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Each day through the holiday season, the Herald will publish locations where you might help others less fortunate, including Salvation Army Angel Trees, Salvation Army kettles.

If your organization has an established program to help others, and you would like to be included in this list, call Marsha Sturdivant at 263-7331, ext. 234.



Angel Tree locations:

- Big Spring Herald (seniors)
- Big Spring Mall
- Al's and Son B-B-Q
- Wal-Mart
- Cosden Credit Union
- Mel's Fried Fish
- Seaside Mountain Medical Center
- In addition, Beall's Department Store will give a 10 percent discount to all purchases of Angel Tree gifts.

Salvation Army Kettles:

- Big Spring Post Office
- Wal-Mart
- Big Spring Mall

Other efforts:

- H-E-B Food Stores Ring In A Miracle to benefit the Salvation Army. Tell your cashier what you want to give and either \$1 and \$2 added to your grocery total.
- Canned food drives at all Howard County schools through Dec. 11.
- TCA Cable of Big Spring will waive the cost installation for new customers who donate 10 cans of food for its food drive.
- Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church, 1009 Hearn, is collecting coats for state hospital patients for Christmas. Also, a food drive is under way.

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Highland Council helping to meet the needs of deaf citizens

By **MARSHA STURDIVANT**
Staff Writer

An open-caption version of *Ever After*, a Cinderella-type story starring Drew Barrymore and Angelica Huston, will be shown today and Wednesday at 7 p.m. at Cinema Four in Big Spring Mall.

"We do this on a regular basis. We're working on a deal to provide these once a month,"



MINCHEW

said Teresa Minchew, service provider with the Highland Council for the Deaf. Admission is \$5 per person, and anyone who brings two cans of food for the food drive will receive a free box of popcorn, said theater owner Kevin Ritz.

Open caption movies have dialogue written across the bottom of the screen for the deaf. The original sound remains, she said.

"This gives hearing persons an opportunity to enjoy a movie with their deaf friends. They can either ignore the captioning or enjoy it as well," Minchew said.

An example of how these movies bene-

fit the deaf community is a deaf mother having an opportunity to go to a theater and share a movie with her hearing son, she said.

"We plan to have *A Bug's Life* for family viewing in the near future," she said. A previous movie the council obtained for deaf patrons was *Saving Private Ryan*. About 50 people attended that open-captioned movie, she said.

Prior to that, *Armageddon*, starring Bruce Willis and Liv Tyler was shown, she said.

"We have a large deaf population here, with the SouthWest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf. We were charged with pro-

viding an opportunity to visit the mall, have dinner and see a movie," she said.

Cinema Four at the Big Spring Mall is the locale for these movies. Minchew said Kevin Ritz, owner of the three theaters in Big Spring, has been cooperative and receptive to bringing these movies to the area.

"The Highland Council for the Deaf sets up interpretation services, as well as advocates for the needs of the deaf community in a 30-county area," Minchew said.

Ritz said along with the free popcorn,

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Some 1,500 to 2,000 participants are expected to take part in the 12th annual Big Spring Herald Christmas Parade, which will be held Saturday evening.

Bands get chance to toot their horn at annual Herald Christmas Parade

By **JOHN H. WALKER**
Managing Editor

The addition of Forsan High School's band to the 12th annual Big Spring Herald Christmas Parade brings the total number of bands to three and the total number of entries to 75.

In addition to Forsan, bands from Big Spring High School and Runnels Junior High will march in the parade, scheduled for a 5 p.m. start on Saturday. "We've worked hard to try and increase the number of bands in the parade, so we were very happy when Forsan's band members decided to participate," said Herald publisher Chuck Williams.

The parade will begin at the corner of the FM 700 north frontage road and Gregg Street, then move north to Sixth Street, east to Main Street and north again to Second, where it will break up.

This will be the fourth year the parade has been lighted and Williams noted the number of lighted entries continue to increase each year.

"Last year, we had 55 lighted

entries and this year almost every entry that can utilize lights will be lighted," he said.

In addition, all four division winners will be back to defend their championships in this year's parade, which carries the theme, "Home for the Holidays."

Last year, Norwest Bank won the lighted category; Al's and Son Bar-B-Q won the commercial division; Church of the Harvest took the church/school category and Boy Scout Troop 25/Cub Scout Pack 501 repeated in the civic category.

"We're excited that all four defending champions will be back," Williams said, pointing out that Boy Scout Troop 25 will be going for its third straight championship. "When we presented their plaque last year, they said they were going for a three-peat, so we're looking forward to their entry."

Following the newspaper's tradition of selecting a grand marshal who has made a positive impact on the community, this year's grand marshal will

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Parade guidelines sent to participants

HERALD Staff Report

The official line-up for the 12th Big Spring Herald Community Christmas Parade is in the mail to participants.

"The letters are on their way to let folks know what time they need to be in the staging area, what position they will hold in the parade and other general guidelines," explained Herald publisher Chuck Williams.

Williams said contact persons who had not received their information packet by Thursday should contact Mark Sheedy at the newspaper at 263-7335.

The parade will begin at 5 p.m. at the corner of the FM 700 north service road and Gregg Street. It will head north to Sixth Street, turn right to Main Street and then north to Second Street, where it will disband. A total of 75 entries with more than 100 vehicles and an estimated 1,500 to 2,000 participants are scheduled.

Lights on

Hard work overcoming vandalism in the park; Kickoff still set for Friday

By **T.E. JENKINS**
Staff Writer

According to Comanche Trail Festival of Lights Chairperson Pat Simmons, the weekend's vandalism of the park's Christmas lights may yet offer an advantage to the program.

"There is a lot of grumbling among the people of Big Spring about the vandalism, and in the end, this could actually work to our advantage," said Simmons. "A lot of people are very upset and angry about what happened, and I think there are a lot more eyes looking out for trouble than there were before. I hope something good can come of this, and I think it has."

Simmons said there wasn't time to replace the PVC pipe archways that vandals destroyed some time Friday evening of last week.

"There just wasn't enough time to repair and replace the archways in time for the opening," said Simmons. "We have taken them down and wrapped the lights along the rails of the bridges instead. We also have lights covering the large plank

that hangs atop the bridges.

"We are currently looking at using a stronger and more durable material for the archways next holiday season. We hope that will make them just a little harder for vandals to harm."

According to Simmons, Friday's program that will kick-off the Festival is still on schedule, and she expects to have more than 175,000 lights ready to illuminate the park area.

"We are back on schedule despite the vandalism," said Simmons. "It hasn't been easy, and a lot of people have had to put in a lot of hours to get things ready, but we will be ready in time for the Dec. 4 tribute to Dorothy Garrett."

"Dorothy was certainly Big Spring's very own angel, and we will have a 10 foot tall angel just left of the spring, along with two smaller angels, as a tribute and honor to this very special lady."

Simmons said she is very excited about the second annual lighting of the spring, but said words are inadequate to express what Garrett meant to the Big Spring Community.

"Dorothy helped so many peo-

United Way drive on target to reach its \$217,500 goal

By **BILL MCCLELLAN**
News Editor

United Way of Big Spring and Howard County closes out its drive today, needing less than \$20,000 to reach the goal.

To date, officers report having collected \$198,363 toward the goal of \$217,500. Volunteers will spend the

next couple of days picking up outstanding donations.

"We're very close to making our goal and even going into this last day we still had several outstanding campaigns to report. We feel when we get these returns in that we will have met our goal, said Richard Steel, local United Way board first vice president and cabinet chairman.

"We'd like to thank all the campaign volunteers all the employers who ran some great campaigns this year. We

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STEEL

Judgment for newspaper upheld by appeals court

HERALD Staff Report

The 11th Court of Appeals has upheld the judgment of Judge Robert H. Moore III in the 118th District Court in the lawsuit of failed Howard County sheriff's candidate Woodie Howell vs. the Big Spring Herald.

Howell sued the Herald, parent company American Publishing, newspaper publisher Chuck Williams and newspaper editor John H. Walker following publication of a March 10, 1996 article written by Walker concerning his candidacy.

He was defeated in the Republican primary by current Howard County Sheriff W.B. "Bill" Jennings by a 3,045 to 552 vote margin.

Williams said he and Walker were both pleased with the appeal court's decision, which also taxed the costs of the appeal against Howell.

Writing the unanimous deci-

sion, Justice Bob Dickenson said, "...Appellant (Howell) has not shown that any defendant knowingly made false statements about him. Appellant's summary judgment proof only shows that, after their investigation, the defendants were of the opinion that he should not be elected to any public office."

The appeals court cited two decisions made by the Texas Supreme Court on May 10, 1989 as the basis for its decision — *Casso v. Brand* and *Carr v. Brasher*.

In *Casso v. Brand*, Chief Justice Tom Phillips wrote, "We hold that (a public official or public figure) cannot recover (for defamation) unless he proves by clear and convincing evidence that (the defendant) made false and defamatory statements about him with actual malice."

In *Carr v. Brasher*, the court wrote, "To sustain a defamation

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Fina buyout won't affect Big Spring

By **JOHN H. WALKER**
Managing Editor

France's oil giant Total SA announced today it will take over Belgium's Petrofina SA, parent company of Dallas-based Fina Inc.

The merger would create the sixth-largest oil company in the world with \$89 billion of capitalization. The announcement came as Exxon and Mobil agreed to a record \$77.2 billion merger, creating the world's largest oil company.

"The move is part of a global change, oil prices have practically been cut in half over the past year. All companies are seeking to survive in this new situation," said Total Chairman Thierry Desmarest. "The business environment will be tougher than in past years."

The new company, known as Total Fina, would be the world's fifth-largest oil company and will seek to be listed on the Paris, Brussels, New York

and London stock exchanges, a joint statement said.

Employment totals would remain largely unchanged, with 69,100 people working for the new group, officials said.

"We do not anticipate any effect whatsoever in our Big Spring operations," explained Ron Haddock. Haddock is Fina's president and CEO.

"The operations in the United States are continuing just as they were last week (before the merger)," he added.

Haddock said the merger will put Fina in a position to be an even stronger player in the world energy market.

"This will allow us to be an even stronger competitor," he said.

In a press release, Thierry said, "The combination of Total and Petrofina will allow the new entity to capture substantial productivity gains, particularly in the North Sea, and to expand its positions in the deep off-shore (United States, Angola)"

The deal to create Total Fina is based on a stock swap that gives Total control of 41 percent of Petrofina, Belgium's largest industrial company. The remainder of Petrofina's shares will be bid on at a later date, company officials said.

Investors on the Paris stock exchange reacted skeptically to the new merger. Total shares took a big hit, falling almost 10 percent in early trading today.

Before the deal was announced, the two companies had stock worth \$39.9 billion.

A combined general meeting of shareholders has been called for Jan. 14 to "approve the agreement."

Petrofina, which employs 14,700 people worldwide, is one of Belgium's biggest industrial companies, with refining and distribution operations in Europe and the United States.

Total SA employs 54,400 and is France's No. 2 oil company, but has aggressively expanded crude oil and gas businesses. (AP contributed to this story.)

OBITUARIES

Varnie L.
"Runt" Jones

Varnie L. "Runt" Jones, 77, Big Spring, died on Sunday, Nov. 29, 1998, at a local hospital. Service will be 11 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 2, 1998, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with his son, Rev. Charles Jones, pastor of Crystal Waters Baptist Church in Statesville, N.C., grandson, Carey Jones, minister of Quaker Ave. Church of Christ in Lubbock, and Rev. Don Snipes, pastor of Baptist Temple Church in Big Spring, officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

He was born on May 11, 1921, in Saragosa, and married Doris McGuire on June 6, 1942, in Big Spring.

A lifelong resident of Howard County, he lived in the Knott community until moving to Big Spring in 1996. He farmed and ran Knott Station for many years. He was a kind, loving and humble man.

Mr. Jones was a member of Baptist Temple Church.

Survivors include: his wife, Doris Jones of Big Spring; two sons and daughters-in-law, Jeff and Sissy Jones of Big Spring, and Charles and Rhonda Jones of Statesville, N.C.; two daughters and sons-in-law, Anita and Syd Fowler of Clyde, and Leola and Warren McCrea of Big Spring; one sister, Mary Clanton of Big Spring; nine grandchildren, Carey Jones and wife, Tonda, Chrissi Jones, Andy Jones and wife, Michelle, Aaron Jones, Adam Jones, Jason Fowler and wife, Mikka, Travis Fowler, Jamie McCrea and Justin McCrea; and two great-grandchildren, Caleb Jones and Caleb Fowler.

He was preceded in death by three brothers and two sisters.

Pallbearers will be Carey Jones, Andy Jones, Jason Fowler, Aaron Jones, Adam Jones, Travis Fowler and Justin McCrea.

The family will receive friends from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home.

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

Paid obituary

Joy Ann Henry

Joy Ann Henry, 63, Big Spring, died on Sunday, Nov.

29, 1998, at a local hospital. Graveside service will be 2 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 3, 1998, at Little Rock National Cemetery in Little Rock, Ark.

She was born on Oct. 1, 1935, in Memphis, Tenn., and married Douglas W. Henry on Sept. 16, 1967, in San Jose, Calif. He preceded her in death on Nov. 18, 1988.

Mrs. Henry was a loving mother, grandmother and housewife. She spent 23 years as a military wife and had many qualities which made her shine in God's eyes. She will be greatly missed by all those who knew her.

She was a member of Baptist Temple Church.

Survivors include: two sons and daughters-in-law, Kevin and Tina Junkin of Big Spring, and Gary and Sally Junkin of Hensley, Ark.; three brothers, Charles Murrah of Bellzona, Miss., Lee Murrah, Jr. of Marigold, Miss., and William Murrah of Gridley, Calif.

The family requests anyone wishing to donate may do so to help toward the cost of the funeral.

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

Paid obituary

Sallie Mae Lang

Service for Sallie Mae Lang, 76, Big Spring, will be 2 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 3, 1998, in the

Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial will be in Mount Olive Memorial Park with Rev. Floyd Green, pastor of Baker's Chapel A.M.E. Church, officiating.

Mrs. Lang died Thursday, Nov. 26, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center following a long illness.

She was born on Aug. 8, 1922, in Marshall. She married Daily Lang in 1936 in Rotan. He preceded her in death in 1968. She was affiliated with Mount Bethel Baptist Church. She had been a cook at Fina's Cafe for many years before retiring.

Survivors include: two sons, Robert Lang of Big Spring, and Lester Lang of Houston; three daughters, Sally Ann Peterson, Myrtice Peterson and Letha Faye Lang, all of Big Spring; 19 grandchildren; several great-grandchildren; one niece; and several nephews and cousins.

Arrangements under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Man pleads
guilty to
assault
of child

A local man pleaded guilty to sexual assault of a child and recently received 10 years deferred adjudication in 118th District Court.

David Dean Fisher, 43, pleaded guilty to the charge and received a 10-year probated sentence for the second degree felony.

Conditions of Fisher's probation include no alcohol or drugs, he must be employed, and he may not be within 1,000 feet of the victim. He is also restricted from participating in public activities which involve children.

Along with all other conditions of probation, Fisher is required to receive counseling and to register as a sexual offender for the duration of his sentence, according to court records.

He was employed by the Big

Spring State Hospital for about five years prior to his indictment and arrest. He resigned his position prior to his court appearance.

Fisher is also required to pay \$2,000 in fines and \$211 in court costs. He must also serve 300 hours of community service.

HELPING OTHERS

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Call 267-4124 to donate.

- Sacred Heart Catholic Church collects baby gifts to be given to Birthright. Bring your new or hand made gift to the church, 508 N. Aylesford.

- First Baptist Church is collecting new toys and clothing for 78 children in Big Spring who have a parent in prison. Bring your donation to the church on FM 700.

- Norwest Bank has a Christmas tree decorated with ornaments that represent 26 Howard County children who are currently clients of the Children's Protective Services. Visit the bank to adopt one for these children.

- St. Vincent de Paul Society is collecting donated cans of food to be distributed to the area needy through various social service agencies at the holidays. Bring two or more cans to any local movie theater and you will receive a free tub of popcorn. Donating the cans also qualifies you for a chance to win a prize from a local merchant.

APPEALS

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cause of action, a public official or public figure must prove that the defendant (1) published a statement; (2) that was defamatory concerning the public official or public figure; and (3) that the false statement was made with actual malice.

The court further wrote, "Actual malice is not ill will; it is the making of a statement with knowledge that it is false or with reckless disregard of whether it is true. 'Reckless disregard' is defined as a high degree of awareness of probable falsity, for proof of which the plaintiff must present sufficient evidence to permit the conclusion that the defendant in fact entertained serious doubts as to the truth of his publication."

Justice Dickenson wrote, "Appellant's summary judgment does not controvert the relevant factual statements contained in defendants' affidavits."

The appeals court judgment stated, "This court has inspected the record in this cause and concludes that there is no error in the judgment. Therefore, in accordance with this court's opinion, the judgment of the trial (118th) court is in all things affirmed."

The court noted that Howell had sued for \$5 million plus attorney's fees and court costs.

UNITED WAY

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believe we'll have a lot of good news to report at the victory luncheon."

The final figures will be announced Friday at the United Way victory luncheon, set for 11:30 a.m. at Big Spring Country Club.

United Way of Big Spring and Howard County serves 11 agencies. Among them are the American Red Cross, Boys Club, Buffalo Trail Council,

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Friday's victory luncheon is \$8 per person. Invitations have been extended to campaign workers and volunteers. Those planning to attend are asked to call 267-5201.

COUNCIL

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anyone who brings in two cans of food for the food drive will receive a chance to win prizes donated by Wal-Mart.

"They don't have to see a movie to win the popcorn or receive the certificate for the drawing. Just bring the two cans of food to any of the theaters," he said.

PARADE

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be members of the Vietnam Memorial Committee.

"The volunteer work they've done to develop the Vietnam Memorial has been tremendous," Williams said. "There's no doubt they've made a positive impact on the community with their can-do attitude and we're proud that they accepted our invitation to serve as grand marshals."

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FIRE/EMS

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

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12:06 a.m. — 2000 block Virginia, medical call, patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

2:38 a.m. — 1300 block Colby, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

4:00 a.m. — 2400 block Neil Road, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

3:01 p.m. — Washington and Lincoln, traffic accident, one patient transported to SMMC.

SHERIFF

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

- **BOBBY R. ARMSTRONG**, 41, was arrested for cruelty to animals.

- **REGINA MASSEY**, 31, was arrested for issuance of a bad check.

- **JAMES WALTER USSERY, JR.**, 38, was arrested for public intoxication.

- **GENE LARROY LEONARD**, 51, was arrested for driving while intoxicated and resisting arrest, search, or transportation.

- **DONNIE LYNN STEWART, JR.**, 25, was arrested for violation of a promise to appear.

Scenic Mountain
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1601 W. 11th Place
263-1211

POLICE

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

- **RANDI HAIR**, 26, was arrested on local warrants.

- **ROSA ROBERTS**, 39, was arrested for disorderly conduct/language.

- **SANTOS MENDOZA**, 36, was arrested for assault/family violence.

- **JENNIFER VALASQUEZ**, 24, was arrested for assault/family violence.

- **DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED** in the 400 block of E. 4th.

- **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** in the 1700 S. Monticello, and the 1100 block of E. 6th.

- **ASSAULT** in the 200 block of E. 10th, and the 1600 block of Martin Luther King Blvd.

- **THEFT** in the 2000 block of N. Monticello, the corner of 4th and Lancaster, the 3400 block of I-20 S. Service Rd., the 300 block of Gregg, the 400 block of E. 3rd, the 1800 block of E. Marcy, and the 400 block of Johnson.

- **UNAUTHORIZED USE OF A VEHICLE** in the 1500 block of Sunset Ave.

RECORDS

Monday's high 71
Monday's low 41
Average high 60
Average low 33

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Trinity Memorial Park and Crematory

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(915) 267-6331

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Exxon and Mobil merging in \$77.2 billion deal

NEW YORK (AP) — Exxon Corp. today agreed to its much-anticipated \$77.2 billion purchase of Mobil Corp., the richest merger of all time that creates the world's largest oil company.

The combination of the nation's two biggest oil and gas companies will be called Exxon Mobil Corp. and would vault past Royal Dutch-Shell Group as the world's biggest energy company. It also would surpass General Motors Corp. as the largest U.S. company of any kind, with \$203 billion in combined revenue last year.

The deal comes as oil companies are struggling with a deep slump in prices that is not expected to turn around for

years. Exxon and Mobil expect \$2.8 billion in savings by merging, but did not mention any job cuts in a statement announcing the deal.

Analysts expect thousands of employees will lose their jobs, with estimates running as high as 20,000 — or 16 percent of the companies' combined work force of 123,000.

"This merger will enhance our ability to be an effective global competitor in a volatile world economy and in an industry that is more and more competitive," the companies said in a joint statement.

The Exxon-Mobil deal tops British Petroleum's planned \$58.5 purchase of Amoco Corp. as the largest industrial merger

and, at current stock prices, outranks Bell Atlantic Corp.'s \$72 billion merger with GTE Corp. and the \$70 billion union of SBC Communications Inc. and Ameritech Corp.

The deal brings together two of the biggest pieces of John D. Rockefeller's Standard Oil trust, the oil monopoly broken up by the federal government nearly 90 years ago. Mobil is the former Standard Oil of New York, while Exxon was once Standard Oil of New Jersey.

Exxon and Mobil will retain both of their well-known brand names, although analysts expect government regulators to force the companies to sell off numerous gas stations and refineries to satisfy antitrust

concerns.

The two companies have about 47,000 gas stations worldwide, roughly a third in the United States, and exploration and production operations worldwide.

Even though Exxon Mobil would rank as the world's biggest oil company, most analysts feel the industry is competitive enough that concerns about market dominance will not be strong enough for regulators to kill the deal.

The Federal Trade Commission could, however, be troubled by the companies' total share of U.S. gasoline sales, which was about 20 percent last year, according to the National Petroleum News.

Republicans move to expand inquiry to Clinton fund-raising

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House Judiciary Committee is opening a carefully scripted hearing into the consequences of perjury. But behind the scenes, political fireworks are exploding over Republican efforts to expand the impeachment inquiry from President Clinton's private life to his campaign fund raising.

Committee Republicans sought on Monday to subpoena secret Clinton administration memos urging Attorney General Janet Reno to appoint an independent counsel to investigate the president's 1996 campaign.

Chairman Henry Hyde has "worked totally unilaterally, so it's very clear that this is a partisan witch hunt that he's determined to ram through as quickly as he can," Rep. John Conyers of Michigan, the committee's ranking Democrat, said Monday.

"Conyers spoke just after Republicans, who control the Judiciary Committee 21-16, moved to subpoena FBI Director Louis Freeh and federal prosecutor Charles LaBella and gain access to their secret memos laying out Clinton's alleged fund-raising irregularities."

"The committee has received information which suggests that the campaign finance abuse memos may contain allegations of criminal wrongdoing by the president," said Paul McNulty, a spokesman for Republicans on the panel. "The committee is duty-bound to investigate that information."

The decision opens up a new avenue of investigation for the impeachment panel, just as Hyde, R-Ill., is pressing to wrap up work in time for a vote by Christmas on possible articles of impeachment against the president.

Hyde and other Republicans will seek subpoenas in closed session after the perjury hearing. The subpoenas would compel Freeh and LaBella to answer questions about their recommendation that an independent counsel be named to investigate Clinton fund raising, committee officials said.

Arafat says Jerusalem is top priority in peace talks

WASHINGTON (AP) — Declaring Jerusalem his top priority in peace talks with Israel, Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat has reignited a hot dispute with Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu by publicly laying claim to the "occupied" eastern part of the city.

At the end of a donors conference Monday that netted the Palestinians pledges of more than \$3 billion from 43 nations, Arafat registered his satisfaction with the outpouring, said he was confident the pledges would be fulfilled and then opened up on Jerusalem.

Referring apparently to East Jerusalem, Arafat said it was "occupied territory" that Israel was bound to relinquish under U.N. Security Council resolutions on an overall settlement with the Arabs.

He also asserted anew his hope to establish a Palestinian state next year, despite stern opposition from Netanyahu and

repeated admonitions from the Clinton administration to soft-pedal the Jerusalem and statehood issues in advance of talks with Israel on a settlement.

The city was divided before Israel pushed Jordanian troops out of East Jerusalem in the 1967 Mideast War and declared the united city the eternal capital of the Jewish state — a stand

most Israelis support however they may differ on other aspects of the ongoing peace effort.

Jerusalem is now home to an estimated 422,000 Jews and 180,000 Palestinians.

The pledges of aid to the Palestinians on the West Bank and in Gaza are designed to alleviate poverty. The assistance is to be used for water projects,

road-building, the construction of a Palestinian airport and seaport and for industrial zones.

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OUR VIEWS

Vandalism a setback but lights at Spring will shine as planned

It took just a few moments for one person ... perhaps as many as two or three individuals ... to wreck the hard work of more than 70 Friday night when vandals chopped up a number of the lighted arches around the historic spring in Comanche Trail Park.

The damaged strings of lights and PVC pipe arches over which they were draped are part of a display of 160,000 lights scheduled to be lit this Friday when the second annual Comanche Trail Festival of Lights is unveiled.

While the damage is clearly a setback for members of the Festival of Lights committee, the senseless destruction will not deter this year's lighting.

It is, however, frustrating that a handful of people could find it necessary to wreck a display intended for the entire community to enjoy.

Happily, the mean-spirited act will not put a damper on Big Spring's holiday spirit.

Festival of Lights chairperson Pat Simmons and her 20-member committee, with the help of 50 inmates from the Wilderness Camp, are in the process of replacing the destroyed lights and arches and the display will be lit at 6 p.m. Friday following a tribute to the late Dorothy Garrett.

The expanded display, which not only illuminates the spring area, but the trails leading to the Dora Roberts Community Center will be lighted each day from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. through Dec. 31.

We as a community owe a debt of thanks to the volunteers who've put together the display, as well as to those who've made financial donations to fund the project.

And probably the best way of expressing that gratitude would be to attend Friday's lighting ceremony.

Not only will your attendance be a gauge of support for the committee's efforts, but send a message that an unthinking act of vandalism won't deter this community from enjoying the Christmas season and celebrating it in the appropriate spirit.

OTHER VIEWS

The Texas State Board of Education is losing a voice of reason amid concern that the 15-member panel might become even more political and rigidly ideological than ever.

Let us all - most notably the elected board members - take great care to ensure a steady hand as we all move into the new year.

Monte Hasie, a Lubbock resident with a long record of demonstrated commitment to public education, is leaving the board in January. We wish him well as he returns to private life. Hasie has represented District 15 - which includes 47 counties in the Texas Panhandle and South Plains - with distinction and no small amount of courage, especially in recent years.

Hasie is being replaced by Plainview resident Judy Strickland, an ally of a growing bloc of board members who have shown a propensity to impose rigid, theological standards for school policy which, we believe, isn't always in the best interests of all the state's 3.9 million public school students.

Item: Board members David Bradley of Beaumont and Richard Neill of Fort Worth, two leaders of the religious bloc, have instigated a public feud with Education Commissioner Mike Moses, prompting Moses - a West Texan - to declare that he never again will speak with Bradley or Neill without a third board member present.

Item: The board earlier this year pulled \$43 million worth of stock from Walt Disney Co., contending that the company's taste in filmmaking isn't in keeping with the board's values. The money came out of the Permanent School Fund, which the state uses to finance public education.

Item: The religious bloc has fought with other board members

repeatedly over the type of curriculum that public schools should teach, arguing against the adoption of rigorous new standards for students that requires students to demonstrate knowledge in specific study areas.

The state returned to an elected board of education in 1987 and, in effect, turned public education policy making over to politicians who would run for the office. That is all right as far as it goes. Texans have the right to determine who should serve on their State Board of Education. Leaving these duties up to a governor's hand-picked choices puts too much power to dictate school policy in one person's hands.

The state board, however, has become a battleground that has distracted many people's attention away from education.

Monte Hasie - who describes himself as a "conservative Republican" - has fought a trend in recent years, often siding with Democrats on the board on many critical decisions.

Now that Hasie is retiring from the board, it is up to others to ensure that public education doesn't fall victim to some people's political ambition.

Judy Strickland and others on the board would do well to heed an important message coming from the just-concluded elections: Gov. George W. Bush's enormous popularity and sweeping re-election is a product of his bipartisan approach to government.

Such a philosophy is essential in public education.

Texas parents - all of whom have a tangible stake in the future of their public school system - deserve to be heard and to have their value systems honored. Accommodation - not confrontation - must be a major priority at the State Board of Education.

GLOBE-NEWS
Amarillo

Federal court in Virginia tarnishes county

Virginia's Loudoun County, best known until now for its rolling hills and handsome horse farms, may soon be memorialized as the community where the constitutional right to view child pornography, bestiality and snuff films in a public library was first established, thanks to a federal court ruling last week.

In a sweeping decision, District Court judge Leonie M. Brinkema struck down a county library policy that blocked access to sexually explicit Internet materials from public library computer terminals. Last year, the county library board voted to install special computer software on all library terminals so that computers could not serve as taxpayer-sponsored peep shows. But a group calling itself "Mainstream Loudoun" sued, arguing that the software violated the First Amendment rights of library patrons, and the judge agreed.



LINDA CHAVEZ

James Madison, the author of the First Amendment and a Virginian, must be turning in his grave. Surely he could not have imagined that the words he penned to protect political speech would one day be perverted to defend public access to pornography. In some small irony, it was during Madison's presidency that the Constitution itself was sent to Loudoun County for safekeeping during the British assault on Washington in the War of 1812. Now, it's the county that is under assault, and the Constitution is the chief weapon.

The county library board now faces a choice: Remove all Internet access from public libraries, or allow anyone who accesses the Internet on a library computer to download whatever he chooses - no matter how violent or obscene the material or how much it might offend other patrons or potentially threaten their safety.

Richard H. Black, an attorney and the author of the Loudoun County library board's Internet policy and now a member of the Virginia House of Delegates, cautions that "the sole reason that individuals access pornography is for sexual arousal." The question, he says, is "whether libraries are

appropriate places for sexual activity."

But the legal issue is whether communities have the right to prohibit such sexual activity from public spaces, especially those in which children freely roam. It is one thing to allow X-rated movie theaters and bookstores to peddle their smut to adults who pay for it themselves, but it is quite another to force taxpayers to provide the same material and worse in a county building open to persons of all ages.

For its efforts in making county libraries safe for pornography, Mainstream Loudoun has received the "intellectual freedom" award from the University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign Graduate School of Library and Information Science. This says more about the radical transformation of the library profession than it does about freedom, intellectual or otherwise.

The American Library Association, for example, opposes all efforts to filter Internet materials even for children. "Blocking material leads to censorship. That goes for pornography and bestiality, too. If you don't like it, don't look at it," ALA official Judith Krug told "Enough Is Enough," a Virginia group that opposes

Internet pornography.

"If you don't want your children to access that information, you had better be with your children when they use a computer," said Krug. Indeed, that is Mainstream Loudoun's answer as well. The group claims that its suit was not intended to prevent the library from using some Internet-blocking software. "If there is to be Internet filtering, let the adults choose in private because it is up to the parents to decide what their children can and cannot see while on line," a spokesman for the group told one local newspaper.

But most adults cannot be with their children every moment of the day and night and rarely sit beside them looking over their shoulders at the public library. Judge Brinkema and the good folks of Mainstream Loudoun couldn't care less about these parents' rights to protect their children or the community's interest in upholding standards of decency. If their radical interpretation of the First Amendment prevails, it will not only pollute the culture but debase the very liberties they claim to want to protect.

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Titanic Part II: The class angle in the story

By JEFFREY HART
Syndicated Columnist

In a recent column I reported discussing the Titanic disaster on college campuses, a subject in demand because of the exceptional popularity of the Academy award-winning movie. I observed that the disaster was the result of a dozen or so factors, and that had any one of them not gone wrong, the sinking would have been averted. I called this combination a "negative miracle." The movie does not stress this because the director James Cameron has interests that lie elsewhere.

One focus of the movie is social class, and here Cameron's treatment is at odds with history. He omits almost entirely the noble behavior of people in Titanic's first class, which is an important part of the story. Villainous Cal Hockley, the fiancé of the heroine Rose, is at the center of the movie. He is the rich young man we see most of, and therefore, becomes representative of his class.

Hockley is so pure a villain that it challenges credibility. Against the code of his gentlemanly class, he hits Rose. He breaks crockery. He tries to bribe his way into a lifeboat. He is even left handed, as we see when he tries to shoot Jack, the hero.

Such pure villains may well appear from time to time - think of Shakespeare's Iago, Edmund - but Cameron clearly intends Hockley as a representative of his class. The blue diamond Hockley bestows upon Rose once belonged to Louis XVI and undoubtedly was worn by Marie Antoinette. Both monarchs were beheaded. The suggestion is that the Hockleys of the world deserve the same revolutionary fate, indeed that the

"rich" on the Titanic deserved to go down with their floating Versailles palace. In fact, the aged Rose reports that Hockley committed suicide. Only microscopically present in the movie are the many wealthy gentlemen who "did the right thing" according to their code, and who undoubtedly would have despised Hockley.

We see, for example, Isidor Straus and his wife - they are not identified - lying on a bed in their stateroom awaiting death. Their real story is more complicated and more moving. Straus immigrated from Germany, first settled in the South, started a retail business, lost what money he had with the defeat of the Confederacy, and came north to start over. His retail business flourished in New York and became Macy's. In their 70s and now retired, the Strauses had toured Europe and were heading home on the Titanic.

As the ship sank, Mrs. Straus was allowed to board a lifeboat. She pleaded that her elderly husband be allowed to board too. First Officer Murdoch acquiesced - though there were women waiting - but Straus refused. "I will stay with the other men," he said. Then Mrs. Straus got out of the lifeboat, saying that she and her husband had been together for most of their lives and that she would stay with him now. They did not retire to their stateroom, but sat on deck chairs to listen to the band and watch the boarding.

The point here is that the upper-class gentleman's code of the time was strongly felt and rigidly enforced. It involved "setting an example" for the rest of society. One did not complain. One deferred to women. When fate went wrong, one bore it with stoicism. The code had its roots in

the military code of an earlier aristocracy, now softened for civilian use.

As in the military, one knew what conduct was "unbecoming," a deadly offense. Isidor Straus may be said to have sacrificed his wife to that code, though she did volunteer to die.

Col. John Jacob Astor, one of the most prominent men on the Titanic, also plays only a tiny role in the movie. He was no pip-squeak like Hockley. One of the richest men in New York, he was traveling with his pregnant, young second wife. She pleaded that he be allowed into the lifeboat with her, but was refused. Without complaint, Astor withdrew. Apparently, he was crushed in the sea by one of the ship's huge steel funnels.

When Benjamin Guggenheim, of the steel fortune, was denied a place in a lifeboat, he withdrew with his manservant and both put on evening clothes. He asked that his wife be informed that they had died like gentlemen, and stood at the rail smoking a cigar. The famous bridge game in the lounge went on in the first-class lounge until the ship tilted steeply for its plunge.

The wealth of these people did not drop from heaven. It came from the great post-Civil War expansion in railroads, steel, petroleum, coal and real estate that were making the United States the most powerful nation in the world.

Bruce Ismay, director of the White Star line, should have gone down with his ship, like Captain Smith. Instead, he sneaked aboard a lifeboat at the last second. He was totally ostracized in England after his return, and went into social death on his estate in northern Ireland.

Clearly, one assumption of the code was that men and women were different. Men deferred to women, and protected them. Women were supposed to civilize men.

"Titanic" would have been a better movie if Cameron had given this code its due, but he wants to project a counterideal in Jack, who appears in this context to be without social class, a Westerner from Chippewa Falls, Wis. Yet, when in a tuxedo, even Hockley remarks that he could almost "pass for a gentleman." Still he can dance and party with the merry proletarians in steerage. On top of all that, he is an artist.

This classless hero rescues Rose from suicide at the stern of the ship and transports her to liberation in the famous scene at the bow, where she stands like a figurehead with her arms spread. This is an immensely powerful scene - noncontingent joy outside all social restrictions. (I understand that cruise ships are now having trouble keeping passengers off their bows.)

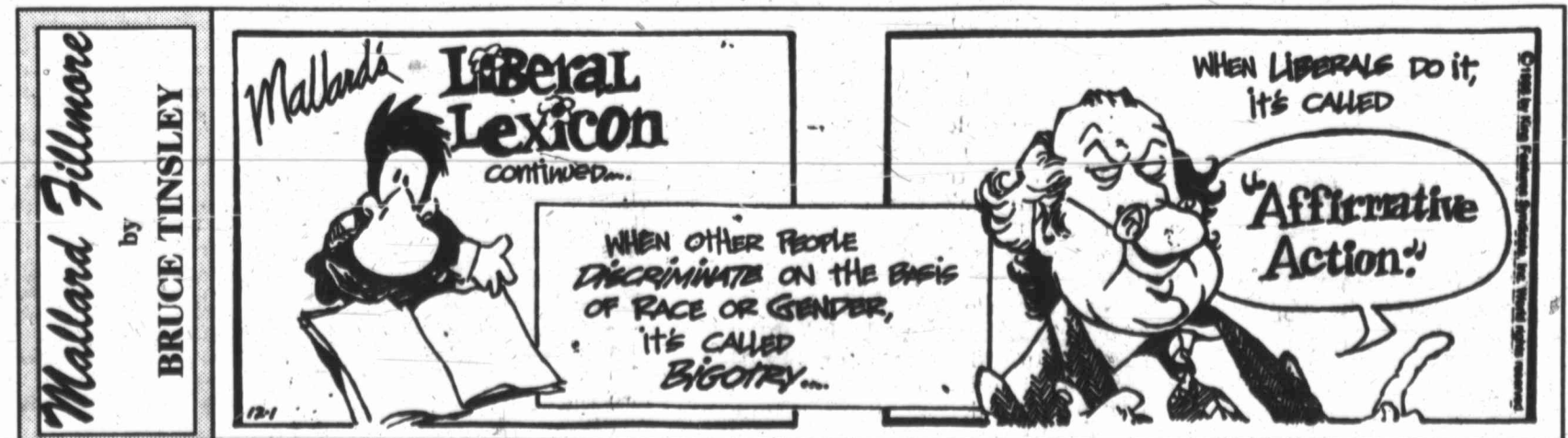
But Rose and Jack cannot sustain that sublime freedom if they get to New York. How would he earn a living? With his sketches? Where would they live? She is pregnant. They would re-enter social reality. To remain classless and free, Jack had to die. He lives as a memory for Rose.

Indeed, social existence reasserts itself as Rose's granddaughter seems to see a glimmer of romance in Bob, skipper of the underwater research vessel. But she is not Rose, and that ship is not the Titanic. Overboard goes the blue diamond.

Cameron's ideal is classless, free existence. That is nonsense. But it's a great movie anyway.

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IN BRIEF

Quarterback Club slates final meeting for tonight

The Big Spring Quarterback Club will hold its last meeting of the season at 7 tonight in the Big Spring High School Athletic Training Complex.

Final arrangements for the 1998 Football Banquet will be made and the club's officers for 1999 will be elected.

Lady Steers fresh drops decision at Sweetwater

Big Spring's Lady Steers freshmen rebounded from a sloppy first half Monday night, but couldn't overcome the 22-11 deficit they'd helped create for themselves in a 48-34 loss to Sweetwater's young Lady Mustangs.

In addition to their 41 turnovers, the Lady Steers were a mere 12-of-32 at the charity stripe.

Tejal Patel paced the Lady Steers with nine points, while Paige King had seven and Dena Cook added six. Jessi Weir had five.

The Lady Steers freshmen will open play at the Colorado City Tournament at 9 a.m. Thursday, facing Merkel.

Lady Yearlings post split facing Sweetwater teams

Runnels' Junior High's Lady Yearlings managed a split with Sweetwater's eighth-grade Lady Mustangs, taking a 28-12 win in the "A" game, while dropping a 30-17 decision in the "B" game Monday night.

Sterling Burchett and Amanda Lasater paced the "A" team to its win with six points each, while Ashley Smith had five. Courtney Brock and Stormie Huff added four points each.

In the "B" team's loss, Stacey Vaughn led the way with five points, while Rachelle Guinn and Lindsey Webb had four each.

The Lady Yearlings travel to Snyder next Monday for games set for 5 and 6:15 p.m.

BSHS football banquet scheduled for Dec. 7

The Big Spring Quarterback Club's 1998 Football Banquet has been scheduled for 7 p.m. Monday, Dec. 7, in the Big Spring High School cafeteria.

Jerry Larned from the Texas High School Coaches Hall of Fame will be guest speaker for the event.

Tickets for the banquet, priced at \$10 each, are available from members of the booster club.

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- 6:30 p.m.
- Stanton at Ozona (girls).
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- Water Valley at Forsan (girls, boys).
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- Grady at Sterling City (girls, boys).
- Post at Sands (girls, boys).

- 7 p.m.
- Brownfield at Big Spring (girls).

- 7:30 p.m.
- Big Spring at Greenwood (boys).

- 8 p.m.
- Borden County at Lubbock Cooper (girls).

PLAYOFFS

- FRIDAY:
- 7:30 p.m. — Stanton (12-1) vs. Spearman (13-0), Lowrey Field, Lubbock.
- 7:30 p.m. — Borden County (12-1) vs. Balmorhea (8-3), at Kermit.

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- COLLEGE BASKETBALL
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Young's broken leg sours 49ers' 31-7 win over Giants

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — When defensive tackle Bryant Young went down, his right leg broken and his face contorted in pain, Steve Mariucci rushed to be at his side.

"I thought it was appropriate," the San Francisco 49ers coach said. "I love that guy."

The injury to Young, a key to San Francisco's defense, soured the 49ers' 31-7 victory over the New York Giants on Monday night.

Young, who faced surgery today, is out for the season.

Replays showed Young's leg bent backward when he collided with linebacker Ken Norton Jr. as they closed in to tackle Giants quarterback Kent Graham.

"I heard a crunch," Graham said. "I heard he was obviously in pain. It's one

of those situations you hate to see a fellow football player go down like that. I told him I would be praying for him. He was hurting big-time."

Mariucci stayed at Young's side, holding his hand, until he was lifted onto a gurney and wheeled off the field. Fans gave the tackle a standing ovation as he pumped his fist.

"He's one of our truly great players and his absence will be felt," Mariucci said.

It was a victory the 49ers (9-3) should have relished, but instead the mood in the locker room was somber because of Young. The win clinched San Francisco's 16th straight winning season and kept the team a game behind first-place Atlanta in the NFC West with four games remaining.

The 49ers experimented early with a no-huddle offense, then clicked with Steve Young's touchdown passes to Terrell Owens and Irv Smith, and scoring runs by Terry Kirby and Garrison Hearst. Wade Richey added a field goal after missing his first two tries.

Steve Young finished 19-of-33 for 253 yards in a game marked by infrequent downpours and a stiff wind that swirled around the bayside stadium.

"It was a workmanlike victory," Steve Young said. "It was solid."

Graham was 21-of-41 for 237 yards for the Giants (4-8) and was intercepted once. The lone touchdown came on Gary Brown's 11-yard run in the first quarter.

"Look at the final score — I thought we played better than that," Giants coach Jim Fassel said. "These guys played

hard, I don't have any qualms about that. But we gave up some big plays."

The Giants were quick to strike. On the first play of their first possession, Graham hit Ike Hilliard with a 48-yard pass, leading to Brown's touchdown run.

The 49ers seemed off balance against the Giants' early effectiveness. Even after they recovered Graham's fumble on New York's 28, penalties kept them from getting closer than the 17 — and Richey's 41-yard field-goal attempt went wide left.

The NFL's top-ranked offense eventually kicked in. Owens caught a pass and sprinted down the sideline for a 79-yard touchdown with 2:39 left in the first quarter.

It looked for a time as though the Niners' offensive outburst was short-lived.

Lady Hawks soar, 92-41

Moore leads six Howard players in double figures

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Sports Editor

No contest. Howard College's No. 3-ranked Lady Hawks were never really threatened by Ranger Junior College's Lady Rangers, as they almost methodically rolled to a 92-41 win in non-conference basketball action Tuesday.

Simply put, the 3-7 Lady Rangers were no match for the Lady Hawks who improved to 9-1 with the victory.

It was a fact even Lady Rangers coach Claude Cummings admitted at half-time when his team was looking at the short end of a 45-20 score.

"We've got some good kids and we match up well with some people like South Plains," Cummings said, noting that two of the Lady Rangers' wins have come against the Lady Texans. "We're fundamentally sound and work hard, but we can't hang with people who've got athletes like (Howard's)."

The Lady Hawks were so dominant that coach Matt Corkery was able to freely substitute using his entire bench. As a result, every player on the Howard roster contributed to the lopsided score, six of them finishing the night in double figures.

Sophomore Latasha Moore paced the Lady Hawks attack with a game-high 17 points, while freshman guard Ashanti Nix added 14. Sophomore Karlita Washington and freshmen Zakiya Gardner and Caryn Ross added 11 points each, while freshman post Nacoi Beaudion rounded out Howard's double-digit onslaught with 10 points.

Ranger's only chance to take the lead evaporated with a missed shot on their first possession of the game.

Washington gave the Lady Hawks the game's first points and a lead they'd never relinquish with a short jumper from the baseline less than 30 seconds into the game.

And although the Lady Rangers managed to stay within three points for the first

seven minutes of play, it would shortly become a matter of just how bad the Lady Hawks wanted the final margin to be.

Ranger trimmed Howard's lead to 15-12 when freshman post Kristen Lewis drove the lane for a 3-point play and teammate Kenyatta Player hit a jumper from the paint, but the Lady Hawks responded a quick five point of their own — Moore hitting a 3-pointer and Beaudion nailing a jumper from the key, igniting a 27-3 run.

In fact, the Lady Hawks' defensive play denied Ranger another point from the field for the final 15:16 of the first half.

Any hope Ranger might have had for making a game of things in the second half evaporated when the Lady Hawks opened the final 20 minutes of play with an 11-point run. Moore doing most of the damage with a baseline jumper, a 3-pointer and a shot as she flashed into the lane, prompting Cummings to call for a timeout.

Stopping play was of little avail, however. While Ranger managed to snap the run with a 3-pointer by Tasha Toney, the Lady Hawks quickly started another 8-1 run to make it a 64-26 lead with 12:38 to play.

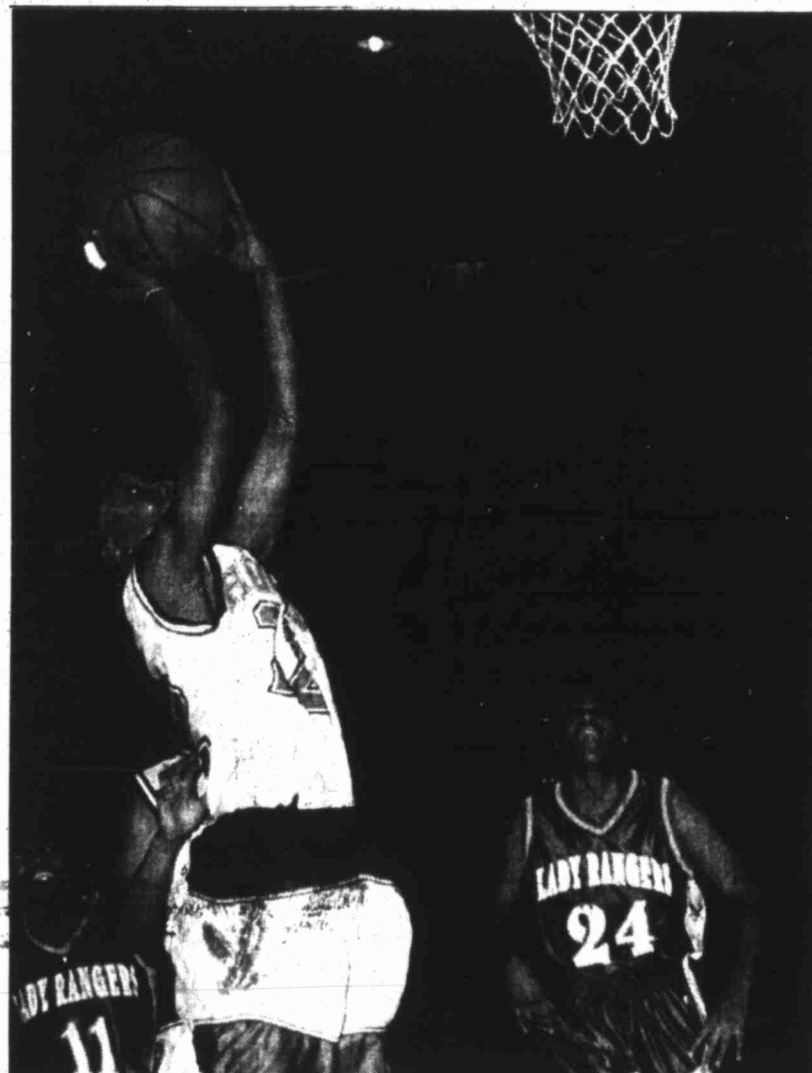
Ranger managed four straight points before Howard was again on the run, the Lady Hawks hitting for 10 more unanswered points to make it 74-28.

From there it was just a matter of mopping up, as the Lady Hawks outscored the opposition 17-13 in the final 8:12 minutes of play.

In the aftermath, about the only shortcoming Corkery could find in his team's play was its unusual 17-of-37 shooting from the free throw line, which he attributed to a loss of concentration.

"We've got to do a better job at the foul line," Corkery said. "We've been shooting our free throws at about 75 percent and were below 50 percent tonight."

"It's a matter of not relaxing and letting your concentration wane," he added. "We stress 40 minutes ... 40 minutes. If you want to win championships,



Howard Lady Hawks sophomore Karlita Washington (22) goes up and scores two of her 11 points Monday as Ranger players Nakia Johnson (11) and Kenyatta Player (24) can only look on. The Lady Hawks romped to a 92-41 win.

you have to play the entire game with intensity."

There were positives for Corkery to discuss, however, as he noted the Lady Hawks cut down on their turnovers in the second half of play and several freshmen stepped up to play pivotal roles in the rout.

"Our freshmen are beginning to adapt to the college game and getting experience in running our offense and figuring out what we're trying to do," Corkery added. "That's important because we're going to need them ... especially the kids on our bench ... to produce as the season continues. Everybody's got five or six good players, but if you want to win championships, you've got to have eight or nine that can come in and have an impact."

The Lady Hawks return to action at 7 p.m. Thursday when they play host to Hardin-Simmons University's junior

varsity and follow that with a 6 p.m. game against Odessa College's Lady Wranglers at 6 p.m. Friday.

The Friday game will be played amid the Western Junior College Athletic Conference Men's Classic being hosted by Howard's Hawks.

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Lady Hawks 92, Ranger 41
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HOWARD (92) — Ricka McKee 1 0 1 2 3, Shaketha Ashley 1 0 0 1 2, Ashanti Nix 3 2 2 5 14, Karlita Washington 4 0 3 6 11, Latasha Moore 3 3 2 2 17, Kim Robertson 1 0 0 0 2, Sharenia Charles 1 0 2 4 4, Alesha Love 1 0 2 3 4, Yolanda Grant 0 1 0 3 3, Zakiya Gardner 2 1 4 4 11, Caryn Ross 5 0 1 4 11, Nacoi Beaudion 5 0 0 3 10, Totals 27 7 17 37 92.

HalfTime Score: Howard 45, Ranger 20.
Three-point goals: Ranger 2 (Guajardo, Toney); Howard 7 (Nix 2, Moore 3, Grant, Gardner). Total Fouls: Ranger 21, Howard 23.
Fouled Out: None. Technical Fouls: None.
Records: Ranger is 3-7, Howard is 9-1.

Johnson signs with Diamondbacks, Belle with Orioles

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Baseball's list of highest salaries is getting rewritten every day. Last week, it was Mo Vaughn and Bernie Williams.

On Monday, it was Randy Johnson, who got a \$52.4 million, four-year contract with Arizona.

And today, it's Albert Belle, who finally decided to leave the Chicago White Sox and sign a \$65 million, five-year contract with Baltimore.

Belle's agent, Arn Tellem, agreed on the financial details of the contract last Friday, but the Orioles and Tellem didn't finalize the outfielder's deal until Monday — when they agreed on the extent of his no-trade clause. Belle was to be formally introduced today during a news conference at Camden Yards.

Belle's deal ties him with Mike Piazza of the New York Mets for the third-highest average salary (\$13 million) behind only Vaughn (\$13.33 million) and Johnson (\$13.1 million). It is the sixth highest in total dollars, trailing only Piazza (\$91 million), the Yankees' Bernie

Rangers reach deal with Royce Clayton

ARLINGTON (AP) — The Texas Rangers want fans to know they're still willing to field million-dollar players, even if they lost the bidding for Randy Johnson.

The team signed free-agent shortstop Royce Clayton, acquired in July from St. Louis, to a four-year, \$18 million contract that includes a \$2 million signing bonus.

Clayton expressed disappointment that Johnson would be playing for Arizona, but said Texas can look elsewhere for pitching help.

"I knew the Rangers were going after Randy," he said. "He would have been a great acquisition."

Johnson reached a \$53 million deal with the Diamondbacks. That's \$3 million more than the Rangers' offer.

Williams (\$87.5 million), Vaughn (\$80 million), Boston's Pedro Martinez (\$75 million) and the Dodgers' Gary Sheffield (\$68.5 million).

Rangers president Tom Scheiffer put the best possible spin on the bad news.

"We had a very good ballclub this morning before we got that call, and we now still have a good ballclub afterward," Scheiffer said.

Clayton hit .285 with five homers and 24 RBIs in helping the Rangers overtake Anaheim to win the AL West this year. Texas acquired him on July 31 from the St. Louis Cardinals along with pitcher Todd Stottlemyre for pitcher Darren Oliver and third baseman Fernando Tatis.

"It's like starting new and having the opportunity to establish myself — not only myself, but also I think a great chance to win and to continue winning," Clayton said. "And that is very important to me."

While Wren and Tellem finalized the contract, Belle personally called Yankees general manager Brian Cashman and White Sox general manager Ron

Schueler on Monday, asking if they still wanted him, according to a baseball source who spoke on the condition he not be identified.

Belle became a free agent because of a special clause in his \$55 million, five-year contract with the White Sox, which had three years left at \$35 million.

The contract said if he dropped out of the top three by average salary he could ask for a raise that kept him among the top three. The deal allowed him to file for free agency if the White Sox refused and Chicago balked at giving him the necessary amount, \$4.25 million over three years. But he still had the option, through Wednesday, of returning to his Chicago contract.

White Sox chairman Jerry Reinsdorf said Sunday he spoke with Belle three times last Wednesday, but refused to change his stance against a raise. Reinsdorf didn't speak with Belle on Monday, but wouldn't say if Schueler did.

"If Albert signs someplace else, we'll have a written statement," Reinsdorf said.

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rewards you deserve. You
might be inclined to indulge
your family and enjoy your
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Your high energy helps you
win. Follow your intuition and
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romance blooms in 1999.
This could be it! If attached, the
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your life together. GEMINI
plays devil's advocate.
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)
Your sense of precision
merges with your ability to
detach. Only good comes from
reaching out for others. Caring
abounds. Positive news comes
from friends. Attend a must
meeting. You will have plenty
of energy and are invigorated
by interactions and ideas.
Tonight: Talk it up.*****
TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
Excess marks communica-
tions. You go to extremes.

Others are pleased; friends
might even encourage you to
continue such behavior. You
are inspired at work, especially
when you discover a wonderful
moneymaking venture. You
accomplish a lot. Tonight: Start
holiday errands.****
GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
You are personality-plus.
Listen to feedback from a new
love interest. Work demands a
lot of attention; you could be
squeezing personal calls into an
intense day. Fortunately, you
mix them well. Make contact
with someone who is at a dis-
tance. Tonight: What you
want.*****
CANCER (June 21-July 22)
Take a deep breath and listen
to your inner voice, especially
when flooded with information.
A heart-to-heart talk perks you
up. Brainstorm about your bud-
get and investments. Heed your
instincts. Family members
could be a bit pushy; enjoy
their intensity. Tonight: Just
for you.***
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
Make it to a mandatory meet-
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den agendas, especially at
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6:30 PM	News (CC) Fortune	Simpsons Home Imp.	Science Guy Creatures	Movie: To Grandmother's House We Go	News (CC) Fortune	News (CC) Fortune	News (CC) Fortune	Roseanne Roseanne	Mi Pequeña Traviesa	Torkelsons (CC)	Waltons (CC)	Traveller	Choices (CC)	Shots! (CC)	Herald-Vice King	Law & Order (CC)	Gimme Shelter	ER (CC)	Last Word Sports News	College Bas-	Movie: Wild River (CC)	Planet Groove
7:30 PM	Home Imp. Hughes	King of the Hill Holding-Baby	Nova (CC)	er's House We Go	JAG (CC)	Home Imp. Will & Grace	Mad Abt. You Will & Grace	(05) Movie: White Fang	Vivo por Elena	Friends-AIDS	The Prime Time Country (CC)	Overnight Delivery (CC)	Movie: My Own Country	Movie: Gattaca (CC)	Light of the Southwest	Biography	Wild Discovery	Movie: Wes Craven's	Hardcore Football	ketball: Connecticut vs.	Movie: Wild River (CC)	BET Soundstage
8:30 PM	Spin City (CC) Sports Night	World Records	Disaster Eyewitness	Movie: Like Father, Like Son	Movie: Before He Wakes	Spin City (CC) Sports Night	Just Shoot Me Working (CC)	..	Desencuentro	Preacher's Wife (CC)	Evening of Country	Movie: The Package	(CC)	Inside Story	New Detectives	New Nightmare	Cowboys Sports News	Washington College	Sparks (CC) Thea	
9:30 PM	NYPD Blue (CC)	Mad Abt. You Nanny (CC)	Frontline (CC)	Santa (CC)	(CC)	NYPD Blue (CC)	Dateline (CC)	(25) Movie: A	Primer Impacto Noc.	..	Greats (CC)	(CC)	Real C.I.A.: Enemies	Movie:Glas (CC)	News Life in Word	Second Time Around	FBI Files	Movie: Wes	Gon' Deep	Basketball: Great Eight	Blacklist: Hollywood on	Comicview
10:30 PM	News (CC) Nightline	Jerry Springer (CC)	News-Lehrer (CC)	700 Club	News (CC) 3:55 Late	News (CC) Nightline	News Tonight Show	Christmas Story	P. Impacto Noticiero Uni.	Walt Disney Presents	Dallas (CC)	(8-50) Movie: No Way	Movie: Touch (CC)	..	Something Good	Law & Order (CC)	Justice Files	Craven's News	FOX Sports News	Kansas vs. Kentucky	Trial (CC) Movie:	BET Tonight
11:30 PM	Politically Inc. Hollywood	Cops (CC) Newsradio	Nature (CC)	AXN Life, Camera	Show (CC) Married...With	Ent. Tonight Politically Inc.	(32) Late	Movie: The	Al Ritmo de la Noche	Zorro (CC) Disney Album	Dukes of Hazzard (CC)	Home (CC) (35) Movie:	Hot Springs	(05) Movie: Perfect	Crystal Lyons Aquilla Nash	Biography	Wild Discovery	Nightmare	FOX Sports News	Sportscenter (CC)	Gentleman's Agreement	Sparks (CC) 227 (CC)
12:30 AM	(12:06) Ricki Lake	Judge-Brown Martin	Full Circle (CC)	Paid Program Paid Program	Late Late Show	Roseanne	Night (CC) (31) News	Night Before	Gordo y Flaca El Bialazo	Apple Dumpling	Evening of Country	Cover Me	Compromising (45) Movie:	Assassins (CC)	Faith Pleases God	Inside Story	New Detectives	Movie: The French	Last Word Ultimate	Rodeo NBA's Great	(CC) Movie: A New	Midnight Love

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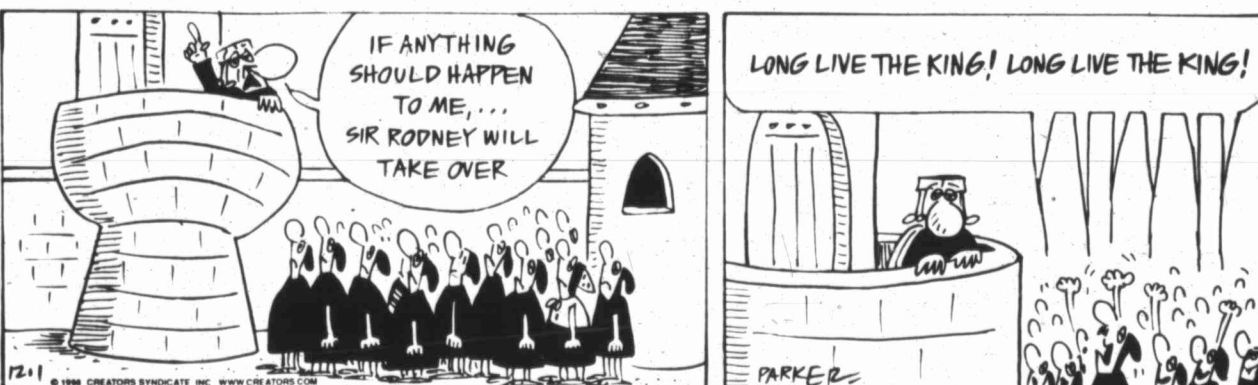
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DENNIS THE MENACE



"...AND AT NIGHT THEY KEEP ME IN HERE."

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Today is Tuesday, Dec. 1, the 335th day of 1998. There are 30

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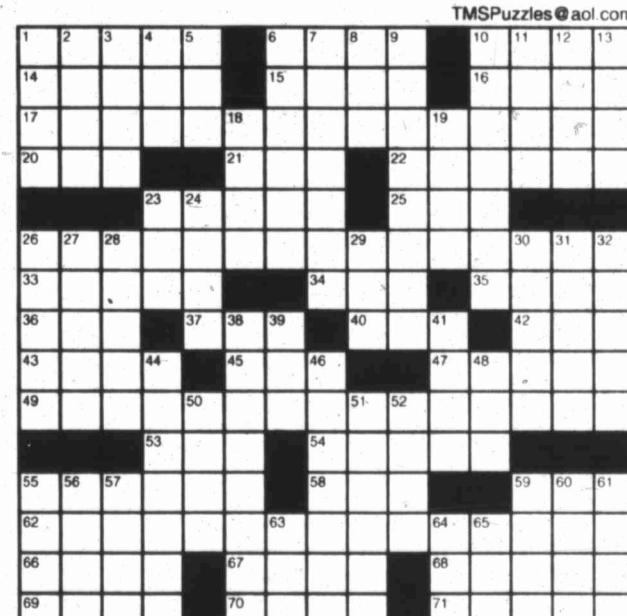
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On this date:
In 1824, the presidential election was turned over to the U.S. House of Representatives when a deadlock developed among John Quincy Adams, Andrew Jackson, William H. Crawford and Henry Clay. (Adams won.)
In 1913, the first drive-in automobile service station opened, in Pittsburgh.
In 1934, Sergei M. Kirov, a collaborator of Josef Stalin, was assassinated in Leningrad, resulting in a massive purge.
In 1942, nationwide gasoline rationing went into effect in the United States.
In 1958, the Rodgers and Hammerstein musical "Flower Drum Song" opened on Broadway.
In 1965, an airlift of refugees from Cuba to the United States began in which thousands of Cubans were allowed to leave their homeland.
In 1969, the U.S. government held its first draft lottery since World War II.
In 1973, David Ben-Gurion, Israel's first prime minister, died in Tel Aviv at age 87.
In 1990, British and French workers digging the Channel Tunnel between their countries finally met after knocking out a passage in a service tunnel.
Ten years ago: Soviet President Mikhail S. Gorbachev won nearly unanimous approval for a more dynamic political structure from the Supreme Soviet, which voted itself out of existence in favor of a new Congress of People's Deputies. Carlos Salinas de Gortari was sworn in as president of Mexico.
Five years ago: Eighteen people were killed when a Northwest Airliner commuter plane crashed in Minnesota.
One year ago: A 14-year-old youth opened fire on a prayer circle at Heath High School in West Paducah, Ky., killing three fellow students and wounding five; Michael Carneal later pleaded guilty but mentally ill. An international conference on reducing green; house gases opened in Kyoto, Japan.
Today's Birthdays: Former CIA director Stansfield Turner is 75. Actor Robert Symonds is 72. Singer Billy Paul is 64. Actor-comedian-director Woody Allen is 63. Singer Lou Rawls is 63. Golfer Lee Trevino is 59. Singer Dianne Lennon (The Lennon Sisters) is 59. Comedian-actor Richard Pryor is 58. Country musician Casey Van Beek (The Tractors) is 56. Rock singer-musician Eric Bloom (Blue Oyster Cult) is 54. Actor-comedian-director (The Doors) is 54. Actress-singer Bette Midler is 53. Singer Gilbert O'Sullivan is 52.