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Deadline near for cotton zone transfer vote

Monday is the deadline to have mail ballots post-marked in the zone transfer referendum for cotton producers in northern Glasscock County.

Results of the election will determine whether cotton acreage in that area should officially become part of the six-county Permian Basin Boll Weevil Eradication Zone.

If the ballot proposal is approved, approximately 14,000 acres of cotton in northern Glasscock County would join the Permian Basin Zone. To pass, the measure requires approval of two-thirds approval of the growers and landowners voting or, a amount representing 50 percent of the cotton acreage.

The Permian Basin Boll Weevil Eradication Zone was formally created in January and consists of approximately 500,000 acres of cotton in Howard, Dawson, Ector and Martin and parts of Midland and Borden counties. Growers and crop-sharing landowners in the Permian Basin Zone have not voted to participate in an eradication program.

WHAT'S UP...

MONDAY

□ Big Spring Evening Lions Club, 6:30 p.m., 1607 E. Third. Call Janis Dean, 267-3068.

□ Howard County 4-H omelet supper, 5 to 7 p.m. during the Howard County Fair opening night. Tickets are \$4 each and may be purchased from any 4-H member or bought at the door. All proceeds will benefit the Howard County 4-H Club.

TUESDAY

□ Beginning Line dance classes, 9 a.m., Senior Citizens Center. Call 267-1628.

□ Quarterback Club, 7 p.m. All football parents and fans welcome.

□ VFW Post No. 2013, VFW Hall, 7 p.m.

Coahoma Senior Citizens luncheon, 11 a.m., Coahoma Community Center.

□ Big Spring Chapter No. 67 Order of the Eastern Star, 7:30 p.m., Masonic Lodge, 219 Main.

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Big Spring's Girl Scouts are searching for a place to call home

By MARSHA STURDIVANT
Staff Writer

Big Spring Girl Scouts need a home, and in a community known for its history of support for the girls, organizers hope Big Spring will follow in the footsteps of other West Texas communities and meet the need.

"It would be nice to have a building in Big Spring Girl Scouts could call their own," said Lisa Peterson, president of the West Texas Girl Scout Council board of directors.

"We would love to see us have one there. That's our strength, a place where the entire council can do things as a

group. This would be advantageous for sleepovers, a place where different age groups can meet and work together, and pull the Girl Scouts together," Peterson said.

Debra Guerra, executive director of the council, said Big Spring has as long history of support for Girl Scouts.

"The first president of the West Texas Girl Scout Council was Don Conley, in 1946. Margaret Lloyd is former executive council member. We have strong roots here and historically Big Spring has supported the Girl Scouts," Guerra said.

The girls had a hut, located on Scurry Street, until 1993, when problems with space, restroom facilities and other diffi-

culties prompted the council not to renew the lease. Since then the girls have met at various churches and other locations.

Guerra said Big Spring has a noteworthy Girl Scout organization for two reasons. The volunteer troop leaders are known throughout the council to be superb trainers and Big Spring has a large older Girl Scout population.

"Traditionally, that's the age group when the girls drop out. But in Big Spring, we have 34 cadets and eight seniors, which has doubled from 1997. Older girls have wider opportunities with another council," she said.

Girl Scout membership increased 16

percent from 1997 to 1998, up from 139 girls to 161 this year. There are 72 adult members, up from 67 in 1997, Guerra said.

Guerra cited several reasons why the girls need a central location for their activities. A Girl Scout hut provides a place for troop meetings, older girls' workshops, storage for troop equipment, overnight lock-ins and community events.

Along with the strength of interest, as evidenced by the membership, the volunteer troop leaders need a central location to train other leaders.

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Fairgrounds already bustling with activity

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN
Features Editor

Today continues a busy weekend for organizers of the 26th annual Howard County Fair.

Grand Opening Day for the 26th annual Howard County Fair is Monday, but the fairgrounds are bustling with decorators, organizers, entrants and livestock owners. All baked goods entries were taken Saturday, while creative arts and canning entries will be accepted for the last time from 1-4 p.m. today.

Lambs filled the barns Saturday for an afternoon show, and the goat show begins today at 1 p.m.

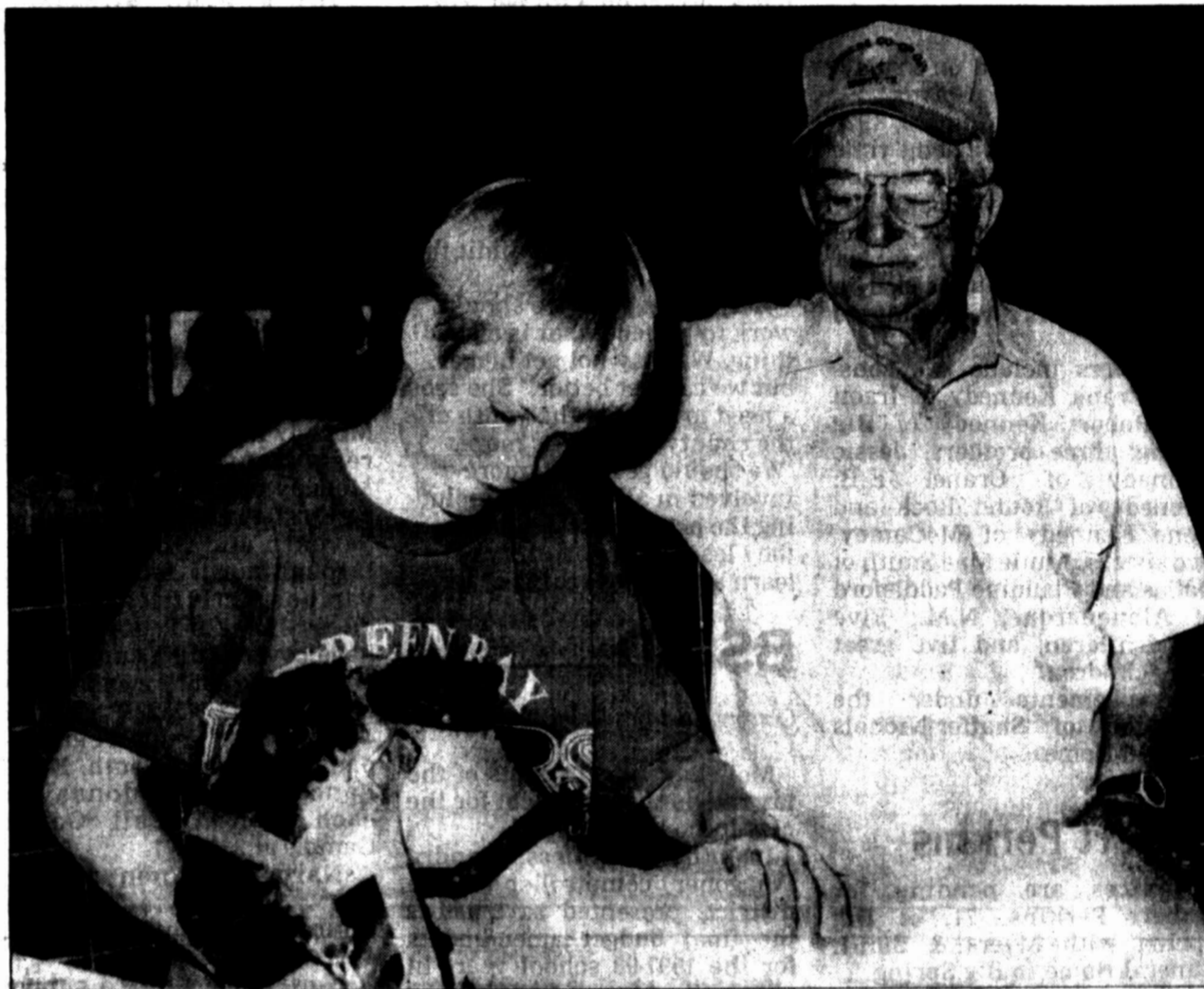
"This last week before the fair is just a matter of getting things put together," said fair board president Howard Armstrong. "We started Wednesday, and we're pretty well on track. Everything's coming together pretty quick."

Work to make this year's fair a success has been under way for months, but the last week, and especially the last weekend, is non-stop work for the group.

Monday at 4 p.m., it's show time.

A kid's parade will kick off the grand opening festivities, at the fair's front gate. A ribbon cutting with local dignitaries is planned at 4 p.m.

Those events will start off a week that will feature unique shows, the annual fair queen contest, Battle of the Cheerleaders, entertainment by Gene Watson, Jody Nix and Johnny Rodriguez, a nightly



Ryan Dawson grooms his lamb for the ring as Fair Board President Howard Armstrong looks on.

carnival, livestock shows, creative arts, agricultural and cooking competitions.

For the curious, the fair is a chance to find out what exactly is cow patty bingo, and what happens at a ranch rodeo.

There will be prizes for agricultural products and domino champions, golf cart drivers,

horseshoe and washer pitchers. A pet show is planned Monday evening, while a pageant for children, known as "Kountry Kids," will take place Saturday morning.

Armstrong said as last-minute preparations are completed this weekend, there's definite excitement in the air.

"Everybody's enthused over it and anxious for it to get under way," he said. "It's the high before the fair starts."

With new additions to many of the fair's "old favorites," Armstrong predicts another success.

"I think we've got a good one put together this year."

HERALD photo/Linda Choate

Watt excited about what this year's fair has to offer

At the fair

Nancy Koger



A lady who confesses that she doesn't especially like going to carnivals says she is really anticipating the carnival coming to the Howard County Fair this year.

Tammy Watt, who has been in charge of booking the amusements at the fair for the last two years, says, "I'm excit-

ed about this carnival from Tip Top Amusements out of Las Cruces, N.M. We didn't have a good experience with the group last year. These people have been recommended to us by a number of people."

With four years' experience as a fair director, Watt wants to have the best of all parts of the fair to offer Howard County residents.

Usually seen at Big Spring Mall, where she's been in charge for the past 10 years, Tammy is found at the fairgrounds during the week of the fair.

She says someone asked her if she had to be at the fair every day. Her reply was, "I

don't have to, I want to." That's how she's felt about the fair since she got involved in a children's coloring contest about five years ago.

She sees the fair as "wonderful family entertainment and a great value at \$4 admission."

A person from Odessa called about tickets for Johnny Rodriguez's act. He was surprised when Watt explained that admission to the fair got



WATT

him into the show as well. Watt has scattered advertising about the various entertainment offerings over the Permian Basin and expects to see people from all over this area for the acts.

Watt may have even more time for the fair next year since she is leaving her position at the mall. After 10 years, she feels that she needs to pursue other business interests, but she emphasizes, "I'm not moving. I'll still be here in Howard County."

The Midland native is married to Big Springer Freddie Watt; they have a son, Brian.

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Housing gets new accounting director

By BILL McCLELLAN
News Editor

Housing Authority of Big Spring board members welcomed aboard an accounting coordinator Thursday as they met for the first time in refurbished facilities.

It was the first meeting of the board at 711 E. 3rd St., which is the new home of the housing authority.

In other business, the board briefly studied an assessment program and gave the go-ahead for Housing Secretary Mark Gentry to go out for bids on a postal machine and to negotiate for the possible acquisition of donated property for use with a

pilot program.

Annisa Dominguez was introduced as the authority's accounting coordinator. A local native, she is a graduate of Big Spring High School and attended Howard College. She holds a degree in marketing from UTPB.

"The (city) financial department has been very supportive and she will be working closely with them," Gentry told the board.

In other business, commissioners voted to allow Gentry to negotiate for a piece of property on Gregg Street with the idea in mind of refurbishing it and selling it or renting it. There are no taxes due on the property, Gentry said and funds for renovating the property — a former residence — would come from the housing authority's surplus monies.

"It would be a challenge, but one I think we can do,"

explained Gentry, who wants to use the project as a test for a later program which would involve using grant monies to refurbish existing facilities or lots.

"The private market has not responded to the housing situation here. If some of these can be refurbished, they can be put back on the tax rolls," said Gentry. "The alternative is the city tearing them down and that can get expensive."

While commissioners were agreeable, one voiced at least some concerns.

"I would feel more comfortable if we got the grant funding for this and not go with reserves," said board president Emma Bogard.

In further discussion, it was estimated by Gentry that the authority has more than \$400,000 in surplus funds cur-

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Vannessa Duffey, right, and Sherry Robinson get in a visit while pushing their daughters, Stephanie and Tobl.

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Historic neighborhood destroyed in flood looks to start again

DEL RIO (AP) — Just four months ago, new life had been breathed into the historic plaza that was the heart of Del Rio's San Felipe neighborhood. New bricks had been laid in the square. Fountains were built on either side of the gazebo, which was freshly painted in a festive pink and mauve. Local families donated park benches. Store fronts were repainted.

The work was finished just in time for the neighborhood's annual Cinco de Mayo celebration. This year, it seemed, there was more to celebrate than usual.

Then the floods struck. When the floods returned to their plaza to view the devastation, they could only stare in stunned silence and remember the better times.

The bricks had buckled. The fountains had crumbled. The gazebo's freshly painted railings had crashed to the ground in a splintered mess.

"We used to dance in the streets. Now everything is all gone," said 53-year-old Sylvia Hernandez, a former homecoming queen at San Felipe High. "But the people are strong. They have a lot of willpower and a lot of faith," she said. "Everyone will come together. They will rebuild."

The tropical storm-fueled floods seemed particularly unforgiving. San Felipe Creek roared through the historic heart of Del Rio to the Rio Grande, killing at least seven people and demolishing one of the city's most picturesque neighborhoods.

In tranquil times, the creek flows clear from seven springs that have been an oasis in this dry country for centuries. Spanish missionaries are said to have named the springs and the winding green watercourse

for St. Phillip after finding them on his feast day.

The San Felipe area is one of the poorest in this city of 34,000. Many of the 3,000 or so people who live here are elderly. Most are laborers: blue-collar workers who cross the border daily to work in U.S. factories on the Mexican side, migrant farm-workers who travel north during the year just to make a living.

Some speak no English. Most have no insurance.

Rebuilding seems an impossibility. But this neighborhood, with its poor and uneducated, is full of pride and determination. God willing, they say, they will overcome the impossible.

"The people there are nice, loving, working people that enjoy life. I'm sure a lot will want to stay there," said Del Rio Mayor Robert Chavira. "But it's going to take some time. Just like an illness, it's going to take

us some time to get well."

The neighborhood was founded in the late 1860s along the San Felipe Creek after an agricultural company offered the waterfront land to its employees as wages.

When rail lines reached the town in the 1880s, more houses cropped up. Brown Plaza, just a block from the creek, was dedicated on May 5, 1906, and quickly became a gathering spot for townpeople. There were concerts, political rallies and social gatherings.

In modern times, the plaza remained a spot where people met for weekend bazaars, festivals and class reunions.

"There were always people roaming around," said 27-year-old Ernest Araujo, whose home just off the plaza was demolished by the floods. "Everything was here, always here."

The nearby springs — which gurgle up gallons of water the

locals use for drinking — are a popular picnic area. On weekends, families spread their blankets, eat and swim.

In the mid-1980s, city officials dreamed of turning the site into a tourist destination similar to San Antonio's Riverwalk, but their plans fell through.

Nevertheless, the area remained a beautiful spot — until a week ago.

Now debris litters the parks and patches of grass along the water. Clothing clings to trees and drifts downstream. Vehicles rest precariously along the creek's banks.

In Brown Plaza, entire buildings collapsed when floodwaters roared in without warning late Sunday night. The cultural center, where children learned to dance and play guitar, is gone. The old Plaza Hotel, which had been under renovation, crumbled under the weight of the water.

Search intensifies for those missing in border floods

DEL RIO (AP) — Texas National Guard helicopters began removing overturned vehicles and giant piles of debris from the San Felipe Creek Saturday as the search intensified for possible flood victims.

About 70 people remain missing, but the number keeps changing as friends and relatives notify authorities of loved ones who have been found or additional people who have disappeared.

On Friday, more than 100 people turned up after authorities released a list of those missing since Sunday night's floods. U.S. Border Patrol spokeswoman Paty Mancha said they hope more emerge unharmed.

"We will try to remain optimistic," Ms. Mancha said, although she acknowledged more bodies are likely to surface once crews remove damaged property.

"We don't know what to expect. There could be anything in that debris," she said. "However, we don't want to speculate and cause a panic."

Seven people died in Del Rio and five more died across the border in Ciudad Acuna from flooding. Five others died earlier in the Texas Hill Country.

As authorities worked to remove the biggest items, including a mobile home submerged in the creek, families headed back to their homes to continue clearing damaged belongings in what has become a daily routine.

"Everything that's out here was inside," Carlos Vasquez said as he pointed to a 7-foot pile of furniture, clothing and trash on the curb outside his sister's house. "She doesn't have much, but what she had is all ruined."

As cleanup continued, calls poured in to phone banks.

Former policeman denied new trial in 23-year-old murder

BEAUMONT (AP) — For the third time, a jury must decide whether a former Amarillo police officer should be executed for the 1975 murder of a 16-year-old girl.

Jimmy Paul Vanderbilt, 45, is awaiting a new trial in Jefferson County to determine his punishment for the abduction and slaying of Katina Moyer, daughter of former state Rep. Hudson Moyer of Amarillo.

Special prosecutor Doug Barlow said the state again will seek the death penalty against Vanderbilt, whose two previous death sentences were thrown out.

The 9th Court of Appeals on Wednesday upheld Vanderbilt's capital murder conviction, overturning a trial court ruling that he was entitled to a new trial. Now a jury trial will be held to determine whether he should be

executed or locked up for life.

Miss Moyer was found shot to death on a rural dirt road north of Amarillo on April 2, 1975. The high school cheerleader disappeared after she left school in the family's station wagon.

A Potter County jury convicted Vanderbilt in 1976 of capital murder and sentenced him to death. However, the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals later reversed the conviction, ruling

that the trial judge should have allowed evidence about how voluntary an oral confession was.

After the case was moved to Beaumont because of extensive news coverage, Vanderbilt was convicted in 1979 and sentenced to death by a Jefferson County jury.

However, the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals vacated the death sentence in June 1993, ordering a new trial on punishment only.

In July 1996, state District Judge Charles Carver ruled Vanderbilt deserved a new trial on guilt or innocence and should not have to face the death penalty again.

That ruling was reversed this week on Barlow appeal that it would not constitute double jeopardy for the state to seek the death penalty for a third time.

Police suspect disc jockey responsible for at least 10 rapes in past decade

DALLAS (AP) — A police investigator believes a longtime area disc jockey is a serial rapist responsible for at least 10 unsolved sexual assaults in the past decade.

Detective James Skelly testified during an evidentiary hearing Friday that he was awaiting DNA results on three other sexual assaults he suspects Gary "Babyface" Faison committed. The 34-year-old Faison, a regular on the KKDA-AM morning

show, already has been indicted on one charge each of aggravated sexual assault, aggravated assault and burglary.

A grand jury is scheduled to review two more sex assault cases next month.

Investigators also suspect Faison of another attempted assault and two attacks that occurred so long ago that charges no longer can be filed, Skelly told state District Judge Faith Johnson.

Elizabeth Davis, Faison's attorney, said her client denies wrongdoing and hopes to be vindicated at trial.

"He is adamantly denying these allegations," she told The Dallas Morning News. "They are not true. He is pleading not guilty to each and every one of them. There is a lot of evidence that has not come out."

After the evidentiary hearing, Johnson denied a defense request to reduce Faison's bail

in connection with the five cases police have filed. He remained jailed in lieu of about \$1.3 million bail.

At Friday's hearing, Skelly cited DNA and fingerprint evidence, a photo of the defendant operating a cash machine with bank cards belonging to a woman who says he raped her, and a witness description of his car.

Most of the attacks occurred in northeast Dallas apartments at knife-point in the early morning hours, the detective said.

Skelly said the attacker told one woman: "I told you I would get you, and if you scream, I will kill you."

Faison's address when he was arrested is less than a mile from where several assaults were reported, the detective said. During the investigation, Skelly said, Faison gave police information about a person he described as a possible suspect.

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I'm sure most of you have almost forgotten all that happened back on March 10th but not I. How do you thank someone for saving your life? A simple thank you seems so petty when I owe you so much. Your quick action, professional knowledge and judgement to handle this emergency and God answering prayers are without a doubt what made this a success story. We are grateful and love you all.

To this community, thank you so much for your outpouring of love, support, and prayers. What a pleasure to be part of such a loving, giving community. God bless you all!

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OUR VIEWS

Hope to see you at the county fair!

What do antique tractors, cup towels, country music and dominoes have in common? Not much separately, but together, they make up just a small part of the things folks will be able to see and do at the Howard County Fair.

Yes, it's fair time again, and this year's version offers something for all ages.

Preparations have been going on for more than a month and entries began arriving as early as Friday. Except for some livestock judging taking place over the weekend, the fair gets underway Monday with the queen contest, 4-H Omelet Supper, Pet Show, Kids Parade and a lot more.

Activities continue throughout the week and include the petting zoo, horseshoe and washer pitching, the Country Kid's Contest, Battle of the Cheerleaders and Pet-A-Zoo.

If you've a mind for less strenuous activity, check out displays of the entries in creative arts, agricultural products and baked goods.

Or, take a ride. Tip Top Amusements will have a carnival on the grounds each evening of the fair.

Saturday, the antique tractor pull promises some thrills, with 40 or more entrants expected.

Some great musical entertainment has been lined up for the fair. There's homegrown and always popular Jody Nix and the Texas Cowboys, country music legend Gene Watson and the exciting Johnny Rodriguez, who has had hits on both sides of the border. For an added attraction, fairgoers will be treated to some stirring gospel on Thursday night.

The gate entry is small - \$4 for adults, \$2 for kids - and includes all entertainment events on any particular day. Senior citizens can get in for \$3 on Thursday.

This year's fair promises lots of entertainment opportunities at a good price, with Howard County citizens showing off their talents and skills.

We encourage everyone to take part in the 26th annual Howard County Fair!

OTHER VIEWS

There is one almost sure result from the Internal Revenue Service's new plan to allow taxpayers to use credit cards to pay their tax bills. More bankruptcies.

There is little doubt the plan will be a convenience for some taxpayers.

There is also little doubt it will add to the staggering amount of unpaid credit card debt, now pegged at about \$11 billion.

While the convenience of paying the tax bill with a credit card will be popular with many, there is also the inherent danger that taxpayers caught short of funds will use the plastic money to pay the tax bills and dig themselves deeper into an abyss of debt.

That is a little frightening. Last year, more Americans (1.3 million) filed personal bankruptcies than graduated from college. That's an increase of more than 300 percent since 1980.

That increase is due to a number of factors, of course, but one frequently cited factor is the aggressive marketing by credit card companies and the spiraling unpaid credit card debt.

Sometimes, using the plastic instead of "real money" is just too easy. This may be one of those times for some taxpayers.

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U.S. bombings ruined the chance for peace

Well, President Clinton has answered the question, What has his sex life got to do with his job as president?

If you think the bombing of four targets in Afghanistan and a chemical factory in Khartoum, Sudan, has nothing to do with Clinton's sex life, then you probably still believe that he did not have sexual relations with that woman.

And what will the bombings accomplish, aside from distracting the public and the press from the Clinton scandal? They will get more Americans killed. Rather than deter terrorist acts, they will increase them. They have shown the world once again that the U.S. government has no respect for international law. They will intensify the hatred of the United States.



CHARLEY REESE

It is stupid for the Clinton people to talk about terrorists being cowards. What is more cowardly than a superpower launching surprise aerial attacks on two Third World countries with whom we are not at war?

And, assuming the four targets in Afghanistan really were terrorist training camps, what was accomplished there? Well, we blew up some latrines, some tents and some rifle targets. Whoopee. Spending multi-million-dollar missiles to blow up some scrap wood, oil barrels and worn-out canvas - that's really a brilliant military stroke.

The only evidence we have that those camps were for terrorist training is the word of an administration famous for lying. As for the chemical plant, which the Clinton folks hinted but did not say was producing chemical weapons, just remember that most modern pesticides are derived from nerve gas research that the Third Reich conducted. In other words, practically every pharmaceutical plant in the United States and Europe has chemicals that are precursors to chemical weapons.

I'd say it is an even bet that the plant was just a pharmaceutical plant and has nothing to do with terrorism. And very likely we will have killed some innocent civilians.

Finally, the bombing raids are a reprisal, which in international law is a war crime. When somebody kills some of your people and you go and kill other people, that's a reprisal. It's the same as taking hostages and lining them up against the wall and shooting them with rifles.

Staging reprisal raids has been the standard tactic of Israel for 50 years, and for 50 years this tactic has failed to deter terrorists and, in fact, has manufactured them. It's one of those stupid acts that appeals to machismo and ego but which, in fact is counter-productive.

Pick any human disaster in history and look at how it happened: They all were constructed by foolish decisions made by men who failed to foresee the long-range consequences of what they were deciding to do.

It is already borderline impossible for an Arab leader to be an ally of the United States, and this will aggravate that situation. That will no doubt make the Israeli lobby happy, but it is certainly not in the national interest of the United States to alienate the entire Muslim world. The majority of the Muslims in the world do not support terrorism any more than we do, but nobody likes having his country bombed whenever a whim strikes a superpower.

We have, in fact, committed an act of war against the nations of Sudan and Afghanistan. Neither, of course, has the power to declare war on us, but they will both find ways to retaliate. They will gain a lot of sympathy.

We have a great country, and the collapse of the Soviet Union presented a great opportunity to build a peaceful world. Unfortunately, thanks to our corrupt political system, we are destroying our own country and throwing the opportunity for peace into the trash heap of history.

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Another confession: voting for Bill Clinton

By JOHN KANELIS
Amarillo Globe-News

As long as some of us are admitting things these days, allow me this disclosure.

I voted for Bill Clinton. Twice.

They are votes, taking a phrase from the president's statement of that recent Monday night, that I now "deeply regret." I, too, am responsible for making that decision, just as he said he is responsible for the sickening relationship he forged with "that woman," Monica Lewinsky.

I take comfort in the knowledge that I am not alone. In 1992, Bill Clinton garnered 45 million votes. In 1996, he collected 47 million votes from Americans who thought he had done a good job as president. That's 92 million statements of confidence in a man who came to us promising change, the "most ethical administration in the history of the Republic" and vowing to build "a bridge to the 21st century."

I believed him, and IN him. Not any longer.

The president seemed a tad angry when he stood before us and acknowledged a relationship with Lewinsky that was "not appropriate. In fact, it was wrong." He is angry with Kenneth Starr, the independent counsel.

I daresay that the president's anger pales in comparison with what millions of Americans are feeling toward him now, after his four-minute televised talk to the nation.

Forget his enemies. They never gave Clinton a break. They hated him from the get-go. They have accused him wrongly of everything from embezzlement to murder.

His more thoughtful critics, however, have made another point, which is that he is untrustworthy, that he is incapable of telling the whole truth the first time and then he tells only part of the truth - even when forced to do so under threat of dire legal or political consequences.

He admitted to smoking marijuana, but "didn't inhale." He can't remember getting his draft notice, I can state categorically as one who did get a draft notice, and then served, that most men who were of draft age in the Summer of '68 remember exactly where they were when they received Uncle Sam's "Greetings." He denied having a 12-year affair with Jennifer Flowers, then admitted in a civil deposition to a one-night stand but didn't call that an "affair."

I had hoped in 1992 that the philandering was a thing of the past. I maintained that hope by voting for Clinton again in 1996. The country, after all, was in good shape and the president deserved at least some credit for that economic performance.

Sure, character mattered. It still does. I just figured that Bill and Hillary Clinton had put those marital issues to rest, that it was time to move on.

Now this. What happened in the past - before Clinton took the presidential oath - didn't matter much to me. What has happened in my house - the White House - most certainly does.

A friend reminded me the day after Clinton's speech of just how little the president apparently thinks of his high office. He recalled how Ronald Reagan, out of respect for the presidency, never shed his suit jacket while working in the Oval Office. The current president, the evidence now suggests, does not care to exhibit such decorum in that majestic place.

Moreover, such conduct occurred in a way that destroys the trust that Clinton asked of me and millions of others just like me. We made our ultimate statement of political trust. We gave this individual our vote and handed him the reins of political and MORAL leadership.

The president is angry at Kenneth Starr? He is angry at a process that has taken us through seven months of hell? He is bitter over the suffering inflicted on innocent people?

President Clinton cannot possibly be as angry as the millions of Americans whose trust he has betrayed.

Mallard Fillmore by BRUCE TINSLEY



Eagan-based Northwest Airlines grounded by pilots strike

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — By the time Northwest Airlines' 6,100 pilots went on strike, most of their passengers were already gone. Announcements echoed in the nearly deserted main terminal of Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport, which is dominated by the airline. Its bars and shops were nearly deserted Friday night and most of the baggage carousels were still. Northwest, which accounts for 80 percent of the flights into and out of Minneapolis-St. Paul, had been warning of the strike possibility and earlier this week canceled 400 flights scheduled for Friday and today. There was no indication today when talks would resume, although sides

had said they were ready to negotiate. "When it broke last night, everybody made sure everyone had everyone's phone numbers," Northwest spokesman Jon Austin said today. But he said the company had not heard from the union, the Air Line Pilots Association. The union was waiting to hear from Northwest, said spokesman Paul Omodt. Bargaining had gone into a 10th straight day, and a last-minute offer was rushed to the union's executive council hours before the strike deadline of 11:01 p.m. CDT Friday. Shortly before the deadline, Steve Zoller, the head of the council, said the offer was rejected.

The White House said President Clinton would not intervene and order a 60-day "cooling off" period as he did last year when a strike by American Airlines pilots was only four minutes old. Rather, Clinton "urges the parties to stay at the table, work hard and resolve their differences," White House press secretary Mike McCurry said. Another White House spokesman, Barry Toiv, wouldn't say what factors the president took into account in reaching his decision. Northwest, based in suburban Eagan, is the nation's No. 6 airline in terms of passengers carried, with more than 54 million annually. It controls 75 percent to 82 percent of the airline seats into

Minneapolis, Detroit and Memphis, Tenn. Omodt had said earlier that two of the most contentious points were job security and compensation. Northwest pilots say they earn an average salary of about \$130,000 per year. The airline says the average salary is \$133,000. The pilots have been seeking a 15 percent raise over five years dating to Oct. 31, 1996, when their contract expired. Austin said the offer on the table would give Northwest pilots pay rates 4.5 percent higher than average rate earned by pilots at American, United and Delta by 2000, and 7 percent higher by the end of contract in 2002. Northwest also was offering lump

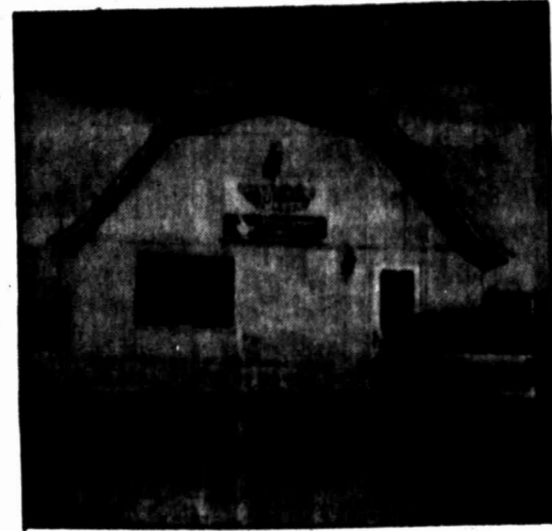
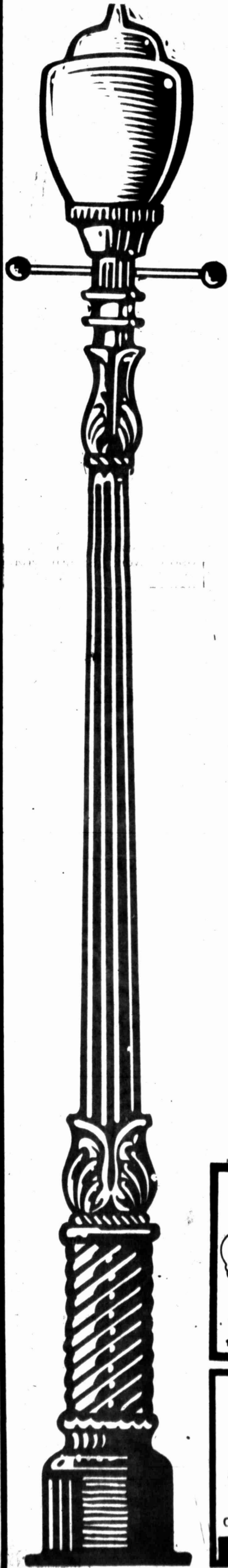
sum payments to pilots of 3.5 percent of annual pay, totaling \$67 million. The pilots were seeking a stock and cash package that would be worth a total of \$182.5 million. The strike left Jeff Simon stuck halfway from Newark, N.J., to Seattle, where he had planned to visit family for the weekend. He was scrapping his trip and trying to fly back to Newark on a different airline. "They've got their reasons for striking," Simon said. "I'm just sorry I got caught in the middle of it." The airline had said a strike and the corresponding shutdown of its two Airlink regional feeder services would eliminate 2,640 daily departures at 223 airports.

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Bonnie heads to sea after hitting Virginia with a sucker punch

VIRGINIA BEACH, Va. (AP) — After frustrating forecasters with its uneven course and sneaking up on emergency officials by resuming hurricane strength, Bonnie once again weakened into a tropical storm and spiraled out to sea.

Before moving off the East Coast, the storm sat nearly motionless for hours Friday, unleashing intense winds and heavy rains directly onto the Virginia shore.

Authorities who had closed their offices Thursday night when Hurricane Bonnie first became a tropical storm scrambled back to their posts when the storm intensified over the warm ocean water.

Bonnie peeled off roofs, flat-

tened trees and tore boats from their moorings. At one point, 300,000 Virginia Power customers were without electricity. The initial damage assessment in Virginia Beach alone was \$13.3 million.

"Who would have expected it to intensify into a hurricane?" said Mark C. Marchbank, deputy coordinator for emergency management for the resort city. "We expected a tropical storm with wind. To find we actually had a hurricane was a strange phenomenon."

At 5 a.m. EDT today, Bonnie was about 635 miles southwest of Sable Island, Nova Scotia, and was moving northeast about 17 mph.

Along Atlantic Avenue,

Virginia Beach's main oceanfront resort strip, shop and hotel windows were blown out and tree limbs lay along the sides of the road.

Before Bonnie struck, the owners of David's Beach Shop on Atlantic wrote "Welcome to the Bonnie Boutique" and "Open" on plywood covering the store's windows.

Then the storm lifted up one end of the roof and dropped it back down, inside the store, leaving a jumbled mess of insulation, rafters and crushed groceries.

On Friday, the owners crossed out "Open" and neatly hand-lettered a score underneath: "Bonnie 1, David 0."

In Sandbridge, an isolated

oceanfront community five miles south of the resort strip, Bonnie took the roofs of about 10 houses and buried streets and a municipal parking lot in sand from the beach.

"It was like an earthquake. Everything was shaking in the house," said 8-year-old Lindsey Gosse of Allentown, Pa., whose family was renting a vacation house on stilts.

While Virginia was being battered, North Carolina residents welcomed brilliant blue skies after two days of storms that dropped up to 10 inches of rain and caused \$1 billion to \$2 billion in damage, much of it to farms.

Two deaths were reported from the storm. A 12-year-old

North Carolina girl was killed when a tree fell on her house, and a 50-year-old man in Myrtle Beach, S.C., was electrocuted while checking his generator after his apartment lost power.

Weathering storms has become old hat to Trudy Schureman, a frail yet stalwart senior citizen who rode out her third major hurricane in two years in her Atlantic Beach, N.C., condominium.

She spent Wednesday night reading a book by the light of an oil lamp.

As the wind and rain increased, she never panicked. "I slept through most of it," Schureman said.

But to the north, Sam McConkey didn't get much rest.

Nor will he: Bonnie cost him several hundred feet of his Iron Steamer Pier in Pine Knoll Shores.

Bonnie left him with a \$500,000 repair bill and a condemnation order for the pier from the city.

"Do I want to put myself in debt to the tune of a half million dollars just to have another storm rip it off again?" McConkey mused.

He may not have time to answer that.

Out in the Atlantic early Saturday, Hurricane Danielle was 370 miles east of San Salvador island in the Bahamas with maximum wind gusts of 90 mph. It was moving west-northwest at 14 mph.

Man says drowning report 'misunderstanding'

SOUTH HACKENSACK, N.J. (AP) — Authorities searched all week for Antonio Mandarino, first because his fiancée said he was swept away in Hurricane Bonnie's roiling surf, and later when he called his father, alive and well.

The Bergen County sheriff's department caught up with him early Friday at an hourly rate motel here, but he slipped away, only to surrender in the afternoon at a diner near the house of his fiancée's mother.

"It's a big misunderstanding," Mandarino told reporters as he was led into the Bergen County Courthouse in Hackensack.

"I'm sorry," Mandarino added.

Fiancée Kimberly Kuda

bowed her head and said nothing as she was escorted inside, also in handcuffs.

Mandarino, 33, and Ms. Kuda, 31, were charged with conspiracy, causing false public alarm and drug violations. Ms. Kuda also was charged with filing a false police report.

Ms. Kuda reported Monday that Mandarino was knocked down by a wave in knee-deep water and dragged out to sea at Point Pleasant Beach, where the approaching hurricane caused treacherous riptides.

After a two-day search by more than 100 people, including divers and helicopter pilots, rescuers concluded Mandarino had drowned.

But authorities became suspicious because Mandarino, a petty criminal accused of pass-

ing bad checks and other offenses, was facing a Sept. 14 court appearance.

Also, a man resembling Mandarino was reported at an oceanfront bar at Point Pleasant Beach on Monday night during the search; a tipster told police that Mandarino never used to go in the water; and Ms. Kuda soon disappeared, too.

On Thursday, Mandarino's father told police that he had gotten a call from his son that day.

Ms. Kuda's parked car at the Horizon Motel caught the eye of Sheriff's Detective John Schreck just before 1 a.m. Friday. Sheriff Jay Alpert said the couple saw detectives looking at the car and fled seconds before authorities entered the room.

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Amid crises, regulators warn consumers on currency scams

WASHINGTON (AP) — Investors seeking to cash in on volatile foreign currency markets should be wary of con artists who promise quick profits, state securities regulators say.

The currency investment schemes, fueled by news of economic turmoil in Russia and continuing concerns over conditions in Japan and Latin America, have become the hottest new telemarketing

fraud, the North American Securities Administrators Association said Friday.

Potential investors are lured by unsolicited telephone calls and radio and television advertisements, it said.

The group recently announced more than 100 enforcement actions by state regulators against allegedly fraudulent investment telemarketing operations, including 27 foreign currency companies

selling to residents of Arizona, California, Idaho, Indiana and South Dakota.

And on Tuesday, Indiana authorities ordered Trump Financial Group Corp. of Coral Gables, Fla., to stop selling to Indiana residents, alleging that the company violated state antifraud laws. In one case, the authorities alleged, a Trump employee told a resident over the phone that he would make \$312,350 quickly on an initial

investment of \$10,000 in futures contracts on the Japanese currency, the yen.

A man answering the phone at Trump's office Friday had no immediate comment. The company is not related to businesses owned by prominent real estate developer Donald Trump.

The economic disasters overseas, marked by sudden devaluations of currencies, have made foreign exchange markets more volatile. Predatory promoters

have capitalized on the situation to push high-return investments in futures contracts on the yen, German marks and other currencies in overseas markets. A futures contract obligates a trader to buy or sell a currency at a fixed price at a specific time in the future.

In most cases, the investment schemes are a sham and none of the money handed over is actually invested, according to the regulators. Modest investors

around the country are losing thousands of dollars, lured by a type of investment that even when it is legitimate, is among the riskiest.

Defrauded investors have little chance of recovering any of their money, regulators said.

Consumers can check out salespeople and their companies by contacting the securities regulator in their state or by calling the securities association at 202-737-0900.

Judge orders psychiatric exams of murder defendants

CHICAGO (AP) — The 7- and 8-year-old boys charged with killing an 11-year-old girl will undergo independent psychological exams to determine whether they are competent to stand trial.

Judge Andrew Berman ordered the tests Friday, setting aside a prosecution request for evaluations of the boys' ability to understand their rights and assist their attorneys at trial.

The children did not attend the hearing.

Dr. Bennett Leventhal, a University of Chicago child psychiatrist, will perform the exams. His report is due by Oct.

2, with the boys' next hearing scheduled for Oct. 15. The boys have been ordered to remain under 24-hour adult supervision.

The young defendants are accused of beating Ryan Harris, suffocating her with her panties and molesting her — all for her shiny blue bicycle. Ryan's partially naked body was found hidden in brush in the South Side neighborhood of Englewood.

R. Eugene Pincham, an attorney for the 8-year-old boy, protested the judge's order for an exam, insisting instead on going to trial immediately. He

said a finding that the children are incompetent to stand trial would give prosecutors an excuse to dismiss a shoddy case.

"The children will live the rest of their lives with a stigma over their heads that they committed a murder," Pincham said. "The reality is (prosecutors) don't want to prosecute because they don't have a case."

Pincham said the boys are too small to have caused the severe head injuries described in an autopsy report. Police said the boys admitted to throwing rocks at Ryan that hit the back of her head and caused her to

fall off her bike.

Other details — such as the fact that two leaves stuffed in each of Harris' nostrils were meticulously folded four times — point to a more cunning killer, Pincham said.

"You've got a freak pedophile out there," he said.

Prosecutors brushed aside Pincham's theories.

"I believe in our evidence in the case," said Kip Owen, chief of the delinquency division at the Cook County State's Attorney's Office. "At this point, I believe we have two individuals before the court who participated in this act."

Logo brings touch of humor to campaign in NY

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) — Leaders of a new political party say they simply want to slam conservative ideas to the mat. But some friends of "Gorgeous George" Pataki are looking to throw the upstarts out of the ring.

If nothing else, a controversy over the logo of the new Working Families Party has injected some humor into this year's campaign season in New York.

The party's symbol features a block "W" with an "F" attached, and bears a striking resemblance to the logo of the World Wrestling Federation.

New York Republicans, the

party of Gov. Pataki, alerted the WWF's parent company, Titan Sports Inc., of Stamford, Conn., to the similarity. The company sent a cease-and-desist order to the Working Families Party, Titan Sports lawyer Leanne Lawler said.

Lawyers for the new party appear ready to rumble. "They can't monopolize the alphabet," said one attorney, Jack Carroll.

Working Families Party leaders said they think their logo is legal and claim the Republican action shows the GOP is nervous about the potential power of the political newcomer.

"It's not legitimate, it's humorous, but we're thinking

about challenging Hulk Hogan for the right to use the logo," said Sal Albanese, one of the new party's co-chairmen and a former Democratic member of the New York City Council.

"The Republican party, obviously, which is the party of the very rich, does not want an entity that's going to represent working people," Albanese said Friday.

Third parties can be influential in New York state elections, giving major party candidates another line on the ballot and more appeal to certain segments of the electorate. In its first electoral effort, the Working Family Party, which was started by

labor union leaders, has endorsed only Democrats.

Lee Daghlian, a spokesman for New York's state Board of Elections, said that if a court orders a change must be made, the party has until Sept. 28, when the board certifies the November election ballot, to redo their logo.

Edward Lurie, director of the Republican Senate Campaign Committee, said he alerted WWF to the similarity.

Sometimes chuckling, Lurie said some people might believe the WWF was endorsing candidates.

"I think that's an unfair advantage," he said.

President says he has anger, forgiveness on his mind

EDGARTOWN, Mass. (AP) — As the Monica Lewinsky investigation grinds on, President Clinton says he has considered anew the power of forgiveness and anger — lessons he says he first learned watching the civil rights movement unfold.

The president appeared to regain his stride Friday after a week and a half spent mostly in seclusion on Martha's Vineyard, interrupted only by a routine policy speech in Worcester, Mass.

Saturday morning, the president turned to health care in his weekly radio address. He announced an executive order he said eventually could give to as many as 120 million Americans whose health-care plans are guaranteed by the federal government the right to appeal insurance company orders that conflict with doctors' advice.

But Clinton said millions of Americans still lack such rights and renewed his demand that the Republican-run Congress quickly "put progress over partisanship" and pass his patient's bill of rights.

"None of us want to see decisions made by insurance company employees trained to think like cost-cutting accountants, not care-giving physicians," the president said.

He said his bill will guarantee all Americans the right to emer-

gency room care and the right to have medical decisions made by medical doctors and will hold insurance plans accountable if they are shown to have caused harm.

"Let's make quality health care every insurance company's bottom line," the president said.

In his speech Friday, quoting veteran civil rights leader John Lewis, a Democratic congressman from Georgia, Clinton said he wants to create an America in which citizens and policymakers "respond with decency, dignity and a sense of brotherhood to all the challenges that face us as a nation."

White House aides hoped the business of these past few days — capped by his remarks on forgiveness — would begin to fade the controversy from the national consciousness. The president and his family are scheduled to return to Washington Sunday.

Clinton whiled away much of his 12-day island vacation in private. But as he slowly emerged publicly, he also stepped out socially.

"All of you know, I'm having to become quite an expert in this business of asking for forgiveness," Clinton told a church audience earlier Friday.

But he stopped short of offering a direct apology for the Lewinsky affair, as many of his political advisers and promi-

nent Democrats had been pushing.

At the 35th anniversary celebration of Martin Luther King Jr.'s "I have a dream" speech, Clinton spoke extemporaneously.

"In these last days, it has come home to me again, something I first learned as president — but it wasn't burned in my bones — and that is that in order to get (forgiveness), you have to be willing to give it."

Speaking from notes he'd scrawled in longhand, Clinton talked of anger, bitterness and resentment — apparent refer-

ences to what he considers an intrusive investigation into his private life by independent counsel Kenneth Starr.

"They harden the heart and deaden the spirit and lead to self-inflicted wounds," the president said.

"And so it is important that we are able to forgive those we believe have wronged us, even as we ask forgiveness from people we have wronged."

Clinton had been criticized by Democrats and Republicans alike for letting his anger over the Starr investigation dominate his televised address.

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Floodwaters sweep through new areas in India, death toll reaches 1,000

LUCKNOW, India (AP) — Villagers have had to climb trees and rooftops to escape ravaging floodwaters that have killed more than 1,000 people and driven millions from their homes in northern India. Thousands of villages were swamped by the high waters

that spread late last week to five more districts in Uttar Pradesh state, the country's most populous, Provincial Minister Ashok Yadav said Saturday. Authorities have linked 1,020 deaths to the flooding, which began three weeks ago when all of the state's major rivers

jumped their banks during the heaviest rains in decades. At least 900 people have drowned and another 120 have died of disease. In addition to the deaths by flooding, 239 people were killed last week in several landslides caused by the rains.

Authorities said 7 million people had been forced from their homes, and they feared that the tragedy would worsen with the water level in most rivers still rising. Rescue efforts have been hampered by lack of recovery workers and motor boats, but Yadav

said his government had stepped up spending to fight the disaster. He said 5 million acres of farmland had been flooded, destroying \$1.2 billion in crops. "Since rescue workers have still not been able to reach most of the remote villages, we have

estimated that about 200,000 people may still be marooned," said Ashok Kumar, the state's relief commissioner. The furious waters of the Ganga River swept away 100 people from three villages in the central Hardoi district late Friday, he said.

Al's Barbecue Story

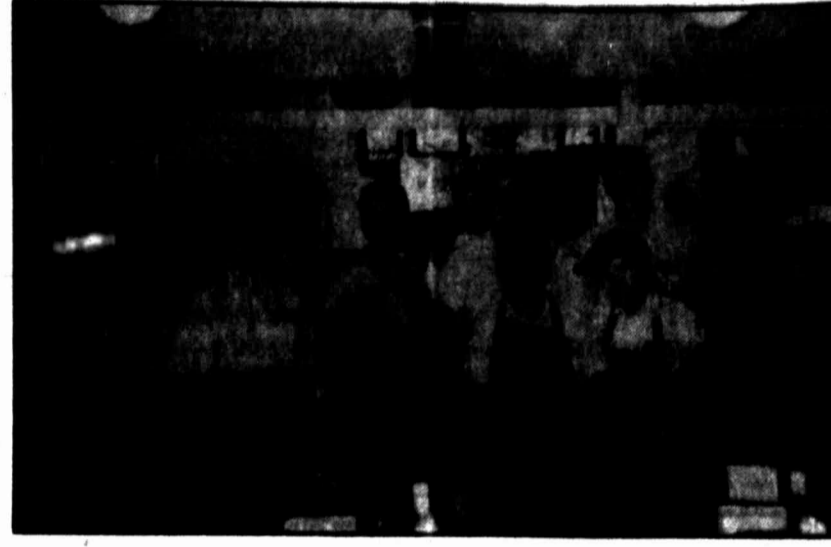
Al's Bar-B-Q was founded in the 1964 by Chuck Bagwell's Dad, Al. It was located in the small white building on 4th Street across from Bob Brock Ford. He had a booming business with people out the door and waiting in line from 11 a.m. till 3:00 p.m. when they closed everyday.

As a young man, Al started out working as a cook for Mr. Rainbow at the Wagon Wheel Restaurant where Crimos Engineering is located on 4th. He worked his way up to managing all three Wagon wheel Drive-Ins in the late 50' and 60's. Finally, he branched out on his own with Al's Drive-In, across from where Wal-Mart is now. Al served great food, and it was "the place for teen-agers in the 60's to hang out. He was so popular with the kids, that he rode on one of the floats with his "big knife" during a homecoming parade. About this time he started the BBQ business across from Bob Brock Ford.

In 1980, Al sold the business and operated a Bar-B-Q place in

Sweetwater. When he came back to Big Spring, he moved into the Birdwell and 4th St. location which happened to be the old "Wagon Wheel Drive-In" where he started. Al turned the business over to his son and daughter-in-law, Chuck and Sue Bagwell, in 1991.

This October, we will have been in Big Spring for 7 years. As Sue explains: after a year we started making plans for the Gregg St. location. Let me tell you, there's nothing more scary, more challenging, more work, more exciting than starting your own business. So, at the age of 40 with a complete career change for both of us, we went into business for ourselves. We take nothing for granted and everything is exciting. We knew a lot of the things we would do if given the opportunity. Al's continues to prosper not only because of our hard work, but because our employees have the same goals. We take pride in the work we do at Al's. Al's serves the best tasting and highest quality food in Big Spring and we're proud of it.



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We felt like we were brought to Big Spring for a reason. It took a lot of soul searching and prayer to decide to move. Here we are 7 years later and we LOVE Big Spring. We are striving to be a productive part of this community, donate to its people and projects. We joined the Chamber of Commerce within the first month of coming.

sponsor a little league ball team every year and contribute to the Junior Livestock Show yearly. 100% of our employees contribute to the United Way through payroll deductions, making us, a small business, the #1 contributor in the United Way Commercial Division.

Al's currently employs 9 full and part time employees. Some of which have been with the company a lot of years...some we are helping to send to college through Al's Education Assistance Program. Most, are eligible for insurance benefits and a profit sharing program based on performance incentives. We offer a week's paid vacation, plus 4 paid holidays. Our employees in turn show up for work on time, produce quality food, and treat the customers with courtesy and gratitude that they've chosen to come eat with us. They are very aware that it is the customer that pays their check. WE HAVE THE BEST EMPLOYEES IN BIG SPRING!

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IN BRIEF

Herald seeking stringers for fall football coverage

The Herald is currently seeking writers and photographers interested in working as correspondents during the high school football season.

Correspondents and stringer photographers will be assigned to cover area teams on Friday nights.

For more information, call sports editor John A. Moseley at 263-7331, ext. 233.

County roping scheduled in conjunction with fair

A "County Roping" has been scheduled for 7 p.m. Friday at the Big Spring Rodeo Bowl in conjunction with the Howard County Fair.

The event is open to Howard County residents only. Fees will be four head for \$40.

Participants may enter up to five times, but must pre-register and pre-pay fees. Books close for entries on Tuesday.

For more information, call Steve Fryar at 398-5513 or Diane Hofacket at 267-8041 or 267-6251.

Evening Lions schedule annual football barbecue

The Big Spring Evening Lions Club will hold its annual Football Barbecue from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 11, in the Big Spring High School cafeteria.

Plates will be priced at \$5 per person and orders to go will be available.

For more information or advance tickets, call Janis Dean at 267-3068 or Bob Noyes at 267-6095.

BSHS season tickets currently on sale

Season tickets for Big Spring High School's five home games are currently on sale at the school's administrative offices through Friday.

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Fall volleyball, football leagues forming at YMCA

The YMCA of Big Spring is now registering players for its fall volleyball and flag football leagues.

The deadline for registering for both volleyball or football is Saturday.

Recreational and power volleyball leagues, both co-ed, will be formed. An organizational meeting for volleyball team captains will be held at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 8, at the YMCA.

The organizational meeting for flag football will be at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 10.

Fees will be \$100 per team of up to 10 players.

For more information, call YMCA program director Cindy Kincaid at 267-8234.

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1:30 p.m. — Senior PGA Bank of Boston Classic, final round, ESPN, Ch. 30.

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Cowboys seeking to rebound, Giants trying to repeat

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

NFC EAST PREVIEW

The Dallas Cowboys like to think of themselves as America's Team. They're more like America's Soap Opera.

Can Chan bring harmony to a team that lost its way? Can Troy find his groove? Will Emmitt find the end zone? Will Michael put away his scissors?

The Cowboys, two years removed from their fifth Super Bowl title, stumbled to 6-10 last season. They still have the big-name offensive talent that won three championships in the '90s. But they played old in 1997, and the only consistency was mediocrity as the Cowboys

Everitt McIver, undoubtedly would find even more freedom if Billy Davis or free agent Ernie Mills come through.

The Cowboys' rushing defense wore down late in the season, while their seldom-tested pass defense ranked No. 1.

The full-time return of defensive tackle Leon Lett will help the imbalance, but defensive ends Kavika Pittman and No. 1 pick Greg Ellis are suspect.

The New York Giants, meanwhile, were the surprise winners of the NFC East last year, and one stat separated them from everyone else in the division. Dallas, Philadelphia, Arizona and Washington ranked 24th, 25th, 27th and 28th, respectively, in the NFL in rushing

defense. The Giants were third.

And New York has just the right offense to take advantage of the disparity. Halfbacks Tiki Barber and Tyrone Wheatley rotated behind fullback Charles Way, and the three rolled to nearly 1,800 yards. Gary Brown will be added to the mix this year, and Way will see the ball even more.

Coach of the year Jim Fassel replaced Dave Brown at quarterback with Danny Kanell, who distinguished himself more for winning than putting up impressive numbers.

The Giants were the first division win- See PREVIEW, page 12A

Steers fall in opener, 34-18

Jones Stadium again seems like a Twilight Zone

By T.E. JENKINS
Staff Writer

LUBBOCK — Big Spring's Steers continued their string of losses at Texas Tech's Jones Stadium Friday night, as the Plainview Bulldogs handed them a 34-18 season-opening loss.

"Jones Stadium has really bit us in the butt," said Steers head coach Dwight Butler. "The last two years that we've played here have been nightmares."

Butler said that although the loss was disheartening, he felt like it would serve as a wake-up call for his team.

"Our schedule doesn't get any easier," he explained. "We still have to face a lot of really hard teams this season."

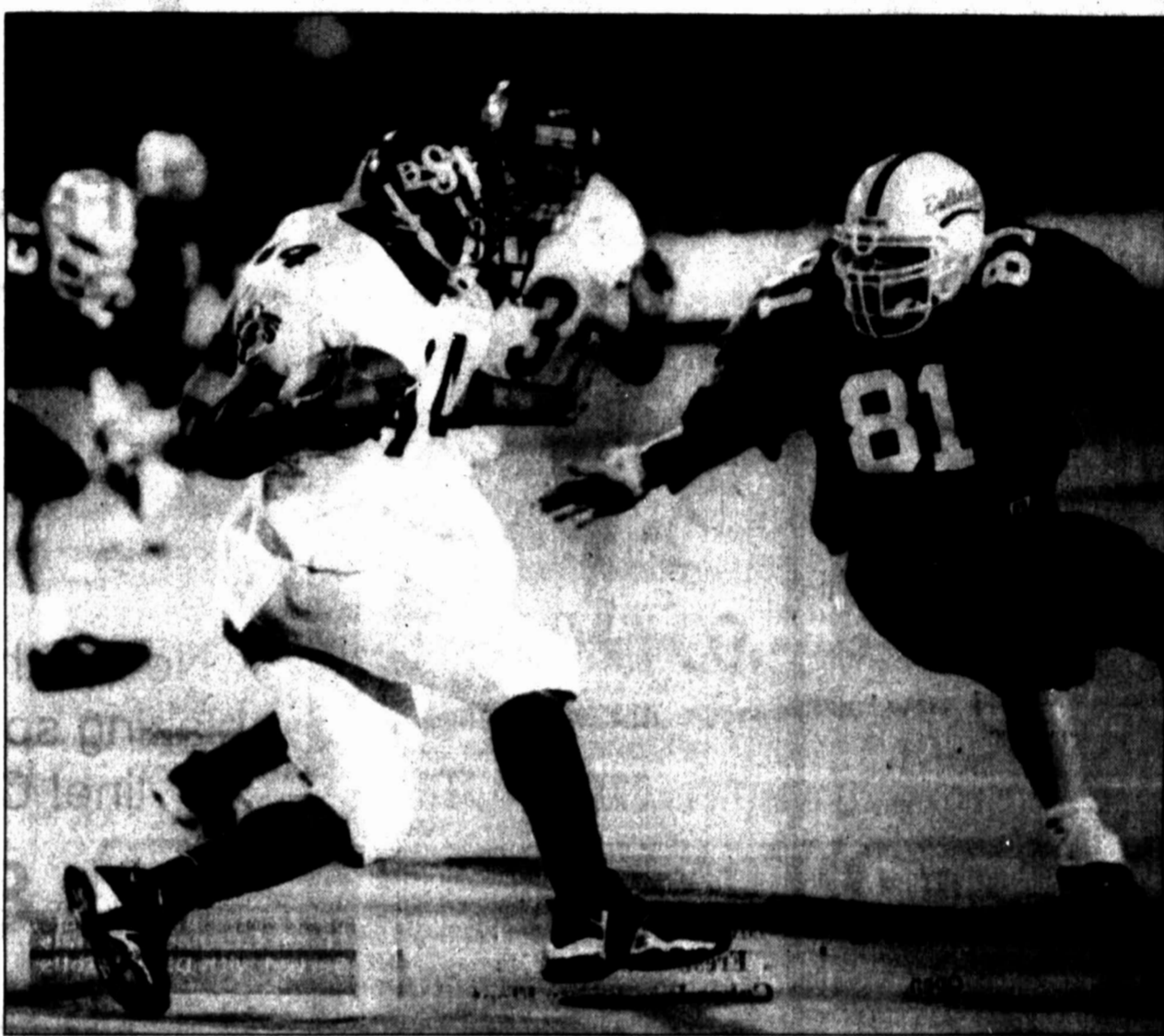
Things went wrong for the Steers early in the first quarter, as they were forced to punt on their first possession following a kept fumble.

It looked like the game would be a defensive stalemate, as the Steers defense stopped the Bulldogs cold, forcing them to punt.

As the Steers offense began to fire itself up, the Bulldogs quickly doused their flames when quarterback Joe Owens' was intercepted, setting the Dogs up for the first score of the game.

Undaunted, the Steers took control of the ball after Plainview's kicker Tim Fox's kick fell out of bounds, bringing one of the many penalties that would plague the Bulldogs throughout the evening.

The Steers opened the next series with yet another kept fumble. With their rhythm obviously somewhere else, Owens was sacked at the Big



Big Spring's Colby Ford (14) cuts up the field as Plainview defender Cory Mannin (81) prepares to make the tackle during the second half of Friday's season football opener for both teams. Plainview took a 34-18 win over the Steers.

Spring seven, forcing the Steers to punt on fourth and 42.

As if taking a cue from its first drive, Plainview quickly moved the ball down the field, scoring on a one-yard touchdown run from Peter Gonzales with 56 seconds left in the first quarter.

Behind 14-0, the Steer's offense was unable to capitalize before the quarter ran out, and took a much needed rest.

"We had about five or six guys that were playing both

ways," said Butler. "We just couldn't make it work that way. Owens stayed on the field pretty much the entire first quarter, and just ran out of gas. After seeing what I have tonight, it's obvious we are going to have to bite the bullet and bring some sophomores in to give these guys a break."

The second quarter seemed to be no better than the first, with the Steers trying to move the ball on the ground with no luck.

Plainview managed to score once again on its second possession of the quarter, putting the Bulldogs clearly in the driver's seat with a 21-0 lead at halftime.

It seemed clear during the first half that Plainview had its sight's set on Steers tailback Tory Mitchell, who ended the game with 14 carries for just 43 yards.

"Tory is going to have to

See STEERS, page 11A

Rangers edge Chicago

CHICAGO (AP) — Ivan Rodriguez saved the Texas Rangers at the plate. His work behind it was pretty good, too.

Rodriguez hit a three-run homer Saturday as the Rangers rallied for four runs in the sixth inning to beat the Chicago White Sox 5-3. Every Ranger batted in the inning, and all but three got a hit.

"(The ball) is flying pretty good here," said Rodriguez, who also homered Friday in the first game of a doubleheader. "I hit that one pretty good today."

After a rough first inning, Aaron Sele (16-10) settled down and continued his domination of the White Sox. Chicago scored three runs and got five hits off Sele in the first two innings, but he gave up just one more hit and two walks in his final six innings. John Wetteland pitched the ninth for his 38th save.

Sele said much of the credit should go to Rodriguez. His catcher called for a mix of pitches that the White Sox never quite figured out.

"I was able to keep the hitters off stride," said Sele, who is 4-0 against the White Sox this season. "(Rodriguez) did a great job out there."

Mike Sirotko (12-13) was shelled for 10 hits and five runs — all earned — in 5.2-3 innings. The White Sox lost despite getting three straight RBI doubles in the first inning from Frank Thomas, Albert Belle and Robin Ventura.

"There were only two hard-hit balls all day. When the ball's hit softly, you need to make the out," Sirotko said. "(Sele) had all the plays made for him. When you give the other team extra outs, it's tough to win."

With the Rangers trailing 3-1 in the sixth, Mark McLemore started the Texas slugfest with a leadoff single. He moved to second on Rusty Greer's single and scored on Juan Gonzalez's single, which increased his major league-leading RBI total to 136.

With Gonzalez on second and Will Clark on first, Rodriguez sent a 1-2 pitch over the left-field wall. It was his 14th homer of the year and gave him 72 RBIs.

Sirotko finally got out of the inning when Royce Clayton flew out to center field.

"We started talking in the dugout about one guy at a time getting on base. Then Pudge had an incredible at-bat," manager Johnny Oates said. "It was one of those streaks. We just got one of those streaks where not only did we hit some balls well, they weren't at anybody."

The sixth inning also featured the most bizarre play of the day when Greer tried to score from second on Clark's single. Greer slid hard near home plate and Chad Kreuter seemed to brush him, but home plate umpire Gary Cederstrom didn't make any call.

As Greer lay in the dirt behind the plate, Kreuter looked at Cederstrom, then jumped up, rushed over and tagged Greer out.

"He never got to the plate," said Oates, who went out to talk to Cederstrom about the play.

Texas got its other run in the third inning on Kelly's RBI single.

See RANGERS, page 10A

Villarreal prepping for next Boston Marathon

Elementary principal finds running has many benefits

By MARSHA STURDIVANT
Staff Writer

Big Spring resident Rey Villarreal qualified for the Boston Marathon recently, with a 3:09-hour clocking in the 26.2-mile race.

Villarreal, principal at Marcy Elementary, said he began running nearly three years ago.

"My daughter asked me to run the mountain with her, and when I had gone about half way, I had to stop," Villarreal said. "I was wheezing, my heart was pounding and my head was pounding. It took me about an hour to recuperate, and I knew then I'd better start doing something."

Although he considered himself fairly active, he began running and gradually increased his endurance and course length.

"I did workout in tennis, mainly feeding balls to the players," he said. "Now, to train for the largest marathon in the country, he runs 50 or more miles each week, he said."

"I run 10 miles on Monday, 10 miles on Tuesday, 10 miles on Wednesday, I ran two miles Thursday, and I'm set to run 22 miles Saturday," Villarreal said. A friend entered Villarreal in

a marathon in Austin, and he has entered several races since, in Abilene, where he ran his Boston Marathon qualifying time, and Fort Davis.

In the Fort Davis half marathon, Villarreal placed second overall, and first in his 40-45 age division with a 1:31.00 clocking for the shorter course.

"I don't really think about winning," he explained. "The reason I do it is to stay in good shape. I've lost about 25 pounds, and this has helped me a lot in stamina," he added. "I have more energy and I just feel better."

Villarreal said his health seems to have improved since he began running every day.

Before he started keeping his daughter company on her runs, he often suffered from colds, strep throat and influenza, but has had few recurrences since he began running.

"I had been sick that fall (when he started running). In fact, I'd had my tonsils out in October," he said.

His regimen begins at about 5 a.m. most days. He said he follows a training schedule to prepare for the marathons.

"The races I've entered have really been for motivation," Villarreal explained. "They are good motivation."



Big Spring's Rey Villarreal stretches before setting off on a 22-mile run Saturday morning.

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Palmview 34, Big Spring 18
PA Lincoln 12, PA Austin 7
SA Lake View 27, Abilene Wylie 6
SA Holmes 24, CC Ray 21 (2OT)
SA Jay 21, CC Moody 0
Santa Teresa 20, San Elizario 15
Snyder 23, Monahans 0
Van Alstyne 36, S&S Cons. 6
Victoria 58, Austin Anderson 7

HOW THEY FARED

Games involving the top 10 teams in the preseason week's Associated Press high school football poll:
Class 4A
1. La Marque (0-0) was idle.
2. CC Catalan (0-0) was idle.
3. Brownwood (1-0) defeated San Angelo Central, 48-31.
4. Corsicana (0-0) was idle.
5. Willschache (0-0) was idle.
6. West Orange-Stark (0-0) was idle.
7. Andrews (1-0) defeated EP Eastwood, 42-13.
8. Denton (0-0) was idle.
9. Keller (0-0) was idle.
10. FW Wyatt (0-0) was idle.
Class 2A
1. Stanton (0-0) was idle.
2. Mart (0-0) was idle.
3. Omaha Pevitt (0-0) was idle.
4. Calera (1-0) defeated Lindsay, 6-0.
5. Pilot Point (0-0) was idle.
6. Winters (0-0) was idle.
7. Grand Saline (0-0) was idle.
8. Alto (0-0) was idle.
9. Refugio (0-0) was idle.
10. Italy (1-0) defeated TC Cedar Hill, 27-10.

PREVIEW

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ner to average less than 5 yards per pass play in 25 years, and they were 28th in the NFL in passing. They upgraded the receiving corps in the draft, taking Joe Jurevicius and Brian Alford, and they are counting on Ike Hilliard, who sat out 1997 with a neck injury, to be a big-play receiver.
It was defense where the Giants excelled last year, with budding stars in end Michael Strahan, linebacker Jessie Armstead and cornerback Jason Sehorn helping stuff the run and force turnovers. But they lost Sehorn for the season to a knee injury in a preseason game when he was returning a kickoff for the first time in his career.
Washington, 25th or worse against the run the last five years, spent lavishly to plug the weakness with two 300-pound defensive tackles.
In a three-day period in February, the Redskins signed Dana Stubblefield, the 1997 defensive player of year, to a \$36 million, six-year contract, and traded with Cincinnati for Dan Wilkinson, then signed him to a \$21.4 million, five-year deal.
But coach Norv Turner has other worries besides the defensive line.
Gus Frerotte ranked next-to-last in the NFL in completion percentage, and with the release of Henry Ellard, the Redskins have to rely on Michael Westbrook and Leslie Shepard at wide receiver. Westbrook, the fourth pick of the 1995 draft, has just 34 receptions in each of his first three years.
Terry Allen has been a weapon at running back, but he missed six games with a broken thumb, sprained left knee and sprained right ankle last year. In those six games, the Redskins were 2-4.
Arizona could have the best

passing game in the division, led by QB Jake Plummer and 1,000-yard receivers Rob Moore and Frank Sanders.
But the Cardinals, 4-12 a year ago, did little to address their pitiful offensive line, which gave up 78 sacks, second most in NFL history.
Not all of the sacks were the line's fault, as Plummer too often tried to run out of trouble, but the Cardinals also ranked last in the NFL in rushing. Adrian Murrell, acquired from the New York Jets, should help.
Defensively, Arizona was looking to build a dynamic front seven, with rookie Andre Wadsworth joining Simeon Rice and Eric Swann, but Wadsworth has been a holdout.
Only Arizona allowed more sacks last season than Philadelphia, which had much higher expectations than the Cardinals after consecutive 10-6 seasons.
The Eagles dropped to 5-9-1, and for the fourth time in five years, they invested in an offensive lineman in the first or second round to try to fill the gaps. This time it was 6-foot-7, 350-pound Tra Thomas of Florida State.
Coach Ray Rhodes is rebuilding the offense. His starter at quarterback is Bobby Hoving, a third-stringer at this time last year. Ricky Watters, a staple at running back for three years, left for Seattle, leaving the featured running back spot to Charlie Garner, who has a high average per carry (4.7), but at less than 190 pounds is being asked to shoulder a heavy load.
Philadelphia also traded for defensive end Hugh Douglas to improve its pass rush, but had a setback when the other under-sized pass rush end, Mike Mamula, was lost for the season with a knee injury.
Predictions:
1, New York Giants, 10-6; 2, Dallas, 9-7; 3, Washington, 8-8; 4, Arizona, 7-9; 5, Philadelphia, 7-9.

NFL '98: Millions and billions for everybody

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

The players are getting rich, the owners are getting very rich and television is willing to pay for it all. The NFL, with labor peace well into the next decade, is in the best shape of any professional sport as it approaches the new millennium.
Not even the impending retirement of such superstars as John Elway, Dan Marino and Reggie White can take away from the glow.
These are grand times for pro football, which has no lockout woes, no ratings problems and plenty of big names and showcase teams to go around.
"The new television deal is the most significant in TV history," Pat Bowlen, owner of the Super Bowl champion Denver Broncos, says of the \$17.6 billion, eight-year contract the league signed with Fox, CBS, ABC and ESPN.
"Not just measured by length or by the revenue involved, but most importantly by ensuring the stability of the NFL," he says. "We all desire stability in our franchises, and this long-term deal benefits that in every way."
As does the collective bargaining agreement, which was extended in the offseason through 2003.
When the season begins Sept. 6, each of the 30 NFL teams will have seen the salary cap rise by more than \$11 million. That's meant huge deals for the likes of Dana Stubblefield, Curtis Martin, John Randle, Sean Gilbert, Bryce Paup, John Copeland, Yancey Thigpen, Ray

Crockett, Kevin Mawae, Doug Evans, Aaron Taylor, Natrone Means, Todd Steussie ... shall we go on?
In other words, money for everyone.
And there's more coming.
Two days after the season begins, the league will introduce the winner of bidding for the Cleveland Browns' expansion team that begins play next year. The expected price tag: close to \$500 million.
And because that will bring the NFL membership to 31, necessitating a bye each week of 1999 season, further expansion will come very soon (did anyone mention \$1 billion for the next new team?).
But this is the 1998 season, which begins with an AFC team on top for the first time since 1984. The Broncos won a thrilling Super Bowl over Green Bay, and they weren't raided the way most defending champions are. John Elway decided to return for one more season, Terrell Davis is one of football's most dominant players and the Broncos should have another strong run in them.
As should the Packers, who did take some big hits in the offseason (Evans, Taylor, Gabe Wilkins, Edgar Bennett, Eugene Robinson) and saw No. 1 running back Dorsey Levens hold out through training camp.
Green Bay has the league's best player in Brett Favre, who has won three straight MVP awards. It has White back for one more year — and it has the memory of the super loss to Denver.

"All last year we felt like we were the best, but for one day the Denver Broncos were better than us and they're crowned the champs," Packers receiver Antonio Freeman says. "It's not an easy thing to accept. But time is the best healer."
Time is on the side of the league's two newest quarterback phenoms, Peyton Manning in Indianapolis and Ryan Leaf in San Diego. The first two choices in the draft, they were handed the starting jobs right away and their progress will be noted each week, especially in Week 5, when they face off in Indianapolis.
Marv Levy retired just short of becoming the oldest coach in NFL history, with Wade Phillips taking over in Buffalo. Jim Mora gets to oversee Manning's development with the Colts, Jon Gruden, who just turned 35 — three players on his preseason roster were older — gets his first head coaching job with the Raiders. Chan Gailey, like Gruden an offensive coordinator promoted to a top spot, also owns a high-profile position as coach of the Dallas Cowboys.

The Cardinals, who've played in Chicago, St. Louis and Arizona, begin their 100th season with a vastly improved roster. The New York Giants will play their 1,000th game when they face Kansas City on Dec. 20.
Barry Sanders, fresh off a 2,053-yard season and a shared MVP award, will continue his pursuit of Walter Payton's career rushing record of 16,726 yards. Elway must pass for 1,331 yards to reach 50,000. Marino needs 15 touchdown passes to become the first player with 400.
Jerry Rice returns from two major knee injuries that limited him to appearances in portions of two games a year ago. The game's greatest receiver can't wait to get back in the lineup.
"Whatever drives me? The love of the game. The love, man," he says. "Going out there, knowing that teams have practices all week long to stop you and somehow you can still find a way to get the job done. I'm just looking forward to the opportunity of just getting back on the field and having fun."

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Big Spring Herald

Sunday, August 30, 1998

A DIFFERENT APPROACH TO LEARNING:

ST. MARY'S EPISCOPAL SCHOOL



St. Mary's students who were creating a castle last week included, above, left to right, Elizabeth Wheeler, Evan Nabors, Bailey Fox, Lloyd Morgan and Tory Gauer.

Carol Hanes likes to joke that both she and St. Mary's Episcopal School are growing old gracefully.

Hanes, headmistress for the Big Spring private school, is starting her second year in the top position. A longtime teacher, however, she said it is easy to serve as spokesperson for the school.

"We can be innovative and creative, we're not locked into what the state wants us to be," Hanes said. For students in early prekindergarten through fifth grade, that means special projects, field trips and innovative programs.

Last week, for example, several classes were working on their entries for the Howard County Fair. They were carving fruits and vegetables, cooking together and making art projects.

But the difference in St. Mary's also means religion has a high priority. Chapel services are mandatory each week, and teachers plan daily Bible study that is geared toward individual grade levels.

Children learn the Lord's Prayer, and occasionally may discuss prayer requests in their families.

"Everything is built into the tenets of faith," said Hanes. Chapel services follow the format and ritual of the Episcopal Church, but most students

and teachers are not Episcopalians.

"I think every church in town is represented," Hanes said, taking a moment to think over the school's enrollees. "We don't make any effort to orient our children toward being Episcopalians."

Instead, faith is taught as a basis for morals and values, she said. An example is the school's "fruits of the spirit" tree, which honors the good deeds of students.

A student who is "caught" doing something good is sent to the headmistress' office, where he or she picks a construction paper cutout of a piece of fruit from a basket. The piece of fruit can be hung on the tree in the main hallway, for all to see.

St. Mary's goal is not for all students to be "the same," Hanes said. Instead, it is for them to be able to think critically, remain curious about the world around them, and become morally decisive.

"We encourage our children to dig deeper, to ask 'Why does this work this way?'" Hanes said. "We really do try to treat all of our students as if they were 'gifted and talented.'"

Toward that end, the school does not offer special accelerated programs. Hanes said the math and language arts curriculum are already accelerated above the grade level, and

teachers are encouraged to add innovative projects to all their lessons.

Each spring, students take an achievement test that ranks them with other students across the country, but they do not take the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS). Classes vary

greatly in size, this year ranging from seven to 20. Any class with more than 15 is assigned an aide to help the teacher give personal attention to each student.

"With small classes, we can really focus on them, and that is something our parents like about the school," Hanes said.

An endowment fund supports the school, subsidizing the cost of tuition. Assistanceships are also available, thanks to the Jeb Worthy Memorial Fund, which was established in memory of a former student.

St. Mary's takes children as young as 3 years old, for its early prekindergarten program.

"That's about as early as you can start with any instruction," Hanes said. Those classes are arranged in centers, where learning activities take the form of familiar play.

Some students begin with early pre-K and stay at the school through fifth grade, but others join at Kindergarten, first grade, or at any other point. There are still some openings this year in some classes.

Each May, fifth graders leave St. Mary's and prepare to attend Goliad, where Hanes said they will find they are academically well-prepared.

Also each year, parents ask if the See **LEARNING**, Page 2B



At left, cooks in this class project are, clockwise from lower left, Emily Hanes, Meredith Morgan, Chris Edwards, Megan Tunstall, teacher Dabble Mullins, Eric Welch, Kathryn Kraeger and Dillon Phernetton. They are getting ready for a Howard County Fair entry.



St. Mary's teacher Patty Adams assists Tanner Money in carving an apple as part of his Howard County Fair entry.

Plenty is happening, but something is missing at St. Mary's Episcopal School as the new year gets under way.

Staff and teachers say what's missing is the influence and dedication of longtime administrator Bebe McCasland, who resigned at the end of last year. It was her 33rd school year in various duties with St. Mary's.

Head of School Carol Hanes said McCasland "gave her life" to the school in many ways. After starting as a kindergarten teacher, she worked in the office and was given the title of administrator when the school purchased the old Parkhill Elementary and relocated to the current location, 118 Cedar Hill Road, in 1981.

Dottie Jones, a first grade teacher at St. Mary's from 1969 until 1994, described Bebe as "a

great boss" in a letter she wrote to Hanes.

"She was a great sounding board," Jones wrote. "She always had time for me — sometimes just to hear me talk about my class or a planned activity."

Her efforts at the school went beyond the five-day work week, Jones recalled.

"Every weekend found her and her husband, Art, checking the building and grounds. Sometimes, maybe more often than not, Bebe was in her office on Saturday. Bebe was the 'glue' that held the school together for so many years, through good times and tough times."

Hanes said McCasland's efforts helped the school grow in many ways.

Between 1991-98, for example, several building efforts

improved the facility. There was the addition of a chapel, two new classrooms, classroom remodeling, and finally, last spring, central heating and air conditioning were added to the building.

Over the years, Hanes said, McCasland's guidance was also crucial to building up and maintaining the private school's finances. The school's endowment fund grew to over \$1 million, and the Jeb Worthy Scholarship Fund was created as a memorial to a former student.

Well-known in the community, McCasland "always said just the right thing, always thinking before speaking," Jones wrote.

"I think it would be very difficult," Jones continued, "to find anyone who gave more to her job or cared more about the



Bebe McCasland, pictured at the time the school moved to its current building, 1981.

people — adults and children — involved in the duties carried out in that job."

Howard County Fair continues age-old tradition

Say "County Fair" to me and I smell popcorn and coffee, funnel cakes and curly fries. My mouth waters at the thought of sweet corn on-the-cob or chili dogs smothered in onions. I hear music on the midway, and imagine gaudy carnival lights competing for attention with the stars in a late summers sky.

A county fair is always new and fresh to me. But they are as old as civilization itself.

Fairs were the first means of peaceful trade between tribes thousands of years ago. The fairground was considered holy and the people believed the gods

would punish those who fought or cheated there.

When tribes were at war with each other they declared a truce at 'the fair ground' so they could rest and exchange goods. The only time in ancient history that the Scottish and Irish clans stopped fighting among themselves was during these fairs.

All the earliest fairs had religious origins. Beginning about 1000 B.C. the Phoenicians who traveled to the Arabic city of Mecca to worship held a fair on the day they arrived. Even earlier, in 3000 B.C., the Egyptians

staged fairs at tombs and burial grounds.

The religious connection, perhaps kept trade peaceful and the people honest.

In ancient Greece fairs were a part of the authority of the priests. The business of the fairs was an extra duty, beyond their religious

obligations.

A crime at a fair was much more severely punished than anywhere else, and it was at these fairs that the tradition of 'Only the best is good enough' was established. Only the finest glassware, cloth, carpets and armor were presented for exchange.

Around 600 A.D. when fairs were no longer a part of the festivals for pagan gods, they operated under civil laws. Special officials saw that business was kept orderly and honest. People who came to fairs were protected from harm and enjoyed

amnesty from crimes committed elsewhere while on the fairgrounds.

Business laws grew out of the rules laid down for fairs. You might say the first laws on interstate commerce originated in France in the 1200's.

The Counts of Champagne were in charge of the fairs held in the four cities of their province. They gave complete protection to all merchants traveling to and from the fairs of Champagne and gave them tax breaks. These fairs became the centers for European trade.

In England, in 1600, the rules

concerning honest weights and measures used at the Stourbridge Fair, were incorporated into the business trade at large.

The first County Fair in America was in 1810, 16 years after we won our independence from England. Napoleon was Emperor of France. James Madison was President of the United States.

Elkanah Watson, a gentleman farmer, organized a group called The Berkshire Agriculture Society. The mem-

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EUNICE CHOATE

WEDDINGS

Dunlap-Baldwin

Jennifer Marie Dunlap and Michael CP Baldwin exchanged wedding vows on May 30, 1998, at the Historic Spring with Justice of the Peace China Long officiating.

She is the daughter of Ronald and Cindy Dunlap.

He is the son of Joe and Christy Baldwin.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a long white satin gown with puffed sleeves and white pearls.

She carried a bouquet of blue and white roses.

Matron of honor was Glenna Sook, aunt of the bride.

Shelby Sharp was the flower girl.

Joe Baldwin served as best man.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the couple's home.

The bride's cake was a three tiered white cake with dark blue roses and topped with a bride and groom.

The groom's cake was a horseshoe cake.



MR. AND MRS. MICHAEL BALDWIN

The bride is employed by Wal-mart.

The groom is a 1998 graduate of Forsan High School and is employed by Blue Bell.

The couple will make their home in Big Spring.

Bluhm-Matthews

Brandi Bluhm and Mike Matthews were united in marriage on Aug. 22, 1998, at Trinity Baptist Church with Rev. Randy Cotton, pastor, officiating.

She is the daughter of Carolyn and Ray Bluhm of Big Spring.

He is the son of Vivian Rush of Big Spring, and Carl Matthews of Simms.

Donna Thurman was the organist.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a white satin gown with a beaded bodice.

She carried a bouquet of yellow, buttercream and white flowers.

Matron of honor was Shelly Watson, sister of the bride.

Bridesmaids were Kim Parrish, Rhea Fryer and Keisha Holcomb.

Taylor Watson, niece of the bride, was the flower girl, and Blaine Matthews, nephew of the groom, was the ringbearer.

Marshall Blythe served as best man.

Serving as groomsmen were Mitch Griffin, Gary Matthews, and Ricky Matthews.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the fellowship hall.

The wedding cake was a buttercream three tiered cake with



MR. AND MRS. MATTHEWS

yellow and white flowers between the tiers.

The groom's cake was a German chocolate cake with chocolate roses.

The bride is a 1992 graduate of Big Spring High School and attended Howard College. She is employed by Leonard's Clinic Pharmacy.

The groom is a 1998 graduate of Coahoma High School. He is employed by Cornell Corrections.

Following a wedding trip to Las Vegas, Nev., the couple will make their home in Big Spring.

Carlton-Seidenberger

Christy Ann Carlton, Garden City, and Eric Scott Seidenberger, St. Lawrence, were united in marriage on Aug. 22, 1998, in St. Lawrence with Father Tom Barley, of St. Lawrence Catholic Church, officiating.

She is the daughter of Byron and Phyllis Byrne, Colorado City and Garden City.

He is the son of Dennis and Ellen Seidenberger of St. Lawrence, and the grandson of Ella Seidenberger and the late B.R. Seidenberger of St. Lawrence.

Violinist was Cory Multer, and vocalists were Richard and Linda Light and family.

The bride was given in marriage by her stepfather.

Matron of honor was Lee Ann Farmer of New Braunfels.

Bridesmaids were Christy Grimes, Betsy Huffaker, Jamie Walker, all of Lubbock, Kim Halfmann of Garden City, Brooke Eoff of Bryan, and Kelli House of Austin.

Junior bridesmaid was Samantha Pitts, sister, from Garden City.

Best man was Matt Seidenberger of Bryan.

Serving as groomsmen were John Seidenberger of Midland, Ryan Seidenberger of Bryan, brothers of the groom, Russell Halfmann, Courtney Strube, Wesley Glass, all of Garden City, Heath Daniel of Big Spring and Jason Cox of Munday. (Cuatro Byren of Colorado



MRS. ERIC SEIDENBERGER

City, D.J. Ellis of Guthrie, Cody Braden of San Angelo, Jody Bradford and Dusty Barton, San Angelo, served as ushers.

Following the ceremony, a reception, dinner and dance was held in the St. Lawrence Parish Hall.

The bride is a 1994 graduate of Garden City High School and a 1997 graduate of Angelo State University. She is a registered nurse at the Midland Women's Clinic.

The groom is a 1992 graduate of Garden City High School and attended Angelo State University. He is a self-employed farmer in St. Lawrence.

Following a wedding trip to Jamaica, the couple will make their home in St. Lawrence.

Now is time of planning for future

Things are hectic as we close out the fiscal year, August 31. It is also a time of looking back at the past year, and planning for the future of Big Spring State Hospital. 1998 brought:

A contract with the Southwest VISN 18 of the Veteran's Administration and we now are providing services for those veterans.

\$2.5 was secured for the facility improvements that should be underway by October.

Patient satisfaction and medical records have shown great improvements. Superintendent Ed Moughon praised the staff. "I see widespread improvement energy in each and every BSSH service area, and I am really charged up to face the future."

And what does our future hold? We move in FY99 with less money as we continue to face the pressures of managed care. The administration is currently trying to reduce expenditures, and at the same time find a way to keep our patient recovery sound and secure. Employee and patient safety are a major focus as we emphasize a safe culture for BSSH.

Moughon said, "I believe our future is bright, and I also believe it presents enormous challenges."

Volunteers continue to challenge themselves and to quote one of them, "We plan 10 more things than we have time for." But they always get it done.

Merlene Williams just walked into my office with two huge bags of hand-knit winter caps, and a Christmas tree skirt for the Bazaar. Then she will work all afternoon at the Chalet. End of the year report was that the Chalet had the best year ever since moving to the new location, 1007 11th Place.

Dates and plans for the fall: Arts and Crafts workdays-September 16 and October 6, Region I Meeting in Abilene-September 24, VSC Board Meeting-October 1, Christmas in October Bazaar and Luncheon-October 15, State Volunteer Directors Meeting Dallas-October 22, Halloween Parade-October 30, Volunteer Appreciations Reception-November 1.

It is not easy to have to write about the loss of one more significant lady in our community, but there is certainly plenty to say. Dorothy Garrett's impact on all of our lives reaches farther and deeper than we can ever imagine. Dorothy gave generously to all of us in our little town, but behind that giving was a big heart filled with love, and that is where it all started.

No one ever suffered more physically and emotionally in their lifetime than Dorothy. Yet she remained positive and upbeat and until the very end, never lost her zest for life.

Just knowing Dorothy Garrett was a privilege.


GETTING ENGAGED

Pat Johnston and Frank Edwards will exchange wedding vows on Oct. 2, 1998, at the First Baptist Church with Rev. Robert Rachuig, of Central Baptist Church, officiating.

The bride is the assistant director of the St. Mary's Episcopal Retirement Homes, Inc. DBA Canterbury.

The groom is retired and was a drilling engineer for the D.L. Dorland Oil Co. for 30 years.






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Picture: "Primo" Male short-haired black and white neutered, 2 years old.

FAIR
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bers hosted the Berkshire Cattle Show in Pittsfield, Mass. It was the first fair on record to invite women to take an active part and earn recognition for their entries.

It was the model for our Howard County Fair coming up this week. I can hear the music on the midway coming from the entertainment tent where Charlie-the-sound-man does his magic. I can see the carnival lights under a Texas moon. I can see the kids touching lambs at the petting zoo, and wonder, who's petting who? I can hear Jody makin' that fiddle sing.

Thanks to the Howard County Fair Board for carrying on that age-old tradition, the County Fair, where only the best is good enough.

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LEARNING

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school would consider adding a sixth grade, or even a full junior high program. Hanes said it has been considered, but for now, St. Mary's will stay as it is.


"It's a really special place that grabs ahold of your heart and it's hard to get out once you're here," she said. "It's like a family here, and we all like that."

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ANNIVERSARIES

Boykin

Ross and Louise Boykin celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary Saturday, Aug. 29, 1998, with a dinner party at their home. Hosts were David and Annette Hodnett, Ronnie and Betty Wales, Conrad and Angela Solis, Russell Hodnett and David and Stacey Nix.

Mr. Boykin was born in Sierra Blanca, and graduated from Big Spring High School. Mrs. Boykin was born as Rosetta Louise Hale in Carrollton.

They met through mutual friends in Big Spring, and were married Aug. 29, 1938, in a ceremony at the home of the late Mrs. Bertie Boykin.

Their children are Annette Hodnett and Betty Wales of Big Spring. The Boykins have lived in Big Spring for their entire marriage.

He is an independent oil operator for Ross Boykin Oil Company and she is a housewife. He was formerly a rig-builder and co-owner of Boykin Brothers Machine Shop and Boykin Brothers Oil Company.

She has worked as a nurse at Malone Hogan Hospital before retiring to raise a family.

They have both been active at First United Methodist Church.

Hobbies and special interests include traveling, bowling, golf, bridge, gardening and entertaining their families and friends. He is a Rotary Club member and Shriner, having received a 50-year membership



Mr. and Mrs. Boykin now



Mr. and Mrs. Boykin then

pin. She is a member of the Garden Club and Hyperion Club.

The couple's comment about their marriage was: "We've lived together happily for 60 years, and attribute much of our happiness to faith in God, through love and sharing with others."

McLaughlin

Ralph and Billye McLaughlin celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a party with family and friends on Saturday, Aug. 29, 1998, at the Big Spring Country Club hosted by their children and grandchildren.

He was born in Ralls, and she was born in Lubbock as Billye Saunders. They met in 1947 while they were students at Texas Tech University. They were married on Aug. 29, 1948, at the First Methodist Church of Big Spring.

Mr. and Mrs. McLaughlin have four children, Sheryl Cox and Scott McLaughlin, both of Big Spring, Kae McLaughlin of Round Rock, and Marianne Weidemann of Austin. They have six grandchildren. They have lived in Amarillo and Lubbock during their marriage.

He is retired and previously was the owner and president of



Mr. and Mrs. McLaughlin

Saunders. They are affiliated with the Episcopal Church and are members of Rotary International. They enjoy golf and traveling.

ON THE MENU

BIG SPRING SCHOOLS
MONDAY-Steak fingers (meatball sandwich), whipped potatoes, english peas, sliced pears, hot roll, milk.

TUESDAY-Grilled chicken sandwich (beef stroganoff), salad, potato wedges, vegetables sticks, jello w/mixed fruit, milk.

WEDNESDAY-Tamales w/chili (Chef salad, crackers), spanish rice, refried beans w/cheese, apple, milk.

THURSDAY-Fish fingers (pizza pocket), broccoli w/cheese sauce, corn, hush puppies, frozen fruit bar, milk.

FRIDAY-Hamburger (sliced roast beef), salad, french fries, western style beans, banana pudding, milk.

COAHOMA SCHOOLS
MONDAY-Frito pie (corn-dogs), corn, cookies fruit, milk.

TUESDAY-Country steaks (burritos), gravy, mashed potato, green beans, rolls, fruit milk.

WEDNESDAY-Homemade burritos (cheese fries, crackers), pinto beans fruit, milk.

THURSDAY-Spaghetti (chicken patty on bun), salad, bread, carrots, cobbler, milk.

FRIDAY-BBQ beef/bun (sub sandwich), potato salad, fresh fruit, milk.

STANTON SCHOOLS
MONDAY-Grill cheese or riblet on bun, french fries, pork & beans, cookie, milk, fruit drink.
(remainder of week's menu not available at press time)

FORSAN SCHOOLS
MONDAY-Baked chicken, whipped potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, fruit, milk.

TUESDAY-Western Casserole, corn, salad and crackers, pudding and cookies, milk.

WEDNESDAY-Sloppy Jo, french fries, pickles and onions, salad, ice cream, milk.

THURSDAY-German sausage, pinto beans, whipped potatoes, sliced bread, fruit pies, milk.

FRIDAY-Chicken strips and gravy, whipped potatoes, broccoli and cheese, hot rolls, jello with fruit, milk.

ELBOW SCHOOL
MONDAY-Soft bean taco, spanish rice, corn, fruit, milk.

TUESDAY-Steak, whipped potatoes, green beans, fruit, hot roll, milk.

WEDNESDAY-Sloppy joes, fries, pickle, fruit, milk.

THURSDAY-Corn dog, pork & beans, salad, fruit, milk.

FRIDAY-Bar-b-que beef sandwich, chips, veggies, fruit, milk.

SANDS SCHOOLS
MONDAY-Corndogs w/mustard, macaroni & cheese, pork & beans, broccoli & carrot sticks, dressing, cake, milk.

TUESDAY-Bar-be que ribs, potato salad, coleslaw, hot rolls fruit, milk.

WEDNESDAY-Taco salad, pinto beans, cornbread, cobbler or cake, milk.

THURSDAY-Chicken nuggets w/gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, jello, milk.

FRIDAY-Pizza, salad, fruit, milk.

STORK CLUB

Craig Connell Wallace III ("Tripp"), boy, Aug. 17, 1998, 12:24 p.m., seven pounds eight ounces and 20 inches long; parents are Craig and Tracey Wallace, Lubbock.

Grandparents are Dr. and Mrs. Ray Owen, Big Spring, Dr. Craig Connell Wallace, Lubbock, and the late Lana Carole Wallace.

Janisha JaShay Smith, girl, Aug. 20, 1998, 8:25 a.m., six pounds 13 ounces and 19 1/2 inches long; parents are Jennifer Gamble and Albert Smith, Jr.

Grandparents are Jo Ellen Canales and Fern and Albert Smith, Sr., all of Big Spring.

Francesca Gayle Briseno, girl, June 23, 1998, 6 a.m., seven pounds 14 ounces and 20 1/2 inches long; parents are Mike and Lawanna Briseno, El Cajon, Calif.

Grandparents are Laylon and Genell Musick, Big Spring, and Mike and Mary Macomber, La Mesa, Calif.

Bryce Dolyn Gartman, boy, Aug. 15, 1998, 5:30 p.m., six pounds nine ounces and 20 1/2 inches long; parents are Dean and Misty Gartman, Hamlin.

Grandparents are Buster and Susie Gartman of Big Spring, Gwen and Mike Calhoun of Austin, and Lee Boyd Montgomery of Santa Fe, N.M.

TAKE TIME OUT FOR YOURSELF READ

NEWCOMERS

Newcomers welcomed recently by Joy Fortenberry and the Newcomer Greeting Service:

David and Dora Quintero and daughter Jeanie, Sweetwater. He is employed by TU Electric.

Teresa Matta and daughters Cherissa and Timorie, Midland. She is the assistant manager at Bealls.

Kim Houston and daughter Corey and Chance, Midland. She works for Walmart.

Charlie and Mandi Ellison and sons Dalton and Andrew, Andrews. He works for Basin 2 Way.

Jesse and Jane Holguin, daughter Ashley, and son Spencer, Andrews. He is

employed by Basin 2 Way. Sammy and Dennis Gonzales, daughter Holly and son Roberto, Ft. Bragg, N.M. He works for Price Construction.

William and Wanda Stillwell, sons Billy, David, Jason and Derek and daughter Amanda, Anaheim, Calif. He is employed by Price Construction.

Jason and Pam Henry, daughter Alexis, Fayetteville, N.C. He is the jailer for the Howard County Jail.

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ON THE MENU

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TUESDAY-Enchiladas, spanish rice, beans, tossed salad, milk/cornbread, fruit.

WEDNESDAY-Pork chops, rice, carrots, salad, milk/rolls, cobbler.

THURSDAY-Meatloaf, macaroni, green beans, carrot/raisin salad, rolls/milk, applesauce.

FRIDAY-CLOSED

Check out school news on Thursdays in the life! section. If you want to submit school news, please bring it to the Herald by 5 p.m. Monday.

Shopping Around???



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BIG SPRING HERALD

AUGUST 30 1998

Motts announces closing of all 23 remaining five and dime stores

DALLAS (AP) — Call it the end of an era. Like M.E. Moses and Woolworth before them, the remaining 23 Mott's 5&10 stores in Texas will close their doors in the next few weeks. Employees say their small, family-owned shops no longer can survive in an industry dominated by juggernaut discount stores. The announcement saddened some longtime customers, who say they preferred the small-town charm of Mott's. "They say it's progress. Sometimes I think we're advancing to the rear," Max Simpson, 64, who stopped by the Waxahachie store recently to have a

key made for his car, told The Dallas Morning News. Mott's chief executive officer Lenora McNeil said a decreased demand for variety merchandise over the years, coupled with competition from stores like Wal-Mart and Kmart, drove her company out of business. "Let's just say that it became increasingly difficult for a small family-owned chain of specialty stores to compete with the large, mass-merchandise retailers. "We competed as long as we could," Ms. McNeil said in a statement released Friday. She declined to say whether the com-

pany had lost money, or if employees would receive severance. Waxahachie store manager Jody Villarreal said the smaller stores provide services the larger ones are not able to. Employees in the Waxahachie store offered lessons in cake decoration, the floral department did a large business in preparing prom corsages, and future brides could go to Mott's to rent a brass wedding arch. One customer, Thomas W. Fisher, 90, said the smaller stores have the friendly atmosphere that often is missing at larger stores. "You lose familiarity," Fisher told

the Morning News. "You lose the feeling that you know all the employees and they know you, and they know what you want." Mott's will begin running a series of ads in newspapers this weekend for final inventory sales. Stores will remain open until the sales are finished and a final inventory can be completed, company officials said. The company once had 73 stores, most in the Dallas-Fort Worth area and West Texas. Mott's reached its zenith in the 1950s, an era in which the five-and-dime was emblematic of small downtown and

neighborhood shopping strips throughout this region. The first E.B. Mott's 5&10 was founded in Dallas in 1942 on Knox Street by A.F. Perry, who named the store after E.B. Mott, a business partner. Michael McNeil, Perry's nephew, later took over the chain. Mrs. McNeil has run the operation since her husband's death in 1994. Besides Waxahachie, the other Mott's stores to close are in Dallas, Fort Worth, Abilene, Sweetwater and Brownwood. Others are in Granbury, Dublin, Terrell, Clyde, Garland, Big Spring, Grandview, Burleson and Joshua.

IN THE NEWS

DR. NATE BOOTH will present a 2 1/2-hour program, "Thriving on Change," at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday at Dora Roberts Community Center. Sponsored by the RETAIL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE of the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, the program is designed to help business owners, managers and employees learn how to use the power of change through the presentation of Three Keys to Anticipating Change and Seven Steps to Creating Change. Cost for the program will be \$25 for chamber members with additional charges for non-members. For more information, or to make reservations, call 263-7641.



BOOTH

JOHNNY PEREZ is the new manager at DENNY'S RESTAURANT. Perez, who has been in the restaurant business 11 years, eight of those years with DENNY'S, he said. Married with two children, Perez said Big Spring looks like a good place to raise children.



PEREZ

KENNETH HAGINS is the new assistant manager at DENNY'S RESTAURANT. He was born and reared in Gail, and moved to Big Spring about 10 years ago. Hagins was in the military and is a soldier in the San Angelo National Guard. He is divorced with three children, and plans to marry soon, he said.



HAGINS

DR. RUDY HADDAD, chairman of the department of surgery at MALONE HOGAN CLINIC, was recently named to the ST. MARY MEDICAL GROUP BOARD OF DIRECTORS. He has been in Big Spring 18 years and has served on the board of trustees for SCENIC MOUNTAIN MEDICAL CENTER. Haddad, along with five other new members, was selected for the board based on four criteria: key values, personal qualities, needs of the board and knowledge of St. Joseph Health Systems governance. He is also a former president and vice president of Malone and Hogan P.A.



HADDAD

Collectible miniature 'war' pieces popular hobby among area youth and adults alike

Models come in wide range of sizes and themes

By T.E. JENKINS
Staff Writer

Area adults and children have found a new hobby in collectible miniature "war games." "My brother Andrew really got it started," said Patrick Becker, owner and operator of Ponderosa Hobbies on Gregg St. "We already had the tax license for the business, so about seven years ago we started carrying the miniature models."



HERALD photo/T.E. Jenkins

The models Becker speaks of come in a wide range of themes and sizes, with incredible detailed effects.

"There are so many different types of games to choose from," said Becker. "We carry Warhammer and Warhammer 4000, as well as Napoleonic and World War II miniatures." The game is really like an advanced form of chess. It's all about strategy. We hold tournaments about once a month, and the people who come have a really good time playing. I don't really play all that often, but I really enjoy watching the games."

According to Becker, Ponderosa Hobbies has come a

long way from its humble beginnings.

"I originally started the business with \$20 and about two dozen boxes of fishing worms," said Becker. "I wanted to print T-shirts, but the machines needed were entirely too expensive. I already had the building, so I started a basic tackle store. It's grown a lot since then, and we've done a lot of expanding."

Becker said parents need not hide their wallets, for getting kids started is inexpensive. "It doesn't cost the kids anything to get started," said

Becker. "If someone, no matter what age, is interested, they are welcome to come over and use our miniatures to learn how to play. It's not like a lot of other games parents buy their kids, and then a few days later they've completely lost interest. Here, you have the chance to really try it out before you buy."

The miniatures range in price, depending on the size and complexity of the model. There are box sets available for most of the games, and according to Becker, "if you don't see

it, we can order it." It helps keep the kids off the streets, and gives them something to do on the weekends. It also helps get them away from the television for a while, and it's a lot of fun. People are playing these games all over the country, and it's a great way for friends to get together, and do something positive."

The game "pieces" in these contests are anything but simple. The players usually paint

See MODELS, Page 5B

Jobs lost

Motts manager saddened by decision to close

By MARSHA STURDIVANT
Staff Writer

Locally, the closing of E.B. Mott's 5&10 Store means the layoff of at least four workers, and creates a need for certain retail services not provided anywhere else.

Auther Wright, manager of the Big Spring store, and supervisor of three other West Texas stores, said he is truly saddened by the closure of the entire chain, and the loss of jobs.

"I've been with them 21 years total. These people have always been nice to me, really nice, and it will be hard to let go," Wright said from his home in Sweetwater.

Locally, one employee, Gail Hale, has been with the store five years, and three other clerks are also expected to lose their positions to lay off when the chain closes its 23 remaining stores, he said.

Mott's 5&10 originally operated 73 stores, but fierce competition from super center retail outlets prompted the closing of the stores, he said.

"We had business drop off really bad. With the Family Dollar and Dollar General stores, and Wal-Mart and Kmart, we just didn't have the buying power to keep up," Wright said.

See MOTTS, Page 5B

High-tech industries now biggest employer in Texas

RICHARDSON (AP) — Move over, oil and gas. The high-tech industry is now the biggest employer in Texas.

State comptroller John Sharp said last week that high-tech industries employ 781,000 Texans, about 10 percent of the state's workforce. Sharp said the Lone Star State's past was built around cattle, cotton, oil and gas.

"But the future is now in high-tech," he said.

Employment in high-tech

businesses has grown twice as fast as total statewide employment since 1994, the comptroller said.

His office examined five high-tech industries: semiconductors and computers, communications, electric and electronics manufacturing, defense technology, and biotechnology. Technical services and technology intensive manufacturing were also included in the analysis. Sharp said he found that high-

tech industries represented about 8 percent of Texas' Gross State Product, compared with the oil and gas industry which provided about 11 percent of the GDP.

"The oil and gas industry has been and will continue to be an important segment of our economy," Sharp said. "But it's clear from these numbers that the high tech industry is contributing in a big way."

Aside from the analysis,

Sharp announced a series of recommendations to ensure enough skilled workers for high-tech jobs.

He suggested that in the next session the Texas Legislature appropriate \$26 million in grants to schools and universities; expanding the skills development fund by another \$4 million earmarked for training of high-tech workers; and targeting \$5 million of existing Smart Jobs program grants to help businesses educate and train

workers.

"We have to do all we can to create a technically skilled workforce to meet industry demands," the state comptroller said.

Nearly 90 percent of Texas' high tech jobs are located in big cities.

The Dallas-Fort Worth and Houston areas contained about two-thirds of those types of jobs.

Austin and San Antonio contained another 16 percent.

Trying to unclog nation's largest railroad is costly

NORTH PLATTE, Neb. (AP) — Welding machines the size of semitrailer trucks straddle new Union Pacific rail lines in this vast expanse of Nebraska's western plains that is home to the busiest segment of the nation's largest railroad.

Nearly 500 workers in the summer heat grind ends of the rails smooth, cut new rail bed and lay concrete ties in a \$366-million track expansion and maintenance project just east of North Platte.

About 49 percent of Union Pacific's trains hit this 108-mile

stretch, carrying cargo as diverse as airplane wings, automobiles, frozen vegetables and coal, traveling from Los Angeles to Chicago, Wyoming to Texas.

The track work here and around Union Pacific's 36,000-mile network already is making progress at easing congestion that made the railroad an object of ridicule and the target of customer lawsuits last year. But much remains to be done to smooth out the stormy 1996 merger of Union Pacific and Southern Pacific.

The price tag for upgrading track and trains is running at least \$200 million above the \$1.4 billion Union Pacific had projected. The work now is expected to take two more years than the five years originally planned.

Still, things are going well enough that the railroad showed off some of its expansion on a recent media tour of its routes to Wyoming coal fields.

Like the rest of Union Pacific's 23-state system, travel slowed through this stretch last

year because of congestion that cost the U.S. economy an estimated \$4 billion in stalled production and more expensive transportation.

Only now is traffic picking up, and railroad executives hope putting a third track down will speed service still more.

If all goes as planned, trains will go 70 mph instead of 60. Instead of 125 trains each day, more than 200 could roar through daily by year's end. When one track undergoes maintenance, the other two will run full speed.

"It'll sure as hell give us room to grow for many years," said Dick Davidson, chief executive of Union Pacific, who led the recent tour.

"I'm on a mission," Davidson said. "I want people to know that Texas and Louisiana is no longer a problem and gridlock is no longer a factor. I want people to know that the central corridor will give us more capacity. I want people to see what's driving this railroad."

But Union Pacific has a long See RAILROAD, Page 5B

It's time to begin treating for harmful peach tree borers

Here in Howard County, the peach tree borer and the lesser peach tree borer can cause major damage to fruit trees. Peach and plum trees are the most susceptible to these insects but borers can attack other fruit trees as well.

Often infestations go unnoticed until parts of the plant begin to show damage. The

damage caused by peach tree borer will be found on the trunk and the lesser peach tree borer on the scaffolding branches. Small erratically spaced holes indicate entry points.

A gummy substance with sawdust will ooze from the wounds. If there is no sawdust present, the problem could be mechanical damage, disease or other causes.

The adults will be in the field in August and September. This is the peak period for egg lay. The eggs are laid at the base of the tree and hatch about 10 days later. The larvae bore through the

cambium layer into the sapwood of the tree forming tunnels and disrupting the transport of water and nutrients. A single feeding larva can destroy a 1-2 inch diameter tree.

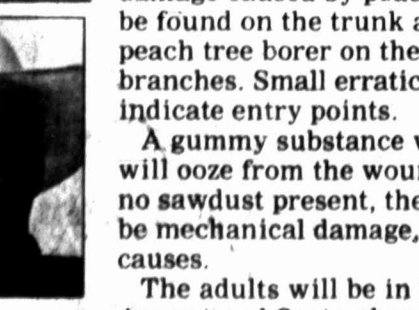
Control for borers are endosulfan (Dursban, Lorsban), or chlorpyrifos (Thiodan). Mix according to label directions. Spray the lower trunk and around the base of the tree, soaking the bark.

DO NOT apply to fruit or foliage. Treatment for borers should be applied in late August and September. Borers can also be controlled by

applying PDB crystals (1 radicholobenzene) around the base of the tree between Oct. 20 and Nov. 15.

Apply the crystals to dry soil and with air temperatures 55 degrees F or above.

Encircle the tree with the crystals after removing all weeds and cover the crystals with soil. In late March or early April, remove the soil from around the tree. Do not use moth balls or crystals containing naphthalene. If you need further assistance, please call the Howard County Extension Office at 264-2236.



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ACROSS
1 Punctuation mark
10 Happen
15 Brand
16 Macbeth's title
17 Silvery
18 Dead end
19 Of part of the eye; prof.
22 Max, the boxer
23 Notable period
24 Mornings; abbr.
25 Bank pymt.
27 Med. scan
28 Vigoda or Fortas
29 Sap of energy
31 Shows one's teeth?
34 Italian three
35 Hammerin' Hank
36 Slow tempo, musically
37 "Girl Friday"
38 Particular bias
39 Bid
40 Doctors' grp.
41 Sharpens
42 Avian tub
44 Mal de (seasickness)
45 Colonial blackbird
46 Fam. member
47 Fam. members
48 That man
51 Find a perch
53 Andrew _____
55 Zhivago's love
56 Metal bar
58 Puts on a pedestal
60 Setting
61 Sky
62 Euripides play
63 Coordinated outfits

DOWN
1 Put on a play
2 Mistake
3 Carta
4 _____ fix (obsession)
5 Five scores; abbr.

6 Punctual
7 Hideaways
8 Present starter?
9 Poverty
10 Of the ear; prof.
11 Tautog or whitefish
12 Boat with two hulls
13 Color seen through another color
14 Recovers a sense of direction
21 Washington bill
24 Soaks up
26 Throws out
28 Fed the kitty?
29 Houdini's first name
30 Heroism
31 Worldwide geopolitical policy
32 Change loan conditions
33 Encroached
34 Sinatra hit

43 Not feel well
44 Lana Turner movie, "X"
47 "Wayne's World" star Mike
48 Eye shade
49 Goddess of peace

50 Ship's spars with sails
52 Over with
54 Norse deity
55 Extremity
57 Pekee or oolong
59 Flight from the law

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CITY OF BIG SPRING CITY COUNCIL TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 1998 AT 5:30 PM CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS 407 E. 4TH STREET, BIG SPRING, TEXAS SPECIFIC USE PERMIT FOR The City of Big Spring is requesting the approval of a Specific Use Permit for the use of a Correctional Institution located (3711 Wright Avenue) on a 59.78 acre tract in Section 11, Block 33, T-1-S, T&P R.C. Co. Survey Howard County, Texas. 2029 August 30 & September 2, 1998

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING: The Permian Basin Underground Water Conservation District will conduct a public hearing to present and receive comment on the district's Groundwater Management Plan at 7:00 P.M. Monday, August 31, 1998 in the District Office at 207 N. Hwy. 137 Stanton, Texas. Interested persons are invited to attend. John Campbell, Board President 2027 August 28, 30 & 31, 1998

PUBLIC NOTICE

Advertisement for Bids The Howard County Junior College District is now accepting bids for the following: TRANSPORTATION/ MAINTENANCE LABOR & CONTRACTED SERVICES VENDORS LIST Specifications may be obtained from Dennis Churchwell, Purchaser, Howard College, 1001 Birdwell Lane, Big Spring, TX 79720, (915) 264-5187. Sealed bids will be accepted through 3:30 p.m. on September 15, 1998 at which time they will be opened in the Administrative Annex and read aloud. The bids will then be tabulated and approved vendor status awarded at a future board meeting. Bidding questions should be directed to Dennis Churchwell, Purchaser, 1001 Birdwell Lane, Big Spring, TX 79720, (915) 264-5187. Howard County Junior College District reserves the right to reject any and all bids. 2018 August 23 & 30, 1998

CHURCH AND CLUB NEWS DEADLINES

Church and club news items are due at the Herald office by noon Wednesday for Friday publication.

Items should be dropped off to the office, 710 Scurry, mailed to P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, 79721-1431; or faxed to 264-7205.

For more information call 263-7331, ext]. 235.

Pictures of one person who may be speaking at a club or church can also be submitted.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR SUNDAY, AUG. 30:

Build upon your strengths, and don't resist change. Home life becomes even more important than in past years. Be flexible in career matters. You might opt for more independence. New technology will ultimately liberate you. Relax, and become less involved with work. Your nerves easily get frayed. If you have a home office, close the door and leave work behind it! Relationships flourish in 1998 and 1999, whether single or attached. Seek a stronger sense of bonding and togetherness; recognize that you can create that. SAGITTARIUS understands you.

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)

Preparations for a fun adventure slow you down. Remember your objectives. Recharge your batteries; don't get hung up on details. Explore a favorite part of town, go to the country or escape to a movie theater. Tonight: A friend is full of surprises.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

Don't respond to a child's pressure. Spend time with a special friend, with whom you can relate with ease. You have a wonderful time talking. Discussions can involve a work-related project. Know that you have someone's support. Tonight: Relish the good times.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

Don't drag your feet, or you'll lose out on a fun adventure. Take off with others, visit a friend or go to a flea market. A change of scene helps you relax, and an adventure lightens you up. Be discriminating with a new acquaintance. Tonight: Join friends for dinner.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

Complete old projects, go shopping and get ready for the fall. Expect surprises concerning money. Double-check figures. Remain sure of yourself when dealing with a changeable associate. You cannot depend on someone's support. Tonight: Get a head start on Monday.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

Let go, and let the heat in, as summer draws to a close. Get into a favorite sport or pastime. A partner once more surprises you with his unpredictability. Don't stand on ceremony. Go with the flow. Don't go overboard with spending. Tonight: Be wild.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

Invite others over for a cozy get-together. You enjoy your home life and want to share it with others. Get into the lightness of the moment. Excitement follows you. Go along with others and their ideas. Avoid a rigid stance.

Tonight: Pursue pleasure!** LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)**

Start up talks, and be willing to reveal more of what is going on with you. Caring abounds, once you let go of certain ideas of what you think should be. A child injects fun and humor into your life. Join in, and foster even greater understanding here. Tonight: Keep talks going.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

A friend disappoints you. Don't let it get to you. You could be forced to spend more than you want. Be careful, and don't go overboard. Connect with a roommate or a family member. A unexpected visit perks you up. Tonight: Order in from a favorite restaurant.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

Pressure from someone whom you respect causes you a hassle. Relax and enjoy yourself. Your magnetic charisma speaks for itself. Others want to be around you. Be open to radical change in plans; a lot of fun flows from flexibility. Tonight: Whatever you want!

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

There is nothing wrong with wanting to vanish. Do it! A spontaneous trip comes up. A change of scene is just what the doctor ordered. You don't have to answer to others. You pull the wild card financially; consider buying a lottery ticket. Tonight: Keep the answering machine on.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

Your spontaneity adds to the fun others are having. You enjoy yourself wherever you are. Listen carefully to a buddy, who has important news. You could feel uneasy with what you hear. Get together with friends for a fun project. Tonight: Party the night away.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

Pressure is intense. A partner or friend insists upon his way and is willing to create an uproar until he gets it. Pull back, and decide what you want. Bring friends and family together for a barbecue. Don't let someone get under your skin. Tonight: Live in the here and now.

BORN TODAY

Actress Elizabeth Ashley (1941), actor Timothy Bottoms (1951), actress Peggy Lipton (1947)

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No magic wand will make wicked ex-wife disappear

DEAR ABBY: "Steve" and I have been dating for about seven months. I'm head over heels in love with him. I knew the moment we met that he was for me — and I think he feels the same way. I'm 28, he is 38, and we're happy with each other.



ABIGAIL VAN BUREN

My question: How do I let go of my anger at his ex-wife? Steve and "Jolene" were married for one year and had a child together. I know Jolene will be around for a lifetime; my problem is learning to deal with her. She's hateful, self-centered and a user. She actually told Steve she married him for his money, and only had his child to get more money out of him.

Steve has their 2-year-old daughter, "Lynette," every weekend. Since Mother's Day is on a Sunday, she was with us. Jolene didn't ask to pick up Lynette and spend Mother's Day with her, but she did call to ask what Lynette was getting her for Mother's Day. On Valentine's Day, she asked Steve to send her roses from her daughter. She pulls this kind of stuff all the time, and it drives me crazy. Jolene has a full-time nanny to care for Lynette during the week, and

Steve takes care of his daughter every weekend. Jolene has it made.

It breaks my heart that Jolene treats Steve this way. He's a kind, intelligent, gentle, wealthy man, but she manipulates him, and he doesn't know how to say no to this woman. She berates him and tells him he's a terrible father if he wants to spend time with me.

Abby, I know I have Steve and that should be all that matters. However, it angers me that there are people out there as coldhearted as Jolene. She has a beautiful child, but she sees her daughter only as a way to pry more money out of Steve.

How should I deal with such a selfish, vindictive woman? — SICK OF HIS EX-WIFE

DEAR SICK: Be gracious and above reproach in your dealings with her, and refrain from harping on your ill feelings about her to Steve. To do otherwise will only cause discord. Realize that Jolene will never be a friend, encourage Steve to take his daughter whenever possible, and do your best to create a happy, tension-free environment. You cannot change Jolene, but you can change the way you react to her.

You are not alone. Volumes have been written about dealing with "exes." You'll find them in bookstores and libraries under the classification "Blended or Step-Families." Check some out. You'll be glad you did.

