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Forsan, Snyder top yell groups

Forsan and Snyder high schools took top honors in the Battle of the Cheerleaders Tuesday at the Howard County Fair.

Snyder's varsity squad earned first place in the senior high cheering division, followed by Forsan at second place and Stanton at third. In the senior high dance division, Forsan High School took first, followed by Coahoma at second and Stanton at third.

Junior high squad winners were Coahoma at first in the cheering division, followed at second by Snyder, and Garden City at third. In the junior high dance division, Snyder took first place, followed at second place by a tie between Coahoma and Big Spring's Runnels cheerleaders. At third was Sands Junior High.

WHAT'S UP...

TODAY

□ Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie, 7 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 704 W. Third.

THURSDAY

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

□ Kiwanis Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room. Call Billy Smith, 287-6479.

□ Big Spring Senior Citizens Center art classes, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. for 55 and over.

□ Evening line dancing class, 6:30 p.m., Spring City Senior Center. Enter north gate (Simler drive), cross first intersection, building on left, park in east parking lot and enter by east door. For more information call Dorothy Kennemur at 398-5522 or e-mail at drkbigspring@xroadstx.com

□ Gideons International Big Spring Camp No. 4206, Hermans, 7 a.m.

□ Genealogical Society of Big Spring, 7:15 p.m., Howard County Library. Call Bernice Cason at 287-8542 or 287-7236.

□ Texas Tech Ex-Students Association Big Spring Chapter, 6 p.m., Sparenberg Building, 309 S. Main.

□ Masonic Lodge No. 1340, 7:30 p.m., 2101 Lancaster. Call Ron Long, 287-8715.

□ Book Club meeting, 7 p.m., Howard County Library. The book "Vanished" by Danielle Steel will be discussed.

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Some universities have tough time making the grade, report says

By MARSHA STURDIVANT
Staff Writer

Area universities received their report cards from the State Board of Educator Certification Tuesday, and 35 of the 85 state institutions for higher education did not pass the muster.

Texas Tech University, University of Texas at the Permian Basin, Hardin-Simmons University, Wayland Baptist University and West Texas A&M University all received accredited ratings but

Abilene Christian, Angelo State and Lubbock Christian were among those who did not.

The ratings are designed to improve achievement of the teacher-training programs in Texas universities, according to Jim Nelson, chairman of the State Board for Educator Certification.

The 1995 legislature authorized the rating system, which is judged by test scores on ExCET and TOPT tests administered to college students pursuing a career in education.

Texas universities who

received an accredited rating must have 70 percent of all students passing the ExCET on their first attempt, as well as 70 percent passing in each of the different demographic categories. These categories are male, female, black, Hispanic, white and other.

The schools may also be accredited if 80 percent of all students taking the ExCET for the second time pass, as well as 80 percent of all demographic categories in the same manner.

Of the 35 universities that did not receive accreditation, 19

may appeal the score because the failure was in one specific demographic category. These 19 include Abilene Christian University, Angelo State University, Lubbock Christian University and McMurry University.

Programs that received accredited under review, the second best grade possible, have three years to improve and meet the standards, or will lose their teacher certification authority, said Stephanie Korcheck, director of policy and planning for the certification board.

Of the 16 universities that did not pass, an oversight team will be assigned to the university, to help the schools improve their programs. These schools have three years to reach accredited status, said Pam Tackett, interim executive director for the certification board.

Area universities that will have an oversight team are Sul Ross University in Alpine and Uvalde, Howard Payne, Texas A&M University in Commerce and Texas Woman's University and the University of North Texas, both in Denton.



Tuesday night's Battle of the Cheerleaders drew a large crowd to the Howard County Fair. Shown above is the Snyder Tiger mascot; and top left, Forsan cheerleaders. Below, left, are the Coahoma cheerleaders and mascot; and below, Gollad Middle School's Mustang cheerleaders.
HERALD photos/Linda Choate

On stage

Organizers still plan on singer performing here

By JOHN H. WALKER

Managing Editor

While country music singer Johnny Rodriguez remains in the Uvalde County jail in lieu of \$250,000 bail on a murder charge, Howard County Fair organizers are planning for him to perform as scheduled Saturday night.

In a prepared statement, fair spokesman Tammy Watt said, "The Howard County Fair Association Board of Directors and Johnny Rodriguez have a mutual agreement to honor the contractual agreement both parties have entered into. He will perform Saturday night under the entertainment tent at 7 p.m. and 9 p.m."

Rodriguez had his first top 10 hit in 1972 with "Pass Me By (If You're Only Passing Through)" and shot to the top of Billboard's country charts with "You Always Come Back (to Hurting Me)" and again when he recorded "Ridin' My Thumb to Mexico."

A Herald source in Uvalde said Alan Brown, Rodriguez' attorney, had been trying to get a bond reduction hearing but had not filed a writ of habeas corpus by mid-morning today.

"The grand jury is meeting Thursday and I think his attorney is hoping for a no-bill," the source added. "It would surprise me if he was out (by Saturday)."

Brown was in a meeting this morning and unavailable for comment, but an associate said "I think they're working on something today (to get him out)."

Brown had previously defended Rodriguez' shooting of 26-year old Israel Borrego.

Borrego, an unemployed laborer, died early Saturday morning after being shot once in the abdomen in Rodriguez's mother's house in Sabin, a small farming community in eastern Uvalde County.

Brown said Borrego, an acquaintance of Rodriguez, was in the house uninvited. He said Rodriguez fired a shot when he entered the house and saw what he believed to be an intruder.

"He was startled," Brown said, adding his client's actions were justifiable under the Texas Penal Code.

Fair time brings memories of former organizers

Fair time always means seeing familiar faces; some people keep showing up there year after year.

Sadly, one of the "regulars" will not be seen this year. Terry Patterson died two weeks ago.

Anyone who has kept up with the Art Department at the Howard County Fair knew Terry. Her painting of a Native American

won Best of Show honors three years ago, and last year her work was awarded Grand Champion status.

Terry, Mrs. Richard Patterson, was chairperson of the Art Department at the fair for 15 years.

Longtime friend and helper at the fair, Pearl Armstrong remembered, "Terry and I did the art; she knew what to do so she told me and I did it."

When asked how and why they gave up that task, Mrs. Armstrong said that Terry moved away for a few years to care for her mother.

"That's about the only way you get away from one of these volunteer fair jobs: move away or die." She added that they both enjoyed all their years at

the fair.

Even though she was no longer head of the Art Department, Patterson was certainly a part of the fair when she moved back to town.

Every year she had a booth in the exhibit barn to display the art output of her TeePee Productions.

She worked in many media and produced an amazing number of paintings each year. She also helped with the art, willingly sharing her experience with those who now wrestle with that exhibit.

Her paintings have been shown around the world. A portrait she did of Lyndon Johnson is now displayed in the LBJ Library in Austin.

A product of art training at Howard Payne University and Texas Tech, Patterson taught others her craft for many years. Her landscapes and seascapes

were notable, but her portraits show her real skill.

Those who might not have known her name would recognize her as the lady with flame-colored hair and a ready smile. The lady and the smile won't be at the TeePee booth this year, but her self-portrait centers the display. There are also some florals and a portrait of Jody Nix that she gave to him.

Her generous nature remains with the county: her family has donated one of her paintings to be raffled or sold to benefit the Fair's Art Department.

She once moved away, now she's gone, but Terry Patterson is still contributing to the art show at the fair.

The Howard County fair continues tonight until 10 o'clock. Special entertainment is planned by country singer Gene Watson at 7 and 9. The fair runs through Saturday.

Key to success is knowing what you want, speaker says

By T.E. JENKINS
Staff Writer

Area business leaders took a serious look at the need for better service in today's society during Tuesday afternoon's Fall Community Luncheon, with guest speaker Dr. Nate Booth presenting his "Diamond Touch" approach.

"We are going to take a look at human nature," said Booth during his presentation. "We are going to look at the reasons people do business with some businesses, and don't do business with others."

According to Booth, our decisions on who to do our business with are emotional.

"We often offer emotional reasons, and justify them with logic," said Booth. "A good example is riding side-saddle. It would be perfectly logical for a man to ride side-saddle, not a woman, but we make our decisions based on emotion."

"Does everyone want to be treated differently? Of course they do, that's the power of principle. The secret is treating them in the unique manner that they want to be treated."

According to Booth, different people want different feelings because not everyone values feelings in the same manner.

"While I was giving a presentation like this a while back, I had two guys up front prove my point," said Booth. "One

was the CEO of a very successful television network, and they both said that success was the most important feeling in their lives."

"The CEO was happily married with five children, and I asked him if he felt like he was successful. He told me no, that he wouldn't be successful until he was earning \$6 million a year, didn't have any upsets in his family life, and had attained 10 percent body fat."

"I asked the gentleman sitting next to him if he felt that he was successful, and he said yes. When I asked him why he felt that way, he told me that any day above ground was a good day."

"The CEO had set the game of life up so that he couldn't succeed. Obviously,

there were two different sets of rules there."

Booth said that the secret to attaining one's goals is knowing what your "rules" are.

"Knowing what you want, and how you want it is the key," said Booth. "It is also the key to good service in business. You have to find out how the customer wants to be treated, and then treat them in the unique way that they want."

"I found his presentation motivational, as well as entertaining," said Big Spring City Manager Gary Fuqua. "The city is a key provider to the residents, and our services touch every home in one way or

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OBITUARIES

Mabel Louise Hopkins

Service for Mabel Louise Hopkins, 81, Big Spring, will be 11 a.m. Friday, Sept. 4, 1998, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Rev. Flynn Long, retired Presbyterian minister, officiating. Burial will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.



HOPKINS

Mrs. Hopkins died Tuesday, Sept. 1, at her residence. She was born on May 21, 1917, in Albany, Okla. She married David H. Hopkins on March 9, 1946, in Dallas. He preceded her in death on May 26, 1981. Mrs. Hopkins was raised near Durant, Okla. She moved to Dallas after World War II and had worked at the original Neiman Marcus store. She lived in Austin for four years, then lived in Midland for several years before moving to Big Spring in 1953. She was a homemaker and helped her husband in his oil and gas business. Mrs. Hopkins was a member of the First Presbyterian Church and a member of Texas Exes Association.

Survivors include: two sons, Gage R. Hopkins of Big Spring, and David H. Hopkins, Jr., of Houston; four sister, Juanita Tuttle of Dallas, Pauline King of Garland, Mary Bradford of Durant, Okla., and Joyce Beddow of Jacksonville; three brothers, L.J. Mackey, Jr. of Fayetteville, Ga., Beryl Mackey of Sherman and Robert Mackey of Durant, Okla.

The family suggests memorials to: Presbyterian Healthcare Foundation; 8220 Walnut Hill Lane, Dallas; 75231-4425. Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Billy Roy Garrett

Service for Billy Roy Garrett, 61, Big Spring, is pending with Myers & Smith Funeral Home. He died Tuesday, Sept. 1, 1998, at his home.

Maria Celia Mora

Service for Maria Celia Mora, 61, Big Spring, is pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. She died Tuesday, Sept. 1, 1998, at her residence.

MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL
24th & Johnson 267-8288
Hubert Perkins, 71, died Friday. Services are 11 AM Friday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial will be in Mt. Olive Cemetery.
Billy Roy Garrett, 61, died Tuesday. Services are pending.

NALLEY-PICKLE & WELCH Funeral Home
Trinity Memorial Park and Crematory
906 Gregg St. (915) 267-6331
Mabel Louise Hopkins, 81, died Tuesday. Services will be 11:00 AM Friday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

Maria Celia Mora, 61, died Monday. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.
Fred "Kit" Carson, 79, died Tuesday. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

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Hubert Perkins, Sr.

Service for Hubert Perkins, Sr., 71, Big Spring, will be 11 a.m. Friday, Sept. 4, 1998, at Myers & Smith Funeral Home



PERKINS

Chapel with Elder Frank Nelson, pastor of Powerhouse Church of God, and Kenneth Weatherspoon, superintendent, officiating. Burial will follow in Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Mr. Perkins died Friday, Aug. 28, at Comanche Trail Nursing Home.

He was born on Feb. 14, 1927, in Bastrop County. He married Annie Roberson on Aug. 19, 1944, in Granger. He had been a resident of Big Spring since 1956, moving here from Martin County. Mr. Perkins was a member of the Powerhouse Church of God and served as a deacon. He had worked at Smith & Coleman for 30 years and had also farmed for Benny Hughes for nine years. He had owned and operated Perkins & Sons Shamrock Station for one year before retiring.

He is survived by: his wife, Annie Perkins of Big Spring; two sons, Hubert Perkins, Jr. of Big Spring, and Joe L. Perkins of Amarillo; two daughters, Shirley Watson of Big Spring, and Alice Baucham of Dallas; three brothers, Leroy Perkins of Big Spring, Manuel Perkins of Clovis, N.M., and Lewis Perkins of Dallas; one sister, Stella Carter of North Little Rock, Ark.; 10 grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

Arrangements under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Fred "Kit" Carson

Service for Fred "Kit" Carson, 79, Big Spring, is pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

He died Wednesday, Sept. 2, 1998, in a local hospital.

Venora Williams

Service for Venora Williams, 88, Big Spring, is pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

She died Wednesday, Sept. 2, 1998, in a local nursing home.

BOOTH

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another. We have been looking

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

for ways that we can better serve the public, and I think Dr. Booth's presentation will have a definite impact on the changes that we make."

"I found his thoughts on how to make each visit to a business better than the last very interesting," said Big Spring City Council member Joann Smoot. "It's very important that we make up our mistakes with the customers if we want them to come back."

Chamber President Ray Kennedy also announced that the vacant seat on the Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors had been filled.

"Francis Wheat, a former president of the Chamber, will be taking the vacant seat," said Kennedy. "She has accepted the position, and will serve until the end of her term in December of 1999."

Kennedy encouraged area residents to get involved with the community, improving the quality of life in Big Spring.

RECORDS

Tuesday's high 94
Tuesday's low 64
Average high 91
Average low 67
Record high 106 in 1951
Record low 51 in 1955
Precip. Tuesday 0.00
Month to date 0.00
Month's normal 0.06
Year to date 9.12
Normal for the year 12.86

BRIEFS

BIG SPRING RADIO-CONTROLLED CAR Club will have a race Saturday as part of the Howard County Fair. The race begins at 7 p.m. in the fair-barns and anyone is welcome to watch. The club includes young people and adults, and conducts regular races at Comanche Trail Park.

THE KOUNTRY KIDS CONTEST, sponsored by the Howard County Fair, will be 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 5, at the Fair Grounds. The pageant is for boys and girls ages 9-15 years old, attired in a sports wear garment of at least 50 percent cotton.

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A BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

Church, room 1, 4601 Neeley, Midland. Call 263-8920.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting and 8 p.m. 12 and 12 study.
•Narcotic Anonymous, 8 p.m. St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Call 268-4189 (pager no.) Step study.

THURSDAY
•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting.
•A.D.D.A.P.T. non-profit support and learning organization about attention deficit disorder, learning disorders and dyslexia. Meets second Thursday of September, October, November, January, February, March, April and May, Cerebral Palsy building, 802 Ventura, Midland.
•Alzheimer's support group, noon, Scenic Mountain Medical Center, third Thursday of the month. Call Janice Wagner at 263-1211.
•Grief Support related to the death of a loved one. Call Nurses Unlimited, Inc., at 264-6523.
•Narcotic Anonymous, 8 p.m. St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Call 268-4189 (pager no.)

arrested on local warrants.
• **MARIE BUSTAMANTE**, 23, was arrested on local warrants.
• **THEFT** in the 1700 block of E. Marcy, the 700 block of Willia, the 500 block of N. Birdwell, and the 2300 block of Wasson.
• **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** in the 700 block of E. 11th, the 1900 block of E. 25th, and the 1400 block of E. 6th.
• **FAILURE TO IDENTIFY** in the 1400 block of Austin.
• **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** in the 300 block of N.W. 5th.
• **UNATTENDED DEATH** in the 2500 block of Old 80.

SHERIFF

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

• **CYNTHIA THOMAS**, 19, was arrested for theft of services.
• **JANA CARTER**, 18, was arrested for theft of services.
• **JOSEPH TURNER**, 21, was arrested for theft of services.
• **CARLTON SPIVEY**, 20, was arrested for possession of drug paraphernalia.
• **AMY HOWELL**, 20, was arrested for possession of drug paraphernalia.
• **DARREN LAMB**, 33, was arrested on local warrants.
• **GLORIA LINARES**, 26, was

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a bad check.
• **CHRISTOPHER LANCE TIPTON**, 26, was arrested for driving while intoxicated.

FIRE/EMS

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

TUESDAY
12:07 a.m. — 1000 block North Main, medical call, patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
3:02 a.m. — 7500 block North I-20, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.
10:05 a.m. — 2500 block Old Highway 80, medical call, service refused.
1:44 p.m. — 1200 block North Highway 350, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.
4:14 p.m. — 100 block Airbase Road, trauma call, service refused.
6:56 p.m. — 200 block NW 9th, residence fire, false call.
6:57 p.m. — 1300 block Harding, medical call, service refused.

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Terrorist was thought to have been in line of fire

WASHINGTON (AP) — In the hours before President Clinton ordered a cruise missile strike on suspected terrorist strongholds last month, U.S. intelligence had information that the alleged mastermind of the recent embassy bombings would be in the line of fire.

Military planners had reason to believe that Osama bin Laden would be at a training camp in eastern Afghanistan on Aug. 20, the day the missiles flew, according to a senator who participated in a closed briefing Tuesday and a U.S. intelligence official.

"It was fully possible he would have been there," Sen. Dick Lugar, R-Ind., said after

the briefing for more than 25 senators by CIA Director George Tenet, Defense Secretary William Cohen and Air Force Gen. Joseph Ralston, vice chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Administration officials have publicly sidestepped the question of whether bin Laden himself was a target of the strike, saying the cruise missile attack was meant to weaken bin Laden's suspected terrorist network.

Lawmakers have been less restrained. Lugar told the administration team that, having failed to eliminate bin Laden in the August strike, "he ought to be pursued instantly

and found and his influence should be terminated. This has to do with the safety of Americans."

According to an attendee at Tuesday's briefing, information gained by the United States indicated that bin Laden was likely to attend a leadership meeting at the Afghan camps. However, following the strike, bin Laden's followers announced that the Saudi multimillionaire was not only alive, but well. U.S. intelligence was unable to confirm that bin Laden had, in fact, been at the Afghan camps.

The FBI investigation into the Aug. 7 terrorist bombings of U.S. embassies in Kenya and

Tanzania has turned up multiple alleged participants who have named bin Laden as the mastermind of the attack.

Of greater concern were reports, including threats by bin Laden himself, of further terrorist action against the United States.

The briefing in a secure room on the fourth floor of the Capitol also addressed questions about the legitimacy of other target in the strike, the Shifa Pharmaceutical Plant in Khartoum, Sudan.

Several senators of both parties said they were satisfied with the evidence linking the pharmaceutical plant to bin Laden.

TEXAS BRIEFS

Earl takes eastward turn, to miss Texas

HIGH ISLAND (AP) — Tropical Storm Earl's movement shifted eastward during the night, prompting the National Hurricane Center to discontinue the hurricane watch that had been issued for a small portion of the Texas coast.

The watch had covered the strip of Texas coastline from High Island, about 30 miles northeast of Galveston, to the Texas-Louisiana border.

Hurricane warnings were shifted to area along the upper Gulf of Mexico coast from east of Destin, Fla., eastward to Appalachicola, Fla.

A tropical storm warning was in effect from west of Morgan City, La., to Cameron, La.

At 4 a.m., CDT, the center of the storm was near 27.8 north and 90.5 west, about 160 miles south of New Orleans and it was moving to the northeast near 10 mph. Highest winds were about 60 mph.

Senate to vote on low-level waste deal

WASHINGTON (AP) — Years after Texas, Maine and Vermont first proposed an alliance that would allow the two New England states to ship their low-level radioactive waste to Texas, Congress is poised to complete action on the deal.

Later today, the Senate is expected to vote on the Texas Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Compact, which paves the way for construction of a waste dump in West Texas. Under the terms of the deal, Maine and Vermont would pay Texas \$55 million for the long-term disposal of waste generated mostly from nuclear power plants.

As the Senate opened debate Tuesday night, Sen. Paul Wellstone implored his colleagues to reject the alliance. "If the Senate rejects it, Texas will not build a dump," said the Minnesota Democrat, who has championed the cause of Sierra Blanca residents fighting the compact.

Gov. George W. Bush has said Texas will not proceed with construction absent congressional approval of the agreement, which was overwhelmingly endorsed by the House in July.

Anti-dump activists rallied in front of the Capitol on Tuesday — urging President Clinton to intervene if the Senate endorses the deal.

Jurors can't stand to see child-porn video

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) — The trial of a man charged with sexual abuse and possessing child pornography was adjourned Tuesday after jurors said they couldn't keep watching a video offered as evidence.

Jurors in the trial of local real estate agent Jeffrey Orr, 50, told the judge they were emotionally drained after watching about 20 minutes of a 30-minute tape. They asked the judge if it was necessary for them to see the whole tape.

Orr is being tried on 47 counts from an incident in which he allegedly enticed two 10-year-old girls to perform lewd acts.

Prosecutor Missy Medary successfully argued jurors must see the whole tape to support the prosecution's charge that Orr had physical contact with the children.

Judge Robert Blackmon adjourned for the day about 5 p.m., telling jurors they must watch the remaining 10 minutes today, the Houston Chronicle reported.

Orr could be sentenced to life in prison if convicted.

In opening arguments Tuesday, Medary told jurors that Orr "taught these children things no 10-year-old never, ever should know."

Prosecutors said the tape seen by jurors showed the two girls fully clothed at the beginning, then engaging in an auction in which they bid for tubes of lipstick as Orr told them to remove their clothing.

The video eventually showed the girls parading nude for the defendant's camera, prosecutors said.

Ickes subject of Justice Department inquiry

WASHINGTON (AP) — Attorney General Janet Reno has begun an investigation of former senior White House aide Harold Ickes — the second inquiry in a week into whether a top Clinton administration official misled investigators examining Democratic fund raising.

Reno announced the limited, 90-day Ickes investigation on Tuesday, one day before she was scheduled to brief Republican leaders of the House and Senate Judiciary committees who are pushing for a broad independent counsel investigation into alleged abuses during the 1996 Clinton-Gore

campaign.

Reno notified a special federal panel of judges that the latest investigation would look at whether Ickes, a former deputy White House chief of staff and campaign strategist, committed perjury before a Senate committee. The investigation could lead to appointment of an independent counsel whose reach could extend to a host of lingering allegations about fund raising.

Senate Judiciary Chairman Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, summoned Reno to a private meeting today, where he planned to demand again that she turn over memos from FBI Director

Louis Freeh and the former chief of her campaign finance task force, Charles LaBella. Both recommended she appoint an outside counsel.

"I hope that the attorney general is listening to the people who know the facts best," Hatch said. He added that the Ickes probe "should be followed by a broad-based request for an independent counsel to investigate the entirety of the Democratic campaign finance scandal."

Hatch and other GOP leaders have accused Reno of foot-dragging about appointing an outside counsel to look at her bosses or other top Democrats.

Reno will consider whether

Ickes, now a Washington consultant, lied in testimony before the Senate Governmental Affairs committee during a long series of hearings on the possible influx of illegal foreign contributions and other alleged 1996 abuses.

"I've testified over 20 times to investigative bodies since joining the White House staff in January 1994," Ickes said Tuesday.

"I've testified truthfully each time and I've testified truthfully this time. There is no reason whatsoever to open up a 90-day inquiry and there's certainly no reason to appoint an independent counsel."

Fed feeling new pressure to cut interest rates

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Federal Reserve is under new pressure to lower U.S. interest rates now that foreign financial troubles are starting to spook Wall Street.

"Why not go ahead and cut interest rates and get us through this bump in the road with the stock market?" said Daniel Guido, spokesman for the House and Senate's Joint Economic Committee.

The congressional panel's chairman, Rep. Jim Saxton, R-N.J., and the National Association of Manufacturers are among those calling for quick interest rate cuts after investors' worries about economic chaos in Asia and Russia

dragged the Dow Jones industrial average down 512 points on Monday.

Even with a 288-point rebound Tuesday, the Dow had still given up all its profits for the year.

But despite the stock market jitters, some analysts note that the central bank has not traditionally changed interest rates in response to financial troubles abroad.

And so far, the U.S. economy remains strong.

"These would have to be some substantial movements downward from here," said Daniel Bachman, an economist with the WEFA Group in Eddystone, Pa.

"I don't think the market has fallen enough to constitute an emergency."

Competing domestic and international considerations have tugged at Fed policy-makers for months, and it's still uncertain what the central bank's Open Market Committee will do when it next meets on Sept. 29.

"We think we have a basically sound strategy that has proven itself with respect to the real economy," said Deputy Treasury Secretary Larry Summers.

American factories have been among the first to feel effects of foreign financial crises. Demand for U.S. products over-

seas has gone down and imports have become cheaper and more attractive to American consumers.

On the flip side, labor shortages and climbing wages caused by the lowest U.S. unemployment rate since the 1960s could argue for an interest rate increase to ward off inflation.

For that very reason, the last time the Fed tinkered with interest rates — in March 1997 — it raised them a quarter percentage point, to 5.5 percent.

But so far inflation has failed to materialize. During the first half of this year, consumer prices grew at a 1.4 percent annual rate — slower than last year.

Report: world population will continue to grow

WASHINGTON (AP) — The baby boom may be going global. Even as the great American population bulge enters the graying years, more people worldwide are entering their childbearing period than ever before, a United Nations agency says.

Despite the spread of birth control, world population will go on growing by about 80 million a year well into the next decade, the United Nations Population Fund predicted in a report today.

At the same time, the number and proportion of people over 65 are increasing at an unprecedented rate.

"The rapid growth of young and old 'new generations' is challenging societies' ability to provide education and health care for the young and social, medical and financial support for the elderly," said the report.

It said the population may grow as much in the next 50 years as it has in the last 50, possibly even more.

In 1950, there were 2.5 billion people. The State of World Population report projects there will be 6 billion by mid-1999 and between 7.7 billion and 11.1 billion by 2050.

Today's largest-ever young generation — numbering over 1 billion between ages 15 and 24 — will swell the working age population in many countries, especially in less developed ones, over the next two decades, according to the report.

This "demographic bonus" means there will be more people working than there are younger and older dependents — a reversal of the problem facing Western and other countries where the work force may not be large enough to support the retirement and health needs of old baby boomers.

To make this bonus work for them, societies should spend more on health, education and job creation, the report suggested.

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EDITORIAL

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

Joining task force was good decision

On Monday, members of the Howard County Commissioner's Court followed the recommendation of 118th District Attorney Hardy Wilkerson and Howard County Sheriff Bill Jennings and signed on with the new West Texas Narcotics Enforcement Task Force.

The move was a good one for a couple of reasons. First, it ensures Howard County's participation and support of a much-needed drug interdiction program.

Second, it shows support for the new program, which will be under the umbrella of the Department of Public Safety and as such, should be able to remain free of the stench that enveloped the now-defunct Permian Basin Drug Task Force.

By following Wilkerson and Jennings' recommendation, Howard County will have two slots on the task force — one from the sheriff's department and the other from the DA's office.

Equally as important, with both offices participating, Wilkerson and Jennings will have roles as voting members of the task force's advisory board.

This marks Howard County's first participation in a task force — any task force — since Wilkerson took office.

It was because of concerns he held regarding the operations of the former unit that he chose not to participate — concerns, we might add, that certainly seem to have been valid in light of the continuing investigation of that group, their techniques and practices.

Without a doubt, the head of the former unit has his supporters and they did their best to cast a negative light on the county's decision to pull out of the task force.

Tom Finley, who headed the task force, had developed a technique of accusing those who chose not to participate of "being soft on drugs."

But as Gov. George W. Bush pointed out when he visited Big Spring earlier in the summer, not participating in a program you have serious concerns about does not mean you are soft on crime.

The Governor said then that we will have a drug task force in West Texas ... but it will be a task force that is run within the parameters of the law and is ethically fit.

"If it's not something we as West Texans can be proud of, we won't have it," he said.

We believe the West Texas Narcotics Enforcement Task Force will be a task force that is successful in its task and an organization that won't engage in activities that make us question our decision to participate.

Because Wilkerson was willing to take the criticism from Finley and his cronies, we believe there's a better day ahead in the fight against drugs and we feel it is vitally important that Howard County take a leading role in the West Texas Narcotics Enforcement Task Force.

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Democrats need to stop beating themselves up

There are many little tragedies flowing from President Clinton's belated admission that he had an "inappropriate affair" with Monica Lewinsky, but the worst may be that he has plunged the Democratic Party and Democratic candidates into a morass of defeatism.



CARL ROWAN

From one end of America to the other, Democratic candidates for Congress and gubernatorial nominees are moaning that their Republican foes are running against Clinton and adultery and perjury. This they say is destroying any chance that Democrats can wipe out the 11-seat GOP majority and win back control of the House.

Timid Democrats seem to be doing more moral posturing than the Republicans. It is as though they think this will make their opponents back off

from exploiting this sex scandal. Imagine the House's Democratic leader, Richard Gephardt of Missouri, harshly referring to the president's behavior as "reprehensible" when Republican House Speaker Newt Gingrich refers to it mildly as "a human mistake!"

Gephardt has hopes of being elected president in 2000, so he may be motivated by the idea that what hurts Clinton a lot will hurt Vice President Al Gore enough to deny the latter the Democratic nomination.

But if Democrats fail to gut this crisis out, they are likely not only to lose more seats in Congress — and suffer a diminution of power generally — but to make independent counsel Kenneth Starr come out of this mess as a triumphant hero.

Nobody needs to defend Clinton's shameful relationship with Lewinsky. I wrote last January that Clinton had a sickness of the libido because I was sure then that he had an improper relationship with the former White House intern.

But I see no reason for anyone to back away from some solid judgments made before Clinton's not-surprising admis-

sion that he had lied in denying the illicit liaison.

I have said many times that Starr was desperate and dangerous in his effort to "get" Clinton. That is still manifestly true.

I have said that there was something unseemly about the collusion of Starr, Linda Tripp and Paula Jones' lawyers in sandbagging Clinton so he could be accused of committing perjury in his Jones deposition. Their action still reeks.

I have said that nothing that Clinton and Lewinsky did consensually was as much a threat to me or the American people as the way Starr and his staff wrecked the lives of innocent people whom they were trying to force to say things that might incriminate Clinton and his wife Hillary. I still recoil at the police-state tactics used to try to bring down Clinton.

Sure, Clinton, in an unbelievably stupid sexual encounter, gave Starr an opportunity to destroy him, but that does not change my judgment that Starr is out to stage a political coup.

It will be difficult for Democratic candidates to espouse these truths, especially when they expect a temporarily-devastating report from

Starr in which he throws in enough lewd and lascivious details to provoke some Republicans to cry "Perverts!" and worse. That report will be timed for maximum election campaign impact.

But there is an old country proverb, "Might as well get slaughtered as a goat rather than as a sheep." That warns Democrats that their abandonment of or aloofness from Clinton — or their display of fear of Starr — will not stop their foes from trying to tar them as clones of Clinton. In fact, the more timid and defensive Democrats seem, the more emboldened Republicans will become to try to portray all Democratic candidates as reckless, lying adulterers.

All the major players in this Lewinsky soap opera are villains, including Lewinsky and Starr. One doesn't have to defend Clinton to see that and say it.

So instead of sitting in their corners weak-kneed and weeping, Democrats had better spring forward counterpunching.

Anything less bold and they can resign themselves to political disaster for another generation.



Salado's growth steady, planned

I've been going to Salado since the fifties when I was in Baylor. Then, Salado was one of those small insignificant towns that had nothing distinctive about it except a good place to eat. You stopped for lunch or dinner at the Stage Coach Inn on your way to somewhere else.



TUMBLEWEED SMITH

In the 60s I noticed a few changes in Salado. Some unique stores opened. Tourists were walking the streets. People were wading in the creek and picnicking under huge live oak trees. It had become a place where visitors enjoyed themselves.

I went to Salado frequently and found more interesting people to interview, more special things to report. The place was growing. By the 70s Salado was a significant place with much to offer. It was a shopping mecca, a sophisticated place that attracted artists.

By the 80s Salado was cultured and refined, with an enchanting character and friendly spirit. The spring fed creek provided a peaceful beauty. Salado's growth was steady, but well planned, retaining the specialness that made people feel good about being there.

By the 90s Salado had become the address of distinction for the ladies and gentlemen of Texas.

I have interviewed Salado's artists and craftsmen, merchants and characters. I've reported on the charming life along Salado Creek, the old grist mills, the Scottish heritage and the Robertson Plantation. I've been to Mill Creek, which, according to one prestigious publication, has the most beautiful golf course in Texas.

Salado has its own Institute for the Humanities, which brings in an impressive list of people who are known around the world for their expertise in various fields of endeavor.

The symbol of Salado is a bronze statue of a legendary mermaid donated by artist Troy Kelley. The statue sits in Salado creek and is called Sirena.

The Stage Coach Inn is still going strong. Some of the waitresses are the same ones who served food there forty years ago.

I enjoyed learning about Salado's history, how it was established as a stage stop and trade center.

It had a college. Salado was a promising community, once considered as the site for the state capital and the University of Texas. When residents of Salado see what monstrous growth Austin has had, thereby transforming a nice small town into just another big city, they are glad Salado was not selected.

Years ago, the railroad bypassed Salado and the town fell into decline. It became old and weathered, showing ruins of its past importance. The population in 1930 was 200.

Something happened in the 40s to turn the community around.

A strange eccentric man, Dion Van Bibber, arrived on the scene. He drove a car once owned by Cecil B. DeMille. He wore a beret and kissed ladies' hands.

He restored the Stage Coach Inn and in doing so, brought the village back to life.

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◆The theory that the earth is a moving planet was developed by Nicolaus Copernicus about 1543.

◆The only President's child to be born in the White House was Esther Cleveland in 1893.

Got an item?

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

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Imaginative produce Kids create the strangest fruits, vegetables

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN
Features Editor

There are always fruits and vegetables at the Howard County Fair, but never like these.

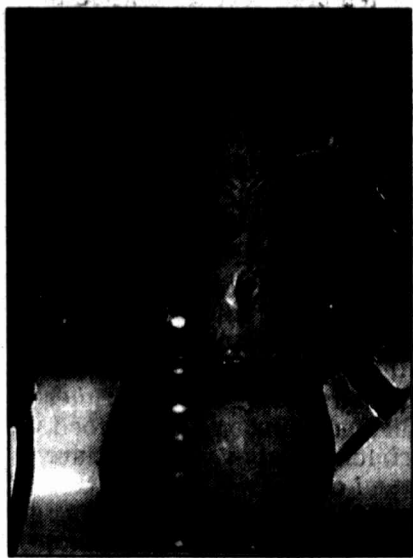
In the creative arts area, local children have created their own decorated produce. Everything from potatoes with faces to corn in costume.

"They did just the best job," said Nancy Howard, coordinator of the creative arts division. "These teachers are to be commended for their imagination."

Usually this special children's division draws heavily from the schools, and this year is no exception. Howard sent letters to schools late last spring letting them know the category so they could plan.

"I was very surprised by what we got," Howard said. There are carved apples allowed to dry into "grandma and grandpa faces," squash made into a UFO, a helicopter made of yellow squash and a caterpillar made from zucchini.

Students pieced together a



HERALD photo/Debbie L. Jensen

A dog, and a "potato head" are among the entries in the Howard County Fair's contest for kids this year. Decorated fruits and vegetables were the order of the day in this special creative arts division.

tomato vine of plump, red balloons. They fashioned corn characters in costume, animals and bugs from the familiar shapes of their favorite vegetables.

"When I came up with this idea, I really thought it would

work well," Howard said. "Then it was such a dry year, I began to worry that would affect the turnout."

But some students turned to alternate materials like papier-mache, painted and decorated. Howard, whose past contests



HERALD photo/Debbie L. Jensen

Michelle Pepper places ribbons on some of the decorated fruits and vegetables in the Howard County Fair creative arts division.

have include scarecrows, and themes like "down on the farm," and "under the sea," said she has already decided on next year's category.

"It's going to be bugs," she said. "We want them to make bugs out of different materials."

Howard said she is looking forward to seeing what kids can dream up.

"Just don't bring me a real one," she said.

Decorated fruits and vegetables are in the creative arts area, in the main building.

Recipes ready for your Labor Day picnic

In 1882, Peter J. McGuire conceived the idea of setting aside one day a year to honor the American worker. McGuire was president of the United

Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America. He selected the first Monday of September to hold a picnic and parade in New York City to show the strength of the labor force, with proceeds going to the participants.

On June 28, 1992, Congress voted to make this holiday a legal, national event to be held yearly. Labor Day remains today a time to honor laborers with picnics, parades and feasting.

Other notable September events include: World War II ended when the Japanese surrendered on Sept. 2, 1945; Henry Hudson discovered the now-named Hudson River on Sept. 3, 1609; the "Mayflower" sailed from Plymouth, England on Sept. 16, 1620; George Washington laid the cornerstone of the Capitol on Sept. 18, 1793; Daniel Boone died in Charette, Mont. on Sept. 26, 1820.

Ham & Waldorf Pasta Salad
1 can (8 oz) pineapple chunks, undrained
2 cups cooked medium shell pasta (1 1/2 cups dry), rinsed and cooled
1 medium red apple, cored and cubed
1 cup diced celery
1 cup ham, cubed
3 T chopped walnuts, toasted
2 T light mayonnaise
2 T light sour cream
1/2 tsp. salt
Drain pineapple, reserving 1/4 cup juice; set aside.
Combine drained pineapple, pasta, apple, celery, ham and walnuts in bowl.
Combine mayonnaise, sour cream, reserved juice and salt in small bowl; blend well. Add to pasta mixture. Toss until combined. Chill. Serves 4.
Recipe can be doubled.

Sue's BBQ Baby Back Ribs
Brush slabs of baby back ribs on both sides with cider vinegar. Rub 1 tsp. Tahoe Spice Mix over each side of ribs (recipe follows). Let set for at least one hour, or better yet, cover and refrigerate overnight.
Preheat oven to 275 degrees. Place ribs in large roaster pan. Cover securely with foil or tight-fitting lid and bake for 2 hours. Remove from oven. Drain and slather with Georgia BBQ Sauce (recipe follows).
At this point you can go ahead and put on the grill over medium hot coals for approximately 20 minutes, turning frequently and basting often with BBQ sauce or you can place covered in refrigerator until ready to grill. I have prepared the ribs as much as a day before the actual grilling. Takes the work out of them the day you want to do the grilling.

Greatness is a road leading towards the unknown.
Charles de Gaulle
A great ship asks deep water.
George Herbert
The highest and most lofty trees have the most reason to dread the thunder.
Charles Rollin

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Ward tops in writing contest

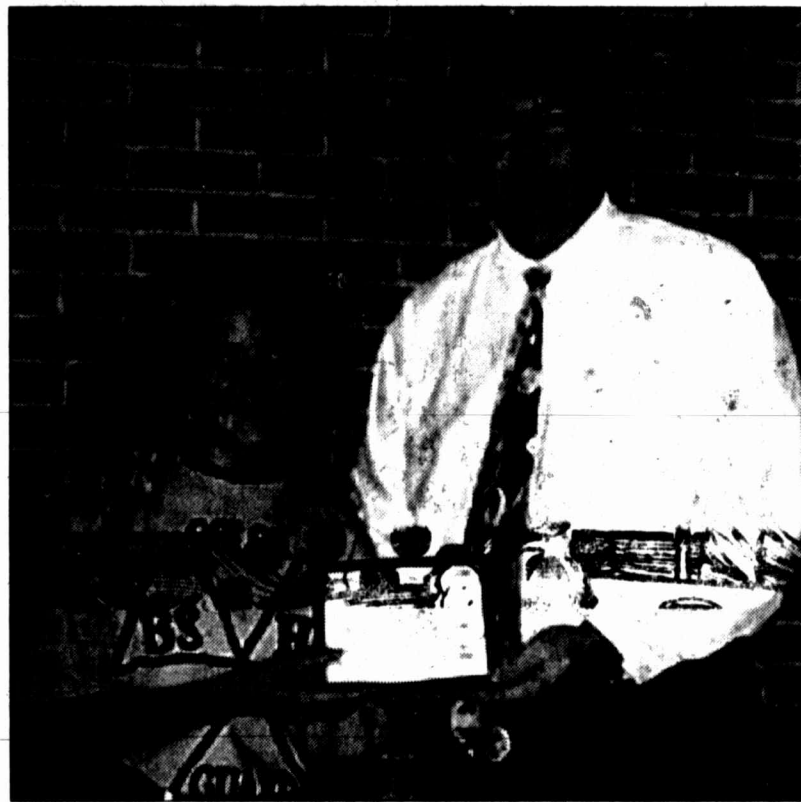
By DEBBIE L. JENSEN
Features Editor

Local ninth grader April Ward was recently honored for taking first place in the West Texas Writers and Storytellers short-story contest for children's literature.

Ward, the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. David L. Ward, and a Big Spring Herald columnist for the 1998-99 school year, took top honors in the student division with her story, "B.J. Saves the Home for Homeless Animals."

Another of her stories took honorable mention in the contest.

The character off "B.J." is based on the Ward family's dog, who was adopted from the Big Spring Humane Society shelter. In the story, the dog finds a way to save the other animals after a grass fire threatens their home.



HERALD photo/Linda Choate

April Ward, a local ninth grader, is presented with her plaque by Principal Kent Bowerman for winning the West Texas Writers and Storytellers short-story contest for children's literature.

Writing is a hobby for Ward, who is busy at school with the Steer Band flag corps, varsity tennis team, and in the gifted and talented English class.

She has twice placed in contests by the national writer's magazine, "Ryline" and has written several stories that were read to local school classes by the teachers.

FCE Clubs share helpful hints, tips

Family and Community Education Clubs are a partner association of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. Club members across Texas are involved in monthly educational programs and community service.

What began many years ago as a group of ladies gathered for ideas about raising a family, keeping a home and preserving food has grown into an association that involves its members in leadership, citizenship and community service activities.

Every once and a while we can all use a tip or hint to make a job easier. Following are some helpful household hints that have been shared in the Family and Community

Education Club handbook over the last few years.

•Place an old sock over the end of a yardstick and secure with a rubberband to use for cleaning walls for cobwebs.

•Dip a raw potato into scouring powder to scrub the corners of rusted cake and pie pans.

•To thicken gravy, sauce or stew, stir instant potatoes into the mixture. Lumps will disappear instantly.

•Remember to dust light bulbs regularly for more efficient use of electricity.

•Cottage cheese stored upside down in the refrigerator will stay fresher longer, but be sure the lid is on tight.

•A little toothpaste rubbed on your hands after cutting onions, garlic or fish will help take the odor away.

•Glue a magnet to the end of a yardstick to pick up dropped pins and needles when sewing.

•Felt tip pens are just the ticket for camouflaging scuffed spots on shoes, belts, bags and even furniture.

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DANA TARTER

Let kids help make their school lunches

WACO, (AP) — Abby Merrill knows what she likes in her lunch.

"A sandwich with some cheese, a banana or usually grapes, and a cookie," said the 8-year-old third grader at Woodway Elementary School.

Knowing what a child prefers in the lunch toted off to school each day certainly helps in the planning process.

"Get kids involved in packing their lunch (and) they will be more likely to eat what is in their lunch," said registered dietitian Lisa Hoelscher. Allowing the youngsters to help with lunch packing gives them "a sense of pride and independence about their choices."

Packing a healthy lunch is important, Hoelscher said, but for families with busy schedules nutrition is not always paramount in the minds of parents.

In Abby's case, ease of preparation is often

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HERALD photo/Debbie L. Jensen
Diane Clark, left, puts the finishing touches on a stuffed rabbit at her mother's sewing booth as her mother, Pearl Armstrong, looks on. The booth, which offers afghans, stuffed animals and other handmade items, was one of many that opened Monday with the fair.

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YOUTH NEWS

Two Garden City young people earned the top award in 4-H, the Gold Star, recently. Tiffany and Anthony Wheat each received framed certificates and pins symbolizing the honor. Gold Star Awards are given to 4-H members who excel as leaders, having developed skills through the program that will serve them in their personal life, business and other areas they may pursue. The award recognizes youth who have committed themselves to developing life skills that will allow them to assume future leadership roles.

Tiffany and Anthony are the daughter and son of Larry and Kathy Wheat of Garden City.



FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Listed below are some of the support groups meeting on Thursdays in the local community:

- Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting.
- Alzheimer's support group, noon, Scenic Mountain Medical Center, third Thursday of the month. Call Janice Wagner at 263-1211.
- Grief Support related to the death of a loved one. Call Nurses Unlimited, Inc., at 264-6523.
- Alzheimer's Association Support Group, last Thursday of the month, Comanche Trail Nursing Center, 3200 Parkway, 7 p.m. Call Viola Barraza at 267-9459.
- Narcotic Anonymous, 8 p.m. St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Call 268-4189 (pager no.)
- Al-Anon support group, 8 p.m., Scenic Mountain Medical Center small cafeteria.

THE LAST WORD

Greatness is a road leading towards the unknown.
Charles de Gaulle

A great ship asks deep water.
George Herbert

The highest and most lofty trees have the most reason to dread the thunder.
Charles Rollin

RECIPES

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Be certain to keep refrigerated.

Tahoe Spice Mix
1/2 cup paprika
1/2 cup chili powder
1/4 cup cumin, ground
1/4 cup garlic powder
1/4 cup onion salt
1/4 cup cayenne pepper
1 T ground basil
1 T nutmeg (yes, nutmeg!)
1 T ground oregano
3 T file gumbo powder (yes, file gumbo!)

Combine all ingredients and store in airtight container. Yields approx. 2 1/2 cups.

Some very "unlikely" ingredients, I know, but they work. Use as a rub for Baby Back Ribs or any beef or pork. Not sure it would be effective on poultry, but who knows - won't know unless we try, right?

Georgia BBQ Sauce
1 (10 oz) can chicken broth
1 pint apple cider vinegar
1/2 (10 oz) bottle Heinz 57 Sauce
1/4 bottle hot sauce (I used Tabasco)
1 T salt
1 T black pepper
1 tsp. red pepper (Cayenne)
1 stick butter
28 oz. ketchup

Combine all ingredients and simmer for 2 hours. Makes about 3 pints and keeps a long time in the refrigerator. Oh So Good!!!

Both of the above recipes carry a lot of "heat." You may want to downsize the amount of hot sauce and cayenne. I did not and we like it, but it is spicy and hot....

Since the Tahoe Spice Mix and Georgia BBQ Sauce yield a large amount, why not share with a friend?

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- Put a bay leaf in rice and flour to keep bugs out.
- If glue becomes too thick pour in a little vinegar into the bottle to thin.
- To keep mushrooms from becoming slimy, always refrigerate in a brown paper bag, not plastic.
- Clean your telephone with rubbing alcohol to keep it looking new.
- Store fresh strawberries in a colander in the refrigerator, this allows the air to circulate around them.
- If you would like more information about the Family and Community Education program in Howard County or you are interested in starting a club in your neighborhood, call the Howard County Extension office at 264-2236.

Want to know what clubs and churches are doing? Read the Friday life! section to find out

LUNCHES

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the key to a lunch.

"How easy is it to fix, will she eat it and is it nutritious?" is how Abby's father Randy Merrill looks at lunch. A single dad, Merrill has to juggle his work schedule as well as school and other activities for Abby and 16-year-old Allison Merrill.

"It's kind of helter-skelter" with schedules, Randy Merrill said. Abby attends gymnastics two evenings a week and Brownies one other night a week.

Still, he attempts to pack a fairly nutritious lunch, with a ham and cheese sandwich, with mayonnaise. But not too much mayo, please.

"She fussed at me one time because I put on too much mayonnaise. She likes it spread real thin," Merrill said.

He always puts some fresh fruit in Abby's lunch, sometimes adding orange sections or strawberries.

"But mostly it's grapes," Abby said.

Abby usually packs some Cheez-it crackers or cheese goldfish and a boxed juice drink.

The Merrills keep a monthly school menu posted on their refrigerator so Abby can choose the days she wishes to eat what the cafeteria provides. She likes hamburgers - usually served on Fridays - and chicken nuggets and steak fingers. She isn't so wild about sloppy joes, corn dogs, nachos and Tuesday's pizza.

Merrill said on the days he's able to have lunch with Abby, it's a big deal to bring a Happy

Meal to his daughter.

Abby usually helps with the preparation of her lunch, which Hoelscher said also encourages youngsters to eat the lunch.

Younger children, say ages 3 to 6, can help select items that go in their lunch packs, wash produce or mix together one or two items.

Children in Abby's age group, 6 to 8, can use a small knife to cut sandwiches or vegetables, or spread sandwich dressings. Some in that age range may be able to follow a simple recipe, as well.

Those who ages 8 to 10 can prepare more involved recipes or use the microwave or conventional oven, while children older than 10 can often work independently in the kitchen.

One of the keys to successful lunch packing, Hoelscher said, is giving the children a variety. Try to avoid sending the same lunch ingredients two days in a row or twice in one week.

One way to vary a lunch is to change up the bread selection. Instead of two slices of white bread, try wheat or rye, or place sandwich fixings in an English muffin or bagel.

Other options are corn bread, breadsticks, tortillas or muffins.

Add a hot food, such as a soup or chili, when possible. Use a thermos to keep hot foods at the proper temperature, Hoelscher advises.

After preparing a sandwich, use a large cookie cutter to cut the sandwich into shapes.

If packing fresh vegetables,

such as carrot sticks, add variety by including a dip or spread with the veggie.

Some other items Hoelscher recommends packing in youngsters' lunch bags include:

- Individual pudding, gelatin or fruit cups.
- Breakfast or granola bars.
- Nonfat yogurt.
- Fat-free tortilla or potato chips or fat-free pretzels.
- Individually wrapped cheese sticks; the Healthy Choice mozzarella variety are fat free and contain 25 percent of recommended daily allowance of calcium.
- Spread peanut butter on bagel halves and top with banana, strawberry or kiwi. Drizzle with honey and top with Grape Nuts cereal. Top with the other bagel half.

Though children sometimes balk at eating cafeteria food, "school lunches overall fare better in terms of nutrition than packing lunches," Hoelscher said. And school cafeterias are under strict guidelines as far as food safety is concerned.

When students pack a lunch, it usually sits at room temperature in the morning. Using a frozen ice pack inside an insulated lunch bag "probably does OK" in keeping foods such as mayonnaise, cheese and lunch meat at a proper temperature, Hoelscher said. Packing a peanut butter sandwich and individual fruit or pudding cups is always safe, she said. However, being able to refrigerate a lunch at school would be ideal.

To submit wedding, anniversary, engagement or birth announcements, come by the Herald and pick up a form. Return it by noon Wednesday for Sunday publication.

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ODDS-N-ENDS

COOKEVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Tommy and Linda Maxwell — gasp — had a tough time kissing — gasp — when they renewed their wedding vows this month.

After all, they were underwater. So the kiss meant taking off their oxygen regulators, kissing, then — gasp — popping the regulators back in.

"We had a rehearsal, just like at a regular church wedding," Linda Maxwell said Thursday. "It's a good thing because we had to practice that kiss."

The couple, who have been scuba diving together for more than 15 years, renewed their vows earlier this month eight miles off the coast of Panama City Beach, Fla.

The bride wore white — a white shirt and pants, plus a veil and garter. The groom wore black with a white bow tie. The wedding party and the minister who officiated also wore scuba tanks and respirators.

The couple have been married for 25 years.

"We honeymooned at Panama Beach when we first got married," Maxwell said. "So we ended the day by walking on the same beach we walked on after exchanging our first wedding vows."

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IN BRIEF

Herald seeking stringers for fall football coverage

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

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

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

Evening Lions schedule annual football barbecue

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

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

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

BSHS season tickets currently on sale

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

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 Spring is now registering players for its fall volleyball and flag football leagues.

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

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

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

Fees will be \$100 per team of up to 10 players. For more information, call YMCA program director Cindy Kincaid at 267-8234.

Pro golfer Cary Middlecoff dies of heart failure at 77

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — Cary Middlecoff, the dentist who won the 1955 Masters and two U.S. Open titles, died Tuesday of heart failure.

He won 40 professional golf tournaments and is tied for seventh on the PGA Tour's career victory list.

When back surgery forced Middlecoff to retire from competitive golf in 1963, he had about \$200,000 in career earnings.

"Now they make that much in a week," Middlecoff, winner of the U.S. Open in 1949 and 1956, once told reporters.

"He's the greatest player we've ever had and his record bears that out," Dick Horton, executive director of the Tennessee Golf Association, said. "In these modern times with so much parity, I don't think anybody could ever equal the record he had."

ON THE AIR

TODAY: BASEBALL

6 p.m. — Texas Rangers at Detroit Tigers, FXS, Ch. 29.

6:30 p.m. — Anaheim Angels at Cleveland Indians or Houston Astros at Atlanta Braves, ESPN, Ch. 30.

9:30 p.m. — New York Mets at San Diego Padres or Philadelphia Phillies at Los Angeles Dodgers, ESPN, Ch. 30.

TENNIS

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

With two more homers, McGwire breaks NL record

MIAMI (AP) — As Mark McGwire stepped to the plate in the ninth inning, more than a dozen youngsters scrambled onto a banked tarp beyond the center-field wall, eager to catch some history.

It came their way moments later, a baseball launched an estimated 472 feet, giving McGwire a National League record with 57 home runs this season.

The homer was McGwire's second of the night Tuesday. He broke Hack Wilson's record of 56 homers set in 1930, leading the St. Louis Cardinals over the Florida Marlins 7-1.

"I've never seen anything like it," said Marlins manager Jim Leyland, who has been in professional baseball since 1964. "The guy is hitting balls out of Yellowstone Park."

"It's a pretty awesome feat," McGwire agreed. "I'm totally excited."

The Cardinals slugger pulled ahead of Sammy Sosa, who remained at 55

homers. With 24 games remaining, McGwire is on pace to hit 67 home runs. Roger Maris' major league record is 61.

"Now it's getting a little bit exciting," Sosa said after his Chicago Cubs beat Cincinnati 6-5. "Mark has 57 and that's a lot. Everybody knows that everybody is pulling for Mark, and I'm pulling for Mark, too. And I want him to break the record first."

"This is a great thing happening in baseball," McGwire said. "We don't know if it'll ever happen again."

McGwire's latest power surge came after he fled out in the first inning, drew playful boos for hitting a mere single in the third, and grounded out in the fifth.

Leading off the seventh, he homered on a 1-1 fastball from Livan Hernandez, sending the pitch an estimated 450 feet over the center-field wall. Even McGwire was impressed with the trajectory.

"It hung up there so long, I wondered if it was ever going to come down," he said.

Two innings later, he hit the first pitch from Donn Pall to almost the same spot. Each homer prompted a standing ovation from the crowd of 37,014 and a curtain call from McGwire.

"Two curtain calls is an unbelievable feeling for an athlete," McGwire said. "It means a lot."

Both homers sailed over the head of center fielder Todd Dunwoody.

"It looks like he hits with a golf club, he makes the ball look so small," Dunwoody said.

The balls were recovered by a Little League outfielder and a teen-age magician, who gave the souvenirs to McGwire in exchange for autographed balls, bats, jerseys, photos and tickets to tonight's game.

"The stuff is better than the money,"

said Jason Duncan, 11, who retrieved homer No. 56. "It was a hard decision to make, but I knew it meant a lot to him."

Michael Pitt, a high-school senior and part-time magician, recovered No. 57.

"I called off work tonight," he said. "I said to my friends, 'I'm going to catch a Mark McGwire ball.' I don't even think they believed that I was going to the game because I'm the class clown, so nobody believes me."

It was McGwire's seventh multihomer game this season and the 50th of his career.

"It's a magical moment, what's happening with him and Sammy," said the Marlins' Hernandez (10-11). "All you could do was watch it and be part of the moment."

Wilson's NL record of 56 homers was set in 1930 for the Chicago Cubs. He also had 190 RBIs that season, still the major league record.

Cowboys offer surprises during kickoff luncheon

DALLAS (AP) — No Dallas Cowboys kickoff luncheon day is complete without a surprise or two.

The biggest shocker on Tuesday was that wide receiver Stepfret Williams, the Cowboys go-to guy on third down in 1997, was released.

"He dropped more balls than I thought he would," said coach Chan Gailey of Williams, who caught 15 third-down passes that gave the Cowboys a first down in a 6-10 season. Williams was a third-round pick out of Northeast Louisiana in 1996.

Williams also had been the Cowboys kickoff return specialist during the preseason, averaging 25 yards per return.

Rookie Jeff Ogden of Eastern Washington moved into the fourth receiver slot behind Michael Irvin, Billy Davis, and Ernie Mills. Eric Bjornson will swing from tight end to wide out.

Kevin Mathis, who had been returning punts, will assume the kickoff return duties that were handled last year by Herschel Walker, whose chances of being on the team have faded.

The Cowboys made several other moves, including the fact that quarterback Troy Aikman restructured his contract so that Barry Jones would have room under the salary cap.

"It's an example of how he (Aikman) is willing to work to have the best team on the field," Jones said.

Offensive lineman Steve Scifres, a former third-round draft pick from Wyoming, was put on waivers.

James Ritchey, a third-year veteran from Stephen F. Austin who was with the Tennessee Oilers, was picked up by the Cowboys as their third quarterback to replace rookie Daniel Gonzalez, who was cut.

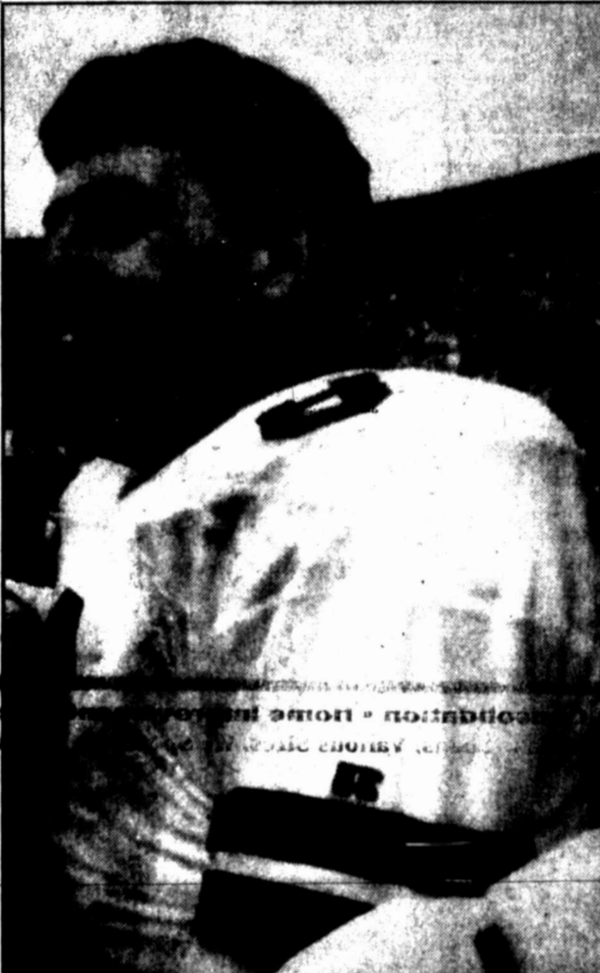
Dallas also officially signed running back Sherman Williams, who was cut during the summer. Chris Warren suffered a groin injury in a preseason scrimmage and will miss the next four weeks.

Gailey said Sherman Williams would see action on Sunday against Arizona if Emmitt Smith needed a breather.

"We'll just have to see how the game develops," Gailey said.

Jones said, "We had to move Stepfret off the roster because we needed to have an active running back out there on Sunday."

Gailey, who replaced Barry Switzer as coach, received a warm welcome from the luncheon



Dallas Cowboys quarterback, shown here celebrating a playoff victory in 1993, has restructured his contract to provide the team with room under the salary cap for a number of moves announced during the team's kickoff luncheon Tuesday.

crowd. Gailey said Jones had tried to tell him about the Cowboys' fan interest and how tough the media could be on him.

"All I know is I don't want to be where they don't care," Gailey said. "I want to be somewhere it matters."

The remark drew rousing applause.

That the Cowboys are picked for a poor season, Gailey said, "is going to make victory a little bit sweeter."

Cruz grand slam dooms Rangers in 12-8 loss

DETROIT (AP) — The Detroit Tigers and Texas Rangers had a lot of emotion in their dugouts, but for different reasons.

The Tigers, who beat the Rangers 12-8 Tuesday night with the help of the first grand slam by Delvi Cruz, were upset at the firing of manager Buddy Bell a few hours before the game.

The Rangers, with the third-worst ERA in the American League, missed a chance to close in on Anaheim. The

Angels, who lost 7-6 at Cleveland, remained 2 1/2 games ahead of Texas in the AL West.

"It's frustrating," Texas shortstop Royce Clayton said. "These are teams you're supposed to be able to beat and pick up some ground."

The Tigers, who will be managed by bench coach Larry Parrish on an interim basis the rest of the season, almost granted Clayton his wish. Todd Jones gave up three runs in the

ninth before A.J. Sager could put out the fire, earning his second save.

"Today was a really long day," Parrish said. "Then it seemed like the longest game I've ever been in. We just couldn't get the final out. Maybe some of the players were thinking at the end about trying to win one for me, instead of trying to get guys out."

Will Clark and Ivan Rodriguez homered for the Rangers.

Lady Steers romp to 15-6, 15-9 win over Greenwood

HERALD Staff Report

MIDLAND — Hard work finally paid off for Big Spring's Lady Steers on Tuesday as they chalked up their first volleyball win of the season, knocking off Midland Greenwood's Rangerettes.

Nobody could have been happier with the Lady Steers' 15-6, 15-9 win over Greenwood than Big Spring coach Traci Pierce.

"We needed this ... really did," Pierce said. "We'd been playing well, but didn't have anything to show for it. Now we have something positive to continue building on. These girls want to work hard and they have, but you've got to have a reward for hard work and we got it tonight."

And with the Lady Steers first victory coming against a quality opponent — Greenwood returns most of last year's Class 3A state tournament qualifier — gives Big Spring confidence going into this weekend's Wayland Baptist Coca-Cola Classic in Plainview.

"Not only did we beat a good team ... a team that dominated us in our three-way season opener ... but we beat them in two games," Pierce said. "We showed some killer instinct tonight. We played great defense and served the ball well and were just tremendous at the net. They've got some big hitters at the net and we weren't afraid of them."

Perhaps the most pleasing sight for Pierce came in the match's second set when the Lady Steers jumped out to a 9-0 lead, only to see Greenwood trim the lead to 9-5.

"All of a sudden it was 9-5 and we'd gone two rotations without scoring," Pierce recalled. "But we turned it around. We didn't get rattled when Greenwood made its run. We stepped it up a notch and took control. We certainly didn't look like the same team that played them earlier."

The Lady Steers got contributions from every corner of the court. Middle hitters Melissa Forth and Nina Evans continually blocked spike attempts by Greenwood's big players up front, while outside hitters Cathy Jaure and Leslie McLellan continually put pres-

sure on the Rangerette defense.

In addition, the Lady Steers' service game proved highly effective with a number of players getting credit for multiple aces. Junior Monica Rubio led the way with four.

Pierce also had high praise for setters Juanita Valdez, Lacey Anderson and Tara Cooper.

"Our setters just did a tremendous job ... all three of them," the Lady Steers boss explained. "They continually put the ball where our hitters could take good shots. Lacey had a great game, and when it was clear that we needed a little change of pace, Tara came in and provided that. And Juanita ... well, she's the glue that puts it all together for us."

"But the real key is that we played well all over the court," Pierce added. "When everyone does what they're supposed to do, this game is pretty easy."

The Lady Steers, now 1-7 on the season, hope to improve that mark Friday when they open the Wayland Baptist classic with an 8 a.m. match against Levelland's Lady Lobos. They'll follow that match with a 2 p.m. meeting against Lamesa's Lady Tors and close out the opening day's matches facing Abilene High's Lady Eagles at 6 p.m.

In Tuesday's sub-varsity action, Big Spring's freshman black and gold squads lost three-game matches to Greenwood's freshman and sophomore teams.

The Lady Steers Black frosh dropped a 5-15, 15-9, 2-15 decision to the Greenwood freshmen, despite strong play from Mollie Maberry, Taylor Kennedy, Jessica Woodward, Bridgett Cain and Nicole Chesworth. The loss evened their record at 1-1 on the year.

The Lady Steers Gold freshman team dropped a 13-15, 15-12, 11-15 marathon to Greenwood's sophomores, falling to 0-3 on the year. Coach Mike Wallace praised the play of Trisha Rollins, Meghan Pudliner, Brittany Bryant, Paige King and Tracy Padilla.

The gold squad travels to Snyder on Saturday, opening tournament play with an 11 a.m. game with Abilene Cooper.

Howard College names Feaster sports information director

By JOHN A. MOSELEY Sports Editor

Howard College, its continuing tradition of having nationally-ranked athletic programs, intends on making sure the Hawks' and Lady Hawks' exploits are well publicized with the appointment of Stan Feaster as the school's first ever sports information director.

Feaster, who enters his eighth year on the Howard College staff, sees his new duties as a natural extension of his job as coliseum director.

"We've tried to use students or other college personnel to handle these duties in the past," Feaster explained, noting

that most recently Corky Mitchell, the college's director of communications, had been charged with sports information responsibilities.

"It's really an overload for the director of communications," Feaster added, noting that he'd suggested that he take over the SID's responsibilities as part of the college's Career Pathing Program.

"I've always been very interested in our sports programs here at the college and felt like it would work in well with my responsibilities as the coliseum director," he explained. "So, I submitted a proposal to the administration. They liked the idea and approved the change."

Executive Vice President Terry Hansen said he believes Feaster will bring a strong commitment to publicizing Howard College's athletic programs to the job.

"Stan has been a tremendous supporter of our teams ... he's always traveled with

our teams as a fan and shown a great deal of interest in the development of our athletes," Hansen explained. "He has excellent communication skills and we feel he's a perfect fit for the position."

Feaster noted that as coliseum director, he's always taken a working role at the college's basketball games, but will not have added contact with the baseball, rodeo and new softball programs.

"We want to be able to do a quality job of providing information to the media outlets and the public about our athletes and sports programs," he explained. "I'm sure at times that's going to be a challenge, but we want people to always be able to know what's going on with our teams."

To that end, Feaster noted that his office opened a coliseum events and sports update hotline in the spring semester last year.

"If you want to know what's going to be

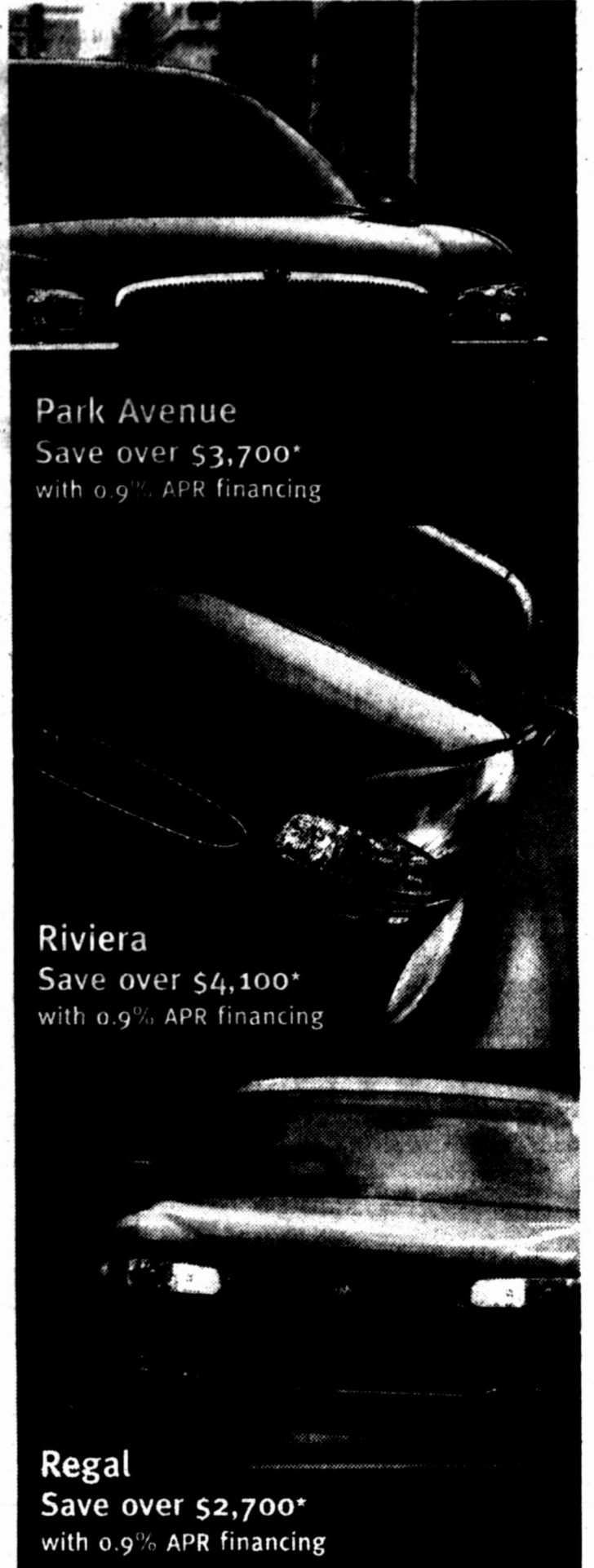
happening here at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum or how our teams have done, all you have to do is call 264-5169 to find out," he said. "We keep that hotline updated with the most current information we have."

In addition, Feaster said he will soon begin writing a weekly "Hawk Highlights" column that will appear in Wednesday editions of the Herald, that will provide updates on all the college's programs and feature the sports in season.

"That's going to be a little bit of a challenge here early in the fall," he explained. "Due to NJCAA regulations, our fall schedule of softball and baseball practice games can't be publicized, but we will be able to note the progress and accomplishments made by our student athletes."

"I'm really looking forward to this job," he added. "It's going to be fun."

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The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-

Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult.
ARIES (March 21-April 19)
Financial pressure is intense. Push comes to shove, forcing you to seek someone's expertise. What you hear helps you open a new door. Take the next step. Tempers flare. Resolve a difference of opinion. Others don't cool down as fast as you. **Tonight: Surprises abound.**
TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
Take the lead. You have a tendency to be a worry wart. Do you want this to be your reputation? Ease up. Let others know that you are frustrated, and let the fur fly. Clear the air, and seek to achieve even greater independence. **Tonight: Make a must appearance.**
GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
Reach out for others. You

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CANCER (June 21-July 22)
Financial pressure makes you question what is going on. Investigate alternative ways of investing. A partner does not giving you the whole story, which forces a new expense. Work with the unpredictable, but put yourself on solid ground. **Tonight:** Pay bills.***

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
Others are in control. You can scream and carry on, but nothing makes any difference. Still, you will be heard. An associate does a sudden reversal that sets you back. Go with the unexpected. Work relationships are unusually demanding. **Tonight:** Be gregarious.***

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
Anger bursts out when you least expect it. Be honest with yourself. How much have you been holding in? Maybe these outbursts are long overdue. Adjust daily work patterns so that they will be more effective for you. **Tonight:** Consider taking a stress-reduction class.***

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
A loved one acts up again. Do not even try to negotiate with a difficult partner. Listen carefully to information from an assertive friend. You might not like what you hear, but it is important. Collecting money proves challenging. **Tonight:** A friend helps you relax.****

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
Others are capricious at best. Pressure mounts when dealing with others. Be direct, and don't try to be diplomatic. A boss points out where he thinks you have slacked off. Be willing to say you have made a mistake and go on. **Tonight:** Run home!***

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
You hear news that inspires

you to take off. If nothing else, you will be on the phone chatting away. Work feels mundane, and you could be bored. Go to the gym or take a walk at lunch time. **Tonight:** Where

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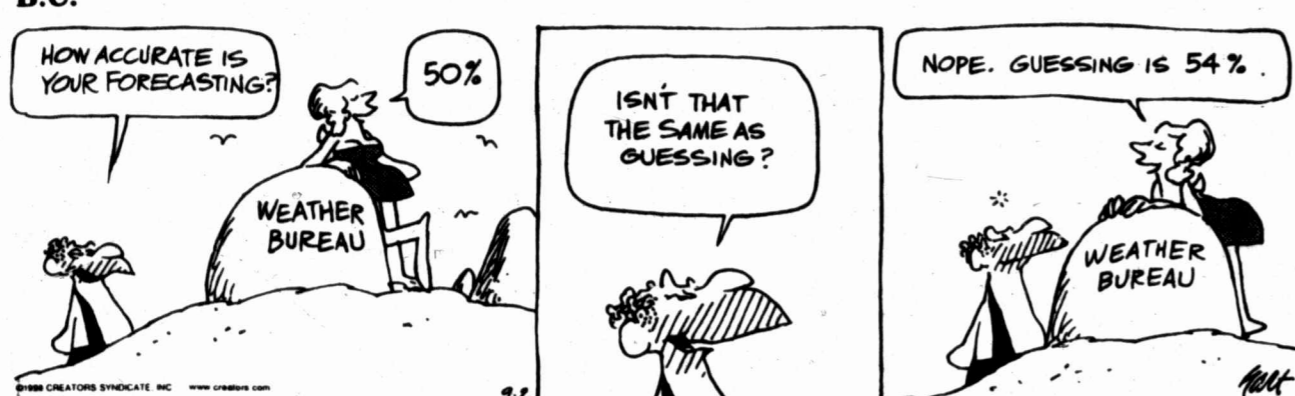
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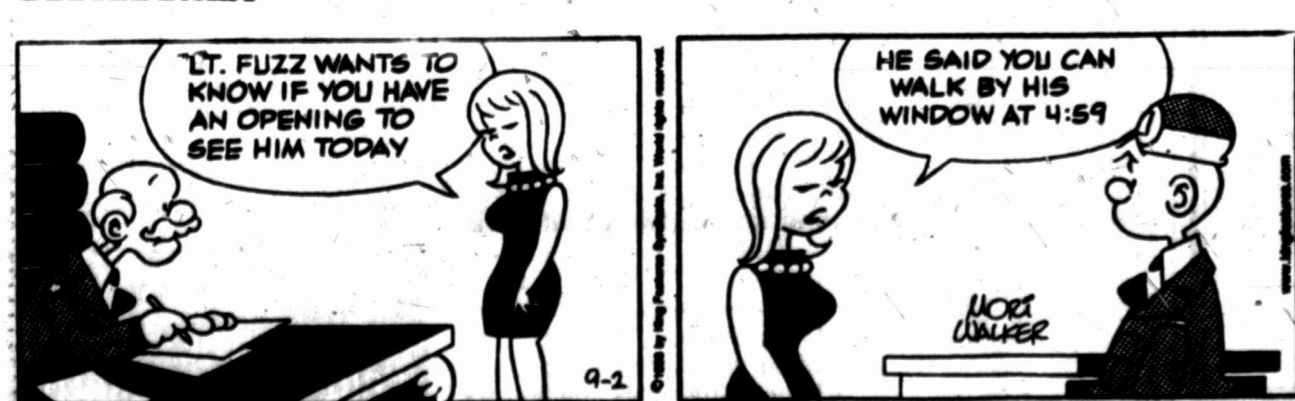
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THE Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

Crossword puzzle grid with clues for Across and Down words.

Tuesday's Puzzle Solved section showing the completed crossword grid and the words used.

In 1666, the Great Fire of London broke out, claiming thousands of homes, but only a few lives. In 1789, the U.S. Treasury Department was established. In 1864, during the Civil War, Union Gen. William T. Sherman's forces occupied Atlanta. In 1901, Vice President Theodore Roosevelt offered the advice, "Speak softly and carry a big stick." In 1935, a hurricane slammed into the Florida Keys, claiming 423 lives. In 1945, Ho Chi Minh declared Vietnam an independent republic. In 1963, Alabama Gov. George C. Wallace prevented the integration of Tuskegee High School by encircling the building with state troopers. In 1963, "The CBS Evening News" with Walter Cronkite was lengthened from 15 to 30 minutes. In 1969, North Vietnamese president Ho Chi Minh died. In 1985, it was announced that a U.S.-French expedition had located the wreckage of the Titanic about 560 miles off Newfoundland. Ten years ago: Democrat Michael Dukakis welcomed back former top aide John Sasso to his presidential campaign, nearly a year after Sasso resigned because of his role in torpedoing the campaign of Democratic Sen. Joseph Biden. Five years ago: The United States and Russia formally ended decades of competition in space by agreeing to a joint venture to build a space station. One year ago: In London, a grieving human tide engulfed St. James's Palace, where Princess Diana's body lay in a chapel closed to the public, as the British monarchy and government prepared for her funeral. The White House announced that first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton would attend on behalf of the United States.

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