

week away. "This will be a slam-bang, dynamic event. We'll have good speakers, good food and a good program, and we anticipate the largest crowd we've ever had," said United Way executive director Carrol Jennings.

A sold-out crowd is expected

reading and literacy, is a former public education teacher. She organized an annual celebration of Texas books and authors in 1996, and highlights issues important to women, like breast cancer awareness, and children's health and safety.

"With Laura Bush being the

The goal for this year's drive is-\$217,500, an increase of about 2.5 percent more than the 1997-98 goal. The Big Spring community exceeded the 1997-98 goal by giving \$215,792 last year, Jennings said.

The United Way fund drive supports different community

Rape Crisis/Victim Services and the Salvation Army receive funds from the United Way each vear.

In addition, the United Way helps fund the community services of the American Red Cross, Westside Day Care Center, the YMCA and the West

out it, they would have a hard time offering those programs," Jennings said.

The entire fund drive, which begins publicly with the luncheon, is made possible by the help of dedicated volunteers.

See LUNCHEON, Page 2

Crime County to join West Texas drug task force

> By MARSHA STURDIVANT **Staff Writer**

Howard County commissioners agreed to join the West **Texas Narcotics Enforcement** Task Force

Monday during a special meeting with interested officials.

Hardy Wilkerson, dis-



what Howard

County's involvement will mean in the way of a financial commitment.

"Our out of pocket expense will be zero. We will get full reimbursement from the state.



TODAY

he said.

at 264-5068.

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

PARTLY CLOUDY

Auditions set

for Gargoyles

auditions

Howard College's first seasonal production, Gargoyles

and Scarecrow Sins, is set for Monday, Sept. 7 at 7 p.m. in the college theater.

Clay Grizzle, theater instructor for the college,

said the play, written by local attorney Rick Hamby, has parts for four women

"I think we'll be able to do these auditions in one

Copies of the play, which

will feature a different end-

ing for this performance

than the one formerly seen

in Midland productions,

will be available by Friday,

Anyone interested in

auditioning may call

Grizzle at his college office

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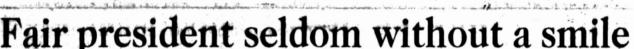
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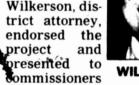
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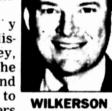
Quarterback Club, 7. All football parents



HERALD photos/Debble L. Jensen Howard County Fair Board President Howard Armstrong, (with oversized scissors) "cuts" the ceremonial ribbon to open the fair

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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.

D The Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce presents Dr. Nate Booth and the program "Thriving on Change" to be at the Dora **Roberts Community Center** from 6:30 to 9 p.m. Call the chamber at 263-7641 for more information.

WEDNESDAY

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

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

D Big Spring Downtown Lions Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room. Call Terry Hansen, 264-5175. G Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie, 7 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 704 W. Third.

THURSDAY

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

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

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Monday, surrounded by other fair board members and chamber Ambassadors.

nyone looking for the head man at the **Howard County Fair** will likely not find him in the office or at a desk. This president will more probably be found helping clean



term as president of the fair At the Fair board, "because with I'm crazy, I guess!

Nancy Koger Seriously, it's because I like

putting something together that people enjoy and because this group (the fair board) is really special."

Armstrong says that working all year on the fair is a situation where "you've gotta like it

or you can't do it. Liking people and doing things for people all these years just gets to be a part of you."

The Ackerly native has been farming for about 25 years. enjoying "good, old-fashioned country life." His wife, Pearl, came to Howard County in 1950, and the couple have raised a son and a daughter on the farm.

The son, who has two kids, now lives and works as a builder near Lake LBJ.

Daughter Diane Clark, husband, and two children live near Ackerly so that the Armstrongs get to share daily, in half of their grandchildren's lives.

They all help out with the less glamorous chores around the fair. "Dad's real good about volunteering us to work at the fair, but we enjoy it," grins his daughter.

When quizzed about changes he's seen in the county fair over the years, Armstrong states that the people haven't

come to the fair to experience what the county has to offer and to have a good time. He sees the expense of putting on such an event as the greatest change.

changed. He sees families that

"The overall expense has grown tremendously: the insurance, entertainment, the supplies have doubled over the past 25 years, sometimes even tripled. We still try to keep the admission costs reasonable so the whole family can come see what our county has to offer." Seldom seen without a smile

or a twinkle in his eye, "Howie," as he's known to the board members, is usually perceived as a modest and unassuming guy; but he admits, "I'm proud to be the president of this fair in its 25th and 26th years."

He thinks this is an event that's worth all the effort it takes and hopes enough other folks feel the same so that the fair can continue as long as people enjoy it.

at a 30-day turn around, for a nine month period. We can't hardly turn this down, it's free of charge," Wilkerson said.

Howard County Sheriff Bill Jennings echoed Wilkerson's sentiment.

"Howard County and Big Spring has a drug problem and this will be an extra arm, an extension of my office and Hardy's office (against) drug users, drug dealers and contraband. I think this is a wellneeded asset that we can't hardly afford to pass up," Jennings said.

The task'force, represented by former Department of Public Safety captain Glenn Lisso, is soliciting support from at least seven counties in the West Texas area. Thus far, Howard, Pecos, Upton, Brewster and Crane counties have all agreed to provide officers for the force.

Other counties, such as Ector and Glasscock, have agreed to allow the task force to work within their areas, without providing manpower to the force, he said.

"This is a DPS program, but it will be different from other DPS functions. The governor asked the DPS to organize this task force and by design it is organized to answer to and respond to, the local communities," Lisso, who is assistant commander of the task force, -said.

Two officers will be provided as task force personnel from Howard county. One person, commissioned through the district attorney's office, will be considered an investigator. The second person will be a deputy from the sheriff's office.

Wilkerson said this will provide Howard County with two votes on the task force advisory board. Lisso may be the task force member commissioned through Wilkerson's office, he said.

"Technically he will be an employee of Howard County, but he will be assigned to the task force," Wilkerson said.

Lisso explained that the grant which is funding the task force will provide reimbursement to the county for 100 percent of the salaries and benefits for these two employees, as stipulated in the grant, which lasts from Sept. 1 through May 31.

A new grant will be written

See TASK FORCE, Page 2

Rural designation will make USDA programs available

By MARSHA STURDIVANT

Staff Writer

United States Congressman Charles W. Stenholm (D-Texas) will discuss recently passed legislation that allows Big Spring to be designated a rural area Thursday at the Big Spring Chamber of Commerce. Stenholm will be joined by the director of the USDA Rural Development office, Steve in the Chamber's board room, 215 W. Third.

Rick Liles, executive director of the Big Spring Farm Service Agency, said this legislation will allow citizens and some businesses within the city to take advantage of some of the programs offered by the USDA **Rural Development agency.**

"Because Big Spring's population exceeded 20,000, none of the programs the Development offers were avail-

city. Until Mr. Stenholm designed the rural community (legislation), people in the city limits were not eligible.

"This is a nice thing for Big Spring. It will allow a number of low income families to take advantage of low interest loans and some other programs," Liles

ing at the Chamber, Stenholm will visit Big Spring High

School and submit the 15-page results of a Rural School Modernization survey he requested from 106 school districts in the 17th District.

14-year-old Ashley Reed, a

Forsan High School student,

was chosen queen at the

Howard County Fair Monday.

HERALD photo/Linda Choate

The agenda planned for Stenholm's Back to School tour suggests he will visit government classes, tour the Career Technology laboratory and review the reading labs.

- The report he plans to release

See RURAL, Page 2

Accident under investigation; child conscious

By MARSHA STURDIVANT Staff Writer

A truck-bicycle accident Sunday that sent a 7-year-old Big Spring girl to University Medical Center in Lubbock is under investigation by the Big Spring Police Department.

BSPD Chief Lonnie Smith said today that witnesses to the accident are being interviewed and their statements are being taken. Once the evidence is gathered, the results will be

presented to the district attorney's office, Smith said.

On Sunday, a 1985 pickup, driven by Sharon Gutierrez, '62, was westbound on 14th Street between Main and Scurry, traveling about 15-20 miles per hour, according to police

reports. Lindsey Maxwell exited an alley mid-block on a bicycle and was struck by the left front bumper of the pickup. She was knocked from her bicycle.

Witness Albert Leos said he

was eastbound on 14th and saw the accident. He said he signaled the driver of the pickup to stop, and the pickup continued down the road and came to

a stop at the stop sign. "I looked to make sure the truck was stopping and then I went to assist the little girl," Leos said.

Maxwell was knocked unconscious at the scene, and transported to the Lubbock hospital where she remains in critical condition.

Today, her mother, Cathy Mayberry, said Lindsey has regained consciousness and is able to wave and signal to nurs-

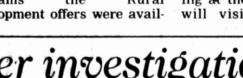
She suffers from a head injury, but no other injuries are apparent, Mayberry said.

"The neurosurgeon said she's not out of the woods yet, but she's better," Mayberry said.

Currently, Maxwell is on a respirator and a brain monitor,

See ACCIDENT, Page 1

Carriker, at the 11 a.m. meeting



said. At 10 a.m., prior to his meet-Rural

able to anyone living in the

Obituaries

Pearlie D. Nason

Funeral service for Pearlie D. Nason, 83, Hobbs, N.M., will be 10 a.m. MST Wednesday, Sept. 2, 1998, at the Chapel of Hope Funeral Chapel, Hobbs, N.M., with Rev. Gavin Vaughn officiating. Burial will be 3 p.m. CST at Trinity Memorial Park, Big Spring.

Mrs. Nason died Sunday, Aug. 30, at Columbia Lea **Regional Medical Center.**

She was born on Dec. 13. 1914, in Admiral. She married Lloyd Nason on June 9, 1995. He preceded her in death.

Survivors include: one daughter, Sandra Butler of Hobbs. N.M.; two sons, Billie Shelton Odell of Lago Vista, and Gene Alan Odell of Lubbock; 11 grandchildren; and 23 greatgrandchildren.

Arrangements under the direction of Chapel of Hope, Hobbs Funeral Service, Hobbs, N.M.

LUNCHEON

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This week began with about 30 volunteers, and Jennings estimates at least 300 people will have voluntarily contributed to the campaign before its close Dec.1.

Two local Rotary Clubs will participate in the luncheon, and the Downtown Lions Club will also volunteer services. At least 13 people have volunteered for duty the day of the luncheon. which is a catered affair by Al's and Son Barbecue, he said.

"They've done the catering since 1995, and it's always been excellent. This is a come as you are event, that's why we have barbecue," Jennings said.

The drive is divided into seven divisions of volunteers that comprise the Campaign Cabinet. Pacesetters, a group of local residents who contribute substantial amounts to the drive each year, is chaired by Sue Partee. The Professional Division of local doctors, lawyers and others is chaired by Betty Kelly and Mark Morgan.

The Community Division, cochaired by Suzanne Haney and

workplace. About 35 percent of the contributions are corporate gifts and the rest are local folks, or folks at home, he said.

We are a volunteer organization all the way. We are the community, and everything we do is for the community. This (luncheon) is to kick off the drive and we hope to make it exciting, interesting and memorable," Jennings said.

Tickets for the event are \$8 at the United Way office, 408 Runnels. Or call Jennings at 267-5201 before 4 p.m. Friday, Sept. 4.

TASK FORCE

Continued from Page 1

by DPS and submitted to the state before the May 31 end, Wilkerson said.

Roy Simmons, a Tubbs Addition resident, Big Spring publisher Chuck Herald Williams, John Walker, Herald managing editor and China Long, justice of the peace, asked questions of Lisso and the commissioners.

"The drug problem is not going away. If we don't do this, what is our alternate plan?" Williams asked the commissioners.

Simmons told commissioners he believes a drug problem exists within his community and he urged them to support the task force.

Long was concerned about the additional salaries of the county's task force employees.

All real property seized in any task force operation will be sold and the funds placed into the task force general fund, to be used by all the counties participating in the program, Lisso said in response to Walker's questions.

The task force will use standard investigative techniques throughout its coverage area, Lisso said. These are interdiction, undercover investigations and open investigations. About 15 officers will create the personnel for the task force now, he said.

Lisso said the FBI supports the task force as well as the U.S. Attorney.

Commissioner Bill Crooker, who was out of town for the meeting, telephoned commissioners. The vote was unandmous.

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INDEPENDENT SCHOOL

District board of trustees have

called a special meeting for

Wednesday at 8 p.m. to take

action on personnel issues and

taxes, according to the agenda.

Information items are also

listed, and the next regular

meeting of the trustees is Sept.

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-For more information call

SUPPORT GROUPS

college office at 264-5068.

Second Place: Bonita Lyght Third Place: Karen Crandall (parrot)

Honorable Mention: Karen Crandall (palms) Honorable Mention: Carl

Durrett **Mixed Media** First Place: Candy Andrews

Professional Watercolor: First Place: Kay Smith (par-

rot)

Second Place: Kay Smith (donkeys) Third Place: Judy Gibbs

Graphics/Pencil or Pen and Ink:

First Place: George De Luna (barn) Second Place: George De

Luna (windmill) Youth and Children:

Grand Champion: Cody

Burson **Reserve** Champ: Crystal Clark

Pastel and Crayon: First Place: Cody Burson Second Place: Kendal Adams **Third Place: Sarah Hanev** Honorable Mention: Noelle

McDowell Oils: First Place: Kelsi Howard Second Place: Candace Howard Pencil:

First Place: Josh Bales (pickup) Second Place: Josh Bales

(horses) School Art:

High School: 11th Grade:

First Place: Benjamin Stovall (church)

Second Place: Benjamin Stovall (monument)

8th Grade: First Place: Crystal Clark Second Place: Chad Puga Third Place: Taylor Fraser 5th Grade: First Place: Chrystal Adams Second Place: Matt Rodriguez Third Place: Keri Silen 3rd Grade: **First Place: Bree Feaster**

Second Place: Chad Chalker Third Place: Jared Wilkerson 2nd Grade:

First Place: Brittany Salazar Second Place: Beatrice San Ramon

Third Place: Nakita Garcia 1st Grade:

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BIG SPRING ROUND THE TOWN

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Midland. Appointments for **'OPEN AUDITIONS FOR** counseling services are made **HOWARD** College's first seaby calling 1-800-329-4144. sonal production. Gargoyles

 Narcotics Anonymous, 6 and Scarecrow Sins, is set for p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Monday, Sept. 7 at 7 p.m. in the Church. Call 268-4189 (pager no.) Clay Grizzle, theater instruc-

WEDNESDAY

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

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

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

Step study.

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

Fans clamor to buy video of 'Titanic'

The Associated Pres

Mike Donavan tried so hard. He resisted seeing "Titanic" for months.

But then he and his date, Luz Ramirez, took a post-dinner stroll through Times Square in New York City.

EVENING Lions Club has free There they stumbled upon eyeglasses for all adults the secdozens of people gathered outond Saturday of each month side a Virgin Megastore waitfrom 9 a.m. to noon at the Big ing to buy the freshly released Spring Evening Lions Club video version of the movie bingo building, 1607 East Third. when it went on sale at 12:01 All adults needing eyeglasses a.m. today. who don't have the income to

"We were just supposed to be having dinner," said Donavan, 26-year-old bartender. Reluctantly, he bought the video. Suddenly his streak was coming to an end, even though he insisted "Titanic" would put him to sleep.

"I'll tape his eyes open," answered Ms. Ramirez, a 27incrument alles Alles year-old nurse's assistant. •Support for MS and Related When the 3-hour, 14-minute Diseases, 6:30 p.m. second saga of the sinking ship went on sale across North America, stores stayed open late or reopened at midnight and adorned walls and ceilings with •Seniors' diabetic support life preservers, inflatable life

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BIG SPRING HERALD

Tuesday, September 1, 1998

RECORDS

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FIRE/EMS

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

2:16 p.m. - 400 block E. 10th, medical call, patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

3:37 p.m. - 700 block NW 10th. residence fire, extinguished by responding units, and ambulance medical call, service refused.

6:19 p.m. - 900 block Willa, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

6:23 p.m. - 900 block Abrams, medical call, patient transported to VA Medical

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Frances Wheat, works through the mail to promote the drive. The Loaned Executive Division, co-chaired by Cavan McMahon and Mark Odle, concentrates the campaign toward businesses in the community with 25 or more employees.

The Commercial Division, cochaired by Sue Bagwell and Jody Nix, focuses the campaign on small local businesses, those with fewer than 25 employees. And the Combined Federal Campaign, chaired by Bobby Cordova, includes contributions made by employees of the federal government such as the prisons, the VA Medical Center and the post office, he said.

Jennings estimates that 55 percent of all the contributions come from employees in the

MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL 24th & Johnson 267-8288

NALLEY-PICKLE & WELCH **Funeral Home**

Trinity Memorial Park and Crematory 906 Gregg St. (915) 267-6331

Caron "Beth" Freshour, 52, died Sunday. Services will be 3:00 PM Tuesday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

Austin Tyler Engelson, 4 months old, died Thursday. Graveside services will be 2:00 PM Tuesday at Trinity Memorial Park.

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will contain analysis of the average age of schools within the 17th District, as well as school safety and threats to learning.

Also, Internet availability, computers in the classroom and a breakdown of the physical condition of school buildings are included in the report. A total of 203 of the 403 kindergarten-through-12th-grade schools responded to Stenholm's survey.

ACCIDENT

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which may be removed tomorrow, Mayberry said.

"We're asking for prayers, for her to get better. All the prayers so far are working, so ask God to keep up the good work," Mayberry said. She remains at her daughter's bedside in the pediatric intensive care unit at the Lubbock hospital.

FAIR RESULTS

There were 248 pieces of art entered in this year's Art Show at the Howard County Fair.

The Art Department is having a silent auction during the week to sell seven donated paintings and prints. Anyone may make a bid. Winner does not have to be present Thursday at 9 p.m. to win. **Art Department results** Best of Show: Candy Andrews, mixed media Adult Division: Grand Champion: Candy Andrews, pastel **Reserve Champion: George** De Luna, graphics (barn) Non-Professional/Amateur: Watercolor: First Place: Elnora Hart Second Place: Candy Andrews Pastel: **First Place: Candy Andrews** Second Place: Bonita Lyght

Oil and Acrylic: First Place: Candy Andrews Second Place: Elnora Hart Third Place: Joyce Newsom Pencil and Pen and Ink/Graphics:

Third Place: Steffy Senter and Holly Kennedy Group Art: First Grade: First Place: Mrs. Cook -

Marcy Second Place: Mrs. Tarpley -Marcy Third Place: Mrs. Cookie -

Marcy Second Grade:

First Grade: Mrs. Smiley -

Elbow Fifth Grade: First Place: Mrs.

Cunningham - Marcy Photography:

Grand Champion: Lindy Barr (cemetery)

Reserve Champion: Patricia Barr (portrait) Adult: Landscapes or Wildlife: First Place: Traci Myrick (horse & bull)

Second Place: Bobbie Marshall (sandstorm) Third Place: Nancy Hale (dog

& prairie dog) Honorable Mention: Carolyn .

Brooks (ducks in swirl) Portraits:

First Place: Patricia Barr Second Place: Amy Parker (boy and melons)

Third Place: Kay Kennemur Miscellaneous: First Place: Patricia Barr Youth Photography: Landscapes and Animals: First Place: Lindy Barr (cemetery) Second Place: Lindy Barr

(cityscape) Fire starts in home's central

air system

The Big Spring Fire Department was called to 700 N.W. 10th St. Monday afternoon to extinguish a fire officials say originated in a "central air closet.

Fire department dispatch received the call at approximately 3:37. and arrived on the scene two minutes later.

According to Fire Department reports, the fire is believed to have started in a closet containing a gas central heater.

Department officials reported damages to the home to be in excess of \$6,000. Although ambulances were on the scene for standby purposes, no one was injured in the fire.

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

group, 2 p.m., Canterbury rafts and other nautical gear. South. Call 263-1265.

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

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

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

•Family Education and Support, sponsored by Howard County Mental Health Center. meets the second Tuesday of each month at 5:30 p.m. at 319 Runnels. For more information call Shannon Nabors at 263-Q027.

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

Counseling •Samaritan Center of West Texas will have Dr. Ronald Meyer, D.Min., LCDC, LMFT, specializing in individual and marriage counseling, Attention Deficit Disorder and chemical dependency, available for clients in **Rural/Metro**

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MARKETS

Dec. cotton 71.55 cents, down 53 points; Oct. crude 13.50, up 16; Cash hogs steady at 32; cash steers steady at 58 cents even; Oct. lean hog futures ' 36.55, down 72 points; Aug. live cattle futures 58.55, down 45 points. courtesy: Delta Corporation. Noon quotes provided by Edward D. Jones & Co.

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The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity between 8 a.m. Monday and 8 a.m. Tuesday: MICHAEL HUNTER, 59. was arrested for public intoxi-

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> UNAUTHORIZED USE OF A VEHICLE in the 1300 block of Lamar.

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GENERAL NEWS

Dow plunges more than 500 toward first bear market since 1990

industrials fell more than 500 points on Monday as stocks wiped out what little remained of this year's once-robust gains and plunged toward the first bear market since 1990.

Less than two months after peaking above 9,300, the Dow Jones industrial average of 30 major American companies fell 512.61 points or 6.4 percent to 7,539.07, a loss of 4.7 percent for the year and its lowest level since November.

The loss, the second biggest in points behind the 554-point drop suffered last fall on Oct. 27, extended the Dow's sharp drop from the July 17 record of 9,337.97 to 1,800 points, or 19.3 percent.

The technology-dominated Nasdaq composite index fell 8.6 percent to 1,499.25, losing a record 140.43 points, and the Standard & Poor's 500 fell 69.86 to 957.28. Both measures are

NEW YORK (AP) - The Dow now showing a loss for the year after posting gains of more than 20 percent at July's highs. Total stock market volume in

the United States totaled 2.178 billion shares Monday, the second-busiest day ever behind October's selloff.

The Dow's 512-point loss surpassed the 508 lost in the "Black Monday" crash of Oct. 19, 1987, but it was well short of the 22.6 percent lost on that day.

While there were more discouraging developments among the laundry list of overseas troubles that have been rocking the market since mid-July, analysts attributed Monday's heavy selling to emotions more than the latest news.

"The news at the margin continues to be bad, and that's all you need for a down day with this atmosphere," said Barbara Marcin, senior equity portfolio manager at Citibank Global Asset Management.

In Russia, for example, angry lawmakers on Monday emphati-cally rejected Boris Yeltsin's candidate for prime minister, blocking formation of a government to try to pull the country out of its economic and political tailspin.

The backdrop in Asia, which has been crippled by a yearlong fiscal crisis, turned more unsettling amid news that North Korea had fired a test missile over northeastern Japan.

There were more signs of the impact of those foreign crises on American companies as a Midwestern manufacturing group, in the first sampling of August's business conditions, reported the first drop in factory activity in three years.

The Clinton administration moved quickly to reassure investors that the U.S. economy is essentially sound despite the plunge. Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin said he had been in touch with President Clinton and Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan and with officials around the world.

"The fundamentals of the United States economy are strong," Rubin said. "The prospects for growth, low unemployment, low inflation continue to be strong."

The Dow, which was up 18.1 percent for the year at the July record, is now just 68 points away from its first "bear market" decline of at least 20 percent since Iraq's invasion of Kuwait in 1990.

Even so, analysts were careful to point out the difference between economic conditions then and now.

"Certainly U.S. economic growth is going to slow, but the whole recession thing? We don't think it's nearly that bad." said Robert Streed, senior investment adviser at Northern Trust in Chicago.

Bargain-hunters growing scarce as global economy woes worsen

bargain-hunters who had reversed Wall Street's downturns in recent years are becoming scarce as the global economy grows more fragile.

With the yearlong Asian economic crisis spilling into Russia and threatening to engulf Latin American markets. fewer U.S. investors are taking the attitude that falling stock prices simply provide good buying opportunities.

"The investment philosophy has changed. Investors are no longer are looking to buy on the dip," Barry Hyman, senior market analyst at Ehrenkrantz King Nussbaum, said Monday.

Unlike the record-setting plunge last October, which was overcome within weeks by confidence in the U.S. economy. this slump has been weighed down by lower profits from American companies with exposure in Asia.

Last fall, American companies "were saying the effect was going to be modest because nobody knew. They didn't know how long it was going to last, they didn't know how bad it was going to be," said Barry Berman, head trader for Robert W. Baird & Co. in Milwaukee.

"Now people are starting to figure that out - they're starting to see it in the earnings," Berman said.

Bargain-hunters have been lingering on Wall Street, like

NEW YORK (AP) - The brave Marvin Rosengart, a jeweler from Oradell, N.J.

> "I just feel over the long term things will get better. If things, go down, I'll keep buying as long as I have the money," he said.

But many others have been swept away by the growing worries that global economic ills will cause further damage to U.S. companies.

On Monday and last Friday, the Dow Jones industrial average moved higher at the start of the session, overcoming big losses from the previous day of trading, but those gains were swiftly erased.

Trading activity nearly tripled Friday among a sample of participants in 401(k) retirement plans at major companies, with most investors seeking safety in the bond market. according to Hewitt Associates.

Even so, after Monday's 512point drop, the second-worst point plunge ever, market watchers milling around the huge TV screen and giant stock tickers in Manhattan's Times Square were mostly in limbo.

Many said they were holding onto their stocks and mutual funds with the hope that a turnaround was coming, but were not confident enough of a rebound to pour in more money.

"Right now, we're just looking to ride it out," said Gary Dobstaff, construction foreman.

California passes deal to buy ancient forest Gov. Pete Wilson said he will SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) has spent several months last day Monday and three

The world's largest privately owned stand of ancient redwoods will be transformed into a public preserve now that lawmakers have agreed on a bill that ends 12 years of negotiations.

The \$245 million bill, which passed early today, provides the last of the money needed to buy the 7,500-acre Headwaters Forest, though environmentalists and the timber industry remained sharply at odds over the deal.

sign the bill into law. "The agreement represents

the last, best hope to save the Headwaters," said John A. Campbell, president of the company that owns the land, Pacific Lumber Co., The pristine property is about 280 miles north of San Francisco.

"It's extortion!" a protester screamed from the Senate gallery moments after the bill passed. Activists have protested the deal by climbing Golden Gate Bridge, and one woman

camped out atop one tree, 18 stories high.

Opponents argued that the deal saved only a small portion of the redwoods and sacrificed too much for timber. Critics also complained that the deal means millions for Charles Hurwitz, the Texas financier and CEO of Houston-based Maxxam Corp., which owns Pacific Lumber.

The measure just squeaked through, with numerous amendments on the session's redwoods.

failed votes in the Assembly before it passed.

The final deal gave concessions to timber interests and environmentalists.

The state will pay \$130 million to buy Pacific Lumber's 7.500 acres of redwoods and turn it into a public park. Congress has already approved its \$250 million share of the deal.

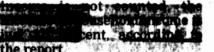
Pacific Lumber will also get up to \$100 million more for 2,000 acres of "lesser cathedrals" of

Census Bureau: Household income rise linked to working wives

contribution of America's working wives and mothers has accounted for the bulk of the increase in household income in recent decades.

A new Census Bureau analysis shows the incomes of married couples with children increased by 25.3 percent between 1969 and 1996.

But women have increasingly joined the work force. If their



WASHINGTON (AP) - The an household income rose a modest 6.3 percent — from \$33,072 to \$35,172 — while per capita income leaped 51 percent - from \$11,975 to \$18,136. They used constant 1996 dollars, which removes the effect of inflation.

They found major changes in household composition, including increases in the number of single-person households and both men and women raising Among the changes was the

percent to 39 percent in households with children.

Married-couple households with no children and working wives increased from 42 percent to 60 percent when a householder was under 40 years old, and from 31 percent to 46 percent when a householder was 40 to 64 years old.

Looking at such households' earnings, married-couple households without children also had substantial gains in median income between 1969 and 1996. Again, the increased imporincrease in the proportion of tance of the income of the wife The Census statisticians wives working full-time, year- was evident, the report noted.

someone under 65 years old, median income increased by 34 percent over the period, but only by about 16 percent when the earnings of wives were excluded. The median is the midpoint figure, meaning half made more and half less. Among other findings:

-The average income of households at or below the median grew by only 3.9 percent between 1969 and 1996, while the average income of households above the median grew by

over with a college degree grew from 16 percent to 33 percent. In households with incomes below the median, the proportion of those 25 years old and over with a college degree grew from 5 percent to 11 percent.

-There was a decline in the number of married-couple households with children (from 41 percent to 26 percent of households), an increase in the number of households with children but no spouse present (from 6 percent to 11 percent). households (from 17 percent to

households with a female householder with children and no spouse rose by 10 percent between 1969 and 1996, but the median income of households with a male householder with children and no spouse fell by 8 percent.

-Married-couple households with a householder 65 years old or over had substantial gains in median income, increasing 57 percent (34 percent when the income of wives was excluded).

-Among one-person houseand an increase in one-person holds with a householder 65 years old or over, the median income of both men and women -The median income of rose 63 percent.

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Northwest versus pilots: Financial resources of both are significant

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Both sides involved in the Northwest Airlines strike have cauldrons of cash set aside to ride it out which doesn't suggest a quick end to the standoff.

"Our pilots have the support today, the fourth day of the of a strike fund that is substantial," said Dean Smith, spokesman for the Air Line Pilots Association. "We can go as long as it takes.'

The pilots have about \$65 million on hand, while Northwest has about \$3 billion.

President Clinton said Monday he has asked

Transportation Secretary Rodney Slater to meet with company officials and the pilots' leaders to try to restart negotiations

The parties were to meet strike, according to domestic policy aide Gene Sperling.

In the president's first personal involvement in the strike, he issued a brief statement from Air Force One en route from Washington to Moscow saying he had asked Northwest and its pilots to "redouble their efforts to resolve their differences."

White House officials have said that if the strike reaches Labor Day, Clinton may reconsider his decision not to 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.

"I would say that given the financial resources that Northwest has to fall back on and what the pilots union has to fall back on, and given the ads both sides are running, we've got two sides here unwilling to negotiate with the present

mood," said Terry Trippler, publisher of The Airfare Report newsletter.

"I hope I'm wrong." Northwest has estimated the strike would cost it \$175 million in the first 10 days but has not

projected losses beyond that. Northwest's 6,100 pilots are getting strike pay of \$1,300 a month - which amounts to a total of almost \$8 million per month.

Trippler said he expected the strike to last at least two more weeks if President Clinton doesn't step in.

Another strike looms at Air Canada, where pilots set a strike deadline of midnight EDT tonight over issues of pay and working conditions.

Air Canada was trying to find alternate transportation for 60,000 passengers who fly the

On Monday, the first business day of the strike, disruption was minimal at the airports in Northwest's hubs of Minneapolis-St. Paul, Detroit and Memphis, Tenn.

In contrast to the long lines of leisure passengers on the weekend at Northwest's hubs, Monday's business passengers had made other arrangements.

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Report: No nerve gas used in Gulf War

WASHINGTON (AP) - There is no evidence to support the theory that mysteriously ill U.S. soldiers who fought in the Persian Gulf War were exposed to nerve gas, a Senate committee concludes.

In a report being released today, the Senate Veterans' Affairs Committee argues that the Pentagon was wrong to conclude that as many as 100,000 soldiers were exposed to chemical weapons.

"We have found nothing to show that the illnesses are related to chemicals," a committee official speaking on condition of anonymity told The Associated Press Monday. The official confirmed a story on the report in The Washington Post.

The bipartisan report, prepared over the past year, backs the military's long-held assertion that chemical weapons were not to blame for the illnesses.

However, the report is highly critical of a Pentagon conclusion last year that up to 100,000 soldiers were exposed to low doses of nerve gases released in the demolition of an Iraqi ammunition depot in March 1991, days after the war had ended. That report said the doses were too small to have caused any sustained health problems, but it marked the first official acknowledgment that there was any exposure at all.

The Senate report argues Pentagon's original position there is no hard evidence to back the report's conclusions. It says the Pentagon, working with the CIA, relied on a flawed computer model to re-create the exposure levels and assumed a worst-case scenario.

The Senate report concludes that there is just one case with hard evidence of chemical exposure — that of Army Pfc. David Fisher, who was exposed to mustard liquid in March 1991. The Senate study backs up the that U.S. troops were not exposed to chemical weapons during the Gulf War, despite the mysterious illnesses many soldiers suffered.

After five years of denials, the the summer of 1996 that Americans were exposed to chemical fallout. Initially, the department estimated that 20,000 troops were exposed, but that estimate climbed in subsequent months.

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OUR VIEWS

Time to reach out to humane society

y now, the troubles at the Big Spring Humane Society are common knowledge in the community. The shelter must reduce the number of animals it houses, and change some of its policies, or it faces possible legal action from the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. An investigator from Dallas came to inspect the facility after receiving a videotape from a local citizen whose identity is being kept secret by the SPCA.

The main problem, as we see it, is a case of too much kindness. Humane Society workers, who have for years been taking care of Big Spring's unwanted and abandoned pets, have simply been too kind.

They have spoiled us with their policy of taking in any animal left to them. In their history, they have rarely turned away an animal at all. Volunteers have instead taken animals home or advertised for new homes for them, at no charge to the owner.

This kindness has now come with a price. The staff at the shelter is unable to keep up with cleaning of the pens, and the pest problem all pet owners have faced this summer has hit the shelter especially hard.

Yes, we agree there is work that needs to be done at the shelter. But, as longtime volunteer and animal lover Margaret Lloyd pointed out, the humane society has taken care of the community's unwanted animals for years. Now it is time for the community to return the favor.

One solution to the problem is finding foster homes for some dogs. The humane society would provide food if local residents would provide a temporary home until a more permanent one can be located. Volunteers are also needed to help with improvements

Time to take an information vacation

ere's a tip for your mental health, but don't tell my boss , where it came from: If you find yourself getting antsy and anxious, take an information vacation. How can you not be anxious

if you have to worry about floods and locusts in China; hurricanes in the Atlantic; the Asian economic collapse; the widening war

in the Congo; the collapse of the Russian

ruble and probably its government; economic flu in Latin America. Mexico and Canada; our own nervous economy; the worldwide AIDS epidemic; the development of medicine-resistant bacteria; mad cow disease; the explosive situation in the Middle East; the president's new war on terrorism; the decay of public education;

child murderers; the Brazilian rain forests; and Al Gore's political future?

Wow. Too much. Our brains aren't made to cope with so much bad news. The Information Age turns out to be a bummer. Millions of bits of information are aimed at us in newspapers, magazines, on TV, cable, satellites, radios, billboards, point-of-sale displays, outdoor signs, sky writ-

ers, junk mail and the Internet 24 hours a day, seven days a week. And most of that information is useless, depressing, confus-

ing, annoying or just plain false. So take an information vacation. For a few days, don't watch, don't listen and don't read. Concentrate on the people around you, on the beauty around you, on your own personal affairs. It may make you nervous the first day to be disconnected from a wired world, but pretty soon things will start to look normal and pleasant unless you live in certain big ugly cities.

Andrew Lytle, a novelist I met once, said he subscribed to no publications, had no radio

and no television set. If anything important happened, he said, he would be sure to hear about it by rumor.

Truth is not much really important happens on a daily basis, and most of the bad stuff in the news is stuff you can't do anything about anyway. So why worry about it? Why even be conscious of it?

In the pre-computer days, reporters used to take a lot of information over the phone. In one place I worked, the weather man would call us and give us all the weather statistics such as the time of sunrise and sunset, tides and so forth.

One day, he got a rookie kid reporter on the phone. He started his spiel. "Sunrise, 6:05, sun

And the kid interrupted him. "Sir, is that a.m. or p.m.?"

There was a long silence, and then the old weatherman said, "Well, son, if ain't a.m., you're going to have one heck of a big story.'

That's true. If the sun doesn't rise one morning, that would be important, but it would also be something you wouldn't need to read about in a newspaper or hear about on TV.

You would experience it yourself.

When Benjamin Franklin was publishing a newspaper, he had a rule: If the information wasn't either useful or entertaining, it didn't get in his newspaper. Editors don't use that rule anymore, but you can. Just ask yourself, Is this information going to help me, inspire me, make me feel better or make me chuckle? If the answer is no, dump it.

You might even try a little game of self-discipline that I play. When I drive to work, I discipline myself to look at trees, shrubs, flowers and the sky instead of the buildings and the signs (traffic signs excepted).

Work at it until you can give directions by natural landmarks, for example, turn left at the three cedars, go south until you see the tall pine on the left, then turn right and proceed to the large oak that leans to the left.

Remember, just because the world is going crazy, we don't have to go with it.

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at the shelter, and of course, new homes are needed for more than 100 dogs.

Another solution already under way is euthanasia for some animals. Humane Society workers say they will seek this drastic step for some "unadoptable" dogs, but won't use it on healthy, non-aggressive pets.

We applaud their decision, and we understand how difficult it was to make.

While some have spoken publicly against the humane society, saying the word "humane" does not belong in its name, we disagree. As we have said, yes, there are problems. But the main one is caring too much — being unwilling to kill animals regularly.

Remember, these are the pets no one else in Big Spring wants. These are the dogs that once ran our streets. These are the puppies that were born because no one bothered to spay and neuter the parents.

This is the dog or cat your family couldn't keep any more, and instead of turning it over to animal control where it could face death in 72 hours, you called someone else for help.

Chances are the people you called were volunteers with the Big Spring Humane Society, and they were willing to help. Let's show them the same support now, when they need us.

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No ordinary school children

he bumper sticker was one of dozens on the revolving pedestal at the gas station: "My Child Beat Up Your Honor Student."

I have no children, and if I had one who engaged in classroom brawls

I'd stick him to the bumper and drive through downtown Atlanta at quitting time. I smiled at

the message, anyhow. I can sympathize with

the parents of average-to-rotten kids in today's gifted, honored, accelerated world. Blessed be the meek, for they shall inspire the bumper stickers.

Used to be, they assigned kids to different reading circles made up of the same little blond chairs positioned around the same linoleum rug. The teacher called us "redbirds" and "bluebirds" to disguise her assessment of our reading ability.

We knew, of course, which group was smart and which was slow; you could tell by the speed of the reading, always done aloud. If you somehow managed to read a page without stumbling over a lot of words, chances were you "flew" on to the brighter nest, where the flock was ably

alland

digesting two and three syllables These days, the schools don't

have redbirds or blue. They are full of American bald eagles. There simply are no foul fowl, no mediocre kids.

Geniuses bud. Why is that?-No baby boomer parent seems willing to admit she has hatched an ordinary chick. Nobody's willing to settle for just a passing grade.

And I think we can attribute that to the redbird-bluebird system of old that almost all of us endured. We know how it feels to be stigmatized, to be stuck with the dodos around that busy linoleum.

OK, so maybe we've gone too far the other direction. Have a conversation with any parent and you'll think you've stumbled onto the set of "Little Man Tate," the movie about the prodigy with the underachtever mom. But we know, this much. A

sense of self-worth is as important as mother's milk. Maybe it's all-important. You have to give boomers credit for working on confidence, as well as teeth and bones.

Modern children are relentlessly auditioned in one discipline after another until they show a spark of interest or acumen. Nobody waits until a student is ready for college to test his aptitude.

Early reconnaissance makes a difference. Today's kids really are brighter than we were, or at least more sure of themselves.

I was wrestling with a com-

puter printer one recent night. trying my best to get an important letter in the mail. The printer inexplicably died, and I cursed it.

"I think I can fix it." Stephen Garrett, age 13, said. He had just returned from computer camp and was visiting along with my cousin's boy. He went right to work on a machine he'd never seen before.

Before you could say "ink jet," the mystery printer was working again.

And consider Will Thompson, a Douglasville college student I met last week at the beach. He showed a clearer understanding of the imbroglio in Washington than most adults I've talked to. (He could intelligently discuss Victorian poets, as well.)

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Then there was the matter of those refrigerator poems, the ones you compose with a limited number of words printed on magnets.

I had bought a set to entertain kids, and I found it a real challenge to "write" a couple of couplets rhyming "fat" and "hat."

Then Caitlin Crawford's mother sent me a copy of the daughter's refrigerator poetry. I was shamed. Maybe her set contained more words, I hoped. So I propose a toast to the average child -- there must be two or three left -- who struggles with algebra, talks too much in the cafeteria, forgets the quiz date, has a dog that eats his homework.

No wonder he feels like beating up an honor student.

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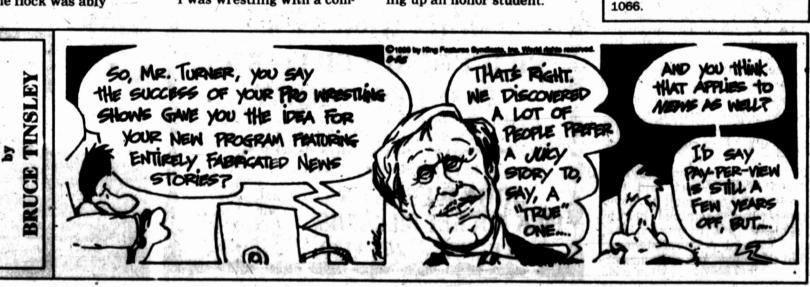
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GENERAL NEWS

Poll shows Bush maintaining huge lead

W. Bush is maintaining a huge lead over Democratic challenger Garry Mauro in the latest Texas Poll released today.

Among likely voters, Bush led Mauro 67 percent to 20 percent nearly identical to the **Republican** incumbent's 70-17 lead last spring.

Bush also racked up strong job performance ratings, with 74 percent of the respondents giving him a good or excellent rating.

Bush "is just off the charts and he has sustained those ratings, which is even more amazing," Texas Poll Director Ty

AUSTIN (AP) - Gov. George American-Statesman. But, he added, "A lot can happen between Labor Day and the election."

The poll, conducted for Scripps Howard by the University of Texas Office of Survey Research, surveyed 1,004 adults Aug. 12-27 and

recorded answers from 718 respondents who identified themselves as likely voters. On the Bush-Mauro race, the

margin of error was 3.7 percentage points.

Mauro's campaign attacked the poll's credibility, noting that in the last two gubernatorial elections, the eventual win-Meighan told the Austin ner was behind in the same poll

two months before the election. At a similar point in the 1990 race, the Texas Poll showed **Republican Clayton Williams in** a 47-37 lead over Democrat Ann Richards, the eventual winner. At the same point in 1994. Richards held a 47-43 lead over Bush, who went on to win.

The new poll shows Bush leading in all regions and demographic groups except blacks. who , for Mauro 48-28, and Democrats, who prefer Mauro 53-31

Independents favor Bush 67-10. While Bush leads among Hispanics, 51-31, Mauro has cut that lead by more than half since June, according to the

poll.

On the campaign trail today, Mauro will visit Hamilton to raise the specter of one of Bush's campaign mistakes in 1994

Four years ago, Bush invited reporters to watch him shoot doves near Houston.

Bush shot a killdeer, a protected nongame bird, and paid a \$130 fine.

Mauro's campaign manager, Billy Rogers, said a friend invited Mauro to hunt.

"He has been dove hunting, I believe, once or twice before,' Rogers said, adding that Mauro knows the difference between a dove and a killdeer.

Survey discovers age 13 critical in anti-drug fight

WASHINGTON (AP) - Few 12-year-olds know how to buy marijuana or know someone who has used hard drugs. But that changes just one year later, according to a survey released today that suggests the transition from 12 to 13 is a critical time in the battle against teen drug use.

Just as children are becoming more exposed to drugs, their parents are losing influence over their lives, argues the survey, from Columbia University's National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse.

"America's children have been crying out for help and not enough people are listening," said Joseph A. Califano Jr., the center's president and a former secretary of Health, Education and Welfare in the Carter administration.

The survey also found that teens think the drug problem is considerably worse than their teachers and especially their principals do.

For instance, 78 percent of teens say their schools are not drug free; just 18 percent of principals agree.

And while only 15 percent of high school principals say the school drug problem is getting worse, half of students and 41 percent of teachers think the same.

"Principals make monkeys of themselves as they reveal their see no evil, hear no evil, speak no evil posture," Califano said.

The annual survey found that for the fourth consecutive year, teens said drugs were the most important problem they face.

And the number of high school students who report that drugs are used, sold and kept at their schools continued to inch up, rising from 72 percent in 1996 to 78 percent this year.

Overall, 41 percent of 17-year-olds said they had smoked mariuana, while 39 percent said they drank and 23 percent said they smoked in the previous 30 days.

Among 12-year-olds, 9 percent reported drinking in the past month, while just 1 percent say they'd smoked recently and 2 percent reported using marijuana.

The survey found those rates increased most sharply between ages 14 and 16, yet attitudes and exposure to drugs change earlier, with the most dramatic differences between ages 12 and 13.

A 13-year-old is about three times as likely to know a teen who uses hard drugs and to know how to buy drugs. More than three times as many 13-year-olds say they wouldn't report a student they saw using drugs.

"In no other year do teens' perceptions and attitudes shift so markedly," the center concluded.

Holocaust survivors say industrial giants used slave labor

Newman was 14 when he left behind a virtual death sentence for life as a slave laborer in Nazi Germany.

His parents and brother were murdered in concentration camps, but Newman, now 67, was one of thousands of inmates chosen to live so his labor could fuel the German war machine. "I don't know how I survived this, to be honest," Newman said Monday, as attorneys filed

class-action lawsuits against German and Austrian companies they said used slave labor during World War II. "It was a hell of a thing."

The Polish-born Newman is a lead plaintiff in a lawsuit filed Brooklyn federal court

NEW YORK (AP) - Morris Sunday against Volkswagen and 11 other German and Austrian companies, including Siemens, Krupp, Daimler-Benz, Audi, Wurttembergische Metall Warenfabrik, Henkel, Eicon Technology, BMW and Leica

> Camera. Eicon Technology's founders said the company was wrongly named. Maks Wulkan and Peter Brojde. both children of Holocaust survivors, founded the company in 1984 in Canada, the company said in a statement.

Another lawsuit, filed in federal court in Newark, N.J., on Monday, named only Volkswagen A.G. and Volkswagen of America. It accused the automaker of using Nazi prison-

ers to do heavy labor in its factories during the war.

"Auschwitz was the hell," said Elly Gross, who was 15 when she was sent to work at Volkswagen, leaving her mother and brother to die at the concentration camp. "The factory where I worked just was the skirt of the hell.

Newman, who lives in Spring Valley, N.Y., recalled carrying sheets of aluminum through snow and ice at a plant owned by Daimler-Benz and its predecessor, Messerschmitt.

"Our hands were sticking to it because we had no gloves," he said. "Everything was outdoors, and we were freezing to death." Historians believe more than 7 million people were coerced to

work in Germany under Adolf Hitler's regime.

"Make no mistake about it, it was a conspiracy," said lawyer Melvyn Weiss, who brought the New Jersey suit. "These companies knew what was going on, and they used it to make a profit

The actions follow the recent \$1.25 billion agreement by Swiss banks to settle claims by Holocaust survivors who weren't allowed to collect their assets after World War II.

The German companies reiterated their willingness Monday to compensate Nazi-era slave laborers but said they had not seen either of the lawsuits and declined to comment until they reviewed them thoroughly.

Lott says censuring President Clinton 'doesn't do anything'

WASHINGTON (AP) **President Clinton's admission** of an affair with Monica Lewinsky reduced the stature of his office and hurt his credibiliwith Congress, Senate tv Majority Leader Trent Lott says

"It does cast a shadow upon our work here and on our ability to work together," Lott told reporters Monday a few hours after the Senate reconvened from summer recess. "I'm disappointed in the way the highest office in the nation has been reduced in stature and diminished in credibility." 463-0325

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"That was March. This is the first of September ... and a lot has happened since then," Lott said. "Censure really doesn't do anything.'

Clinton's Aug. 17 admission of an improper relationship with Lewinsky — seven months after he denied having one touched off a range of responses from lawmakers. Several senior Republicans have called for his resignation.

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report and withhold judgment or further comment until I see it," he said. 🍺

"There is a moral dimension to the American presidency, and today that dimension, that power, has been lost in scandal and in deception," Lott said. "As a citizen, I'm disappointed in the way the highest office in the nation has been reduced in stature and diminished in credibility.

Monday, Senate Later

ness that could be exploited.

"Terrorists or anyone else who think they could take advantage of what might appear as a weakened presidency, on these matters we will stand united," the Mississippi Republican said.

As Clinton flew to Russia to meet with another troubled president, Boris Yeltsin, Lott acknowledged that he hoped the president's personal troubles would translate into "more Lott, however, declined to go Democratic leader Tom Daschle cooperation" on legislative mat-

Independent Counsel Kenneth his relationship with Ms. during a conference earlier

investigation.

"It would be helpful if the president would try to work with us instead of trying to score points, or to try to cause a distraction to take away from the problems at hand," Lott said.

"Maybe we will have a better opportunity to do what I believe the American people would like tion." for us to do."

The GOP's legislative priorities for the final six weeks of the congressional session, Lott said, would be passing the 13 after Lott finished speaking, he

Lewinsky sex and cover-up attempts to trap the GOP in another government shutdown in the shadow of the Nov. 3 elections.

> "Under the present circumstances, it could be tough to work together, especially if the president's congressional allies circle the wagons and try to shut things down," Lott said.

"I hope we get more coopera-

But Daschle doused any hopes for a peaceful final six weeks of congressional session.

In comments a few minutes spending bills that finance the said Senate Democrats would

Lott also took back his sug-Starr sends to Congress gestion earlier this year that

"I don't know if it will rise to voting to censure Clinton, a levels that could justify prolargely symbolic gesture, might ceeding in the House on be the appropriate congressionimpeachment or anything else. al response to the Lewinsky So I am going to wait for that

Lewinsky

"I think he will say more," Daschle told CNN.

Lott warned foreign governments against interpreting Clinton's troubles as a weak-

Monday with White House chief of staff Erskine Bowles. Lott warned he would cast any White House opposition to GOP priorities as Clinton's attempt to distract the nation from the

federal government and taking up legislation on school choice, bankruptcy law and tax cuts.

Clinton's veto threats on more than half of the spending bills, Lott suggested, really were

try to attach health reform, the president's school construction legislation and campaign finance overhaul measures to virtually all legislation that comes to a vote.

Gore backers more worried about fund raising, economy than Lewinsky

WASHINGTON (AP) ____ Democratic activists say Vice President Al Gore won't be tainted by the Monica Lewinsky scandal, but they warn that a new special prosecutor or a souring economy could hurt his presidential ambitions.

"This Lewinsky stuff won't have an impact on Gore," said Jim Ruvolo of Toledo, Ohio. "It's a personal matter.

Now if the economy goes south, talk to me then."

Standing in the back of a \$20,000 fund-raiser Monday for Ohio Senate candidate Mary Boyle, Ruvolo echoed the sentiments of Democrats who saw

Gore campaign for candidates in Dayton, Ohio, and Chicago. "These are issues that will come up, but the vice president has an untarnishable slate other than that," said Ohio state Rep. Tom Roberts of Dayton.

The party faithful saw a relaxed, combative vice president in full-throated support of his president.

Without specifically mentioning the Lewinsky sex and coverup inquiry, he told contributors in Dayton, "I'm proud to serve with President Bill Clinton.'

In an interview between stops aboard Air Force Two, the vice president for the first time

answered questions about the Lewinsky affair.

Did Clinton lie to you? "I've never talked about my private conversations with the president, and I'm not going to start now," he said.

Has the controversy hurt his ability to raise money and interest for Democratic campaigns? No, he said, "I'm having a good time on the trail."

Though Democrats in Congress believe the scandal has frozen the political landscape as they try to make inroads against Republicans, Gore said that's not what he's hearing "out in the country."

People are interested in education, Social Security and health care, he said.

To make his point, Gore started his day at an elementary school in Dayton.

He pushed the administration's education initiatives and practiced his town hall technique — a staple of modern-day presidential campaigns.

Standing on a hardwood basketball court, surrounded by youngsters and their teachers, he peppered the students with questions.

He asked Ja Michael Stallings what made him scared on his first day of school.

"I thought somebody was investigating his 1996 fund-raisgoing to get in my face," the boy answered.

Laughing, Gore asked what that meant. "Show me. Get in my face. Show me what that's like," the vice president said.

Stallings got up from his seat, stood toe-to-toe with Gore and stared at the button on the vice president's suit coat — then rocked his head back and forth in his most menacing thirdgrade fashion.

Gore turned red with laughter

He knows what it's like to

have someone in his face. The Justice Department is ing activities and is continuing a separate, broader inquiry into the Clinton-Gore campaign workings.

Either probe could lead to the appointment of a special prosecutor, casting a shadow over Gore's drive to 2000.

In Dayton and Chicago, Democrats said the fund-raising inquiries pose a greater threat to Gore than the Lewinsky matter.

David Leland, Ohio Democratic Party chairman, said the appointment of a zealous prosecutor could pose "a real problem" for Gore.

Postmaster general says mail monopoly won't last

p.m. Do you know where your mail is?

In the future you'll be able to find out, says Postmaster General William J. Henderson. He announced Monday that his agency is launching an effort to create a new "information platform" to track the movement of mail.

"We will know, for example, what class of mail it is, which machine handled it, the date and time it was processed and virtually any other piece of information that we or our customers require," Henderson

WASHINGTON (AP) - It's 10 said at the opening session of the National Postal Forum. That information will allow

the post office to better track the movement of mail, handle transportation and delivery and cut costs, he said to the gathering of major mailers and businesses that work with the post office.

He did not specify how customers would be able to track their mail.

While details of the mail tracking system have not been finalized, computer access seems the most likely method. Ultimately, Henderson said,

"customers should be able to access real-time information to determine when and where their mailings are.'

In launching the effort, Henderson appointed Norman E. Lorentz the agency's chief technology officer, extracting a promise that the project would be completed in under five years.

At the session, Henderson also noted that Congress is considering changes in the law governing the post office.

He forecast that the postal monopoly will eventually be ended.

"It is my belief that we will not maintain our monopoly forever," said Henderson, who became postmaster general earlier this year. "In the future, looking out ahead, there are storm clouds.

The Postal Service "needs to be deregulated, commercialized," he said, and the agency and its customers need to get involved in that process.

When it was founded, the post office was given a monopoly on delivering First Class mail to assure that service would be available to every American at a single price.

26 homes destroyed in Southern California blaze

NUEVO, Calif. (AP) Firefighters blasted water at burning buildings but were unable to control a fast-moving. 5,000-acre blaze that tore through dry brush and destroyed 26 houses and mobile homes.

There were no reports of injuries in the fire, which was burning in the Juniper Flats area of Riverside County, about 80 miles east of Los Angeles.

We could just look out our front door and see the fire. All of the brushes near us were on

fire," said Ethel Mier, stroking her husband's hand after their escape Monday night.

"All we were able to grab was a picture of her and her father," Don Mier said.

"And our medication," his wife added, her eyes welling up with tears.

At least five other fires were burning in the county this morning, including a 3,200-acre blaze about 18 miles west of Juniper Flats.

The Juniper Flats blaze which started Monday afternoon, was fueled by dry, dense brush and erratic winds.

The cause was under investigation, although there had been lightning strikes nearby

In addition to the homes, 10 outbuildings were destroyed, said Joanne Evans a spokeswoman for the California **Department of Forestry**

Erratic winds tossed embers though the air, spreading the flames despite the efforts of 400 firefighters.

About 70 people went to an evacuation center at an elemen-

tary school.

Some lay on cots, while some watched the blaze even as it raged 10 miles away. Others simply cried.

'Some people don't have shoes or socks. For the most part, this is it. This is all they have," said American Red Cross spokeswoman Pamela Anderson

Firefighting resources were stretched thin across California as crews battled rugged terrain, scorching temperatures, thunderstorms and lightning strikes.

The Big Spring Herald will be closed Monday, September 7th in observance of Labor Day. Deadlines for Classified and Retail Advertising are:



Deadline for Tuesday, September 8th and Wednesday September 9th is 3 p.m. Friday, September 4th.

CLASSIFIED

Deadline for Monday, September 7th and Tuesday September 8th is 5 p.m. Friday, September 4th. "Too Late To Classify" ads will be accepted for Tuesday publication until 8 a.m. Tuesday.

Office reopens at 7:30 a.m. Tuesday, September 8th.

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You will still receive your Monday afternoon paper.



Florida State rallies for 23-14 Kickoff Classic win over A&M IN BRIEF

Local golfer posts ace at Comanche Trail GC

Jim Strain of Big Spring chalked up a hole-in-one Saturday while playing No. 15 at the Comanche Trail Golf Course.

Strain used an eight iron to record his ace on the 144yard, par 3 hole.

The shot was witnessed by Paul Petree, James Campbell, **Buddy Campbell and Jimmy** Leal.

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 preregister and pre-pay fees. Books close today.

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

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, n the Rig Spring High School

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

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) -While the attention focused on 26-yearold quarterback Chris Weinke, Florida State won the Kickoff Classic with its real stars: Peter Warrick, Travis Minor and a great defense.

Warrick had a career-high nine receptions, including a go-ahead touchdown catch, Minor carried a school-record 34 times for 146 yards and the Seminoles limited Texas A&M to 20 second-half yards in posting a harder-than-expected 23-14 win Monday night.

In winning the traditional opener to the college football season at Giants Stadium, No. 2 Florida State had to overcome a 14-10 deficit that No. 14 Texas

Gonzalez misses on cycle,

drives in seven by hitting

homer, two doubles, triple

DETROIT (AP) - If Juan Gonzalez could face

Gonzalez drove in seven runs with a homer,

triple and two doubles Monday night as the

Texas Rangers moved closer to the top of the AL

All the damage by Gonzalez came off Florie (6-

9), against whom Gonzalez is 8-for-8 with a

homer, triple, five doubles and 12 RBIs this

"He hit every pitch I had," Florie said. "I

threw him four different pitches and he hit

every one. I can't get the guy out. Maybe I

Gonzalez upped his major league-leading RBI

total to 143. He hit two-run doubles in each of

the first two innings as the Rangers opened a 6-

0 lead. He added his 39th homer, a two-run-shot

into the left-field upper deck, to make it 8-0 in

the fourth and tripled home another run in the

"He can do that," Texas manager Johnny

But that doesn't mean Oates expects Gonzalez

to carry the Rangers, who moved within 2 1/2

games of idle Anaheim in the AL West, by him-

"Juan is a very important part of the ballclub.

Oates said. "He can drive in a lot of runs in a

should just throw my glove at him next time."

West with a 13-2 win over the Detroit Tigers.

Bryce Florie all the time, he might set an RBI

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self down the stretch.

A&M took just before halftime when a made it 14-13. fumble by Weinke was returned for a touchdown.

"I thought at the half that A&M had the momentum, and I didn't know how in the world our team would respond," said Florida State coach Bobby Bowden, whose team was a 14-15 point favorite despite having just 12 seniors. "Would we panic?"

The defense answered that question quickly. It stopped the Aggies on their opening second-half possession and then Warrick, the game's MVP, took over. He caught passes 12, 10 and 14 yards to set up the second of three field goals by Sebastian Janikowski, a 28-yarder that

A 21-yard punt return by Warrick following a three-and-out series by the Aggies gave Florida State the ball at the A&M 37.

Four plays later, Warrick had his ankle rolled by defensive back Sedrick Curry after an incomplete pass in the end zone. The junior receiver was on the ground for a couple of minutes and then gingerly walked to the sidelines.

However, he walked back on the field a little more than a minute later and caught a 9-yard touchdown pass from Weinke, who was 21-of-36 for 207 yards and two fumbles in his first start.

"Coach told me I had to get back in

there," said Warrick, who finished with 106 yards receiving. "My ankle was hurting real bad, but (he said) that if I wanted to be a great athlete I had to overcome injuries.

Texas A&M got the ball three more times and never got past its own 39. While Florida State only got one more

field goal, Minor became a workhorse, chewing up yardage and the clock. "With Travis and Peter, I have two

guys with a lot of talent on offense with me," Weinke said. "Travis has the ability to go all the way any time he touches the ball and Peter is a big-time player. He was getting double-teamed, but he still found a way to make plays."

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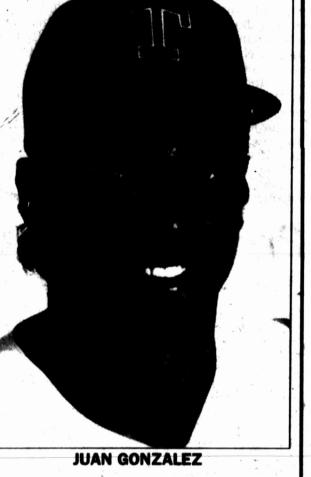
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Rangers bombard Detroit | Little movement in schoolboy poll after first games

> DALLAS (AP) - The first Associated Press high school football poll of the regular season looks a lot like the preseason poll.

With only four ranked teams playing in the UIL's earliestever opening weekend and all four winning, there weren't many places up for grabs.

Texas City, the defending **Class 4A Division I champion**, made the most noteworthy shift of the week, dropping out of the poll after opening the year tied for 10th with Fort Worth Wyatt.

No teams moved into the rankings, which are based on votes by 20 sports writers and broadcasters from across the state.

Brownwood held its No. 3 spot in 4A following its 48-31 victory over San Angelo Central, while Andrews' 42-13 victory over El Paso Eastwood earned it a move up a spot into a tie for sixth

DALLAS - This week's Associated Press high school football poll, with first-place votes in paren Class 5A . Killeen Ellison (14) . Tyler John Tyler (1) . Arlington Lamar (2) . Duncanville (1) Plano East Longview (1) Flower Mound Marcus (1) Aldine Eisenhower 00 Also receiving votes: SA MacArthur 29, Austin Westlake 14, Houston Yates 12, Garland 7, Aljef Elsik 6, Midland Lee 5, Humble 4, Baytown Lee 3. 8. Denison 9. Keller 10. FW Wyatt Also receiving votes: Texas City 23, Stepher 22, Jacksonville 21, Little Cypress Mauriceville Gragevine 10, Schertz Clemens 10, Carthan Sherman 7, Kilgore 4, South Oak Cliff 4. lie 11 Clase 3A . Sealy (19) 0-0 . Sweeny (1) 3. Breckenridge 21, 100 1541 (000 Cleveland 00 Newton 2010 5 12 20 2 10152 (000

with West Qrange-Stark. Celina, a 6-0 winner over Lindsay last Thursday in a game billed the Rickoff Classic, remained fourth in art and Italy's 27-10 victory over . Graham Trinity Christian-Cedar Hill bumped it to a notch No. 9 in 2A. Killeen Ellison remained the leader in 5A and Tyler John Tyler stayed second, but Arlington Lamar overtook Celina (1) Pilot Point Duncanville for third. Those Winters Grand Salin two are likely to jockey a lot in 8. Alto 9. Italy 10. Refugio the poll until they meet Nov. 6. The Sealy-led 3A poll began the year with teams tied for third, sixth and eighth. Now there is only one- tie: Breckenridge and Cleveland Class A Tenaha (17) Wheeler Granger (2) Bartlett (1) sharing No. 3. Vernon took over sixth, Alvarado claimed seventh, Tatum dropped to eighth and Commerce dipped to ninth. 10. Era

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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 nome games are currently on sale at the school's administrative offices.

The \$20 ticket packages will be available from 8:30 a.m. until noon and from 1 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. through Thursday and from 8:30 a.m. to noon and from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. on Friday.

For more information, call Iris Thayer at 264-3640.

Fall volleyball, football leagues forming at YMCA

The YMCA of Big Sprig 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. A 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 Cindy Kincaid at 267-8234.

ON THE AIR

TODAY:

BASEBALL

6:35 p.m. - Houston Astros at Atlanta Braves, TBS, Ch. 11. 6:30 p.m. — Texas Rangers

at Detroit Tigers, FXS, Ch. 29.

WNBA PLAYOFFS

7 p.m. — Phoenix Mercury t Houston Comets, Game 3, ESPN, Ch. 30.

TENNIS

6:30 p.m. - U.S. Open Tennis Championships, men's and women's opening rounds. USA, Ch. 38.

Gonzalez, needing a single to become only the second Ranger to hit for the cycle, fell short when Bobby Higginson ran down his low liner to medium right in the eighth.

"I was trying," Gonzalez said. "It's part of the game, but he caught the ball. He's a competitor and he did what he was supposed to do.'

"I was pulling for it to fall in." Oates said. "He gave it a shot. We told him in the dugout not to make a farce of it, but if there's any chance, stop at first (on a hit). We didn't want to make a farce of it, but I've never seen a cycle.'

The Tiger Stadium crowd booed Higginson's catch and booed again when pinch-hitter Mike Simms grounded out with Gonzalez on deck to end the ninth.

"Great players have great nights," Tigers manager Buddy Bell said. "Gonzalez has such great leverage, you know he's going to hit the ball hard. We just never even got into a situation where we could pitch around him. I'm surprised he didn't get another chance at the single."

"I'm feeling like I did earlier," Gonzalez said 'I'm swinging the bat well with men on base.' Gonzalez's four extra-base hits tied a Rangers record, and the seven RBIs are one shy of his

career high "Evidently he sees the ball well against Florie," Oates said.

Roberto Kelly added a two-run homer and Todd Zeile a two-run single for the Rangers.

Esteban Loaiza (3-3) allowed two runs and six hits in eight innings. Loaiza had given up five earned runs in each of his last three starts.

Tony Clark and Luis Gonzalez hit consecutive homers in the eighth inning for the Tigers, who have lost 22 of 27.

Florie was torched for 10 runs on 12 hits in six innings.

"Bryce obviously didn't have his best stuff, but I didn't have enough pitching to get him out of there," Bell said.

Besides Loaiza's good outing, the Rangers made several great plays in the field. But that all got lost behind Juan Gonzalez's performance.

Bartlett breaking its fourthplace tie with Iola was the only change in the 1A ranking.

Also receiving votes: Waco Connally 17, Cuero 16, Aledo 7, Crockett 7, Rusk 6, Taylor 5, Coldspring 3, Columbus 3, Madisonville 3, Cameron 2, La Grange 2, Mablank 2. Class 2A Stanton (12) Mart (5) Omaha Pewitt (2) Also receiving votes: Lexington 24, Spearma biliday 12, Brookshire Royal 11, Rosebud-Lo shulenburg 9, Rogers 8, Boyd 7, Iraan 7.

votes: Celeste 14, Frost 4, Valley

Sosa again tied for home run lead after hitting his 55th

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Sammy Sosa, who homered to tie Mark McGwire for the major league lead, came out of the dugout to celebrate two home runs. The second, however, wasn't his.

Sosa took a curtain call after his 55th homer, in the third inning of Monday night's 5-4 victory over Cincinnati, tied McGwire, who went homerless at Florida, for the major league lead. An inning later, Sosa stood in for Kerry Wood.

Wood gave the Cubs, who

DALLAS (AP) - An investigation into sex-

Aug. 24 in the parking lot of Kings' Cabaret dance

"It's not likely that it (the investigation) will be

Cowboys owner Jerry Jones, who has witnessed

"It is premature and unfair for anyone to make

reopened, but we are reserving that as a possibil-

his share of ugly accusations against players.

ity in the future." Chandler said.

repeated what he said last week.

remained tied for the lead with the New York Mets in the NL wild-card race, the lead with a two-run shot. The Wrigley Field crowd chanted for him to step out of the dugout. And when Wood wouldn't, the Cubs' expert took his place.

"I was still in the game and I wasn't going to go out," the rookie right-hander (13-6) said. "I wouldn't want a pitcher to take a curtain call if I was in his park and he hit a home run off me.'

So Sosa took the bonus curtain call.

Investigation of Allen concludes without charges

"He's been taking them all year, so what's one more for him?" Wood said.

"He didn't want to go,' Sosa said. "Hey, but you know we take that as a joke. Kerry Wood came through big, pitching and hitting. He surprised me.'

Sosa, who has homered 16 times in games Wood has started, moved within one homer of tying Hack Wilson's 68-year-old club and National League record when he lined an 0-1 pitch from Brett Tomko (11-11) into the left-field bleachers.

" I threw a little bit of every-

thing at Sammy, but unfortunately I threw a bad pitch," Tomko said. "He's having an unbelievable season. I don't think anyone's hotter in baseball, including McGwire."

Sosa also flied out and struck out twice to go 1-for-4.

Elsewhere in the NL, Houston edged Atlanta 4-3, St. Louis defeated Florida 5-3, New York beat Los Angeles 8-3, San Diego topped Montreal 5-2 and San Francisco downed Philadelphia

In the AL, it was Cleveland 15, Oakland 6; Boston 5, Seattle 1;

Chicago 4, Baltimore 1; and Minnesota 2, Tampa Bay 1.

Cardinals 5, Marlins 3

McGwire went 0-for-3 and lost his lead in the home run race. but teammate Brian Jordan homered to help St. Louis.

McGwire struck out twice, walked twice, fouled out and fell to 0-for-9 lifetime against Marlins starter Kirt Ojala (1-4).

McGwire worked the count to 3-2 on each of his five trips to the plate, with the Florida crowd rooting for the Cardinals slugger.

Read turns in top time in running club fun run

HERALD Staff Report

Marc Read of Big Spring turned in the best time in the 5K fun run sponsored by the Comanche Warrior Running Club on Saturday, finishing almost two full minutes ahead of the nearest runner.

Read turned in a time of 17 minutes, 59 seconds, while secondplace finisher Bob Finn crossed the finish line at 19:48. Adam Dunlap finished third with a 20:55 clocking, while Chris Wingert was fourth with a 24:44.

The remainder of the field's top finishers and their times were: Nita Lelek, 25:11; Linda Hunnicutt, 26:28; Rick Liles, 26:43; and Kathy Colwell, 31:30.

In the one-kilometer Kids' Run, Garret Colwell led the way with a 4:53 clocking, followed by Tyler Thiry's 5:08. Third place went to Melissa Colwell at 5:17 and Colin Hunnicutt was fourth with a time of 5:40. Karl Brode was fifth with a 5:40, while Abby Thiry was sixth with a 5:47 clocking.

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before all the information and the facts have been examined," Jones said. "We are pleased that the proper closure has been brought to this matter." Allen is the fourth Cowboys player in less than two years to be accused by a woman of sexual appy, but not surprised that the

plaint," said Jerry Banks, attorney for Allen. "He is very thankful the police carried out their duties in a thorough, professional and even-handed matter. He will now focus on his priorities, his

judgments or form opinions on an individual

declined to indict Nate Newton after a Grand Prairie woman told police he raped her. In December 1996, a former topless dancer told police that Michael Irvin threatened her with a gun while lineman Erik Williams and another man raped her. The accuser, Nina Shahravan, later recanted and pleaded guilty to perjury.

Police said Monday that the investigation has been ended without charges against either party. and the case would not be referred to a grand Dallas Police Sgt. Jim Chandler stressed that, family and the Cowboys. while the investigation has concluded, it's not accurate to say Allen has been cleared.

assault. No charges were filed in any of the cases. "Larry investigation ended without any criminal com-

Last summer, a Dallas County grand jury

assault allegations against Dallas Cowboys offensive lineman Larry Allen has ended without any charges being filed. The 37-year-old topless dancer said last week that Allen forced her to have sex at knifepoint

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NEW YORK (AP) - Everyone savs the courts at this year's U.S. Open are faster. Andre Agassi professes to know exactly how much faster.

Agassi, who hopes to cap his rise from the ranks of the satellite tour with his second U.S. Open title, found the Arthur Ashe Stadium court to his liking as he overpowered young Frenchman Sebastien Grosjean 6-4, 6-1, 6-4.

"The court is definitely quicker, no question bout it." he said after capping the first day of the year's final Grand Slam tournament. "Forty-two percent quicker than last year." Also advancing into the second round Monday were the two No. 1 seeds, Pete Sampras and Martina Hingis.

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STOLEN BASES—Henderson, Oakland, 57; Lolton, Cleveland, 46; Stewart, Toronto, 42; ARodriguez, Seattle, 38; Offerman, Kansas City, 38. PITCHING (15 Decisions)—DWells, Francisco (Darwin 8-10), 9:05 p.m.

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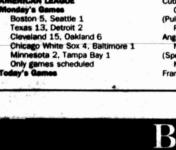
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Auenta, 16-5, 173, 2-01; Norown, San Diego, 17-5, 173, 2-41. STRHKEOUTS—Schilling, Philadelphia, 258: Wood, Chicago, 233; KBrown, San Diego, 222; Reynolds, Houston, 178; GMaddux, Atlanta, 178.

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Goran Ivanisevic won in men's singles and No. 6 Monica Seles, No. 9 Irina Spirlea, No. 11 Patty Schnyder, No. 14 Dominique Van Roost and No. 16 Ai Sugiyama were winners in the women's field.

The only seeded player to be busted on the first day was No: 15 Alberto Berasategui of Spain, who fell to Thomas Muster of Austria 7-6 (7-1), 6-2, 6-3.

Today, Steffi Graf, a five-time U.S. Open champion, opened against American Corina Morariu, and last year's men's singles finalist. No. 6 Greg Rusedski of Britain, faced South African Wayne Ferreira. Also playing first-round matches today are No. 2 Lindsay Davenport, Wimbledon champion Jana Novotna and French Open winner Arantxa Sanchez Vicario.

Tonight, defending men's champion Patrick Rafter meets Hicham Arazi of Morocco after fifth-seeded Venus Williams, the surprising women's finalist a year ago, faces Germany's Elena Wagner.

In 1997, Agassi's ranking bottomed out at 141, even after he surprisingly reached the fourth round at the National Tennis Center. He began the climb back to respectability in Challenger and satellite tournaments - the minor leagues of tennis.

Even after suffering early round losses at the French Open and Wimbledon, Agassi pulled his game back together on his favorite surface, hardcourts. And the hardcourts at the U.S. Open are perfect for a number of top players, to hear Agassi talk about it.

"I think there are a lot of guys out there that are going to like this court," he said. "I think Pete is going to like this court. I think Rafter is going to like this court. Anybody who likes the ball a little bit lower and who has a good hold of the game, I think it's going to help. 'It's going to hurt a lot of the Spanish players."

Grosjean has a game that's quite a bit like Agassi's: big groundstrokes, seemingly impossible angles, always aggressive.

It took Agassi eight games to get rolling. After that, the outcome was never in doubt.

"I had some opportunities and I let a few break points slide by," Agassi said, referring to early in the match.



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ARIES (March 21-April 19) Intuition serves you with higher-ups. Show your sense of responsibility. A boss wants to talk. Brainstorm, and be open to suggestions. You know what is working; continue on that path. Recognize that others view you as a role model. Tonight: Burn the midnight oil.****

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Make calls, and reach out for others. Listen carefully to someone else's feedback. How you view work could change dramatically due to what you hear. Someone's expertise combined with your perceptions send you down the victory trail. Tonight: Escape into a favorite hobby.*****

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Associates have a lot to offer you. Think through a decision that affects your finances and your professional image. Know when to put your foot down on frivolous behavior. Someone in power is watching you; listen to his observations. Tonight; Make nice with a partner.***** CANCER (June 21-July 22)

Defer to others, and listen to feedback. A forthcoming invitation is too good to be true. Mull over a decision with someone; flaws in your thinking come out. Investigate the possibility of an eye-opening experience.

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VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Popularity provides you with new options. Allow your creativity to come out. If single, your status could change. A special relationship is on your docket. If attached, make time to add luster to your relationship. Handle matters concerning others. Tonight: Be nice and naughty.*****

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

Build on existing foundations. Update office equipment, or purchase an item that will make your job easier. You get a lot done if working from home. Resolve to exercise more or begin a new diet. Health needs to be a higher priority. Finish up chores. Tonight: Take a night off.****

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Start up talks. A new hobby involving a loved one or friend proves far more rewarding than you originally thought. Allow more open discussions to evolve. Someone amuses vou. Listen carefully to his news. Together, you make quite a duo! Tonight: At your favorite hangout.*****

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

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Others respond to your energy. Do not sell yourself short. Someone really does care. Start up talks, share news and have a long-overdue chat. Tie up loose ends. A key message is coming. You can handle everything that lands on your desk. Tonight: Chat over dinner.*****

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Citizens may attend and have an inity to be heard. ackie Olson, County Auditor 2030 September 1, 1998

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The principals in the application are Kenneth Briggs, Shan Eastering and Jeremy Swindle. Copies of the application and related materials are on file for public inspection at Howard County Library, 500 Main Street, Big Spring, TX 79720. 2028 September 1, 3, 8, us September 1, 3, 8, 10, 1998

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Abby, I have no room in my

life for such a bitter, disagree-

Fiance's abusive mother terrifies his bride-to-be

DEAR ABBY: I desperately need your advice about my soon-to-be mother-in-law. (I'll call her Kay.) She was a horrible mother to

my fiance, "Frank." He his and brother grew with up severe physical and emotional abuse. I believe Kay must have a mental disorder that causes her to do these things.

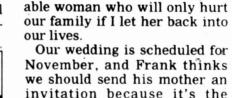
However, in recent years

her behavior has improved. The verbal abuse isn't constant like it was when Frank and his brother were living with her. but its tone is as bad as ever. After Kay cools off, she acts as if nothing ever happened.

Four months ago, Frank got into a fight with his-mother because we were five minutes late for a baby shower for "Bobby," our newborn son. The next day Kay called and proceeded to tell Frank how worthless he is, and that he'll be a loser all his life. Then she told him I was a thankless, fat slob.

The last we heard from Kay was a message she left on our answering machine at 3:30 a.m., saying she had ripped up Bobby's pictures and never wanted to see any of us again. Abby, I was horrified. Frank assured me that she would no longer be a part of our lives after having hurt us so badly. He said he was through tolerating his mother's abuse.

Since then, Kay has asked Frank's sister "Arlene" to ask us to let her baby-sit and then Arlene could take Bobby to Kay's house. Kay has also done many other sneaky things.



we should send his mother an invitation because it's the polite thing to do. I understand his attachment to his mother, but I'm terrified of her and what she may do. I don't want her in our lives, and I'm afraid I'll eventually lose Frank because of my feelings about his mother.

Should I send Kay an invitation to our wedding just to be polite, and hope she doesn't show? Or should I refuse to send one and hope Frank understands? Please hurry your advice, Abby. The wedding is three months away and I'm getting ulcers. - HURT BRIDE-TO-BE

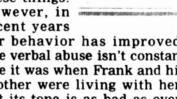
DEAR HURT: Since Frank wants his mother to attend the wedding, she should be invited, and you should make an effort to mend fences. After all, this is Frank's wedding, too.

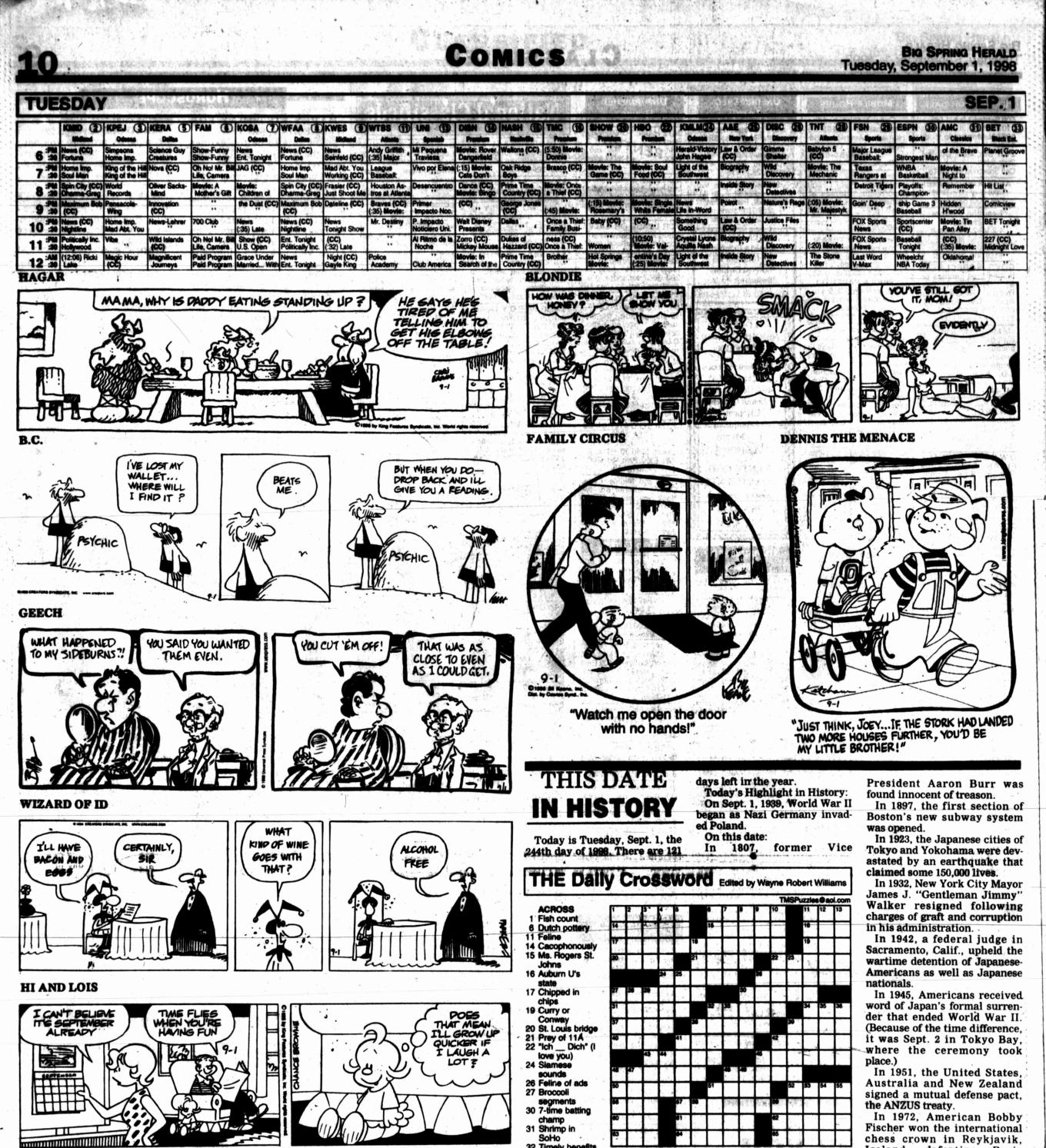
Now, I'm going to offer you a little more advice than you asked for. You'll save yourself untold grief if you tackle the issue of Kay's place in your lives now. You didn't mention whether Frank received counseling to deal with the abuse he received while growing up. If he didn't, he should

You are marrying into a dysfunctional family, and I don't envy you the trials you'll be facing. Kay has shown herself to be not only abusive, but devious. Since she has abused her own sons, what's to prevent her from abusing yours? Even if Bobby were not the target of her abuse, for him to witness his grandmother treating you or his father that way would be traumatic. Be prepared.



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In 1983, 269 people were killed when a Korean Air Lines Boeing 747 was shot down by a Soviet jet fighter after the airliner entered Soviet airspace.

Ten years ago: Shipyard workers at Gdansk, Poland, ended an 11-day strike, acting with some reluctance on the advice of Solidarity leader Lech Walesa.

Five years ago: The Pentagon unveiled a five-year defense plan to further shrink the U.S. military in favor of a lean, high-tech force. Louis Freeh was sworn in as director of the FBI.

One year ago: As Britain continued to mourn the untimely death of Princess Diana, came word from a source in the Paris prosecutor's office that Diana's driver, Henri Paul, was legally intoxicated at the time of the crash. Armed robbers posing as postal workers stole more than \$37 million from a Zurich. Switzerland, post office.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Richard Farnsworth is 78. Former Defense Secretary Melvin R. Laird is 76. Actress Yvonne DeCarlo is 76. Actor Vittorio Gassman is 76. Country singer Boxcar Willie is_ 67. Former Texas Gov. Ann **Richards is 65. Conductor Seiji** Ozawa is 63. Actor Ron O'Neal is 61. Actor Don Stroud is 61. **Comedian-actress Lily Tomlin** is 59. Singer Archie Bell is 54.

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