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**MONDAY**  
July 26, 1999



## UBS schedules blood drives here

United Blood Services has scheduled drives in Big Spring this week.

Scenic Mountain Medical Center will host a blood drive on Wednesday from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Reservations can be made by calling 268-4960.

On Thursday, a blood drive will be held at the Veterans Administration Medical Center. To make reservations for that drive, planned from 8 a.m. until 2 p.m., call 264-4824.

Donors must be between age 17 and 79 and weigh at least 110 pounds. Some sort of identification, such as a driver's license, is also required.

Anyone having any questions or needing more information about donating blood is invited to call UBS at 1-800-756-0024.

## WHAT'S UP...

**TODAY**  
□ Big Spring Evening Lions Club, 6:30 p.m., 1607 E. Third.

**TUESDAY**  
□ Intermediate line dance classes, 9 a.m., Senior Citizens Center.

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

□ Senior Circle Big Spring Mall Walkers meet 9:15 a.m. in front of the movie theater box office.

□ Big Spring Downtown Lions Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room

□ Line dancing, 1 p.m., Senior Citizens Center, Industrial Park.

□ Eagles Lodge Ladies Auxiliary, 7 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 704 W. Third.

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

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

□ Kiwanis Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room.

## WEATHER

Tonight:



**PARTLY CLOUDY**

**TONIGHT** 69°-71°  
**TUESDAY** 94°-97°

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## Parents invited to attend free Tuesday forum on school violence

By **DEBBIE L. JENSEN**  
Features Editor

A free parents' forum Tuesday on school violence will be part of a workshop for teachers, counselors and other professionals.

At 6:30 p.m. in Dorothy Garrett Coliseum, parents can listen to a variety of experts in securi-



**PAYNE**

ty, psychology and other fields address prevention of youth violence. They will give some of the information they shared during a day-long workshop.

"It might be reassuring to parents to know that the community wants to do everything it can to protect their children," said Janet Payne, director of children's mental health services for West Texas Centers for MH/MR. West Texas Centers is presenting the workshop and forum.

Parents who attend, she added, can feel free to ask ques-

tions or just listen.

"There may be questions about roles they can play in prevention," she said. "This would be the perfect time to ask those."

There is no limit to the number of parents who can come, or can speak, Payne added. More than 200 professionals in the fields of education, counseling, law enforcement and the ministry are expected to attend the workshop.

It will be counted a success, Payne added, "if people can be more relaxed when school

starts."

Presented by the Family Health Institute, the workshop includes such topics of discussion and presentation that day will include, "Recognizing the Developmental Stages of Violence," "Training Teachers," "Integrating Community Resources," and a program on security needs and implementation.

Once the workshop and forum end, Payne said she hopes the community, and the 23 counties served by West Texas Centers, will have a better understand-

ing of the causes of youth violence.

"I hope for people to understand that violence is learned, and that it can be unlearned," she said, "to recognize the warning signs, and how to stop a violent act before it ever happens."

The registration deadline for the workshop has passed, but parents who want to join in the public forum do not need to register in advance.

Call West Texas Centers for MH/MR for more information, 263-0007, ext. 250.



A building on Ninth Street near downtown Big Spring is in the process of being demolished. The city has an on-going program for tearing down dilapidated and abandoned buildings.

## Tax holiday

### Texas shoppers expected to take advantage of first holiday on sales tax Aug. 6-8

By **RICK McLAUGHLIN**  
Staff Writer

School buildings are mostly empty. Family vacations are under way and temperatures across Texas are hot and hotter. The Rangers and the Astros lead their divisions. It's definitely summer in the Lone Star State.

Summer may be in full swing, but Texas families may want to start thinking about their back to school shopping. Thanks to state Senate Bill 441, which the Legislature passed and Gov. George Bush signed earlier this year, Texas shoppers will enjoy 72 hours of tax-free shopping Aug. 6-8.

On those days, shoppers in Texas will enjoy the first-ever Texas sales tax holiday. Children's and adult clothing and non-athletic shoes costing less than \$100 will be exempt from state and local sales taxes.

Texas officials estimate this sales tax holiday will save Lone Star consumers up to 8.25 percent on their purchases of Wranglers, Red Wings or \$69.2 million, according to Texas Lt. Gov. Rick Perry.

Athletic shoes and clothing, commonly used as everyday wear, such as football jerseys, baseball caps or running shoes costing less than \$100, will be exempt. But items used exclusively for athletic purposes, such as golf shoes or football pants, are not eligible for the sales tax break, said Perry.

"It's probably going to be a

great move for people on a restricted budget," said Big Spring Independent School District Superintendent Bill McQueary. "It could be quite a savings for people who struggle," he added.

But the superintendent also said that "There's a lot of hidden problems in it. This (bill) comes from politicians you know?"

McQueary wondered if a great many people are going to have already bought their back-to-school stuff. On the other hand, he wondered, "What if everyone waits for the three-day tax holiday? The lines are going to be so very long."

McQueary said information has already been distributed to school principals about the tax holiday. He noted that the district's registration begins the week before the tax holiday, and additional information will be distributed to students and families at registration time.

Big Spring Bealls Department Store Manager Brenda White said she believes "it is a great opportunity for customers to save a little money. It's nice of government to give us a little break. It can be so costly to go back to school," she observed.

As for delayed sales, White was not concerned. "The three days of the tax holiday will easily make up for any decline in sales even if there is any (pre-tax holiday) decline," she said.

"Going back to school is often stressful for children and parents alike," Perry added. "Back-to-school shopping can be a taxing and expensive experience. Fortunately, our state leaders have made things easier by cutting taxes," Perry said.



**McQUEARY**

## Carriage Inn plans pancake breakfast to help with HOG's camera fundraiser

By **ALLISON THOMAS**  
Staff Writer

Joining in on the effort to purchase a thermal imaging camera for the fire department, Carriage Inn will be hosting a free pancake breakfast Friday morning from 6:30 to 9:30.

All donations gathered from the breakfast will be added to the funds the Harley Owner's Group (HOG) and other members of the community have already raised for the camera.

"We feel this is a way to give back to the community," said Ann Sinclair, Carriage Inn director.

A thermal imaging camera uses heat-sensitive technology to allow firefighters to locate people in dark or smoky buildings. The camera senses body heat, so the firefighters can determine if there are people located in a building. The camera also enables them to "see" through walls to locate the source of the fire, therefore extinguishing it more quickly.

The camera will also be shared with Big Spring Police Department. They can use the camera to find a lost child in the trees, or to locate a criminal hiding in an abandoned building with minimal risk.

The camera will cost \$18,000

to purchase. With community businesses such as the Carriage Inn pitching in with donations and fundraisers, the Harley Owner's Group is now within \$3,000 of its goal.

"The way the public and businesses have responded to this fundraiser has been phenomenal," said Barry Barnett of HOG. "We were looking at it as a one-year project, and now it looks like we'll have the money by September."

Carriage Inn will be serving a breakfast of pancakes, ham and coffee in a buffet-style to accommodate people stopping by at

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## For now, aging Runnels will be storage location

By **MARSHA STURDIVANT**  
Staff Writer

With the completion of the new Big Spring Junior High School, an era passes as Runnels Junior High School will be without students in its hallways for the first time in more than 70 years.

"The building needs a great deal of repair with wiring and water lines and plaster and ceilings. The bricks are losing mortar and a lot of the mortar needs to be replaced," said Ron Logback, business manager for Big Spring Independent School District.

"In the early 1900s they mixed mortar anyway they wanted, and with age and wind and rain, and just general wear and tear on the building, the building needs a great deal of repair," he said.

For now, Runnels will be used by the district as a storage facility for equipment. Much of this equipment was once stored at Boydston Elementary, which was torn down to make way for

the new school.

"We have at least 85 percent of our equipment stored there now. After we tore Boydston down, we had a storage facility we used that we had to pay for, but now we have placed it all in Runnels," Logback said.

He said the most significant obstacle to refurbishing Runnels for modern use is the Americans With Disabilities Act, which requires a public building have access for wheelchair-bound individuals.

Because of the architecture of Runnels, ramps and an elevator are not feasible and cost-efficient, he said.

"With the way it is structured, on a hill, there is no way to get into the interior of the building without going up or down stairs. That is the major problem," he said.

To enter the building, a person must climb a flight of stairs and enter the building on the second floor interior. More stairs lead down to the first floor and basement, and stairs also lead to the third floor of the building.

"We will maintain the building as best we can so that it does not become an eyesore," Logback said.



**LOGBACK**



Michael Heffington sits on brother Denver's shoulders as they cool off on a hot summer day at the city pool.

## Council may revisit park grant request

By **BILL McCLELLAN**  
News Editor

Big Spring City Council members may reconsider pursuing a grant to help fund a downtown park when they convene at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday.

"They asked us to see about downsizing the project and look at additional sources of funding," said City Manager Gary Fuqua.

"We have done that and we are ready to visit with them on it."

Council members had tabled the item earlier this month after learning that the city's matching funds in the 80-20 Statewide Transportation Enhancement Program would be \$187,214.64. The grant program is through the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), which would fund \$748,858.56 for a total of more than \$950,000.

The park would be located on the quarter-block area currently occupied by the Permian



**FUQUA**

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OBITUARIES

E.L. Jones

Service for E.L. Jones, 75, Big Spring, will be 10 a.m. Wednesday, July 28, 1999, at the Myers & Smith Chapel with Rev. Charles Reich, pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church in Gainesville, Fla., officiating. Burial will be at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.



JONES

Mr. Jones died Sunday, July 25, at the home of his daughter in Sand Springs. He was born on July 8, 1924, in Rising Star. He was the son of Eual Jones and Lorene Parker Jones. The family moved to Big Spring in 1936 from Rising Star. Mr. Jones was a veteran of the U.S. Navy, serving in World War II in the Pacific. He was the fifth patient at the VA Medical Center when it opens. He began work at the VA soon after it opened, and later worked at Webb Air Force Base until retiring in 1971. He was a member of the Hillcrest Baptist Church. Mr. Jones married Betty Henry on Aug. 23, 1947, in Sterling City.

He is survived by: his wife, Betty Jones of Big Spring; three daughters, Lou Campbell of Big Spring, Donna Henry of Sand Springs, and Cindy Jones of Big Spring; his father, Eual Jones of Fort Stockton; one sister, Ouida Dell Aldridge of West Virginia; seven grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and a number of nieces and nephews.

The family will be at 2809 Lawrence. Arrangements under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

**Rudy J. Rodriguez**  
Service for Rudy J. Rodriguez, 36, Big Spring, is pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. He died Saturday, July 24, 1999, in a local hospital.

BREAKFAST

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different times during the morning.

"It is donation only, and anyone is welcome to come," said Sinclair. "We want to get the word out that people can come here on their way to work."

Carriage Inn will be taking donations for the thermal imaging camera all morning during the breakfast, even taking phone-in pledges from members of the community.

"We are hoping to put them over the top," said Sinclair.

If the goal for the thermal imaging camera is overfilled, Carriage Inn residents will vote on a favorite charity to donate the remaining money to.

"One thing I've noticed about West Texas people is that when

there is a genuine need, they will fill it," said Sinclair. "I think the community has already shown they believe in this."

COUNCIL

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Building as well as the vacant lot directly north of the courthouse. As proposed, it would include restrooms and information about landmarks in the city.

After council members balked at the near-\$200,000 the city would have to come up with, they asked city officials to downsize the project and bring it back to further consideration.

One other item involving TxDOT is on Tuesday's agenda. It is an emergency resolution supporting a grant TxDOT is seeking to fund a beautification program along Interstate 20.

"It is a resolution showing our support of a grant they are seeking. It doesn't involve any city funds," said Fuqua.

The council will also consider awarding bids for the relocation of water services on Wood and Sycamore Streets, as well as giving the mayor authority to enter into an oil and gas lease with Santa Fe Energy Resources.

Annual agreements for use of city facilities are also on the agenda. Council members are expected to approve agreements with the Men's Industrial Softball League Association and the Church League Slow Pitch Association at \$100 per team.

The council will also review a contract with Big Spring Remote Control Car Club for use of the facilities at Comanche Trail Park. That agreement calls for a \$10 fee per member annually.

Following regular business, the council is to go into executive session for quarterly evaluation of the city manager.

RUNNELS

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Also, beginning in the 1999-2000 school year another campus will undergo a change, with the closing of College Heights Elementary.

Now, all first-through-fifth grade students living in the College Heights area will attend the newly named Goliad Elementary. Also, Goliad will serve as the district-wide sixth grade campus.

"College Heights will be our record retention center, and will hold all our records. It will also be our book depository, and storage for our technical equipment," Logback said.

Used computers that are saved for parts will be stored at College Heights, as well as textbooks, he said.

However, students will still attend school on the campus. Those students who attend the Alternative Education program classes will be in the classroom at College Heights, under the direction and teaching of Tom Adams, former assistant principal at Goliad, he said.

BRIEFS

**AN AARP "55 ALIVE"**  
Mature Driving refresher course is planned July 27-28 at Howard County Library from 1-5 p.m. both days. You must attend both classes. Call 263-1576 to sign up.

**FORSAN SCHOOLS HAVE ANNOUNCED** their registration and schedule pick-up times. On Aug. 4, 10 a.m.-noon, 6th graders should attend orientation. New students should attend registration and orientation from 1-4 p.m. that same day.

On Aug. 5, juniors and seniors can pick up their schedules from 9 a.m.-noon and 1-3 p.m. Aug. 6, freshmen and sophomores can pick up their schedules from 9 a.m.-noon and 1-3 p.m.

The first day of school for Forsan students is Aug. 13.

**ATTENTION ELBOW ELEMENTARY PARENTS:** All needed school supplies for 1999-2000 will be pre-packaged and may be purchased on campus when school begins.

**BIG SPRING AREA TECH** Exes and friends of Tech 1999 Annual Dinner and Freshman Send-off will be Thursday, July 29, in the Howard College Cactus Room. The cost is \$10 per person and dinner begins at 6:30 p.m.

Your payment is your RSVP by Saturday, July 24. Make checks payable to: TTESA - Big Spring Chapter and mail them to Roxie McDaniel; P.O. Box 2801; Big Spring; 79721, or call her at 267-5846 or Pat Porter at 267-7828 for more information.

**THE HARLEY-DAVIDSON SHOP** will have a 70th anniversary party on Sept. 11. There will be live bands, eats and drinks and hourly door prizes. The party begins at noon and ends at 6 p.m.

There is a \$25 preregistration fee which includes a T-shirt, pin and eats. Please preregister by Aug. 1.

**GOOD SHEPHERD FELLOWSHIP CHURCH**, 610 Abrams, 7 p.m. Wednesdays and Thursdays, and 9 a.m. Sunday. Everyone welcome to come. For more information call 267-5936.

**THE MOBILE MEALS PROGRAM**, also known as Meals on Wheels, needs volunteers to deliver meals.

If you can spare one hour per week to deliver eight or 10 meals, we need you. About 85 to 90 meals are prepared, packaged and delivered within the city limits of Big Spring. If you can volunteer, please call 263-4016 before 3 p.m.

**THE SALVATION ARMY IS** collecting school supplies for its fourth annual Back to School Supply Drive through the month of July.

All basic school supplies for students in grades kindergarten through eighth will be accepted to go into the kits the Salvation Army will hand out before school begins Aug. 9.

During the 1998-99 drive, 358 students received their supplies from the corps, and demand is expected to exceed that number this year.

Eligibility for the program is based on the income and expense budgets for the family.

Those supplies requested this year are: No. 2 pencils, Fiskar scissors, eight, 16 and 24-count crayons, 12-ounce bottles of glue, 200-count, wide-rules notebook paper and two-inch notebooks.

Also school boxes, zipper bags, blue and black ink pens, pocket folders with brads and erasers are needed.

And map colors, markers, manila paper, dividers, construction paper and boxed tissues are also requested.

Drop the supplies off at the Salvation Army, 811 West Fifth, or call 267-8239.

**SPRING TABERNACLE CHURCH**, 1209 Wright, has free food for the area needy from 10 a.m. to noon every Thursday.

Charity's income on the rise

**OKLAHOMA CITY (AP)** — Donations of cash and goods to the Oklahoma City-based charity Feed the Children are jumping, although much of the cash goes to pay expenses. The Sunday Oklahoman reported.

Annual contributions more than doubled from \$95.9 million in 1994, the year before the Oklahoma City federal building bombing focused attention on the charity, to \$204.5 million for the fiscal year ended September 1998, the newspaper said.

Of that amount, \$47.5 million was in cash and the rest was food, child-care items, educational materials, medical supplies, building materials and other goods.

"We are more of a distributor ... between the corporations and the hungry folks," said founder Larry Jones.

The charity's 1997-98 tax forms show that the bulk of the cash went to pay administration, operations and fund-raising expenses, the newspaper said.

A BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

SUPPORT GROUPS

**MONDAY**  
•TOPS Club (Take off pound sensibly), weigh-in 5 p.m. and meeting at 6 p.m., College Heights Christian church, 21st and Goliad.

•Project Freedom, Christian support group for survivors of physical/emotional/sexual and/or spiritual abuse. Call 263-5140 or 263-2241 for dates/times of upcoming groups.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting.

•Alzheimer's support group, 7 p.m., Canterbury South, 1700 N. Lancaster, first Mondays of each month. Call Galyann Gamble at 263-1271.

•Narcotics Anonymous, 6 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad. Call 268-4189 (pager no.)

•Alzheimer's support group, 6:30 p.m., Marcy House, 2301 Wasson. Call 268-9041.

•Association of Retarded Citizens of Howard County meet 7 p.m. the first Monday of each month at 806 E. Third Street, the HARC bingo building. Call 264-0674 for more information.

•Family Education and Support, sponsored by Howard County Mental Health Center, meets the fourth Monday of each month at 6 p.m. at 409 Runnels, Clyde Alsop Building. AMI meeting to follow. For more information call 263-0027 or 267-7220.

**TUESDAY**  
•Support for MS and Related Diseases, 6:30 p.m. second Tuesday of each month, Canterbury South. Public invited. Call Leslie, 267-1069.

•Al-Anon, 8 p.m., 615 Settles.

•Seniors' diabetic support group, 2 p.m., Canterbury South. Call 263-1265.

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

•Cancer support group, first Tuesday of each month, 7-8 p.m., VA Medical Center room 213. Call Sue Jones, 263-7361 ext. 7179 or 264-7518.

•"Most Excellent Way," an addiction support group, 3610 Dixon, call 264-9900.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting and 8 p.m. closed meeting.

•Samaritan Counseling Center of West Texas will have Dr. Ronald Meyer, D.Min., LCDC, LMFT, specializing in individual and marriage counseling, Attention Deficit Disorder and chemical dependency, available for clients in Midland. Appointments for counseling services are made by calling 1-800-329-4144.

MARKETS

Dec. cotton 51.60 cents, down 80 points; Sept. crude 20.53, down 10 points; cash hogs steady at 32 even; cash steers steady \$1 higher at 66 even; Aug. lean hog futures 48.20, down 67 points; Aug. live cattle futures 65.55, down 10 points.

courtesy: Delta Corporation.  
Other markets not available by prestime.

SHERIFF

The following information was transcribed from the Howard County Sheriff's Department arrest logs through 8 a.m. Monday

•ALBERT MARCOS, was arrested for driving without a license and possession of marijuana.

•KEVIN DWAYNE KEN-

NEMER, 32, was arrested for driving while intoxicated, 3rd or more, and driving while license suspended. (DP'S)

•LEE HERSEL EASON, 51, was arrested for public intoxication.

•JAMES DEWAYNE HEADRICK, 27, was arrested for assault/family violence.

•COMANECKI LYNN THACKER, 19, was arrested for possession of a controlled substance and possession of stolen property.

•DON RAY FREE, 54, was arrested for driving while intoxicated/open alcohol container.

•JUDY ANN GARDNER, 47, was arrested for public intoxication.

•KELLY DAWN BRADBERY, 31, was arrested on judgment sentence, DWI, 3rd or more.

•ROBERT MARVIN CARSON, 31, was arrested for possession of marijuana under two ounces.

•MARK VELASQUEZ, 28, was arrested for burglary of a building.

•MICHAEL ANTHONY RODRIGUEZ, was arrested for having no liability insurance.

POLICE

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

•GUADALUPE QUIROZ, 30, was arrested for having no drivers license.

•MARIO DIAZ, 23, was arrested for public intoxication.

•NICHOLAS RUIZ, 23, was arrested for public intoxication.

•GILBERT GONZALES, 25, was arrested for public intoxication.

•MELISSA, 19, was arrested for assault/family violence.

•ROBERT VELA, 23 was arrested for assault/family violence.

•LUPE HERNANDEZ, 44 was arrested public intoxication.

•JOHN CAMPOS, 49, was arrested for public intoxication.

•FREDERICK NEWTON, 40, was arrested for public intoxication.

•ROBIN KEMPER, 42, was arrested for public intoxication.

•PETE SALAZAR, 35, was arrested for assault/family violence.

•LEO PENA, 20, was arrested for minor in possession.

•MARTIN ALVARADO, 18, was arrested for minor in possession.

•ANICETO AGUINAGA, 19, was arrested on local warrants.

•RHONA VALENZUELA, 38, was arrested for driving with license suspended.

•PHILIP GARCIA, 22 was arrested for making alcohol available to a minor.

•RAY CALDERON, 17, was arrested for minor in possession.

•ERNESTO GOMEZ, 37, was arrested for public intoxication.

•RAFAEL LOPEZ, 54, was arrested for public intoxication.

•THOMAS FAY, 59, was arrested for public intoxication.

•JOSEPH PRATT, 48, was arrested for public intoxication.

•JUAN RENTERIA, 50, was arrested for public intoxication.

•THEFT was reported in the 2300 block of E. FM 700, 200 block of W. Marcy, 100 block of Airbase Road, 1100 block of N. Lamesa, 1800 block of E. Marcy, 3500 block of W. Highway 80, and the 1700 block of E. FM 700.

•MAJOR ACCIDENT was reported in the 400 block of Edwards.

•SEXUAL ASSAULT TO A MINOR was reported in the 500 block of Abrams.

•SHOTS FIRED was reported on Courtney Place.

at Comanche Park.

•MINOR ACCIDENT was reported in the 500 block of Highland, MM 172 Eastbound, 1200 block of Sycamore, at 3rd and Benton, the 1600 block of King, and the 500 block of NW 11th Place.

•CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 1000 block of N. Main and the 400 block of E. 4th.

•ASSAULT BY THREAT was reported in the 120 block of Airbase Road and the 400 block of E. 4th.

•DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported in the 1200 block of Main, the 1300 block of Virginia, the 1100 block of Gregg, the 500 block of Westover, and the 400 block of E. Fifth.

FIRE/EMS

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

**FRIDAY**  
12:30 a.m. — Scenic Mountain Medical Center, transfer to University Medical Center.

6:45 a.m. — 2500 block Allbrook, automobile fire, extinguished.

9:15 a.m. — 3200 Block Parkway, transfer to 1600 block Scurry.

11:17 a.m. — 200 block Texas Road, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

1:56 p.m. — 700 block W. Seventh, trauma call, patient transported to SMMC.

2:33 p.m. — 1400 block Robin, trauma call, patient transported to SMMC.

9 p.m. — 1300 block Stadium, medical call, service refused.

**SATURDAY**  
5:43 a.m. — Mile marker 172, traffic accident, patient transported to SMMC.

10:33 a.m. — 900 block Goliad, trauma call, patient transported to SMMC.

11:31 a.m. — 1600 block Robin, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

12:42 p.m. — SMMC, transfer to 900 block Goliad.

2:44 p.m. — SMMC, transfer to 7200 block Parkway.

3:10 p.m. — 2400 block W. 16th, structure fire, extinguished.

3:35 p.m. — Fourth and Douglas, traffic accident, one transported to SMMC and one refused service.

4:34 p.m. — 1700 block Scurry, trauma call, patient transported to SMMC.

6:55 p.m. — 1300 block Princeton, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

6:58 p.m. — 1300 block 11th Place, medical call, service refused.

11:32 p.m. — 300 block W. Fourth, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

**SUNDAY**  
4:27 a.m. — 500 block W. 17th, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

6:47 a.m. — 4100 block E. Marcy, trash fire, extinguished.

6:48 p.m. — 400 block block E. Fourth, medical call, service refused.

RECORDS

Sunday's high 101  
Sunday's low 73  
Average high 95  
Average low 70

Record high 105 in 1940  
Record low 60 in 1933  
Precip. Sunday 0.00  
Month to date 0.25  
Month's normal 1.78  
Year to date 6.65

Normal for the year 9.87  
Sunrise Tuesday 6:57 a.m.  
Sunset Tuesday 8:47 p.m.  
\*\*Statistics not available

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**TWO FOR TUESDAY**  
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10th & Gregg  
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**MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL**  
24th & Johnson 267-8288  
E. L. Jones, 75, died Sunday. Services will be 10:00 AM, Wednesday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home Chapel, with burial at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

**NALLEY-PICKLE & WELCH Funeral Home**  
Trinity Memorial Park and Crematory  
906 Gregg St. (919) 267-6331  
Rudy J. Rodriguez, 36, died Saturday. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

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**BOGOTA, Colo.** Wreckage spotted in eastern Colombia missing U.S. Army soldier. The debris from a military plane was found in a mountain in Bogota. The debris was found by Putumayo province border with Ecuador Sunday during Army plane, while on a mission over territory.

Gen. Barry Clinton admitted anti-narcotics early today from isn't clear war crash. "It's premature. It appears to have flown into a marked area."

ADMINISTRATION

**WASHINGTON** Senate takes up 10-year, \$792 billion week against a warning that it would veto every plan that lowers the deficit by billions of dollars. Two top administration officials, Treasury Secretary Lawrence H. White and National Economic Council chairman Gen. Richard Darman, Sunday that Clinton is splitting between the Goliad proposal to raise some \$250 billion. "The president's \$800 billion bill will veto a \$500 billion bill."

POST-VISITATION

**DEARBORN, Mich.** The Reform Party sense of conflict in the election of Jesse Ventura, perched by inside power struggles. Even the election chairman, Jack Gargan, another hopeful, promised not to be presidential runner-up. The retired financial manager from Florida a move the party from Perot's leadership in Florida.

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## Wreckage on mountainside may be missing plane

BOGOTA, Colombia (AP) — Wreckage spotted in southwestern Colombia could be from a missing U.S. Army plane and a U.S. official said today it may have crashed into an unmarked mountain in bad weather.

The debris in southern Putumayo province, near the border with Ecuador, was found Sunday during a search for the Army plane, which disappeared while on a counternarcotics mission over rebel-dominated territory.

Gen. Barry McCaffrey, the Clinton administration's top anti-narcotics official, said early today from Bogota that it isn't clear what caused the crash.

"It's premature to be definitive. It appears as if it probably flew into a mountain, an unmarked mountain, in bad

weather," he told The Associated Press in an interview.

McCaffrey said rugged terrain has prevented searchers from reaching the wreckage so far.

"There is no reason to believe there are survivors, but they're going to try and put people on the ground," he said.

U.S. and Colombian aircraft have searched since Saturday to find the four-engine de Havilland RC-7, a high-tech reconnaissance plane that disappeared Friday with five U.S. soldiers and two Colombian air force officers aboard.

The U.S. army had not released the names of the five soldiers, who are based at Fort Bliss army base in El Paso, Texas.

U.S. officials say the plane was on a routine counternar-

cotics mission over an area where drug crops are grown when it disappeared from radar screens.

Its disappearance, however, was likely to heighten speculation in Colombia that Washington is getting deeply involved in the country's 35-year civil war.

American officials have repeatedly stressed they have no interest in giving counterinsurgency aid or sending American troops to fight in the conflict.

But the perception among many Colombians that intervention is possible has grown amid steady rebel advances, frequent visits to Bogota by high-ranking U.S. officials and growing U.S. support to the Colombian military — whose main activity is fighting the

guerrillas. Colombia, the world's No. 1 source of cocaine and a growing exporter of heroin, is the primary focus of U.S. anti-narcotics operations in the hemisphere. Aid this year tripled to roughly \$300 million.

The U.S. Army also is helping to train and equip a new, 1,500-member counternarcotics battalion. The new force will operate largely in the rebel-dominated south, where the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia, or FARC, partly finances itself by taxing the peasants who grow drug crops and protecting traffickers' airstrips and laboratories.

The U.S. government also recently began sharing intelligence on rebels with the army units taking part in anti-narcotics operations.

## Woodstock '99 concludes in fires, destructive mele

ROME, N.Y. (AP) — What began with scattered bonfires near the close of Woodstock '99 — just as peace candles were being handed out — ended in a destructive melee that was finally quieted early this morning.

Tents and booths were destroyed, concert light stands and a speaker tower were toppled and a mob tried to destroy a radio station truck over several chaotic hours beginning late Sunday.

"This is not the real Woodstock," said a disgusted Mike Long, 31, of Detroit as police moved in. "They messed up. They messed up the whole name of Woodstock."

Fire officials and state police, who maintained a presence of 500 officers throughout the three-day festival, were not available for comment.

Promoter John Scher, upset over the sudden turn of events, said early today that he had been told by troopers that there were no deaths. He was not aware of any arrests or serious injuries.

"It's a great shame that this happened because in so many ways it was so uplifting," he said. "It puts a permanent blemish on what happened here. I think the kids made a mistake. They did not intend for this to happen."

The violence erupted after almost 72 hours of peace and love at Woodstock '99. It came as the Red Hot Chili Peppers were in the midst of their festival-closing set and a group named Pax handed out candles to the audience.

Scher said the show was stopped when the first fire was set near the East Stage, but fire officials decided it was a controllable ground fire and the band played on.

About a quarter-mile from the stage, several concertgoers then set fire to a dozen parked vendors' trailers and pulled cases of soda and merchandise from the trucks, feeding the

flames with debris. To some, it seemed like a reaction to the high food and beverage prices.

"When it first started, there was something to it," 18-year-old Spencer Parker said. "It has a little bit of meaning when you pay \$4 for a pretzel."

The rioters, who used pieces of the plywood wall surrounding the site to fuel the fires, also pulled down a large T-shirt stand, looted a trailer full of hardware and tipped over a car and burned it. All around, tents and booths were destroyed by the light of a nearly full moon.

Response by fire and police units was not immediate as officials seemed to be caught off-guard. Eventually, fire trucks managed to enter the crowded site and fight the fires.

"Where are the police? Where are the firemen? Where are the people in control?" asked Ruth Mahorn, 36, of Binghamton, N.Y., as she walked quickly away from the disturbance with her friends. "These kids are animals. It should never have gotten this far."

Scher said a decision was made not to utilize the 1,250-person internal security force because they were not properly trained to handle a riot.

More than an hour after the melee began, state troopers in riot gear moved in, dodging lemons and oranges thrown by the crowd.

They had moved most of the remaining 150,000 concertgoers into the camping area by 2 a.m. today.

About 200 people remained near the middle of the venue, using trash cans for drums as they had since the concert began on Friday.

"They're jerks," said Karen Thomas, 24, of Massachusetts. "It's been great all weekend. People were cool, and now this is how people will remember Woodstock."

## Administration says it won't compromise on tax cuts

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate takes up its version of a 10-year, \$792 billion tax cut this week against an administration warning that President Clinton would veto even a compromise plan that lowers the cut by hundreds of billions of dollars.

Two top administration officials, Treasury Secretary Lawrence Summers and National Economic Council chairman Gene Sperling, said Sunday that Clinton is not open to splitting the difference between the GOP plan and his proposal to reduce taxes by some \$250 billion.

"The president will veto that \$800 billion bill, the president will veto a \$500 billion tax cut

because it doesn't leave room for what's necessary," Summers said on CBS' "Face the Nation."

On the same program, Sen. John Breaux, D-La., said Republicans should put off sending their bill to Clinton for a certain veto. He suggested they wait until after the Labor Day recess and then negotiate a package combining a \$500 billion tax cut with a Medicare bill that extends prescription drugs to Medicare recipients, an administration priority.

"We've got to stop talking to ourselves and start talking to each other," Breaux said.

Republicans have indicated they are willing to give some on their tax package, but they call

Clinton's proposal unacceptable.

The administration says the projected budget surplus over the next decade — nearly \$3 trillion — should go first to restoring solvency to Social Security and Medicare, bringing down the federal debt and boosting defense and education spending. A modest, targeted tax cut could come when those primary goals are met, it says.

But Republicans say the Democrats would increase spending by more than \$1 trillion. "We think that is a ludicrous suggestion at a time when we have surpluses," Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, R-Texas, said on CNN's "Late Edition." "The

rest should go back to the people who earn it."

Republicans stress they can devote three-fourths of the surplus to saving Social Security and Medicare and paying down the debt and still have nearly \$800 billion for tax cuts.

The Democrats are saying that "somehow them spending a trillion is great, (but) letting us give \$800 billion back is somehow bad," Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas, argued on "Fox News Sunday."

The Senate bill, expected to pass by week's end, has roughly the same amount in cuts as the House bill that passed last week on a nearly straight party-line vote.

## Post-Ventura, Reform Party feels some growing pains

DEARBORN, Mich. (AP) — The Reform Party's palpable sense of confidence, fueled by the election of Minnesota Gov. Jesse Ventura, has become tempered by inside squabbling and power struggles.

Even the election of a new chairman could fuel dissent. Jack Gargan, chosen over two other hopefuls on Sunday, has promised not to support another presidential run by Ross Perot. The retired financial consultant from Florida also says he will move the party's headquarters from Perot's Dallas offices to Florida.

The party must weather such storms as part of its growth, said Pat Benjamin, vice chairwoman of the party and one of the two people who ran against Gargan, as she watched a fight between New Jersey delegates.

"Each of these things is growing pains. At this stage, everything is important," said

Benjamin, of Cherry Hill, N.J., who was second in the chairmanship race. "This is democracy. It isn't pretty today."

The party's lack of unity is of great concern, said Gargan, who won Ventura's endorsement in the balloting to succeed outgoing party Chairman Russ Verney.

Fewer delegates came to this year's convention than in the past two years, Gargan noted. Only 311 of the 585 delegates showed up for the Reform Party's weekend convention, and the party also is losing ballot access in some states, he said.

Gargan said the state of the party was the reason he ran for chairman.

"I don't want the damned job, but I've got too much at stake," he said. "I have so much at stake I'm not about to let this ship go down."

The Reform Party's troubles

may stem in part from its mission: welcoming people who want change and are disenfranchised by other parties.

That attracts so many different kinds of people that it's hard to develop a unified message, analysts said.

"We have everyone, from people who think Jesse Jackson is too conservative to people who

think Pat Buchanan is too liberal," said Tom McLaughlin, the Pennsylvania state chairman and the third candidate on the chairmanship ballot.

McLaughlin estimated that there are eight to 10 factions within the party. He said the party can be unified as long as its platform sticks to economic issues.

## FBI: Man arrested in Yosemite death suspected in earlier killings

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — A motel handyman questioned but ruled out as a suspect in the slayings of three Yosemite sightseers has now been linked to those crimes after his arrest in the beheading of a woman who worked in the national park.

The arrest Saturday of Cary Stayner even had one FBI agent wondering if the death of 26-year-old naturalist Joie Ruth Armstrong could have been prevented.

"I struggled with that issue for the last 24 hours and I continue to do so," James M. Maddock, FBI special agent-in-charge of Sacramento, said Sunday. "I'm confident we've done everything that reasonably could have been done."

Armstrong's decapitated body was found Thursday near her Yosemite housing.

Stayner, 37, was arrested Saturday at a nudist colony and is scheduled to be arraigned today on a charge of murder in a national park, the FBI said.

Maddock said Stayner also is believed to have played a role in the killings of Carole Sund, her daughter Juli, and family friend Silvina Pelosso of Argentina. The three were last seen alive at a lodge in El Portal where Stayner worked as a mainte-

nance man. "We have developed specific information linking Stayner to the Sund-Pelosso murders," Maddock said.

Stayner previously was questioned in the slayings but ruled out as a suspect, Maddock said. He did not elaborate.

Investigators in that case had focused on a loose-knit band of ex-cons in Modesto who have histories of sex and drug offenses. Authorities had said they were confident that most of those responsible in the sightseer killings were already in custody on unrelated charges.

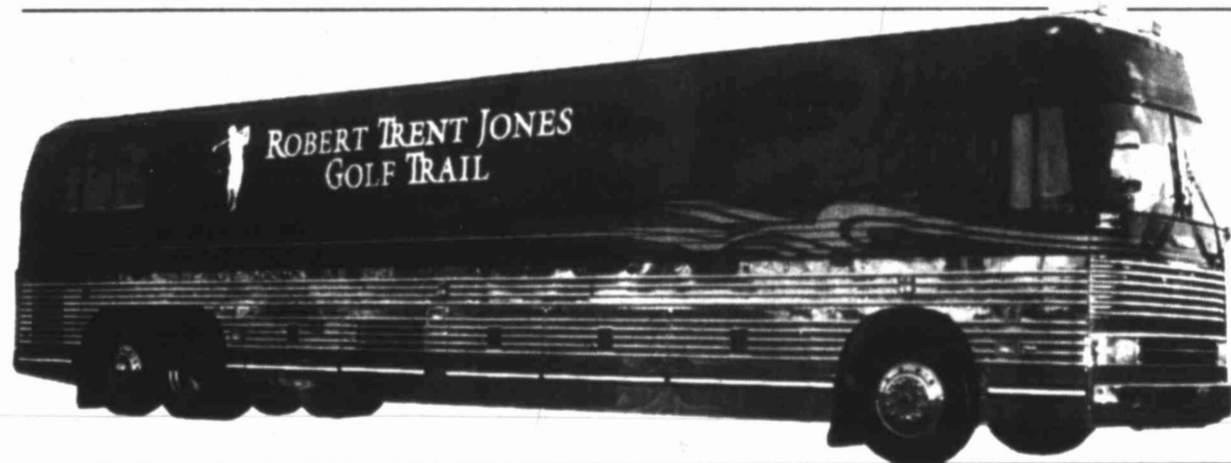
Maddock said there is no evidence linking Stayner to the other people who have come under scrutiny, but in light of the new development, the FBI will re-evaluating the possible roles of those people.

"We are looking at whether (Stayner) is solely responsible (for the sightseers murders) or if others are involved," Maddock said.

Stayner was last seen Thursday by friends and co-workers at the Cedar Lodge. He was taken into custody by federal authorities Saturday morning at a nudist colony in Wilton, after a person recognized him from news reports and called authorities.

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OUR VIEWS

Needy students can prosper with your help

Two weeks from today, Big Spring children will start another school year. Let's hope all of them can be prepared for that "new beginning."

School supplies, along with new clothes, are a large expense at this time of year. For families already on a limited budget, sometimes the cost of back-to-school can be too much. That means some of our local children will start school without the necessary supplies.

And showing up for class on the first day without the pencils, paper and other things you need is anything but "off to a good start." In fact, some say it may even contribute to behavior problems due to low self-esteem and a feeling of "not fitting in."

There is a way you can help. The Salvation Army is collecting school supplies, and money to buy them, for the community's needy families. They will verify income and expenses, and give only to those most in need. Each child will be given a kit of basic supplies, leaving the parents to contribute some others.

But funding and time are running short for this annual program.

We're pleased to see TCA Cable TV of Big Spring joining the effort. The company is collecting donated supplies, and also offers a discount on cable installation or an upgrade of services, for those who contribute supplies. Contact them for a list and details on the program, called, "Supply Our Students."

If you can, pick up an extra package of pencils, pens, notebook paper or other necessities when you are shopping at a local store. Take them to the Salvation Army office at 811 W. Fifth, or TCA Cable TV at 2006 Birdwell Lane. If you can't do that, consider giving a monetary gift to support this much-needed program.

Let's do everything we can to make this school year a success for every child in our community.

OTHER VIEWS

Thousands of years ago, people who railed against human greed were called prophets. Today they're dismissed as whiners. Consider Brian Atwood, erstwhile director of the U.S. Agency for International Development. During his six years as the nation's foreign-aid chief, Atwood preached a gospel of strategic generosity that should have converted all who heard it. But few in Congress got his religion, and now the man himself has quit the pulpit. It's a shame to think that the last voice for sharing America's bounty with the world has left the Washington wilderness.

Atwood noted in leaving his job earlier this month, America's foreign-aid budget has long been the plaything of the GOP's "conservative fringe."

If they cared, they wouldn't be crowing about Atwood's departure — and about the damage they've done to America's foreign-aid effort. In the last eight years, the staff of Atwood's agency has been cut by a third. The budget has declined from \$14.1 billion to \$13.7 billion over the same stretch — quite a dramatic drop when inflation is considered. And if the Senate has its way, the budget will be hacked another 6 percent next year.

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Americans should be concerned about rights

The most intense effort to infringe on the rights of Americans to keep and bear arms is now under way, led mainly by Democrats.

This is a constitutional matter, not a matter of hardware or crime-fighting. All Americans, including those who don't own guns, should be concerned with guarding a right that has been recognized in America for more than two centuries. Some of us might not choose to exercise a right, such as speech or assembly, but nevertheless, we should not want that right taken away.

So it is with the right to keep and bear arms. No one has to exercise that right, but all should rally to its defense. It, more than any other right, signifies that Americans are a free people and that sovereign-

ty rests with the people, not with the government. If you are not a gun owner, then think of the Second Amendment as a symbol of your status as a free person with unalienable rights which are a gift of God, not of the government.

And right here is a good time to point out that the Constitution does not — I say does not — grant anyone any rights whatsoever. What the Constitution does is simply acknowledge already-existing rights.

If you read the first 10 amendments attentively, you can see that the language itself clearly indicates this. Nowhere will you find language such as "the right to ... is granted."

Let's look at the Second Amendment, for example, from a grammatical point of view. The text is as follows:

"A well regulated militia being necessary to the security of a free state, the right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed."

Notice that it does not say that the right of the states to have militias shall not be infringed. This amendment

consists of a nominative absolute and a subject and verb.

The nominative absolute is the phrase "A well regulated militia being necessary to the security of a free state." The subject of the sentence is "right." The verb is "shall be infringed," modified by the adverb "not."

Thus the main sentence says plainly that the right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed. So what's with the nominative absolute? Does it limit the right to keep and bear arms? Not at all. It merely answers the question why the right to keep and bear arms should not be infringed.

Harper's English Grammar has this to say about nominative absolutes: "The nominative absolute is, as a rule, the equivalent of an adverbial clause." Adverbs, you may recall from high school, modify verbs, other adverbs or adjectives. They do not modify nouns, which in this case is "right."

A modern way of writing might say, "Because a well-trained militia is essential to

the security of a free state, the right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed."

The only modifiers of the noun, "right," are the phrases "of the people" (please note it says people, not state, not militia) and "to keep and bear arms," which tells us which right.

At the time these amendments were written and ratified, the militia was the people. And the word "regulate," in 18th-century usage, meant to train or discipline. Today, we generally use the word to mean control.

Some might say the Second Amendment is obsolete. Our own century shows us it is not. Stalin, Hitler, Castro, Pol Pot and Mao all saw to it that people were disarmed prior to commencing their reigns of terror and tyranny. God forbid but Americans, too, could find themselves some day having to choose between submission or resistance to a tyrant.

An unarmed people are never a free people.

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Concerning America's 16-year-old drivers

We don't let them vote; we don't make them legally responsible for their own actions; we don't allow them in the armed forces; we don't allow them to consume alcohol; we do allow them to get behind the wheel of two-ton machines which too many of them use as extremely dangerous high-speed toys. These are America's 16-year-old drivers.

Allan Williams, senior vice president for research at the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety, explains: "In many parts of the world, 16-year-olds aren't allowed to drive. When you look at the crash rate, there is obviously a price to be paid for letting them drive. About 30 states have some element of a graduated licensing system. This is a major public health movement. Simply raising the age wouldn't fix everything. You have to insure high-quality driving experience. The best way for them to get driving experience is under supervision. Recreational driving, late at night, is where a lot of problems occur."

Here are the facts from 1996 surveys:

- Eighty-two percent of those drivers made at least one driving error that contributed to the crashes, compared to 68 percent of drivers 17-19 years old and 52 percent of drivers 25-49 years old.
- Police reports indicate that 36 percent of all 16-year-old drivers in fatal crashes were reportedly speeding, or, if not exceeding the limit, going too fast for road conditions.
- Only 21 percent of drivers 25-49 years old were reportedly speeding when their fatal crashes occurred.
- Forty-one percent of 16-year-old drivers in fatal crashes involved only the teen's vehicle. The vehicle generally left the road and overturned, or it struck an object like a tree or pole. Among 16-year-old drivers, this is by far the biggest crash type.
- In contrast, only 27 percent of fatal crashes with 25- to 49-year-olds at the wheel were single-vehicle.
- A higher proportion of teenagers in general do not use seat belts, when compared with older drivers.
- Sixty-three percent of teenage passenger deaths occurred in crashes in which another teen-ager was driving, and 16-year-olds are particularly implicated. Fatal crashes involving drivers this age are much more likely to occur when there are three or more occupants in the vehicle — and the occupants are usually other teens.
- Twenty percent of passenger deaths of people of all ages in 1996 occurred when a teen-ager was driving.
- Forty-one percent of teenage motor vehicle deaths

occurred between 9:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. Studies show that nighttime driving restrictions are associated with crash reductions of up to 60 percent during restricted hours.

There is some good news: The rate of alcohol involvement for 16-year-olds is low. Only 15 percent of all 16-year-old drivers killed in 1996 crashes had blood alcohol concentrations above 0.10 percent. This compares with 32 percent for older teen-agers (17-19 years old), and 53 percent for drivers 25-49 years old.

The National Committee on Uniform Traffic Laws and Ordinances has developed a model graduated licensing law using recommendations from the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, and other national organizations. The law calls for a minimum of six months in the learner's stage and a minimum of six months in the intermediate stage with night driving restrictions. Key elements of the intermediate stage include limits on late-night unsupervised driving and transporting teen-age passengers. Certification that a learner's permit holder has driven a minimum number of supervised hours is also important.

The first graduated licensing program was implemented in New Zealand in 1987, and similar systems have been adopted in two Canadian provinces, Ontario and Nova Scotia. More recently, graduated licensing systems have been introduced in Florida and Michigan, while California, Georgia, Illinois, Louisiana, New Hampshire and North Carolina soon will follow suit.



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#### City golf championships slated for this weekend

The 1999 Big Spring Herald City Golf Championships have been scheduled for this weekend (July 31, Aug. 1) at the Comanche Trail Golf Course.

Fees are set at \$35 per player for the medal play tournament, and all entrants must have an established handicap.

The tournament is open to all Howard County golfers, and competition will be staged in four divisions — men's and women's open and senior men's and senior women's groupings.

The deadline for entries is noon Friday.

For more information, call Jack Birdwell at 264-2366.

#### Softball tournament set July 30-31 at Mize Field

The first Cedar Hill Cricket Softball Tournament has been scheduled for Friday and Saturday at Cotton Mize Field in Comanche Trail Park.

Entry fees are \$120 per team and must be paid prior to each team's first game.

T-shirts will be awarded to players on the first-through third-place teams and the fourth-place team will receive a trophy.

For more information call Cruz Sanchez at 267-3224 or George Herrera at 394-4670.

#### CRMWD now accepting hunting permit requests

Applications for public hunting permits on the O.H. Ivie Reservoir wildlife management areas are currently being accepted by mail through Aug. 15.

A public drawing for permits is slated for 10 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 1, at the reservoir's field office located at the north end of the dam.

Hunting permits will be limited and requests for information should be made by calling the CRMWD at 267-6341.

#### Hunter education course offering students option

A hunter education course has been scheduled for Thursday through Saturday, Aug. 5-7, in Big Spring.

The course is required by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department for all hunters born on or after Sept. 2, 1971.

Boyce Hale will be the course instructor, and a fee of \$10 per student is required.

The course is also being offered in a home study format. Those choosing the home study option will study the same materials used in the course.

After completing all the course's exercises, they call Hale or the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department to schedule a one-day classroom and field exercise session.

For more information, call Hale at 267-6957.

#### McNair confident NFL will return to Houston

HOUSTON — Businessman Bob McNair, leading an effort to bring pro football back to Houston, says he believes the odds are in the city's favor.

"I was told the chances are better than 50-50 that we would wind up with the team," McNair told Houston television station KRIV on Sunday.

NFL owners meeting Wednesday in Chicago will get a report from Los Angeles, which has a Sept. 15 deadline to arrange a stadium financing plan.

"The key question is whether they have a financing plan put together that is going to be acceptable," McNair said.

### ON THE AIR

**Television**  
**MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL**  
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6:30 p.m. — Sting at Liberty, ESPN.  
**HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL**  
7:30 p.m. — Texas Coaches Association All-Star Game, Fox

## With 'Star-Spangled Banner' playing, Armstrong savors victory

PARIS (AP) — Lance Armstrong, even before he got sick, never imagined winning the Tour de France.

But here he was, standing on the victory podium on the Champs-Elysees, listening to "The Star-Spangled Banner" after completing one of sports' most remarkable comebacks.

"I never expected to be here. Even in my first career," Armstrong said, referring to his life before cancer. "I never had plans for this."

Armstrong rode to victory in the Tour de France on Sunday less than three years after being diagnosed with testicular cancer that spread to his brain and lungs. Doctors gave him only about a 50 percent chance of survival.

The 27-year-old Texan, only the second American to win cycling's showcase race, dedicated his victory to cancer survivors around the world.

"I hope it sends out a fantastic message," he said. "We can return to what we were before — and even better."

Armstrong's ride inspired a lot of fans, especially some Americans who came over to catch part of his thrilling ride.

"I've been cycling all my life, and I just decided on Friday night to come over," said Michael Grotz of Park Ridge, New Jersey. "With Armstrong coming back from cancer, it's amazing. Here's a guy who's winning and he deserves it."

The finish, under brilliant skies, was a marked contrast to last year's. The 1998 race ended

in a drizzling rain after a huge drug scandal placed the entire sport under suspicion.

In fact, Armstrong was dogged by accusations in the French media that he used performance-enhancing drugs. Many people couldn't believe that a cyclist recovering from cancer could prevail in the brutal three-week event.

There was no proof, however. The sport's ruling body, which tests cyclists during the race, said the only drug Armstrong used was an approved prescription cream for saddle sores.

Sunday's 20th and final stage was won by Australia's Robbie McEwen. He edged Germany's Erik Zabel in a furious sprint. Silvio Martinelli of Italy was third. Armstrong was 86th — in the 86th Tour de France.

Armstrong's final margin in the overall standings was 7 minutes, 37 seconds, the same lead he had on Saturday — assuring him of victory, barring a disastrous fall. Alex Zulle finished second and Spain's Fernando Escartin was third.

The only other American to win the race was Greg LeMond, a three-time champion whose last victory was in 1990.

Armstrong was diagnosed with cancer in 1996. After four rounds of chemotherapy and two operations — one to remove a testicle and one for brain lesions — he began his comeback early last year. His doctors say there is a tiny chance the cancer will return.

One of the keys to Armstrong's cycling victory

was his ability to master the mountain climbs that had always given him trouble. After he easily won the first stage in the Alps, he became the prohibitive favorite.

Armstrong's triumphant day began with a laugh. On the riders' high-speed train to Arpajon, the starting point, Armstrong was given a few moments at the controls.

"Hello peleton (pack)," he called out. "I'm here driving. I'm a bit hung over from a couple of beers last night, but everything is fine. I'll get us there as fast as possible."

The train arrived early.

The stage was a fairly easy 89-mile ride from Arpajon up to Paris, and then past many of the city's grandest sights: the Louvre, the Tuileries Gardens with their giant summer ferris wheel, the arcaded Rue de Rivoli, the Place de la Concorde with its Egyptian obelisk, and then up the Champs-Elysees to the Arc de Triomphe for a loop that was repeated 10 times.

French national champion Francois Simon dyed his hair the red-white-and-blue of his jersey. And not only was Armstrong clad in the yellow shirt of the race's leader — his wheel was yellow, too.

Later, Armstrong was to lose that newly decorated wheel to a puncture, but his loyal teammates helped him back to the pack.

For the host country, the race was a disaster. For the first time since 1926, a French cyclist failed to win a stage.



Texan Lance Armstrong rides down the Champs Elysees Avenue after carrying the American flag across the finish line of the Tour de France.

## Ryan's induction leads Class of '99

COOPERSTOWN, N.Y. (AP) — George Brett was completely blown away. And it was not by one of Nolan Ryan's fastballs.

Following an unassuming speech by baseball's greatest power pitcher ever, one of the game's best clutch hitters felt the pressure on the Hall of Fame podium Sunday.

His eyes welled up with tears. His voice cracked. And he was so overwhelmed, he cut his induction speech short.

"I've broken down. I've had every emotion I could. It's time to get out of here," Brett said later, recalling the moment.

"It was pretty stressful," he said. "I felt like I was up there for an eternity." Actually, it was only 17 minutes. But to Brett, that was plenty long enough.

Brett spoke last, after Robin Yount, Orlando Cepeda and Ryan, on an afternoon when a record crowd estimated at 50,000 honored seven new members.

Late umpire Nestor Chylak, Negro leagues pitcher Smokey Joe Williams and turn-of-the-century manager Frank Selee also were inducted.

It was the largest Hall of Fame class since Sandy Koufax led a parade of eight in 1972.

Ryan spent most of his 16-minute speech thanking those who had made his career possible. Along with family members and friends, the man whose Hall plaque praised him as a "Texas legend" paid tribute to former players' union chief Marvin Miller and all fans.

"I appreciate y'all being here," he said. "I always thought there was going to be life after baseball," Ryan said. "I didn't realize the grip baseball had on me. It took me two full years to get over the fact that I was no longer a baseball player."

Ryan, 52, played a record 27 seasons and holds major league marks of seven no-hitters and 5,714 strikeouts. He finished 324-292, yet never won a Cy Young



Nolan Ryan spent most of his 16-minute acceptance speech thanking those who had helped make his baseball career possible.

Award. "A fierce competitor and one of baseball's most intimidating figures on the pitching mound," read his bronze plaque, which bears a "T" for the Texas Rangers.

Brett and Yount each topped 3,000 hits and Cepeda hit 379 home runs. All three were Ryan strikeout victims.

Thirty-four Hall inductees — 15 of them struck out by the Ryan Express — turned out for the 60th anniversary festivities.

Ted Williams, the oldest at 80, stayed more than an hour in the sweltering heat before leaving in a wheelchair.

The only boos of the afternoon came for commissioner Bud Selig. He was met with calls of "Where's Pete Rose?" and "How about Charlie Hustle?"

Rose, as has become his custom, was

on Main Street, signing autographs just blocks from the Hall. Banned from baseball, he's ineligible for Hall election.

"I've expressed my opinion to Mr. Selig. My thoughts are Pete Rose should be in the Hall of Fame," Ryan said later. "Pete Rose should be judged on his merits as a player."

This year's inductees increased the Hall membership to 244 — with space for only 240 plaques in the main gallery, extra room was found in an adjacent rotunda.

Next year, first-time candidates include Jack Morris, Goose Gossage and Kent Hrbek. Tony Perez and Carlton Fisk will again appear on the Baseball Writers' Association of America ballot.

Brett had 3,154 hits and batted .305 in a 21-year career with Kansas City. "Played each game with ceaseless inten-

sity and unbridled passion," his plaque read.

Tearful during his speech, Brett looked at his older brothers and said, "Sometimes I wonder why all this happened to me and not you. All I ever wanted to do was be as good as you."

Yount, a two-time AL MVP, had 3,142 hits in a 20-year career with the Milwaukee Brewers.

"A bastion of consistency and durability," read his plaque, which also denoted his "stoic demeanor."

Yount, 43, was afraid his emotions might get the best of him. So he called Hall officials about three weeks ago and asked to speak first.

"I never dreamed of being in the Hall of Fame," he said. "And with all due respect, Mr. Gehrig, today I consider myself the luckiest man on the face of the earth."

Cepeda, 61, was the second player from Puerto Rico to be elected.

"His ability to drive the ball with authority was respected and feared," his plaque read.

Cepeda rose to stardom with the San Francisco Giants, and entered the Hall wearing their cap. His final season was 1974, when he played two months with Brett for the Royals.

"This kid is never going to make it," Cepeda recalled himself thinking, drawing a laugh from Brett. "Sometimes, you make mistakes."

Chylak, who worked in the AL from 1954-78, was only the eighth umpire elected. Accepting on his behalf was his son, Bob — Chylak was working when Bob was born, learning of the birth on the Yankee Stadium scoreboard.

Williams played in the Negro leagues from 1910-32. In a 1952 poll by the Pittsburgh Courier, he beat out Satchel Paige as black baseball's best pitcher.

Selee managed the Boston Beaneaters and Chicago Cubs from 1890-1905. He is credited with turning catcher Frank Chance into a first baseman, creating the Tinker-to-Evers-to-Chance infield.

## Albert Belle hits three homers, finally talks to press

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

After hitting three homers, Albert Belle finally spoke to the media — and had plenty of catching up to do.

Belle, who hasn't spoken to the Baltimore media since spring training, had six RBIs and Cal Ripken hit his 399th career homer and singled in the winning run in the 11th inning as the Orioles beat Anaheim 8-7.

"I'm not going to be accessible, but when the situation calls for it, I'll talk. This is one of those times," Belle said during a 10-minute session in which he denied reports that he waived his three-year no-trade clause.

The loss extended the Angels' losing streak to 10 games. Belle was hit by a pitch in the 11th, but didn't want to take

first base — and didn't want to charge the mound, either.

Instead, he wanted to remain at the plate to take a few more swings, but was finally convinced to take the base. Ripken's two-out hit gave the Orioles their sixth straight victory.

"I told the umpire I wasn't going to first, that I'd take a 1-0 count," Belle said. "I told (Angels catcher Matt Walbeck) to tell the pitcher to throw the ball over the plate."

In other AL games, it was the Yankees 2, Cleveland 1; Texas 4, Tampa Bay 3; Toronto 11, Chicago 3; Seattle 4, Minnesota 3; Detroit 9, Boston 1; and KC 13, Oakland 11 in 10 innings.

Yankees 2, Cleveland 1  
At New York, Ricky Ledee homered in the ninth inning to

give the Yankees a three-game sweep of the Indians.

Cleveland has lost nine of 10.

Texas 4, Tampa Bay 3

Todd Zeile and Rafael Palmeiro homered as Texas' win streak reached eight.

Toronto 11, the White Sox 3

At Chicago, Chris Carpenter allowed two hits in eight innings and Shawn Green hit a three-run homer that extended his hitting streak to 23 games, leading Toronto over the White Sox.

Seattle 4, Minnesota 3

Alex Rodriguez and Ken Griffey Jr. hit back-to-back home runs for the seventh time to help end Seattle's three-game losing streak with a win at Minnesota.

Detroit 9, Boston 1

At Detroit, Tony Clark home-

red twice and had four RBIs,

and Dave Mlicki pitched a six-

hitter to lead the Tigers to their

500th time victory over the Sox.

KC 13, Oakland 11, (10)

At Kansas City, Jermaine Dye hit a two-run homer in the 10th

inning after the Royals rallied from a six-run deficit.

Cardinals 6, Rockies 4

Mark McGwire hit his 35th home run, pulling him within one of major league leader Sammy Sosa, as the Cardinals completed a three-game sweep at Colorado.

Braves 5, Phils 4, (10)

Chipper Jones homered in the top of the 10th, Atlanta's fourth solo shot of the game, as the Braves held on to the NL East lead.

Pirates 6, Expos 1

Jason Schmidt (9-7) pitched a

four-hitter for his second com-

plete game this season, and vis-

iting Pittsburgh rallied from a

1-0 deficit with five runs in the

seventh off Mike Thurman and

reliever Steve Kline (4-3).

Astros 5, Padres 2

Rookie Lance Berkman got his first two major league RBIs

and visiting Houston complete a

four-game sweep, the Astros'

second sweep of San Diego this

season.

Marlins 4, Brewers 3

At Miami, Alex Gonzalez tripled home the go-ahead run

off David Weathers (6-4) in the

seventh as Florida completed its

second series sweep of the sea-

son.

The Marlins have won five of

six against Milwaukee after los-

ing their first 12 games against

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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR TUESDAY, JULY 27:**  
You'll find this a welcome, easy year. Enjoy the rewards of living, rather than creating more news or happenings. Work and day-to-day life become even more important. Look at the quality of your life, then design it accordingly. Travel plays a big role in your choices. If you are single, you might like your life just as it is! Pick and choose partners and friends as you wish. You might be drawn to someone quite exotic. If attached, get into your relationship. Enjoy what life offers you, as a couple. CAPRICORN is diligent and always helpful.  
ARIES (March 21-April 19) \*\*\*\*Others have a lot of opinions that you would actually prefer not to hear, but listen you will! Unfortunately, what is established today will simply need to be done one more time. Don't waste your efforts! Be smart; do what you must, then socialize afterward! Tonight: Out and about.  
TAURUS (April 20-May 20) \*\*\*\*Interesting news certainly piques your interest, but how logical and precise your source is may be a different issue! Whatever you hear, consider it gossip, for the moment. Maintain a perspective. More information will be revealed, given time. Browse through a favorite bookstore at lunch. Tonight: Do something different.  
GEMINI (May 21-June 20) \*\*\*\*Your upset with a partner or associate might seem to be in the process of resolving itself. However, you'll need more solid agreement before this matter comes to its true conclusion. You may not be as sure of yourself as you think. Another gives you stunning feedback. Tonight: Play it low-key.  
CANCER (June 21-July 22) \*\*\*\*Don't let others shake you up or interfere with your present course of action. Right now, an element of instability is loose that makes others change their minds later. It might be difficult to grasp all the information given to you. Enjoy your friends; take life nice and easy. Tonight: Be a social butterfly.  
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) \*\*\*\*Get as much work done as possible; soon, you won't want to do anything but play. An even pace helps you accomplish your "to do" list. Make things simple; don't tackle anything too difficult. At the moment, a lot might need to be done over. Lean on what you do well - socialize. Tonight: Easy does it.  
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) \*\*\*\*Allow your fun side to come out. Handling serious matters ultimately won't work. You might need to redo a project if you attempt anything heavy. Allow your creativity to flourish. Join friends and loved ones. The good times roll, as long as you don't have a set agenda. Stay in the moment. Tonight: Make it an early night.  
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) \*\*\*\*Family and a loved one need your time. Loosen up and allow more laughter into your life. Not everyone sees events the same way you do. Try to convince another into thinking like you become a futile act, especially now. Tonight: Let wildness happen.  
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) \*\*\*\*Make calls; leave messages. Do whatever you want, as long as it doesn't have too serious a purpose. Do more for fun. Allow more friskiness and joy into your life. Conversations lead you in another direction. Tonight: Errands, then home.  
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) \*\*\*\*Expenses go out of whack. This isn't the first or the last time. Resolutions and decisions just won't stick, right now. Don't worry - simply handle the problem in question. Others have a lot to share; listen to their "war stories." Phones ring off the hook later in the day. Tonight: Chat up a storm.  
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) \*\*\*\*Mellow is the way to go. Don't let issues, people or anxiety worry you. Take a break and lighten up. Consider possibilities. Sincerity and directness demonstrate that you are coming from an honest place. Others respond in kind. Do what you need to make this day light and easy. Tonight: Kick up your heels.  
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) \*\*\*\*Take a break, if you can, take a personal day. Indulge yourself in some dreaming and thinking. Caring abounds among friends, especially if you share your vulnerabilities. Discussions are animated and direct. Think about a decision, but don't make it right now. Go with the flow; worry less. Tonight: Nap, then decide.  
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) \*\*\*\*Friends surround you. Take advantage of the moment and attention. The pace is hectic, but make time for enjoying life. Make plans, but don't take action just yet. Your ability to think through decisions isn't all there right now. Later, new facts come forward. Tonight: Join a friend for dinner.  
**Expectant mom dreads in-laws' poorly timed visit**  
DEAR ABBY: After one miscarriage and three years of infertility treatments, my husband and I are expecting twins. While I should be excited about this news, I'm not -- for two reasons.  
I have a great relationship with my mother, who has agreed to come and help when the babies are born in September. My husband's sister and family, who live out of town, are also thinking about coming to visit at that time. While I love my sister-in-law dearly, I don't know that I will feel up to entertaining her family while trying to adjust to being not only a new mom but a new mom of twins. My husband has asked that I not alienate his family, but all I can think about is how tired and stressed I will be trying to adjust to the new lifestyle.  
My second dilemma is my mother-in-law. She's a very pessimistic and paranoid woman whose family has allowed her to control every family situation. She never smiles, can't  
find the joy in living, and tries to tell others how they should live their lives. I've asked my husband why he and his sister allow her to act this way. He says they've tried talking to her, but all she does is cry.  
Abby, my mother-in-law is already providing me with unsolicited advice on how to take care of myself. I can just imagine what kind of unsolicited child-rearing advice I'll get when the children are born.  
I don't want to alienate my husband's family, but under the circumstances I find it hard not to. Any advice? - DREADING SEPTEMBER  
DEAR DREADING: Accept the fact that your mother-in-law is trying to show her love and concern for you, so smile, nod and tune her out. Once the twins arrive, assure her that they are under the care of an excellent pediatrician - and you'll mention her suggestions to the doctor to be sure they don't conflict with the medical advice you are already receiving.  
As for your sister-in-law, tell her sweetly that you would LOVE to see her - perhaps during the holidays - after you have regained your strength and you and the babies have a firmly established schedule. To do so is not "alienating her" - it's asserting your right to recover from the delivery.  
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7:30 20/20 (CC)	70s Show	Antiques Roadshow	Lia, Camera Lia, Camera	King Raymond	20/20 (CC)	Suddenly Veronica's Cl.	Baseball Milwaukee	Camilla	Dir Blue Kid	Class of '89	Hard Rain (CC)	Movie: Bonanza: A	Movie: The Edge (CC)	Faith Pleases God	Biography (CC)	Helicopter Heroes	Wrestling: WCW	For Sports High School	Basketball: Sting at	Hwood Fashion Movie:	Planet Groove		
8:30 Movie: A Kidnapping in	Aly McBeal (CC)	American Experience	Movie: The Haunting of	Raymond Becker (CC)	Movie: A Kidnapping in	Law & Order (CC)	Browsers at Atlanta	Angela	(10) Movie: Tourist Trap	Prime Time Country (CC)	Movie: The Night Caller	Godfather's Story (CC)	Light of the Southwest	Investigative Reports (CC)	Three Minutes to Impact	Monday Nitro (CC)	Basketball: Texas	Liberty Got: Far	Roman Holiday	Sparks (CC) Good News	Hi List		
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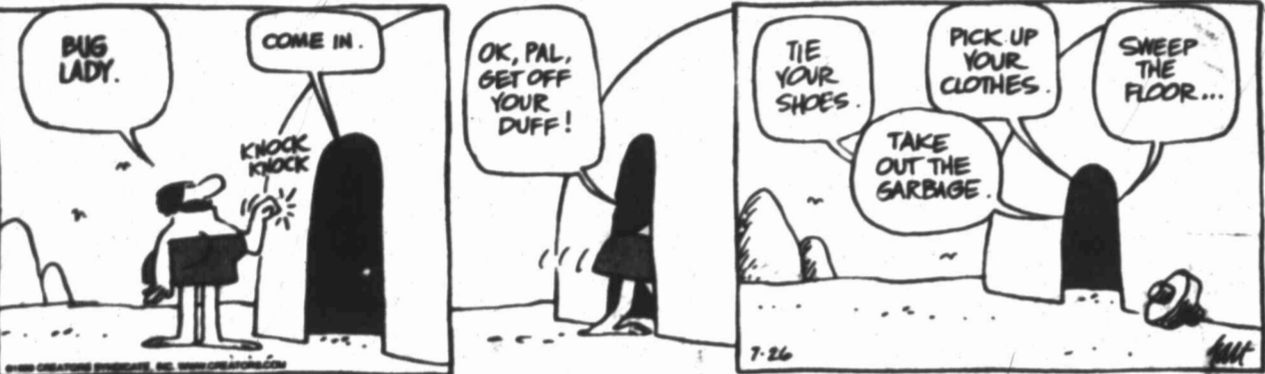
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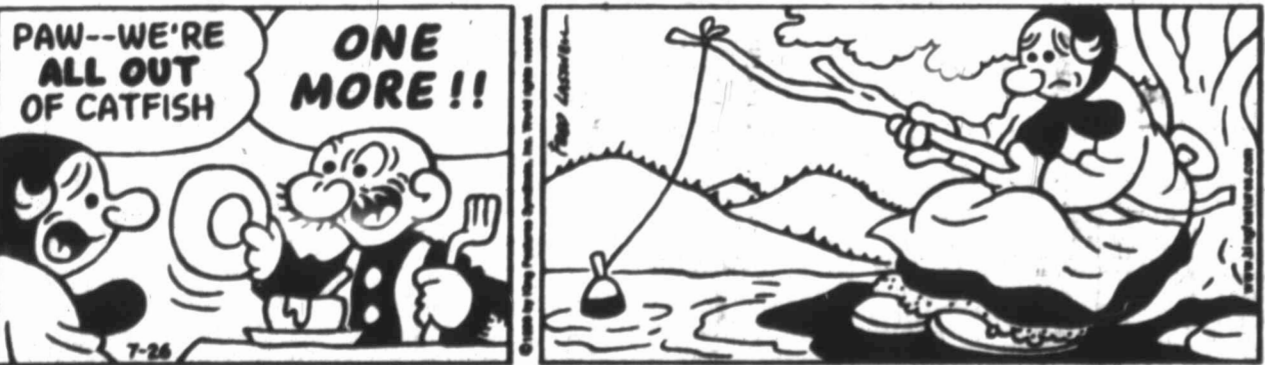
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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

The ASSOCIATED PRESS  
Today is Monday, July 26, the 207th day of 1999. There are 158

days left in the year.  
Today's Highlight in History:  
On July 26, 1947, President Truman signed the National Security Act, creating the Department of Defense, the National Security Council, the Central Intelligence Agency

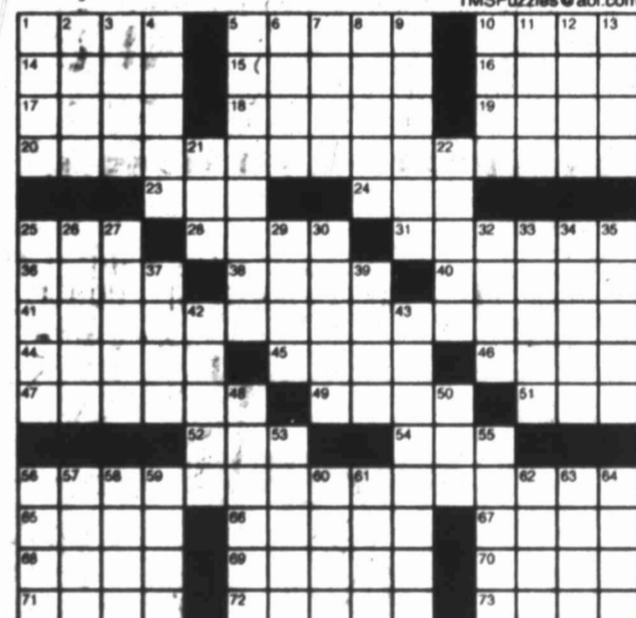
and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.  
On this date:  
In 1775, Benjamin Franklin became Postmaster General.  
In 1788, New York became the 11th state to ratify the U.S. Constitution.  
In 1908, U.S. Attorney General Charles J. Bonaparte issued an order creating an investigative agency that became a forerunner of the FBI.

THE Daily Crossword

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- ACROSS
- "Moby Dick" role
  - Trite
  - Self-images
  - Java's neighbor
  - Cooking smell
  - Ill-mannered
  - Israel's airline
  - Evaluated
  - Wide smile
  - East Coast body of water
  - End hunger
  - Morning moisture
  - Tic-toe tie
  - Bread purchase
  - Slow down
  - Reverberate
  - Earthenware pot
  - Postpone
  - South Coast body of water
  - VCR button
  - Nora's dog
  - Disney sci-fi movie
  - Valuables
  - Pronounced
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  - 54 This moment
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  - 65 Neighborhood
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  - 67 Ramble
  - 68 Have top billing
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  - 70 Spotted
  - 71 This place
  - 72 Unfeeling
  - 73 Makes a mistake

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  - Ring of light
  - Actor Bates
  - Worthless nonsense
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  - Inland sea of Asia
  - bone
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  - Set of steps
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  - Spiritual adviser
  - Norse deity
  - 13 Transmit
  - Adjective-forming suffix
  - 22 Edberg or Sorenstam, e.g.
  - 25 Colorful tropical fish
  - 26 Dull pains
  - 27 Karpov's game
  - 29 Romeo (Italian car)
  - 30 Dental-care product
  - 32 Written part
  - 33 Burning
  - 34 Military surveillance, briefly
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By Philip J. Anderson  
Portland, OR

Saturday's Puzzle Solved



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In 1928, Stanley Kubrick was born in New York City.  
In 1945, Winston Churchill resigned as Britain's prime minister after his Conservatives were trounced by the Labor Party. (Clement Attlee became prime minister.)  
In 1948, President Truman signed executive orders prohibiting discrimination in the U.S. armed forces and federal employment.  
In 1952, Argentina's first lady, Eva Peron, died in Buenos Aires at age 33.  
In 1956, Egyptian President Gamal Abdel Nasser nationalized the Suez Canal.  
In 1964, Teamsters president Jimmy Hoffa and six others were convicted of fraud and conspiracy in the handling of a union pension fund.  
In 1971, Apollo 15 was launched from Cape Kennedy.  
Ten years ago: Mark Wellman, a 29-year-old paraplegic, reached the summit of El Capitan in Yosemite National Park after hauling himself up the granite cliff six inches at a time over nine days.  
Five years ago: The House Banking Committee opened limited hearings on the Whitewater controversy. A car bomb heavily damaged the Israeli embassy in London, injuring 14; hours later, a second bomb exploded outside a building housing Jewish organizations in north London.  
One year ago: The White House said President Clinton's lawyers were working with prosecutor Kenneth Starr to avert Clinton's direct testimony to a grand jury about the Monica Lewinsky case. (The president ended testifying via closed-circuit television.) AT&T and British Telecommunications PLC announced they were forming a joint venture to combine international operations and develop a new Internet system.  
Today's Birthdays: Actor Jason Robards Jr. is 77. Movie director Blake Edwards is 77. Actor James Best ("The Dukes of Hazzard") is 73. Singer Dobie Gray is 59. Rock star Mick Jagger is 56. Movie director Peter Hyams is 56. Actress Susan George is 49. Actor Kevin Spacey is 40.