

THURSDAY
April 22, 1999



Howard College plans events tonight, fun day all day Friday

Phi Beta Kappa, the junior college honor society, will have an induction ceremony of new members today in the Student Union Building at Howard College at 5 p.m. followed by a music department Spring Recital directed by Adolph Labbe at 7:30 p.m.

Celebrating community college month, Howard College administrators, staff and faculty will celebrate "Don't Go To Work Unless It's Fun Day" on Friday.

Beginning at 8 a.m., faculty and staff will have fun at their jobs, and all employees will close their offices at 1 p.m. to attend the Howard College Hawks vs Odessa College Wranglers baseball game.

At the game, which begins at 2 p.m., Mayor Tim Blackshear will issue a proclamation designating April Community College Month.

Prizes will be given away during the game. Admission to this game is \$4 for adults and \$2 for students.

WHAT'S UP...

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

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

Kiwanis Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room.

Spring Dance, Canterbury, 1700 Lancaster, 7-10 p.m. Cover charge for non-residents is \$3, music by Country Classics with Chris Lamb.

Howard College music student recital, 7:30 p.m., Fireplace Room. There will be a variety of musical duets and solos.

FRIDAY
Signal Mountain Quilting Guild, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Call 267-1037 or 267-7281. Bring a lunch.

AMBUCS (American Business Club), noon, Brandin' Iron Restaurant.

Spring City Senior Citizens country/western dance, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. All seniors invited.

Tonight:



TONIGHT 55°-59°
FRIDAY 86°-89°

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Relay for Life no small jog for Big Spring endurance runner

By **DEBBIE L. JENSEN**
Features Editor

Just about everyone who takes part in Relay For Life, the American Cancer Society fundraiser, is committed to fighting the disease.

Billy Sanderson Jr. is what you might call really committed.

An endurance runner who enjoys marathons as a hobby, Sanderson has vowed to run 50 miles during the



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two-day event, set to take place May 14-15. Relay is a community campout during which participants walk or run around the track to collect pledges. Teams normally share the effort, and at least one member of each team is walking or running during the entire event.

But the average Relay participant may walk or run for a total of two hours during the 19-hour Relay. Sanderson said he expects his run to take about eight hours.

And how will he do it?

"Very slowly," said Sanderson. He's participated in Relay for Life before, but not like this, he added.

"I've been part of it, just casually."

It was Dickie Stanley, whose daughter Meagan died of leukemia, who encouraged Sanderson to give something extra to the Relay. Sanderson will be part of Stanley's team, called Meagan's Angels.

But it was also friends that convinced Sanderson his 50-mile marathon and Relay would go together well.

"Several friends of mine have done it at other Relays," he explained. "It seems like the perfect opportunity for the runner, and it's a great help to the event."

His last 50-mile "ultra marathon" was in 1996, and he had done another previously, in 1994. Sanderson said both were very difficult.

"But they left enough for me to do it

again," he said. "This time, my goal is to raise money for the Relay."

And doing that has not been as difficult as he thought.

"A lot of times, when I tell somebody what I'm doing, they offer to give me a dollar a mile just to see if I can do it."

Fifty teams have signed up to participate in Relay for Life. In addition, 29 teams have joined a golf tournament this weekend that also benefits the event.

Call Larry at Big Spring Country Club, 267-5354, to join in the golf tournament. To organize a team for Relay, call Wanda at 263-7180 or 267-1314, Kathy at 267-6919 or 267-1314, or Gloria at 263-4835 or 263-7616.



World War II prisoners of war Ernie Boyd, left and Buck Turner tied a yellow ribbon around a tree on the grounds of the Veterans Administration Medical Center today, in honor of the three U.S. servicemen captured in Kosovo April 1. About 50 other veterans, their family members and staff and personnel of the hospital followed the ceremony by tying ribbons in the trees on the grounds. Other WWII POWs on hand for the event were Will Sublett, Winford Joiner and Sidney Dunn.

Community

Chamber puts returned trade route funds into Port-to-Plains strategy

By **MARSHA STURDIVANT**
Staff Writer

Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce directors learned Wednesday the \$9,500 left from an attempt at funding an I-27 trade route was received from San Angelo and will be applied to current efforts.

"In executive board, we met and decided to put this money on the Port-to-Plains Corridor effort," said chamber president Chuck Williams.

"This is a very good use of this money and it was gathered for this purpose. I believe it is good that we are continuing this project," Williams said.

Moore Development for Big Spring has agreed to finance the remainder of the dues for Howard County, about \$17,000, which includes the city and county portions, he said.

Williams said the county will be refunded their contribution



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made several months ago. "But after this it will be up to the city and county to keep us in good standing," Williams said.

Directors also approved replacing Paulette Mason with Cary Brown as a member of the board.

Mason has submitted her resignation, citing family commitments, and Brown, administrator for the Veterans Administration Medical Center, has agreed to fulfill the remainder of her term, which ends in December.

"Cary has graciously said he will come back in and fulfill that position. I believe it is good to have someone from the federal side," Williams said.

Directors were also presented with two flags from area elected officials.

U.S. Rep. Charles Stenholm, D-Stanford, bestowed a United States flag upon the group, after he learned the Chamber of Commerce did not have one.

"It has recently come to my attention you find yourselves without a flag for the Pledge of

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Big Spring to get revved up over car show this weekend

By **MARSHA STURDIVANT**
Staff Writer

A shiny sea of chrome, sleek paint and plush upholstery swells the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum this weekend for the 28th annual Big Spring Car Show.

And whether it's '65 Mustangs or '64 T-Birds, '57 Chevys or Model As, the car show, sponsored by Early Cars and Big Spring Rod and Custom, offers something for everyone, organizers promise.

"We're inviting everyone to come to the car show, take a trip down memory lane if they like and help raise money for the thermal imaging camera," said David Clinkscales, president of the rod and custom car

club. Admission to the event is \$6 for adults, \$3 for children 7-12. Children younger than 6 are admitted free with an adult.

For each donation of two cans of food, spectators may reduce the cost of one admission ticket by \$1.

"All the canned foods will be donated to Helping Hands this year. And a portion of the proceeds of the show will be given toward the purchase of the thermal imaging camera," Clinkscales said.

A rare treat for car enthusiasts will be the inclusion of a rare 1964 Ford Thunderbolt. Clinkscales said in the early 1960s, Ford Motor Company manufactured factory race cars. "This rare car will be here

BIG SPRING CAR SHOW

When: 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday

Where: Dorothy Garrett Coliseum

Admission: \$6 adults, \$3 children (donation of two canned goods reduces cost by \$1)

from Plains," he said. Local musicians "The Wild Texans" will perform Saturday from 2-6 p.m. and Sunday 1:30-4 p.m., he said.

And the RC Car Club will have their monthly races in the coliseum parking area, free of charge.

"This is the local radio controlled car club, and we're excited to have them joining with us

in this event," Clinkscales said. Event T-shirts will be on sale, and a concession stand will be open. Proceeds from those activities will also go toward purchasing a thermal imaging camera for the Big Spring Fire Department.

On Saturday the show will be open from 10 a.m. until 8 p.m. Sunday's hours are 10 a.m. until 5 p.m.

The event last year brought more than 1,300 spectators. At least that many are expected at this event, organizers said.

Clinkscales said more than 60 entries are expected, including an array of high-profile, customized Harley Davidson motorcycles.

The show will offer an opportunity for 28 classes or categories of vehicles. Spectators may vote for a people's choice award. The winner will be honored with a four-foot trophy.

Also, show participants will vote on the best of each of the 28 classes, and trophies will be awarded for first and second place.

"We've had a beautiful Jag

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Ag Research Center scientist to take wind erosion control practices to the next level

By **BILL McCLELLAN**
News Editor

Big Spring Agricultural Research Service has a new scientist and should have another within a few months, said Dr. Dan Upchurch, director of the USDA's ag research station in Lubbock.

Dr. Scott van Pelt, who began his duties here in late March, will continue to develop wind erosion control practices — specifically control practices for dryland production with an emphasis on the economic aspect, said Upchurch.

"Scott is going to be a valuable addition for us," Upchurch said.

Van Pelt is a graduate of New Mexico State University with a Ph.D. in soil science. He had been employed as a research

scientist with INTERA, Inc. before moving from Carlsbad, N.M., to Big Spring.

He is one of two scientists who will be continuing the work of Bill Fryrear and J.D. Bilbro, who both retired within the past year.

"Scott is kind of the next phase, taking off where Bill and J.D.'s program has been, and moving in the next direction," said Upchurch.

He follows some well-recognized talent, Upchurch said. "The culmination of the previous work has been the release of the revised wind erosion equation: It is a computer model that Bill and his team developed over a period of time. The RWEQ (Revised Wind Erosion Equation) has been released and is available to the world through an Internet site,"

said Upchurch. "That manual has been downloaded over 400 times and the code for the computer model has been downloaded 300 times since Sept. 30, 1998. That is an extremely large number and indicates the acceptance of that model by the scientific community."

Upchurch said van Pelt will be expanding on their findings, as well as taking the information into the field where it can be put to practical use.

"What I'm pushing is not to neglect what was being studied, but to include cropping systems in the research. Our goal is to not only look at wind erosion practices, but practices that fit production — with the limited rainfall, mainly taking into consideration cotton — prac-

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Dr. Scott van Pelt has been hired as a soil scientist with the Agricultural Research Service in Big Spring. A second scientist is expected to be hired this summer.

OBITUARIES

Manette Ussery

A memorial service for Manette Ussery, 66, Big Spring, was at 2 p.m. today, April 22, 1999, at the Veterans Administration Medical Center Chapel with Chaplain Dean Thomas officiating.

Mrs. Ussery died Tuesday, April 20, at the VA Medical Center following a long illness. She was born on Feb. 23, 1933, in Allen, Okla. She grew up in Allen and graduated from Allen High School. She was a veteran of the US Air Force, serving from Jan. 28, 1954 to Dec. 10, 1956. Upon her discharge from the Air Force, she married James W. Ussery, Sr. on June 23, 1955, in Allen, Okla. Mrs. Ussery moved to Big Spring where she lived until she moved to Big Spring in 1974.

She is survived by: her husband, James W. Ussery, Sr. of Big Spring; one daughter, Karan Gilbert of Big Spring; one son, James Walter Ussery, Jr. of Big Spring; seven grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Arrangements under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

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Allegiance," Stenholm said in a letter written to the board members.

"It has also been made known to me that despite the lack of a United States flag, board members recite the pledge anyway. I was deeply moved by your patriotism and as a gesture of my appreciation of your commitment and love of country would like to present you with this United States flag. How over our nation's capital Feb. 8, 1999," Stenholm said.

And Frances Wheat, district office director for Sen. Robert Duncan, R-Lubbock, presented the board members with a Texas flag, to commemorate Big Spring Day in Austin.

"This was flown over the capitol," Wheat said.

Richard Steel, vice president for governmental affairs, said Big Spring Day in Austin was well received, and those attending all reported having an excellent time.

"There was excellent, excellent response and we had a really great event. This took a lot of work to put together, but everything went very, very smooth

and Austin was pretty impressed," Steel said.

He said many people in Austin, both those employed in state government, and other visitors, remarked on the number of residents who attended, and on the diversity of activities.

"This windfall will be seen in many years to come," he said.

Also, the Up With People event earlier this month netted about \$1,000 for the chamber in ticket sales.

"We sold out, 1,400 seats, and I believe we did really well, since San Antonio only sold 700 seats," said Terri Newton, executive vice president.

Many chamber-sponsored activities are planned within the community during the next month. A membership drive is set for April 29, and a community luncheon and seminar are set for May 12.

Leadership Big Spring graduation is May 20.

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XKE owned by a local businessman, and a \$60,000 Porsche. Also Corvettes," Clinkscales said.

Some of the classes expected to have entrants are pickups, street machines, street rods, race cars, open cars, closed cars and T-buckets.

"We never really know how many classes we will have until everyone shows up," he said.

Clinkscales said preserving automotive history is one reason so many individuals and families get involved in car clubs.

And that same reason, an appreciation for automotive history, is one reason many people attend car shows.

"We do this to bring back memories. It is getting harder and harder to find cars like you will see at our show," Clinkscales said.

The national trend is to crush vehicles older than 10 years, instead of storing old cars in working yards, he said.

"The need for space, as well as the ability to recycle the metal has eliminated the vehicle graveyards of the past, he said.

30 years ago, wrecking yards kept an abundance of old cars, which were often used to retrieve old parts. But today, in our throw-away society, so many cars are being crushed and recycled, and parts for older cars are becoming harder and harder to find," Clinkscales said.

This show, now in its 28th year, began under the direction of the Early Cars, a long-time car club that has a small membership today.

"To be a member of Early Cars, you have to have a pre-1949 vehicle that is running and that you are able to drive," Clinkscales said.

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uses that will be economically viable for the producer."

"We can control a fair amount of the soil with tillage, but after a rain storm that tends to change the surface and breaks loose material off the aggregate that will be caught by the wind," said van Pelt. "We can't stop the wind, but we can change the soil's characteristics so the soil doesn't move. The trick is to find a way to do it that's most effective."

"This is a real challenge — how to stop wind erosion and still get water into the crops," said van Pelt, who worked as an independent crop consultant in New Mexico. "I'm not the typical bonehead scientist. I have a background in agricultural production," he said.

Van Pelt and a soon-to-be-hired second scientist will be working with 21 scientists in Lubbock as part of an overall

program that includes plant stress and water conservation. The program is a partnership including the Agricultural Research Service, Texas Tech University and the Texas A&M University system agricultural program, which includes Texas A&M, West Texas A&M, the extension service and agricultural experiment stations.

One part of the study will be abrasion of plants, from a management and genetic standpoint. One determination will be whether plants can be modified to be more resistant to sand abrasion, said Upchurch.

Upchurch said he is currently reviewing nine other applicants to fill the other scientist position at the Big Spring facility. He hopes to hire someone within a month, though that person's arrival here may take longer.

Museum members will meet tonight

Heritage Museum members will meet tonight at the McDowell Ranch for their annual dinner. It begins at 6 p.m.

This year's guest speaker will be Ross F. McSwain, a freelance writer and public relations consultant with a background in farming and ranching. He is the author of five books and serves as president of the Tom Green County Historical Society.

REUNIONS

THE CLASS OF 1969 will be having a class reunion on Oct. 15-16. We are searching for the following graduates:

Steven Aubrey Austin, Ruth Bailey (Collins), Shirley Baldock, Douglas Ball, Rhonda Barger, Warren Bell, Jessie Ladd Bennett, Linda Gall Benson, Brenda Bradbury, Dwight Brown, James Brown, Kenny Brown, Mike Brumley, Sherry Buford, Allen Bunn, Mary Beth Burcham, Phillip Burchett, Bobbie Beatrice Byrd, Allen Carlile, Candace Carothers, Jimmy Ray Carter, Robert Michael Carter, Yvette Casillas (Padilla), Lucy Cervantes, Mary Lucy Cervantes (Sotello), Ema Chavez, Tim Childress, Gwen Clark, John Douglas Cockerham, Elodia Corrales (Cherry), Kathryn Crenshaw (Milch), Benjamin Rush Crocker, Joann Davis, Alanda Deans, James Dement, Robert Christy Deming, Glenda Kay Digby, Robert Domino, Janie Duke, Rodney Dunman, Callan Elliott, Debra Miller Erhardt, Michael Evans, Clifton Ray Fidler, Pattie Lue Finke, Marva Elizabeth Foster, Debbie Fritz, Larry Froman, Dicky Wayne Gibson, Wanda Sue Gipson, Corky Grantham (Burcham), Darwin Griffith, Kerry Gunnels, Nancy Jo Hall, Thomas Ham, Theresa Heard, Bill Henry, Selestino Hernandez, David Hilario, Iascuila Hilario, Luis Hinojos, Arthur Huse, Carlton Campbell Jackson, Johnny James, Doris Ann Jenkins, Deborah Ann Jensen, Nancy Kasch, Juanice Ann Key, Linda Key, Charles Kimble, Bertha Kirk, Victoria Lynn Knoepfel, Susan Lawhon, Mary Francis Lee, Roy Legg, Kenneth Charles Le Roy, Barbara Long, Roberta Hazel Marks, Juanita Mata, Gerald Matin, Carolyn McMurtrey, Wanda Jane Mesimer, Gene Willard Meyers, Earsie Jean Miller, Thomas Molina, Carolyn Ann Montgomery, Karen Marie Moore, Irene Munoz (McCurdy), Sherry Muse, Coleman Nalls, Garland Newton, Larry Newton, Doris Virginia Noble, Jane Ovalle, John Pannel, Ralph Passmore,

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Please contact Shelane Parnell Roberts at 267-2798 or 267-5858 if you have any information on these graduates.

Howard SWCD annual event tonight

Howard Soil & Water Conservation District will hold its annual awards dinner at 6:30 p.m. today at La Posada Restaurant.

Outstanding conservationist will be recognized, as will winners of the annual poster contest.

BRIEFS

THE 36TH MOORE COMMUNITY and school reunion will be Saturday from 2 to 4 p.m. in the 14th & Main Church of Christ fellowship hall.

All current and former residents, teachers, ex-students and their descendants are part of the Moore reunion.

The Moore community is still thriving. The school district itself began in 1906 and ended in 1949 when the school building burned. The district was then divided into Knott, Center Point and Big Spring school districts, therefore, actual students, teachers and trustees are few and far between. Hopefully we will have a great group of current and former residents at our reunion.

THE NO PLACE LIKE Home Seminar will be presented at Region 18 Education Service Center Wednesday, April 28, from 8 a.m. to noon. The free seminar is for people to learn more about planning services for families and some-one with developmental disabilities. Anyone with an interest in serving people with disabilities is invited to attend. To register, contact Joanne Mundy at (915)683-9492. or kelley.knight@hhs.state.tx.us by April 20.

MARKETS

May cotton 57.25 cents, up 3 points; June crude 17.90, down 2 points; cash hogs steady at 50 cents lower at \$0.50; cash steers steady at 65 even; June lean hog futures 55.65, down 7 points; June live cattle futures 63.55, up 5 points.

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POLICE

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following incidents between 8 a.m. Wednesday and 8 a.m. today:

• THEFT was reported in the 1800 block of Scurry, 2300 block of Wason and 700 block of West Fourth.

• DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported in the 800 block of Rosemont.

• JOEY GOMEZ, 31, was arrested for county warrants and evading arrest.

• JEANNIE VERHOEVEN, 26, was arrested for county warrants.

• DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED was reported at the police station.

• BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE was reported in the 200 block of West Marcy.

• CREDIT CARD ABUSE was reported in the 400 block of Birdwell.

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• CLIFTON GRIFFIN, 54, was arrested for public intoxication.

• BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported in the 200 block of West Fourth and 1200 block of East Third.

• DISTURBANCE/FIGHT was reported in the 1800 block of East Marcy and 800 block of West Eighth.

• CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 1600 block of Martin Luther King Boulevard.

• MICHAEL BAKER, 33, was arrested for public intoxication.

• WILLIAM JOHNSON, 40, was arrested for assault/family violence.

• CASEY IVIE, 20, was arrested for local warrants.

• HEATHER MCNEW, 23, was arrested for local warrants.

• CHRISTOPHER ROBERTS, 21, was arrested for public intoxication.

• KEVIN DUNLAP, 22, was arrested for public intoxication.

SHERIFF

The Howard County Sheriff's Department reported the following between 8 a.m. Wednesday and 8 a.m. today:

• EARL PERRY HANKE, 40, was arrested for motion to revoke probation of enhanced driving while license suspended.

FIRE/EMS

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

WEDNESDAY

1:22 a.m. — 2600 block Scurry, trauma call, patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

2:32 a.m. — 1500 block E. 11th, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

2:49 p.m. — 3200 block Parkway, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

5:12 p.m. — 2700 block Wason, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

9:33 p.m. — 1000 block Stadium, trauma call, patient transported to SMMC.

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MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL 24th & Johnson 267-8288 Manette Ussery, 66, died Tuesday. Memorial services 2:00 PM today at the VA Medical Center Chapel.

NALLEY-PICKLE & WELCH Funeral Home Trinity Memorial Park and Crematory 806 Gregg St. (915) 267-6391 Edythe LaLonde Diley, 85, died Monday. Graveside services were 1:00 PM Thursday at Trinity Memorial Park.

James "Ed" Settles, 90, died Monday. Services were 10:00 AM Thursday at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church. Interment followed at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

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House OKs bill to spend tobacco money

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas would spend about \$1.8 billion of its historic settlement with tobacco companies on efforts to reduce smoking, pay for emergency and rural health care and boost cancer research under a package of bills given preliminary approval Wednesday by the House.



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"This sets up a plan for health care across the board for Texas, not just in the short term but in the years to come," said Rep. Rob Junell, D-San Angelo, sponsor of the bills and chairman of the House Appropriations Committee.

"It would be easy just to go out and spend all this money now, but what this state has done is set up funds," he said.

Permanent endowments created under the bill would include: —\$200 million for a pilot project aimed at reducing smoking in Texas.

—\$400 million for higher education to benefit medical research, health education or treatment programs.

—\$600 million for research and other programs benefiting public health at facilities such as the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio (\$200 million) and the M.D. Anderson Cancer Center in Houston (\$100 million).

—\$150 million for a Children and Public Health fund.

—\$100 million for a fund for emergency and trauma care and about \$50 million to help improve rural health care facilities.

The bills are expected to be given final approval by the House today and sent to the Senate for consideration.

House tentatively raises speed limit

AUSTIN (AP) — Texans could be cruising down some rural highways at 75 mph under a bill given tentative approval Wednesday by the Texas House.

Legislation by Rep. Pete Gallego would apply to cars, motorcycles and light trucks on state and federal highways outside urban districts that currently have a daytime maximum speed limit of 70 mph.

The Alpine Democrat also sponsored an amendment, which was approved, that would raise the speed limit to 80 mph on interstate highways traveling east to west in counties with populations under 25,000.

Under Gallego's bill, all changes would be subject to approval by the Texas Department of Transportation.

Rep. Carl Isett, R-Lubbock, also tried to pass an amendment that would equalize speed limits for all vehicles, including heavy trucks.

"Evidence shows that there are more likely to be wrecks when there is a difference in speed among cars and big trucks," said Isett. "It is safer to equalize the speed limits."

He withdrew his amendment, however, after it incited debate on the floor by members such as Rep. Sherri Greenberg.

"We have laws establishing different speed limits for cars and large trucks because of the time it takes to brake and stop for larger vehicles," the Austin Democrat said.

The bill will need to be given final approval by the House before it can be sent on to the Senate.

\$100 million appropriated for student aid

AUSTIN (AP) — Qualified students would be eligible for \$100 million in grants for public, private and independent universities and colleges under legislation given tentative approval Wednesday by the Texas House.

Under the Gateway to the Future Grant Program, top priority would be given to students with the greatest financial need.

"Not only will this program provide funding for economically disadvantaged students, but it also ensures preparation and it targets young students so that they may begin to prepare for college early on in their educational careers," said bill sponsor Rep. Henry Cuellar, D-Laredo.

Bill supporters pointed to statistics that student tuition and fees accounted for about 14 percent of total university revenue in 1986 in Texas. A decade later, however, students' portion had risen to 21 percent.

"The cost of education has shifted over from the state to the student," Cuellar said.

Debate erupted on the floor, however, when Rep. Arlene Wohlgemuth, R-Burleson, called for an amendment that would call for the program to expire in September 2001.

"I am not arguing the merits of the program; my concern is just that if we have an economic downturn — or a fallout from Y2K — our money will be severely limited," she said. "Two years is all we can responsibly budget for."

Her amendment was narrowly shot down by supporters like Rep. Irma Rangel.

"Let's tell students we want to assist with their education, and not just give them half an education," the Kingsville Democrat said.

The general appropriations bill as passed by the House includes an additional \$100 million for scholarships, which could be used to fund the Gateway to the Future program.

Texas now provides about \$122 million in grants and scholarships. Currently, about 40 percent of Texas college and university students receive some form of need-based financial aid, usually in the form of loans.

Motive, more suspects sought in killing spree

LITTLETON, Colo. (AP) — Schools across Jefferson County reopen today for the first time since Tuesday's bloodbath, but Columbine High School is a complicated crime scene that could take weeks to canvass and clean up.

Columbine's students are victims, witnesses and potential suspects; some may never return to the suburban Denver campus.

With the bodies of the 15 victims finally removed from the school, investigators turned their attention to the community, interviewing acquaintances, classmates and relatives of the gunmen to find out why they did it — and who else might be involved.

Eric Harris, 18, and Dylan Klebold, 17, killed themselves in a second-story library after roaming the halls of their high school with sawed-off shotguns, a semiautomatic rifle, pistol and homemade bombs stuffed with nails and shotgun shells. They left behind such a pile of ammunition and explosives that authorities wondered whether they had help.

"That's a lot for two boys to carry," said Sheriff John Stone, who said it's possible there were others involved in making the bombs or bringing them to school.

"It was at least a conspiracy between two people. How much broader than that I do not know," said District Attorney Dave Thomas.

U.S. Attorney General Janet Reno arrived in Denver on Wednesday to talk about how to avert the next school shooting.

"We've got to get the guns out of the hands of young people," Reno said before leaving for Colorado. "We've got to make sure they have the counseling, the support to help them come to grips with the anger of their life when it occurs."

Authorities still aren't sure — or aren't saying — where the boys obtained their guns; they made the bombs from materials that could have been bought at most hardware stores.

It was already clear, however, that the string of school shootings in Kentucky, Oregon and elsewhere will be tough to stop.

This week's attack inspired a copycat act by teenagers on Wednesday, although there were no weapons involved: Four teens were charged with trespassing in Colorado Springs after arriving at a school in trench coats and masks.

"The suspects were mocking yesterday's events," a police statement said.

Other schools in Jefferson County are reopening today with tightened security. Officers and school staff plan "sweeps" and greater security at entrances and exits.

Producers: Oil price rebound won't cure industry

MIDLAND (AP) — After months, dozens of oil pumps across the fields of West Texas have resumed their familiar bobbing motion and customers are once again groaning when they swerve into gas stations for a fill-up.

Oil prices went above the \$18-a-barrel mark this week for the first time in 15 months, signaling that the oil industry may be on the rebound. At the pump, prices have slowly increased 25 percent over the last three weeks — from as low as 80 cents a gallon to over \$1.10 per gallon at some stations.

"You had to enjoy it while it lasted, because you know it can never last forever," Matt Reed said as he filled up his pickup truck at \$1.12 per gallon. "But I'm happy for those people who

actually work in the oil industry. If it helps them, I'm willing to pay a little more that I have been."

The increases were sparked by reports that The Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries will take 2 million barrels of production a day off the market.

An oversupply of oil led to an eight-month drop in oil prices, during which prices plummeted near \$8 a barrel.

In February, the number of rigs actively exploring for oil and natural gas in the United States plunged to an all-time low of 562.

Small company owners say the worst of the crisis seems over.

"It may not be completely over, but at least we have some

breathing room," said Ernest Angelo, owner of Enerstar Resources. "Right now we're not too far above the survival level. We could stand for prices to go higher still."

Ted Collins, owner of Collins and Ware Inc., expressed hope the industry rebound will last.

"The prices show that people are beginning to believe this is going to last," Collins said. "In this industry you never know, but if the oversupply is kept down, prices should stay up enough for people to continue to pump."

Even if the prices continue to rise, owners say the oil industry infrastructure has been devastated — maybe beyond repair.

"It will be a long time if ever before the industry recovers," Angelo said. "Companies have

been ruined, jobs that have been lost, people have left the industry to do something else. The infrastructure may never be the same."

Roger Bannion, owner of Bannion Oil near Midland, said he doesn't think he will be able to hire enough workers to make his fields productive again.

"We had massive layoffs three months ago and there is just no way to put up a sign that says, 'O.K., now everyone come back.'"

"Those people have gone on to other things and aren't going to come back, especially if they've found a job with greater stability."

Angelo said the OPEC bailout shows that the U.S. oil industry still needs to push for greater reliance on domestic oil.

USDA defends handling of crop insurance system

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Agriculture Department on Wednesday defended the federally subsidized crop insurance program against accusations by the agency's internal watchdog that the program is riddled with errors and fraud.

"We run a clean program," Ken Ackerman, administrator of USDA's Risk Management Agency, told the Senate Agriculture Committee. "It is cleaner or as clean as any (insurance) program run in the private sector."

A report last month by USDA's inspector general said the insurance system was prone to abuse because taxpayers bear most of the risk for losses, not the private companies selling and servicing the policies.

The report said insurance claims frequently are rubber-stamped by adjusters to keep producers from dropping out of the program. The companies keep a share of the premiums that farmers pay. The report also cited cases in which sales agents worked for the farmers to whom they sold insurance.

"We have instance after instance in all parts of the country ... where we find problems," said James Ebbitt, the assistant inspector general in charge of audits.

Ackerman conceded that the report painted "a very damning picture." But he said it "presents only part of the picture" and he criticized the report as containing several factual errors.

Last year, the department increased the financial risk to the private companies that handle the policies and reduced the fees they receive, Ackerman said.

The program costs the government \$1.4 billion a year. Congress is considering doubling that by 2001 to make the coverage cheaper for producers and to expand the insurance to more crops and even livestock.

Over the past four years, the government has paid \$5.4 billion to farmers, while the companies have received \$2.8 billion in administrative fees and profits on the business.

Sen. Kent Conrad, D-N.D., expressed alarm at the size of the companies' earnings. "It seems way out of line to me," he said.

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We are a nation clouded in discrimination

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OUR VIEWS

Foresight of men years ago keeps us in water now

The value of the foresight of those men who gathered 50 years ago at the Settles Hotel to form what we now know as the Colorado River Municipal Water District was never more evident than a couple of weeks ago.

That's because Tom Massey, an advisory member of the CRMWD board representing contract city San Angelo, told board members on April 14 that his city would soon begin a water conservation program that included a restriction on the times when lawns could be watered.

Midland, also a contract city, also has a similar program, although it is strictly voluntary.

A day later, though, the Colorado City Record reported "Water rationing planned May 1" in the lead story of its April 15 edition.

Colorado City officials will start with an even-odd watering plan that limits the watering of lawns to just four hours daily, again based on an even-odd rotation. Because of rapidly dropping levels in Lake Colorado City and Champion Creek Reservoir, city officials approved a \$200 fine for repeat offenders and said they will restrict watering to just one day per week if the daily usage is not curtailed.

And the water in Lake Colorado City is so low that TU Electric is in discussions with CRMWD to purchase water to flow into the lake so that it might continue to operate its Morgan Creek power station.

Yes, despite recent rains, we are still in the throes of a drought.

Wire stories that talk about a two-inch rain breaking the drought are as far off base as someone trying to grow sugar cane in Howard County.

Yes, we need more rain. Just as CRMWD's founders did 50 years ago, current board members are looking to the future.

District officials are exploring options for developing additional water sources for West Texas — none being inexpensive.

In addition, the district has contracted with Freese & Nichols to conduct a study on the re-use of water in the cities of Big Spring, Midland, Odessa, Snyder and San Angelo in an effort to stretch our existing water supply.

While Colorado City and Midland and San Angelo are implementing various restrictions on the usage of water, we feel it is important to note that since its first delivery of water in 1952, CRMWD has never restricted the use of water to its member cities or customers.

It makes you wonder if Colorado City and Midland would ever want to rethink their decision so many years ago that they had adequate water supplies and didn't need CRMWD?

It certainly makes you appreciate the long-range planning abilities of those men who gathered at the Settles to look into the a new Millenium that they probably couldn't even imagine, yet we are getting ready to enter.

YOUR VIEWS

TO THE EDITOR:

The Texas Natural Resources Conservation Commission along with the American Water Works association are considering changing the classification of all lawn sprinkler systems from "low hazard" to "high health hazard" and requiring annual testing of all lawn sprinkler systems.

It takes six steps, five simultaneously, for a standard "low hazard" lawn sprinkler systems to contaminate the city water system.

In an Internet search, nation wide, covering the 1970s to the 1990s, we were unable to find any lawn sprinkler system contaminating a city water system and this was also corroborated by a major company that produces all types of backflow prevention devices.

It would have been to their

financial benefit to have reported at least one case, particularly one without a backflow prevention device.

Under the reclassification, new lawn sprinklers would require the "high hazard" backflow prevention device at an added cost of \$250 to \$300 and above ground.

An old "low hazard" device failing annual testing would have to be replaced by a "high hazard" device at a cost of \$400 to \$600. Annual testing of all systems cost \$30 to \$60.

Unless you want to incur this cost, if this policy is adopted state wide, contact your state representative representative in the Texas State Legislature, post haste. Recommend you attach this article to your letter.

COLIN J.N. CHAURET COLONEL, USAF RETIRED UNIVERSAL CITY

If the Clinton administration has its way, soon practically everyone in America will be a member of one or another "protected class" covered by specific anti-discrimination laws. Women, blacks, Hispanics, Asians, Native Americans, immigrants, the elderly and the disabled are already protected by laws forbidding discrimination on the basis of race, ethnicity, national origin, age and disability. Now the administration wants to broaden definitions under existing categories and add some surprising new ones, as well.

Last week, White House officials floated ideas for a new federal law forbidding employers to discriminate against parents. The proposed bill, which will be introduced in the Senate in the next few weeks, would allow parents to sue if they thought an employer had failed to hire or promote them

if they limited their working hours in order to spend time with their children, for example. The administration has also filed briefs in two cases that will be heard next week by the Supreme Court, which would drastically broaden the definition of disability to include well over one third of all Americans who suffer from correctable medical problems such as near-sightedness or high blood pressure. And the administration is also on record as favoring laws to forbid discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation.

What's wrong with including so many more categories under our civil rights laws? To answer that question, it's important to remember how the federal government got involved with forbidding discrimination in the first place. After all, discriminating — the act of distinguishing between certain things, people or behavior — is something all of us do all the time, usually for good and proper reasons. When Congress passed the Civil Rights Act of 1964, however, it outlawed a specific kind of discrimination — based on race (sex was thrown in by a Southern senator who hoped it would kill the bill, and religion was added almost as an afterthought) — which was not only

irrational but which government itself had wrongly perpetuated. Congress' authority for outlawing racial discrimination was the Commerce Clause of the Constitution, under the theory that such discrimination interfered with interstate commerce.

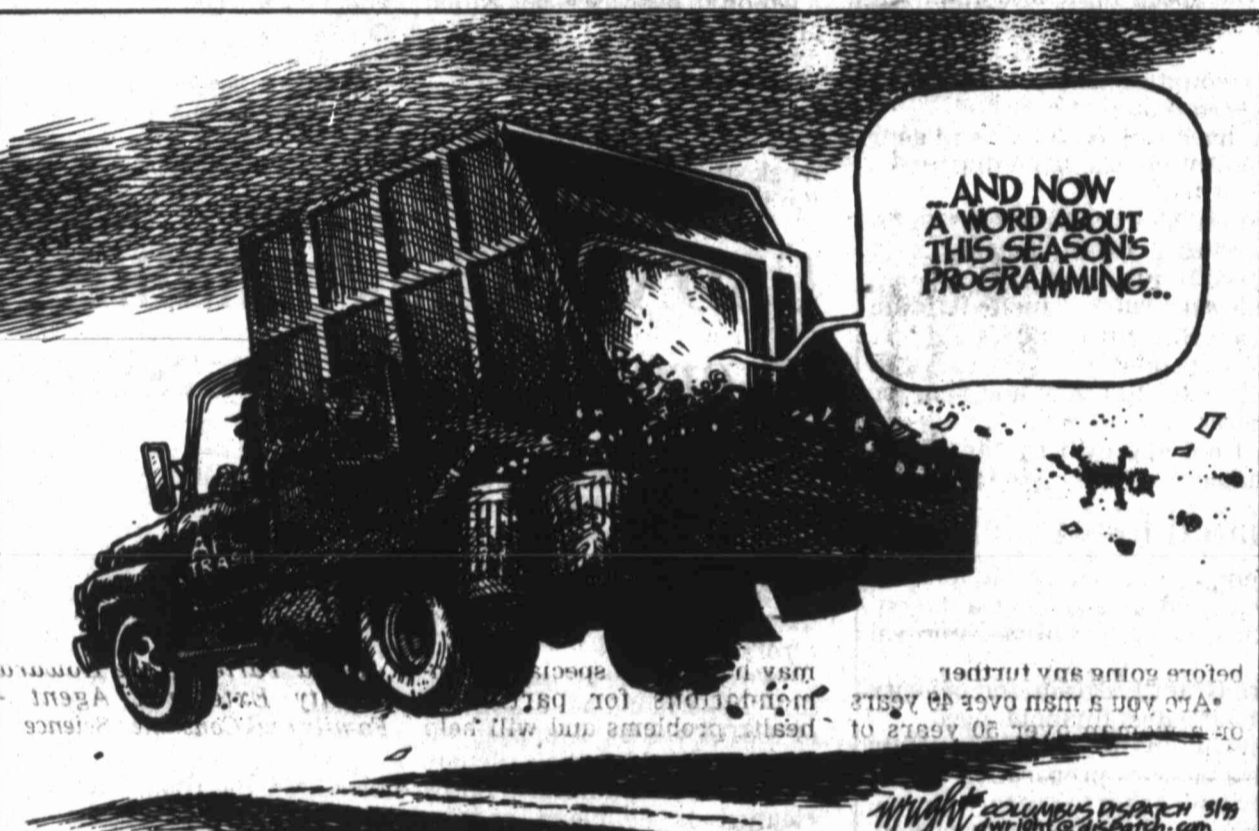
But it's not at all clear that the kinds of discrimination the Clinton administration would now like to prohibit meet these criteria. Discriminating against employees who won't work overtime or who will put in fewer hours per week in a salaried position isn't irrational, it may be good business. Although not every parent will choose to forego overtime or cut short his or her work week, some will. And employers should be able to discriminate against workers — parents or not — who won't put in the hours the employer deems necessary to do the job, while rewarding those who will. There's nothing invidious about this, as there was with assuming that every black person was incapable of performing a job, no matter what his credentials or qualifications.

Likewise, the administration's efforts to expand the definition of disability will place even more onerous burdens on employers who are already stretched to accommodate

impairments that Congress didn't give much thought to when it passed the Americans with Disabilities Act in 1990.

For example, most ADA complaints against employers today involve employees who claim mental health problems or back pain. New guidelines from the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission require that employers reassign employees who suffer from stress-related illnesses or depression to new supervisors if they claim their current supervisors increase their stress or depression, for example. Now the administration wants to add to the growing list of the "disabled" anyone who suffers a correctable impairment — a far cry from the standard in the law itself, which refers to a disability that "substantially limits life activities."

When will it all end? The Supreme Court should have the good sense to reject the administration's elasticized definition of disability. And surely the Senate will rebuff the notion of a Parental Discrimination Law. If not, the only group left without its very own anti-discrimination law may be native-born, happy, heterosexual, white males with 20/20 vision and in perfect health who don't have kids.



NATO is in the wrong this time

In the fog of war propaganda, let us remember the facts. The North Atlantic Treaty Organization is in the wrong.

NATO is in violation of the U.N. Charter, which forbids military aggression against a sovereign state at peace with its neighbors. Yugoslavia was at peace with its neighbors.

NATO is in violation of its own charter, since it is supposed to be a defensive alliance only. No attack was launched against any NATO country.

The United States, which has orchestrated this war against Yugoslavia, has no legitimate vital, strategic or even marginal interests in the Balkans.

At the time the NATO attacks were launched, a total of about 2,000 people — both Serbs and Albanians — had been killed during a two-year civil war against the Kosovo Liberation Army. To put that number in perspective, about 18,000 Americans lose their lives to criminals in one year.

One of the most stupid statements being made in Washington by both Republicans and Democrats is that attacking Yugoslavia was

a mistake, but since it's already been done, the United States has to win.

This is stupid for a number of reasons. War is not a sport. What these morons are really saying is that it was wrong to begin killing people and destroying their property, but since we are doing it, we have to keep on killing people and destroying more property. Secondly, there is no way the United States can win. If it takes Kosovo away from Serbia and gives it to the Albanians, then the Serbs will fight a guerrilla war to get it back. Moreover, the Albanians will very likely fight to get NATO forces out so they can pursue the goal of a greater Albania. Unless the United States halts its aggression, it will create a fire that will burn well into the new millennium.

Finally, to say that Americans and Serbs must die in order to salvage the reputation of President Clinton's incompetent foreign policy team is obscene. The reputations of Sandy Berger and Madeleine Albright are not worth the life of a rat, much less the life of an American or a Serbian man or woman.

In an age of lies, it is always best to look at actions rather than words, and the meaning of NATO's actions includes the following:

By expanding NATO and immediately launching an offensive war against a sovereign nation, the rest of the world now knows that the pur-

pose of NATO is to be a weapon to enforce U.S. domination of Eastern Europe.

There are, in fact, no negotiations with Yugoslavia. Yugoslavia was told, "You will turn Kosovo over to the Albanians, you will accept occupation of your territory by foreign military forces, or you will get bombed." The Yugoslav leader had no choice but to reject the NATO demands. This cannot be blamed on the current leader, Slobodan Milosevic. Any Yugoslav president would have been forced to reject the dictate.

The consequences will be serious. This war has already precluded the chance of any pro-Western person being elected in Russia. Russia, in this case, is on the high moral ground and rightly sees the NATO aggression as a potential threat to it. Ukraine and Belarus, which had given up nuclear weapons, are both now reconsidering the issue. Russia and China have even more reason to establish close military ties.

The United Nations, like its predecessor, is a dead issue. The old League of Nations died when it did nothing to help Ethiopia, which had been invaded by fascist Italy.

Now the United Nations has done nothing to help the Serbs, who have been attacked by NATO.

Clinton has poisoned the future. People who said character doesn't matter were wrong.



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Choirs bring home awards at contest

HERALD Staff Report

Three choirs from B.S.H.S. participated in the UIL concert and sightreading contest at Lee High School in Midland April 7.

The Treble Choir was comprised of the following 43 girls: Kaci Aciri, Vanessa Adams, Jillery Armstrong, Koeisha Boyd, Amy Chavera, Rachael Clark, Catisha Cook, Marie Diaz, Laura Davis, Pricilla DelBosque, Jennifer Evans, Emily Flores, Shiloh Fritz, Vanessa Hernandez, Leslie Hicks, Tammie Hodge, Ashley Hodnett, Terrell Hunt, Kori Johnson, Kim Jumper, Jennifer Lee.

Also Rachael Mathis, Jacqueline Musgrove, Sandra Munoz, Anna Nava, Alicia Phifer, Jessica Pope, Annette Richardson, Kacie Ritchey, Anna Robles, Courtney Rutledge, Cindy Rudinger, Sarah Savghavi, Shandria Scott, Nicole Smith, Kaci

Stokes, Brittany Stone, Tiffanie Vanderbilt, and Jessica Weir.

These ladies performed three pieces: "Benedictus" by Vittoria, "For the Beauty of the Earth" by Rutter and "Brush Strokes" by Martin.

They received Sweepstakes, meaning they got a Division I (highest rating) in both concert and sightreading.

The mixed choir sang: "Jenefus jamais si aise" by Certon/Meredith, "A Psalm of Praise" by Eddleman, and "The Lord Is My Shepard" by Cain.

The members of this choir are: Vanessa Adams, Jillery Armstrong, Shane Blackshear, Koeisha Boyd, Jessica Canales, Rusty Carson, Laura Davis, Pricilla DelBosque, Alex Edgemon, Cathy Edwards, Priscilla Flores, Jerrell Fortenberry, David Gunn, Tammie Hodge.

Also Jerrell Hunt, Jennifer Lee, Lacey Lyons, Rachael Mathis, Jeremy McBrayer, Chris McGee, Fred Morales, Sandra Munoz, Lochie

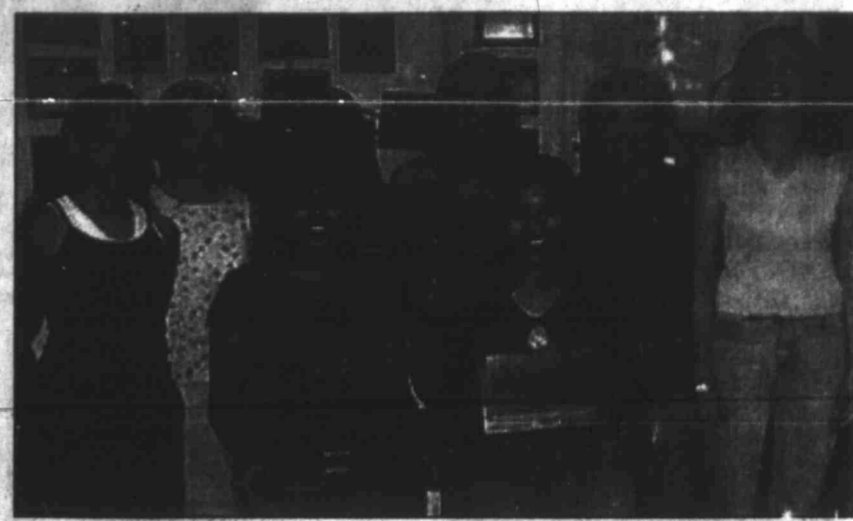


Musgrove, Alicia Phifer, Jessica Pope, Sean Quenga, Annette Reichardson, Cindy Rudinger, Shandrice Scott, Brent Sisson, Nicole Smith, Brittany Stone, Betsy Toman, Brandi Wilkerson, Lacey Wilkinson, Karissa Wilson, Brian Wingert and Vanessa Yanez.

This group came home with one trophy, as they made division I in sightreading. They made a II on the concert stage.

Also making a II on the concert stage was the tenor/bass choir. This type of choir hasn't performed at contest for six years.

Members include these stu-



At left, representing the Meistersingers are, seated from left, Jeremy McBrayer and David Gunn, standing, from left, Karissa Wilson, Fred Morales, Lochie Musgrove and Koeisha Boyd. Above, representing the treble choir are, seated, Sarah Sanghavi and Pricilla DelBosque, standing, from left, Kaci Aciri, Jessi Weir, Courtney Rutledge, Laura Davis, Jillery Armstrong and Alicia Phifer.

dents: Shane Blackshear, Andrew Campbell, Rusty Carson, Alex Edgemon, Priscilla Flores, Jerrell Fortenberry, David Gunn, Jeremy McBrayer, Chris McGee, Fred Morales, Lochie

Musgrove, Sean Quenga, Brent Sisson, and Brian Wingert.

The organization performed: "Be Thou My Vision" by Hunter, "Viva Tutti" by Hunter, and "Gloria in Excelsis Deo" by Estes.

Walkers start their trek across Texas

Several teams were represented at the Walk Across Texas kick-off during the Health Fair on Saturday.

We are officially off on our trek across Texas. I think it will be exciting to track the different teams' progress as we step out to achieve the 800 mile mark by June 12. As I visited with some of the team members, I found that many have an established exercise program and are walking or jogging every day, some groups meet at the mall and some just around the neighborhood.

But what a great morale booster and support system. Keep up the good work.

If you are now encouraged to begin a fitness program, well CONGRATULATIONS, and you have made the first very diffi-

cult step and that is deciding to do something to improve fitness. Whether you have joined the Walk Across Texas program or are just interested in doing something on your own here are a few things to keep in mind as you begin.

Before you start, ask yourself these questions, if you answer yes to any of them consult your health care provider before going any further.

•Are you a man over 40 years or a woman over 50 years of

age?

•Have you been told that you have heart trouble?

•Do you experience chest pain?

•Do you often feel faint or dizzy?

•Do you have arthritis or bone or joint problems that might be aggravated by improper exercise?

•Do you have high blood pressure?

•Do you have diabetes?

•Are you unaccustomed to vigorous exercise and planning to do more than moderate activity?

As you talk with your health care provider ask questions, find out if he or she has any recommendations. He or she may have some special recommendations for particular health problems and will help

you in determining what course to take.

When getting started, a few things to remember: start out slowly, and build up gradually. You will be more likely to stick with it if you begin gradually and you will prevent minor muscle and joint soreness and stiffness. Don't forget to warm up. A few minutes of stretching will help to warm up your muscles and help to prevent injury. Drink water before, during and after exercise to avoid dehydration.

Let your doctor know what your plans are for a fitness program. He or she may want to give you some recommendations that will help you succeed with your program.

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DANA TARTER

Parents must take control of television

QUESTION: I am concerned about the impact of television in our home.

How can we control it without resorting to dictatorial rules and regulations?

DR. DOBSON: It seems that we have three objectives as parents. First, we want to monitor the

quality of the programs our children watch. Second, we want to regulate the quantity of television they see. Even good programs may have an undesirable influence on the rest of children's activities if they spend too much time watching them. Third, we should include the entire family in establishing a TV policy.

I read about a system recently that is very effective in accomplishing all three of these purposes. The first step is to have parents sit down with the children and agree upon a list of approved programs that are appropriate for each age level. Then type that list (or at least write it clearly) and enclose it in clear plastic so it can be referred to throughout the week.

Next, either purchase or make a roll of tickets. Issue each child 10 tickets per week, and let him or her use them to "buy" the privilege of watching the programs on the approved list. When the tickets are gone, television viewing is over for that week. This teaches a child to be discriminating about what is watched. A maximum of 10 hours of viewing per week might be an appropriate place to start, compared with the national average of 40 to 50 hours per week. That's far, too much, especially for an elementary school child.

This system can be modified to fit individual home situations or circumstances. If there's a special program that all the children want to see, such as a feature broadcast or a holiday program during

Christmas and Thanksgiving, you can issue more tickets. You might also give extra tickets as rewards for achievement or some other laudable behavior.

The real test will occur when parents reveal whether or not they have the courage to put themselves on that limited system, too. We often need the same regulations in our viewing habits!

QUESTION: I have never spanked my 3-year-old because I am afraid it will teach her to hit others and be a violent person. Do you think I am wrong?

DR. DOBSON: You have asked an important question that reflects a common misunderstanding about child management. First, let me emphasize that it is possible -- even easy -- to create a violent and aggressive child who has observed this behavior at home. If he is routinely beaten by hostile, volatile parents, or if he witnesses physical violence between angry adults, or if he feels unloved and unappreciated within his family, that child will not fail to notice how the game is played.

Thus, corporal punishment that is not administered according to very carefully thought-out guidelines is a risky thing. Being a parent carries no right to slap and intimidate a child because you had a bad day or are in a lousy mood. It is this kind of unjust discipline that causes some well-meaning authorities to reject corporal punishment as a method of discipline.

Just because a technique is used wrongly, however, is no reason to reject it altogether. Many children desperately need this resolution to their disobedience. In those situations when the child, aged 2 to 10, fully understands what he is being asked to do but refuses to yield to adult leadership, an appropriate spanking is the shortest and most effective route to an attitude adjustment. When he lowers his head, clenches his fists and makes it clear he is going for broke, justice must speak swiftly and eloquently.

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DR. JAMES DOBSON

Homeowners enjoy life in 'haunted' houses

HUNTSVILLE (AP) — Although the "Top of the Hill" house on Lake Road was known as one of Huntsville's old haunted houses for many years, owners Charles and Maxine Morey say the ghosts are only a legend.

Built in 1909-1910 by William R. and Maude Allen Johnson, the two-story house with its wraparound porches, covering two sides of both stories, stands majestically alone atop its hill.

"I used to come up here to Huntsville 10 years ago and just dream about this house," Maxine said. "We never had any idea we could own it."

The Moreys purchased the house, located at 2715 Lake Road, in 1996. By that time, the home had fallen into a sad state of disrepair, with the grand porch falling off of the upstairs.

"We couldn't believe it when we saw plywood on the windows and the porches falling down," Charles said.

No wonder people were tempted to sneak into the house in order to see if they could spot a ghost, or scare their girlfriends.

Charles said such an incident happened the first Halloween they owned the house. He and a friend were sleeping on pallets after working on the house when someone broke into the house.

"When the two people came through the house, we grabbed them and threw them down, until we could get the police there," Charles said. "I did not know that one of them was a girl until she screamed. We gave them quite a scare."

The family says they have never seen or heard any signs that there may be ghostly inhabitants in the house.

Charles said the previous owner had shown him a photo she had taken from the outside of the house, saying that she photographed a man in the upstairs bedroom window. But there was no one in the house, she told Charles.

He says that when he saw the photo, he could not see anyone.

"I think it was just the distorted glass," Charles said.

Charles and Maxine said they began restoring the home shortly after purchasing it and are still working to complete the needed repairs.

"We have put a lot of backbone in this place," Charles said. "We are surely looking forward to moving in."

The Moreys currently live in Pasadena, but their youngest daughter, Glenda, who is attending Sam Houston State University, lives in the house with two other SHSU students.

Not only was the porch falling down, Charles said, but the house was termite-ridden and had rotting lumber in many areas.

"We almost had to rebuild the entire outside," Charles said. "We are trying to make it where we can live in it and have tried to make it as authentic as possible."

Much of this is impossible because of earlier repair efforts. For instance, pieces of original hardwood floors had been ripped up to work on the electricity, and replaced with plywood slabs. Rooms also had been added onto and changed before the Moreys bought the house.

The Historical Resources Survey of Huntsville describes the house as a single-family, center-passage-plan house with

Classical Revival stylistic features.

"This impressively large vernacular farmhouse is dramatically sited on a hill-top surrounded by several acres in south Huntsville," The survey reads.

"The symmetrical facade and non-historic porch create a Classical Revival appearance. An impressive, two-story, U-shaped porch wraps around the centered rear wing.

"The elaborately carved front door is particularly noteworthy. At one time, the house contained original furniture designed and built by William R. Johnson. Vandalism has occurred and threatened the house's survival."

Charles said someone had broken into the house and stolen the original chandeliers and bathtubs while it stood unoccupied.

Built by the Johnsons for \$1,500, the land itself is now valued at \$135,000.

The family said the most interesting design about the house, despite the huge porches, is that there is a door in almost every room, leading outside. The bathrooms are the only rooms in the 12-room house, without outside doors. There are also 48 windows in the house.

The Moreys said the upstairs was rented out as an apartment at one time. Steps on the downstairs porch lead to the porch upstairs.

The estate the home sits on is as impressive as the house itself. Shady spots are offered around the yard by a variety of large, old trees, and the lawn offers a beautiful area for the Moreys and their company to stroll along, much like the Johnsons must have done more than 80 years ago.

SCHOOL NEWS

Forsan UIL students go to regional meet

Nine Forsan students will participate in the regional UIL academic meet in Abilene May 24. Participants are pictured at right. Michael Rowden will compete in number sense; Joy Humphreys in computer applications; Leanne Miller in ready writing; Kim Cain in literary criticism; and Taylor Bristow, editorial writing. In addition, Dane Richardson and Caleb Hollingshead will compete in LD Debate; Ashley Alexander in prose; and Jarrett Hopper in informative speaking.

Also attending will be number sense coach, Susan Alexander, computer coach Susan Kirkland and literary coach Jam Sims.



COMMUNITY NEWS

COAHOMA IS PLANNING ITS Third annual Citywide Garage Sale, sponsored by the Coahoma Lions Club, for May 8. Those who would like to participate should call Irene at 394-4424 or call the L'I Sooper Market.

The Lions Club will be having a sale this year as a fundraiser. To donate items to the club, call Irene and she will arrange pickup. Deadline to register is May 4.

The fee to be part of the giant garage sale is \$15.

AREA GRADUATING SENIORS WHO plan to attend Texas Tech University beginning in the fall can apply for the Tech Ex-students Association Scholarship. Deadline is April 30.

Forms can be picked up at the Sprenberg Building downtown. For more information, call Pat Porter at 267-7828 or Roxie McDaniel at 267-3388.

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IN BRIEF

Little League instruction event slated for Sunday

Howard College's Little League instruction camp for players of all ages has been scheduled for Sunday at Jack Barber Field.

The camp will provide instruction in baseball fundamentals under the supervision of Howard coaches Brian Roper and Justin Hays, as well as members of Hawks baseball team.

Registration is set for 1:45 p.m. with camp instruction slated for 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

The fee will be \$10 per youngster, and participants should bring a baseball glove and bat.

Lady Steers boosters set meeting for tonight

The Big Spring Lady Steers Booster Club will meet at 6 tonight in the Big Spring High School library.

Members of the group are beginning to make final preparations for their May banquet.

All members are urged to attend.

Cancer Society schedules golf event for weekend

The Big Spring Country Club will again host a two-day golf tournament benefiting the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life on Friday and Saturday.

The four-person scramble event will offer a \$10,000 prize for a hole in one on No. 16, as well as prizes for winners of the long drive, putting and closest to the pin contests.

Entry fees are \$75 per player, plus cart fees, but private carts will be permitted.

For more information, call Larry Bryan at 267-5354.

Bass club's open tourney slated May 1 at O.H. Ivie

The ninth annual Big Spring Bass Club Open Tournament has been scheduled for May 1 at Lake O.H. Ivie.

Guaranteed prize money based on 150 entries will be \$4,400, with the first-place winner taking home \$1,500.

In addition, a grand prize of \$20,000 is available for anyone landing a new lake record largemouth bass. The current record is 13.71 pounds.

Entry fees are \$40, and entries mailed to the club must be postmarked no later than April 25.

For more information, call Jim Crenshaw at 267-6129.

Texas Tech Ex-Students slate tourney for May 1

The Big Spring Chapter of the Texas Tech Ex-Students Association has set its annual scholarship golf tournament for May 1 at the Big Spring Country Club.

Entry fees for the A-B-C-D four-man scramble will be \$60 per person and include cart rental, green fees and lunch.

For more information, call Roxie McDaniel at 267-3388, Hardy Wilkerson at 264-2220 or Pat Porter at 267-7828.

Steers Basketball Camp scheduled for June 1-4

Jimmy Avery and his Big Spring High School Steers coaching staff have scheduled their first ever Steers Basketball Camp for June 1-4 in Steer Gym.

The camp, open to youngsters in the second through eighth grades will be conducted with sessions between 9 a.m. and noon each day.

A fee of \$45 per camper will cover instruction, a camp T-shirt and certificate. The deadline is May 21.

For more information, call Avery at 264-3641.

ON THE AIR

Television

NBA BASKETBALL
7:30 p.m. — Dallas Mavericks at San Antonio Spurs, FXS, Ch. 29.

HOCKEY
6:30 p.m. — NHL playoffs, conference quarterfinal series, Pittsburgh Penguins at New Jersey Devils or Philadelphia Flyers at Toronto Maple Leafs, ESPN, Ch. 30.

Lady Hawks post 8-0, 11-3 sweep over UT-Permian

HERALD Staff Report

With its pitching staff severely depleted and the NJCAA Region V softball tournament on the horizon, Howard College's Lady Hawks provided a few positives Wednesday with a doubleheader sweep of the University of Texas-Permian Basin's Lady Falcons.

UTPB was simply no match for the Lady Hawks, who improved to 41-17 on the season with the 8-0 and 11-3 wins and did nothing to hurt their No. 18 national ranking.

The Lady Hawks, who will enter the Region V tournament on April 30 as the No. 2 seed from the Western Junior

College Athletic Conference, got a masterful pitching performance for Carlee Ledford in the opener.

With sophomore all-American Maria Lopez sidelined for at least the next month and freshman star Brandy Smith still slowed with tendonitis, Ledford's performance was a boost for the Lady Hawks.

Ledford, who was making her first pitching performance since the sophomore year of her high school career, went the distance in chalking up a 5-inning shutout.

She was supported offensively by Ricka McKee, Andrea Padias, Diana Julian and Kara Brand.

McKee, the former Lady Hawks bas-

ketball standout who walked on following Howard's elimination the the hoops playoffs, led the way for Howard — clubbing home runs in the first and third innings and adding an RBI single in the fifth.

Padias added a double that plated two runs in the Lady Hawks' big fifth inning, while Julian and Brand also produced run-scoring doubles.

In the nightcap, Kristina DeVos chalked up the win, limiting the Lady Falcons to just four hits, while walking two and hitting one batter with a pitch.

Shortstop and lead-off hitter Josie Rosovich paced the Lady Hawks offensively in the second game, going a perfect 3-for-3 at the plate and drawing one

walk.

In fact, it was Rosovich who set the tone for the second game with a solo home run to left on the first pitch she saw.

McKee and Teresa Johnson also came up with home runs in the Lady Hawks' 12-hit performance. Both McKee and Johnson finished the nightcap with 2 RBIs.

Padias was 2-for-2 in the second game, while Julian was 2-for-3.

The Lady Hawks were scheduled to close out the regular season playing host to Sul Ross State in a doubleheader at the Big Spring ISD Softball Complex. Those games were set for 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. starts.

'Dogs set for 3-2A showdown

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Sports Editor

COAHOMA — Almost from the moment he assumed his duties as head baseball coach at Coahoma High School, it was clear to Scott Lewis that his Bulldogs would get their biggest challenge in the newly-realigned District 3-2A chase from Tahoka's Bulldogs.

It was Tahoka, he knew, that the Bulldogs had beaten in the bi-district playoffs en route to a Region I championship and a berth in the 1998 state baseball tournament.

So it came as no surprise on March 30 when the Bulldogs found themselves in a somewhat hostile environment when they traveled to Tahoka for a showdown of teams unbeaten after three district games.

"There's no question it was a pretty hostile situation up there," Lewis said recalling his team's 4-3 loss in what he believes could be considered as one of the better high school games played in the state this season.

"It wasn't mean-spirited, but they had the bleachers packed and they were making a lot of noise ... doing a great job of trying to excite their kids," the Bulldogs boss added. "People kept chanting that it was 'Redemption Time' ... their kids responded to it, too."

Now the shoe is on the other foot, and Lewis has made no secret that Friday's 6:30 p.m. visit by Tahoka will be "Redemption Time" for his team.

The Bulldogs, who improved to 14-7 overall and a league-leading 9-1 in 3-2A play, with a 19-4 win over Hale Center's Owls on Tuesday, can put a lock on a repeat district championship with a win over Tahoka.

With a one-game lead over 8-2 Tahoka in the district standings, the Bulldogs need only win Friday to make sure they advance into the Class 2A state playoffs as the top 3-2A seed.

"We win Friday and there's no way they (Tahoka) can catch us," Lewis said. "You don't figure a team we beat 32-0 (Morton) is going to beat us in the last game, but even if they did, if we've taken care of business against Tahoka, it won't matter."

A second loss to Tahoka, however, would almost certainly leave the Bulldogs as the district runner-up.

"This is really for all the marbles as far as we're concerned, and you can bet they feel the same way," Lewis added. "If they win, it throws us into a tie. We finish with Morton and they close out against Olton, so you have to figure we'd both finish at 10-2 and they'd have the championship because they'd have beaten us twice in head-to-head competition."

Friday's showdown is also expected to be another pitching duel between Delvin White, Coahoma's left-handed junior ace, and Tahoka's Michael Garcia, who kept the Bulldogs off balance in the two teams' first meeting.

"Garcia's not overpowering like Delvin is capable of being," Lewis noted, "but he's extremely effective. He doesn't have the big fastball, but he's got a great curve and



Coahoma pitcher and outfielder Delvin White follows through after missing a pitch during the Bulldogs' win over New Deal in March. White is the scheduled starter for the Bulldogs as they host Tahoka for what amounts to the District 3-2A championship game at 6:30 p.m. Friday.

then sneaks his fastball past you when you're looking for the breaking ball.

"The thing about Garcia," he added, "is that he's a very smart pitcher. He mixes his pitches very well and does a good job of keeping you off balance ... guessing what he's going to throw at you."

Lewis said he hopes his team will display the hitting it's shown in its last two games.

In the Bulldogs' five-inning run-ruling of Hale Center, they pounded out 15 heads. Catcher Aaron Ovalle led the way with two singles, a double and a home run.

"We need to hit the way we have the last couple of games," Lewis admitted. "If we can get hitting from people like we did Tuesday, we ought to be all right."

"Aaron wasn't the only one that had a big day ... Mario Garcia, Brandon Hancock, Blake Nichols, Jeremy Green and Travis McMillan were also swinging hot sticks," he added.

"In fact, the only people that didn't have a good day at the plate were Delvin and Vincent (Garcia). They've been two of our most productive hitters all year, so it's a good sign when everyone else is hitting."

Clemens gets record-tying 17th straight as Yankees top Rangers

NEW YORK (AP) — Roger Clemens hasn't shown New York Yankees fans the overpowering pitcher who won five Cy Young awards. He has shown them a pitcher who can battle without his best stuff.

The Rocket tied the American League record with his 17th straight win, allowing four hits in 7 1-3 innings Wednesday night in the New York Yankees' 4-2 win against Texas.

"I feel like I've been fortunate to win that many games and have that type of record," Clemens said. "I don't bank on it. I'll look back on it over the winter when I see all the hard work is worth it."

Clemens struggled early with his control against Texas, walking three and allowing an unearned run in the first inning.

He settled down after that, issuing only one other walk. He allowed singles to Mark McLemore in the third and fifth innings, a solo homer to Todd Zeile in the fourth and a single to Rusty Greer in the eighth. He held Texas hitless in 14 at-bats with runners on base.

"We were one hit away from getting to him," Texas manager Johnny Oates

said. "But we just couldn't get it. We always seem to be a hit away against this team."

Clemens, who heard a smattering of boos in the first and fourth innings, left to a standing ovation after striking out Juan Gonzalez, his sixth of the game. Mike Stanton and Jeff Nelson each got an out in the eighth and Mariano Rivera pitched the ninth for his second save.

"He struggled tonight," Yankees interim manager Don Zimmer said. "When I took him out he said, 'Nothing comes easy anymore.' That's the sign of a great pitcher. You don't win five Cy Youngs by not winning games without your best stuff."

Clemens (2-0) hasn't lost since last May 29 to Seattle, tying the AL record set by Cleveland's Johnny Allen in 1936-37 and matched by Baltimore's Dave McNally in 1968-69. Carl Hubbell of the New York Giants set the major league record of 24 in 1936-37.

Clemens can break the AL record next week in his home state of Texas against the Rangers.

"I don't think we've seen the dominating pitcher yet," said Chili Davis, who hit a solo homer to support Clemens.

"It's early in the season and he's still trying to find himself. But you can't downplay how impressive the streak is. Seventeen wins in a row is big."

Clemens missed a chance to tie the record last week against Baltimore, allowing seven runs in three-plus innings. He ended up with a no-decision as New York lost 9-7.

"I feel pretty fortunate," Clemens said. "Obviously, you have to throw the ball well. But I got a mulligan the last start."

Texas has lost 13 of 16 to New York over the past two years, including a three-game sweep in the division series. That motivated the Rangers to pursue Clemens when Toronto put him on the trade market.

The Rangers came close to reaching a deal in February, only to be trumped again at the last minute by New York, raising the ire of Texas general manager Doug Melvin.

"It doesn't seem like we changed a whole lot from last year," said Texas starter Rick Helling (0-3). "We play them close but lose. That's what happened last year."

Clemens' addition has made the gap between the two teams even wider. The

Rangers, who led the majors in batting average and were second in runs to the Yankees last year, have scored just three runs and are batting .143 (22-154) in their last five games against New York.

Texas took the lead in the opening inning, its first against New York since their last meeting in the regular season. Tom Goodwin walked, stole second and third and scored on catcher Joe Girardi's throwing error.

The Yankees tied it in the second on Davis' fourth homer. After Zeile's homer put Texas back ahead, the Yankees struck for three in the fifth.

Chuck Knoblauch singled with one out and scored on Derek Jeter's fifth homer. Paul O'Neill walked on four pitches and advanced to third on Bernie Williams' single, knocking out Helling. O'Neill later scored on Martinez's RBI groundout.

Helling allowed five hits and four runs in 4 1-3 innings. His ERA after four starts is 8.53.

Notes: Goodwin tied his career high with three stolen bases. ... John Burkett, who lost the opener of the series, returned to Texas on Wednesday. He has his right shoulder examined.

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FISHING REPORT

Here is the weekly fishing report as compiled by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department for April 21. (Report also available on Web as www.tfwfishing.com.)

CENTRAL
BROWNSWOOD: Water clear; 65 degrees; Black bass are good on Rebel Pop-R's fished in 2 to 10 feet of water around the dam and around the loading ramps at Flat Rock Park. Crappie are good on minnows and white jigs fished around the docks in 15 to 20 feet of water. White bass and hybrid strippers are excellent on Storm Chug Bugs and Pop-R's fished along the banks (look for the shad running around the edge and stay with them for good action and limits). The winds have been very dangerous lately, be sure to keep up with the weather report and be prepared to get off the lake quick if the wind gets up.

BUCHANAN: Water clear; 70 degrees; 7' low; Black bass are good on watermelon Top Dog lizards, spinnerbaits and 1/2 Rat-L-Trap fished in the upper lake in pockets and coves with wood. Striped bass are very good trolling 1oz. bucktail jigs and on live shad fished on the middle docks and points. White bass are excellent on orlon jugging spoons fished in 18 feet of water. Crappie are good on minnows fished under the docks at night. Channel and blue catfish are very good on cut baits. Yellow catfish to 14 pounds are good on live bait.

SOUTH
AMSTAD: Water fairly clear; 70 degrees; 37' low; Black bass are good on watermelon and motor oil worms fished in 10 to 20 feet of water (some top-water action early). Crappie are fair on minnows fished in Devil's and San Pedro Rivers. White bass are good on slabs and minnows fished up Rio Grande. Channel and blue catfish are fair on cheese-bait, chicken livers and shrimp fished in 8 to 30 feet of water. Yellow catfish are slow.

WEST
ALAN HENRY: Water clear; 63 degrees; 4.5' low; Black bass are excellent on spinnerbaits and lizards fished in the creeks. No reports on smallmouth or Alabama Spotted Bass. Crappie are good to excellent on live minnows and jigs fished off the crappie dock. No reports on catfish.

ARROWHEAD: Water clear; 63 degrees; 5' low; Black bass are good to 5 pounds on slabs fished in 12 to 14 feet of water. Crappie are good on minnows fished in 3 to 8 feet of water around boat docks, piers and bridges. White bass are good on minnows and jigs fished in 6 to 8 feet of water around boat docks. Channel and blue catfish are good on night crawlers fished in 10 to 12 feet of water in the river. Yellow catfish are fair on trotlines baited with gold fish and perch.

BRADY: Water slightly stained; 68 degrees; 14' low; Black bass to 9.75 pounds are excellent on Rat-L-Traps and worms fished in shallow water. Crappie are good on jigs and minnows fished in 4 to 12 feet of water. White bass are good on minnows and Rat-L-Traps fished in 4 to 6 feet of water. Blue and channel catfish to 6 pounds are fair on minnows and cheesebait fished in 5 to 6 feet of water. Yellow catfish to 42 pounds are good on trotlines baited with large minnows and perch fished in 5 to 20 feet of water.

COLORADO CITY: Water slightly stained; 63 degrees; 13' low; Black bass are fair. No report available on crappie, white bass or catfish.

FT. PHANTOM HILL: Water stained; 63 degrees; 16.5' low; Black bass are fair on gubs and spinnerbaits fished in 5 to 6 feet of water. Crappie are excellent on minnows fished in 2 to 3 feet of water. Sand bass are excellent on jigs and minnows fished in 2 to 3 feet of water. Hybrid strippers are good on shad and chicken livers fished in 5 to 6 feet of water. Blue catfish are good on shad, minnows and chicken livers fished in 5 to 6 feet of water. Yellow catfish are good on perch and gold fish fished in 7 to 10 feet of water.

HUBBARD CREEK: Water stained; 60 degrees; 4.5' low; Black bass to 5 pounds are good on Rat-L-Traps, spinnerbaits, crankbaits (shad patterns) and lizards fished in 5 to 12 feet of water on main points. Crappie are good on minnows and small jigs fished in 5 to 10 feet of water around boat docks. White bass are excellent on small jigs and slabs fished all over the lake. No reports of hybrid strippers. Channel catfish are good on nightcrawlers fished in 4 to 5 feet of water in the mouth of creeks on the flats. No reports of blue or yellow catfish.

KEMP: Water stained; 62 degrees; 12' low; Black bass to 5 pounds are good on Rat-L-Traps fished in 2 to 5 feet of water. Sand bass are good on minnows fished in 4 to 6 feet of water. Crappie are good on minnows fished in 4 to 5 feet of water around boat docks. Blue and channel catfish are good to 3 pounds on punch bait, worms and shrimp. Yellow catfish are poor on trotlines baited with goldfish.

NASWORTHY: Water stained; 65 degrees; Black bass to 8 pounds are fair on black lizards fished in 5 feet of water. Crappie are good on minnows jigs fished in the shallows. White bass are fair on crankbaits, chicken livers and gold fish. Hybrid strippers and striped bass to 8 pounds are fair on minnows and chicken livers. Redfish are good on shrimp and blue catfish to excellent on punch bait. Yellow catfish are fair on trotlines baited with goldfish, shrimp and perch.

NOCENA: Water stained; 60 degrees; 4.5' low; Black bass to 10 pounds are good on black and blue lizards fished in 2 to 10 feet of water and slow rolling a white spinnerbait on the edge of the grass. Crappie are good on chummin jigs and minnows fished in 2 to 10 feet of water. White bass and hybrid strippers are fair on lipless crankbaits and saasys shads fished in 8 to 15 feet of water with some schooling action. Channel and blue catfish are good on prepared baits fished in 2 to 12 feet of water. Yellow catfish are good on trotlines baited with live shad and goldfish.

ONE CREEK: Water clear; 62 degrees; 11' low; Black bass are excellent on worms, jerk baits, spinnerbaits and minnows fished in 8 to 12 feet of water. Crappie are excellent on small jigs and minnows fished in 5 to 18 feet of water. White bass are fair on minnows and jigs fished in 5 to 15 feet of water. Channel and blue catfish are good on minnows, goldfish, livers, nightcrawlers and stink baits fished in 5 to 20 feet of water. Yellow catfish are fair on goldfish, livers and minnows fished in 5 to 20 feet of water.

O.H. WEE: Water clear; 65 degrees; 8' low; Black bass to 11 pounds are good on green plastic baits fished on points and ridges in the main lake. Crappie are good on minnows and jigs fished in the shallow water in the creeks. White bass are fair on good on wind blown sandy points. Catfish are slow to fair on stink bait fished in shallow water up the rivers in baited holes.

POSSUM KINGDOM: Water clear; 62 degrees; 8.5' low; Black bass to 7 pounds are excellent using Slugs, watermelon worms and centipedes fished in 3 to 10 feet of water. White bass are good on minnows, roadrunners and Rat-L-Traps fished in 2 to 10 feet of water. Striped bass to 27.5 pounds are fair on shad fished in 20 to 30 feet of water. Crappie are good on flea flies and small jigs fished in 2 to 6 feet of water. Blue catfish are excellent on cut shad fished in 10 feet of water. Yellow catfish to 66 pounds are fair on perch and shad fished in 10 to 20 feet of water.

SPENCE: Water stained; 69 degrees; Black bass are good on spinnerbaits, crankbaits and cast masters fished in 1 to 5 feet of water around boat docks. White bass are good on minnows, slabs and crankbaits fished in 5 to 15 feet of water on sand bars. Crappie are good on minnows fished in 6 to 12 feet of water on under water buoys. Striped bass to 27 pounds are good on white Rat-L-Traps and crankbaits fished in 15 to 20 feet of water. Channel catfish to 5 pounds are good on minnows fished in 5 to 10 feet of water. No reports of blue catfish. Yellow catfish to 5 pounds are fair on trotlines baited with cut shad.

STAMFORD: Water stained; 64 degrees; 12.5' low; Black bass to 3 pounds are poor on plastic worms and minnows. Crappie are slow on minnows fished in shallow water. White bass are poor on minnows fished near the power plant. Yellow catfish to 25 pounds are good on trotlines baited with shiners. Channel catfish to 4 pounds are fair on cut shad and punch bait. Blue catfish to 4 pounds are excellent on punch bait and cut shad fished in 1 to 2 feet of water with sandy bottoms.

SWEETWATER: Water stained; 63 degrees; Black bass to 6 pounds are slow on white spinnerbaits fished in shallow water. No reports of crappie. White bass are good on minnows and crankbaits fished around boat docks. Blue and channel catfish are fair on minnows and slabs fished off the bottom. No reports of yellow catfish.

TWIN BUTTES: Water slightly stained; 63 degrees; Black bass to 5 pounds are good on spinnerbaits, worms and crankbaits fished in 2 to 5 feet of water along the dam and up the rivers. Crappie are excellent on jigs and minnows fished in 1 to 5 feet of water in Spring Creek and Middle Concho. Channel, blue and yellow catfish are good on trotlines baited with live perch. The work on the dam is complete. Clean up work is scheduled for completion in May. While the level is down, the city of San Angelo is building a four-lane boat ramp for the North Pool near Sailboat point to be used when the level is back up. They will also build a two-lane boat ramp for the South Pool. One very steep boat ramp is accessible on the south side of the North Pool.

WHITE RIVER: Water stained; 62 degrees; 22' low; No fishing report available. Due to the low lake level, extreme caution is advised on all boat ramps.

Mavericks make Rockets latest upset victim with 109-95 win

HOUSTON (AP) — The Houston Rockets should have known better than to underestimate the Dallas Mavericks. Michael Finley had 27 points and 11 assists as the Mavericks made the Rockets their latest upset victim with a 109-95 victory Wednesday night.

The victory was the Mavericks' fourth in six games against teams likely to end up in the playoffs. It kept the Rockets from clinching a playoff spot and snapped an 11-game losing streak to the Rockets dating to March 27, 1996.

"I think they took us lightly at home," rookie Dirk Nowitzki said. We found our rhythm early and they didn't play good

defense. We got a lot of open looks. It's hard to come back when you take a team lightly."

The Rockets joined Phoenix, San Antonio and Minnesota as late-season victims of the Mavericks, who lost eight of their first nine games to start the season.

"This is the best we've played for 48 minutes," Finley said. "Fortunately, for me, my shot was falling and when I passed to my teammates, they hit their shots too. Defensively, we did what we needed to do and offensively our shots were falling."

The Rockets were in trouble from the

start. After taking a 22-18 lead in the first quarter, the Mavericks used an 11-0 run to take the lead for good. They built the margin to 61-49 at the half and extended it in the third quarter.

"The last two games, we got wins that were unexpected," Dallas coach Don Nelson said. "I thought if we could hang in there, we might be able to win with a last shot, but to play with the lead the entire game is surprising."

It was just the third road victory of the season for Dallas, which led by as many as 26.

"We knew we were going to take our lumps early (in the season), and we did,"

Finley said. "But now, we're in a groove. The guys know their roles and we're in a comfort zone. We've been playing so freely and loose, we have looked good."

Gary Trent had 24 points and 10 rebounds and Nowitzki added 22 points for his fifth double-figure performance in the last six games. The Mavericks shot 53 percent from the field to 43 percent for the Rockets.

"They played well," Charles Barkley said. "Give them credit. Michael Finley was terrific and Trent was terrific and Nowitzki was terrific. Every time we lose, you guys (in the media) think the world is coming to an end."



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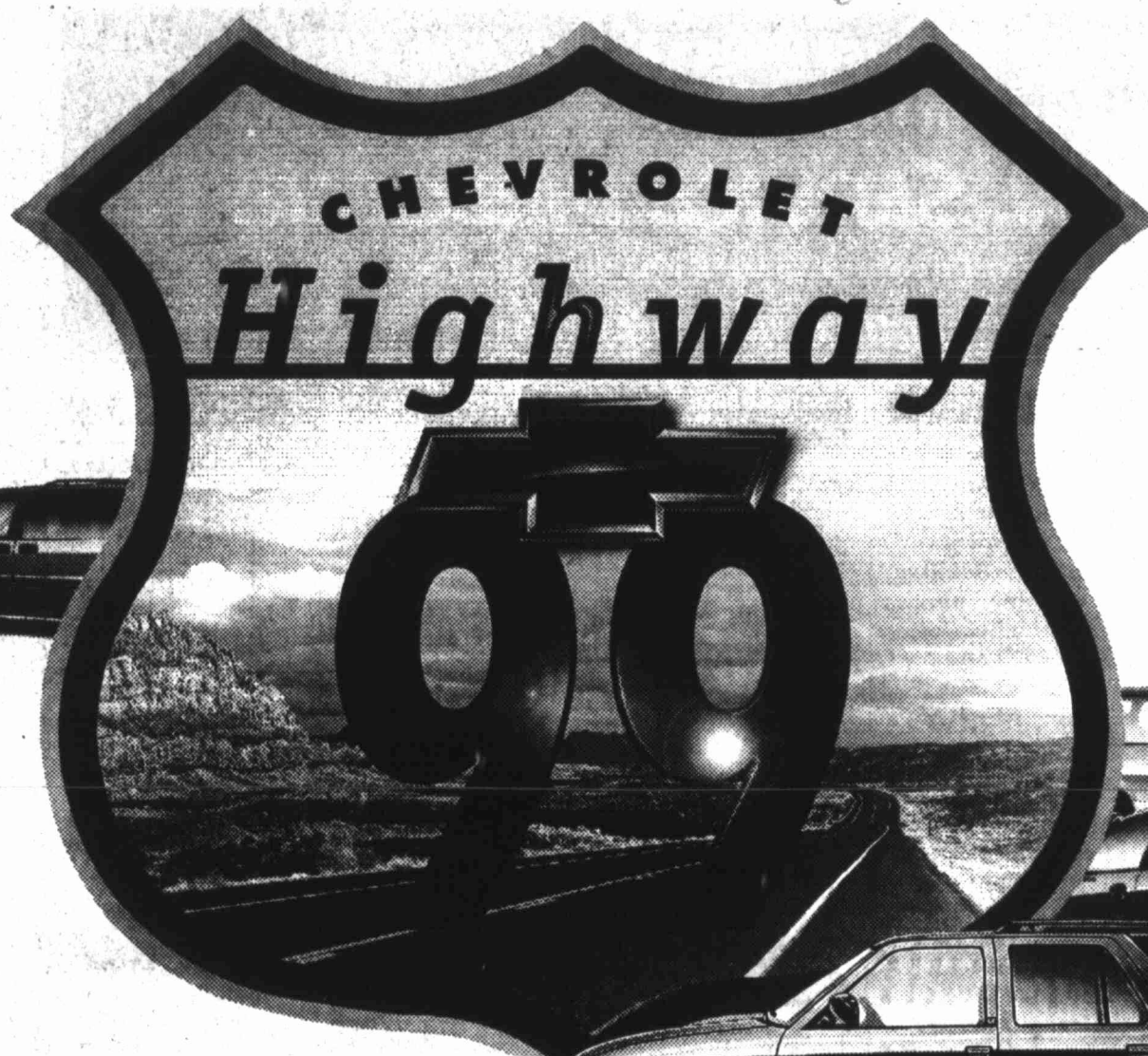
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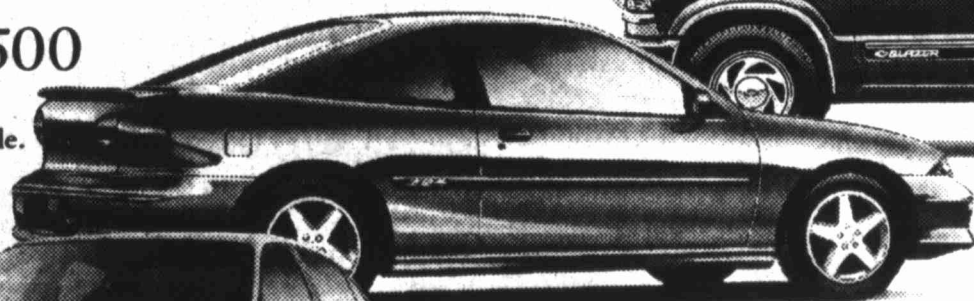
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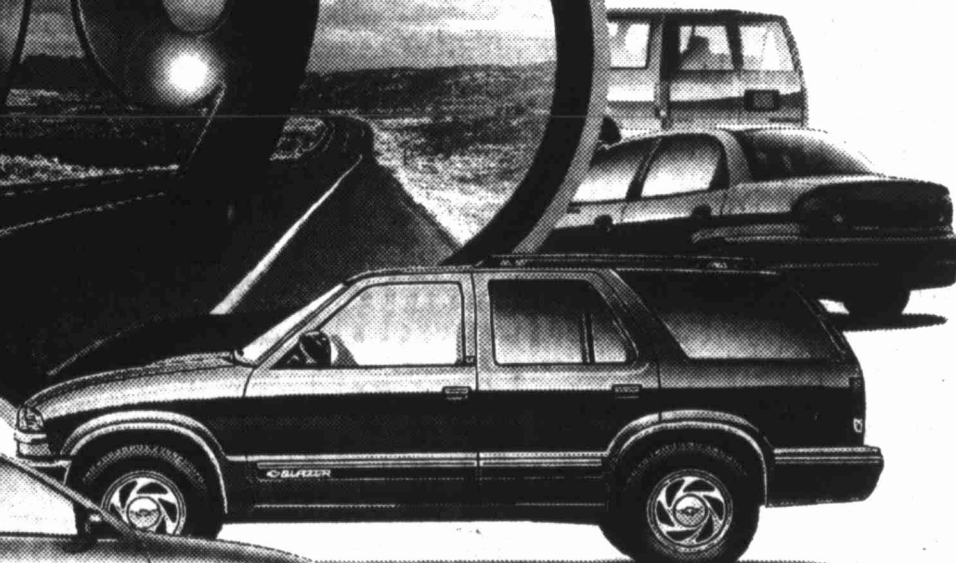
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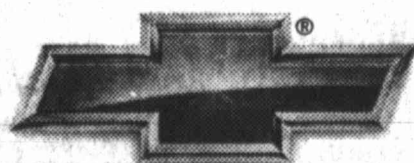


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The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19) *****Despite the best intentions, everything gets flubbed up. Keep thinking positively and working with the unpredictable. In the long run, communication wins out. A partner comes through for you. Tempers flare, but avoid getting in the middle. Clarity might not be all that important today! Tonight: Play.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) *****Build on what you know. Don't let another push you into a corner. Your understanding of a situation is very different than associates'. Intuition serves you with those in charge. Be diplomatic; there are many ways of asking a question. Balancing work and your home life might be tough. Tonight: Head home, with a grin.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) *****Your desires manifest because you maintain your sense of direction. Others are contrary and unpredictable. A work project you thought was a done deal might need to be revamped. Ouch! Stay positive and remember your long-term objectives, and you can weather a minor tempest. Tonight: Hang out.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

***Be careful about making commitments that could affect you financially and professionally. You might take on too much. Use good sense. The unexpected occurs where you least expect it. Don't sell yourself short; ask for what you deserve. A child or loved one acts up. Tonight: Indulge - it's Friday!

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) *****Use your charisma and winning smile with a difficult family member. Taking an overview might help you, but it won't help another. Unexpected behavior can be annoying or interesting, depending on how you choose to look at it. Another clearly doesn't understand where you are coming from. Tonight: Run the show!

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) *****Think before you say something that could be damaging in a work-related situation. How you handle a problem could change considerably if you analyze your fundamental objectives. Chill out, rather than blurting out a comment. A partner helps you find resolution. Tonight: Vanish with a favorite buddy.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) *****Finding the winning solution could be challenging. A child or loved one does the unexpected. Watch spending; resist the urge to try to be all things to all people. Let others express their desires. You could receive a pleasant surprise. Network. Tonight: Where your friends are.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) *****You could bark a statement and hurt a close friend's feelings. Use caution; don't just say whatever comes to mind. Concentrate on work. You accomplish a lot, quickly. By cooperating in key projects, you make friends and gain a better understanding of each other. Tonight: Be willing to work late.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) *****The unexpected lets you change plans to your liking. A relationship heats up considerably if you are open. Be careful

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about repressed frustration; it comes out in odd ways. Instead, clear the air. Caring remains intense. An invitation could have you taking off. Tonight: Viva la difference!

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) *****Continue knocking on another's door. Financially, you pull the wild card. Add to the quality of your home life. Consider a purchase carefully; compare prices. Another's offer is for real, even if he can be unpredictable. You get work done and find plenty of time to socialize. Lucky you! Tonight: Make it for two.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) *****Once more, you jolt others and wonder when they'll get used to your unpredictable, unconventional ways. Your sense of fun emerges in the afternoon. Socialize with co-workers; reveal more of yourself. A little caution with an authority figure might be wise, however. Tonight: Wherever the party is.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

***Keep work your primary concern, and you'll gain. You are up for a pay raise or promotion this year. Focus and energy make all the difference. Don't kid yourself about someone at a distance. Stick to the facts. Self-deception could be a definite problem. Consider an image upgrade. Tonight: Run errands.

BORN TODAY
Actress Valerie Bertinelli (1960), musician/songwriter Narada Michael Walden (1952), actor Lee Majors (1940)

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Name of favorite uncle is big enough to share

DEAR ABBY: I read with amusement the letter from "In a Bind," who wants to name her baby, if it's a boy, after her Uncle Frank. Her cousin, 2,000 miles away, also wants to name her baby after Uncle Frank, but she's not even pregnant yet. It's quite possible neither of them will have a boy, or one of them may not even get pregnant - which would leave Uncle Frank with no namesake.



ABIGAIL VAN BUREN

I was named "Margaret" after my mother's beloved Aunt Madge. I have a first cousin who is a year older than me who was also named Margaret, but has always been "Madge." (Her father was my mother's brother.) My mother and my uncle were neglected by their widowed, alcoholic father. It was Aunt Madge who gave my uncle a loving home after my mother left home to attend college and later marry. For this reason she was very special to my uncle. There may have been some resentment toward my mother for giving me the same name, but if so, I never heard about it. We were called by variations of the same name, and there is no animosity.

I prefer this reason, though: Aunt Madge was so special and worthy that they decided there was enough honor to go around. - MARGARET JOHNSTON, CINCINNATI
DEAR MARGARET: That letter struck a chord with many people. Read on:
DEAR ABBY: I share my name with a first cousin. It doesn't bother me, and to my knowledge, she doesn't care either.

When I gave birth to my daughter, I discovered that I had chosen the same popular first and middle names that my supervisor had named his daughter. When I told him, he smiled and replied, "Imitation is the sincerest form of flattery."
Abby, I think both cousins should lighten up and view it the way my supervisor did. - B.B. IN SLIDELL, LA.
DEAR B.B.: Your supervisor is a wise man. Read on:
DEAR ABBY: In Italian families, it is customary to name the first-born male after the paternal grandfather, the first-born female after the paternal grandmother - then follow suit with the maternal grandparents.

My dad came from a family of nine; consequently the family consisted of many "Rosies" and "Bens." At all family gatherings, someone would call "Rosie" or "Ben," and many heads would turn in response. We considered it a privilege to have been named for our grandparents.

Those cousins can live with at least two Franks in the family. Honor your uncle! - ONE OF A DOZEN ROSES (MY MOTHER'S TERM FOR ME)
DEAR ROSE: I'll resist the temptation to add, "... with mustard and relish." Italians

are not the only ethnic group who honor relatives by naming their children after them. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: When my Danish immigrant forebears scattered from Minnesota throughout the West, many wished to remember a beloved relative, William Hansen. Children and grandchildren were named after him.

In the late 1950s, we had a family reunion at Uncle Bill's farm near Brainerd, Minn. After a big midday farm dinner, my Great-Aunt Jessie called from the back porch, "Bill Hansen come here now!"
Abby, six males aged 5 to 65 came running. It was a hot - and I'll never forget it. To "In a Bind," I say, "It's a family name - share." - KATHRYN HANSEN, WILLIAMSBURG, VA.

DEAR KATHRYN: There's wisdom in those words. I second the motion.

DEAR ABBY: I'm a 6-foot-tall woman who has also experienced the smashed knee, pinned-in-place-for-the-duration-of-the-flight situation that your reader wrote about. As you suggested, I have tried to get bulkhead seating, but it goes fast. You usually have to take regular seating.

On a trip to Chicago this past spring, I was pinned in place, unable to move the entire flight. We changed planes in Detroit, and I vowed to my companion that I wouldn't suffer any more. When we boarded the next flight for the hop over Lake Michigan, a man took the seat in front of me, and proceeded to recline it. I braced my knees and he couldn't move. He pushed and I pushed. He turned around and angrily said, "Is there a suitcase behind my seat?" I just as angrily replied, "No, it's my knees!" His jaw dropped.

I was feeling a little guilty. Thinking he was probably traveling all the way to L.A. on the continuation of the flight, I reasoned that he could recline after I disembarked from the 20-minute flight to Chicago. When we landed, I stood to leave, and Mr. Recliner stood to disembark as well. He gave me a nasty look, and I said, "You got a problem, Bud?" Since I was a head taller than he was, he said, "No."

I admit, I may have been rude, but how rude was he? I'm tired of being physically crushed by inconsiderate people. If that means I must be inconsiderate, too, so be it. Nonsmokers have rights. Handicapped people have rights. Obese people have rights. Even short people have rights. I say, it's time tall people had rights, too. - TALL IN FLORIDA

DEAR TALL: I realize that many travelers are fed up with being crammed into aircraft like sardines. The most effective way to resolve the problem would be to write the president of the airline, vent your feelings and request something be done about it at the corporate level. Since Americans are growing taller and bigger with each passing decade, something must be done to accommodate reality.

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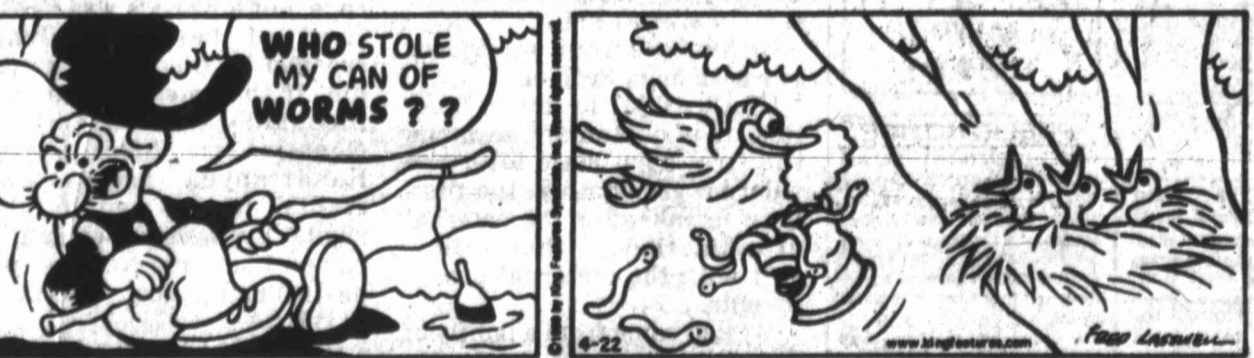
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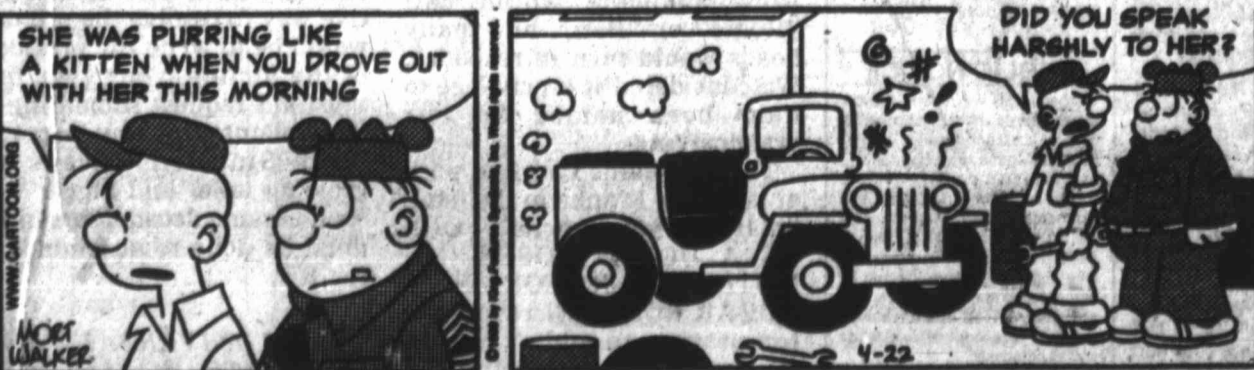
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