and Oakland 5, Anaheim 2

In National League games, Cincinnati beat St. Louis 6-5, Los Angeles beat San Francisco 7-5, Arizona defeated Houston 5-3, Colorado stopped San Diego 9-5, Pittsburgh downed Chicago 6-2, Florida beat Montreal 8-7 and Milwaukee defeated Philadelphia 4-2.

Thome also tripled and scored two runs for the Indians, who are 3-3 vs. the

in seven innings, walking two and strik- Yankees this season. On Sunday, Cleveland's first baseman made a hospital visit to hitting coach Charlie Manuel, who had successful quadruple bypass surgery on Monday.

'We saw Mark McGwire hit his home runs on TV and just started talking about hitting," Thome said. "I told Charlie what I'd been feeling, and he told me to stay back and bend my knees, so I don't jump at the ball. Charlie can just look at me and tell I'm out of sync.

Orlando "El Duque" Hernandez (3-2) lost for the first time in three starts, allowing nine hits and a season-high four runs in 6 2-3 innings.

Red Sox 2, Devil Rays 0

Steve Avery (6-2) pitched Boston to its first win since the All-Star break and handed Tampa Bay its 11th straight loss. Avery and three relievers combined on seven-hitter. The Red Sox, coming off a four-game sweep at Baltimore, bounced back to hand Tampa Bay its third shutout in five games.

The Devil Rays have been shut out a

major league-leading 13 times.

Tom Gordon got his 26th save. Loser Julio Santana (2-2) struck out a careerhigh six in 7 2-3 innings.

White Sox 5, Twins 2

Albert Belle hit two home runs, giving him six in his last five games for Chicago.

Belle, named AL Player of the Week earlier in the day, connected for his 23rd nomer leading off the fourth inning. He hit his 24th, another solo shot, in the sixth.

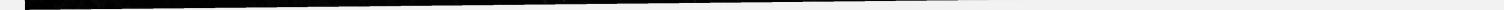
John Snyder (2-0) won in his second major league start since being called up June 29.

Dan Serafini (3-2) took the loss.

Orioles 5. Blue Jays 0

Rookie Nerio Rodriguez (1-2) didn't allow a hit until the sixth inning and Lenny Webster homered and drove in four runs as Baltimore stretched its winning streak to five.

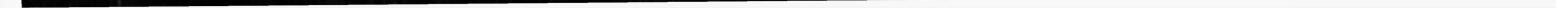
B.J. Surhoff went 3-for-4 with a homer for the Orioles.



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The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Embrace your high energy. Express your deeper side to those who are closest to you. Change what you don't like, to make things work for you. The unexpected plays a substantial role in your decision-making process. A friend encourages you. Tonight: You're top dog.*****

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You wake up with a jolt. You are not pleased by what goes on this morning. A boss surprises you once more, helping you turn a corner with a project. Trust what others offer. People have an odd way of pulling through for you. Tonight: Vanish!**

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Financial matters force swift action. You can get lulled into thinking all is well. You'll make a major breakthrough. Consider different options, and be willing to do something new. A trip, seminar or discussion could open your eyes. Tonight: Where your friends are.*****

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You tell someone off, even if



HOROSCOPE you hadn't planned to. You can-

not hold yourself back anymore. Be responsible at work. Others respond to your ideas. You read a partner cold. Don't count on anyone's support but your own. Stress your independence. Tonight: In the limelight.***

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

Listen to what your body and mind tell you. You don't have to blow your stack; talking about a problem makes a big difference in what happens. Give yourself more leeway. Someone who is at a distance presents a new perspective. **Tonight: A friend surprises** you.****

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) A friend lets you know what is going on with him. Do not hold back; opt for big changes. A loved one has different ideas. as you will soon see. One-to-one relating proves extremely successful. Talk about the different aspects of your association with a partner. Tonight: Try a new sport.****

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

While a boss fumes, take time to listen to a partner. Someone has unusual views about children and love. Don't buy into it; be a free thinker and make your own choices. A new flirtation builds. Tonight: Let someone else make the call.****

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Dig into work. It's OK to cancel a meeting or get-together. Listen to the feedback you get. Focus on your ability to transform situations and adjust. Concentrate on one item at a time. Your plate is full. Prioritize. Tonight: Burn the midnight oil.***

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

Someone is clear about where you stand. Listen carefully, and make adjustments. Be direct with others. The unexpected occurs when you least expect it. Let your caring ways come out with a child or loved one. A relations Tonight: L

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CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan.

Someone lets you know where he is coming from. You are stunned by his unusual bluntness. It took a lot for this person to express himself. Finances can swing to extremes; you feel like you are on a seesaw. Talks with a family member build security. Tonight: A favorite meal.***

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Keep communications alive. though your message and mood could change depending on whom you talk to.' A co-worker pushes hard. Recognize that how you are feeling is affecting your work. Make an appointment for a long-overdue checkup. Tonight: Visit a friend.***

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Unexpected insights could make you uncomfortable. Do your share of thinking, and listen to others, especially a child.

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DEAR ABBY: My husband is in his early 50s. Over the past five years, he has developed a cough that has the whole family concerned.

(He doesn't smoke and never has.) We have encouraged him to seek medical care, but he adamantly refuses, saying, "It does-ABIGAIL n't bother me.' BUREN

His family has a history of allergies,

which may well be his problem; however, his refusal to get help is putting a strain on our relationship. He coughs his way through conversations, ovies, television programs nd radio. If he laughs, he ughs. If he eats, he coughs.

have had asthma since ildhood, but I rarely have an Internet at http://www.coolpage.com/bigar. ©1998 by King Features

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pressing anger stuns you when he finally expresses it. Emphasize financial security.

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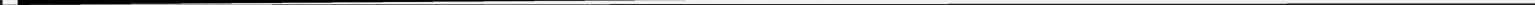
so loud I had to shout to be heard. I thought it was annoying, obnoxious and very inconsiderate. I asked my father-inlaw if the music bothered him. Then I noticed he was swaying to the beat. "Oh, no!" he replied. "It lets me know I'm alive." It's all in one's perspective.

My husband has a severe hearing loss from factory noise. He can no longer hear birds, crickets, bells or whistles. He would love to trade places and be able to hear ice-cream trucks or the subtle sounds of nature's music. As a person with normal hearing, my first reaction to the loud music was annoyance, but perhaps I should be more like my husband and my father-in-law. -**MRS. GALLEGOS IN LONG**

BEACH, CALIF. DEAR MRS. GALLEGOS: Your father-in-law practices a philosophy to which I have long adhered: "When life hands you a lemon, make lemonade." Good for him, and you as well



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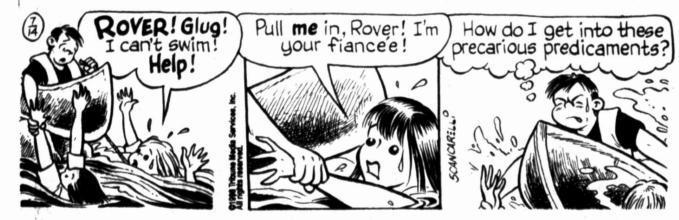


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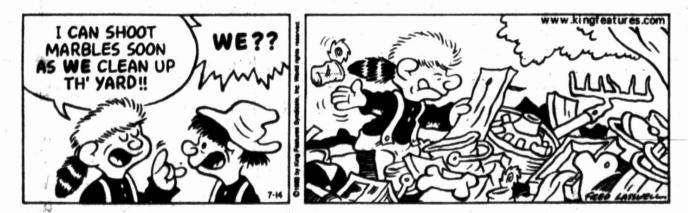




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¹ In 1881, outlaw William H. Bonney Jr., alias "Billy the Kid," was killed by Sheriff Pat TMSPuzzies @ aoi.com

Garrett in Fort Sumner, N.M. In 1933, all German political parties, except the Nazi Party, were outlawed.

In 1958, the almy of Irag overthrew the monarchy.

In 1965, the American space probe Mariner IV flew by Mars, sending back photographs of the planet.

In 1965, U.S. Ambassador Adlai E. Stevenson Jr. died in London at age 65.

In 1966, eight student nurses were murdered by Richard Speck in a Chicago dormitory. He died in prison in 1991, a day short of his 50th birthday.

In 1976, Jimmy Carter won the Democratic presidential nomination at the party's convention in New York.

In 1978, Soviet dissident Natan Sharansky was convicted of treasonous espionage and anti-Soviet agitation, and sentenced to 13 years at hard labor. He was released in 1966.

Ten years ago: Speaking before the U.N. Security Council, Iran's foreign minis-ter, Ali-Akbar Velayati, denounced the U.S. downing of an Iranian jetliner as "a barbaric massacre." Vice President Bush replied that the U.S.S. Vincennes had fired in self-defense.

Five years ago: President Clinton visited flood-stricken Iowa for the second time in 10 days, telling flood victims to "hang in there."

One year ago: The international war crimes tribunal for the former Yugoslavia sen-tenced Dusan Tadic, a Bosnian Serb, to 20 years in prison for turning on his Muslim and Croat neighbors in a deadly campaign of terror and torture. O.J. Simpson's California mansion was auctioned off for \$2.6

million. Today's Birthdays: Actress Gloria Stuart is 88. Animator William Hanna is 88. Former President Gerald R. Ford is 85. Movie and stage director Ingmar Bergman is 80. Actor Dale Robertson is 75, Actor Harry Dean Stanton is 72. Harry Dean Stanton is 72. Actress Nancy Olson is 70. Actress Polly Bergen is 68. Former football player Rosey Grier is 66. Country singer Del Reeves is 65. Actor Jerry Houser is 46. Actor Jerry Houser is 46. Actor Jackie Earle Haley is 37. Actor Matthew Fox is 32.

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