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THURSDAY
July 29, 1999



Positively ...
Big Spring

Carriage Inn to host benefit breakfast Friday

Carriage Inn will be hosting a free pancake breakfast Friday morning from 6:30 to 9:30 with donations going to the Harley Owner's Group (HOG) fundraiser.

HOB is collecting funds to purchase a thermal imaging camera for Big Spring Fire Department.

Carriage Inn, 501 W. 17th St., will be serving pancakes, ham and coffee in a buffet-style to accommodate people stopping by at different times during the morning. The breakfast is by donation only.

Some residents will be without water on Friday

A number of Big Spring residents could be without water most of the day Friday, according to the city Distribution and Collection Department.

Due to repair of a 20-inch water main, residents from an area along the south I-20 service road to 11th Place and Baylor Street to FM 700 may experience no water pressure or low water pressure. The area includes Pickens, Blackmon and S. Monticello.

Work is expected to begin at 8 a.m. and will continue until 4 p.m., or until completion, according to the city.

WHAT'S UP...

FRIDAY

☐ AMBUCS, noon, Brand-in' Iron Restaurant.

☐ 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. Members and guests welcome.

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

☐ The Potton House, 200 Gregg, a restored historic home, is open from 1 to 5 p.m.

WEATHER

Tonight:



PARTLY CLOUDY

TONIGHT 70°-75°
FRIDAY 95°-100°

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StarTek official scheduled to make site visit here next week

By BILL McCLELLAN
News Editor

Anticipation that StarTek USA may be coming to Big Spring and bringing 375 jobs with it are encouraged by the fact that the company's chief operating officer



SHARP

is planning a site visit here.

"I don't know his exact itinerary," said Kent Sharp, Moore Development for Big Spring, Inc. executive director. "And while it is not a commitment, at least we know they are coming to look us over."

Preston Sumner is expected to tour a proposed office site in College Park Shopping Center and visit with Sharp and other officials early next week.

"He wants to look at the building and visit with us, and in his

capacity as chief operating officer verify all the information he's been given verbally," Sharp said Wednesday, following a Moore board meeting which was canceled due to lack of a quorum. The meeting, which was to address the 1999-2000 budget, will be rescheduled.

StarTek, which employs 6,000 people world wide, has been seeking a location for its newest expansion. The company operates 24-hour call centers, offering technical support for busi-

nesses needing information or assistance with products and services produced by Hewlett-Packard, or through AT&T, America On-Line or Microsoft switch services.

In addition to Big Spring, StarTek officials are reported to be interested in a location in Oklahoma.

News that Sumner is making a trip to tour the former TG&Y building means that StarTek hasn't ruled Big Spring out, Sharp said.

Interest in StarTek coming to Big Spring was fueled in early June when the Colorado-based company conducted a market search to determine if there would be an applicant base.

More than 1,000 individuals attended applicant search sessions held at Howard College. Due to the number of people responding and quality of the applications, Big Spring received an endorsement from StarTek Human Resource Director Kevin Cory.

Jim Zack celebrating century of life

By ALLISON THOMAS
Staff Writer

A long-time Big Spring resident will be celebrating a monumental occasion on Friday. Jim Zack, former owner of Zack's Ladies Ready-to-Wear store, will have reached 100 years of age.

Jim Zack has, by all accounts, had an extraordinary life. He was born Usack Zack in Siberia in 1899. When New Year's Day, 2000, rolls around this January, he will have lived in three centuries.

Zack grew up in the city of Ekaterinberg, or the City of Katherine. Early 20th century Russia was under a czarist regime, and Ekaterinberg was the site of the summer palace of the czars.

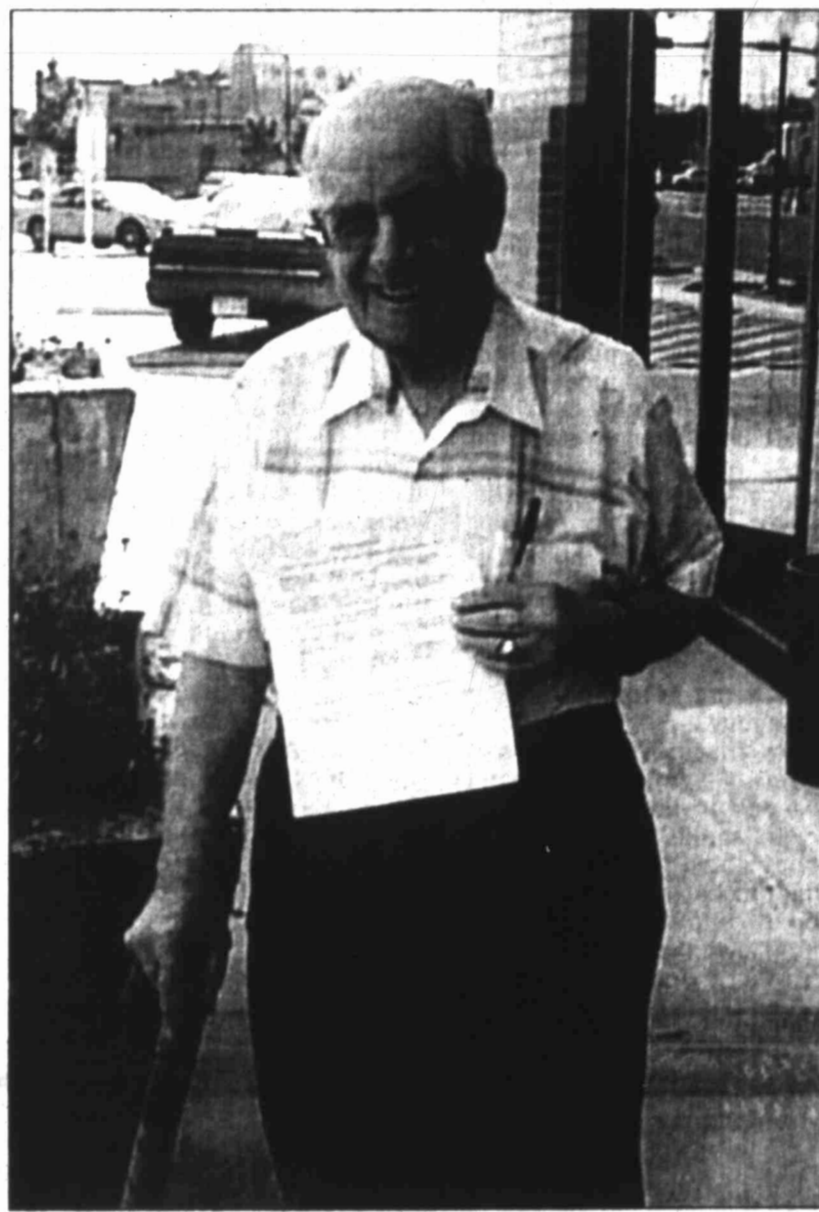
"The eldest son of the czar shared my birthday of July 30," recalls Zack. "They always held a parade, and for years I thought the parade was for me."

In Russia in the early 20th century, religious freedom for Jewish people was almost nonexistent. Russian Jews were forced to live in Shetels, or ghettos. The Shetels were located on the outskirts of Ekaterinberg, and the population lived in fear of the periodic pogroms.

Zack's family was allowed to live in the city, away from the Shetels, because his grandfather had served one of the czars. Still, like all Jews, they were subject to laws that forced them to obtain a police permit just to travel from one town to another.

When he was 13 years old, Zack's family escaped the strict atmosphere of czarist Russia, and immigrated to Canada with the help of relatives.

"At first, he wasn't supposed



HERALD photo/Allison Thomas
Jim Zack, who will be 100 years old on Friday, stands outside city council chambers Tuesday afternoon, holding the certificate of recognition he received at the meeting. July 30 has been named Jim Zack Day by the city in his honor.

to come," said Clara, Zack's wife. "At the last minute they gathered enough money for him to come along."

Zack's mother died shortly after their arrival in Canada. The younger siblings were sep-

arated and sent to live with relatives around Canada. On his own from the time he was 15, Zack survived with hard work and the help of relatives and

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Guilty

Separate alcohol, drug charges land two men in state prison system

RICK McLAUGHLIN
Staff Writer

A Big Spring man was sentenced to six years in prison in 118th District Court Wednesday for felony driving while intoxicated, third or more offense, and an El Paso man was tried, convicted and sentenced to 15 years in prison for possession of 113 pounds of marijuana.



WILKERSON

Mark Richard Hadlock, 37, was sentenced Wednesday for his fourth DWI since 1987. The jury took 15 minutes to find him guilty Tuesday.

Hadlock was involved in an automobile collision Aug. 7, 1998 on the Snyder highway, causing some \$2,000 in damage to the victim's car.

In a separate case, trial was concluded Wednesday in the case of a man charged with second degree felony possession of at least 113 pounds of marijuana, discovered during a routine traffic stop in February.

Marcos Albert Ayala, 25, was also arrested for driving with license suspended and outdated vehicle inspection and registration. The vehicle, a yellow 1981 3/4-ton Chevrolet pickup, was not registered in Ayala's name.

The traffic stop occurred on I-20 near mile marker 178 for an

expired vehicle registration by Cpl. Ralph Rollins and Officer Joel Garza. Ayala was arrested when a check showed his license was suspended. The BSPD Drug Interdiction Unit's drug detection dog, Chriss, later alerted the officers to the possible presence of marijuana in the tires.

Officers found, welded and bolted to a tire rim, four metal, C-shaped compartments containing marijuana with about eight pounds of marijuana in each compartment.

In his closing arguments, District Attorney Hardy Wilkerson summarized the key elements arousing the suspicion of Big Spring police officers Cpl. Ralph Rollins and Officer Joel Garza.

Ayala was pulled over for having an expired sticker, and then was found to have no driver's license and no insurance. He was traveling from El Paso to Ft. Worth, yet had no luggage or toiletries. The officers were suspicious of fresh paint and new tires on an old, poorly maintained pickup truck, Wilkerson told the jury.

Downtown, Wilkerson continued, the police brought in the drug dog, Chriss, and conducted the least invasive search of the truck possible. When a little air was let out of each tire, successively, the dog went into an alert.

Removing each wheel, police

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SMMC hopes catfish lunch will reel in donors for needy students

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN
Features Editor

Friday's lunch may be just what the doctor ordered to help get school supplies to needy children.

Scenic Mountain Medical Center's Yellow Rose Cafe on Friday will serve a catfish



RICH

lunch with all the trimmings for \$5 from 11:30-1:30. All proceeds will go to help the Salvation Army fund its school supplies program for low-income families.

"Our CEO (Loren Chandler) was reading about the Salvation Army's fundraiser in the newspaper, and he wanted us to do something to help," explained Amber Rich, director of business development and human resources for the hospital.

"This was something we can do fairly easily — we serve

lunch every day — but it will help a good cause."

Rich said the entire community is invited to eat lunch at the cafe Friday.

"We think we'll have plenty of room, and we hope a lot of people will come out and help us support the Salvation Army," she said. "We could just write a check and give a donation, but that doesn't give the community a chance to participate."

"We think it's just a wonderful idea," said Maj. Mary Dell Tolcher, with the Salvation

Army. "As you know, we don't have a lot of funds collected for this drive, but we do expect a lot of children are going to need our help. Everything they can do for us will certainly help."

For their \$5 donation, diners will get fried catfish, a choice of vegetables and salad bar, a dessert and fountain drink.

And while many people do joke about "hospital food," SMMC has very few complaints, and many compliments, about its cafe, Rich said.

"We'd like everybody to come

out and find out how good our food is, too," she said.

The Salvation Army is collecting school supplies and money to buy them for needy children. Donations of supplies are accepted at the office, 811 W. Fifth, and at TCA Cable TV, which is offering discounts on connection and upgrade fees for those who donate.

For more information about the drive, call the Army at 267-8239. For information about Friday's meal, call the hospital at 263-4211.

'Child Find' program seeks students with special needs

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN
Features Editor

Big Spring Independent School District has programs for children with disabilities from birth to age 21.

The problem, according to Director of Special Education Richard Light, is finding those children.

"A lot of mothers and dads don't know we have that service at all," Light said. "But we have a large array of services to offer."

Children who are delayed in development in some way, including speaking, motor skills or hearing, can access these services at no cost to the parents. Children with mental retardation are eligible for the programs as well.

But parents of children with developmental delays may not know what to do, or how to

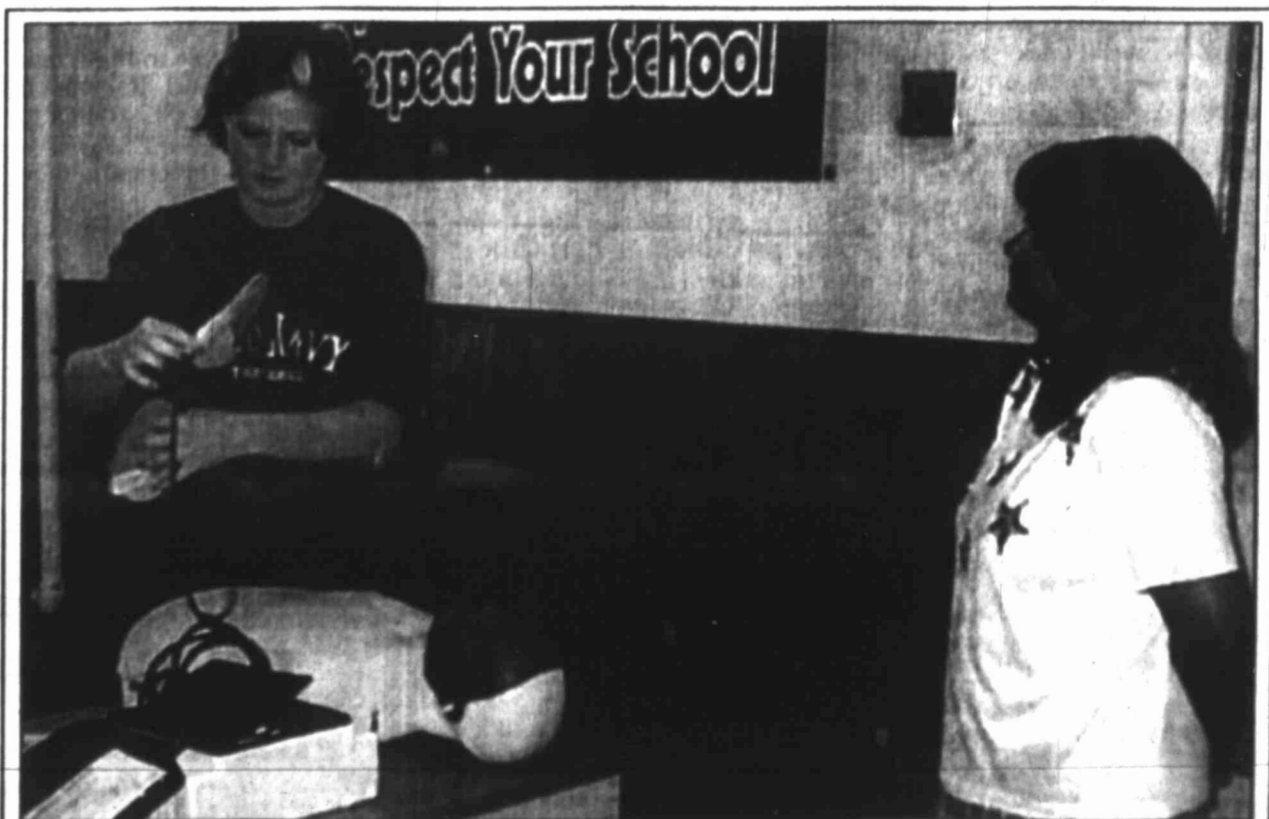
access programs that could help their child.

So each year at this time, the special education department activates the "Child Find" program in an attempt to locate those children. With flyers hung in public buildings, advertisements in the newspaper and on radio, the school district asks for help from the community.

A poster and advertisement says, "Big Spring School District needs your help to find children with disabilities. The district will provide special programs for children with disabilities that are between birth and 21 years of age. If you know of a child that needs special education services, call the Director of Special Education at 264-4106."

There are flyers in Spanish as

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HERALD photo/Debbie L. Jensen
New kindergarten teacher Tiffany Cooper practices with an automated external defibrillator Wednesday morning while nurse Glenda Low looks on. Teachers at the school were learning CPR and first aid in preparation for the new school year.

OBITUARIES

Addie Byrd

Memorial service for Addie Byrd, 79, Fort Worth, formerly of Big Spring, will be Friday, July 30, 1999, from 7 to 8 p.m. in the Parkside Church of God in Christ, Fort Worth. Funeral service will be 2 p.m. Saturday, July 31, at Mount Bethel Baptist Church, Big Spring. Burial will be in Trinity Memorial Park, Big Spring. Mrs. Byrd died Friday, July 23.

She was born on Oct. 6, 1919, in Bellville. She married Earnest Byrd, and he preceded her in death in November of 1985. Mrs. Byrd retired from the Big Spring State Hospital after 12 years. She was a member of McGee Chapel Church of God in Christ and was the State Musician for the Church of God in Christ.

Survivors include: four sons, Earnest Byrd of Dallas, Robert Byrd, Charles Byrd and Curtis Byrd, all of Corpus Christi; two daughters, Joyce Byrd Roberson of Corpus Christi, and Bobbie Byrd Spraggins of North Richland Hills; one sister, Aquilla Evans of Midland; and several grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Arrangements under the direction of Gregory W. Spencer Funeral Directors, Inc., Fort Worth.

Bobbie Lee Adams Woolever

A memorial service for Bobbie Lee Adams Woolever, 65, Big Spring, will 11 a.m. Friday, July 30, 1999, in the Kiker-Seale Chapel with the Rev. Sammy Elliott officiating. Mrs. Woolever died Wednesday, July 28, in a Lamesa hospital.

She was born on Oct. 21, 1933, in Colorado City. She married Buster Woolever in 1984, in Fort Worth. He preceded her in death. She was a retired disaster relief director for the American Red Cross in Tarrant County.

Survivors include: one daughter, Mickie Scantling of Burleson; one brother, Gene Adams of Big Spring; one sister, Billie Joan Hodson of Mt. Belvieu; and one grandson.

Memorials may be made to the American Red Cross Disaster Relief Fund.

Arrangements under the direction of Kiker-Seale Funeral Home, Colorado City.

Garen K. Milton

Service for Garen K. Milton Ph.D., 48, Fresno, Calif., will be 10 a.m. Friday, July 30, 1999, at John & Lisk Funeral Chapel in Fresno, under the direction of Lisk Funeral Home. A private burial will be at Trinity Memorial Park in Big Spring.

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24th & Johnson 267-8288

NALLEY-PICKLE & WELCH
Funeral Home
Trinity Memorial Park and Crematory
906 Gregg St.
(915) 267-6331

Virginia June Lile, 79, died Monday. Graveside services will be 4:00 PM Friday at Trinity Memorial Park.

Janie Lera McClenny, 98, died Monday. Services will be 10:00 AM Monday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Roscoe Cemetery, Roscoe, Texas. Visitation will be from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM Sunday at the funeral home.

Garen K. Milton, Ph.D., 48, died Monday. Private graveside services will be at a later date.

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under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. Mr. Milton died Monday, July 26, in Fresno.

He was born on Aug. 29, 1950, in Des Moines, Iowa. He had been employed by Fresno City College for nine years as a counselor in the Enabler Program.

Survivors include: his parents, Dick and Wanda Milton of Big Spring; a brother, Gordon R. Milton of Kansas City, Mo.; and a sister, Kay W. Green of Denver, Colo.

The family suggests memorials to: Fresno City College Scholarship Fund; 1525 E. Weldon; Fresno, Calif.; 93704.

Virginia June Lile

Virginia June Lile, 79, San Antonio, was called to her heavenly home on Monday, July 26, 1999, in San Antonio, where she had resided for the past five years. Graveside service will be 4 p.m. Friday, July 30, 1999, at Trinity Memorial Park in Big Spring with Dr. Claude Craven, retired Baptist minister, officiating.

She was born on June 8, 1920, in Oklahoma City, Okla., and married William Loyd Lile on Feb. 11, 1939, in Guymon, Okla. He preceded her in death on Aug. 27, 1991.

She taught for the Big Spring Independent School District, Knott Elementary and the Stanton Independent School District, where she retired.

Mrs. Lile was a member of College Baptist Church and was a member of the Delta Kappa Gamma. In later years, she was an active volunteer for the Big Spring Senior Citizens Program.

She is survived by her only daughter, Linda L. Lile of Dallas; two granddaughters who were the joy of her life, Jennifer Jo Spencer of Wiley and Destiny Maykin Cathey of San Antonio; two great-grandsons who filled her last days with joy and laughter, Jace Dylan Donaghe and Jarret Cade Donaghe, both of Wiley; two brothers who shared all that life had to hold, Dr. Lee Hicks of Oklahoma City, Okla., and John Hicks of Waurika, Okla.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Association, Inc.; Texas Affiliate, Western Regional Office; 10 Desta Dr.; Midland; 79705.

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

CHILD FIND

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well. Light said many referrals for special education programs come through the medical community and other professionals who have worked with children, but relatives and friends can help as well.

"We do get quite a few referrals from doctors," Light said, "but we have a lot of new doctors in town who may not be aware of the programs. Relatives will also refer us. But our mobile society makes it harder to locate people we could be serving."

If you are aware of a child who could be served by the Big Spring Independent School District's special education services, call Light, at 264-4106.

GUILTY

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found a total of 16 large bricks of marijuana, form-fitted for the 16 welded steel boxes in the four tires.

Police then had the dope weighed at the U.S. Post Office, where scales indicated a total weight of 113.75 pounds, Wilkerson summarized.

The attorney for the defense, Charles Myers, reminded the jury that Ayala had been kicked out of the house by his common-law wife, Jannie Enriquez, and that Ayala had intended to get clothes at the home of relatives in the Dallas-Ft. Worth area, just as he had told police when he was stopped.

The jury was out in less than an hour with a guilty verdict.

For the punishment phase of the trial, Wilkerson recalled Rollins, who testified that even 110 pounds of marijuana would yield 7,040 bags at 1/4 ounce each, a common street measure for sale of marijuana. The bags could sell for \$176,000 at \$25 per bag. That would equal 49,280 joints, Rollins said.

Myers, on cross examination, noted that the amount with which Ayala was charged would be well below the hundred of thousands of joints and millions of dollars in value that possession of the upper level of the charge would yield. Ayala was charged with possession of more than 50 pounds but less than 2,000 pounds of marijuana.

Wilkerson went into Ayala's long-time encounters with law enforcement, noting that he had been convicted of family violence, had been on probation, which he completed, and had criminal mischief, theft, and driving with license suspended on his record. "He's had quite a few run-ins with the law," Wilkerson noted.

Wilkerson strongly recommended against probation and made a rare sentence recommendation to the jury.

The district attorney said that Myers' "only defense" that is, bringing in Ayala's mother, Mary Ayala of El Paso, and his common law wife and one of their two children.

"His conduct has resulted in her being here, as well as you and me being here," Wilkerson told the jury.

As for his mother, wife and children, "sympathy doesn't play a roll in the decision you have to make." The district attorney noted "the long record. He had probation and what did he do to show his change of heart? He drives 113 pounds of marijuana through Howard County. That's two joints, for every man, woman and child in Big Spring."

Wilkerson emphasized the children. "Some of this stuff is going to wind up in the hands of children," he said, "because dealers don't check the i.d. of buyers."

He noted the sophisticated construction of the tire compartments. "This is a commercial operation. This is about greed," he said, noting that "to most of us, \$176,000 is serious money."

Wilkerson dismissed the claims of the defense that the amount of dope was at the low end of the charge and that Ayala was a small player, taken advantage of by someone else.

Wilkerson told the jury that the top end of the next lower charge, a felony three, is 49 pounds and carries a sentence of up to 10 years.

At that point, Wilkerson dramatically started piling the bricks of marijuana on the railing in front of the jury, each with a rhythmic thud. "I don't care if he's not Mr. Big, he is who we got. You can send a strong message — no less than 10 years."

The eight men and 4 women on the jury returned shortly with a 15 year and \$2,500 fine.

After the trial, Mary Ayala said she believed her son was set up by the owner of truck, who she could not identify. She said it was her belief he did not know the dope was in the truck and that her son had been tricked into driving the truck to Ft. Worth in exchange for free transportation for Ayala, who did not have a vehicle because his common law wife wouldn't let him have theirs.

She said that a marijuana leaf tattoo, obtained when he was only 17, caused prejudice

A BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

against him, as did his prior escapes with the law, none of which were felonies.

Wilkerson said the jury thought long and hard about the case and returned with "an appropriate sentence."

ZACK

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friends, who nicknamed him Jim. Zack worked through various jobs all over central and eastern Canada.

It was one of these jobs that brought him eventually to New York. He was working for a movie company, and a movie deal brought the company to the United States. The deal fell through, the company went bankrupt, and Zack was alone in New York with five cents in his pocket.

"I walked around New York with that nickel and lived on water," said Zack. "I spent the nickel to ride the subway, and was fortunate enough to find a job."

Zack was working as a truck driver in a linen supply company when Clara, his wife and life-long companion, literally fell into his life.

"I went to the linen supply to meet a friend who was working there, and the stairway was very dark," said Clara, who was attending college in New York at the time. "I tripped on the steps, and he caught me."

When Zack was asked what the best part of his century of life was, he smiled, and replied, "The day I caught you falling down the steps."

The couple decided to leave New York when the Great Depression hit. There were soup lines in the streets, and the Zacks wanted to get away from it. They moved to Killeen just as the Depression reached West Texas, and opened a successful military store for the base.

After a year and a half in Killeen, the couple started looking for an investment in Big Spring. In the summer of 1944, they sold the store in Killeen and moved here. Their daughter, Susan, was born soon after.

In 1946, Zack bought the ready-to-wear department of Margos, which later became Zack's Ladies Ready-to-Wear store. It was a thriving business which served as a clothing store and social center for more than 30 years, until the Zacks retired in 1977.

Zack has remained an active Big Spring citizen since then. At 100 years of age, he still drives a car, plays dominoes at the country club every weekday afternoon, and prepares breakfast for himself and his wife.

Friday has been officially named Jim Zack Day in Big Spring, in honor of his birthday and the many ways in which he has contributed to the community.

"We've left Big Spring three times in our lives," said Zack. "The last time we came back, we bought plots in the cemetery, so we're staying here for good."

Jim Zack has always admired the freedoms the citizens of America are given. He is proud of the freedom to speak, the freedom to move from town to town, and the freedom to worship as a Jewish person without fear and prejudice. These were all freedoms he was not allowed in Siberia.

Zack became a citizen of the United States 13 years after first coming here. This is one of a number of good things in his life that include the number 13. He left Siberia when he was 13 years old. There is a 13-year age difference between he and his wife, and they had been married 13 years when their daughter, Susan, was born on the

TEXAS LOTTERY

PICK 3: 8,6,4
LOTTO: 7,18,19,21,34,48

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

13th. "The number 13 has been integral in our lives," said Zack. "Some people think 13 is unlucky, but for us it has been the luckiest number."

More than 100 people are expected to celebrate Jim Zack's life this Friday at the Big Spring Country Club. At the celebration, he will be presented with a proclamation by the mayor and letters of recognition from Texas Governor George W. Bush and the President of the United States.

In the center of all this, Jim Zack and his wife say they always remember what is truly important.

"We have really had a wonderful life," said Clara Zack, as she showed pictures of their great-grandson. "We've been very blessed."

MARKETS

Dec. cotton 50.80 cents, down 8 points; Sept. crude 20.75, up 21 points; cash hogs steady at \$1 lower at 32 even; cash steers steady at \$1 lower at 65 even; Aug. lean hog futures 48, down 72 points; Aug. live cattle futures 64.72, down 45 points. courtesy: Delta Corporation.

Noon quotes provided by Edward D. Jones & Co.

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Atmos Energy	24% - 1/2
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Chevron	91% - 1/2
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Coca Cola	61% - 1/2
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Sears	41% - 1/2
Texaco	60% - 1/2
Texas Instruments	144% - 1/2
Texas Utils. Co	41% - 1/2
Total Fina SA	61% - 1/2
Unocal Corp	38% - 1/2
Wal-Mart	43% - 1/2
Ampac	18.60-19.73
Europacific	33.08-35.10
Prime Rate	8%
Gold	253.60-254.60
Silver	5.30-5.35

POLICE

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

•BOBBY MORROW, 40, was arrested for public intoxication.

•JASON BROWN, no age available, was arrested on local warrants.

•NATALIE BUCKNER, 22, was arrested for public intoxication.

•TROY OSBURN, 38, was arrested for driving while intoxicated.

•KEITH BURROWS, 42, was arrested on local warrants.

•DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported in the 2900 block of E. 120, 1100 block of W. 3rd., and 400 block of

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Westover. •THEFT was reported in the 1700 block of Marcy, 1800 block of Gregg, and 400 block of E. 4th.

•BURGLARY OF A BUILDING was reported at 911 Golf Course.

•MINOR ACCIDENT was reported at 400 E. 4th.

•FORGERY was reported at 400 E. 4th.

•ASSAULT BY THREATS was reported in the 500 block of Westover.

•DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported in the 1200 block of E. 3rd St.

SHERIFF

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

•DEBRA WALKER, 30, was arrested for aggravated assault with a deadly weapon/automobile.

•TERRY JOE CONWAY, 37, was arrested for assault/family violence.

•MARGARET JEAN NEWTON, 56, was arrested for assault/family violence.

•RONNIE COLEMAN, 36, was arrested on bond forfeiture/DWI, subsequent offense.

•SAMUEL JOE HASH, 37, was arrested for driving with suspended license.

FIRE/EMS

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

2:28 a.m. — 2000 block Virginia, medical call, patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

7:31 a.m. — 800 block E. 16th, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

9:30 a.m. — 700 block W. I-20, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

10:30 a.m. — 3700 block E. 11th, grass fire, extinguished by responding units.

10:32 a.m. — 2600 block Hunter, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

10:45 a.m. — 1100 block Lloyd, medical call, service refused.

2:54 p.m. — 900 block Goliad, trauma call, patient transported to SMMC.

5:47 p.m. — 1100 block Lloyd, medical call, service refused.

6:07 p.m. — 1600 block Martin Luther King, transfer to Lubbock Covenant.

7:38 p.m. — 1100 block Lloyd, medical call, service refused.

7:40 p.m. — 2600 block Langley, trauma call, service refused.

8:04 p.m. — 900 block Goliad, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

9:08 p.m. — 100 block Marvin Road, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

10:24 p.m. — 200 block Chaney, trauma call, patient transported to SMMC.

CORRECTION

Orientation and registration for Big Spring High School freshmen will be Thursday, Aug. 5, from 7:45-9 p.m., not in the morning as was previously reported. This orientation will take place in the high school gymnasium.

Big Spring has Italian Food
Joe's Italian Restaurant
802 Interstate 20
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Despite veto threat, Senate moves on GOP tax plan

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton warned anew today that he will veto a "large and risky tax cut" championed by congressional Republicans, and he predicted that the \$792 billion cut could carry America back "to the dark old days of huge deficits."

"So I say to Congress, if you send me a tax cut that short-changes America's priorities and our children's future I will veto it," Clinton said before leaving the White House for a trip to Europe, where he will participate with other leaders in a summit in Sarajevo on rebuilding the Balkans.

Republican leaders are steering their \$792 billion tax cut bill through the Senate, shunting aside a much smaller Democratic alternative and ignoring Clinton's earlier veto pledges.

Backers of the 10-year plan were confident, despite misgivings among several Republicans about its size, of winning passage by the end of the week and moving quickly to work out differences with a similar House-passed bill.

Americans "are rightful heirs to the wealth they're creating," Senate Finance Committee Chairman William Roth, R-Del., the bill's chief author, said in opening the debate Wednesday. "After paying for the government programs for which Congress has planned and budgeted, the change must now be returned to the taxpayer."

At issue was what to do with a budget surplus estimated to total \$1 trillion over the next decade, or nearly \$3 trillion if the revenues from Social Security are included.

Republicans insisted that their tax relief wouldn't affect efforts to restore fiscal integrity to Social Security and Medicare and would leave funds to bring down the national debt.

The White House and most Democrats said a tax cut should come only after the Social Security and Medicare issues are dealt with, and that it should be kept modest — under \$300 billion — so funds would be available to strengthen education and defense programs.

"Let me be clear again," Clinton said in his brief Rose Garden address. "I do strongly support tax cuts, but not if they are so large they undermine our strength."

"This debate is not about tax cuts, it's about how big they should be, and what else this country wants to do," Clinton

said.

Both sides proposed Social Security "lock box" amendments that precluded the spending of the Social Security surplus on anything but saving the pension program.

The GOP plan, envisioning the biggest tax cut since Ronald Reagan's in 1981, would reduce the 15 percent income tax rate to 14 percent, effective in 2001. Beginning in 2005, the new 14 percent tax rate would apply to some income that is currently taxed at 28 percent.

It also offers relief from the so-called marriage penalty, allows larger contributions to IRA retirement plans, cuts estate taxes and provides tax breaks for employer-provided health care, interest on student loans and long-term care insurance.

Satcher wants national strategy to deal with suicide

WASHINGTON (AP) — Suicide, once only whispered about, must be boldly confronted by the nation's parents and children, doctors and schools, baseball coaches and hairdressers, Surgeon General David Satcher said Wednesday as he declared suicide a serious national threat.

Suicide is the eighth leading cause of death, claiming about 30,000 lives each year. That compares with fewer than 19,000 homicides. And more than a half million Americans attempt suicide each year but survive.

"People should not be afraid or ashamed to seek help," Satcher said, putting his first stamp on mental health issues. "Suicide is a serious public health problem."

He issued 15 public recommendations for increasing awareness about suicide, stepping up research and encouraging intervention with people at risk. Early next year, Satcher plans to present a "national strategy" toward suicide prevention that will offer more specific ideas for helping particular groups.

Older Americans, particularly men, are most likely to take their own lives. Also at heightened risk are American Indians and gay and lesbian youth.

Satcher plans a full report reviewing the science and treatments for mental illness, a first for the surgeon general's office.

Tipper Gore, the vice president's wife and a longtime advocate for mental health issues, joined Satcher to release the report and said that too often, mental illness leads to suicide.

"Millions of Americans and their families face mental illness, often alone and sometimes in fear. Too often suicide is the result," said Mrs. Gore.

Parents, teachers and others who interact with people at risk of suicide often do not realize that they can help, the report concludes.

Wednesday's report grew out of a conference on suicide prevention in Reno, Nev., last October. Some 450 experts compiled 81 recommendations. Fifteen of them were picked for immediate implementation because they had the strongest science behind them, could be implemented with current resources and could be done immediately.

Other recommendations include:

- Educating the public that suicide is preventable and working to diminish stigma of mental illness, substance abuse and suicide.
- Helping primary care doctors and nurses learn how to recognize and treat depression, substance abuse and other mental problems associated with suicide, and increasing referrals to specialists when appropriate.
- Working with news and entertainment media to present balanced portrayals of suicide.

DOE will order nationwide security training

WASHINGTON (AP) — Energy Secretary Bill Richardson is temporarily suspending operations next week at Energy Department research and weapons sites for training on espionage prevention and other national security issues.

In a decision that was to be announced today, Richardson accepted the recommendation of his newly installed security chief that a so-called stand-down occur department-wide at defense-related work sites that have not yet had their counter-espionage and information security systems reviewed. The main point of the stand-down, scheduled for Aug. 3, is to provide employees with an entire day of training on information security issues.

"Every one of our workers must realize — if they don't already — that every job carries with it a security obligation," Richardson said in an Energy Department statement to be released today.

"I'm ordering this action to ensure that DOE is doing everything possible to protect America's secrets and sensitive technologies. Without exception, participation is required," Richardson said.

The stand-down will be the third conducted by the Energy Department.

The first covered the nuclear weapons labs, including the sprawling facility at Los Alamos, N.M., the suspected target of a Chinese espionage effort.

The second was a shutdown of the secure computer systems at the weapons labs after reports that a Los Alamos scientist suspected of spying for China had shifted sensitive weapons files from a secure computer system to one accessible to outsiders.

The weapons labs are not covered by the latest order.

The stand-down will cover sites that conduct classified work. Among them are the Savannah River Site near

Augusta, Ga.; the Y-12 Plant at Oak Ridge, Tenn.; the Kansas City, Kan., plant; Pantex in Amarillo, Texas; Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Lab near Idaho Falls; the Hanford site in Richland, Wash.; the Nevada test site north of Las Vegas; and the Rocky Flats site near Denver.

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Drugmakers allowed to advise doctors of unapproved uses, judge rules

NEW YORK (AP) — A federal judge has struck down a law that restricted the information drug companies could give doctors about unapproved uses of medicines.

U.S. District Judge Royce Lamberth ruled Wednesday that government arguments supporting the Food and Drug Administration Act were "preposterous."

"This is a major victory for drug companies," said Hemant Shah, an analyst with HKS & Co. in Warren, N.J.

At issue was the distribution

of research reports and medical journal articles on using drugs for illnesses other than the ones they were originally approved for by the government.

The Food and Drug Administration had sought to restrict drug companies from promoting their products by distributing the reports or holding seminars about the studies, contending that the companies might stress only the benefits of their products and not balance that with any reports or problems.

The FDA argued that its rules

do not violate free speech because they allow the companies to distribute the materials under certain conditions, such as disclosing any relationship between the company and researcher, listing other products for the illness in question and providing a list of other articles on the drug.

Lamberth ridiculed that argument, saying that "the First Amendment is premised upon the idea that people do not need the government's permission to engage in truthful, nonmisleading speech about a lawful activity."

Under his ruling, the studies the companies provide to doctors cannot be false or misleading, and drug company salesmen must disclose any association between the company and researcher.

The company also must disclose whether the treatments detailed in the studies have been approved by the FDA.

Peggy Dotzel, FDA acting associate commissioner for policy, said the agency was studying the ruling to prepare a response.

"It would appear the judge's ruling is consistent with the constitutional protection of the right to commercial speech," said Jeff Trehwitt, a spokesman for the Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America, which represents drug companies.

"The judge has outlined a workable approach," he said.

The drug industry will still have an incentive to seek FDA approval for new uses for already approved drugs because it will be necessary for any advertising claims, Trehwitt

said.

Last week, a federal judge ordered Eli Lilly & Co. to stop promoting its osteoporosis drug Evista as a breast cancer prevention drug. The company has done studies on Evista's use in preventing breast cancer, but that use has not been FDA approved.

Shawn Gunnarson of the Washington Legal Foundation, a conservative group that had challenged the law, was pleased with the ruling. "It makes it very clear that the First Amendment is alive and well."

Continental Express manager killed by plane propeller

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) — A manager helping unload a Continental Express Airlines flight was killed when he walked into a still-turning propeller at Little Rock National Airport.

Passengers were preparing to get off the plane from their flight Wednesday from Houston when J.R. Stults, 60, accidental-

ly walked into the left propeller of the two-engine turboprop ATR-42-500, witnesses said.

An investigator for the National Transportation Safety Board said Stults may have assumed the left propeller was not spinning because planes usually shut off the left propeller before arriving at Gate 7.

Wednesday, the plane's left

generator was not working, so both propellers kept turning while the plane came to a stop, NTSB investigator Nicole Lupino said.

"It just took him apart," Pulaski County Coroner Mark Malcolm said. "He suffered massive trauma."

Stults, of Lonoke, had worked for Continental since 1983.

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OUR VIEWS

During tough times we must move forward

It's said that if we are not moving forward, we are moving backward. Nowhere does that apply more aptly than to education. New technology, a changing demand in the skills needed to fill present and future jobs, the expertise needed to train students who will take those jobs — these are the constant challenges for all institutes of higher learning. For more than 50 years, Howard College has met those challenges, training the workforce for West Texas and beyond. In good times, the college has prospered, adding new departments, new facilities. In tough times, the college has held its own, cutting costs where it could, but never losing sight of its role.

Today, Howard College finds itself faced with the same goals, the same mission as always — to provide the best learning environment through the best instructors available to it. And today, Howard College is in another of those tough times — tough economic times that every business, every household in our area is also facing.

Time has caught up with Howard College. It's not a lack of technology or classrooms. But it's something just important — a lack of adequate pay to retain and recruit instructors.

For a long time, the college has operated despite paying its teachers salaries that were among the lowest in the state. In a study taken among community colleges last year, Howard College ranked 47th among 47 in pay scale for teachers with master's degrees. It ranked 45th out of 48 community colleges in pay for those with bachelor's degrees.

In terms of teacher pay, Howard College is no longer moving forward. It is falling behind. Drastically behind. With positions available at other colleges and public school teachers' salaries rising, there is little incentive for educators to stay.

To help correct this, a 4-cent tax increase has been proposed for 1999-2000. That's a 20 percent increase over the existing tax rate of 21.23 cents. In difficult economic times, that's a near monumental increase for taxpayers. If imposed, it will serve as an additional hardship for many who are already overburdened.

Trustees are not in an enviable position. We must remember they are citizens of our county, hard-working individuals... taxpayers all. Certainly the teachers are not in an enviable position. Such a raise would only bring them, on the average, up to 40th on the pay scale of community colleges. And while that's an improvement, and one they no doubt need and appreciate, it probably only goes a small way in helping to pay the bills. It is, however, a start.

Just as unenviable is the position we, the taxpayers, find ourselves in. A 4-cent hike would mean taxes on our homes would increase \$10, \$20, \$50 or more and taxes on our businesses would increase much more than that.

What we do find enviable, and we believe most will agree, is Howard College's relationship with the community. The rewards our community has reaped from its presence have far, far outweighed its cost in tax dollars over the years.

With that fact in mind, what we must do now is to ensure that this institution for higher learning retains and recruits the best possible teachers and continues to produce the best-educated students.

We must continue to move forward.

OTHER VIEWS

Mickey Mouse and Howdy Doodly must not be available.

So, in an obviously desperate search to find a candidate to oppose Sen. Mike DeWine next year, some Democratic leaders in Ohio are pondering the next best thing — Jerry Springer.

Worse yet, some Democrats are serious about this farcical idea.

Hamilton County Democratic Party Chairman Tim Burke said Springer, a

former Cincinnati councilman, would be a "viable, fascinating, interesting candidate."

Wrong, wrong and wrong. An "entertainer" who appeals only to humanity's basest instincts and urges would only hurt the Senate. If you want to see how he's already hurting the country, tune him in and then look around.

THE (CLEVELAND) PLAIN DEALER

Federalism: There's life in the old girl yet

Federalism may be dead, but it won't lie down. A dozen cases dealing with state sovereignty are now pending in the Supreme Court on petitions for review. The 10th Amendment, ignored for so many years as a "truism," is making a comeback. What in the name of the Constitution is going on? The answer, in a few words, is that five members of the court are recurring to fundamentals.

They are restoring the original architecture of the house of our fathers. And they are driving Anthony Lewis nuts, always a commendable aim. Writing in *The New York Times*, the famous columnist said:

"The Supreme Court term just ended showed us a phenomenon that this country has not seen for more than 60 years: a band of radical judicial activists determined to impose on the Constitution their notion of a proper system of government."
"That was the import of three cases decided last week by

identical 5-to-4 majorities. ... The five justices in the majority changed the structure of American government. And they did so without a word of support in the text of the Constitution."

This is rubbish. The supposed activists are Chief Justice Rehnquist and Justices O'Connor, Scalia, Kennedy and Thomas.

The radical notion they are determined to impose upon the Constitution is the same radical notion that has been embedded in the Constitution since 1787.

This is the notion, not fundamentally altered by the 14th Amendment, that ours is a nation of 50 sovereign states. Further, that the states have residuary powers that cannot be abrogated by a wave of the congressional wand.

This is the old-time religion. It is about as radical as the Pythagorean theorem. One of the three cases decided on June 23 involved Maine's immunity to suit under the Fair Labor Standards Act. Justice Kennedy expounded the gospel: "Congress has vast power but not all power. When Congress legislates in matters affecting the states, it may not treat these sovereign entities as mere prefectures or corporations. Congress must accord the states the esteem due them as joint participants in a federal

system, one beginning with the premise of sovereignty in both the central government and the separate states. Congress has ample means to ensure compliance with valid federal laws, but it must respect the sovereignty of the states."

The Constitution begins with the principle that sovereignty rests with the people, said Kennedy, "but it does not follow that the national government becomes the ultimate, preferred mechanism for expressing the people's will."

"The states exist as a refutation of that concept. In choosing to ordain and establish the Constitution, the people insisted upon a federal structure for the very purpose of rejecting the idea that the will of the people in all instances is expressed by the central power, the one most remote from their control."

This is sound doctrine. The states are not mere marionettes, meant to be jerked by congressional strings. The high court made that clear in cases from Montana and Arizona in 1997, in ruling that Congress could not compel state sheriffs to perform certain ministerial functions aimed at gun control.

The same situation arises in cases now pending from Wisconsin, Oklahoma, Alabama and South Carolina. This is the question: Under the Driver's Privacy Protection Act, may Congress regulate the

handling of state records of drivers' licenses?

College professors in New York and Illinois have brought suit against the state governments under the federal Equal Pay Act.

The states contend that (1) they are immune from suit under the 11th Amendment, and that (2) Congress has not abrogated that immunity.

The Americans with Disabilities Act figures in a pending case from Florida. The state is challenging an opinion of the 11th Circuit that the state is not immune from suit by a former employee in the Department of Corrections.

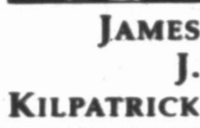
State immunity also figures in cases from New Mexico, Tennessee, Minnesota and Connecticut. Here the challenges go to the Age Discrimination in Employment Act.

Has Congress validly exercised its power to abrogate the states' immunity from suit? Another group of cases will test state powers to tax railroads.

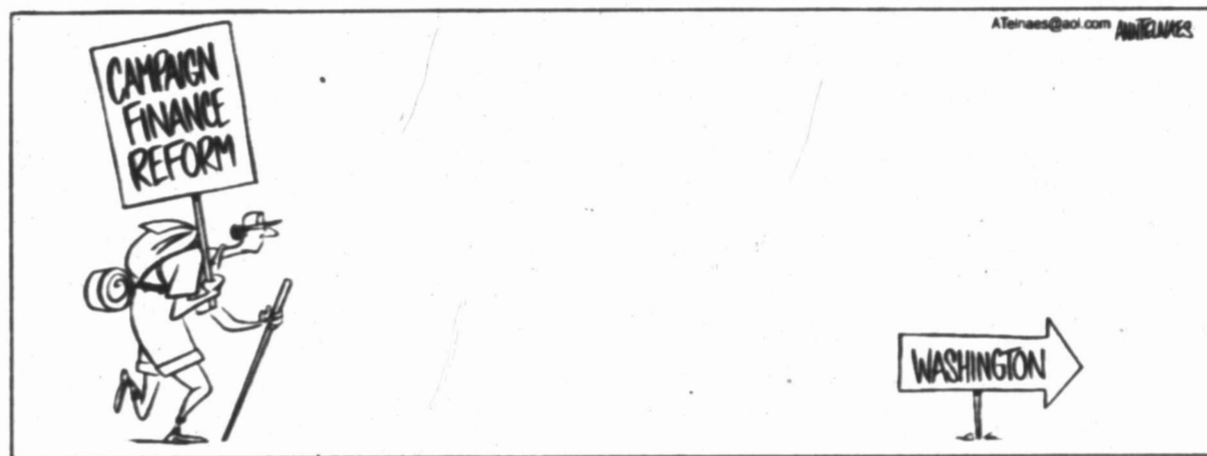
A Louisiana case involves the state's power to use race as a factor in admission to graduate educational programs.

The Supreme Court will not review all these cases, but it will have to take some of them. Hold your hats!

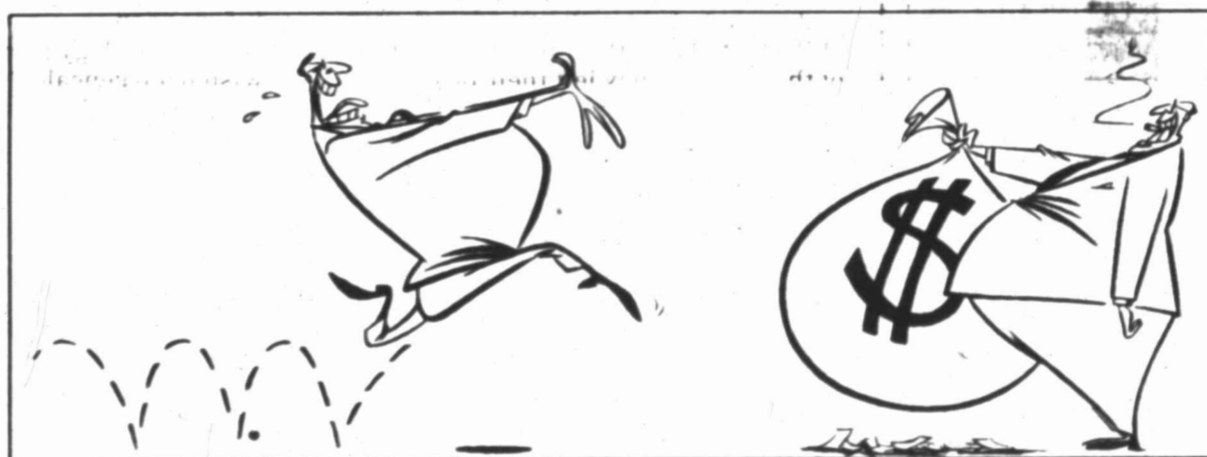
The judicial Ferris wheel is spinning on the axis of federalism, and here we go again.



JAMES J. KILPATRICK



AN 89 YEAR OLD WOMAN WALKS ACROSS THE COUNTRY



A MEMBER OF CONGRESS SKIPS ACROSS HIS OFFICE

The border: It's a battle without any bad guys

The Rio Grande isn't much of a moat, and no Great Wall of Texas has yet been built, but there is a no man's land where U.S. agents and mostly Mexican nationals daily engage in high-minded conflict — high-minded because there is nothing morally repugnant about people wanting to become Americans, nor about Americans wanting to regulate the flow of immigration. So, except for the usual criminal element, it is a battle without bad guys.

But there are bad laws. Rep. Silvestre Reyes, D-Texas, spent 26 years with the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS), many of them as a border patrol chief. So disturbed is he by the system, which keeps decent people waiting years for green cards or American citizenship while at the same time releasing Angel Maturino Resendez who was wanted for a wave of serial killings, that he is determined to overhaul it completely.

What is needed now, Reyes insists, is to split the INS into two agencies, one devoted to law enforcement, the other to providing legal residents with legitimate services. He and others have introduced legislation that would put both bureaus under the deputy attorney general, each with a professional director who has worked at least 10 years in the field. That means a decade in the border patrol for the law-enforcement side, a decade in immigration services for the other.

If the INS Reorganization and Reform Act of 1999 becomes law, maybe it will help Lucia and Jose Cruz. A captain at the Mansion restaurant in Dallas, Jose has been in the United States for 14 years. It took from 1985 to 1990 for him to get a green card. In 1996, he took the test for American citizenship and passed it. He'd be sworn in within six months, they told him. But to this day, nothing

has happened.

Jose Cruz's wife, Lucia, is a massage therapist at the Spa at the Crescent in Dallas. She came to the United States in 1986. She has permission to work, but no green card — so she doesn't dare travel to Mexico to see her family lest she not be let back in the country. Her mother and grandmother are American citizens. Shouldn't this help Lucia Cruz become a citizen, too? Not really, authorities say. It would be easier if her mother had been single and not married to a Mexican national. Logic and current law are often at odds.

Their problems are nothing, however, compared to those of Basilio Bustamante. Orphaned at 13, he was thrown into the streets, eventually becoming a serious drinker and tumbling into five charges of driving while intoxicated, some of which landed him in jail. His most recent sentence, for 10 years, was suspended with six years' probation because he found not only an excellent job keeping the garden of Jim and Marilyn Augur, but also a pair of guardian angels.

The Augurs arranged for him to join the Salvation Army's rehabilitation program. He stopped drinking and hasn't had a drop in four years. Then, a year ago, immigration officers descended on the Augurs' house and arrested Bustamante in an operation designed to deport aggravated felons. But Bustamante was no longer aggravated. He was observing the rules of his probation faithfully.

To prevent deportation, Marilyn Augur is counting on the Family Reunification Act, a bill sponsored by Rep. Martin Frost, D-Texas, that would give judges more leeway in immigration cases, allowing them to take rehabilitation into account. It also would permit the attorney general to rule that, in compelling circumstances, some long-term residents could remain in the United States with their families.

The INS has a legally and morally complex mandate that could be alleviated by rational and humane laws — or by the building of a Great Wall of Texas.

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She gave it a twirl

Champion takes time from dental hygiene study to teach beginners the baton

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN
Features Editor

Brooke Reed can't imagine life without her baton.

A 1998 graduate of Forsan High School who is studying to be a dental hygienist, Reed is also a state champion twirler and twirling teacher.

"I didn't start twirling until I was 14 years old," said Reed, 19. "Had I know I would have liked it so well, I would have started much sooner."

Reed recently returned from the National Baton Twirling Association competition in Denton, where she placed in 10

of 11 events. She currently holds the title of state hoop and flag champion.

Her future plans include twirling at Notre Dame University next year for the National Twirling Competition. Winners there advance to world competition in London.

Anyone interested in twirling should take gymnastics, Reed advises, because routines require agility.

"Twirling a baton, flag, hoop or knives takes a lot of practice," she said. "You can learn to do things like 'juggling' with three batons, which is fun and really impressive."

And dropping the baton? Reed doesn't worry about it.

"As my instructor says, 'Even Michael Jordan misses a basket every once in a while.'"

Reed counts herself fortunate for having band directors at Forsan High School who supported twirling. She's heard that others believe it "takes away" from the band.

"That's like saying cheerleading takes away from football," she said. Twirling adds to, and complements the band, just like cheerleading adds to football."

Reed started twirling as a way to participate in school activities after she didn't make

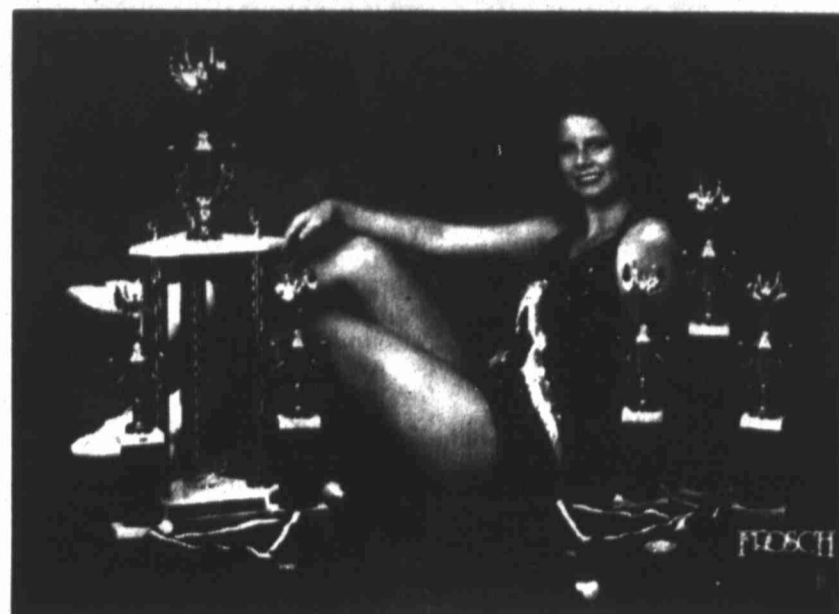
the cheerleading squad.

"I wanted to do something," she said. So she picked up a baton and discovered a hidden talent. Soon her mother met a twirling teacher in Midland, and a champion was in the making.

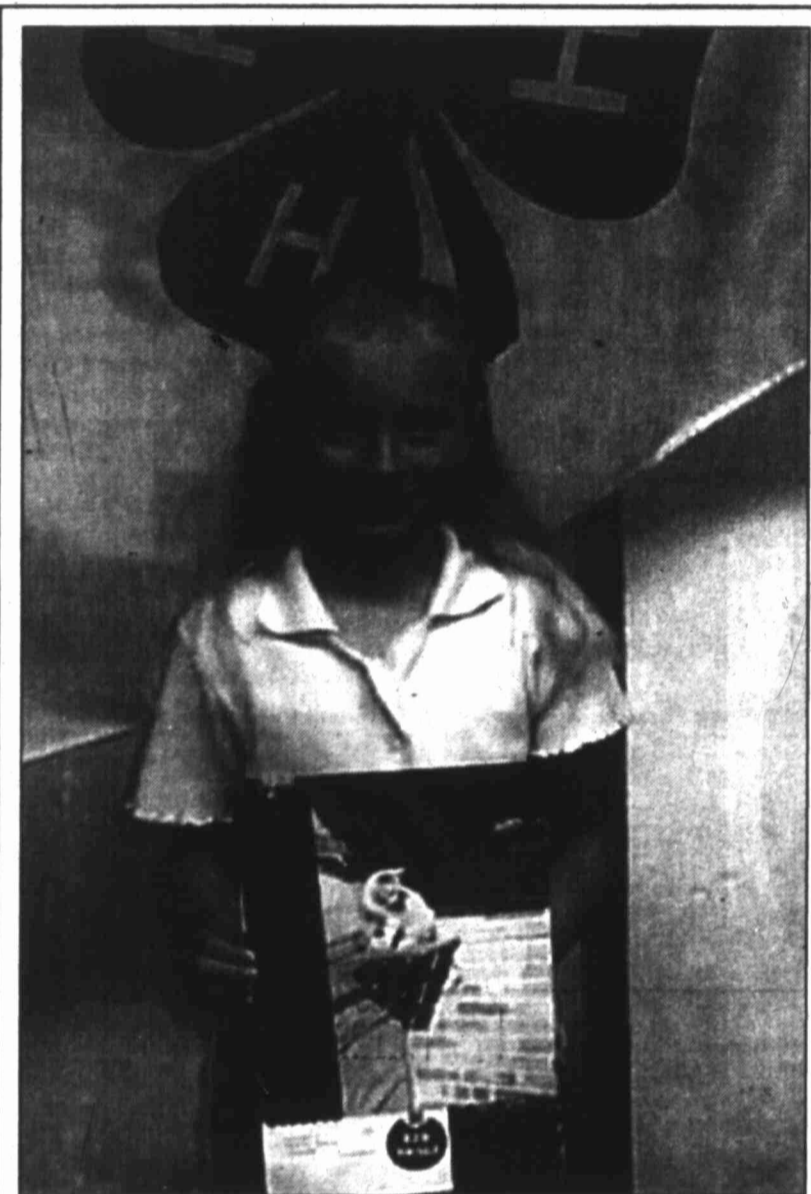
These days, Reed attends Howard College, where she will graduate as a dental hygienist in May, 2000. She also teaches twirling to young girls of all ages.

"It's so much fun, I'd recommend twirling to anyone," she said.

Call her for more information about twirling, at 267-6550.



Courtesy photo
Brooke Reed poses with some of her twirling trophies. While studying to become a dental hygienist, she still competes in and teaches twirling.



HERALD photo/Debbie L. Jensen
Ashley Slate, 10, shows off her winning entry in the state 4-H photography competition. Ashley, in her first year to enter the contest, took a Red Award, second place, for her photo.

There are many great sources for genealogists

Hello, today I will discuss using probate records in tracing your family history.

In past columns I have talked about probate records. I told of some different kinds of information that could be found in them. Knowing what is in records is one thing, knowing how to access them is another.

First of all, you must know what county and state your ancestor died in to be able to start your search for his records. Then you will have a chance of finding his probate records if indeed he left any.

As I noted before, most courthouses are understaffed and cannot undertake genealogy searches. However, if you have an estimated date of death, in most cases, the clerks will try to find the book and page or file number for you.

After finding the right location for the records they can then let you know of the cost to copy this information. The pages can be from one to many, so cost will vary.

There have been many books written listing indexes for wills, estate and probate records and land conveyances related to the estate. These records can be very informative and fill in many gaps in your research.

Remember, back then many men did not marry or at least not until they were older, and in a lot of cases they died without any children to leave their property to. In most of these cases, they left their property to their brothers and sisters and sometimes even their parents. In those cases, they can group your family together where no other record can.

You need to remember that "brother, sister, nephew, niece and friend" back then had different meanings to some. A brother could have been a brother-in-law, a sister could have been a sister-in-law, nephews and nieces were often really grandchildren,

and a friend listed in these records could actually have been a relative, as brothers often witnessed these records and were called friends in the records.

That is why it is so important to research ALL names listed in these records — many were relatives.

A good source for indexes is the Midland Public Library, which has a huge room dedicated to genealogy, and is arranged by state, then county. I have found more leads in this library than I can run down. There are still leads I cannot run down because of lack of time.

An even better source is here locally, and almost any court records you may need can be ordered from this site as well as census records to boot.

This is the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, commonly called the LDS Church, located at 1803 Wasson Road. I have spent many hours there and have ordered many microfilm rolls as well. I have had great success in finding vital information.

The genealogy room is open to all that wish to do genealogical research and the staff will help you do your own research. It is a hands-on research site where you are encouraged to do the searching yourself. They are volunteers that donate their time to help us in our searches.

Christene Horn is in charge of the library and will help in any way possible. She has been there from day one over 10 years ago.

Two more of the wonderful staff are



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Helen Spiller and Clara Hernandez who will help in any way they can as well. Clara can also assist you in the Hispanic searches. They are a fine staff and I enjoy them greatly.

The hours are Tuesday 7-9 p.m., Wednesdays 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. and Thursdays 7-9 p.m. The cost of renting micro film is \$3.25 per roll and the film stays in the library for 30 days, at which time it must be sent back.

However, if you extend the rental twice for a total of three times, the film becomes an indefinite film and will be placed in the library full-time. There are numerous film rolls in the library already and there is a chance they may have the film you need already there.

They also have two computers to search on as well as microfilm readers and microfiche readers. This is a very good source for your research where you do not have to travel a long distance to get the information you need.

Just a short correction to last week's column: I had stated that in the 1820 census had a quirk in it, which may lead to confusion.

It has a category for 16-18 year olds and one for 16-26 year olds, so this may count some people twice.

It just means of the number of people in the 16-26 category were the total number of individuals and the number in the 16-18 category were the same people, but it just states how many were in that age bracket.

Next week — researchers, what to expect from them and what they expect from you.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Bobby Rawls writes a weekly column on genealogy for the Big Spring Herald. To contact him, leave a message at the life! desk at 263.7331, ext. 236, or e-mail to: bsherald@xroadstx.com.

Telling adopted child his/her history is dilemma for parents

QUESTION: What should you tell an adopted child about his or her biological parents in "closed" adoption situations? How do you answer his tough questions about why he wasn't wanted, etc.?

DR. DOBSON: I'll give you an answer written by Dr. Milton Levine in a vintage parenting book titled "Your Child From 2 to 5," then I'll comment on his recommendation. Dr. Levine was associate professor of pediatrics, New York Hospital, at the time. He listed three possible ways to tell an adopted child about his origin:

1. Tell the child his biological parents are dead.
2. State plainly that the biological parents were unable to care for their baby themselves.
3. Tell the child nothing is known about the biological parents, but that he was secured from an agency dedicated to

finding good homes for babies.

Dr. Levine preferred the first approach: "The child who is told that his biological parents are dead is free to love the mother and father he lives with. He won't be tormented by a haunting obligation to search for his biological parents when he's grown."

He continued: "Since the possibility of losing one's parents is one of childhood's greatest fears, it is true that the youngster who is told that his biological parents are dead may feel that all parents, including his

second set, are pretty impermanent. Nevertheless, I feel that in the long run the child will find it easier to adjust to death than to abandonment. "To tell a youngster that his parents gave him up because they were unable to take care for him is to present him with a complete rejection. He cannot comprehend the circumstances which might lead to such an act. But an unwholesome view of himself as an unwanted object, not worth fighting to keep, might be established."

I disagree with Dr. Levine at this point. I am unwilling to lie to my child about anything, and would not tell him that his natural parents were dead if that were not true. Sooner or later, he will learn that he has been misled, which could undermine our relationship and bring the entire adoption

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DR. JAMES DOBSON

Adopt A Grandparent Program helps elderly make ends meet

WAKPAMNI, S.D. (AP) — Emily Has No Horse struggles to make ends meet with her \$513-a-month Social Security check and the few dollars she earns sewing clothes.

The 80-year-old widow's income doesn't provide enough for her family's needs in this small village on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, part of a county that has been labeled the nation's poorest.

That's where the Adopt A Grandparent Program comes in. Mrs. Has No Horse and other elderly Oglala Sioux have received money, clothing and other supplies from across the nation from people who have chosen to become their adopted grandchildren.

"When the program came on, it really helped a lot of us. I know it really helped me," she says. "That's the only help we do get from the outside world."

The outside world often seems a long way from the sprawling, 5,000-acre reservation in southern South Dakota. Wounded Knee is here. So are the Badlands. Diabetes, alcohol and traffic accidents are prolific killers in this windswept region where summers are hot and the winters savagely cold.

President Clinton called attention to the reservation's 75 percent unemployment rate and lack of adequate housing during his visit earlier this month, the first by a president to Indian country in 60 years.

Shannon County, which includes the Pine Ridge, was the nation's most impoverished, according to 1994 Census Bureau data. A more recent report said 57 percent of the reservation's children lived in poverty in 1995.

The Adopt A Grandparent Program was started in 1987 by

a free-lance photojournalist, Gail Russell, who had visited the reservation while on assignment for a magazine.

"I was appalled," says Russell, who lives in Taos, N.M. "I had no idea that living conditions were like that."

During one visit, she learned that three elderly people had recently frozen to death, and Russell discussed the problem with Nellie Red Owl, who has since died.

"I was nagged into it by a 73-year-old grandma," Russell says. "One time as I was leaving, she said: 'Don't you think somebody down your way would like to adopt a grandparent?'"

Today, about 350 members from around the nation and abroad provide aid and letters to some 230 elderly reservation residents as part of the program.

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SLICE of life!

SCHOOL NEWS

Members of the Coahoma High School chapter of Future Homemakers of America (FHA) announced recently that the group will change its name to better reflect the organization's goal. At the national business meeting on July 6, Future Homemakers of America members from across the country voted to change the name of the 54-year old national association to Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCCLA). The Texas association will implement the new name during the 2000-01 school year.

Coahoma High School Chapter President Heather Cruz and Region I FHA President Mandi Hanslik say what was an appropriate name in 1945, is not totally reflective of the breadth of today's activities. As the times changed, so did the organization. The organization's programs now include areas such as financial management, career planning, balancing family and career, leadership development, and community service. Also, more males students have joined the group.

Current projects being undertaken by Coahoma High School FHA chapter include Relay for Life, reading with children in elementary school as well as including additional projects as the year progresses. Coahoma High School Chapter Advisor Barbara Justiss says the organization's new name depicts its mission, purposes and programs.

"The reality is that this student-run organization has always dealt with the serious issues facing teens. In the 1950s it was civil defense emergency preparedness ... and from the 1970s to the present, we've tackled everything from substance abuse, nutrition, career skills, teen pregnancy and parenting to school violence," says Justiss. "We believe that our programs evolve so successfully that they'll be relevant to teens throughout the next millennium."

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

A NEW DISPLAY AT Hangar 25 was donated by Big Spring State Park and refurbished by inmates at the Wilderness Camp. SMGT (retired) Robert Underwood of Big Spring donated a collection of his service memorabilia, including medals, certificates, photographs and his uniform.

Hours for the museum are: Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. - noon and 1-4 p.m. Beginning in August, the museum will also be open Saturdays from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

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story under suspicion. Instead, I would be inclined to tell the child that very little is known about his biological parents. Several inoffensive and vague possibilities could be offered to him, such as: "We can only guess at the reasons the man and woman could not raise you. They may have been extremely poor and were unable to give you the care you needed; or maybe the woman was sick; or she may not have had a home. We just don't know. But there is one thing we do know. She must have loved you very, very much -- enough to give you life and to make sure you were raised in a loving home where you would be taken care of. We're so thankful that the Lord led her to let us raise you."

QUESTION: We have a 5-year-old son who has been diagnosed with attention deficit disorder (ADD). He is really difficult to handle, and I have no idea how to manage him. I know he has a neurological problem, I don't feel right about making him obey as we do our other children. It is a big problem for us. What do you suggest?

DR. DOBSON: I understand your dilemma, but I urge you to discipline your son. Every youngster needs the security of defined limits, and the boy or girl with ADD or ADHD (attention deficit/hyperactivity disorder) is no exception. Such a child should be held responsible for his behavior, although the approach may be a little different.

For example, most children can be required to sit on a chair for disciplinary reasons, whereas some very hyperactive children would not be able to remain there. Similarly, corporal punishment is sometimes ineffective with a highly excitable little bundle of electricity. As with every aspect of parenthood, disciplinary measures for the ADD child must be suited to his or her unique characteristics and needs.

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.

ODDS-N-ENDS

EAST CANTON, Ohio (AP) — Dick Alexander knows where he's going when he dies: right into the coffin he's fashioned for himself.

Concerned about burdening his family with a casket's cost, Alexander spent the last six months building his own. His poplar handiwork cost \$500, much less than the usual retail price.

"I had a lot of fun building it," said the 76-year-old retired carpenter. "I did slip into it to see if it would fit. No problem."

Alexander is in generally good health, but is philosophical about his advancing age.

"When you've had 65 to 70 years, that's it. Why worry about it?" he said. "I've made my peace. I'm a strong Lutheran. I've got no qualms about death. I'm ready when they are."

The coffin construction falls in step with such pluck. Alexander said he doesn't make long-range plans, won't buy green bananas and recently rejected a five-year extended warranty on a new TV.

"How about 90 days?" he told the clerk.

BREMERTON, Wash. (AP) — When a patient arrived for surgery at Harrison Hospital recently, he brought along a guest: his pet tarantula in a traveling case.

"I got this call from admitting, and they wouldn't go into the office with the thing," said Leon Smith, the hospital's security manager.

Smith agreed to keep an eye on the spider for a while. Then the operating room called and said the patient had to stay overnight.

"I got stuck baby-sitting," he said.

The patient — and the tarantula — ended up staying a second day. Meanwhile, Smith followed the patient's instructions, heading to the pet store to fetch the spider a meal of live beetles.

Smith's staff stayed out of his office while the tarantula stayed over, but not everyone was scared.

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gram. In exchange, sponsors get a chance to make a new friend and learn about the culture, tradition and history of the Oglala Sioux.

"I know everybody in her family," says Barbara Whitestone of Glen Ellen, Calif., who sponsors Mrs. Has No Horse and visits her adopted grandmother almost every year. "It's an amazing experience."

Last year the nonprofit program spent \$83,000 for salaries, rent and other operating expenses. An additional \$63,000 paid for propane, wood, electrical bills and groceries for elders who needed quick help.

Members also sent an estimated \$125,000 worth of clothes, food and other items directly to

their adopted grandparents, Russell says. Cash is usually sent directly to a store or utility company.

Sponsors can choose to adopt grandparents from a list.

Sue Gerome, a school counselor in Guilderland, N.Y., has enlisted the help of students and staff at the Northeast Parent and Child Society Grout Park School to support Pine Ridge elders.

The students have held bake sales, sold flowers and put on a talent show to raise money. "For the students, they are learning a lot of history and culture, that there are people in this country who need their help," Gerome says.

Gerome recently sent flannel sheets to elderly people in the

Wakpamni community to help them stay warm in the winter. One woman cried because she had never before had new sheets.

"It can be discouraging. You can feel like you could spend every dime you had within that community for many years and it wouldn't make a dent," Gerome says.

"I'm hoping over time through our school we can raise the standard of living in that community," she says.

Russell says she often makes the 12-hour drive from her home in Taos to deliver food and other supplies to the reservation. And she organizes a get-together for grandparents and sponsors during the Oglala Sioux's annual meeting.

"So much of the things that happen with this program are things that are not measurable in dollars," Russell says.

Ben and Alvina Conquering Bear would like to have someone adopt them. The retired couple raised 10 children and now have 35 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

"It's a struggle and a half for my family," Mrs. Conquering Bear says. "Sometimes I have four families here."

EDITOR'S NOTE — The Adopt A Grandparent Program can be reached by telephone at (505) 776-8474 or on the Internet at <http://www.adoptagrandparent.com>.



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IN BRIEF

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.

Local brothers compete in Disc Golf world tourney

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — After the first day of play, David Brooks of Big Spring is in third place at the World Amateur Disc Golf Championships.

Brooks, 13, shot a one-under 53 and a one-over 55 in his first two rounds.

His brother, Chris, 8, was in first place after the first round with a seven-over 61. He dropped back to third, three strokes out of first, after a second round 67.

Hunter education course offering students option

A hunter education course has been scheduled for 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 this option will study the same materials used in the course.

After completing all the course's exercises, they call Hale or the TP&W to schedule a one-day classroom and field exercise session.

For more info, call Hale at 267-6957.

Area coaches reminded to return questionnaires

Area high school football coaches are reminded to return their football questionnaires to the Herald as soon as possible.

Information provided will be used to help produce the annual Crossroads Football special section, scheduled to be published Thursday, Aug. 26.

Schools included will be Big Spring, Coahoma, Forsan, Garden City, Borden County, Grady, Sands and Stanton.

ON THE AIR

Radio

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL
2:05 p.m. — Texas Rangers at Baltimore Orioles, KBST 1490-AM.

Television

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL
2 p.m. — Texas Rangers at Baltimore Orioles, TCA Cable 97.

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3 p.m. — PGA du Maurier Classic, ESPN.
3 p.m. — PGA Greater Hartford Open, Fox Sports Southwest.

SOFTBALL

8 p.m. — Women's Fast-pitch All-Star Game, ESPN2.

SOCCER

6:30 p.m. — Tampa Bay Mutiny at Miami Fusion, ESPN.

Despite being NFL's top active rusher, Smith wants Sanders back

WICHITA FALLS (AP) — Although the retirement of Barry Sanders makes Emmitt Smith the NFL's active career rushing leader, the Dallas Cowboys star hopes his statistical rival returns to football.

"If he chooses to leave the game, that's his choice," Smith said. "The only thing I can say is that I wish he wouldn't."

"I believe he's a back who has many, many more years in front of him," he said. "This is a very unfortunate situation. Maybe it's only temporary. Maybe he might reconsider and come back. Maybe they might

trade him away. Who knows?" Sanders leaves with 15,269 career yards, the second-most all-time and 1,458 shy of breaking Walter Payton's record. Smith is No. 5 on the overall list with 12,566 yards.

"I would love to see him break the record," said Smith, who is only 694 yards from passing Tony Dorsett and Eric Dickerson to become No. 3. "I think Barry would've been the first back to break the 20,000 barrier."

Now Smith is the leading favorite to top Payton. At his career average of 89.8 yards per

game, he's about 30 games away.

"I'm not a selfish person and only a selfish person would look at it that way," Smith said. "He has a great opportunity to do it this year. It would be exciting to watch. Hopefully, someday, my chance may come."

Either Smith or Sanders led the NFL in rushing from 1990-97, with each taking four titles. Sanders had the best year between them with 2,053 yards in 1997.

But the biggest difference in their careers is the success of their teams.

Smith has won three Super Bowls in nine seasons with the Cowboys, while Sanders has only advanced as far as the NFC Championship once in 10 years with the Detroit Lions.

"The man has been everything Detroit wanted, but has Detroit been everything he needed? Probably not," Smith said. "So, frustration and a lot of disappointment is on his side."

"I can guarantee you this: Barry would switch with Emmitt any day of the week," Cowboys receiver Michael Irvin said.



Defending Big Spring Herald City Golf Champion Ronnie Broadrick hits his tee shot from the No. 2 tee during last month's Best of the Rest Tournament. Registration for this weekend's city championships will be accepted through noon Friday. Entry fees for the medal play tournament are \$35 per person.

Umpires

More than a dozen umpires say union leaders to blame for 'flawed, doomed strategy'

NEW YORK (AP) — After breaking with their union, more than a dozen major league umpires criticized their leadership for "a flawed and doomed strategy" that apparently will cost 22 colleagues their jobs.

As baseball officials said ability, racial and ethnic background and experience will be among the factors used to decide which 19 National League umpires stay and which 13 are let go, many of the umpires who kept their jobs blamed the mess on the union leadership, headed by president Jerry Crawford and Richie Phillips, the umpires' negotiator since 1978.

"The major league umpires have been seriously harmed because union leadership adopted a flawed strategy that was doomed to fail from the beginning," said the statement, agreed to by a group of umpires that included Joe Brinkman, John Hirschbeck, Dave Phillips, Dale Scott and Rocky Roe.

"The advice to quit jobs in order to keep them made no sense at all," the group said, "especially under a collective bargaining contract that not only ruled out strikes, but also ruled out other concerted work stoppage."

A person familiar with the drafting of the statement said more than a dozen umpires joined in. The statement was to be formally issued today, and also includes Wally Bell and Jeff Nelson of the National League, the person said.

"It grieves us that more than 20 umpires will apparently lose their jobs as a result of this flawed and doomed strategy," the statement said. "We have been able to save some of our colleagues by convincing them not to resign or to quickly rescind their resignations. If we had not taken a stand, all major league umpires could be facing the end of their careers."

"It is essential that we proceed with a realistic view of the world and do what is in the best interest of all umpires, our families and the public."

Crawford, contacted after his game in San Diego on Wednesday night, declined comment.

Management officials and lawyers said they said they expected to make their choices on NL umpires by the end of this week. On Monday, AL president Gene Budig told nine umpires that their resignations were

being accepted.

In addition, baseball wrote a letter threatening to seek sanctions against Phillips for filing a lawsuit Monday, a management official said on the condition he not be identified. Federal court rules say suits must be based on "existing law or by a nonfrivolous argument" for changes in the law.

Phillips and Crawford retained Cohen, Weiss and Simon "to take appropriate aggressive legal action against major league baseball." Cohen, Weiss and Simon has worked for the Airline Pilots Association and the Teamsters Union.

All of the claims the umpires made in the suit are subject to the jurisdiction of the NLRB or the binding arbitration clause in the umpires' labor contract, or are based on anticipated actions that haven't occurred, management officials said.

Forty-two umpires withdrew their resignations Tuesday as the union's strategy of a Sept. 2 mass walkout collapsed due to lack of support among AL umpires.

The group withdrawing their resignations included the nine AL umpires who were told Monday that they aren't welcome back because 12 replacements already have been hired from Triple-A.

Before Tuesday, only four NL umpires had told their bosses they were remaining, with a baseball official saying Greg Bonin will stay because his resignation was never received.

Two high-ranking officials said ability won't be the sole factor in determining who stays.

Baseball has pushed to increase minority hiring in recent years, and doesn't want to decrease the percentage of minority umpires.

In addition, if an umpire is close to retirement age, the NL might be more likely to let him go, the officials said.

Baseball also must be careful not to accept the resignations of too many of the union's leaders, because that would open the sport to a charge of illegal retaliation.

While Crawford was the highest-rated NL umpire in a survey by the players association after the 1998 season, Terry Tata was ranked 29th of 36th and Bruce Froemming was ranked 33rd. Both Tata and Froemming are key backers of Phillips.

NFL owners give LA strict deadline

ROSEMONT, Ill. (AP) — Los Angeles wants a football team and the NFL wants to accommodate the second-largest TV market in the country. But owners and commissioner Paul Tagliabue wouldn't commit Wednesday to placing a team in the city.

Developers and representatives from Los Angeles presented a proposal that would bring a team to Los Angeles, but in the end Tagliabue chose not to sign it, despite its non-binding nature. Owners and representatives from NFL teams met at a suburban Chicago hotel.

Though Tagliabue said the agreement could be used as "framework for negotiations," he cited economic questions about how to finance a new stadium in Los Angeles that would

have to be addressed.

The failure to get a commitment puts added pressure on Bill Chadwick, the man hand-picked by California's governor to negotiate with the NFL. Chadwick had predicted that Los Angeles would "have a sign-off on the document by the end of the week."

A Sept. 15 deadline was set for exclusive negotiations with Los Angeles and if that date passes, Houston will become a strong contender for the 32nd NFL team. Tagliabue emphasized that the deadline wouldn't be pushed back under any circumstances.

Plans that include issuing bonds to pay for a parking facility next to the new stadium and a ticket surcharge to raise revenue were among the economic

alternatives put forth in the proposal. But Tagliabue indicated that without adequate public funding for the stadium, the NFL couldn't vote to send the new team to Los Angeles.

Tagliabue was reacting to predictions that the total cost of the stadium would be about \$750 million, but would probably only generate around \$30 million annually during the first several years of operation.

Though the placement of the team is still murky, Al Davis, owner of the Oakland Raiders, who were once in Los Angeles, said he opposed NFL approval of any deal.

"I had a state-of-the-art stadium (in Los Angeles) ready to go and they killed the deal, the National Football League," Davis said.

O's Erickson stops Rangers' streak, trade rumors in 9-6 win

BALTIMORE (AP) — Scott Erickson ended the Texas Rangers' nine-game winning streak and, in the process, effectively terminated rumors that he might be dealt away before the July 31 trade deadline.

Erickson won his sixth straight decision and Charles Johnson drove in four runs Wednesday night as the Orioles defeated the Rangers 8-6.

Erickson (7-8) allowed four runs and six hits in six innings, striking out four and walking three. After opening the season 1-8, the right-hander has won his last four starts and is 6-0 in 10 starts since June 4.

Todd Zelle and Ruben Mateo

both homered and drove in two runs for the Rangers, who lost for only the second time in 13 games since the All-Star break.

"We didn't expect to win the rest of them," Texas manager Johnny Oates said. "The idea now is to just keep grinding them out."

Doug Johns pitched two innings and Mike Timlin got three outs for his 12th save in 20 chances.

After Texas scored three runs in the sixth to make it 4-4, the Orioles took the lead for good with two runs in their half. Cal Ripken singled and took second on a sacrifice before Brady Anderson was given a two-out

intentional walk. Bordick then foiled the strategy by lining a single to left, chasing starter John Burkett (3-5).

"You put the chips out there and they fall where they may," Oates said. "You win sometimes and lose sometimes. There's a team over there trying to counter every move."

B.J. Surhoff followed with an RBI single off Mike Munoz. Johnson's one-out double made it 8-4 in the seventh, and Mateo hit a two-run homer in the eighth.

"Six runs should be enough to win a ballgame, but I wasn't able to hold them down when I needed to," said Burkett, who

fell to 0-5 lifetime against Baltimore.

Erickson was once rumored to be on the trading block, but his recent run has solidified his position in the starting rotation.

"It's a non-factor. It's ridiculous to bring it up until it happens," he said. "It's all heresy and rumors until it happens, and there's no point in even talking about it unless something does happen."

"I'm just trying to keep the ball down, slow the mechanics down, and tonight I pitched on a good night," Erickson said. "Sometimes that's more important than pitching well. You score eight runs, you should be

able to win."

Erickson's batterymate also enjoyed a fine night. Johnson had a pair of two-run doubles, his first multiple-RBI game since June 13.

Baltimore obtained Johnson for his skill in mowing down would-be base stealers and for his ability to deftly handle pitchers. He has delivered in that regard, but has been relatively silent with his bat.

In this game, however, he showed his prowess at the plate as well as behind it. His first hit staked Baltimore to a 2-0 lead, and the second one ultimately proved to be the margin of victory.

BoSox overtake Jays in AL Wild Card race

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While two of the AL division leaders finally saw their winning streaks stopped, Butch Huskey helped his new team catch up.

In his second game for Boston, Huskey hit a grand slam and a solo home run to lead Pat Rapp and the Red Sox over the Toronto Blue Jays 8-0 Wednesday night.

"There's no way to do it any better," Huskey said. "I'm just happy I've contributed, and helped this club pull out a couple big wins."

Huskey, acquired from Seattle on Monday, went 3-for-5 Tuesday night in his Red Sox debut. On Wednesday, he broke open a scoreless game in the sixth against Joey Hamilton (3-6) with his second slam this year and added his 17th homer in the ninth.

"I'm relaxed, and these guys have made me feel welcome right away, and I think that's a big key for me going out there feeling comfortable," Huskey said. "I don't feel any pressure. I'm just another piece of the puzzle to help this team."

Boston, struggling since the All-Star break, trails the first-place Yankees by seven games and retook the AL wild-card lead, moving a half-game ahead of Toronto.

Texas' nine-game winning streak ended with an 8-6 loss at Baltimore, and New York's seven-game winning streak was stopped with an 11-3 loss at Chicago.

In other AL games, it was Cleveland 7, Detroit 2; Tampa Bay 4, Anaheim 1; Minnesota 5, Oakland 3; and Kansas City 5, Seattle 3.

Toronto's Shawn Green extended his hitting streak to 26 games, longest in the AL this year.

White Sox 11, Yankees 3
At Chicago, Magglio Ordonez and Ray Durham homered in a six-run fifth inning, and the

White Sox got a season-high 19 hits, the most against New York this year.

Carlos Castillo (1-0), called up from Triple-A Charlotte on Tuesday, picked up the win with five innings of one-run relief.

Andy Pettitte (7-8) gave up three runs on eight hits in 3 1/3 innings.

Indians 7, Tigers 2

In first start since July 2, Dwight Gooden (3-3) allowed two runs and five hits in seven innings for his first win since May 18.

At Jacobs Field Manny Ramirez went 3-for-4 with four RBIs, raising his major league-leading RBI total to 106.

Ramirez homered off Brian Moehler (8-10) and had a pair of RBI doubles as the Indians completed a three-game sweep.

Devil Rays 4, Angels 1

Wade Boggs went 3-for-4 to move within eight hits of 3,000, and visiting Anaheim lost for the 12th time in 13 games.

Ryan Rupe (5-5) allowed one run and six hits in eight innings, and Roberto Hernandez got his 28th save.

Jack McDowell (0-2), making just his second start following right elbow and shoulder surgery, allowed two runs and seven hits in 6 1/3 innings.

Twins 5, Athletics 3

Corey Koskie hit a go-ahead single in the fifth inning and Mike Trombley worked out of a jam in the ninth at the Metrodome for his 16th save.

Twins starter L. Troy Hawkins (7-8), who has won four straight decisions, allowed three runs and four hits in 5 1/3 innings.

Oakland starter Jimmy Haynes (7-9) gave up five runs — four earned — and nine hits in five-plus innings.

Royals 5, Mariners 3

Carlos Beltran hit his second two-run homer in two days and Jose Rosado (6-8) won for the first time in six starts since June 22.

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

American League				
East Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB	
New York	51	38	.571	—
Boston	55	46	.545	7
Toronto	56	48	.538	7 1/2
Baltimore	46	54	.460	15 1/2
Tampa Bay	43	59	.422	19 1/2
Central Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB	
Cleveland	61	40	.604	—
Chicago	47	52	.475	13
Minnesota	42	58	.420	18 1/2
Kansas City	42	58	.420	18 1/2
Detroit	42	60	.412	19 1/2
West Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB	
Texas	59	41	.590	—
Oakland	51	50	.505	8 1/2
Seattle	47	53	.470	12
Anaheim	43	57	.430	16
Wednesday's Games				
Minnesota 5, Oakland 3	Friday's Games			
Tampa Bay 4, Anaheim 1	New York (Rabe 7-3) at Boston (Portugal 6-7),			
Boston 8, Toronto 0	6:05 p.m.			
Cleveland 7, Detroit 2	Detroit (Weaver 6-6) at Toronto (Escobar 8-7),			
Kansas City 5, Seattle 3	6:05 p.m.			
Baltimore 8, Texas 6	Chicago (Sirota 7-9) at Cleveland (Colon 9-3),			
Chicago 11, New York 3	6:05 p.m.			
Thursday's Games	Kansas City (Witasick 4-7) at Texas (Loaiza 2-1),			
New York (Cone 10-4) at Chicago (Snyder 7-7),	7:35 p.m.			
1:05 p.m.	Minnesota (Radtke 7-9) at Anaheim (Hill 3-9),			
Seattle (Morgan 10-6) at Baltimore (Guzman 5-5),	9:05 p.m.			
1:05 p.m.	Baltimore (Johnson 2-4) at Seattle (Mechie 1-1),			
Texas (Morgan 10-6) at Baltimore (Guzman 5-5),	9:05 p.m.			
8:20 p.m.	Tampa Bay (Eiland 1-5) at Oakland (Oquist 7-7),			
9:35 p.m.				
National League				
East Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB	
Atlanta	62	42	.596	—
New York	61	42	.592	1/2
Philadelphia	55	46	.545	7 1/2
Florida	40	62	.392	21
Montreal	37	61	.378	22
Central Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB	
Houston	62	40	.608	—
Cincinnati	57	42	.576	3 1/2
St. Louis	51	51	.500	11
Pittsburgh	49	52	.485	12 1/2
Milwaukee	48	52	.480	13
Chicago	47	52	.475	13 1/2
West Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB	
Arizona	57	46	.553	—
San Francisco	55	47	.539	1 1/2
San Diego	49	52	.485	7
Los Angeles	46	46	.446	11
Colorado	44	57	.436	12
Wednesday's Games				
New York 9, Pittsburgh 2	Friday's Games			
St. Louis 6, San Francisco 3	New York (Yoshii 7-7) at Chicago (Trachsel 3-14),			
Philadelphia 9, Florida 4	2:20 p.m.			
Milwaukee 10, Atlanta 4	Florida (Springer 5-10) at Pittsburgh (Schourek 3-5),			
Houston 16, Colorado 8	6:05 p.m.			
Arizona 7, San Diego 4	San Francisco (Gardner 3-8) at Cincinnati (Parris 7-1),			
Los Angeles 9, Cincinnati 1	6:05 p.m.			
Thursday's Games	Philadelphia (Byrd 11-6) at Atlanta (Smoltz 8-3),			
Florida (Meadows 8-10) at Philadelphia (Ogna 5-9),	6:40 p.m.			
12:05 p.m.	Montreal (Powell 0-2) at Milwaukee (Peterson 0-1),			
Houston (Holt 2-9) at Colorado (Kile 5-10),	7:05 p.m.			
2:05 p.m.	Colorado (Astacio 10-9) at St. Louis (Mercher 4-4),			
7:10 p.m.	Houston (Reynolds 12-7) at San Diego (Clement 5-9),			
9:05 p.m.	Cincinnati (Hamisch 9-6) at Los Angeles (Dreifort 8-9),			
3:10 p.m.	Arizona (Johnson 10-8) at Los Angeles (K. Brown 11-6),			
9:10 p.m.				

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL:
American League
BOSTON RED SOX—Signed C Lenny Webster. Optioned RHP Kirk Bellinger to Pawtucket of the International League.
CHICAGO WHITE SOX—Signed LHP Mike Sotkora to a multi-year contract.
DETROIT TIGERS—Activated RHP Masao Kida from the 15-day disabled list. Optioned RHP Jason Wood to Toledo of the International League.
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NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE
BALTIMORE—Signed LB D Oleg Tverdokhovo to a one-year contract.
DALLAS STARS—Re-signed C Guy Garbonneau to a two-year contract.
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TEXAS BRIEFS

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DALLAS — Plans for the new American Airlines Center indicate the facility may not only be bigger and more costly than planned, but may have to accommodate another tenant.

A WNBA spokesman confirmed Wednesday that the Dallas Mavericks have approached the league about adding a counterpart team. It was also learned that the arena originally planned to house the Mavericks and the NHL's Stars — will cost about \$46 million more and be 10 percent larger than originally planned.

WNBA spokesman Mark Pray told KTVT the Mavericks have had frequent discussions with the league about bringing an expansion team to Dallas. With that in mind, they asked that the arena include locker room and practice facilities for a possible new franchise.

Those plans expanded the size of the original arena and it is now expected to be more than 900,000 square feet and will cost about \$276 million.

Pray said the addition of expansion teams are decided by an eight-member operating committee and one of those members is Mavericks president and CEO Terdemus Ussery.

DALLAS — Center Guy Carbonneau signed a two-year contract with the Stanley Cup-winning Dallas Stars, general manager Bob Gainey announced Wednesday.

Terms were not released. The 39-year-old Carbonneau played 74 games for the Stars during the 1998-99 season. He had four goals and 12 assists. Carbonneau, an 18-year veteran, had six points in 17 playoff games.

AUSTIN — Tour de France-winning cyclist Lance Armstrong signed to become an official spokesman for an upcoming Internet bike club, the company said Wednesday.

We are thrilled to have Lance as our voice," said Michael Turner, chief executive of bike.com, which plans a September launch from Austin. Bike.com is being started by Bill Hayden, who used the direct-sales model in personal computer hardware with CompuAdd in the early 1990s.

Hayden, the company's chief operating officer, said there are similarities between cycling and the early PC market. The company plans to sell complete bicycles, parts, accessories and apparel on the Internet.

Hayden said Armstrong, who has overcome testicular cancer twice in the world's most famous bicycle race this month, would be the company's provide international content for the website.

AUSTIN — An allegedly drafted document cited in a lawsuit against the University of Texas by former baseball coach Bill Gustafson was an "unimportant" factor in the coach's resignation, a top school official says.

Mr. Gustafson has attached significance to the form that he never had and still does not give to the university," said Patricia Ohlendorf, vice president of administration and legal affairs.

Ohlendorf also told the Austin American Statesman that UT Athletic Director Bill Loss Dodds was not involved with the altered document.

"I think the final thing is that Dr. Dodds is in no way involved in any fraud," Ohlendorf said.

Gustafson, the winningest coach in Division I-A baseball history, has filed a lawsuit alleging Dodds used a doctored financial form to force him out of a 25-year career.

The lawsuit says Dodds showed Gustafson a falsified copy of the coach's financial statement about outside income from his summer baseball camps. The one-page copy was blank except for his signature, and Gustafson, believing he was in error, chose to resign rather than be fired, said his attorney, Broadus A. Spivey.

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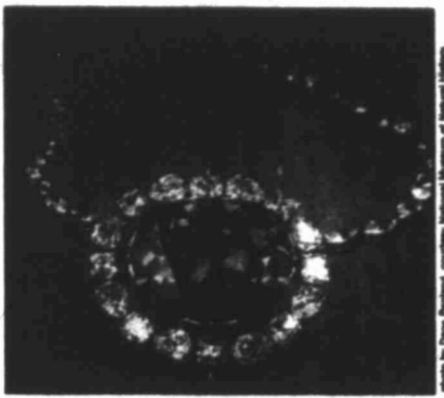
Nature's Beauties

Gems and Minerals

EVERYTHING IS SO BEAUTIFUL!
An element is a substance that cannot be divided into different materials. Minerals are non-living elements or mixtures of elements. There are about 4,000 types of minerals on Earth. Of these, only about 15 are used to make gems. Gems are minerals that have been cut and polished to make them sparkle.



The 2,500 gems and minerals in the exhibit include jewels worn by kings and queens.



The Hope Diamond is one of the biggest attractions of any museum in the world. More than 6 million people view it each year.

The Hope Diamond is the biggest (45 1/2 carats*) blue diamond known in the world. Colored diamonds, especially blue ones, are very rare.

There are stories that the Hope Diamond is cursed. But experts think a jeweler made them up so the gem would seem more interesting.

It came from India, and was sold about 330 years ago to King Louis XIV of France. During the French Revolution in 1792, it was stolen and it disappeared.

It reappeared in the early 1800s, and King George IV of England acquired it. After he died, a banker, Henry Hope, bought it. His family kept it until 1901.

In 1958, after it had several other owners, a jeweler, Harry Winston, gave it to the Smithsonian. He didn't deliver it in an armored car. He simply wrapped it in brown paper and mailed it, insuring it for \$1 million. It arrived safely.

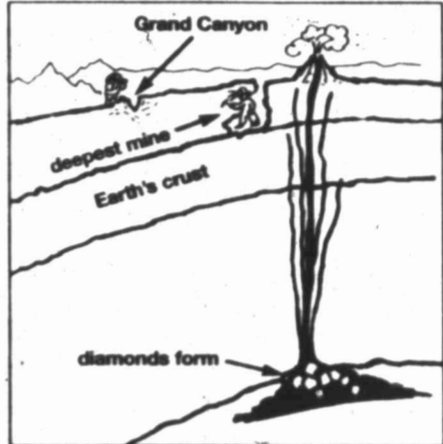
*Gems are usually weighed in carats. One carat equals about 7/1000ths of an ounce.

Diamond data

The diamond is the hardest natural substance we know. Diamonds become so hard because they form more than 93 miles underground. Temperatures of about 2,200 degrees F and pressure from thick layers of rock squeeze the carbon atoms into a tight, strong crystal.

Diamonds might grow under these pressures for 1 billion to 3 billion years. They are probably the oldest gemstone.

Only about 20 percent of diamonds are made into jewels. Because they are so hard, most diamonds are used to make tools such as dental drills and metal cutters.



The one-mile-deep Grand Canyon does not seem very deep when compared with where diamonds are formed, more than 93 miles below the Earth's surface. Diamonds stay buried beneath the surface of the Earth until a volcano erupts, shooting them toward the surface at speeds of up to 43 miles per hour.

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A: Rock 'n' roll!
Q: What do army fish ride in?
A: A fish tank!
(sent in by Kelly Stephens)

Rookie Cookies Recipe
Broccoli Casserole
You'll need:
• 2 (16-ounce) boxes frozen chopped broccoli
• 1 can cream of mushroom soup
• 1/2 cup cheddar cheese, grated
• 1/2 cup mayonnaise
• 1 cup potato chips, crushed
What to do:
1. Cook broccoli following directions on box. Drain well.
2. Place broccoli in casserole dish.
3. In a medium bowl, combine soup, cheese and mayonnaise. Mix well.
4. Pour soup mixture over broccoli. Mix well.
5. Cover and bake in a preheated 375-degree oven for 25 minutes.
6. Sprinkle potato chip crumbs evenly on top.
7. Bake uncovered for 10 minutes. Serves 6.

GEMS AND TRY 'N FIND
Words that remind us of gems and minerals are hidden in the block below. Some words are hidden backward or diagonally. See if you can find: GEMS, MINERALS, DIAMONDS, RUBIES, SPICE, BURIED, EARTH, JEWELS, QUEENS, KINGS, MINING, MARS, ROCKS, BRIGHT, HOPE, BLUE, MUSEUM, JEWELRY.
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Mini Spy ...
Mini Spy and her friends are visiting a gem and mineral exhibit. See if you can find:
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• umbrella
• letter I
• banana
• mushroom
• safety pin
• olive
• number 7
• ice cream bar
• ladder
• word MINI
• letter D
• heart
• letter A

The Makeup of Gems

Crystals
Atoms are tiny particles that make up every element, or type of matter. Crystals form when atoms stack up in an orderly pattern that repeats billions of times. Almost everything solid is arranged as a crystal. (Glass is one of the few solid materials that are not also a crystal.)

Sometimes the crystals are so tiny we can't see the crystal shape. The minerals that look like big crystals grew where there was plenty of room and time for the beautiful shapes to form. They might have grown deep in the Earth for millions of years.

Metals are crystals, but you can't tell that just by looking at them. Metals grow so fast their crystals crowd into each other. The crystal shape is not able to form.

Color
Many gem crystals are colorless in their pure state. The deep rich colors we prize in gemstones come from tiny traces of impurities trapped inside the crystals. Only a few different atoms per million are enough to color the gemstone.

Some crystals become different gemstones when different impurities mix with them. It only takes a few atoms of a different element to change the color and look of a gemstone.

For example:
The mineral corundum with a few traces of the element chromium becomes a red ruby.

Corundum with a few traces of iron and titanium becomes a blue sapphire.

Exhibit highlights
Queen Marie Antoinette's favorite jewelry was a pair of diamond earrings given to her by her husband, King Louis XVI of France.

When the royal family tried to escape the mobs during the French Revolution, the earrings were probably stolen.

Somehow they ended up in the jewelry of a grand duchess of Russia.

The Hooker Emerald was mined in Colombia, South America. Spanish conquistadores, or soldiers, took it and sent it to Europe.

Later, a sultan in the Turkish empire wore it on his belt buckle. In 1940, a jeweler set it into a tiara, or crown, surrounded by 901 diamonds. It was shown at the 1940 World's Fair.

The 10-pound American Golden Topaz at the girl's feet is one of the biggest gems in the world. It weighs about 10 pounds and was cut from a 28-pound crystal. The topaz crystal on the left weighs 70 pounds. The one on the right weighs 111 pounds.

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GARAGE SALES

Garage Sale: 2601 Apache. Fri & Sat. 8-1pm. Fishing boat, assorted household items, toys, old dishes, misc.

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Garage Sale: Fri. & Sat. 7-7 2613 Cindy. Couch(with bed), camping cot - clothes material, art supplies, electric gas pump, dishes, etc.

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

****Hunches pay off, though you might not want to let everyone know what it is you are thinking. The less said, the better off you are. Be direct with a co-worker who has more than just friendship on his mind when he looks at you. In the long run, he will appreciate your directness. Tonight: Take a break!

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

****You know exactly what to do to make others happy, including yourself! Don't hesitate to zoom in on what you want. A friendship grows and takes on an even greater role in your life. Love could knock on your door; if attached, be careful with a flirtation. You could

have an uproar before you know it. Tonight: Let intensity rule.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

****A boss smiles as you zoom in and get the job done. Your instincts serve you well, presently, as you make the right decisions. Remain on top of work, but plan on heading out at a normal time. Plan something special for your family and in your personal life. Tonight: Don't allow another to pressure you.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

****Take an overview. Don't let others trigger you with their issues, especially at work. You might believe it is time to reorganize or do something totally different. Travel plans are in the offing; you'll love discussing them. Take off as soon as you can. You need a change of pace. Tonight: In the limelight.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

****Opportunity strikes, and you want to take action quickly. You find that another wants to occupy all of your attention and time. Laughter marks your interactions. There is a sense of indulgence and caring around relationships. A child or loved one throws a tantrum, wanting your attention. Tonight: Go for togetherness.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

****You easily beam in others. Popularity skyrockets. You seem to enjoy whatever you do and wherever you are. Make travel plans at last. A call to another at a distance proves to be rewarding. Listen to a family member who means busi-

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