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**Positively ...
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Amphitheatre site for free gospel concert

A free concert of contemporary and country gospel music is planned Saturday at the Comanche Trail Amphitheatre.

"Two Days Later," a duo of two public school teachers from Bangs, will perform beginning at 6:30 p.m. They are being hosted by Crossroads Church, along with several other local churches that will be participating in the concert.

"Prepare to have your socks blessed off," said Big Spring minister Jeff Janca. "They will have you laughing and enjoying yourself. It's going to be a fun evening."

Leesa Stephens and Stacy Walker make up the group, "2 Days Later." For more information about the concert, call Crossroads Church at 264-0734.

WHAT'S UP...

TODAY

□ American Legion Post 506, 7 p.m.

□ Rackle-Swords Chapter 379 Vietnam Veterans of America, 7 p.m., 124 Jonesboro Road.

□ Masonic Lodge No. 1340, 7:30 p.m., 2101 Lancaster.

FRIDAY

□ AMBUCS, noon, Brandin Iron.

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

SATURDAY

□ Dance 8:30 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 704 W. Third. Everyone welcome.

□ The Heritage Museum, 510 Scurry, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

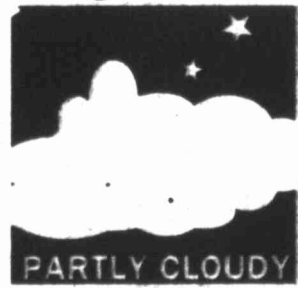
□ The Pötton House, 200 Gregg, a restored historic home, is open from 1 to 5 p.m. A one-time admission fee of \$2 for adults and \$1 for children and senior citizens are encouraged.

□ Eagles Lodge pot luck supper, 7 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 704 W. Third.

Big Spring Squares call 267-7043 or 263-6305 for more information.

WEATHER

Tonight:



TONIGHT 59°-62°
FRIDAY 83°-86°

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Lakeview Reunion set Friday, Saturday

By ALLISON THOMAS
Staff Writer

Lakeview High School will be holding its eighth school reunion this weekend, beginning Friday and ending Saturday night with a dance.

Lakeview School is the school black students in Big Spring attended until integration in 1962. The Big Spring School District was the first district in Texas to integrate a high school.

Members of the Lakeview High School Reunion Planning

Committee have been busy making plans for the reunion. It is a school reunion for anyone who ever graduated from Lakeview.

"It is for the entire school because the classes were so small, it would be almost impossible to have a class reunion. Only three or so people would show up. So rather than doing that, it's a school reunion," said Cyneather Woodruff, who is a member of the planning committee and a 1957 graduate.

Woodruff is in charge of Memory Lane, a display featur-

ing memorabilia from high school days. Snapshots of Boy Scout troops and old school pictures are displayed along a wall.

"We sent a letter out, letting people know we were looking for memories and snapshots. A lot of relatives of students have come in with pictures," said Woodruff.

So far, 75 to 80 graduates have registered to attend the reunion, but Woodruff expects more to show up for final registration, which will be at 6 p.m. on

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Storms cause water woes, temporary power outages

By MARSHA STURDIVANT
Staff Writer

Thunderstorms Wednesday night caused some electrical outages, and swept torrents of water through the McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark, which received about 3-1/2 inches of rain.

"We were on our way to Midland, and had to seek shelter under the overpass near the

Department of Public Safety, because the rain was coming down so hard we couldn't see," said airpark manager Nelda Reagan. "And the wind was really high. Other people were parked under there, too."

Todd Darden, public works director for the city of Big Spring, said he had crews repairing a sewer main line at

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Rodeo grounds bustling with all kinds of activity

By ALLISON THOMAS
Staff Writer

Wednesday afternoon, four hours before the first event of the rodeo started, the rodeo grounds were already bustling with cowboys, vendors, rodeo hands, and announcers.

Brief rain showers that afternoon didn't slow the rodeo personnel from trudging through the mud to perfect arrangements for the start of the 66th Annual Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo.

Stock contractor Kenneth Auger and his wife, Judy, were busy supervising the unloading of the animals to be featured in the rodeo. The bulls, broncs and cattle were already waiting in their pens.

Announcer Mike Mathis was grooming the horse he announces from.

"I'm bathing my announcing booth," he joked. "At this point, we're semi-ready for everything to begin. It's just last minute preparations from this point on."

Mathis has been a professional rodeo announcer since 1983. His first interest was bull and bronco riding, but he was suddenly thrown into the profession of rodeo announcing one night.

"The announcer of a rodeo I was riding in was in a car wreck," Mathis explained. "They asked me to replace him that night, and I've been announcing ever since."

The rodeos Mathis covers are scattered across the nation, ranging from Florida to California. He covers two rodeos in Canada each year, and will be a part of approximately 46 rodeos this year. However, he always remembers the Big Spring rodeo.

"This is the oldest running rodeo in the country," he said. "Pecos and Prescott had earlier rodeos, but the Big Spring rodeo is the only one that has ever run for 66 straight years."



Calf roper Kyle Kelso from Roswell, N.M., turned in the fastest time, 10.6 seconds, during his performance at the Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo Wednesday night. Kelso received \$125 from Coca-Cola for having the fastest time. The rodeo continues nightly at 8:30 through Saturday.

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Also among the early comers were two of the contestants in Tijuana Poker, the daring game that is guaranteed to draw big crowds each year. In this game, four cowboys sit at a poker table for as long as possible while an angry bull runs around the arena.

"Do we look crazy?," asked James Payne, who was reluctant to admit that he and his brother were contestants. He finally confessed that they

were, in fact, Tijuana Poker players.

"I got started doing rodeos in Mesquite, east of Dallas, and just moved on from there," said Payne.

James' younger brother Sam, 18, will be competing in Tijuana Poker for the first time during this rodeo.

The Big Spring Rodeo Association was out in full force, preparing for the crowds. President Harry Middleton was at the rodeo grounds supervising last-minute preparations.

"We have to get and maintain the grounds, hire the stock contractor, and basically make sure everything turns out," said Middleton.

An organization completely made up of local volunteers, the rodeo association makes sure everything runs smoothly.

"Everybody does whatever is required of them," said association member Carey Burchett, who was setting up saw horses at the time. "We don't have any

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Labor search, pavilion handicapped ramp topics for chamber

By MARSHA STURDIVANT
Staff Writer

Directors for the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce Wednesday learned that StarTek USA's human resources director Kevin Cory was impressed with Big Spring.

"Kevin went out on Friday and asked people in stores and at service stations if they knew what StarTek is," said Jan Foresyth, ex-officio chamber member.

"He was told yes, folks knew what StarTek is and that we need StarTek in Big Spring. He



GEORGE PRATHER

said the two things he was most impressed with in Big Spring were the people, they really impressed him, and the outpouring of love and caring and the group effort during the market labor search," she said.

Board members also learned from Lee George, who is chairman of the Dora Roberts Community Center, that a handicapped ramp is being built at the new pavilion on the south side of the center.

"We received several inquiries as to why we didn't have a ramp built. We have rented the small and the large pavilion once, and we are now down to about 30 percent of the functions here being no charge," George said.

Chuck Williams, board president, said human error accounted for the oversight when the pavilion was built in April.

"I'd say this is an oops,"

Williams said.

Mel Prather, vice president of tourism, said in his report that many projects are being finalized and completed within the convention and visitors bureau.

"Hangar 25 is a nice addition to this town, and at the recent art show we were told it was the best they had ever had," Prather said.

"The kids' stuff at the state park is complete, and the Vietnam Memorial is complete, and we should have our new radio station on the air July 1," he said.

Prather also said grant writing is ongoing to request funds

for the Hotel Settles project, this time to purchase doors for the first floor, and another softball tournament is scheduled for July 12 at the Roy Anderson Softball Complex.

"We will have a booth at Pops in the Park July 3, to raise money. We are also in the process of reviewing our program for billboards and our signage," Prather said.

Lanelle Witt, business development vice president, said a Business After Hours is set for Dakota's Flowers June 24.

"I hope all of you will try to be

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Senate votes to name federal building in Austin after Pickle

From local and wire reports

Big Spring native J.J. "Jake" Pickle, longtime Texas congressman, was honored Wednesday when the Senate voted unanimously to name the federal building in Austin after him.

"Naming this federal building for Jake Pickle is a small but tangible tribute to Austin's living legend," said Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas, who sponsored the legislation with fellow Republican Texas Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison.

"Jake was one of the most effective members of Congress I've ever known, and he richly deserves this recognition," he added.

The House voted in May to name the federal building on East 8th Street after the Democrat who represented Austin in Congress for three decades. Pickle's successor, Rep. Lloyd Doggett, D-Austin, pushed the legislation.

Pickle was elected in 1963 to the House seat Lyndon B.

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Retired Congressman J.J. "Jake" Pickle, pictured here with Big Spring Mayor Tim Blackshear and his nephew, Gary Pickle, during Big Spring Day at the Capital activities in April, will have the new federal building in Austin named in his honor.

HERALD photo/John A. Moseley

OBITUARIES

John Davis

John W. Davis, 95, Lubbock, former longtime resident of Big Spring, died

on Wednesday, June 16, 1999, in Lubbock. Services will be 11 a.m. Friday, June 18, 1999, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Dr. Ed Williamson, pastor of First United Methodist Church, officiating. He will be assisted by Rev. James Liggett, pastor of St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.



DAVIS

He was born on April 14, 1904, in Fisher County, and married Peggy Birkhead on Dec. 27, 1924, in Big Spring. She preceded him in death on Sept. 19, 1993.

John came to Howard County as a young child with his family. His parents were Wiley and Mattie Davis, pioneer farming family in the Centerpoint Community. He attended schools in Big Spring and Coahoma and graduated from Coahoma High School in 1924. He farmed for a number of years in the Centerpoint Community and also kept books for the local gins for several years. In 1936, he established John Davis Feed Store and was active in the business for many years before his son-in-law took it over. Together they operated it as a family business for over 50 years.

He was a member of the First United Methodist Church and served on the Board of Stewards for many years and was a member of the American Business Club. John was a member of Staked Plains Lodge No. 598, A.F. & A.M., Big Spring Chapter No. 178, R.A.M., Big Spring Council No. 117, R.S.M., member and Past Commander of Big Spring Commandery No. 31 Knights Templar, Scottish Rite, Suez Shrine Temple and had been a member and Past Worthy Patron of Coahoma Chapter No. 499, Order of the Eastern Star. He had been a member of these Masonic bodies for over 50 years.

Survivors include: his daughter and son-in-law, Mary Louise and Wesley Deats of Big Spring; two grandchildren, John Wesley Deats of Midland, and Annabeth Miller of Omaha, Neb.; three great-granddaughters, Abigail Deats of Porterville, Calif., Caroline Deats of Midland, and AnnaClarice Miller of Omaha, Neb.; and several nieces and nephews.

The family suggests memorials to the Big Spring Humane Society; P.O. Box 823; Big

Spring; 79721-0623, First United Methodist Church; P.O. Box 1229; Big Spring; 79721-1229, or the Carillon Retirement Center; 1717 Norfolk Ave.; Lubbock; 79416.

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

Paid obituary

Georgia Mae Jacobs

Graveside service for Georgia Mae Jacobs, 68, Coahoma, will be 3 p.m. Friday, June 18, 1999, at the Coahoma Cemetery with Russ Mullins, minister of Coahoma Church of Christ, officiating.

Mrs. Jacobs died Wednesday, June 16, at her residence.

She was born on July 3, 1930, in Goldthwaite, and married Guy Wayne Jacobs, Sr. on Aug. 5, 1950, in Colorado City. She was a member of Coahoma Church of Christ and was a homemaker.

Survivors include: her husband, Gus Jacobs of Coahoma; two daughters, Beverley Scribner of Grapevine, and Darlene Gressett of Coahoma; one son, Gus Wayne Jacobs, Jr. of Brownwood; five sisters, Jewel Casbeer of Goldthwaite, Olivia Taylor of Gatesville, Alta Casbeer of Abilene, Velma Harrell of Portland, and Ruby Trice of McKinney; several grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

The family will receive friends from 7 to 8 tonight at the funeral home.

The family suggests memorials to: Coahoma Church of Christ Library Fund; P.O. Box 198; Coahoma; 79511, or the Medina Children's Home; HCR 16, Box 75; Medina; 78055-9615.

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

Marvin Smith

Service for Marvin Smith, 80, Oregon, formerly of Big Spring, is pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

He died Tuesday, June 15, 1999, in Fresno, Calif.

LAKEVIEW

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Friday.

Graduates from Lakeview now live all over the country. People from as far away as Durham, North Carolina and Antioch, Calif. have registered for the reunion.

Reunion activities will be held at the La Vedera Club. Friday evening's welcoming program will be held at 7:30 p.m. A continental breakfast is scheduled for Saturday morning at 9, and a catered dinner for the graduates will take place from 5 to 7 Saturday night.

After the dinner, a dance will be held at the club from 9 that evening until 1 a.m. The dance will be held as the final event of the Lakeview reunion.

RODEO

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specialists here, we just do what's required."

The general feeling around the rodeo grounds is that this year's rodeo will be one of the best in Big Spring's history.

"I would really encourage everyone to come," said Mathis. "We have the best cowboys, the best livestock, the best events."

The rodeo will continue through Saturday night with performances at 8:30. The rodeo parade, sponsored by KBST and the Herald will take place Saturday afternoon at 5:30.

Tonight is Two-Dollar Night, sponsored by Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, the Convention and Visitors Bureau and the rodeo association. All tickets are \$2 at the gate.

MOORE

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was conducted by the company two weeks ago.

Big Spring people received a thumbs up for answering the labor needs of the company for a telephone call center.

Now officials are finalizing plans for the expansion in an incentive package that includes location as well as other pluses for both the city and the company, Sharp has said.

The newest location that

might be brought to the negotiating table is in the College Park Shopping Center. On the north end, a 30,000-square-foot building which once housed a Bingo Hall, and was a TG&Y Store for many years, is considered the best location for the call center, all factors considered, he said.

Sharp said time is an important component in the negotiation process, as StarTek is hoping to open the call center by Aug. 1.

Sharp has said he is hoping for some latitude from StarTek in the timeline, as final negotiations continue.

"We have given Kent some latitude and direction to continue with the negotiation process for tonight's conversation," Wegman said.

Wegman also said that while a board member might be present during the conference call, a quorum would not be present until today's meeting.

He expressed confidence in Sharp's negotiating abilities, and said he believes the process is favorable for Big Spring.

"Kent really sold StarTek on Big Spring, because we did not fit their cookie cutter image of locations where they want to place a center. Our college wasn't big enough, our population wasn't large enough, and we don't have a military base," Wegman said.

"Kent sold them on every point, and said that Big Spring is different, a unified community that cares about their town. Then, when we had the labor market search, Big Spring really demonstrated to StarTek, when more than 1,000 people turned out for the interviews," Wegman said.

CHAMBER

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there, considering this is the height of the vacation season. The program is set for the same time as before, from 5-7 p.m.," Witt said.

Board members learned there will not be a meeting in July, and were asked to prepare nominations for new board members by August.

Jim Purcell, incoming board president, said those on the board nominate individuals who are chamber members to become directors.

Terri Newton, executive vice president for the chamber, said she will be attending a training seminar in Colorado in July, her second year.

"This is a four-year program, and I have made it to my second year. So we will be on cruise for July," Newton said.

PICKLE

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Johnson once held, rising through the ranks to become a senior Democrat on the tax-writing House Ways and Means Committee. Pickle, now 85, chose not to seek reelection in 1994.

Pickle is the brother of former longtime Big Spring resident Joe Pickle. He grew up in Big Spring and is a member of the Big Spring High School Hall of Fame.

A resident of Austin, Pickle greeted Big Spring residents during Big Spring Day in Austin last April. He has appeared at numerous events in Big Spring, speaking fondly of his "home town" and was keynote speaker at the 1989 Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce Banquet.

In 1993, he was honored in Austin on his 80th birthday

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with a party at the University of Texas Alumni Center.

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the airpark when the storm hit.

"I know our gauge out at the airpark recorded 3-1/2 inches of rain in about 30 minutes. We had to stop repairing the sewer main," Darden said.

To his knowledge, Darden said no flood damage was reported.

Reagan said her personal experience with the storm was that it was "a bad one."

"I don't know if anybody got flooded, but I know it was a pretty bad storm," Reagan said.

Mike Hammock, TXU Electric manager for Big Spring, said power outages were experienced in various areas throughout town. Problems were quickly corrected by on-call servicemen, he said.

"This is pretty typical any time we have lightning storms. We experience some storm-related outages between 6-10 p.m., in small, select areas spread all over town," Hammock said.

Most of the problems were transistors and fuses, he said, which suffered from bolts of lightning strikes.

"We had lightning strikes all over our system, which is really not unusual," Hammock said.

BRIEFS

ATTENTION CLUBS, ORGANIZATIONS AND churches: The *Big Spring Herald* is in the process of updating information for our Community Guide.

Please provide us with any changes to last year's listing, in writing.

Clubs, community groups and organizations, please provide us with meeting times, places and contact person. Churches; we need the name, address and phone number.

Please fax the information to: 264-7205, attention: Community Guide; drop it by the office at 710 Scurry, or mail it to: P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring. You can reach us by e-mail at: bsherald@xroadstx.com.

CUB SCOUT DAY CAMP is planned June 23-25 with fishing, archery and many other activities. Cost is \$30. Call Prissy Stanley, 263-1513 for more information.

AMERICAN LEGION POST 506 is having a fish fry Saturday from noon to 3 p.m. at 3203 W. Hwy. 80. The cost is \$6 per plate and carry out is available. Call 263-2084 for information. Everyone is welcome.

THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF Health will have a Saturday shot clinic on June 26, from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. and from 1 to 4 p.m. Please bring a note from school or your child's shot record. For more information call 263-9775.

SUPPORT GROUPS

THURSDAY
•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting.
•A.D.D.A.P.T. non-profit support and learning organization

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TEXAS LOTTERY

Lottery numbers are unofficial until confirmed by the state lottery commission.

PICK 3: 4,7,7
LOTTO: 4,10,13,32,38,50

4:38 p.m. - 1400 block Stadium, residence fire call, false alarm.

5:17 p.m. - 3200 block Parkway, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

6:06 p.m. - 2700 block Crestline, structure fire, extinguished by responding units.

•Grief Support related to the death of a loved one. Call Nurses Unlimited, Inc., at 264-6523.

•Alzheimer's Association Support Group, last Thursday of the month, Comanche Trail Nursing Center, 3200 Parkway, 7 p.m. Call 267-9459.

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

•Al-Anon support group, 8 p.m., 615 Settles.

FRIDAY
•Turning Point A.A., 8-9:30 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 10th and Goliad. Open to all substance abusers.

MARKETS

July cotton 55.35 cents, up 9 points; July crude 18.12, down 18 points; cash hogs steady at 33; cash steers steady at 67 even; July lean hog futures 50.25, down 102 points; Aug. live cattle futures 64.57, down 15 points.

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ATT	54% +
Asarco Inc	17% +
Atmos Energy	25% nc
BP Amoco	112% -
Chevron	94% -
Cifra	19% to 18%
Coca Cola	64 + 1/8
Compaq Computer	21 1/2 -
Cornell Correc.	17% nc
Dell	36% +
DuPont	69% -
Exxon	81% -
Halliburton	46% +
IBM	119% -
Intel Corp	57% - 2%
Mid Amer Energy	34% -
Mobil	101% -
NUV	9% -
Palex Inc.	5% + 3/32
Pepsi Cola	36 +
Petrofina	unavailable
Phillips Petroleum	52% 0%
SBC Com.	54% -
Sears	48% -
Texaco	64% -
Texas Instruments	130% - 3%
Texas Utils. Co	43% -
Unocal Corp	41% +
Wal-Mart	44% -
Amcap	18.99-20.15
Europacific	31.98-33.93
Prime Rate	7.75%
Gold	258.50-259.50
Silver	5.01-5.06

FIRE/EMS

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

WEDNESDAY
11:26 a.m. - 700 block Johnson, medical call, patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
12:15 p.m. - 300 block N.E. Sixth, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.
4:17 p.m. - 2500 block Gregg, structure fire, out on arrival.

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

PICK 3: 4,7,7
LOTTO: 4,10,13,32,38,50

POLICE

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

• **WILLIAM GRAVIS, 58**, was arrested in the 400 block of Johnson for public intoxication.

• **DEBORAH LOMAS, 33**, was arrested in the 800 block of Nolan for county warrants.

• **EUNICE ESCOBAR, 19**, was arrested in the 1000 block of Birdwell for local warrants.

• **STACY PENDELTON, 23**, was arrested in the rodeo grounds for local warrants.

• **JOHNNY GREEN, 36**, was arrested in the 1300 block of Lancaster for local warrants.

• **MICHAEL HUNTER, 59**, was arrested in the 400 block of West Fourth for public intoxication.

• **CLIFFORD HART, 36**, was arrested in the 400 block of West Fourth for evading arrest.

• **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 1300 block of Wright, the 400 block of Northwest Tenth, and the intersection of 15th and Dixie.

• **JUVENILE PROBLEM** was reported at the intersection of 11th and Settles, the 400 block of Main, the 700 block of West 1-20, and the 1800 block of Settles.

• **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 500 block of Westover.

• **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** was reported in the 900 block of Northwest Second.

• **MINOR ACCIDENT** was reported at the intersection of Goliad and FM 700, the 2500 block of Gregg, the intersection of Randolph and Gunter, and the 2600 block of Wasson.

• **THEFT** was reported in the 200 block of North Gregg, the intersection of 18th and Gregg, the 1700 block of East Marcy, the 300 block of Owens, and the intersection of 11th and Settles.

• **DEADLY CONDUCT** was reported in the 1400 block of Mesa.

• **DISTURBANCE/FIGHT** was reported in the 3300 block of West Highway 80.

RECORDS

Wednesday's high 86
Wednesday's low 60
Average high 94
Average low 68
Record high 109 in 1924
Record low 51 in 1981
Precip. Wednesday 0.06
Month to date 0.84
Month's normal 1.28
Year to date 5.39
Normal for the year 7.42
Sunrise Friday 6:39 a.m.
Sunset Friday 8:55 p.m.

MOVIE THEATERS

What's New To Town This Week!
RITZ
"STAR WARS DTS (PG)"
Daily 1pm-4pm-7pm & 10pm
THE MATRIX (R)
Daily 1:30-4:15-7:20 & 9:50
NEVER BEEN KISSED (PG-13)
Daily 1:45-4:30-7:20 & 9:40

STAR
ENTRAPMENT (PG-13)
Daily: 4:45-7:15 & 9:45
Sat. & Sun. 2:15

NOTTING HILL (PG-13)
Daily: 4:30-7:00 & 9:30
Sat. & Sun. 2:00

CINEMA 4
"AUSTIN POWERS 2 (PG-13)"
DTS
Daily 1:00-3:10-5:20-7:30 & 9:40

LIFE (R)
Daily 1:30-4:10-7:10 & 9:35
THE MUMMY (PG-13)
Daily 1:15-4:00-7:00 & 9:30
13TH FLOOR (R)
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DPS search for rail-riding suspect continues

GEORGETOWN (AP) — State law officers are continuing the hunt for a suspected serial killer today, declaring a false alarm in Central Texas after local authorities thought they had found the elusive drifter.

"We are doing everything we can to find him," said Department of Public Safety spokesman Mike Cox.

"Whoever is killing these people is certainly a very brutal, brutal individual," he said.

Authorities determined late Wednesday that a man at first thought to be Rafael Resendez-Ramirez was not after realizing that a snake tattoo identified with the suspected rail-riding killer was on the wrong arm.

Computerized fingerprint comparisons between Resendez-Ramirez and the man who was

taken into custody also didn't match. The FBI will do its own fingerprint tests sometime today, Cox said.

"As far as we're concerned, at this point it's not Resendez-Ramirez," said Cox. "I suppose there is still a click of a possibility, but there's not much of one at all."

The man in custody, who has not been identified, was arrested along with four other people while riding a Union Pacific freight train between Round Rock and Hutto in Williamson County, about 30 miles north of Austin.

Cox said the arrests were spurred by calls to the Round Rock Police Department from Austin police and some private citizens who said they saw a man that looked like Resendez-

Ramirez.

Officers stopped the train near the intersection of U.S. Highway 79 and Farm-to-Market Road 685 and arrested the suspects.

The five were hiding underneath the wheels of a trailer that was being towed on a flatbed train car. The men were being held at the Williamson County Jail on suspicion of trespassing.

A drifter from Mexico known to hop freight trains, Resendez-Ramirez has been wanted by the FBI in connection with five Texas killings and one in Lexington, Ky., since August 1997. All the victims were beaten to death near railroad tracks.

"Resendez-Ramirez is probably the most wanted man in Texas right now," Cox said.

He's "one of the most wanted men in the country."

A \$60,000 reward is being offered for information leading to his arrest.

Authorities say fingerprints and other forensic evidence link Resendez-Ramirez to all five Texas killings — two in the Houston-area and three near Weimar, 80 miles west of Houston.

Three more slayings with possible connections to Resendez-Ramirez surfaced Wednesday as investigators announced they had found the suspect's fingerprint in the car of a slain Houston teacher.

Texas authorities also contacted southern Illinois authorities about the slayings of a man and his daughter in a home 100 yards from a rail line.

Grocery store chain starts milk price war

DALLAS (AP) — Shoppers in the Dallas-Fort Worth area and points east have been benefiting from a price war that has sent milk prices tumbling to 99 cents per gallon.

The mooove started about a month ago, and visitors to the dairy case can still find a big break on the food staple at chains such as Kroger, Albertsons and Tom Thumb.

"We're just enjoying it while it lasts," said Maxine Whitton, director at King Arthur's Castle of Little Tikes in Sunnyvale, which uses about 20 gallons of milk each week to feed approximately 120 children at the day care center.

"As soon as that one that started it stops, everyone will stop," she predicted.

A Kroger spokesman said his company was the first to cut prices, but he doesn't know when the deep discount will end.

"As long as the wholesale price of milk remains lower, we plan on passing that along to the customer," said Gary Huddleston of the grocer's regional office in Houston.

Ellen Jordan, a Texas Agricultural Extension Service dairy specialist in Dallas, said milk producers will be getting nearly 9 cents more per gallon beginning July 1 for the raw product that is sold for further processing and bottling.

The anticipated increase follows a significant drop in milk

prices in April, when the price paid to producers dropped by 63 cents per gallon, she said.

Kroger cut the price on milk from \$2.59 to 99 cents a gallon at its stores in the Dallas-Fort Worth area and farther east in Nacogdoches, Palestine, Marshall, Paris and Longview.

While the drop corresponded to a slight decline in raw milk prices, Kroger also wanted to increase the volume at its Fort Worth dairy and "increase the value to our customers," Huddleston said.

A spokesman for Minyard Food Stores Inc. said the company matched prices for a week or 10 days but has since pulled back. Wednesday's gallon milk price was \$2.89.

"We just couldn't stand the loss," he said, without giving a specific amount. "You wouldn't believe it if I told you."

Albertsons has also responded to the drop in price in the Dallas-Fort Worth market.

Tom Thumb shoppers can find milk selling for 99 cents a gallon instead of the regular \$2.59, said spokeswoman Connie Yates.

Elise Bowden of Hurst, whose eight child (ages 2 to 16 years old) drink approximately 15 gallons per week, said she definitely notices a difference.

"When you have a large family that's just (extra) money you can spend on fruits and vegetables," she said.

Annual music festival can't use Buddy Holly's name

LUBBOCK (AP) — Since Buddy Holly's death, everything from the singer's silhouette to his red suede shoes has been shrouded in controversy as record companies, the Holly family and the late singer's wife have fought for licensing control and royalties.

Now, even the annual music festival held in his hometown has fallen prey to efforts to capitalize on the singer's fame.

Widow Maria Elena Holly has refused the city's offer of \$50,000 and 15 percent of the profits for permission to use the singer's name and likeness in connection to the festival. She blames the city for the breakdown in negotiations.

"I'm not going to get into the

controversy," Ms. Holly said from her home in Dallas. "I'm tired of being used as a scapegoat for people who can't do their job. I am tired of city officials who don't know how to put a festival together saying bad things about me."

The city has decided to rename the festival the West Texas Rock'n'Roll Festival. The festival, which has been held annually for the past four years under the Holly name and several years off-and-on before then, is now scheduled over the weekend of Sept. 4.

Ms. Holly has threatened to sue if the city if it holds the festival that weekend, even if it uses the new name, because she says the festival will still be

profiting off the fact that the weekend is close to Buddy Holly's birthday.

The controversy may be scaring away stars the city had hoped would perform. The Everly Brothers, whose 1950s hit Bye, Bye Love is a mainstay on oldies stations and in movies, turned down \$30,000 to appear at the festival.

Lubbock City Councilman Alex Cooke said the renaming of the event is a tragedy.

"It's a shame that we couldn't get something worked out to further promote Buddy Holly in his hometown," Cooke said. "My thought was that what we needed was a long-term contract so we wouldn't have to go through this with Ms. Holly

every year but apparently we couldn't do it. We have a festival in September and we were still trying to negotiate a contract in June. That was unacceptable."

Bobby Vee, a contemporary of Holly's who sang the hit "Rubberball," said all of the fighting over the Holly name is detracting from the singer's legacy.

"It's a huge shame and I think somehow she (Maria Elena) seems to see people who like Buddy the most as enemies," Vee said. "This is Lubbock, Texas. This is Buddy Holly's home town. Those people deserve to be able to celebrate his memory. All this fighting has just gotten silly."

Parole board, courts refuse to halt scheduled execution of Canadian

HUNTSVILLE (AP) — Texas prison officials were poised to execute Joseph Stanley Faulder tonight for a murder almost 24 years ago after the Canadian inmate lost bids before the state parole board and in the federal courts to halt the punishment.

Faulder, 61, faces lethal injection for the fatal beating and stabbing of 75-year-old Inez Phillips during a burglary of her home in Gladewater in East Texas in 1975.

He would be the first Canadian executed in the United States since the 1950s.

"Twenty-four years later, the victim's family still waits for justice," Attorney General John Cornyn said. "Ten different courts and more than 38 judges have reviewed a total of 17 appeals, each time rejecting his

appeal and affirming the capital murder conviction."

The U.S. Supreme Court and the 5th U.S. Court of Appeals on Wednesday were the latest to reject separate appeals.

The Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles earlier in the day refused — by two unanimous 18-0 votes — requests for a commutation of his death sentence and a 180-day reprieve.

And Gov. George W. Bush, who could issue a 30-day reprieve, said he was not inclined to do so.

"In the case of Mr. Faulder, I have seen no new evidence that questions the jury's verdict that he is guilty of this crime. In fact, his request for commutation was not based on any claim of innocence," Bush said.

Faulder, a former auto mechanic from Jasper, Alberta, appeared resigned to his fate despite a flurry of attempts by his attorneys to save his life.

"Come Thursday, one way or another you're going to set me free," Faulder earlier this week told Texas Department of

Criminal Justice spokesman Larry Fitzgerald.

"I have nothing to say to the media," he told prison officials.

Because Canada has no capital punishment, Faulder's case once again has attracted international attention to the death penalty in Texas, the nation's most active capital punishment state.

Faulder's lawyers contended Texas authorities ignored international law when Faulder first was charged with the 1975 murder of Mrs. Phillips at her home about 115 miles east of Dallas.

The Canadian government filed court papers in support of Faulder's claim and enlisted the backing of Secretary of State Madeleine Albright.

Faulder in December came within 30 minutes of execution

before the Supreme Court halted the punishment, saying it needed more time to consider his claims of international law violations. The court later rescinded its reprieve.

Faulder's attorneys contended Canadian authorities should have been told of his murder arrest and detention under terms of the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations. Also under that treaty, Texas authorities should have told Faulder of his right to contact the Canadian government for help, his attorneys said.

Texas officials said they knew Faulder previously had served prison time in Canada but that he did not tell them he was a Canadian citizen. Fifteen years later, his family — who believed he was long dead — and the

Canadian government discovered him alive.

Hill said Faulder insisted on keeping his Canadian ties quiet and that he did not even want his family contacted. Officials later learned he had walked out on his wife and two children.

Faulder was arrested for Mrs. Phillips' murder two years after the crime, while in custody in Colorado for unrelated charges. An appeals court threw out his first conviction after finding his confession was obtained improperly. He was convicted and condemned again in 1981.

"He went through two complete trials, two different juries in two different places and he got the same (death sentence)," Gladewater Police Chief Jimmy Davis, one of the first officers at the murder scene.

Three accused of harboring illegal immigrants in drop house

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Two men and a woman have been charged with harboring illegal immigrants after police found 39 people living on pastboard boxes under a San Antonio house.

Investigators found the immigrants Tuesday at a "drophouse" south of downtown San Antonio after a resident thought she saw someone who might be Rafael Resendez-Ramirez, a man suspected in five killings in Texas and one in Kentucky.

When police went to the house, they didn't find Resendez-Ramirez, but they found

"a large number of men" at the rear of the house.

Officers arrested Abel Rodriguez-Rodriguez, 27; Narciso Rodriguez-Rodriguez, 41; and Maria Mendoza Cordero, 24. They were being held without bond pending trial.

Officials said the two male suspects are permanent residents and the woman is an illegal immigrant. If convicted, they face up to 10 years in jail and a \$250,000 fine on each count. The two men face deportation if they are convicted.

All the immigrants were from Mexico and reportedly had paid \$300 each to be smuggled to San Antonio. Most were back in Mexico before midnight Tuesday, officials said.

Immigration and Naturalization Service agents said the house apparently had been a holding place for smuggled immigrants for a while.

The 39 people lived under the back of the house, where used flattened pastboard boxes for beds and empty food cans littered the dirt floor.

The lawsuit, filed May 25, alleges Mrs. Middleton operated her vehicle negligently. Mrs. Middleton would not discuss the lawsuit.

Women sue driver in post office accident that killed their mother

WAXAHACHIE (AP) — Two women are suing a driver whose car pinned their mother to the wall of the Waxahachie post office, killing her.

Jeanne Ramsey and Martha Lynn, daughters of 71-year-old Mildred Menges, filed the lawsuit in Ellis County.

A grand jury considered the case, but on March 17 declined to pursue criminal charges against Mary Louise Middleton, 77, of Waxahachie.

The Waxahachie Daily Light said Mrs. Middleton's husband, Stewart, also is named in the lawsuit.

The accident occurred around 3 p.m. Jan. 16 as Mrs. Middleton drove up to a parking space in

front of the post office.

"We believe that the ... driver unfortunately placed her foot on the accelerator versus the brake," said McKinney Boyd of the Postal Service's Dallas District.

Mrs. Middleton's Cadillac went through the front of the building and into a service area where people were mailing packages. The car traveled 30 to 40 feet through the post office after going over shrubbery and through a plate-glass window. Ms. Menges was caught between the car and the building.

The impact pushed back the service counter, where postal representatives stood just

moments earlier, several feet. Three customers were treated at a hospital for minor injuries, and two others received medical care at the scene.

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OUR VIEWS

Register now for Saturday's rodeo parade

With the 66th annual Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo now under way, it's time for anyone interested in entering this year's rodeo parade to get themselves registered for the procession.

Unlike previous rodeo parades, which were staged on the morning of the rodeo's final performance, this year's parade is set for 5:30 p.m. Saturday.

Sponsored by the *Big Spring Herald* and KBST Radio, the parade is open to groups interested in building floats, owners of classic and custom cars, riding clubs, and individuals wanting to decorate bicycles.

The parade is scheduled to form at the intersection of 10th and Main. It will proceed north around the Howard County Courthouse square, turn south on Scurry Street and disband at the intersection of 10th and Scurry.

Judges will determine the winners of awards in each of the parade's categories. Engraved plaques will be presented to the first-, second- and third-place entries in each of the four categories and *Plymouth Dodge* will provide a \$100 prize for the winner of the bicycle decorating contest.

In addition, the winners in each category will be included in the grand entry for Saturday night's final rodeo performance.

Every effort is being made to make it the biggest and best in the rodeo's 66-year history.

As co-sponsors of the parade, we here at the *Herald* encourage the entire community to get involved and make sure you're a part of the best rodeo parade we've ever had.

Entry forms are being included today's edition of the *Herald* and are also available at the newspaper's offices at 710 Scurry and at KBST Radio's offices at 608 Johnson.

There is no fee for taking part in the parade, just complete an entry form, get your vehicle, float or riding club ready and be there in time to line up for the procession.

We look forward to seeing you there.

YOUR VIEWS

TO THE EDITOR:

Isn't God wonderful! He had a big hand in all the wonderful things that were given to help the little four-legged angels at the Humane Society.

I am glad I was one of God's helpers — he knew my desire to help the kitties at the Humane Society was strong and he blessed me with the kindness of other people that car too! I forgot to mention a nice young man from Phoenix, Ariz. He was just in Big Spring that day visiting his loved ones, and when he read my letter asking for help for the kitties, he gave \$20 to help buy air coolers for the shelter. He said God bless you and I wanted to tell him that God has blessed me many times. One of those blessings was meeting this kind of caring young man from Phoenix. Thank you for caring and may God bless you, Mr. Roy L. Kenner.

I close this letter with another thank you to God and all the others who helped the Humane Society in their time of need and a special thank you to HEB for their wonderful gifts to the Humane Society...you're all angels!

LANA ANGUIANO
BIG SPRING

Editor's note: Ms. Anguiano, who cannot talk because of cancer, raised \$600 for the Humane Society by going door to door with a note to explain what she was doing.

TO THE EDITOR:

This is out of character for

me, as I don't even usually read the letters to the editor much less write them, but the article in the Sunday, June 6, paper about the activities of our police department was more than I could take.

It is a small wonder that the normal citizenry has lost respect for so-called law enforcement, when their main focus is lurking in blind alleys and behind sign boards to try and trap honest, hard-working citizens for a mile or two over the speed limit or fine them \$95 for not wearing a seat belt.

It's pretty apparent why the only real criminals that are caught in Howard County are usually apprehended by law enforcement officials from elsewhere. After all, ours are busy harassing normal citizens and bleeding them of money that most need to pay their bills and educate their children. I doubt there are many bravos for the \$8,000 plus BSPD extracted from our citizens.

How did law enforcement evolve from their duty to protect citizens from the drug community and criminal element to a role of competing to see who can issue the most tickets to the very people they are supposed to protect.

No, I have not been a victim of this courageous, breathtaking assault on the deadly seat belt bandits or the more dangerous yet, one or two mile per hour speeders, but after this, I'm sure I will.

DEAN BLAKE
BIG SPRING

Rebuilding Kosovo economic opportunity

Who says war doesn't pay? As the Kosovo conflict was dragging on last month, President Clinton gave an economic rationale for why peace in the Balkans is in America's best interest: "War is expensive, peace is cheaper, (and) prosperity is down right profitable," he told a group of veterans at the National Defense University on May 13.

But war can also be downright profitable — especially for the 150-some companies that gathered in Washington this week to learn how they could get their piece of the Kosovo peace. What NATO's bombs destroyed, American companies hope to rebuild at a tidy profit.

No sooner had Slobodan Milosevic's tanks started rolling out of the battered Kosovo province than American executives began focusing on how to rebuild the roads, bridges, homes and everything else laid to waste by 78 days of NATO aerial bombardment.

The task ahead is daunting. In some regions of Kosovo, 80 percent of the houses have been burned down. The basic infrastructure in most cities — utilities, roads, lines of communication — have been destroyed by the Serbs. Refugees live in camps that barely provide the basics for survival, and an estimated 1 million Kosovars are still hiding out in the woods and wilderness.

In Serbia — where American money will only be spent if Milosevic relinquishes power — the devastation is just as bad.

Forty-five bridges, most of the nation's power plants and 60 percent of the oil reserves have been destroyed by NATO. With the harsh Balkan winter just a few months away, time is of the essence. This is where the business community is happily stepping in.

One enterprising company, the Washington-based Center for Reconstruction and Development, makes a lucrative living off natural and man-made disasters. When Hurricane Mitch devastated Latin America last year, for example, the company helped several American firms claim their share of the \$2 billion in American aid authorized by Congress.

This week, the center held a Balkan Reconstruction conference. For \$500 — a drop in the contract bucket — attendees

were given information about the "numerous business opportunities (that) exist for companies involved in roads and bridges, housing, potable water, power, telecommunications, agriculture, food, health and medicine."

Companies are lining up for the work.

Dennis Day of the 50,000-member Associated General Contractors of America, tells us his clients care less about the humanitarian aspect of rebuilding Kosovo and are far more interested in cold, hard cash.

"The crux is this is a business opportunity; if it wasn't profitable, we wouldn't be in at all," Day says. He added that even though it's very expensive for American companies to take their crews and equipment overseas, there are still profits to be made for the right firm.

"The fact is, bridges need to be rebuilt today," Chris Helman of the Center for Defense Information told our associate Kathryn Wallace. "American businesses are going to want to get in on the ground floor (of the rebuilding business); most of the work will be done on spec, with the knowledge that funding will come later."

Where the aid will come from — and how much of it will come — will take months or years to answer. Although President Clinton

has ruled out any help for Serbia while Milosevic remains in power, the United States has already pledged more than \$1 billion in aid to Kosovo, Albania and Macedonia.

And that's just the beginning. More money will be needed to compensate European nations that bore the brunt of the refugee crisis, and to pay for the care and feeding of 75,000 ethnic Albanian refugees currently residing in the United States.

The European Union has offered a package worth \$30 billion over five years to rebuild the entire Balkan region, a "mini-Marshall plan" of sorts, modeled after the American aid that rebuilt Europe after World War II. Bill Loiry, president of the Center for Reconstruction and Development, says the United Nations, the World Bank and other nations like Taiwan — a big supporter of neighboring Macedonia — will also be contributing to the reconstruction.

Despite the promises, Helman says that there's no way to predict what the entire eight-week war will cost when all the bills come due.

Belgrade officials put the price tag at \$150 billion and believe it will be decades before the country will fully recover.

That's bad news for Kosovo, but good news for companies that see war as a business opportunity.



JACK ANDERSON



If this old porch could talk

It smelled like summer, finally. Like garden-hose water and bug spray and magnolia blossoms.

I sat on the porch, on the swing a doctor in Louisiana made for me, and watched the lightning bugs rise up out of tall, wet grass to perform nature's most beautiful mating ritual.

I paid the doctor for the swing. He once was a faithful reader who wanted me to have it as a gift, but I told him the newspaper rule about reporters accepting expensive presents. (It's virtually the same rule my mother had about accepting gifts from boys: At all costs, avoid the obligation.)

The doctor donated my money to his hospital, then sent the swing to the wrong address; I had to pay an extra \$50 freight to have them haul it up from Tupelo, Miss. The swing ended up costing me three times the going rate.

A couple of years after the swing arrived, I wrote a political column the doctor hated. He sent a blistering letter forthwith, saying, and I'm paraphrasing, he hoped I fell

out of the swing and broke something he would then refuse to set.

I have an interesting porch here. There's the swing, a lesson in human nature. Never trust a friendship based on the premise two people think exactly alike. No two people do. Friendships are hammered out daily, like peace plans.

Also on the porch is an old rattan sofa that came with the first house I ever bought. I could never part with it. The cushions have cotton batting, making it a wonderful place to nap in the middle of a summer's day.

In the corner is a big rock that came from Crazy Horse's eyeball, or the part of the Black Hills they blasted away to make a mountain look like the warrior atop his horse. You can see the honeycomb, blasting texture on the rock, and most smart children spend long minutes studying its significance. Adults walk right by it.

There's a fine table on the porch with mismatched legs, and another with its top made from a sign that once hung at Shiloh Military Park. The sign shows the log church that was there when the battle raged.

The porch is like a personal museum, and I love for visitors to ask about my oddball possessions. Thieves routinely steal from the back porch, take the tools and mowers; so far they've left the valuables alone.

(I've been working on my porch in Georgia, trying to

make it have the same depth. But it only looks contrived. Good porches are like good food; they take time. So far the clutter on the Georgia porch is cute, but not meaningful.)

Important people have sat on this porch. Annie Hargrove, who has to have one of the regions' biggest clown collections, once stopped here. John Perry, newspaper syndicate salesman, rested his tired, traveling bones in the doctor's swing. Whiskey Gray, a local legend, has dropped by between misadventures. Ernest Bullard, who hates the computer more than any person alive on earth, has visited. Quiet, wise Cynthia Shearer, a real writer, one night pushed that swing to and fro.

I've often thought if I were skillful enough to put all those people on paper, it would make a fine novel.

But characters on your porch are one thing; characters in a book quite another.

We are wrong to blame computers for the sorry state of today's world. They played a part, sure.

But the stoop, the replacement for the porch, is more to blame than anything else. A stoop is to stand on until you can get inside. A real porch is a gravitational point with significant qualities. It is comfortable and hard to leave.

The stoop launched us indoors, which is simply not where you meet the best people.



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House rejects new curbs on youth access to sex, violence

WASHINGTON (AP) — Churning through a debate on the causes of youth violence, the House is considering a measure that would permit the Ten Commandments to be posted in schools and other government buildings.

The debate follows the sharp defeat of a proposal that would have curbed access by children to explicit sexual or violent material in video games and movies. Propelled by aggressive lobbying by the entertainment industry, the House rejected the measure Wednesday on a 282-146 vote.

"Of course we worked it hard," Jack Valenti, president of the Motion Picture Association of America, told reporters in a conference call shortly after the vote. "I think whoever drafted the bill drafted it in such a way as to be simply, blatantly, and I guess irrefutably, unconstitutional."

Rep. Henry Hyde, R-Ill., said the measure was designed to "slow the flood of toxic waste into our kids' minds." At one point in the debate, Hyde acidly

acknowledged that he could not compete with the industry's political action committee.

Pro-gun-control Democrats, meanwhile, were up against the powerful and well-funded gun lobby. Despite long-distance lobbying by President Clinton during his trip through Europe, several Democrats expressed pessimism that Senate-passed gun restrictions would survive the House.

"We're up against a lot of money," House Democratic leader Dick Gephardt of Missouri said.

After a late dinner in Paris with French President Jacques Chirac, President Clinton awoke at 5 a.m. local time to telephone another four wavering Democrats: Reps. Gary Condit and Mike Thompson of California, Marion Berry of Arkansas, and Ron Kind of Wisconsin. Clinton urged a "no" vote on the NRA-supported Dingell amendment.

"The president said the Dingell amendment would weaken the Senate legislation and said he knows it's a tough

"Parents need our help. Nothing we do in this life is more important than how we raise our children."

—Rep. Henry Hyde, R-Ill.

vote but we have to remember this is about keeping guns out of the hands of children and criminals," said White House spokesman Barry Toiv.

With the politically explosive gun debate looming today, conservative lawmakers pushed for legislation they said would instill the value of human life and prayer in children to counteract their exposure to entertainment and other material that glorifies violence. New gun restrictions were not the only solution to modern-day horrors like the April 20 massacre at Columbine High School in Littleton, Colo., these House members said.

Sponsored by Rep. Robert Aderholt, R-Ala., one amendment would allow schools and

other government buildings to display the Ten Commandments in states that permit the practice.

"I understand that simply posting the Ten Commandments will not instantly change the moral character of our nation," Aderholt said in a statement. "However, it is an important step to promote morality, and an end of children killing children."

At a recent House Judiciary Committee hearing, Rep. Bob Barr, R-Ga., suggested that had the Ten Commandments been posted at Columbine High School, the shootings would never have happened.

Democrats called the proposal unconstitutional.

"Whose 10 Commandments?"

The Christian version, the Protestant version or the Jewish version?" asked Rep. Jerrold Nadler, D-N.Y. "They're different, you know."

From Europe, Clinton pressured Democrats who voted for the Brady gun control law to approve the Senate's mandatory background checks for all firearms purchases at gun shows.

"I urge you to stand up to the gun lobby once again," the president wrote to dozens of lawmakers in a letter from Switzerland, where he was attending an international conference.

The National Rifle Association has lobbied furiously for a less restrictive measure than the all-inclusive background checks at gun shows passed by the Senate.

Hyde's proposed curbs on children's access to pictures, drawings, video games, movies, books, recordings or other materials containing certain "explicit sexual material or explicit violent material."

"Parents need our help," Hyde

said from the House floor. "Nothing we do in this life is more important than how we raise our children."

Rep. Mark Foley, R-Fla., said Hyde's proposal would "create a police force for what is decent, what is violent."

"Is that a movie like 'Home Alone Three'? Is that a movie like 'Ben Hur'? Is that a movie like 'Saving Private Ryan'?" Foley asked.

In a long day of debate, the House also approved tougher steps to combat juvenile crime, 249-181. Sponsored by Rep. Bill McCollum, R-Fla., the measure includes a requirement that all U.S. attorneys designate prosecutors to specialize in firearms cases, a provision meant to address Republican complaints that only a tiny number of such cases are now prosecuted.

It calls for stricter penalties for numerous crimes, including illegal possession of a firearm with intent to take it into a school zone.

Prosecutors, rather than judges, would have discretion to charge a juvenile as an adult.

FBI arrests longtime Symbionese Liberation Army fugitive

ST. PAUL, Minn. (AP) — In more than a decade of community theater work, the reviewers were almost always kind to Sara Jane Olson.

One singled her out as the strongest performer in a 1990 production of "King Lear." Another praised her "vibrant" 1993 performance in "All's Well That Ends Well."

The critics had no idea what an actress she was. If the FBI is right, Sara Jane Olson — a 52-year-old mother of three who lived with her doctor husband in an ivy-covered home in an upscale neighborhood — is really Kathleen Ann Soliah, a member of the Symbionese

Liberation Army, the band of 1970s radicals who kidnapped Patricia Hearst.

Agents arrested the fugitive Wednesday after receiving tips from viewers of "America's Most Wanted," which featured her in a recent broadcast. The FBI offered a \$20,000 reward for Ms. Soliah last month, on the 25th anniversary of a Los Angeles shootout that killed six SLA members.

Ms. Soliah has been wanted since 1976, when she was indicted in Los Angeles on murder conspiracy and explosives charges for allegedly placing pipe bombs under two police cars. The bombs did not

explode. She was to be arraigned today. California is expected to seek extradition.

In a federal warrant drawn up this year, authorities said that in 1984 her husband was aware of her true name and fugitive status. It was unclear whether she was married at the time to her current husband, Gerald Peterson. They bought their St. Paul house in 1989.

Peterson said neither he nor his children had any inkling of his wife's double life.

"I know nothing about that," he told the Los Angeles Times. "I'll tell you the truth, I'm totally shocked."

No one at the house would comment Wednesday. But Soliah's parents, Martin and Elsie Soliah of Palmdale, Calif., said Peterson knew his wife was wanted.

"She told him about her situation when they got serious," Mrs. Soliah told the Times. "He understood."

Sometime in the late 1970s, Ms. Soliah arrived in the Minneapolis area, where she moved next door to Peterson, then a medical intern.

Mrs. Soliah said the two lived for a number of years in Zimbabwe, where Peterson worked as a physician and her daughter taught drama and

English. There, her daughter gave birth to the second of their three daughters.

Kathleen Soliah and her husband returned to the United States in the mid-1980s, the Soliahs said, settling in Minnesota after a brief stay in Baltimore.

The FBI said she took the last name of Olson, which is common in Minnesota because of

the large number of people of Scandinavian descent.

Detectives described Ms. Soliah as being surprised by her arrest — and relieved at the same time.

"We've got a pretty good fingerprint identification that she's the person we're looking for," said James Burrus Jr., the agent in charge of the Minneapolis FBI office.

Hostage standoff now in second day at mental hospital

NORRISTOWN, Pa. (AP) — Two nursing supervisors at the state's largest mental hospital were taken hostage by a fired employee, and remained hostage this morning more than 20 hours after their ordeal began.

Police were negotiating by phone with Dennis Czajkowski, 40, a nurse who told authorities his dismissal from Norristown State Hospital in this Philadelphia suburb was unjust, Capt. Thomas LaCrosse said today.

LaCrosse said police had no plans to storm the building; instead, the plan was to wait him out. Police were working in shifts to do that.

"As time wears on, it plays in our favor,"

LaCrosse said. "We don't want him to do something rash."

State police spokesman Robert Whitbeck said Czajkowski walked into Norristown State Hospital's Building 2, which houses nursing administration offices, at 10:45 a.m. Wednesday and fired his gun once into the ceiling.

When three guards approached him, he fired four more rounds into the air, Whitbeck said. No one was hurt by any of the shots, but nursing supervisors Maria Jordan and Carol Kepner were taken hostage. They were in good shape and had not been physically abused, Whitbeck said.

The area is not near any patients in the sprawling hospital complex. Areas away

from the nursing offices continued to operate normally today, with workers showing signs of their regular shifts.

LaCrosse said the man had ordered pizza overnight. The power remained on in the building.

Authorities said he was fired two months ago but did not say why.

The Philadelphia Inquirer today quoted unidentified law-enforcement officials as saying Czajkowski has an extensive history of mental illness and drug use, and was upset over a recent breakup with a girlfriend. There is a warrant for his arrest in Upper Merion Township, the newspaper reported, but police would not comment about that.

As Serbs move out and refugees move back, rebels are a problem

PRISTINA, Yugoslavia (AP) — Gruesome accounts of almost routine torture and death emerged in Kosovo today, and a British official estimated that Serb forces killed more than 10,000 people during two months of war and ethnic violence.

Serbian civilians frantically followed Serb soldiers retreating from the province, and tens of thousands of ethnic Albanians streamed back into their homeland from refugee camps in Albania and Macedonia.

Officials from Moscow and Washington, meanwhile, met in Finland to try to resolve the role of Russian peacekeepers in Kosovo. Moscow is insisting on a separate sector for its peacekeepers; NATO has said that won't happen though President Clinton predicted a "successful conclusion."

At least 10,000 ethnic Albanians were killed by Serbs even while NATO bombs fell on Yugoslavia during the 78-day air campaign, the British foreign office said. He said the killings occurred in more than

100 separate massacres. "Tragically, our estimates of the numbers of innocent men, women and children killed will almost certainly have to be revised upwards," Foreign Office Minister Geoff Hoon said in London.

"It is still hard to credit that our fellow human beings could be guilty of machine-gunning children, systematic rape of young women and girls, digging mass graves and burning bodies to try to conceal the evidence of murder," he said.

"But this all happened in Kosovo."

Survivors of the Serb atrocities that started with a crackdown in February 1998 and continued even after NATO airstrikes began March 24 flooded into the open.

"Hundreds of starving internally displaced people came down from hills near Serbka on 15 June, yesterday, when they spotted Western journalists. They were unaware that NATO had entered the province until they were informed by the journalists," NATO spokesman Jamie Shea said today.

"And on 14 June, a four-truck convoy sent by the World Food Program managed to reach 20,000 internally displaced persons hiding in the hills west of Pristina near Glogovac, and they were greeted by internally displaced persons coming out of the woods."

As Serbs straggle out of Kosovo following last week's peace deal and ethnic Albanians rush in, allied troops face a trickiest dilemma: demilitarizing the Kosovo rebels, heroes to many of the refugees.

The Russians, who have historic and cultural ties to the Serbs, are pressuring NATO troops to live up to their agreement to dismantle the rebel army.

Russia's U.N. ambassador, Sergey Lavrov, said NATO forces were being too "complacent" about the demilitarization.

U.S. Marines had some tense moments in their first confrontation with rebels. The Marines said 117 fighters refused to give up their weapons Wednesday near Vladovo in southeastern



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Geraldo declares the nation's drug war lost, while he continues to fight his own battles

NEW YORK (AP) — It's not hard to find NBC's \$5 million man, Geraldo Rivera, on television. You just have to know where to look.

Try the "Today" show, where Rivera's action-packed reports on the Kosovo Liberation Army first aired this month. Don't try the "NBC Nightly News," where a Rivera report has never been shown.

Try prime time this Sunday, when Rivera's documentary, "Drug Bust, The Longest War," airs at 8 p.m. But don't try "Dateline NBC," where Rivera believes he's not welcome.

Better yet, try cable, where MSNBC repeatedly ran the Kosovo reports.

A year and a half into his lucrative new contract with NBC, the former syndicated talk-show host still doesn't feel completely accepted at the Peacock Network.

He may get more camera time than anyone else in the company, but he yearns for the time he doesn't get. It's a strange dynamic.

First, the drug special. It's the third special report to emerge from Rivera's documentary unit, and he reaches the pointed conclusion that the decades-long war on drugs was

in large part a waste of money.

"We have lost the war on drugs," he said. "It's like Vietnam. At some point we've got to say we have lost and no one has had the courage to do that."

Rivera talks to a veteran drug smuggler and a U.S. Customs inspector about efforts to stem the flow of illegal drugs into the country. "Drug Bust" also examines why addicts who want help have an easier time finding drugs than treatment.

Since the war on drugs was declared in 1971, it has cost \$300 billion of taxpayer money, and drugs remain readily available, Rivera said.

"A generation of politicians has been corrupted," Rivera said. "This has been a cancer on the souls of the supplier nations. America is this huge, voracious vacuum cleaner sucking up all the illicit narcotics the world can produce."

Unlike news reports, documentaries generally take a clear point of view. "Drug Bust" is particularly provocative. Rivera's eagerness to say how he feels — also shown in his spirited defense of President Clinton during the impeachment trial — probably

has something to do with the arms-length relationship he has with some of NBC's old guard.

Rivera doesn't think his opinionated nature is all that unusual in network news.

"If you don't think the reporters at NBC had opinions during the impeachment crisis, the vast majority of them in diametric opposition to mine, then I don't think you were watching," he said.

Since signing his NBC deal in November 1997, Rivera has been ranked at not having any reports aired on "NBC Nightly News," the network's flagship show anchored by Tom Brokaw.

In December 1997, Brokaw said of Rivera: "He does what he does, and I do what I do. There's very little common ground between us. That doesn't mean he doesn't have the right to do what he does." Brokaw hasn't talked much about his colleague since then.

Rivera's feelings were hurt anew by the treatment of his Kosovo reports. He hoped they were good enough for "Nightly" to seek them out.

"The writing is on the wall, the sky and the ground," Rivera said.

"It's just not going to happen. I don't think it will ever happen. If that piece didn't get on, I don't think they'd use anything."

"I know that 'Dateline' and 'Nightly' are like the country club in my neighborhood. I'm not allowed in."

The network's only comment: "Each NBC News program makes its own editorial decisions," said spokeswoman Alex Constantinople. Privately, NBC executives note that "Dateline NBC" has run Rivera's work in the past.

Rivera said frustration with his situation is partly why he's considering a daily radio talk show. "The motivation, honestly, was, 'OK, you don't want me, I know a lot of other people who do,'" he said.

If his role at NBC continues to evolve, Rivera said, he'd be much less inclined to seek out the radio job.

"I think there's a real need for an aggressive, populist alternative to the Rush Limbaughs and Oliver Norths of the world," he said. "It's time for liberals to stop being embarrassed about their political philosophy. Having said all that, I probably don't have the time to do it."

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father raising kids alone might start by giving them a subscription to the Single Parent Family, from Focus on the Family. Write us in Colorado Springs for information.

QUESTION: We have always laughed a lot in our family, sometimes at each other. Is that good or bad?

DR. DOBSON: It is healthy to be able to laugh together in a family. We ought to be able to tease and joke with each other without having to worry about getting an angry overreaction in response.

But when the laughter is always at the expense of the most vulnerable member of the family, it can be destructive. Even innocent humor is painful when it's the same child who is the object of ridicule. Unfortunately, that's the way it often happens. When one youngster has an embarrassing characteristic, such as bed-wetting, or thumb-sucking, or stuttering, the other members of the family should be encouraged to tread very softly on the exposed nerves thereabouts. And a child should never be ridiculed for his or her size, whether he's a small boy or a large girl.

This is the guiding principle: It's wise not to tease a child about the features that he or she is also defending outside the home. If that youngster is hearing about some obvious flaw all day long, he or she certainly doesn't need more flak from the family. And when that child asks for a joke to end, the request should be honored.

Being the butt of everyone's ridicule is a formula for life-long resentment, and there's just nothing funny about that happening.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Dr. James C. Dobson's "Focus on the Family" appears each Thursday as a cooperative effort of Scenic Mountain Medical Center and the Big Spring Herald. Letters to Dr. Dobson may be sent to P.O. Box 444, Colorado Springs, Colo.; 80903.

Edinburg Teen Court tries to tame criminal behavior

EDINBURG (AP) — In a courtroom on a Tuesday evening, a series of dramas unfolds.

A 13-year-old cheerleader with perfect posture, wearing glittery eye shadow and a trendy headband in her curtain of dark hair, explains that she regrets showing a girl who had threatened to jump her after school.

"She's hated me for I don't know how long. I approached her to make peace," she says calmly.

Next, a sullen 16-year-old wearing a black low-rider T-shirt admits that he threatened violence against the principal of his high school.

"I told him I was gonna do a drive-by," he mumbles.

And a 13-year-old girl in a simple pink shirt plays with her puffy, reddish hair while describing her part in a food fight in her school cafeteria.

"Somebody threw a carrot, and it hit the person next to me. I just threw an apple," she explains matter-of-factly.

The three seem to have little in common, except that they are all defendants in the Edinburg Teen Court. They are first-time misdemeanor offenders prosecuted, defended and judged by their peers, and sentenced to community service, Teen Court jury terms and sometimes counseling by a volunteer attorney in a black robe who acts as a judge.

The 2-year-old program a joint effort between the Edinburg Boys & Girls Club and the city of Edinburg is designed to help local youths ages 10 to 19 who are in school and commit crimes in Edinburg, to stop patterns of criminal behavior. The juveniles get a chance to wipe their records clean, and to get hands-on experience with the legal system.

"We get a lot of success stories. We get a lot of kids that

straighten out their lives." Teen Court Coordinator Sabrina Walker said. "We get everything from the barrio to the preppies."

One of those success stories is a 14-year-old junior high student in denim overalls and Woody Allen-style glasses. He came to the court eight months ago as a defendant, but now spends much of his free time volunteering as a court supervisor, prosecutor and defense attorney.

"I used to hang around with people who used to go and steal and use marijuana. But now I don't hang around with them," he said energetically. "Teen Court has turned my life around now I'm not on the street."

He spent his third day of summer vacation answering phones at the Teen Court headquarters. The offenses that land the young people in court range from less serious Class 1 to serious Class 4 violations. Class 1 includes things like riding a bicycle without a helmet, squealing car tires or violating curfew, with a recommended sentence of four to 16 community service hours and one jury term. Class 4 violations include speeding 25 mph or more over the limit, theft, assault and disorderly conduct, for which defendants may be slapped with a sentence of 33 to 60 hours of community service and two to four jury terms.

The community service requirements, which must be

completed within 30 days of sentencing, mean working at the Edinburg Boys & Girls Club, Hidalgo County Precinct Four, the Edinburg Recycling Center or Court Appointed Special Advocates of Hidalgo County (CASA), an organization that helps foster children.

"We're exposing them to the more positive role models in society," Walker said, adding that many kids who land in Teen Court come from poverty-stricken homes.

The program also catches many kids in gangs or with substance abuse problems before their behavior gets out of control. Often they are sentenced to counseling and anger-management training at Barrios Unidos in Edinburg.

"They try to make them understand that this is serious, and if you keep heading down this path, it's going to lead to something bigger," Walker said.

Some of the defendants say Teen Court has been a positive experience for them.

"I feel comfortable because I'm with other people my own age," said a tall, lanky 16-year-old boy who got nabbed driving without insurance when he took his parents car out and rear-ended a truck, causing \$1,700 in damage.

"It gives me a chance to clear it off my record and have another start," he said. But other youths believe that they should never have ended up there in the first place.

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that his beer simmered in the afternoon sun before he opened it.

But he's as soft as an armadillo's underbelly when it comes to children.

Ickey's arena began as some wooden chutes built so his sons, Black and Punkee, could practice bull riding. As their interest and ability strengthened, so did Ickey's desire to facilitate their hobby.

"They got to where they could ride everything I have here," Ickey said. "They'd find a bull somebody wanted to sell, I'd buy it."

Retired from Texaco in 1974, Ickey began to buy bulls at such a rate he was eventually contracted to produce rodeos throughout the Beaumont area. Punkee and Black graduated from high school in 1973 and 1974, respectively, but Ickey's project did not stop with the departure of his boys. He started building a pipe arena with their help, and after 13 years he found himself with an announcer stand, bathrooms, a concession stand and bleachers behind his house.

In 1987, the Schroeders hosted their first real rodeo. The Gulf Coast Youth Rodeo Association ran at his place from 1987 until 1992, when the Schroeders developed their own association, the Southeast Texas Youth Rodeo Association, which had 173 members in 1994.

The Schroeders specialized in youth rodeos. The youngest would flip goats while the oldest battled the bulls, and all were encouraged to participate. Kids came from the outskirts of Houston to Jasper, whether an organized event was scheduled or they just wanted to ride.

The Schroeders' hospitality is as warm as the coffee Ickey begins brewing around 4:30 a.m. while he waits to see who the day will bring. Company is so frequent Edithe sleeps with her shorts on, never knowing when someone will enter the kitchen adorned with a plaque reading: "Martha Stewart doesn't live here."

The guests range from one of Ickey's brothers to barrel racers to ill-prepared Beaumont kids looking for a new source of adrenaline.

The kids aren't coming out as often, however, after the Schroeders retired from the youth rodeos last year. Ickey, 66, conceded he lost a touch of stamina after prostate cancer surgery in 1994. Edithe, 69, said they both just get worn out.

But the arena is still in use. Every Wednesday night they host Bull Buckouts, and on Thursday nights they occasionally have barrel racers.

Ickey doesn't charge these groups a fee, but (up until a

few weeks ago) they felt obliged to pay him anyway.

"A lot of racers would come up here, grown women," Ickey said. They come out here two or three times a week to use this arena. I wouldn't never charge them nothing. And they'd leave me a 12-pack or 18-pack out there on the barrel. Or on the bleachers. I tell anyone they don't have to call, you are welcome out here."

Like most cowboys, Ickey has paid a price for his lifestyle.

He has to sleep in a chair due to back surgery and has suffered multiple injuries from livestock, including a gash on the head that required 11 one-inch stitches. He's currently nursing a chest wound and sore ribs after being thrown from his horse a few weeks ago. But, as he found out in 1997, it may be a toss-up trying to decide who's tougher, he or Edithe.

That year, Ickey decided to ride a horse through a drainage ditch. His horse got bogged down, panicked, and bucked Ickey into the mud. In the process of trying to free itself, the horse kicked him in the head, creating a massive gash.

Ickey said he knew he had to walk back to the house because no one would have found him in the dark, so he stumbled back to the concession stand, which he knew Edithe was in the process of cleaning.

"He come to the concession stand and called me, and I come out there and blood was running all down Ickey's head," Edithe said. "He was full of mud, and I had to bring him to the house. I had my truck out there, but I didn't want to put him in my truck and get blood and mud all over the seats. So we was going to put him on the tailgate, but he thought he had a broken arm and I couldn't get the tailgate down. So I made him walk home."

The injuries don't seem so bad; the aches not quite as sharp when Ickey's in his announcer's stand. It is a museum of memories. The skulls of the baddest bulls hang on the wall in a macabre hall of fame, photos of his sons and the other children who tasted the dust of his arena mixed in with Old West artifacts and other remnants of a time gone by.

Ickey's pupils narrow when in this room, decades worth of 8-second memories flashing in his head.

He leans out an open window and looks down at the arena floor, thinking about the kids who grew up in his labor of love.

"It helps me right here," he says, placing his hand over heart. "It helps me right here."

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Tracking one of rock music's most tragic stories for A&E

NEW YORK (AP) — A British writer, Nik Cohn, once described Brian Wilson's peak with the Beach Boys, the album "Pet Sounds," as "sad songs about loneliness and heartache. Sad songs, even, about happiness."

Watching A&E Network's two-hour documentary on Wilson (premiering Sunday at 8 p.m. ET) is like listening to some of those songs.

It's sad, often unbearably so. While illuminating, even entertaining with all of the music, the documentary is a melancholy account of a life filled with disharmony.

Wilson's tale is one of rock 'n' roll's most familiar: the California boy with the overbearing father who sang of sun and fun with his brothers and cousin. He was intensely creative and musically innovative until he fell off a cliff of mental illness and substance abuse.

In the 30 years since, he has watched both his brothers die, been sued by his cousin and struggled to regain at least his sanity, if not his creative powers.

"Brian is high tragedy," said producer Morgan Neville. "That's why so many people are drawn to the story. I tried to temper it with the brilliance of the music. It's been the one thing in life that has given him solace."

The story's attractiveness was also a challenge for Neville, since it has been told before in documentaries and books. Neville plays it straight, avoiding the temptations to wallow in the melodrama or favor one faction's opinion over another's.

In a subtle distinction, he starts from the beginning,

instead of working back from a picture of how Wilson changed.

"I wanted to tell the story in a way that almost suspends the knowledge," he said. "You can see the changes happen, but you don't have that sense of dread. You understand how he got there, you understand that Brian is not some crazy nut, but that there are deep-seated reasons for what happened."

Before the fall, it feels like a race against time, a race to get such songs as "Good Vibrations" and "God Only Knows" from Wilson's head onto records before he succumbs to the years of playing a piano in a sandbox or staying in bed day after day.

Neville said it was like a biblical parable, of an innocent man who has been given a beautiful gift to share with others but at the price of destroying himself.

"It's really hard to convey how wide-eyed he is," he said. "That leads you to do one of two things — you either want to take advantage of him or take care of him. And most of the people he's run into do one or the other."

Wilson's late father sold the publishing rights to his son's songs for pittance, and Wilson failed in his effort to get them back. His cousin, Mike Love, sued Wilson seeking compensation for songs which he claimed he helped write.

Love didn't cooperate with the A&E biography, but Wilson did. He invited Neville into his home and spoke candidly of his life. His daughters, singing stars Wendy and Carnie, describe in heartbreaking detail their efforts to become a part of their dad's life.

Wilson still works, but the

two solo albums he has made during the last dozen years are bland and forgettable. In the meantime, his critical reputation for the 1960s work has blossomed. A new generation of artists cite his work as an influence, and the British music magazine Mojo last year declared "Pet Sounds" the best rock album of all time, a distinction that in many polls had gone to the Beatles' "Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band."

He seems happy, remarried and living in Illinois, and is even giving some of his first solo concerts. And yet...

"I had a hard time with the ending," Neville said. "There's no happy ending. There's no tragic ending. It's somewhere in between. And that's the hardest thing to grapple with."

So he recounts some poignant conversations. Former collaborator Van Dyke Parks tells how Wilson recently said to him, "my work is done, I think. I did my work. When I was young, I worked very hard."

Wilson's wife, Melinda, says she lies in bed some nights as her husband is downstairs playing the piano, singing a breathtaking melody. She'll bound down the steps and ask why he doesn't record the material. He'll shrug.

"We have to stop asking him for something," said Billy Corgan, lead singer and songwriter for Smashing Pumpkins, and an unabashed and articulate Beach Boys fan. "He's already given it. If he wants to give more, great. The choice is his."

As they all talk, the song "In My Room" plays softly in the background.

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In progress-minded Indiana, the modern and the eternal collide

CLARKSVILLE, Ind. (AP) — She seeks them out in a red Ford Windstar, scouring winding streets and ceaseless subdivisions with a self-trained eye. In the ever-expanding sprawl of the Home Depot epoch, she searches for the history that hides in the folds of today.

Lois Mauk is looking for the dead, the buried. More often than not, she finds them.

She finds them behind long-forgotten fences, under overgrown brush and between houses, their tombstones stacked like rubble. She finds them penned carefully into corners of a military installation. She finds them paved over by asphalt, trapped under shopping centers.

Once there was unrestrained wilderness here, grass and trees to the horizon. That was 1801, when Mauk's ancestor, a Revolutionary War veteran named Basil Prather, landed with his large family on the Ohio River's north shore to find a new life. Like so many after them, they came to Indiana to build.

And Indiana got built. From the earliest pioneers to the farm-to-market visionaries of the mid-19th century to today's frenetic developers, the state constructed a society to fit the nickname it bestowed upon itself: "Crossroads of America."

But now, the builders of the past and the builders of the present are colliding. Indiana is still building, its suburbs and "exurbs" pushing out, out into the farmland. All over the state, tiny pioneer graveyards sit in the path of the very progress so coveted by the people who rest in them.

The dead are suddenly in the way.

And here in the land of the living — at the build-and-move-on, newness-obsessed end of the 20th century — stalwarts like Lois Mauk, descendant of one of southern Indiana's first farmer-builders, are their primary line of defense.

A giant of the Earth was he, To win his fields from stone and tree...

It took a giant, nothing less, To wrest farms from the wilderness.

—from "Farm Funeral," by Indiana poet Tramp Starr, 1941

From the beginning, they wanted to build.

They came from the east and the south, from "civilization" as the early 19th century saw it. They bought inexpensive land from the federal government and waded into a wilderness to shape their future.

They tore through forests, felling trees, clearing thickets and displacing Indians to carve farmland. They constructed houses, cobbled together communities, planted seeds agricultural and familial.

Progress was the buzzword, and Indiana's pioneers were the perfect army. When they died, they were buried in quiet corners of their land.

Then the generations kept on building. Industry arrived. Houses sprouted. Main Streets became interstates. Farms became suburbs.

On one hand, development was the future's lifeblood, a legacy. But history, especially in a region that so revered its pioneers, was important, too. So a contradiction was born, a tension between past and progress.

Indiana songwriter John Mellencamp saw it; he vowed to "die in a small town, and that's probably where they'll bury me," then lamented the endless "little pink houses" and the guy who's "got an interstate running through his front yard, you know he thinks he's got it so good."

Today's Indiana still embraces growth. It has 1,138 miles of interstate highway, and more are in the works. America's biggest shopping-mall developer, Simon DeBartolo Group Inc., is based in Indianapolis. The state population grew by nearly 300,000 between 1990 and 1996, 64 percent of it in rural areas.

Those people need places to live, and the countryside beckons. Between 1900 and 1992, Indiana lost 6 million acres of farmland — 28 percent to other uses, including development: The number of permits issued to build new, single-family houses has nearly tripled since 1985.

It can be seen from the interstates at 65 mph: sub-cities rising on city edges; developments named after the things they overrun; signs along highway corridors beckoning homebuyers to visit skeletal neo-neighborhoods plopped down where crops once grew. "New Homes! A New Life!" one enthuses.

Such sprawl — spreading so fast that states from Utah to Pennsylvania are trying to curb it — is, in this region, an expression of a time-tested philosophy: Building Indiana makes it better.

"They're still taming the wilderness here," says Dale Oden, history curator at the Indiana State Museum. "Then, you cut down the trees and planted crops. Today, you pave it over and build a mall or a domed stadium."

In this fast-forward environment, what role is there for the eternal? Just what is meant by a final resting place in a place where nothing — nothing except death — is final?

The traffic sweeps along its way

Where once a swampy woodlot lay...

A car slows, and a voice inside

Says, "Yeh, I guess some hayseed died."

—Tramp Starr

To be buried in America today is, many believe, to enter sanctified space. From memorial parks to colonial graveyards, cemeteries are sacred locations in several senses — religion, family and community identity.

For historians, genealogists and preservationists, old cemeteries are artifacts of architecture, attitude and art. Gravestones decode family relationships; Indiana's public libraries are filled with cemetery data painstakingly recorded by volunteers.

Cemeteries are also bastions of localism, visceral reminders of yesterday's citizens and how survivors remembered the dead. "Show me your cemeteries," goes a saying that graveyard preservationists attribute to Benjamin Franklin, "and I will tell you what kind of people you have."

What do early Indiana's cemeteries tell of its people? That a cholera outbreak killed several Dillin family members in the southwestern Indiana hamlet of Ireland, and disease-wary townspeople sealed the graves in concrete. That patriot Nathan Hale's descendants migrated to southeastern Indiana. That many pioneer cemeteries were set on hills so the dead and the living who came to mourn could, on a clear day, see forever.

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IN BRIEF

Two more all-star teams announced

The International Little League has announced its Minor League All-Star team, while the Howard County Youth Baseball Association's Junior League All-Stars have also been named.

The Junior League All-Stars, all 13- and 14-year-olds, include Nick Bailey, D.C. Beauchamp, Cody Bryant, Eric Chavez, Nathan Clements, Chase Davis, Josh Helmstetter, Eric Hendricks, Taylor Leatham, Wesley Longorio, Brandon Mendoza, Ryan Villanueva, Andrew Mizcaino and Billy Bob Walker.

Jim Clements will manage the team, while Tim Helmstetter and Donald Longorio will serve as coaches. The first practice has been set for 7 tonight.

The International Minor League All-Stars are Abraham Franco, Brandon Ontiveros, Ricky Dominguez, Michael Green, Marcos Garza, Jacob Cerda, Joey Herrera, Johnny Gonzales, Ramon Rodriguez, Richard Anderson, Kenneth Peacock, Eric Gutierrez and Chris Martinez.

They will be coached by Raymond Ontiveros and Ricky Dominguez.

YMCA baseball program slated to begin June 26

The Big Spring YMCA will conduct a baseball program for youngsters between the ages of 5 and 12 beginning June 26.

The program will have 5- and 6-year-olds playing T-ball, while those between the ages of 7 and 9 playing coach pitch baseball. Those between the ages of 10 and 12 will play with youngsters pitching.

Games in the seven-week will be played on Saturday mornings at Washington Elementary School.

Registration for the program will be \$32 for non-members of the YMCA.

For more information, call the YMCA at 267-8234.

National Little League slates baseball camp

Big Spring's National Little League will sponsor a baseball camp June 18-20 at the Roy Anderson Complex to raise funds for a batting cage.

The camp will be conducted by American Baseball Camps with a staff composed of former major and minor league players.

A fee of \$85 is required and is open to youngsters between the ages of 7 and 16.

For additional information, call Paul Gibbs at 263-1976.

Country club schedules tournament for weekend

The Big Spring Country Club will hold its 6-6-6 tournament for Saturday and Sunday with play beginning with a 1 p.m. shotgun start both days.

The event's format will have players playing six holes of low ball, six holes of alternate shot and six holes of scramble play each day.

Fees for the tournament will be \$65 per player.

For more information, call the club's pro shop at 267-5354.

Coahoma booster club seeks new softball field

Members of the Coahoma Booster Club are currently soliciting help for constructing a softball field on the Coahoma High School campus.

For more information, call David Elmore at 394-4759, Gary Stovall at 263-3880 or Don Evans at 393-5578.

ON THE AIR

Television

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

7 p.m. — New York Mets at St. Louis Cardinals, FXS, Ch. 29.

NHL PLAYOFFS

7 p.m. — Stanley Cup finals, Game 5, Buffalo Sabres at Dallas Stars, FOX, Ch. 3.

GOLF

4 p.m. — U.S. Open, first round coverage, ESPN, Ch. 30.

Helling, Stevens lead Rangers to shutout win over Yankees

NEW YORK (AP) — No, no, no, the Texas Rangers insisted. Loss after loss after loss to the New York Yankees wasn't weighing on their minds.

Yeah, sure. And that three-game sweep last October didn't cause any sleepless nights.

Rick Helling, backed by Lee Stevens' two-run, second-inning homer, pitched seven shutout innings, helping Texas end a seven-game losing streak in the Bronx and an overall four-game skid — its longest since last July 24-28 — with a 3-0 victory.

"It was a night we need a well-pitched ballgame, and Rick Helling certainly gave it to us," Rangers manager Johnny Oates said. "There's no doubt in my mind if we had to win one game, Rick Helling would get the start."

Helling (6-6) allowed four hits, dropping his ERA to 4.18, its lowest since opening day.

Texas beat New York for the second time in eight meetings this season, including five in Yankee Stadium. It was the Rangers' first shutout at New York since Kevin Brown's 9-0 win on April 17, 1993.

"We all feel that we can play with the Yankees," Helling said. "We all feel we've played well against the Yankees. We just didn't play well enough."

Offense has been the biggest problem. Texas is hitting .190 (67-for-353) with 27 runs in its last 11 games against the Yankees, including the playoffs.

"We're in first place. We're 10 games over .500 (37-27). We know we're a good ballclub," Oates said.

Helling, who allowed runners in his first six innings, made his key pitches after Scott Brosius' leadoff double in the third.

First, he threw a called third strike past Derek Jeter. Next he threw one by Paul O'Neill. And then he fanned Bernie Williams on a checked swing.

"It can get out of hand real fast," Helling said. "You have a hit here, a hit there. The crowd gets in the game. The players start picking up on the emotion. I don't think I was sharper than I was right there."

Orlando Hernandez (7-6) got in trouble in the second, walking Juan Gonzalez after getting ahead 0-2 in the count.

"Three-two, he tried to make the perfect pitch," Yankees catcher Jorge Posada said. "That's when he gets in

trouble." Stevens drove the next pitch — a hanging changeup — halfway up the right-field bleachers for his second homer in 27 games. He began the season with eight in his first 23.

"I tried to get him early before he goes deep in the count and throws tougher pitches," Stevens said.

Ruben Mateo added an RBI double in the seventh — the Rangers' first hit at Yankee Stadium in their last 35 at-bats with runners in scoring position.

Overall, the Rangers had been hitless in 26 at-bats with runners in scoring position since Rafael Palmeiro singled Saturday.

Jeff Zimmerman got out of a two-on jam in the eighth by retiring O'Neill, Williams and Tino Martinez in order.

Rains can't dampen rodeo's start

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Sports Editor

A thunderstorm that rolled through the area early Wednesday evening did nothing to dampen the excitement at the Big Spring Rodeo Bowl as the 66th Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo opening performance got under way.

While the much-needed moisture left a mud puddle or two on the Rodeo Bowl's floor, the competitors couldn't complain about the surface being too dry as they did a year ago.

With a record number of entries for this year's rodeo, Thursday's crowd got to see only three of the rodeo's event leaders established during the opening performance — William Pittman of Florence, Miss., taking the lead in the bareback bronc riding; Roy Sutherland of Peaster jumping on top in the saddle bronc riding; and David McLean of Paducah jumping out to a big lead in the bull riding.

Those three earned \$125 bonuses from Coca-Cola for being the winners during the regular performance, as did steer wrestler Barry Simpton of Del Rio, calf roper Kyle Kelso of Marion and barrel racer Tessie McMullen of Bronte.

The leaders in all three timed events were established during Thursday night's slack competition that didn't wind to a finish until 3 this morning.

Keith Hudson of Sonora took a tenth-of-a-second lead over Dave Pelton in the calf roping competition with a 9.6-second effort, erasing the early lead established by Kelso at 10.6 seconds.

Jymmy Kay Davis of Gonzales turned in a 16.66 during the slack competition in barrel racing, replacing McMullen as the leader in that event. McMullen had turned in a 16.76 during the regular performance and currently sits in second place.

Chad Biesemer of Stephenville was also up late, but the wait proved to be worth



HERALD photo/Jim Fierro
Andy Thomas of Window Rock, Ariz., comes out of the chute aboard Clyde during Thursday night's opening round of bull riding at the 66th annual Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo. Thomas was unable to turn in a qualified ride, as Auger Rodeo Company's bulls bucked off all but four of the 17 riders who competed during the opening performance.

it as he took the lead in steer wrestling with a 4.1-second run. Brad Loesch of Weatherford and Randy McKenzie of Austin, two other cowboys among the 35 who took part in slack competition, were tied for second following the first round with 4.4-second clockings.

In the rough stock events, it was a tough night for the 17 cowboys who opened the bull riding competition, as only four managed qualifying rides by staying aboard for eight seconds.

McLean was impressive in leading that foursome, tuning in an 88-point ride on "White Lightning." Casey Baize of San

Angelo turned in a 75-point ride on "Panther" to move into the runner-up's spot.

Yancy James of Florence, last year's winner in the bull riding, was unable to stay aboard "Bear Cat," having the same kind of luck that Cory McFadden of Crane, who entered the rodeo ranked No. 22 in the world.

Philip Elkins of Saginaw, currently ranked No. 11 in the PRCA standings, managed a 69-point ride on "Cha-Chi." The only other cowboy to turn in a qualified ride was Tony Booth, who chalked up 68 points on "Brain Storm."

Pittman took the bareback bronc riding lead with an 82-

point rode on "Big Chill," while Troy Thomsson, a native of Australia who currently resides in Dublin, is second following a 77-point ride aboard "Kling Klang."

Sutherland took the saddle bronc riding lead with a 76-point ride atop "Top Cat," while Shane Gulbransen of Toogoolawah, Australia, managed 73 points atop Bon Jovi to take second place going into tonight's 8:30 second performance.

Steven Tatum of Coahoma won the opening round of mutton bustin' competition, while April Davis of Big Spring was the hard luck award winner, taking a nasty spill in the mud.

Cowboys agree to reach deal with Sanders

IRVING (AP) — Cowboys cornerback Deion Sanders has agreed in principle to a contract extension with the team that was expected to let the All-Pro complete his career with the Dallas organization, says owner Jerry Jones.

Jones told The Dallas Morning News in today's editions he hoped that the deal would come by the week's end.

Although terms were not disclosed, Jones said financial details of the contract were "significant." The total package was expected to surpass the four-year, \$22.8 million bench-

mark that Dale Carter established for the cornerback position when he signed with Denver this off-season, according to the report.

The Cowboys and Sanders are already working with the NFL office on the deal's structure and its approval.

"We have agreed on the principle things and we're working on some of the final aspects of the contract," Jones told the newspaper. "We've got some things to work through and Deion's got some things to work through with his agent. When that gets ironed out, I'm sure

he'll sign."

At mini-camp on Wednesday, Sanders was in good spirits as he watched workouts and remained optimistic about returning after a severe toe injury that has sidelined him since Nov. 15. He said his rehabilitation is progressing, but did not have a timetable for returning.

Sanders has referred questions about contract negotiations to his agent, Eugene Parker. He did not return a telephone call today from The Associated Press.

Jones and Parker negotiated a

seven-year, \$35 million contract that brought Sanders from San Francisco to Dallas in 1995. The pact included a then-record \$12.99 million signing bonus as well as 10 incentive clauses that would, if reached, allow Sanders to void his contract's final two years.

Sanders underwent surgery April 28 for the turf toe injury he suffered at Arizona. The Cowboys' trainer said last month recovery was expected to take another three to four months. Dallas' first regular season game is set for Sept. 12 at Washington.

Stars, Sabres finally give fans a competitive Stanley Cup finals

DALLAS (AP) — At last, there's a competitive series in the Stanley Cup finals.

Tied 2-2 going into Game 5 tonight, the Buffalo Sabres and Dallas Stars have made it the best championship round in many years. The previous four seasons ended with 4-0 sweeps in the finals.

"This is as tight a matchup as you'll find," Stars forward Brian Skrudland said. "Both teams deserve a lot of credit for where they are."

Not since the New York Rangers and Vancouver Canucks went seven games in 1994 has there been a Stanley Cup final that has lasted more than four. The New Jersey Devils, Colorado Avalanche and Detroit Red Wings (twice) have all swept the finals.

Since the best-of-7 format began in 1939, only 10 finals have gone the limit. But no one is betting that this one won't go right down to the end.

The Stars and Sabres have each split games in each other's arena, and the teams have been tied or had a one-goal difference for all but 26 seconds of the first four games.

Both teams feature a defensive style that has resulted in low-scoring games. Their 17 combined goals (Stars 9, Sabres 8) are the lowest four-game total in Stanley Cup finals history since the Montreal Canadiens outscored the St. Louis Blues 12-3 in 1969.

The last game of the Stars-Sabres series was typical, the Sabres winning 2-

1 at Buffalo. The Sabres are 8-1 in one-goal games, and the Stars are 7-6 in this year's playoffs.

"Both of these goaltenders are playing so great," said Stars defenseman Craig Ludwig, referring to Dallas' Ed Belfour and Buffalo's Dominik Hasek. "One break here or there makes a difference."

Hasek has the better stats between the two, having allowed only eight goals on 127 shots, but Belfour was the more spectacular in Tuesday night's victory for Buffalo.

"We just see this as two really competitive teams trying to win," Stars coach Ken Hitchcock said. "(Stars general manager) Bob Gainey said to us last night on the airplane this is such a great

series. You've got two teams with so much passion and character going at it. It's so good for the game of hockey."

With their victory on Tuesday night, the Sabres cast an entirely new light on this series. A Stars victory in Game 4 would have given them a 3-1 lead in the best-of-7 finals, making it a tough job for the Sabres to win.

Only one team since 1939 has come back to win the Cup after losing three of the first four games — the 1942 Toronto Maple Leafs.

Tuesday night's victory was also important for another reason as far as the Sabres were concerned: They admittedly played their worst game of the playoffs in losing Game 3 by a 2-1 score

Spurs take 89-77 win in Game 1

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Tim Duncan seemed to grasp this moment as well as anyone his age possibly could.

After dicing up the New York Knicks with an array of layups and bank shots, Duncan even tried to be funny. Informed that several former Spurs were on hand to watch the franchise's first game in the NBA Finals, Duncan loosened up and said, "I didn't even know they were here. But yeah, I was playing for them."

That's it, polish your image, young man. This ride might just be starting.

With an effort that was efficient, effective and deceptively ruthless, Duncan and the San Antonio Spurs beat the New York Knicks 89-77 Wednesday night to take a 1-0 lead in the NBA Finals.

Duncan, who had 33 points and 16 rebounds, seemed to recognize that nearly all that needed fixing about him was his sense of humor. Great moves, dull quotes is the book on the 23-year-old Duncan.

His astirity and persistence around the basket were far more impressive than his jokes.

The Knicks had no answer whatsoever for Duncan and his 7-foot counterpart, David Robinson. Every time they made a run, they were jolted back to reality by a clutch shot from Jaren Jackson.

Robinson had 13 points, nine rebounds and seven assists. Jackson had 17 points, including five 3-pointers that stole all the steam from the Knicks' dogged comebacks in front of a crowd of nearly 40,000 — the second-largest in the history of the finals.

The biggest dagger from Jackson came with 8:10 left as he was falling out of bounds right in front of the Knicks' sideline. That shot made it 77-68 after New York closed within six points. It was the Knicks' last stand in the Alamodome.

"A couple of shots, like the one out of bounds, I think the (shot) clock was going down," Jackson said. "I'm glad I was just hitting some of those."

So are the Spurs, who won their 11th straight playoff game to tie an NBA record. In stopping the Knicks from making one of their thrilling final pushes down the stretch, the Spurs became the first team to keep the Knicks from winning the first game of a series this year.

If the Spurs were rusty after sweeping Portland in the Western Conference finals, it barely showed.

"We knew we'd come out a little rusty," Duncan said. "It took about a quarter to get everything going, a half to really get back to where we were."

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Especially for kids and their families

By BETTY DEBNAM

Here is the weekly fishing report as compiled by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department for June 16. (Report also available on Web at www.tdfr.fishing.com.)

CENTRAL: BRINWOOD: Water stained; 75 degrees; Black bass to 8 pounds are excellent on topwaters fished early and late. Crappie are good on minnows and white jigs fished around the boat docks at night. White bass and hybrid stripers are excellent on topwaters (fished in less than 30 minutes) fished due north of Flat Rock Park along the banks in 7 to 15 feet of water.

BUCHANAN: Water clear; 83 degrees; 4.5' low; Black bass are fair on Terminator buzzbaits, chrome/blue Split Fire topwaters and 1/4oz. Terminator spinnerbaits fished early and late on points and flats with structure in 3 to 6 feet of water. Midday by Carolina-rigs with pumpkin pepper ring frys. Crappie are good on minnows fished over brush piles in 5 to 10 feet of water. White bass are good on Rat-L-Tops and minnows fished on the points. Striped bass are slow (very early fish topwaters on scattered, surfacing fish or troll the lower lake with bucktail jigs in 30 to 50 feet of water. Channel and blue catfish are good on doughbait and liver. Yellow catfish are good on trotlines baited with live perch or shad.

SOUTH: AMSTAD: Water fairly clear; 77 degrees; 41' low; Black bass are good on watermelon seed worms or lizards and topwaters fished around the hydrilla and over the flats and humps. Crappie are fair to good on minnows and jigs fished up the Devil's River in 25 to 28 feet of water. White bass are slow. Striped bass are slow. Channel and blue catfish are good on cheesebait fished in 5 to 9 feet of water. Yellow catfish to 38 pounds are good on trotlines and droplines baited with live perch in 14 to 22 feet of water.

WEST: BRADY: Water slightly stained; 74 degrees; 14' low; Black bass to 8 pounds are good on spinnerbaits and worms fished on under water humps in the main lake. Crappie are good on minnows fished in 12 feet of water. White bass are fair on minnows fished in 6 feet of water. Blue and channel catfish are excellent on cheesebait and large minnows fished in 3 to 6 feet of water. Yellow catfish to 25 pounds are good on perch fished in 7 to 10 feet of water.

COLORADO CITY: Water slightly stained; 72 degrees; 13' low; Black bass are fair. White bass are fair on minnows and small crankbaits (better at night). Crappie are fair on minnows and small jigs fished off crappie docks. Red fish are good on live shad and perch. Catfish are good on shad and perch.

FT. PHANTOM HILL: Water slightly stained; 72 degrees; 16' low; Black bass to 7 pounds are good on plastic baits fished in 3 to 5 feet of water on the west end of the lake. Crappie are fair on minnows and jigs fished in 5 to 8 feet of water. Sand bass are good on small minnows fished in 3 to 4 feet of water. Hybrid stripers are good on cut shad, shrimp and chicken livers fished in 4 to 5 feet of water. Blue catfish are good on minnows and nightcrawlers fished in 6 to 8 feet of water in the mouths of creeks. Yellow catfish are good on perch and gold fish fished in 8 to 14 feet of water.

HUBBARD CREEK: Water clear; 76 degrees; 5' low; Black bass are excellent on Rap-A-Tops fished in 5 to 8 feet of water around grass beds. Crappie are good on minnows and small jigs fished in 15 to 18 feet of water around boat houses and Mile-long bridge. White bass are excellent on small spinners and slabs where they are schooling. No reports of hybrid stripers. Channel catfish are good on clip bait fished in 3 to 5 feet of water in the mouth of Sandy creek. No reports of blue or yellow catfish.

HEMP: Water stained; 71 degrees; 3' low; Black bass are fair on Rat-L-Tops fished in 2 to 5 feet of water. Sand bass are good on minnows fished in 2 to 5 feet of water. Crappie are poor on live bait fished in 20 to 25 feet of water. Blue and channel catfish are excellent on worms, shrimp and punch bait fished in the mouth of the river. Yellow catfish are poor on trotlines baited with goldfish.

IRVING: Water stained; 76 degrees; Black bass are good on worms, jigs and spinnerbaits fished in 1 to 5 feet of water, on reed points. Crappie are poor on minnows and jigs fished in 3 to 5 feet of water near the hot water slaw. White bass are fair on small crankbaits and jigs where they are schooling. Hybrid stripers and striped bass are poor on minnows, cut bait and chicken livers. No reports on Redfish. Channel and blue catfish are good on punch bait and cut bait fished in 5 to 10 feet of water. Yellow catfish are fair on trotlines baited with goldfish and perch.

NOCONA: Water stained; 78 degrees; 3.5' low; Black bass to 8.5 pounds are good on purple worms and crankbaits fished in 5 to 15 feet of water. Crappie are good on chautauque jigs and minnows fished in 10 to 15 feet of water. White bass are fair. Crappie are good on minnows and hybrid striped bass are excellent on tipless crankbaits and sassy shads fished in 8 to 15 feet of water with some schooling action. Channel and blue catfish are good on prepared baits and shad fished in 10 to 15 feet of water. Yellow catfish are good on trotlines baited with perch and goldfish.

OAK CREEK: Water clear; 73 degrees; 12' low; Black bass are good on red shad colored baits and minnows fished in 8 to 12 feet of water. White bass are fair. Crappie are good on minnows fished off crappie docks. Blue and channel catfish are good on nightcrawlers fished in 12 to 14 feet of water. Yellow catfish to 28 pounds are good on trotlines baited with live perch.

O.H. IVIE: Water clear; 78 degrees; 8' low; Black bass to 11 pounds are good on Carolina-rigged plastic baits fished in 15 to 25 feet of water on points in the main lake. Small mouth bass are poor on topwaters and jerk baits fished on steep rocky banks in the main lake. Crappie are good at night on minnows and jigs fished in 25 to 40 feet of water along river channels. White bass are fair on minnows and slabs with a few schooling on the mid lake points that have quick access to deep water. Catfish are slow on stink bait and minnows fished along river channels at night.

POSSUM KINGDOM: Water clear; 79 degrees; 4.5' low; Black bass good on jigs and Power worms fished in 5 to 20 feet of water. White bass are slow on minnows fished in 10 to 20 feet of water. Striped bass to 12 pounds are good on live shad fished in 20 to 30 feet of water. Crappie are slow on minnows and jigs fished in 5 to 15 feet of water. Blue catfish to 20 pounds are good on cut shad, perch and Cheetos fished in 20 to 40 feet of water. Yellow catfish are slow on perch fished in 20 to 30 feet of water.

SPENCE: Water slightly stained; 74 degrees; Black bass are slow on plastic baits and top waters fished in stick-ups between sand bars. White bass are excellent on minnows and small crankbaits fished in 2 to 10 feet of water on sand bars where they are schooling. Crappie are fair on minnows fished in 6 to 12 feet of water on under water bluffs. Striped bass are good on cut bait and live shad fished in shallow, rocky flats. Channel and blue catfish are excellent on minnows and cut shad fished in 5 to 10 feet of water. Yellow catfish are good on perch and goldfish fished in the north end of the lake.

STAMFORD: Water stained; 70 degrees; 7' low; Black bass are good on large minnows fished in shallow water pitching near large stumps. Crappie are poor on minnows fished in 10 to 15 feet of water. No reports of white bass. Yellow catfish to 35 pounds are excellent on trotlines baited with shiners, shad and perch. Channel catfish are good on trotlines baited with shad and perch. Blue catfish are excellent on punch bait and cut shad fished in 1 to 3 feet of water in the mouths of creeks with new water.

SWEETWATER: Water clear; 72 degrees; 11.5' low; Black bass to 8 pounds are good on plastic baits fished in 2 to 8 feet of water up the creeks. No reports on Crappie. White bass are good on minnows, Rat-L-Traps and cast masters fished on points in the main lake where they are schooling. Blue and channel catfish to 8 pounds are good on stink bait in new water. No reports of yellow catfish.

TWIN BUTTES: Water stained; 75 degrees; Black bass are fair on spinnerbaits and crankbaits fished in 1 to 8 feet of water along the dam and on dark colored plastic worms fished in cover up Middle Concho. White bass are poor on minnows and cast masters fished along the dam. Crappie are poor on small jigs and minnows fished in 5 to 10 feet of water in brush along the channels in Spring Creek and Middle Concho. Channel, blue and yellow catfish are good on trotlines baited with live perch.

WHITE RIVER: Water slightly stained; 70 degrees; 11' low; Black bass are good on spinnerbaits and minnows. Crappie are excellent on small minnows fished by the dam and in the river in 6 to 10 feet of water. No reports on walleys. Catfish are good on worms, minnows and chicken livers fished in the river.

Land of Infinite Variety South Dakota From A to Z

The Mini Page visits South Dakota, the geographic center of the U.S. (including Alaska and Hawaii). It is known for its scenic beauty, from the beautiful Black Hills to the rugged Badlands to miles of open prairie.

The Mount Rushmore state is also known for its harsh weather that includes drought, floods, blizzards, bone-chilling cold and tornadoes.

The Missouri River divides the state almost in half. Most of the crops are grown in the eastern farmlands. To the west are most of the livestock ranches and the mountains.

Agriculture and related businesses are very important. About 90 percent of the land is used for farming or ranching.

Banking and manufacturing of goods such as computers are also big businesses.



The Badlands is an eerie area of jagged rocks and gullies, full of fossils.

The Black Hills are covered with so many pine trees, the hills look black from a distance.

The Corn Palace in Mitchell is covered with giant artworks made of thousands of bushels of corn.

Crazy Horse, a Lakota Sioux leader, helped defeat Custer. His memorial is being carved in the Black Hills a few miles from Mount Rushmore.

Mount Rushmore is one of the largest sculptures in the world. Sixty-foot-high faces of four presidents are carved in this mountain in the Black Hills. They are: Washington, Jefferson, Theodore Roosevelt and Lincoln. Sculptor Gutzon Borglum and 400 workers spent a total of 6 1/2 years on the giant sculpture. After Borglum died, his son finished it in 1941.

Deadwood was a booming Wild West town, where Calamity Jane lived and Wild Bill Hickok was killed.

Evans Plunge in Hot Springs is the largest natural indoor warm-water pool in the world.

The western Frontier and pioneer life are important parts of the state's heritage.

The Great Plains, flat grasslands, or prairie, stretch over about two-thirds of the state.

Rookie Cookies Recipe

Bacon Biscuits

Pork and wheat are two farm products from South Dakota.

You'll need:

- 1/2 pound bacon, cooked and cut into small pieces
- 3 cups biscuit mix
- 1 egg, beaten
- 2/3 cup milk
- 1/3 cup butter or margarine, melted

What to do:

1. In a large bowl, combine bacon and biscuit mix.
2. Stir in remaining ingredients. Mix well.
3. Roll dough into balls the size of golf balls. Place on baking sheet and flatten with your palm.
4. Bake in a preheated 425-degree oven for 12 minutes. Makes 12 to 18.

South Dakota

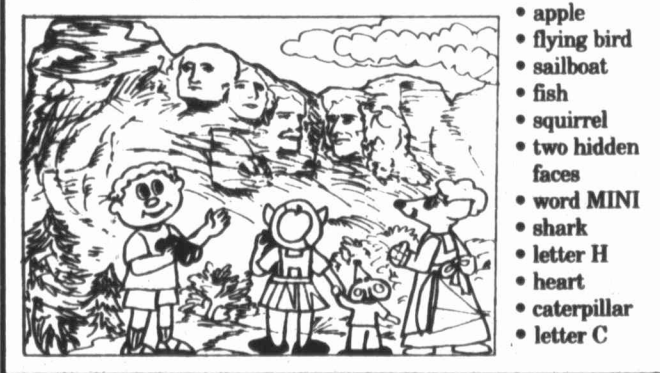
Words that remind us of South Dakota are hidden in the block below. Some words are hidden backward. See if you can find:

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Mini Spy ...

Mini Spy and her friends are visiting South Dakota's Mount Rushmore. See if you can find:



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- flying bird
- sailboat
- fish
- squirrel
- two hidden faces
- word MINI
- shark
- letter H
- heart
- caterpillar
- letter C

More About South Dakota

Homestead Mine in Lead

First opened in 1876. It is the longest continuously operated gold mine in the world, and the largest gold mine in the U.S. Thousands of settlers rushed into the area after gold was discovered in 1874.

The Ingalls Homestead in De Smet is the site of Laura Ingalls Wilder's "Little Town on the Prairie."

Five of her books take place in this area.

Jewel Cave is decorated with beautiful crystals. The caves in the Black Hills make up the second-longest cave system in the world.

At the Keystone gold mine, visitors can still pan for gold.

Lead (LEED) is the home of the Black Hills Mining Museum. There visitors can tour an exact replica of an underground gold mine.

Mammoth Site in Hot Springs holds fossils of about 100 mammoths that died 26,000 years ago.

Next week The Mini Page is about summer safety.

Needles Highway

A winding, narrow, 14-mile scenic road, runs through granite tunnels and rock formations in the Black Hills.

Oats are a major crop. South Dakota is the country's second-largest producer.

Pierre (PEER) is the state capital.

The pasQue is the state flower.

Reptile Gardens, near Rapid City, has the largest living reptile collection in the world.

The Sioux, the Dakota and Lakota people, were pushed onto reservations when European settlers moved into the area. Two of the biggest Indian reservations in the U.S. are in the state. The state gets its name from the Dakota Sioux. "Dakota" means friends.

Sturgis is the yearly site of the world's largest motorcycle gathering, or rally.

Look through your newspaper for stories about your state.

Tourists play a big part in the economy.

About 3 million people visit Mount Rushmore and the state's scenic wonders every year.

Urban, or city, populations are small. Over half of the people live in rural areas. The largest city, Sioux Falls, has a population of about 100,000. The state's population is only about 700,000.

Vermillion, site of the university, also has the Shrine to Music Museum with more than 5,000 rare instruments.

Wheat is one of the state's main crops. Other top crops include: corn, flax, sunflowers, barley, rye, sorghum, alfalfa and soybeans. Cattle, hogs, sheep, chickens and turkeys are raised there.

EXplorers Lewis and Clark passed through the area in 1804 and 1806.

Yankton, on the Missouri River, was once the capital of the Dakota Territory.

"WiZard of OZ" author L. Frank Baum lived in Aberdeen. In Storybook Land amusement park, popular fairy tales, including the Oz stories, come to life.

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6:30 PM	News (CC) Fortune	Simpsons Home Imp.	Science Guy Zoboomatoo	World's Greatest	News Ent. Tonight	News (CC) Fortune	News Seinfeld (CC)	Roseanne Roseanne	Preciosa	Movie Sufers Movie: Oliver	Walters (CC)	Movie: The Dream Team	Virtue (CC)	Movie: Doctor Dolittle (CC)	Joseph Good John Hage	Law & Order (CC)	Wild Discovery	ER (CC)	FOX Sports Last Word	Got. U.S.		Planet Groove	
7:30 PM	Story of Fathers and Sons	Stanley Cup Playoffs: Finals Game 5 - Sabres vs. People's Century (CC)	Movie: The Brady 500	Diagnosis Murder (CC)	Mothers-Daughters	Fraser (CC) Will & Grace	(06) WCW Thunder	Angela	(7:50) Movie: Brink (CC)	Prime Time Country (CC)	Movie: Los Locos	Movie: Phat Beach (CC)	Men (CC)	Light of the Southwest	American Justice	Geysers of Yellowstone	Divine Magic: Supernatural	Movie: She's Having a Baby	FOX Sports News	Sportscenter		BET Tonight	
8:30 PM	Vanished (CC)	Avalanche or Stars	Jerry Springer (CC)	News-Lehrer	700 Club (CC)	News (CC) Nightline	News (CC) Tonight Show	Thunder Chimp (CC) Late	Thunder Chimp	Major-Ritmo	Zorro (CC) Mickey Mouse	Dukes of Hazzard (CC)	(15) Movie: The War at Home (CC)	Movie: Body Count	Junior Number 5: O.J. Trial	News Crystal Lyons	Biography (CC)	Geysers of Yellowstone	(45) Movie: Last Word Ultimate	FOX Sports News	U.S. Open Golf	Movie: Tea	Sparks (CC) 2/7 (CC)
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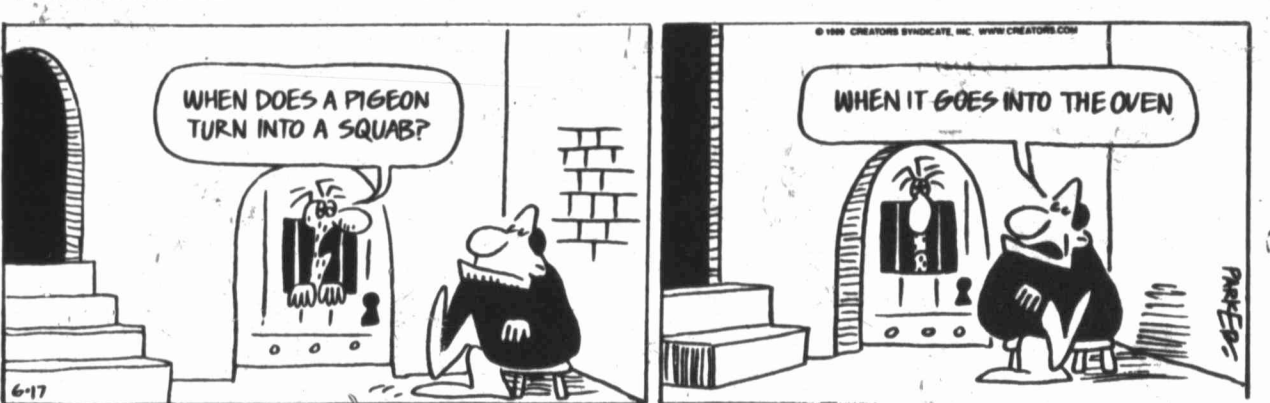
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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

197 days left in the year.
Today's Highlight in History:
On June 17, 1775, the Revolutionary War Battle of Bunker Hill was fought near Boston.

The ASSOCIATED PRESS
Today is Thursday, June 17, the 168th day of 1999. There are 197 days left in the year.

On this date:
In 1856, in Philadelphia, the Republican Party opened its first convention.

THE Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

ACROSS

- NaCl
- Paddled
- Anglo-Saxon slave
- Spicy stew
- Verify
- Hard work
- Linseed oil source
- "The Defenders" star
- "Winnie-the-Pooh" author
- Orchid tuber
- Scandinavian rug
- Sly cry
- Stockings
- Kicking (a football)
- Roasting stick
- Blues guitarist
- Old Chinese money
- Sked letters
- Feeling regret
- Learning inst.
- Hammerin' Hank
- Be in poor health
- O.T. book
- "Constant Craving" singer
- Soft, thick lump
- Act as chair
- Counsel
- Shaq or Tatum
- "The Waste Land" poet
- "Women in Love" author
- Composer Stravinsky
- Tennis player Korda
- Belgian artist
- Labyrinth
- bitsy
- Destines to an unhappy end
- Make beer

DOWN

- Until now
- Relieve
- Alpaca kin
- Cab
- Introduction
- Silvery
- CD add-on?
- Tanguay and Gabor
- Disturb
- Merman and Waters
- Daytime drama
- Zlich
- Right angle
- Slightly shifty
- Waiting room
- Cook's milieu
- Radon, originally
- Comic actor Arnold
- Fastening device
- Forget it!
- "Kiss of the Spider Woman" star Sonia
- Construct
- Electric units
- Young man
- Orch. section
- Pale or ginger
- Pierced with a shaft
- Lovers, at times
- Twofold
- TV show with a laugh track
- Puf in stitches
- Stogy or cheroot
- Alcoholic beverages
- Scatter
- Late-night Jay
- Arm or leg
- Printer letters
- up (angry)
- High-ranking sailor

Wednesday's Puzzle Solved

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Republican Party opened its first convention.
In 1885, the Statue of Liberty arrived in New York City.
In 1928, Amelia Earhart embarked on a trans-Atlantic flight from Newfoundland to Wales — the first by a woman.
In 1940, France asked Germany for terms of surrender in World War II.
In 1948, a United Airlines jet crashed near Mount Carmel, Pa., killing all 43 people on board.
In 1963, the Supreme Court struck down rules requiring the recitation of the Lord's Prayer or reading of Biblical verses in public schools.
In 1969, the musical review "Oh! Calcutta!" opened in New York.
In 1971, the United States and Japan signed a treaty under which the United States would return control of the island of Okinawa.
In 1972, President Nixon's eventual downfall began with the arrest of five burglars inside Democratic national headquarters in Washington D.C.'s Watergate complex.
In 1986, President Reagan announced the retirement of U.S. Chief Justice Warren Earl Burger.
Ten years ago: In China's crackdown on the pro-democracy movement, eight people were sentenced to death for allegedly beating soldiers and burning vehicles in Beijing.
Five years ago: After leading police on a chase on Southern California freeways, O.J. Simpson was arrested and charged with murder in the slayings of his ex-wife, Nicole, and her friend, Ronald Goldman. (Simpson was acquitted in a criminal trial, but later was held liable in a civil trial.)
One year ago: Japanese Prime Minister Ryutaro Hashimoto welcomed a rare U.S. intervention in currency markets to support the sinking yen.
Today's Birthdays: Actor Peter Lupus is 67. Singer Barry Manilow is 53. Comedian Joe Piscopo is 48. Actor Mark Linn-Baker is 45. Actor Greg Kinnear is 35. Olympic gold-medal speed skater Dan Jansen is 34. Actor Jason Patric is 33. Rhythm-and-blues singer Kevin Thornton (Color Me Badd) is 30.
Thought for Today: "In America, to look a couple of years younger than you actually are is not only an achievement for which you are to be congratulated, it is patriotic."
— Cynthia Proper Seton, American writer (1926-1982).