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TONIGHT 69°-72° WEDNESDAY 97°-100°

Space available for vendors at Settlers Reunion

Vendors wishing to display their products at Saturday's 75th gathering of the Howard/Glasscock Old Settlers Reunion may reserve space by contacting Wade Choate at 267-5551.

The reunion will get underway at 9 a.m. at the Dora Roberts Community Center and upwards of 500 persons are expected to attend.

Choate said last year was the first time for the reunion to feature vendors and that the response was good.

"We had a number of persons attending the reunion tell us they thought it added something to the reunion," Choate said.

The reunion will feature a 42 tournament with cash prizes to the winners, a bingo session, a horseshoe tournament and, for the youngsters attending the reunion, a dunking booth operated by the Key Club.

The meal will be catered by Al's and Son Barbecue and will be served from 11:30-1. Cost of the meal will be \$6 for persons 12-64 and \$3 for persons under 12 or 65 and over.

Saturday night's dance will feature Terry Sneed and the Up the Creek Band at 8 p.m. Tickets will be \$5 per person and set-ups will be available.

WHAT'S UP...

TODAY

□ Quarterback Club, 7:30 p.m. All football parents and 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.

□ Democratic Club organizational meeting, 7 p.m., Immaculate Heart of Mary Church Hall.

□ 55 Alive/Mature Driving class, 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Berea Baptist Church, 4204 Wasson Road. The cost is \$8. Call 263-1491 to preregister or to ask questions. You must attend both sessions.

WEDNESDAY

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

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

□ 55 Alive/Mature Driving class, 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Berea Baptist Church, 4204 Wasson Road.

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Nothing else to say, it has been hot, hot and hotter

By JOHN H. WALKER
Managing Editor

It all started at 4:03 p.m. on Thursday, May 14.

That was the precise moment when the temperature exceeded 100 degrees for the first time this year at the USDA Agriculture Research Station (ARS) — the official weather-recording station for Howard County.

Since then, the mercury has climbed above the century mark 47 more times — including a record high 112 degrees at

6:31 p.m. on June 27.

And while Big Spring has not seen the number of consecutive days in a row — now 22 — when the heat exceeded 100 degrees, it has gotten close enough.

From June 16 until July 30, Big Spring's highs all broke 100 degrees. During the 14-day span, the city experienced the hottest day of the year and shattered six daily records. The average high temperature for the period was 104.4 degrees.

June's average high temperature was 103.3 degrees — more than 10 degrees above the 98-

year average compiled from ARS records.

July's average high temperature so far has been slightly above 101 degrees — or six degrees above the 98-year norm for the month.

One of the side effects of the ongoing heat wave and drought is that ground temperatures have soared.

On Monday, the soil temperature at four inches was 109 degrees while at eight inches it was 101 degrees.

"Even if you have moisture (in the soil), which we don't,

there's not anything that could grow in heat like that," said one USDA employee who requested anonymity.

"We don't have much left in the ground for the heat to cook," said Howard County Farm Services Agency director Rick Liles.

Liles said he estimated about 10 percent of the cotton remains standing, but that the prospects for making a crop are dim.

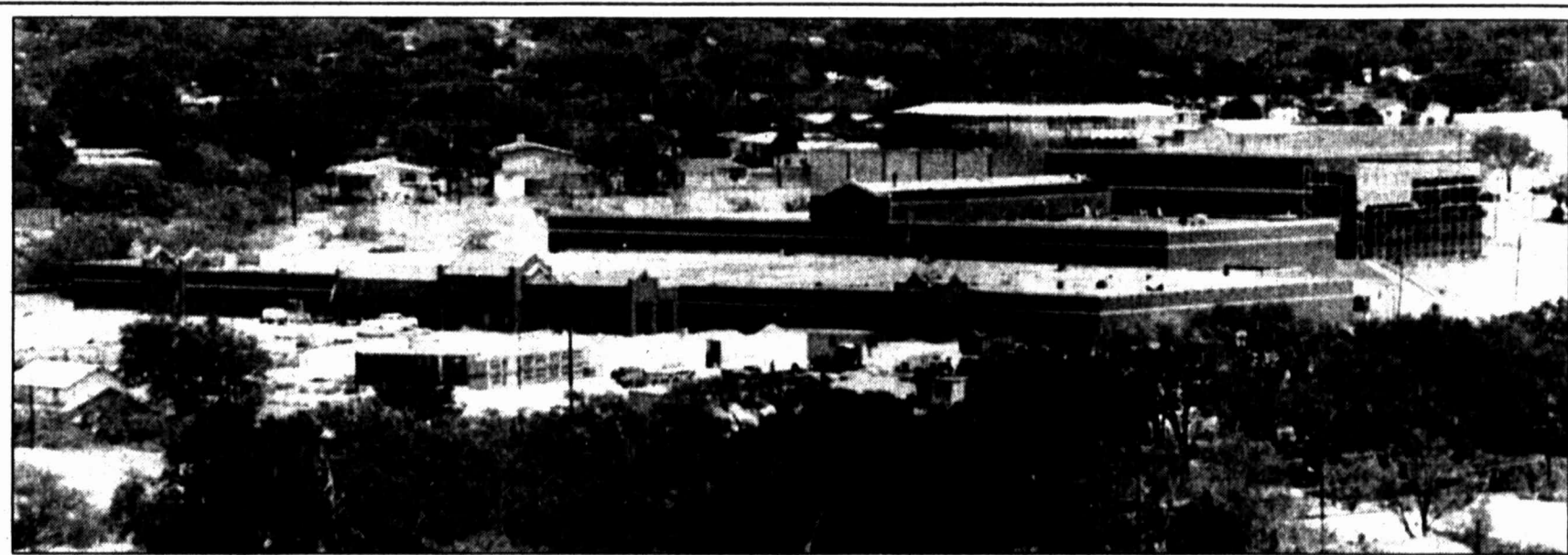
"Cotton is a really hardy plant," Liles explained. "Once it breaks through the ground, it

won't hardly die from heat or drought, but some of what's still standing is starting to bloom and those plants just aren't going to make anything."

Liles said his office has had some response to the ruling that CRP land could be used for hay, but that he didn't expect much activity until later next month.

"The problem," he said, "is that most people don't want to utilize that (option) until later. They're hoping for rain and that

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Construction continues on Big Spring Junior High, seen here from the top of the Settlers Building. Big Spring ISD officials hope to move eighth graders into the facility after the Christmas holiday break.

Emergency funds provided for low-income families

By MARSHA STURDIVANT
Staff Writer

Beating the heat, and the cost of the battle, may be a little easier, thanks to \$32.7 million federal emergency funds administered through the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA).

"We do need it," said Paula Beck, with West Texas Opportunities (WTO) administrative officers in the Lamesa.

"We've been advised, and we're fairly optimistic, that we will receive this funding, but we don't know when. We hope we'll get it within a week," Beck said.

The Clinton Administration provided \$100 million to Texas and 10 other southern and southwestern states through the U.S. Department of Health and

Human Services' Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program.

The funds are made available through TDHCA's Comprehensive Energy Assistance Program (CEAP). WTO, which administers the CEAP program locally, assists low-income residents with energy bills.

CEAP provides assistance for households that have incomes of 125 percent of the federal poverty guidelines.

For example, a family of four must have an annual income of less than \$20,563 to qualify for the program. Individual incomes must not exceed \$10,063.

Under the CEAP program, households may receive up to \$2,000 from the utility assistance component and the heating and cooling component,

according to TDHCA.

Beck said the CEAP program contains four components. The first is the Energy Crisis Program, which includes utility assistance for cooling bills faced in 100-degree weather, and the co-payment program, which provides weekly meetings with clients.

A third component of CEAP is the elderly and disabled program, which is a priority group. The fourth component is heating and cooling, which may furnish appliances such as heaters, air conditioners and water heaters, she said.

"The elderly and disabled are a priority, because their bodies do not adjust to the temperatures as well as ours do," Beck said.

WTO has been working with eligible clients and purchasing

needed appliances through various programs for the past two to three years, in one form another, she said.

"The funding is so limited, we keep a waiting list. Eligibility is all low income related. First a client must have a medical need, and we get information from a doctor.

"We try to take people in order, and with case management we try to help them move out of property," Beck said.

"If a client's appliance is an energy guzzler, we need an energy efficient appliance, to help drive the bills down," she said.

WTO administration in Lamesa serves 17 counties, including Howard, along with 10 neighborhood centers such as the one on 11th Place in Big Spring.

Addition at library is for entire community

By T.E. JENKINS
Staff Writer

Howard County commissioners got a special tour of the new Dora Roberts Howard County Library Community Room Monday morning shortly after court was adjourned.

"I love it," said Precinct 1 County Commissioner Emma Brown. "It really is beautiful. I believe it will be a really big help for the community."

Howard County Librarian Loraine Redman was on hand to present the court with a copy of the policy for use of the facility as well as provide a tour.

"The Community Room will be available to non-profit organizations who need somewhere to meet," said Redman. "The room will be available any time of the day or night with the proper authorization."

There will be several rooms available to non-profit organizations, including the genealogy room.

"We have projectors, movie reels and digital computer projectors available for use in the rooms," said Redman. "We really are trying to offer something

nice to the community."

Redman, as well as the commissioners, agreed there will not be a deposit demanded to reserve the room, but participants will have to "leave the room as they found it."

"Because this is for non-profit organizations, it really wouldn't be fair to require a deposit," said Redman. "If we have problems in the future with groups not taking care of the facilities, however, we may be forced to change that."

"I really think this is great," said Precinct 2 Commissioner Jerry Kilgore as he toured the new facilities. "We are really proud of it. It will get this whole thing moving and be an asset to everyone."

"Uptown has always had the Dora Roberts Community Center to hold its meetings and gatherings, but there has never really been anywhere downtown. This will give people that option."

Anyone wanting more information is encouraged to contact Redman at the County Library. Commissioners also received a demonstration of the library's new internet access points.

"From here, you can reach



Loraine Redman, librarian at the Howard County Library, stands at the lectern in the Community Room.

Howard College to hit the streets with fall semester schedule Thursday

By T.E. JENKINS
Staff Writer

Howard College will be taking its fall semester schedule to the streets Thursday in an attempt to encourage Big Spring and Coahoma residents to sign up for courses this semester.

"The employees of Howard College will be going door-to-

door to deliver copies of our fall semester schedule to local residents," said Corky Mitchell, Howard College director of communications.

"They will be out from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, answering any questions that people have about the college and the different courses that we offer. If they can't answer your questions, they will be

able to direct you to someone who can."

According to Mitchell, everyone from secretaries to professors will be knocking on doors.

"It's going to be a really mixed group out there. We will be delivering the schedules door-to-door in Big Spring, and we will have a central working point in Coahoma at the Little Sooper, as well as the Town &

Country," said Mitchell.

"We hope to give people a little extra advantage in preparing for college courses. A lot of people are really intimidated by the thought of going back to college, and we hope to be able to offer them answers to their questions right in the comfort of their own homes."

Mitchell said although their goal is to visit every home in

Big Spring, residents that they miss should not feel left out.

"We are really going to try to cover as much territory as possible, but it is pretty much impossible to get to talk to everyone. If we miss you for some reason, please feel free to call us at 264-5000 and request a copy of the schedule. Also, the

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Relief?

Area farmers say fed disaster funds offer marginal aid

By T.E. JENKINS
Staff Writer

According to area producers, emergency disaster relief funds released by President Clinton to aid Texas farmers during the current drought will offer little or no solace for those who have been hit the hardest.

"The government is telling everyone that this emergency aid will help, but most farmers don't qualify," said Bob Nichols, one of many disconcerted Howard County cotton growers who have felt the unrelenting strain of the drought.

"To qualify for assistance, you have to have a crop loss of 30 percent or more. In 1996, we had much of the same problems as this year, and we only produced 100 bales of cotton off of 800 acres. Even then, with our losses so high, we didn't qualify for the assistance."

"We really need help from the government in getting a fair price when we do produce," said the President of the Howard County Cotton Growers Rob Haney. "Most of these farmers can't afford to pay these loans back, so it's really not any help. They need help just paying their bills right now."

Rick Liles, Farm Services Agency (FSA) county executive director, said the "aid" offered by Clinton will only make farmers eligible for a low-interest government loan.

"This emergency government assistance is not like a grant," said Liles. "It is simply a low-interest loan based on total production loss."

"This loan is there for those who can't go to traditional lenders such as banks and finance companies. As with any loan, you do have to put up collateral, but the interest rates on these loans is only 3.75 percent. That is the only real benefit."

According to Liles, these loans should be considered a "last resort."

"We are basically the lenders of last resort," said Liles. "Most of the area farmers have some type of multi-peril crop insurance, and situations such as the current drought are exactly why they have this type of insurance. A percentage of these insurance policies is subsidized by the government, so when there are claims, a portion of them are paid by U.S."

According to Liles, anyone who is interested in the low-interest loans should first go to their crop insurance company.

"Get a copy of your actual production history (APH). Bring that to our offices, and

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OBITUARIES

Clayton Thomas Franklin

Clayton Thomas Franklin, 31, Temple, formerly of Big Spring, died on Sunday, July 26, 1998, in Temple. Service will be 2 p.m. Wednesday, July 29, 1998, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Dr. Kenneth Patrick, Chaplain of Baptist Memorial Center in San Angelo, and Rev. Eddie Tubbs, pastor of First Baptist Church of Big Spring, officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.



FRANKLIN

He was born on Aug. 27, 1966, in Big Spring. He graduated from Big Spring High School in 1984 and then from Howard Payne University in 1991. Clayton was employed by the Federal Prison System as a paralegal and was currently attending Mary Hardin Baylor Graduate School. He had moved to Temple in May of 1997 from Big Spring.

Survivors include: his parents, George and Bonnie Franklin of Big Spring; one sister and brother-in-law, Janice and Glen Ferguson of Big Spring; his grandmother, Ruby Gill of Big Spring; and one nephew, Lance Monteleone of Big Spring.

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in Brownwood. Mrs. Abbott was a graduate of Southwest State University in Oklahoma. She had lived in Big Spring since 1972. She was director of Adult Basic Education and the GED course at Howard College and had been the GED instructor at the Federal Prison. She was a member of First Baptist Church.

Survivors include: her husband, Bob Abbott of Big Spring; one son: Douglas Wayne Abbott of Roswell, N.M.; her mother, Joy Lewallen of Big Spring; and one brother, David Lewallen of Lubbock. The family suggests memorials to: First Baptist Church Media Center; 705 W. Marcy; Big Spring; or a charity of choice.

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

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the grass will green up. "If we don't get any rain, it won't do them any good, because all we'll have is dry grass."

PRODUCERS

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with that information, we can determine if you are eligible or not. Then, if you are eligible for the program, you can determine whether or not you want to apply.

"We can't calculate production loss, however, until all the numbers are in. If you are still waiting on the production of a crop, we have to wait until that is fully consummated before we can do anything."

How does Nichols feel about the government aid offered by Clinton?

"We have absolutely no cotton crop this year," said Nichols, "and we probably still won't qualify. The way this thing works, you have to be turned down by practically everyone else before they will even consider you eligible."

"The government says that it is sending 'aid,' but we really aren't getting any help. They put so many rules and regulations on the program that it really doesn't 'help' anyone."

COLLEGE

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college operator can put you in touch with with the correct person if you have a question about something.

"We really just want to make student registering as easy as possible for the people."

Teen arraigned in stabbing of 9-year-old

GOLD BEACH, Ore. (AP) — A 17-year-old accused of repeatedly stabbing a 9-year-old with a hunting knife was arraigned Monday for the slaying of the boy he was baby-sitting.

Michael E. George is being

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TWO FOR TUESDAY SUBWAY 10th & Gregg Rip Griffin's Truck/Travel Ctr.

held without ball following Saturday's knifing in Brookings, a coastal community in the southwestern corner Oregon.

"No one can remember a crime this horrible," said police Chief Ken Lewis. "It's one thing for adults to kill one another, but this is something else."

According to police, George was baby-sitting Justin Lang Barlow while the boy's parents were at work. After stabbing Barlow, George went home, washed up, changed clothes, and walked about four miles to a market where he telephoned police and told them about the killing, Lewis said.

"He's just a loner," Detective John Bishop said of George. "He didn't make any waves. He was just an average kid, from what we knew."

Lewis said George had mentioned to police the shootings at Thurston High School in Springfield that left two students dead and 22 wounded. Lewis would not elaborate.

If convicted, George could be sentenced to life in prison without parole, but would not be eligible for the death penalty because he is younger than 18.

Woman critical after fall from mountain

PALM SPRINGS, Calif. (AP) — A woman who climbed over a safety railing at a mountain-top observation deck was critically injured when she fell 500 feet.

Kim Sun Hwa was in critical condition today. She suffered back, neck and head injuries when she plunged Monday afternoon from Bruggs Viewpoint at the 8,500-foot level of the San Jacinto Mountains, about 100 miles southeast of Los Angeles.

She was stranded for hours on the slope before rescuers carried her to safety at about 2 a.m. today, said Tim Jones, a spokesman for the Palm Springs Aerial Tramway, which carries tourists up to the deck and an adjoining restaurant and recreation area.

The observation deck outside the restaurant is surrounded by a 4-foot steel safety railing. Ms. Kim climbed over the fence and went partway down the hill before slipping on some loose gravel, said Jones, who first made contact with the woman.

"I kept telling her to stay put — not to move," Jones said. When Ms. Kim tried to move, she fell an additional 400 feet and was knocked unconscious for about 10 to 15 minutes, Jones said. Her reason for climbing over the fence was not immediately known.

"It's really miraculous she's alive," said Ken Piner of the Palm Springs Mounted Police and Search and Rescue. "When I got the call, I thought we would be taking a dead body out."

Rescuers with a two-way radio used on a translator to speak with Ms. Kim, who lives in Bolivia and is about 55 years old.

SUPPORT GROUPS

TUESDAY

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

•Al-Anon, 8 p.m., 615 Settles. •Seniors' diabetic support group, 2 p.m., Canterbury South. Call 263-1265.

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

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

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•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 Rannels. For more information call Shannon Nabors at 263-0027.

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

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

•Narcotics Anonymous, 6 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Call 268-4189 (pager no.)

•The next TXMHMR family education and support group meeting in July 28, at 6 p.m. in the Alsup Building, 419 Rannels. Alliance for the Mentally III meeting will follow at 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

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

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

•Narcotic Anonymous, 8 p.m. St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Call 268-4189 (pager no.) Step study.

•Samaritan Counseling Center of West Texas will have Sharon Beam, who is a licensed professional counselor interim specializing in play therapy for children, adolescent counseling and women's issues, available for clients at the First Presbyterian Church, Rannels and Eighth St. Appointments for counseling services are made by calling 1-800-329-4144.

IF YOU HAVE A SUPPORT GROUP LISTING, PLEASE SUBMIT IT IN WRITING.

BRIEFS

THE DEMOCRATIC CLUB OF Big Spring will meet Tuesday at 7 p.m. in Immaculate Heart of Mary Church Hall. This is an organizational meeting and anyone is welcome to attend.

MARTIN COUNTY 4-H WILL host a dance for the youth of the community Friday on the slab by the 4-H building in downtown Stanton.

Hours are 8 p.m.-midnight. Cover charge is \$2, and soft drinks will be available. A variety of music will be provided by disc jockey Wade Kirkwood.

THERE WILL BE A Hunter Education Course on Aug. 8-9 starting at 8 a.m. each day. According to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, if you were born on or after Sept. 2, 1971, and you are: age 17 and over, then you must successfully complete a hunter education course; age 12-16, then you must successfully complete a hunter education course or be accompanied by a licensed hunter 17 years of age or older;

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and under 12 years of age, then you must be accompanied by a licensed hunter 17 years of age or older.

However, any individual may take the course on a voluntary basis and is encouraged to attend regardless of requirements.

The cost is \$10. For more information call Boyce Hale at 267-6957 or the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department's Hunter Education section in Austin at 1-800-792-1112.

TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH wants to remind parents that school starts Aug. 12, and immunizations are being given each Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Hours are 8-11:30 a.m. and 1-4 p.m. Immunizations will also be given Friday, Aug. 7 and Saturday, Aug. 8.

Please bring your child's shot record or a note from the school. Call 263-9775 for more information.

RUMMAGE SALE ITEMS ARE needed for the Kingdom Class at the First United Methodist Church. There will be a rummage sale on Saturday, Aug. 1. Please call 263-1226 if you need someone to pick up items or drop them off at 1405 Wood.

Tools and small appliances are needed the most.

MARKETS

Dec. cotton 71.60 cents, up 26 points; Sept. crude 14.33, up 11 points; Cash hogs steady \$1 higher at 38; cash steers steady at 59 cents even; Aug. lean hog futures 48.45 down 35 points; Aug. live cattle futures 61.05, down 27 points.

courtesy: Delta Corporation. Noon quotes provided by Edward D. Jones & Co.

Table with market data including Index 8970.31, Volume 185,660,860, ATT, Amoco, Atlantic Richfield, Atmos Energy, Calenergy Inc., Chevron, Cifra, Coca Cola, Compaq Computer, Cornell Correc., De Beers, Diagnostic Health, DuPont, Excel Comm., Exxon, Fina, Halliburton, IBM, Intel Corp, Medical Alliance, Mobil, Northwest, NUV, Phillips Petroleum, Palex Inc., Pepsi Cola, Parallel Petroleum, Rural/Metro, Sears, Southwestern Bell, Sun, Texaco, Texas Instruments, Texas Utils. Co, Unocal Corp, Wal-Mart

RECORDS

Monday's high 100 Monday's low 79 Average high 95 Average low 71 Record high 108 in 1944 Record low 60 in 1933 Precip. Thursday 0.00 Month to date 1.69 Month's normal 1.93 Year to date 6.48 Normal for the year 10.62

POLICE

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity between 8 a.m. Monday and 8 a.m. Tuesday:

•PAMALA MONTEYOR, 37, was arrested for public intoxication.

•RONALD HALE, 25, was arrested for driving while license invalid.

•CARL STOWERS, 32, was arrested for evading arrest/detention.

•CRIMINAL TRESPASS WARNING at the corner of 4th and Johnson.

•ASSAULT in the 400 block of E. 4th, and the 700 block of Douglas.

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SHERIFF

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

•KRISTINE HENDRIX, 17, was arrested for burglary of a building and theft.

•LOU HAMILTON, 33, was arrested on a motion to revoke parole/aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

•ANTONIO MIGUEL ARMILLO, 19, was arrested for driving while license invalid, evading arrest, unlawfully carrying a weapon, and possession of marijuana under 2 oz.

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Lewinsky breaks silence with prosecutors

WASHINGTON (AP) — Monica Lewinsky is breaking her silence and telling prosecutors she had sexual relations with President Clinton, a possible prelude to a deal giving her complete immunity from prosecution, legal sources say.

In a nearly five-hour interview Monday in a midtown Manhattan residence, Ms. Lewinsky's account included information considered relevant to Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr's criminal investigation of possible obstruction by Clinton and others, but she did not say Clinton asked her to lie, the sources said.

Ms. Lewinsky's account closely tracked her lawyers' proffer of evidence to prosecutors early on in the probe, according to a key source.

In that proffer, Ms. Lewinsky was said to have admitted having a sexual relationship with the president.

The source said the earlier proffer contained "a fair amount of information" dealing with Ms. Lewinsky's conversations with the president and his confidants about how they would deal with the Paula Jones sexual harassment lawsuit against Clinton.

The president denied under

oath in the Jones case that he'd had sexual relations with Ms. Lewinsky and she filed an affidavit in the suit saying "I have never had a sexual relationship with the president."

Today, Starr's Washington grand jury was resuming work and also was to meet Wednesday and Thursday. Witnesses could include Linda Tripp — whose recorded conversations of Ms. Lewinsky triggered the perjury and obstruction investigation — and Secret Service officers.

Six additional Secret Service uniformed officers have been subpoenaed to testify this week,

Mike Leibig, head of an association of Secret Service officers, said Monday night.

Leibig said a total of 11 Secret Service personnel have given grand jury testimony in the Lewinsky probe so far.

The Lewinsky-prosecutor talks came on a day that Starr won a majority victory from a panel of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia.

In a 2-1 decision, the panel rejected Clinton's claim of attorney-client confidentiality and ordered presidential adviser Bruce Lindsey to answer questions before a grand jury.

STATE NEWS

Forecaster says record '80 summer could be exceeded

HOUSTON (AP) — Forecasters have been saying this is the hottest summer since 1980. They might soon be calling this the most sizzling summer ever.

"This heat wave still ranks second to 1980 but that doesn't mean it doesn't have the legs to become No. 1," said Bob Livezey, a senior research meteorologist at the National Weather Service's Climate Prediction Center.

"Texas has had extraordinarily bad luck in this situation. In terms of an early summer, mid-summer drought, this is more serious than 1980."

On Monday, the temperature reached 103 degrees in North Texas.

The heat was blamed for contributing to a grass fire in Hunt County that forced the closure of Interstate 30 for about two hours.

The blaze, 10 miles from the city of Greenville, consumed hundreds of acres of rangeland and at least one home.

Thick black smoke could be seen for miles before firefighters from at least a dozen departments extinguished the flames. No serious injuries were reported, although several firefighters were overcome by smoke and heat.

Livezey accompanied Federal Emergency Management Agency Director James Lee Witt to Houston to huddle with state and local officials and assess what else the federal government can do.

President Clinton already has declared Texas and 10 other southern and southwestern states a disaster area because of the heat and drought, making available \$100 million in federal aid, including \$32.7 million to Texas.

The heat wave is blamed for at least 94 deaths in Texas since June 1, \$1.5 billion in agricultural damage and more than 6,765 wildfires.

Also Monday, the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs said it would be the lead agency administering the state's share of the federal emergency money earmarked for low-income families with high utility bills resulting from the heat wave. Actual disbursements are to come from local community action agencies.

"Don't worry about running up a high electric bill," Amy Lemen, a department spokesman, said in a message to people who may keep air conditioners off. "We'll help you take care of it. Your health is more important."

Panel weighs contempt citation against Reno

WASHINGTON (AP) — A House panel is weighing whether to seek a contempt citation against Attorney General Janet Reno for defying its subpoena of two Justice memos dissenting from her handling of the campaign finance investigation.

The two memos recommend the case be turned over to an independent counsel, which Reno has declined to do.

After Reno's refusal Monday, Rep. Dan Burton, R-Ind., said he would discuss her decision with members of the House Government Reform and Oversight Committee today with a view to bringing a contempt citation against her for refusal to obey a congressional subpoena.

Reno and FBI Director Louis

Subpoena is "unprecedented political tampering with law enforcement."

Freeh "both agree strongly that they are opposed to releasing these documents," Justice spokesman Bert Brandenburg said. "No prosecutor anywhere should have to hand out a road map to an investigation and reveal information that could tip off the guilty and smear the innocent."

Calling the committee's subpoena "unprecedented political tampering with law enforcement," Brandenburg said attorneys general under Presidents Ronald Reagan, Franklin

Roosevelt and Theodore Roosevelt also had refused to give Congress documents from open criminal investigations.

But Burton, who is chairman of the committee, said the department's explanation was insincere because his subpoena explicitly asked the department to remove any secret grand jury evidence before turning over the documents. Burton said he was seeking only the reasoning in the documents.

Brandenburg said there were other elements, like strategic

plans, that the department would resist disclosing.

The documents in question are a July memo from the departing chief of the Justice campaign finance task force, Charles LaBella, and a November 1997 memo from Freeh. Both memos to Reno argued that she should seek appointment of an independent counsel to handle the case, Justice officials have said. Reno rejected Freeh's advice last fall but has said she is still reviewing LaBella's.

The House panel has been conducting its own investigation into the activities of President Clinton, Vice President Al Gore and Democratic Party officials in raising money for Clinton's 1996 re-election campaign.

Study faults Congress for failing to protect privacy

WASHINGTON (AP) — A report by a public interest group blames Congress for failing to protect America's privacy, saying lawmakers accept campaign money from corporations that want access to people's personal information.

The Center for Public Integrity, in a study released today, largely points the finger at Congress for accepting contributions from banks, health-care, insurance and credit companies that lobby for continued access to personal data.

"Congress seems to have substantially aided and abetted the

invaders of privacy, not the public," said Charles Lewis, director of the center. "Large sums of money have flowed to members of Congress, and concessions have been made toward various affected industries."

The financial services industry gave \$32 million to congressional candidates during the 1995-96 election cycle, and hospitals, health-maintenance organizations and pharmaceutical companies gave \$13 million more, said the center, a nonpartisan research group based in Washington.

The founder of CDB Infotek of Santa Ana, Calif., Rick Rozar, gave \$100,000 to the Republican National Committee in October, the center found. The company, where Rozar no longer works, will provide a person's full name, birth date and Social Security, telephone and driver's license numbers for \$7.

CDB didn't respond to requests for comment, but a recording says it provides "online information that businesses need." Rozar also couldn't be reached for comment.

The report also criticized Rep. David Hobson, R-Ohio, for

including in legislation in 1995 what it described as "an industry-written proposal" that allowed companies to exchange computerized medical records. The report said Hobson also has collected more than \$65,000 from groups opposing privacy laws.

But Hobson called the criticism "absolutely irresponsible." The legislation he introduced cuts down on paperwork, speeds payment and makes fraudulent claims easier to recognize because transactions are coordinated, electronically, he said.

Some of Texas' best humor has pertained to the heat

FORT WORTH (AP) — Texans long ago discovered that since they couldn't do anything about the blistering heat, they may as well joke about it.

Temperatures in North Texas reached triple digits Monday for the 22nd consecutive day.

Since June 1, the heat wave is blamed for at least 94 deaths in Texas, \$1.5 billion in agricultural damage and more than 6,765 wildfires.

Men like humorists Cactus Pryor and Boyce House, folklorist J. Frank Dobie and writers Alex Sweet, Wallace O. Chariton and others have kept alive the humor of a hot, dry, unforgiving Texas.

Workmen carry salt in their pockets and don't have to go home to dinner."

A visitor to Texas once asked, "Does it ever rain out here?"

"Yes, it does," a rancher quickly answered. "Do you remember that part in the Bible when it rained for 40 days and 40 nights?"

"Yes, I'm familiar with Noah's flood," the visitor said.

"Well," the rancher puffed up, "we got two and a half inches during that spell."

Elmer Kelton wrote in "The Time It Never Rained," his descriptive novel about the 1950s drought: "During the long Texas drought of the 1950s a joke — probably already as old as the state — was told again and again about a man who bet several of his friends that it never would rain again, and collected from two of them."

They have repeated hundreds of stories in their writings. No one knows any longer where most of them originated, but they live on, the Fort Worth Star-Telegram noted.

During a particularly dry spell, legend has it, a sad Texan once prayed, "I wish it would rain — not so much for me, I've seen it — but for my 7-year-old."

Just how hot is it?

Some responses gleaned from Texas folklore:

- It was so dry that the trees were whistlin' for the dogs.
- It was so dry that the cows were giving evaporated milk.
- It was so hot that farmers were feeding the chickens cracked ice to keep them from laying hard-boiled eggs.
- It was so hot that the birds had to use potholders to pull the worms out of the ground.
- "The drought in Texas is so intense," a Kentucky newspaper wrote in 1886, "that potatoes are cooked in the ground, and all the people have to do is

dig them up and eat them.

Shortly after the Civil War, following an exhaustive, dusty trip from San Antonio to Galveston, Gen. Phil Sheridan was asked his opinion of Texas.

"If I owned Texas and all hell, I would rent out Texas and live in hell," the general said.

Texas' imperfections have been visible before.

The late U.S. Sen. Ben "Pitchfork" Tillman of South Carolina once said, "Texas has more trees and less timber; more rivers and less water; more resources and less cash; more itinerant preachers and less religion; more cows and less milk, and you can see farther and see less than any damn country in the world."

Bell Atlantic merging with GTE in latest telecom combo

NEW YORK (AP) — In the latest megadeal to transform the telecommunications industry, Bell Atlantic Corp. and GTE Corp. announced today an agreement to merge that will create a company capable of offering a wide range of services, including local telephone calls, wireless services and Internet access.

The companies said the combined entity will have revenues of \$53 billion.

GTE's top executive, Charles R. Lee, will be the new company's chairman and co-chief executive officer. Bell Atlantic

CEO Ivan Seidenberg will be president and will share the CEO title with Lee.

The deal was described as a merger of equals in which the new board of the combined entity would be drawn equally from each company. The deal was a stock swap in which the Bell Atlantic shares would be used to pay for the transaction.

The merger comes on the heels of a series of major transactions that are transforming the way companies market and sell telecommunications services, from local phone service to Internet access.

A federal law intended to force more competition in telecommunications has touched off a spate of attempts by the industry's biggest players to buy their way into each other's businesses.

Just two days ago, AT&T Corp. and British Telecommunications PLC unveiled a new global venture to combine their international operations and sell a range of services to large multinational companies.

Last month, AT&T agreed to buy cable giant Telecommunications Inc., for \$31.7

billion, with the intention of using TCI's cable TV lines to provide local phone service to millions of U.S. homes.

Earlier this year, SBC Communications and Ameritech, two major local phone companies, also agreed to merge in a deal valued at \$60 billion. Like Bell Atlantic, both those companies are "Baby Bells" formed in the court-ordered breakup of AT&T that was completed in 1984.

Bell Atlantic, itself the product of a merger with Nynex, another Baby Bell, is the largest U.S. local phone company.

Utah governor seeks AG opinion on polygamy

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Facing criticism for suggesting polygamy may fall under religious freedoms, Gov. Mike Leavitt turned to Utah's attorney general for advice on why Utah fails to prosecute polygamists when the practice is widespread.

Last week, Leavitt said human or civil rights violations committed by polygamists should be aggressively prosecuted. But he implied the practice itself, with its roots in early Mormon doctrine, might be protected under the First Amendment.

There are believed to be tens of thousands of practicing polygamists in Utah.

On Monday, self-described victims of polygamy condemned the governor for his comments.

They claimed he is insensitive to the physical, spiritual and emotional abuses suffered by women and children in polygamous groups.

Worse, they said, Leavitt's remarks amount to tacit approval of the long-outlawed practice.

"Until Gov. Leavitt takes the laws of polygamy seriously, our hands are tied and we will continue to be a voice unheard," said Vicki Prunty, director of the Tapestry of Polygamy, a self-help group for former polygamist wives and children.

The Mormon Church banned polygamy in 1890, and an anti-polygamy clause was written into the Utah Constitution as a condition for statehood. Many practicing polygamists, however, believe the church was

wrong to forsake what had been a cherished doctrine.

Prunty's group held a news conference outside Leavitt's office Monday and presented his deputy chief of staff, Vicki Varela, with a letter urging him to enforce the constitution he swore to uphold.

Leavitt declined to respond in

person. However, Varela drew a distinction between prosecuting the act of polygamy itself and prosecuting crimes that may occur within plural marriages — just as her boss was trying to do last week, she said.

"Polygamy is against the law in Utah," Varela said. "We do not know why prosecutors do not choose to prosecute it."

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EDITORIAL

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OUR VIEWS

It's time to get ready for school

Those cutoffs, caps and sunglasses may be perfect attire for youth trying to stay cool this hot summer, but that's about to change in just a couple of weeks.

School and what students think is cool don't always pass the same test.

The first school bell in the area rings Tuesday, Aug. 11 at Ackerly. By the end of the week, they'll be sounding in Big Spring, Coahoma, Stanton, Grady, Garden City, Forsan.

There are always a few problems at the start of school because a few students show up in excessively baggy pants, T-shirts advertising alcoholic beverages or tobacco products, or have their hair styled in a manner most educators would consider disruptive.

What is allowable in each school varies, and sometimes changes from year to year, so parents should question anything that seems borderline to them. More importantly, parents can solve a lot of problems if they will read over the dress code before they go shopping for back-to-school wear.

To save time at the store, parents of elementary students can go ahead and pick up supplies - paper, pencils, erasers, rulers and the like. Most stores which carry school supplies have lists which are supplied by the districts. These let parents know just what their child will need, and reduce the chance of purchasing unnecessary items.

Older students may not know all of what they will need until the start of school.

There is a lot more to getting ready for school than just selecting the right clothing and supplies. Immunizations are vital. Check with your child's school, doctor or the health clinic to find out what may be needed.

Finally, it's a major change to make the transition from the summer holiday to the classroom and mental preparation is important. Begin to encourage your child now. Speak positively of school and the educational experience.

Give your child every chance to succeed. The first school bell is about to ring.

OTHER VIEWS

In the category of foregone conclusions: A report issued by a bipartisan House commission says that a nuclear attack against the United States is plausible.

The biggest threat ... is from countries such as North Korea, Iran and Iraq, which already have at least some nuclear capability and would not hesitate to use nuclear weapons against the United States.

The United States has been safe because those countries have not had the capability to build the long-range missiles to deliver nuclear bombs.

But with technology available from Russia and China, the United States might no longer be safe.

The question is what U.S. leaders should do to protect the nation. Some are insisting that the strategic Defense Initiative, or Star Wars as it was called during the Reagan administra-

tion, be revived. The Reagan plan was to put up a network of satellites that conceivably could detect and shoot down incoming missiles.

Even U.S. technology, however, is not yet foolproof in this area and the cost of such a system would be enormous.

The United States has the world's most formidable nuclear arsenal and the ability to hit any country in the world in a matter of minutes. It must be made clear that any country that threatens U.S. security will be dealt with harshly and swiftly.

It would be a madman indeed who would lob a missile into the United States knowing that the next (and last) sound he would hear would be that of incoming U.S. missiles that would obliterate him and his country. That's harsh, but it remains our best deterrent.

TULSA (OKLA.) WORLD

Tax-cut plan eyed with caution by some

By ALAN FRAM
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — For many conservatives, the plan by House Republicans to use expected budget surpluses for a huge election-year tax cut makes clever politics, reminding the GOP's staunchest supporters what the party is all about.

But for other Republicans — particularly in the more centrist Senate — the proposal summons memories of the 1986 election, when the GOP lost control of the Senate as Democrats used Social Security as a bludgeon.

With the Congressional Budget Office now projecting \$1.55 trillion in federal surpluses over the next decade, House Budget Committee Chairman John Kasich, R-Ohio, wants to use \$700 billion of it to cut taxes.

He would use an additional \$700 billion to shore up Social Security, all but denying Democrats a chance to grab the money for new programs.

Backed by most House GOP leaders, Kasich says his plan should shield Republicans against President Clinton's call to set aside surpluses until the two parties agree how to bolster the huge pension system for the eventual retirement of baby boomers. Clinton wants that to happen next year.

"We want to solve the Social Security problem for three generations, and also help the American people today get some of their money back," said Kasich, testing a theme Republicans could carry into this fall's elections and that he might use for a possible 2000 presidential run.

The problem, though, is that many in his own party worry that Kasich is opening the door to Democratic attacks that Republicans are threatening Social Security.

Kasich's plan calls for using tens of billions of dollars in interest that the Social Security trust fund accumulates to help

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-Senate Minority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D.

pay for the tax cuts. With the vibrant economy presumably leaving most voters content with their members of Congress, why do something that risks stirring them up, many Republicans wonder.

"The White House will be saying, 'You're spending Social Security to cut taxes,'" said Senate Budget Committee Chairman Pete Domenici, R-N.M. "That's the trust fund; are they not entitled to the interest?"

Domenici was chairman of the budget panel in 1985 when it wrote a deficit-fighting plan that would have eliminated that year's cost-of-living Social Security increase.

Most Senate Republicans voted for it with the support of then-President Reagan, but Reagan later cut a deal with Democrats and abandoned his support for the Social Security savings. In the November 1986 elections, nine incumbent GOP senators were defeated and Democrats took over the chamber.

"It is always dangerous anytime you support messing with Social Security," said Doug Thompson, a consultant with Eddie Mahe Co., which helps GOP candidates. "It is one of the most dangerous political issues you can tamper with."

Domenici, who has clashed with Kasich all year over the Ohioan's ambitious tax-cutting plans, is not alone in his unhappiness.

At a meeting last Wednesday with top House Republicans, several Senate GOP leaders questioned the political wisdom of Kasich's approach, said participants who spoke on condition of anonymity. The doubters included Senate GOP Whip Don

Nickles of Oklahoma and Sen. Slade Gorton, R-Wash., who was defeated for reelection in 1986.

Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., likes the idea of using the surplus for Social Security and tax cuts, but not the way Kasich would do it.

Lott has Domenici and other senators working on an alternative that would aim more money at Social Security and less at tax cuts, leaving Republicans less politically vulnerable.

As for possible attacks by Clinton, Lott issued a warning.

"If he has any serious bones left in his body, they won't make Social Security a demagogic, partisan issue, or it will kill — kill — the ability of us to make any serious reforms" in Social Security, Lott said. "I've told the White House that."

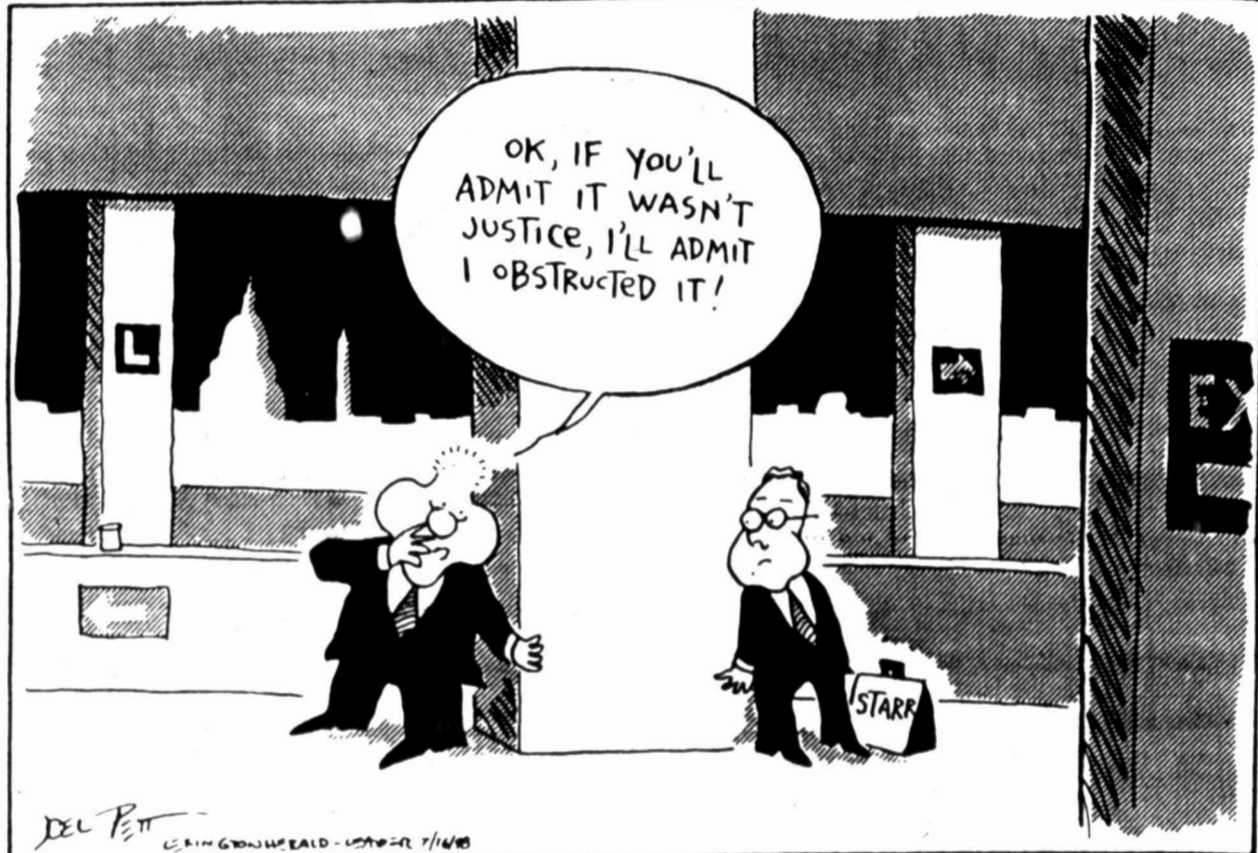
That is likely to have little effect on Democrats who see a potent political issue.

"If they put this trillion-dollar tax cut proposal out there seriously, there is no question this will become a Social Security debate," said Senate Minority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D. "And we're ready to have it. I'd like it to begin tomorrow."

Republicans are ready to fire back by arguing that for years, Democratic-controlled Congresses did not save Social Security's surpluses, but spent them on other government programs.

But for now, many in the GOP are wary. "Clinton will demagogue on anything," said Rep. Robert Ehrlich, R-Md., a Kasich loyalist.

"By the same token, you don't want to lead with your chin."



Viagra: What are the other side effects?

I've just read another headline about the Federal Drug Administration confirming that 39 men have died from making love with the aid of Viagra, and that government officials are checking to see if 38 more deaths can be tied to the sensational new sex potion.



CARL ROWAN

I suppose a lot of men are scared silly because the media keeps focusing on figures that are, in truth, more good news than bad — figures that don't tell the meaningful story of Viagra's side effects.

The drug's manufacturer, Pfizer, Inc., says that since Viagra was put on the market last spring, more than 3 million prescriptions have been filled for 2 million men. Out of any pool of 2 million men, most over 60 years old, more than 39 probably die out of boredom every week. So, statistically, the death figures don't remotely support an implication that Viagra is a dangerous drug that was approved too soon by the FDA.

Given the number of men who have turned desperately to Viagra, despite having heart ailments and other illnesses that make the pill risky for them, it is almost incredible that many hundreds have not died in the throes of rediscovered sexual excitement.

But there is a larger story that begs for the telling. While deaths make automatic headlines, the "side effects" of Viagra that we ought to care about are these:

1) How many marriages are being saved because the pill erases or ameliorates the destructive force of sexual dysfunction?

2) How many marriages and once-stable relationships are being broken up because Viagra makes infidelity possible?

Sexual factors, more than money problems and disputes over children, have long been cited as the major reason why half the marriages in America fail. Nothing — not the loss of a job or anything else — is more humiliating for a male in this sex-focused society than being unable to "do one's manly duties" for a wife or other partner. The number of men needing help probably has been grossly underestimated.

"I have hundreds of male patients who over the years

have never said a word about an impotence problem, but who are now flocking in asking me to prescribe Viagra for them," one doctor told me.

That's why 303,424 prescriptions for Viagra were written during the first week the drug was on the market. Demand slipped to 184,312 prescriptions during the week ending July 10, but the craving remains high enough to ensure that the drug will hit a billion dollars in sales in its first year.

Ironically, a pill that saves some marriages can destroy others. We have read some reports of previously impotent men in their 60s deciding that they "can be a stud again" and rush out with their pills looking for younger women. And there is evidence that a lot of younger men whose semi-impotence was the basis of their faithfulness are now viewing Viagra as liberating them to play around.

I don't have the resources to do solid research on these "side effects" of one of the most sensational drugs of the century.

And I don't like relying on anecdotal data.

So I'm hoping that a modern Kinsey or Masters and Johnson is already collecting reliable data on what Viagra is doing and will do to us as a society.

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IN BRIEF

Ame Blacketer opens tournament with wins

Ame Blacketer of Big Spring opened play in the United States Tennis Association (USTA) 12s Central Zonals in Oklahoma City with wins in both singles and doubles play.

Blacketer knocked off Claire Rietsch of Dallwin, Mo., 6-0, 6-2 in her first-round singles match and then teamed with Brenna Jackson of Wichita Falls to defeat Rietsch and Marti Costello of Belleville, Ill., 7-5, 6-4 in doubles play.

Grady rips Big Spring in Crossroads action

In the only scheduled game played in Crossroads Girls Summer League basketball action Monday, Grady took a 45-26 win over Big Spring, improving its record to 12-6-1.

The remainder of the five games scheduled resulted in forfeits — Stanton granted a win over Garden City, Sands getting the walk over from Sterling City, Coahoma taking the win over Odessa and Sweetwater getting a gift from Ira.

Sweetwater leads the standings at 17-0, while Sands is second at 14-4.

Tonight's junior division schedule calls for Big Spring I to face Sands at 6:30, followed by Big Spring II and Colorado City squaring off at 7:30. Stanton and Coahoma's senior division teams will play at 8:30 with the final game of the night pitting Odessa and Grady.

Midland Angels set two 'Big Spring Nights'

The Midland Angels have scheduled July 31 and Aug. 1 games against Texas League Western Division opponent Wichita's Wranglers at "Big Spring Community Nights" at Christensen Stadium.

Former Dallas Cowboys great Bob Lilly will be on hand to greet fans on July 31, while Aug. 1 will be a "Turn Back the Clock '60s Style" event.

Discounted tickets are available at the Herald, K's Etc., Norwest Bank, Cillihan's Paint and Body, First Bank of West Texas, Leonard's Pharmacy, Fiesta Dodge, Honea Implement, State National Bank, Feagins Implement, Big Spring Cable TV, Auto Zone, Fina and First United Methodist Church.

CRMWD now accepting applications for hunting

Applications for public hunting permits for the O.H. Ivie Reservoir Wildlife Management Areas will be accepted through Aug. 15 at the Colorado River Municipal Water District (CRMWD).

A public drawing for hunting permits is set for 10 a.m. on Sept. 1 at the lake's field office near the north end of the dam.

Anyone needing additional information or requesting an application packet should call the CRMWD at 267-6341.

ON THE AIR

TODAY:

BASEBALL
6 p.m. — Texas Rangers at Toronto Blue Jays, LIN, Ch. 98.

PREP FOOTBALL

7:30 p.m. — Texas High School Coaches Association All-Star Game, FXS, Ch. 30.

CYCLING

2 a.m. — Tour de France, stage 16, ESPN, Ch. 30.

GOODWILL GAMES

7:05 p.m. — Boxing quarter-finals, women's swimming and men's and women's triathlon, TBS, Ch. 11.

BOXING

8 p.m. — Champion Antwun Echols vs. Urbano Gurrola for NABF and USBA middleweight championship; junior middleweights Anthony Jones vs. Steve Martinez, USA, Ch. 38.

THSCA North All-Stars take 106-105 win over South

Stanton's Washington finishes with 14 points

From staff and wire reports

HOUSTON — Defense is usually an afterthought in all-star basketball games, but Greg Harrington got a face-full of it as he approached the 3-point line in the waning moments.

That's when the Carrollton Newman Smith guard launched a fall-away jumpshot from just behind the arc at the buzzer to lift his North team to a 106-105 victory Monday over the South in the Texas High School Coaches Association showcase.

"As soon as I got the ball I knew I had to create something for myself," said Tulsa-bound Harrington, whose heroics brought forth a healthy case of dejection

from South players in a game that's not supposed to matter. "I wanted to get at least two (points), but I really wanted three."

The game would have had an exciting enough ending if Harrington had missed, which would have been par for the course in a game that saw only 6-of-48 3-pointers made.

With 10 seconds remaining, Katy star Adam Hall soared through the lane to hit a go-ahead layup, his last score before heading off to Virginia. Harrington took the inbound pass, calmly navigated downcourt and ended the home team's brief celebration.

He finished with 24 points and had six assists to lead his squad and won most valuable player honors. South MVP was Toshiy Harvey, a Houston Sharpstown product headed to Kilgore College, who scored 25 points.

Stanton's Marcus Washington, the 6-

foot-7 post headed for Odessa College's program this fall, proved to be the biggest surprise of the first half, leading the North with 12 points at the intermission.

Washington finished the game with 14 points, seeing very limited playing time in the second half.

On his first organized game at the University of Houston's Hofheinz Pavilion, future Cougar Moses Malone Jr. had 21 points — including 10 straight late in the fourth period — but groused afterward about his playing time.

"I felt I should have gotten in the game more," said Malone, whose 18 minutes were in line with the other stars. "Every time I was in I was scoring, but that was the coach's decision. But it was still fun."

Everman's Tim Lightfoot, set to play at New Mexico, scored 19 for the North and Nigel Smith, of Kennedale and Southern

Methodist, added 15. Hall scored 17 for the South.

Kyle Fountain, a springloaded 5-foot-9 guard from Class 2A Woden, edged Hall in a lively slam dunk competition at halftime. Both players' centerpiece jams came while leaping over a seated South teammate.

In the 3-point contest, Kenneth Mangrum of Waco University went 4-for-5 in a shootout against Lightfoot.

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An old dog's learning some new tricks

Cowboys' Irvin likes Gailey's new offense

WICHITA FALLS (AP) — It was a bizarre play call not seen on a Dallas practice field since Tom Landry installed the throwback pass to quarterback Danny White.

Wide receiver Michael Irvin lined up in the backfield out of the shotgun formation with quarterback Troy Aikman.

As the defense rushed Aikman, he lobbed the ball to Irvin on a screen pass. The play went for only five yards or so but it showed the offensive imagination of new coach Chan Gailey.

Gailey is trying everything he can think of to defeat double coverage on Irvin this season.

"I love it," Irvin said. "They've got me in the slot, in motion, in the backfield and all around the town."

With the Cowboys' four-wide receiver set, it will be dangerous for other teams to consistently double-team the Cowboys' top receiver. Even with double coverage, Irvin caught 75 passes for 1,180 yards last year.

"This year could really be good," Irvin said. "Teams are going to bust coverages trying to keep up with me. And we have three other receivers who can hurt them. Getting Ernie Mills was big and we have other receivers who are looking good."

Irvin said he can't wait for games to start.

"I'm looking forward to sitting down to this big buffet and eating a different meal," Irvin said. "It's going to be a different taste."

Irvin admitted he was concerned when Barry Switzer was asked to leave.

"I was a little worried when Chan first came because I wasn't sure where he was coming from," Irvin said. "But I'm comfortable with my assignments now and I can see what this offense can do. Chan has quite an imagination for offensive plays."

The Cowboys open the preseason on July 31 against Seattle in Texas Stadium and Irvin said "most of the veterans will be playing more than usual. We've got to get the offense down. We'll have plenty of work. We've got five exhibition games and two of those Jerry Jones scrimmages."

Irvin said the Cowboys are working hard to erase the memories of last season's 6-10 disaster that cost Switzer his job.

"You have to be ignorant not to realize we didn't get the job done last year," Irvin said. "Chan is here to address all those problems and so far he has done just fine."

The Cowboys were among the worst teams in the NFL last year in the area inside the 20-yard line.

"We made constant mistakes in the red zone," Irvin said. "It was mistake after mistake after mistake. We have to make sure we don't beat ourselves again this year when we get down there."

"We're still going to try smashmouth football down there. But if that doesn't work, we want to be able to pass the ball."



Dallas Cowboys wide receiver Michael Irvin, shown here in an Associated Press file photo, says he's happy with coach Chan Gailey's new offensive scheme. Both Gailey and quarterback Troy Aikman believe Irvin could have a huge season.

Irvin is going into his 12th NFL season and stands 11th on the list of all-time receivers.

"It looks like we got an old dog trying to learn new tricks," Irvin said. "I think I'm learning the new tricks just fine."

Gailey agrees. "Michael Irvin has had a great camp and he's the hardest worker we have out there," Gailey said. "It could be a big season for Michael."

Aikman said it could be a bonanza season for Irvin.

"Michael has really taken to this new offense," Aikman said. "He's so excited about it he might even be able to prolong his career another couple of years because of what he is able to do in it."

Cowboys sign new quarterback

The Cowboys signed former Rice quarterback Josh LaRocca on Monday and cut former TCU quarterback Max Knake.

LaRocca has played for the Barcelona Dragons in the NFL-Europe league.

Quarterbacks coach Buddy Geis said the Cowboys went to LaRocca because he has more experience.

"Max was able to get a lot of repetitions and we just thought we needed another

backup quarterback who had pro experience," Geis said.

LaRocca joined the team for the morning workout.

Leon Lett catches Gailey's eye

Leon Lett, who missed all but two games of the 1997 season because of an NFL-mandated drug suspension, has impressed Gailey.

"He can be a great player," Gailey said. "Time will tell. Greatness is proven over the years. I'm excited about where he can be. He had a very good off-season."

Gailey said he wasn't worried about Lett's past problems with drugs.

"I expect everything to go right for Leon and his life. I don't spend time worrying about him," Gailey said.

Cowboys draw over 4,000 fans a day

An average of 4,133 fans per day are attending Cowboy practices at Midwestern State University.

With that average, almost 100,000 fans will have attended practices by the time training camp ends on Aug. 15.

Training camps at St. Edward's University in Austin averaged between 90,000 to 110,000 per season.

Buffaloes sitting atop TSWA poll

HERALD Staff Report

HOUSTON — It was only a matter of time and Mark Cotton knew it.

Cotton, who's Stanton Buffaloes took the Class 2A state football championship a year ago, admits he was somewhat pleased with *Texas Football Magazine* ranked his team No. 3 rather than the top spot in its preseason rankings.

"The Buffs' head coach, you see, feels being the defending state champion enough of a bull's eye for opponents to use as a target this season."

But the Texas Sports Writers Association added more incentive for the Buffs opponents this season when it released its preseason rankings with Stanton at No. 1 in the 2A ranks.

While not surprised, Cotton admits he'd rather have avoided the ranking he knew was coming from somewhere.

"I hate that they did that to us," Cotton said after the TSWA rankings were announced during the Texas High School Coaches Association's annual coaching clinic, "but we kind of knew it was coming."

The Buffs, after all, have a solid nucleus of proven talent returning from last year's championship including quarterback Kyle Herm, fullback Jody Louder and top linemen Jeremy Smith and Chad Smith.

"We've got a chance to be a good football team," Cotton acknowledged, "but it's like I told our team last year before the season started ... 90 percent of the teams that have the best talent don't win the state championship."

The TSWA rankings have Stanton ranked No. 1 in Class 2A followed by Mart and Omaha Paul Pewitt.

Texas Football's rankings had Paul Pewitt at No. 1 with Mart at No. 2 and the Buffs third.

Rounding out the TSWA top 15 in Class 2A are Pilot Point, Alto, Winters, Grand Saline, Spearman, Lexington, Italy, Refugio, Holiday, Rogers and Schulenburg.

The other top-ranked teams in the poll are Killeen Ellison in Class 5A, LaMarque in 4A, Sealy in 3A and IA Tenaha.

Corkery adds four more signees to Lady Hawks roster

By JOHN A. MOSELEY

Sports Editor

Four more players have signed national letters of intent to play basketball this season for Howard College's Lady Hawks.

Three Californians — Chaunita Smith, Zakiya Gardner and Nacole Beaudion — and Sharlinia Charles of Brooklyn, N.Y., have been added to the list of new Lady Hawks signees.

Charles, a 6-foot-3 center, averaged 12 points and 12 rebounds per game for August Martin High School in Brooklyn last season en route to a 20-4 record.

August Martin was the No. 1-ranked public school team and fourth-rated team in New York City after having won the city championship in 1996 and 1997.

Lady Hawks head coach Matt Corkery is not only impressed with Charles' size, however.

"We're very excited to have a player of Sharlinia's ability join our program," Corkery said in announcing the sign-

ings. "She has great size and is an excellent athlete. She can run the floor and be a presence in the middle on defense, so we expect her to come in and be a big boost to our front line."

Beaudion, a 6-foot-1 center, also brings good size to the Lady Hawks front court. She averaged 15 points and 11 rebounds in earning first-team All-Sunbelt League honors at Moreno Valley (Calif.) High School.

Beaudion led Moreno Valley to a 26-3 record and the Sunbelt League championship, advancing to the Catholic Interscholastic Federation (CIF) quarterfinals.

"Our inside game was a big priority in recruiting and Nacol has the size and strength we need on the post," Corkery noted.

"I think with a little experience on her side, she'll be an excellent player for us," Corkery added of Beaudion. "We have an opportunity inside for someone to claim because of our lack of returnees. Nacole will have a shot at that spot."

Smith is a 6-foot forward who averaged

17 points an 10 rebounds per game for Bellflower (Calif.) High School and was named to the *Los Angeles Times'* South Coast All-Star team and third-team all-state honors.

She and her teammates at Bellflower finished the season with a 24-3 record, a league championship and reached the semifinals in the CIF playoffs.

Corkery stressed that Smith's versatility will be a huge plus for the Lady Hawks. "Chaunita has the ability to play with her back to the basket as well as facing up," he explained. "That will give us some versatility at the forward spot."

"With her ability to rebound, run the floor and score on the block, I believe she has a very bright future in our program," he added.

With those front line spots filled, Corkery also added Gardner, 5-foot-9 guard, to the Lady Hawks roster.

Gardner averaged 12 points, 7 assists and 4 steals for Bishop Amat High School in West Covina, Calif., last season. She earned first team All-Del Rey League honors and was a first-team All-

CIF honoree.

Bishop Amat went 25-5 in taking its third straight league championship last season, reaching the CIF semifinals.

"Zakiya is a superb athlete who brings us excellent defense on the perimeter ... she can play the game the way we want it played because of her athleticism," Corkery noted. "She will also be another weapon for us from behind the three-point line. I think she can make a difference for us right away."

The Lady Hawks return two starters from last year's team, guards Karlita Washington and Ricka McKee. Also back from last year's team are Kim Robertson, Latasha Moore and Jovanae St. Cyr.

Others who have committed to letters of intent with the Lady Hawks include Aiesha Love of San Diego, Calif., a 5-foot-8 guard; Shaketha Ashley of Compton, Calif., a 5-foot-4 guard; Tawana Horn of Los Angeles, a 6-2 center; Yolanda Grant of Flatonja, a 6-foot forward; Bertha Collins of Aldine Nimitz, a 5-foot-9 forward; and 5-foot-6 guard Ashanti Nix of Levelland.

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overly sensitive or to suppress
your emotions. At times, you
could explode. Learn how to
express your feelings before
they become uncontrollable and
exaggerated. Daily life proves
pleasing. If you are single, you
meet people easily, but you
might hook up with someone
who is emotionally unavailable.
Check out your new heart-
throbs with care. If attached,
communications are a must if
you are to succeed in this part-
nership. Express vulnerabilities.
LIBRA enjoys your compan-
y.
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)
**** Work with surprising
thoughts, friends and events.
You need to know when to kick
back and relax as well as when
to work. There is no time like
the present. Allow others to
join you, as you opt to play
hooky. Tonight: Socialize.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
**** Plunge into work, if you
can prevent yourself from
being distracted. A boss contin-
ues an erratic pattern, but
frankly, you don't care. You
find others amusing, and full of
fun. Whether at your desk or
walking on the street, there is a
smile on your face. Tonight:
Enjoy what is.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
**** Allow news to sink in.
Think through a decision care-
fully, even if you are not in the
mood. You decide to take half
of the day off to be frivolous
and shop. Check out that new
item that you have been think-
ing of. Tonight: Take a gamble.
CANCER (June 21-July 22)
**** Think before you leap. An
associate urges you on, and
basically, you concur with
what he suggests. Listen care-
fully to a family member,
though ultimately you are
going to do your own thing. Go
with impulse, even if just for
today. Tonight: The action is at
home.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
**** Let your personality
emerge. A friend gives you a
jolt, but you aren't surprised,
are you? By now, you should
expect the unexpected. You
could hear giggles and whisper-
ing. You are right not to share
your news with the world.
Tonight: Swap jokes with a
friend.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
**** Even you can be extra-
vagant sometimes. A friend urges
you to do what you want. Put
practicality aside for a few
hours, and let go. Letting
responsibilities dominate all
the time isn't healthy. Add
more vitality and joy to your

life. Tonight: Maintain your
budget.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
**** Express your whimsical
nature. A boss shares his views
with an unusual sense of
humor. Avoid always looking
at this person as an authority
figure. He, too, is human.
Accept an invitation to go to a
baseball game or a long lunch.
Tonight: A force to be dealt
with.
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
**** Be wise, and don't share
everything on your mind. You
could inadvertently offend
someone. Seek to better your
communications. Listen to
someone's real message. It
might be time to plan a long
weekend. Check out supersaver
prices. Tonight: Do your thing.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
**** Stay in touch with
friends. A partner suggests
scheduling an office party, even
if isn't the season for it. Bring
others together. While making
calls, catch up on each person's
news. Talks also need to
revolve around a long-term
goal. Tonight: With your
friends.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
**** Take the lead at work
again. People spill the beans.
You hear more than you have
ever wanted to. Maintain per-
spective — and a sense of
humor. Meeting times change,
be flexible. Someone might
complain, but only because he
cares so much. Tonight:
Happily appease someone.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
**** Take steps to get to
know your co-workers and
associates better. Invite others
to a fun picnic this weekend.
You see that you cannot keep
indulging the way you have
been. Could it be diet time?
Make a long-distance call.
Tonight: Think exotic, do exot-
ic.
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
**** Partners give you help-
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and inquiring. One-to-one relat-
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Mom doesn't want to wait to give son what he is due



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DEAR ABBY: My husband and I are having a major disagreement concerning our two sons' inheritance. When we die, our sons will inherit every-
thing 50-50, with the exception of our family business, which is worth a considerable amount of money. My husband has a ready turned the business over to our eldest son.
"Donald." My husband feels that Donald has earned this because "he stayed with us." Donald and his family have enjoyed a very prosperous life because of the family business.
"Steve," our younger son, started his own business in a different field. He has always struggled, and his family has never known the same level of comfort as Donald's. This troubles me.
I am trying to convince my husband at least part of his inheritance while we are alive. He needs the money to enlarge his business. We would never miss the money, I think it's fair, but my husband refuses to let Steve have it until we're both dead.
What do you think, Abby? — **SADDENED MOTHER**
DEAR SADDENED MOTHER: I see no reason to withhold the money from Steve, when to give it to him now would help him and his family.
Unless your husband can give you a valid reason, which does not include standing on ceremony, I recommend consulting with an attorney and arranging to give your struggling son a helping hand.
DEAR ABBY: In response to the woman who cannot forget that her parents were not truthful with her regarding when they got married, here is another story about the same thing:
My mother recently got the shock of her life. While trying to obtain a passport, she received a letter stating that the information she submitted was incorrect. It appears that Mom's father was not her father, and there is no official record of her birth. Also, the maiden name my mother, my siblings and I have used on official documents was the wrong name!
Our grandmother is too ill to explain why she lead us to believe that the man we called "Grandpa" was Mom's father when he wasn't.
When my brother tried to obtain a Social Security number for his infant daughter, he was told there was a problem. My sister and I have received letters from Social Security periodically stating that there was a problem with the name(s) listed. We used to assume that it was because of our name changes upon marriage. We do not assume so anymore.

Abby, our family is trying to sort out this whole mess. My mother will be eligible for Social Security in a few years and is understandably concerned. All of the emotional issues aside, none of this would have occurred if Gran had not lied.
Thank God, my life is an open book! I assured my children, at one point, that they will never wake up to find that their father is not really their father, that I had other children, or that I may not be their mother.
Once our sense of humor returns, I think we will write Gran's memoirs. Thank you, Abby, for existing.
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DEAR STUNNED: I'm sure the memoirs will make fascinating reading. Your letter calls to mind Sir Walter Scott's memorable quote, "Oh, what a tangled web we weave, when first we practice to deceive!"
DEAR ABBY: In response to the letters in your column about domestic abuse — one from a divorce lawyer in Florida and another from Attorney General Tom Udall of New Mexico — I am sure they both mean well, but domestic abuse is not cut-and-dried.
Yes, we need to protect women from batterers and free them from arrest when they defend themselves. But one-sided laws that protect only women (battered by men) are just quick-fix schemes — "sound bite" laws.
Blanket protection for women doesn't address gay and lesbian relationships (like it or not, they do exist — and they, too, have batterers). Women are also batterers and abusers, not just in lesbian relationships, but also in straight relationships. Men, too, can be victims.
Laws against domestic violence should focus on the abuser, whoever the abuser is — male or female, straight or gay, rich or poor. Law enforcement and politicians should be trained to understand all the possibilities, and then take educated action to end abuse. We already have too many laws and too many police. What we really need now is more respect for both — and for one another. — **STEPHEN RANDOLPH, SAN FRANCISCO**
DEAR STEPHEN: You make a good point. However, I believe the laws are written the way they are because the vast majority of spousal battery cases involve men abusing women. After reading your letter, I would concur that the laws should be amended so that all batterers, regardless of gender, should be liable for their actions.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION
Texaco Exploration & Production, Inc. has applied to the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) for re-issuance of Air Quality Permit No. 8461 of the existing East Vealmoor Gas Processing Facility located 16 miles north of Coahoma on Texas FM 846, Howard County, Texas. The facility will emit the following air contaminants: oxides of nitrogen, carbon monoxide, volatile organic compounds, and particulate matter. A person who may be affected by air contaminants emitted from the existing facility may request a hearing.
If the applicant demonstrates the existing facility will comply with all applicable air quality requirements, the applicant will qualify for issuance of a permit renewal. The subject of a hearing would be limited to applicable air quality requirements, which do not include issues such as water quality, noise, traffic, safety, or zoning. If a hearing is held, it will be a legal proceeding similar to civil trials in state district court.
To request a hearing, you must submit the following: (1) your name (or for a group or association, an official representative), mailing address, daytime phone number, and fax number, if any; (2) the applicant's name and permit number; (3) the statement of how a public hearing; (4) a brief, specific statement of how and why emissions from the facility would adversely affect you in a way not common to members of the general public; and (5) the location of your property relative to the facility. Hearing requests or comments on the application must be received in writing at the Chief Clerk's Office, MC-105, TNRCC, P.O. Box 12067, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, within 15 days after the second publication of this notice. This notice is to be published on July 28, 1998 and July 29, 1998.
A copy of the application is available for review and reproduction at the TNRCC Office of Air Quality, 12124 Park 35 Circle, Building C, Austin, Texas 78753. Registration documents and further information may be obtained from the TNRCC Midland Regional Office, Air Program located at 3300 North A Street, Building 4, Suite 107, Midland, Texas 79705, telephone (915) 570-1259. Individual members of the public who wish to inquire about the information contained in this notice or to inquire about other agency permit applications or permitting processes should call the TNRCC Office of Public Assistance, toll free, at 1-800-687-4040.
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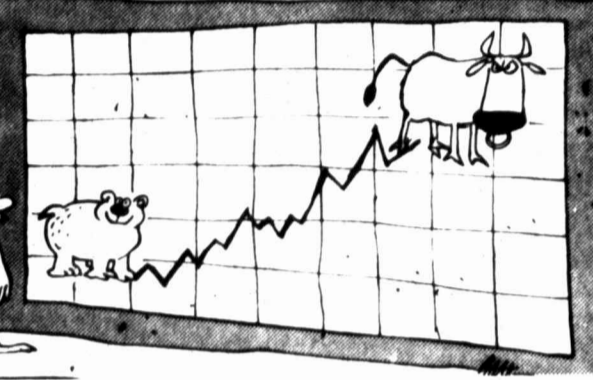
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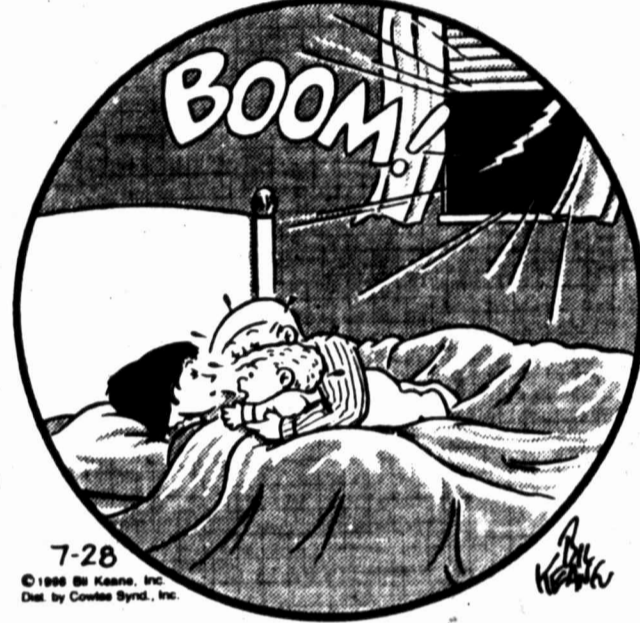
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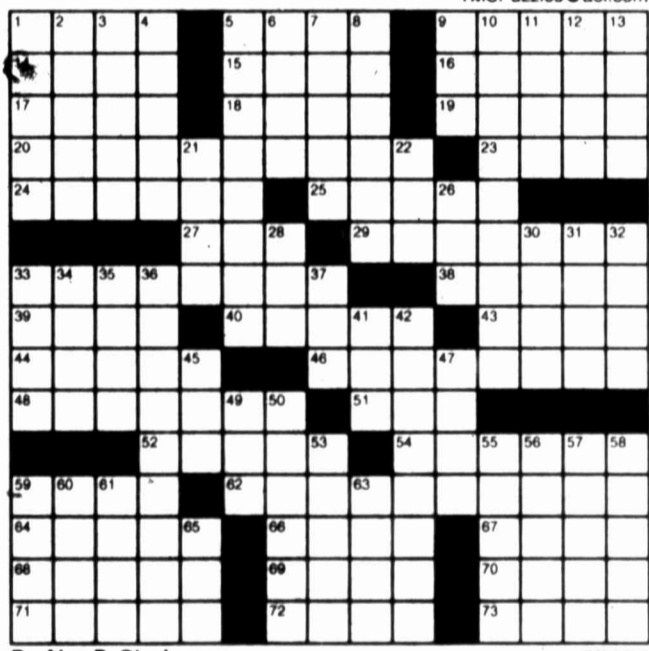
THIS DATE IN HISTORY

Today is Tuesday, July 28, the 209th day of 1998. There are 156 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On July 28, 1945, a U.S. Army bomber crashed into the 79th floor of New York's Empire State Building, killing 14 people.

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