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BSHS veterans to be honored at homecoming

All Big Spring High School Vietnam and Korea veterans are asked to contact Craig Fischer at the high school so they can be recognized during the homecoming activities this October.

Send your name, address, class at BSHS, service time and year to: Craig Fischer, Big Spring High School, 707 11th Place, Big Spring.

You may also call him at 264-3641.

WHAT'S UP...

TODAY

□ VFW Post No. 2013, VFW Hall, 7 p.m.

□ Big Spring Chapter No. 67, Order of the Eastern Star, 7:30 p.m., Masonic Lodge, 219 Main.

WEDNESDAY

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

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

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

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

□ Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie, 7 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 704 W. Third.

THURSDAY

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

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

□ Kiwanis Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room.

□ Genealogical Society of Big Spring, 7:15 p.m., Howard County Library.

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

FRIDAY

□ AMBUCS, noon, Brandin' Iron Restaurant.

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

SATURDAY

□ Dance 8:30 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 704 W. Third. Members and guests welcome.

WEATHER

Tonight:



PARTLY CLOUDY

TONIGHT 65°-69° **WEDNESDAY** 87°-89°

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Salvation Army plans to distribute school supplies on Thursday

By **MARSHA STURDIVANT**
Staff Writer

About \$1,700 was raised to buy school supplies for the Salvation Army Back to School supply drive, and the materials bought will be distributed Thursday at 10 a.m.

"We will be able to help 200 kids, and TCA Cable will be able to help about 75 kids with the money they raised," said Danelle Castillo, social services director for the

Salvation Army.

Distribution of the supplies will be different this year than in the past, she said.

Families may apply for the supplies on Thursday and be screened at that time, when they first come in, she said.

"They need to bring with them the essentials for our programs, such as proof of income, proof of expenses, report cards for the children and social security cards," she said.

Once approved for the program, the families will be escorted to the area where the supplies are packed, and be provided with individual kits for each school aged child, she said.

Students entering grades kindergarten through eighth grade are eligible for the program, provided the income and expense requirements are met, she said.

Basic supplies will be provided to each of the 200 children, such as notebook paper, pencils, and folders, she said.

"We have some notebooks, but we are giving those to the eighth graders," she said.

Backpacks will not be furnished this year, and the Big Spring Independent School District has requested that students use only clear, see-through backpacks.

Next year only clear backpacks will be allowed, according to district officials.

"We did not receive donations of backpacks this year," Castillo said.

Most of the funds raised for the supply drive came from members of the community, she said.

Scenic Mountain Medical Center raised \$600 with a catfish luncheon, and railroad employees also donated money to the drive, she said.

"The bulk came from local donors," she said.

Volunteers are needed Wednesday about 6 p.m. to pack the supplies into individual kits, she said.

"Anyone who wants to come help prepare these for Thursday morning may come to the Salvation Army," she said.



CASTILLO



Children's Librarian Karen McIntyre greets those who gathered at the Howard County Library Monday for a puppet show. Children of all ages came to the library's children's room for the back-to-school puppet show.

Radio station an opportunity to promote Big Spring in a unique way, officials note

By **MARSHA STURDIVANT**
Staff Writer

There will be a new beat in town, as 1180 AM Radio graces the airwaves Friday with up to the minute attractions of Big Spring.

"We are really excited about being able to promote all the attractions in Big Spring, and highlighting all the events we have each year as well," said Andrea Earle, tourism director for the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce.

"This station is one more tool for us to use to promote tourism and Big Spring within the four-corner area, Lubbock, San Angelo, Abilene and Midland-Odessa," Earle said.

For six minutes, in a continuous 24-hour cycle, listeners may tune into 1180 AM on their radio dial, and listen to a non-commercial promotion of Big Spring.

This new station, made possible through a \$10,000 purchase by the Convention and Visitors Bureau of the chamber, is being provided by Information Station Specialists out of Michigan.

A prerecorded message will highlight all the on-going attractions within Big Spring, as well as promote various community activities as they occur, Earle said.

The taped message combines a two-minute segment of current events with a nearly four-minute portion that features stationary attractions, she said.

The two-minute segment spotlights such local events as Pops in the Park July 4 or the Festival of Lights in December. Earle will make the recording, which may be changed each week, she said.

"It's really very simple, all done over the telephone," she said.

Another four minutes of broadcast will spotlight the stationary attractions native to Big Spring, such as Comanche Trail Park and Lake, Scenic Mountain and the Big Spring State Park, the Vietnam Memorial and the Potton

House, she said.

"This will be very helpful. We will be able to focus on drawing tourists who might be passing by, as well as those who are traveling on holiday through Texas," she said.

Signs provided by the Texas Department of Transportation will be positioned on highways entering Big Spring that promote 1180 AM Radio, she said.

Earle said promoting the assets of Big Spring, such as the friendly people, the scenery not available in other West Texas cities, and the original attractions found only in this town, will create more awareness of Big Spring as an ideal tourist spot.

"We'll be able to solicit the conventional seminars as well as the weekend tourists. We'll be able to focus on the things we have that the larger cities don't have, to tell those traveling through town what they may find in Big Spring," Earle said.

The signal for 1180 AM Radio may be picked up on a car radio within a 10 mile radius of Big

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EARLE

Snake bit

Fish & Wildlife Service determines Concho water snake should stay on list

By **MARSHA STURDIVANT**
Staff Writer

In the wake of the U.S. Fish & Wildlife decision to keep the Concho water snake on the

endangered species list, a meeting has been scheduled

Aug. 30 in Big Spring with federal and state wildlife officials, and officials with the Colorado River Municipal Water District.

"We do not agree with their finding that the snake should remain as a listed species," said CRMWD general manager John Grant.

"I spoke with the fish and wildlife department and we have tentatively scheduled a meeting for Monday, Aug. 30, in Big Spring. They are coming out here," Grant said.

At the center of the debate is the Concho water snake, a non-poisonous snake that inhabits the Concho and Colorado rivers in Central Texas.

The snake became important when the CRMWD began building O.H. Ivie Reservoir 10 years ago. To date, the CRMWD has invested \$3.9 million in a study

of the snake, its habitats and population, Grant said.

In June 1998, Grant traveled to New Mexico and presented the research compiled from the 10-year study to the regional office of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Department.

More than 13 months later, the response by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife to the request that the snake be removed from the endangered species list was not what the CRMWD hoped for.

"However, as additional conservation measures are implemented, including protection of river flows, the service will reassess the need for listing this specie as threatened," said Nancy Kaufman, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife regional director in a prepared statement.

Grant said the federal wildlife department is requesting an additional \$500,000 and another two years to continue to study the snake.

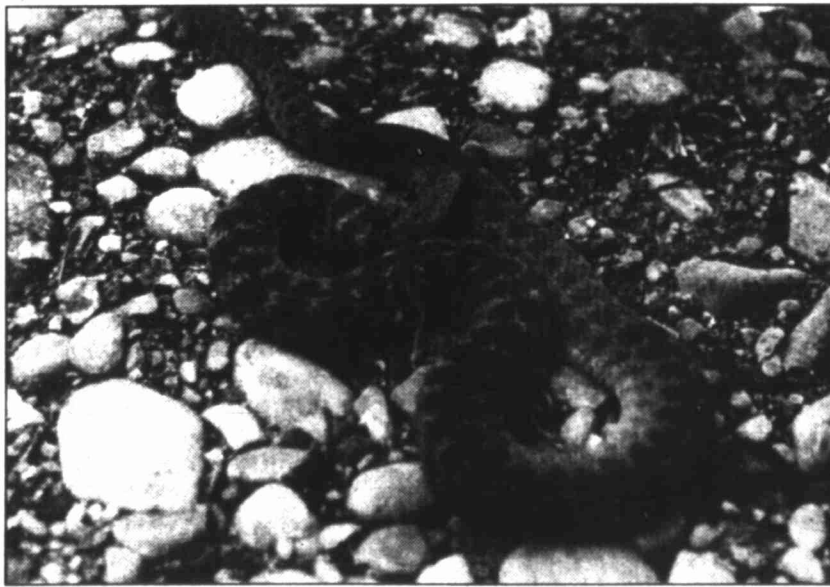
"With the 3.9 million factored in, taxpayers will be paying two times for this snake. There has to be common sense brought into this mix some time," he said.

By keeping the snake on the endangered species list as "threatened," Grant said potential problems are created for the

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GRANT



The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service said Monday that the Concho water snake will remain on the federal list of threatened and endangered species.

Conditions right for ant population explosion, experts say

By **ALLISON THOMAS**
Staff Writer

Late summer in West Texas is the time of year when a familiar pest can be seen almost everywhere. Ants are becoming a problem in many yards and homes as new species, such as the fire ant, are imported to Big Spring.

"We'll see a lot of ants anytime in the spring and summer," said Max F. Moore, with A-1 Southwestern Pest Control. "Their metabolism speeds up when the conditions are right."

With quickened metabolisms, black and red ants can reproduce more often, which is why

ants are so numerous during the warmer months.

Hot weather also causes ants to swarm, or grow wings. All reproducing male ants have wings during the summer, so they can spread over a larger area. Worker ants are females other than the queen, and they do not swarm.

Big Spring has been free from fire ants in the past, but they are now beginning to appear, some authorities have said. Fire ants are found in the southern states, and have been a common pest in Central Texas for many years.

This species of ant builds mounds in sunny areas, and is very aggressive; fire ants inflict a painful sting.

"We've been really lucky in the past, but we're starting to get some fire ants," said Moore. "I started noticing some mounds on the golf course

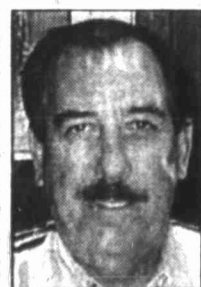
of as a particularly harmful pest. However, they can be dangerous because of their bite or sting, and they can damage homes, food, yards and gardens.

Ants are drawn to the same sort of food that humans enjoy. When they come into contact with that food, they can transmit disease organisms.

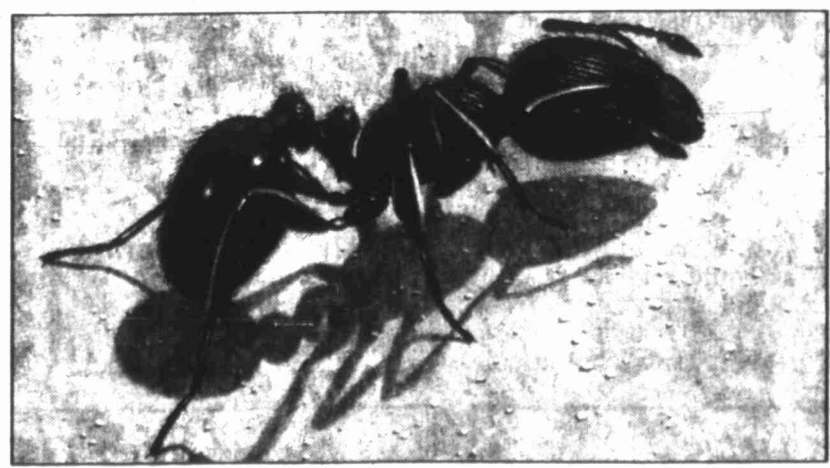
The carpenter ant, a large black or brown ant, causes extensive structural damage by hollowing out and weakening structural timbers by making galleries to nest in.

Ants enter homes mainly to search for food. They find their way in on trees or shrubs that contact the house, or by following piping or wiring.

If you find ants in your home or property, pest control specialists advise you to remove any food sitting out in the open, and to call an exterminator.



MOORE



Hot weather is causing populations of ants, including fire ants, to grow, in West Texas area.

about two years ago, and we've gotten a lot of calls in the last couple of weeks."

Fire ants probably came to this area within oilfield equipment imported to Midland and Odessa, said Moore. Also, fire

ants are a swarming species, so they might have spread here naturally.

"Ants have really superseded roaches as the number one pest," said Moore.

Ants are not usually thought

OBITUARIES

Geraldine "Bitsy" Harris

Graveside service for Geraldine "Bitsy" Harris, 80, Big Spring, will be 10 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 4, 1999, at Trinity Memorial Park with Mike Dennis, minister of Anderson Street Church of Christ, officiating.



HARRIS

Mrs. Harris died Sunday, Aug. 1, in a local nursing home. She was born on May 16, 1919, in Miami, Ariz., and married Hardy Harris on June 14, 1937, in Stanton. He preceded her in death on June 23, 1990. She moved to Big Spring as an infant and attended Big Spring Schools. She had worked for Vaughn Sweet Shop for seven years and was a homemaker. Mrs. Harris was a member of Anderson Street Church of Christ.

Survivors include: six sisters, Mildred Vaughn, Patsy Hodel, Mary Titsworth, Stella Arnold, Ozell Wright and Lenna Rose Wyman, all of Big Spring; and several nieces and nephews. The family suggests memorials to: Medina Children's Home; HCR 16, Box 75; Medina; 78055-9615.

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

Jacqueline "Jackie" Wolfe

Jacqueline "Jackie" Wolfe, 68, Big Spring, died Sunday, Aug. 1, 1999, at Mountain View Lodge following a long illness. Graveside services will be held at a later date in Wynnewood, Okla.

She was born on April 12, 1931, in Big Spring. She married Don Wolfe in 1954, in Big Spring. He preceded her in death. Mrs. Wolfe was of the Pentecostal faith. She grew up in Big Spring and returned here in February of 1999, from Oklahoma City, where she had lived since 1976.

Survivors include: two sisters, Bessie Hodnett of Big Spring, and Polly Little of Faulkner, Ala.; four brothers, David Thomas of Big Spring, Jimmy Thomas of Slaton, Jerry Thomas and Don Thomas, both of Sweetwater; and several nieces and nephews. Arrangements under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Albert Garcia

Service for Albert Garcia, 40, is pending with Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

He died Tuesday, Aug. 3, 1999, at Comanche Trail Nursing Home.

MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL

21th & Johnson 267-8288
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NALLEY-PICKLE & WELCH Funeral Home

Trinity Memorial Park and Crematory
906 Gregg St. (915) 267-6331
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STATION

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Spring. The antenna for the station sits atop Scenic Mountain, and the city of Big Spring holds the license for the station.

The format for the program will be a conversational exchange by individuals discussing coming to Big Spring. Directions for finding certain locations within town will be provided.

"For example, when we have the Haunted House in the Hotel Settles in October, we will promote that, as well as provide some history of the building," Earle said.

Noncommercial, promotional radio such as 1180 AM has been done successfully in other cities and towns throughout the country, she said.

"We are really excited to see this taking off and know that it will benefit Big Spring," she said.

SNAKE

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water district.

"We have routine maintenance which requires we go to the Corps of Engineers who in turn must go the Fish & Wildlife department. They come back with restrictions, such as when we must release water. They mandate when we must release water to keep water flowing in the steam," he said.

The impact of drought in West Texas, which has existed for the past seven years, has been lessened because of Lake Ivie, Grant said.

"The drought is not over. There are sections of the Colorado River that don't flow, because of the drought, and without the reservoir, we would not have water," Grant said.

The Texas Fish and Wildlife Department supports the request to remove the snake from the list, and has agreed to meet Aug. 30 to discuss the subject, he said.

"There are reasonable and prudent things we need to do to preserve what we have, but there has to be a balance of common sense. This impacts not only the district but the private land owner as well," Grant said.

BRIEFS

THE CITY POOL IS closed as of today due to mechanical problems. The pool had been scheduled to remain open until Sunday.

COAHOMA JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL will have "Welcome Back Night" Thursday for all returning students. Eighth graders and their families can pick up schedules from 6-6:45 p.m. Seventh graders and their families will follow from 7:15-8:15 p.m.

Coahoma Junior High will hold registration for new students to the district Tuesday and Wednesday, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. After proof of residence is provided to the superintendent's office, a form needs to be filled out at the junior high building. To make an appointment or get more information, call the junior high office at 394-4615, or the superintendent's office, 394-4290.

COAHOMA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL WILL have a "Meet the Teacher" event Monday, Aug. 9, from 1-3 p.m. Students attending the Coahoma Independent School District will begin Aug. 12.

COAHOMA HIGH SCHOOL HAS announced its registration dates for new and returning students.

Returning ninth graders should register Aug. 5 from 9-11 a.m., while returning 10th graders should register between 1-3 p.m. that same day.

On Aug. 6, returning 11th graders should register from 9-11 a.m., and 12th graders from 1-3 p.m.

All new students should call

the school, 394-4536, for a registration time.

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

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

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

Elementary students new to the district will register Aug. 5, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. at Elbow Elementary.

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

LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS HAVE released the national income guidelines for free and reduced-price meals. Parents of children who may be eligible can pick up applications at their principal's office. By law, no child can be discriminated against because of race, sex, color, national origin, age or handicap.

BIG SPRING STATE HOSPITAL will have its surplus sale Wednesday at the recycling building west of Rip Griffins. Surplus items will be for sale, including desks, tables, chairs, office equipment, VCRs.

Viewing and bidding is from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. and the sale is Wednesday at 2 p.m. Call 263-0618 for more information.

SUPPORT GROUPS

TUESDAY

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

•Al-Anon, 8 p.m., 615 Settles.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

•Innovators in glyconutrition.

Big Spring has Italian Food Joe's Italian Restaurant 802 Interstate 20 (near EconoLodge) 264-7592

A BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

als are an independent group focusing on sickness prevention and management utilizing non-toxic simple saccharides to help our body heal itself. Training sessions are the second and fourth Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. at 1909 S. Gregg. For more information call 267-3013 or 267-2424.

WEDNESDAY •Gamblers Anonymous, 7 p.m., St. Stephen's Catholic Church, room 1, 4601 Neeley, Midland. Call 263-8920.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting and 8 p.m. 12 and 12 study.

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

IF YOU HAVE A SUPPORT GROUP LISTING, PLEASE SUBMIT IT IN WRITING.

Experts say tempers flare in hot weather

CHARLESTON, W. Va. (AP) — If you can't take the heat, resist the urge to rain misery on those around you, medical researchers say.

More than making people ill, prolonged periods of high temperatures like much of America has experienced this month makes people ill-mannered. The residual effects can include domestic violence, slipping job performance and more rudeness in general.

"When people get into hot weather conditions for long periods of time they become uncomfortable, irritable and distracted and have an inability to do tasks that used to be easy," says Dr. Richard Johnson, a research psychologist at the U.S. Army Research Institute of Environmental Medicine in Natick, Mass. "Sometimes it manifests itself in terms of aggression."

In West Virginia, July is generally the hottest month of the year, National Weather Service officials say. For the past several years, domestic violence cases have been more frequent in July than in any other month, says Gayle Midkiff, who tracks crime statistics for the State Police.

Crime overall is also highest in July, she says.

"There probably is a connection, although we don't really know," Johnson says. "Hot weather can lead to short tempers, especially in a small apartment where there's a family and everybody's irritable. That increases the likelihood of arguments and physical fights."

Dr. Walter Byrd, an assistant professor of psychiatry at West Virginia University, theorizes that when people become hot, they experience slight swelling of the brain.

"What many of us believe is that even very small degrees of swelling might affect parts of the brain that have to do with emotional management," Byrd says.

Dr. Larry Gibbens, medical director at the Cooper Clinic in Dallas, provides a simpler explanation.

"If you've got a bur under your saddle you're going to be irritable, and if you're hot and sweaty you're going to be irritable. I don't think we need to bring in a theory about brain swelling on hot, humid days," he says.

Studies also show that people's attention spans shorten substantially in hot environments, Johnson says.

Those whose work involves "boring" tasks, such as monitoring dials in a factory, can remain attentive for about an

TEXAS LOTTERY

PICK 3: 6,4,6
CASH 5:5,16,25,32,39

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

hour and a half under normal conditions, he says. In hot weather conditions, performance drops significantly after 30 minutes.

MARKETS

Dec. cotton 52.10 cents, down 25 points; Sept. crude 20.15, down 30 points; cash hogs steady at \$2 higher at 35 even; cash steers steady at 65 even; Aug. lean hog futures 50.05, up 10 points; Aug. live cattle futures 64.22, down 47 points.

courtesy: Delta Corporation.
Noon quotes provided by Edward D. Jones & Co.

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RECORDS

Monday's high 84
Monday's low 70
Average high 96
Average low 70
Record high 110 in 1943
Record low 56 in 1925
Precip. Monday 0.40
Month to date 0.40
Month's normal 0.04
Year to date 7.05
Normal for the year 10.20
Sunrise Wednesday 6:03 a.m.
Sunset Wednesday 8:41 p.m.

FIRE/EMS

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

MONDAY
2:50 a.m. — 11th and Lancaster, grass fire, extinguished by responding units.
8:05 a.m. — Third and Lancaster, traffic accident, service refused.
9:35 a.m. — FM-700 and I-20, trauma call, patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
1:51 p.m. — 4000 block E. I-20, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.
1:52 p.m. — 2100 block Alabama, public service.
2:13 p.m. — 6200 block Kyle Road, grass fire, extinguished by responding units.
2:14 p.m. — 14th and Nolan, traffic accident, two patients

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transported to SMMC. 7:06 p.m. — 1900 block Morrison, medical call, service refused.

8:14 p.m. — SMMC, transfer patient to Odessa Medical Center.

8:32 p.m. — 3000 block Collins Road, medical call, service refused.

10:25 p.m. — 2900 block Hallie Road, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

SHERIFF

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

•CYNTHIA MENDEZ, 29 was arrested for possession of a controlled substance. (DPS)

•ELVA MARGARITA PONCE, 44, was arrested for making alcohol available to a minor and permitting an unlicensed person to drive.

•DOMINGO LUJAN GALAVIZ, 38, was arrested for parole violation, failure to identify a fugitive from justice.

•ANGEL IRAM TAFOYA, 38, deadly conduct/discharge of a firearm. (BSPD)

•CALVIN DEAN PARNELL, 30, judgment sentence/criminal trespass of a habitation.

•JODY LYNN STOLP, 37, was arrested for assault/family violence.

•MARVIN LEE WILLIAMS, 23, driving with license suspended.

POLICE

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

•CAROL SNEED, 22, was arrested on local warrants.

•CAROL CONE, 43, was arrested on Reeves County warrants.

•KRISTINA HEMBREE, 25, was arrested on local warrants.

•ROSALYN GOSSETT, 30, driving while intoxicated.

•BILLY STARR, 21, was arrested on local warrants.

•FIDENCIO GONZALES, 60, was arrested for public intoxication.

•ROBERT CARSON, 31, was arrested for public intoxication.

•THEFT was reported at 18th and Gregg, 1800 block of Gregg, 1700 block of E. Marcy, the 200 block of W. Marcy, the 600 block of State, the 300 block of Owens and the 600 block of McEwen.

•DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE/FIGHT was reported in the 1500 block of E. Cherokee and at 14th and Benton.

•DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported in the 1400 block of Stadium and in the 3600 block of Hamilton.

•MINOR ACCIDENT was reported in the 300 block of W. 3rd, the 700 block of W. I-20 and the 200 block of Marcy.

•MAJOR ACCIDENT was reported 14th and Nolan.

•CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 1600 block of E. 6th and the 1500 block of E. Cherokee.

•ASSAULT was reported in the 400 block of E. 4th.

•BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE was reported in the 800 block of W. 8th.

ALLAN'S FURNITURE 12 Months No Interest 202 Scurry PH. 267-6278 Big Spring, Texas

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WASHINGTON Normally feuding long-distance telecommunications companies disclosed Monday that they are solidating resources, bills and reducing rates.

Consumer groups plan on groundswell in long-distance rates will not offset rates for most customers. Under the plan, in over five years, rates will be reduced by a year that they charge long-distance rates to connect to savings, constant lower rates, said

Repu

WASHINGTON farmers facing a harvest, Republican \$6.7 billion package assistance push it through week before Congress long August recess.

The GOP plan to eclipse the \$6 billion bailout Congress year but is \$4 what Senate Democrats Sen. Thad Cochran said the GOP "provide a wide fit to producers for ... assistance economic disaster. Agriculture Glickman was

Hous

WASHINGTON Wrapping up a billion foreign House is leaving and several including development to India, with the Senate.

Members debated night Monday, the government Private Investment postponing a final

Major

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Companies announce plan for changing phone fees

WASHINGTON (AP) — Normally feuding local and long-distance telephone companies disclosed a joint proposal Monday that is aimed at consolidating residential phone bills and reducing long-distance rates.

Consumer groups oppose the plan on grounds that reductions in long-distance charges will not offset monthly increases for most customers.

Under the plan, to be phased in over five years, local companies would reduce by \$5.6 billion a year the "access" fees they charge long-distance carriers to connect calls. If long-distance companies pass on the savings, consumers will see lower rates, supporters con-

clude. In turn, certain flat-rate fees on local phone bills would go up.

Long-distance companies AT&T and Sprint joined with major local phone companies Bell Atlantic, BellSouth, GTE and SBC to create the proposal, which they submitted to the Federal Communications Commission last week.

Regulators have cut access charges by several billion dollars over the past few years to reflect better local phone companies' connection costs.

But the unusual industry coalition could heighten chances that the commission will give the plan extended consideration and let the public, advocacy groups and industry

weigh in, before making a final decision. Supporters would like the FCC to implement the plan by the end of the year.

"This plan is a blueprint for a regulatory cease-fire during the most important five years in the history of telecommunications," said John Nakahata, a lawyer with the Washington firm Harris, Wiltshire & Grannis, who arranged discussions among the companies over the past five months.

Before going into private practice, Nakahata was FCC Chairman Bill Kennard's chief of staff and served in a number of positions at the FCC.

An FCC spokeswoman said Kennard is encouraged that the industry is working together

but wants to hear from consumer advocates as well.

According to the companies, consumers pay about \$1.50 a month to cover long-distance companies' use of the local phone network. The proposal folds that fee into another charge: the cost of the phone line from the local phone company into the home — now \$3.50 a month. Known as the Subscriber Line Charge, the combined single fee would start at \$5.50 a month and increase over five years to as much as \$7.00.

The companies said their proposal would keep local phone service affordable to poor people and customers living in rural and other high-cost areas

by adding \$650 million to a universal service fund. It was unclear how carriers would pass on that extra money to customers.

Consumer groups balked at the proposed changes. They say that long-distance companies traditionally do not pass on savings to the average user.

Gene Kimmelman, co-director of the Washington office of Consumers Union, estimated that the plan would add more than \$2 a month to consumer phone bills, amounting to more than \$2 billion in fees a year. "This is an enormous assault on the consumer pocketbook with no assurances of compensating gains," Kimmelman said.

Carrollton girl located after alert is relayed

DALLAS (AP) — An emergency alert system devised in the wake of an Arlington girl's death has helped suburban police find a 4-year-old girl after she'd been missing less than a day.

The Amber Plan, a kidnapping alert broadcast by area television and radio stations, helped searchers find Daisy Romero unharmed near downtown Dallas, Carrollton police said. Josefa Paredes, a friend of Romero's mother, has been arrested on the kidnapping charges.

Ms. Paredes, 39, remained at Lew Sterrett Justice Center today, police said.

"We credit the Amber Alert 100 percent for this," Sgt. Jack Adams told the Dallas Morning News on Monday. "It turned up the heat" on the search.

The broadcast alerts, which went into effect in October 1996, are an agreement between authorities and area stations to put out information on missing children and descriptions of their possible abductors over the airwaves.

The alerts are named for 9-year-old Amber Hagerman of Arlington, who was abducted and murdered in January 1996.

Monday's Amber alert was issued about 1-1/2 hours before Ms. Paredes and the girl were spotted.

Adams told the newspaper an anonymous tipster heard the alert and called police, saying they had just seen a car matching the description of the one Ms. Paredes took Sunday from the Romero girl's family.

Police soon found the missing child and the suspect walking in a parking lot next to Lew Sterrett. They also recovered the car.

Adams said it was not clear why Ms. Paredes might have kidnapped her friend's daughter.

The newspaper reported that Daisy's mother believes Ms. Paredes might have been coming to the jail to hand over the girl to police.

Officers were interviewing the girl to learn more about what had happened, Adams said.

The girl told police that Ms. Paredes turned off the car radio after hearing the alert broadcast on Monday night.

The girl "said, 'Turn the music back on. I heard my name,'" said Daisy's mother, Nora Cavallero.

Republicans, Democrats are \$4 billion apart on farm aid

WASHINGTON (AP) — With farmers facing another gloomy harvest, Republicans proposed a \$6.7 billion package of emergency assistance and hoped to push it through the Senate this week before Congress starts its long August recess.

The GOP proposal would eclipse the \$6 billion farm bailout Congress passed last year but is \$4 billion short of what Senate Democrats want.

Sen. Thad Cochran, R-Miss., said the GOP package would "provide a wide range of benefits to producers who are eligible for ... assistance because of economic disasters."

Agriculture Secretary Dan Glickman was to be asked for

his advice on the issue at a hearing before the Senate Agriculture Committee today.

The committee's chairman, Sen. Dick Lugar, R-Ind., suggested Monday that \$2 billion to \$3 billion in aid would be sufficient. Crop subsidies already give farmers a "pretty strong safety net," he said.

But farm groups say that far more than that will be needed to prevent thousands of producers from going out of business.

Democrats proposed \$10.8 billion in aid Monday, while Republicans countered with a \$6.7 billion plan. The money would be added to an annual spending bill for the Agriculture Department.

"Silently and quietly, American farmers and ranchers are losing their businesses. They are at the end of their rope," said Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa.

The first vote was expected after separate meetings of Democratic and GOP senators.

A worldwide glut of grain has kept commodity prices low for the second year in a row, and USDA projects that net farm income will dip to \$43.8 billion this year, about 4 percent off the average for the decade.

The Democratic plan includes nearly \$6 billion in extra crop subsidies, \$2.3 billion in disaster aid, and \$1.4 billion in emergency trade provisions.

Most of the GOP package

would go toward doubling the annual "market transition" payments that farmers receive from the government under the 1996 farm bill.

That the Republicans even offered a proposal of their own this week was a recognition of how potent a political issue the farm economy has become.

Republican leaders had argued that it was too early to know how much help farmers will need this fall and they had pressed the Clinton administration without success to offer its own proposal. The emergency label on the extra aid lets Congress ignore required spending limits and pay for items with the anticipated fed-

eral budget surplus.

But several farm-state GOP senators have argued that it was important for the Senate to take some action before lawmakers start their long summer recess next week.

Senate leaders put off until Wednesday a debate over the way the government regulates dairy prices. A proposal by New England lawmakers would bar USDA from going forward with an overhaul of the pricing system and also allow their states to continue fixing milk prices for another year.

Senators from the upper Midwest have threatened to filibuster the spending bill over the issue.

House finishes debate on \$12.6 billion foreign aid bill

WASHINGTON (AP) — Wrapping up debate on a \$12.6 billion foreign aid bill, the House is leaving final aid levels and several tough issues, including development assistance to India, to negotiations with the Senate.

Members debated late into the night Monday, rejecting cuts in the government's Overseas Private Investment Corp. but postponing a final vote on the

bill which would cut President Clinton's aid request by \$1.9 billion and this year's funding by \$715 million.

Administration officials warn that the cuts, as well as language restricting funding to any group that lobbies for liberalized abortion laws, could lead to a presidential veto.

The Senate has approved a similar aid level, but many House Democrats supported the

bill with a warning that they could withdraw support on final passage if budget negotiators don't find more money. A House-Senate conference committee will be appointed to work out final language.

The bill provides \$7.4 billion for economic aid, \$3.6 billion for military assistance, \$1.1 billion for international agencies and \$595.5 million for export assistance.

Payment of dues to the United Nations, money for U.S. diplomacy and other foreign affairs funding is included in separate legislation not yet approved.

Among hotly contested provisions, the bill includes the first funding cut for a military school in Fort Benning, Ga. The school has been criticized for human rights abuses committed in Latin American by some of its graduates.

The House spent an hour Monday night debating an amendment that would have withheld 25 percent of the \$44.7 million requested for development assistance to India. The amendment was eventually withdrawn by Rep. Dan Burton, R-Ind., who has voiced concern for the people of Kashmir, a territory controlled by India and Pakistan which have fought two wars over the area since 1947.

Some fare examples include an off-peak fare of \$354 roundtrip from New York to Dallas-Fort Worth with a 14-day advance purchase.

That's compared to an everyday rate of \$472, according to Smith.

Major airlines kick off late summer fare sale across the country

FORT WORTH (AP) — The nation's largest air carriers have kicked off a fare sale with some prices discounted by as much as 25 percent for late summer and fall travel.

Still, even better prices are sometimes available so consumers should check with their travel agent for comparisons, said Tom Parsons, editor of www.bestfares.com, an Internet site that tracks travel costs.

"This is not one of those fare sales to write home to mom about," Parsons said. "But with this sale more people can participate. I think the cities that are probably enjoying this air sale are where there's no competition."

Spot sales this summer that have posted better prices for some routes have included Southwest Airlines' coast-to-coast special. Also, America West last week reduced prices for flights in and out of Orange County, Calif.

This week's country-wide sale was started by Northwest Airlines, the nation's fourth-largest air carrier. Northwest formally announced the fare changes on Monday.

United Airlines, the nation's largest carrier, and No. 2 American Airlines were among those matching the sale, which includes most of the continental U.S., Hawaii, and Canada.

"It's pretty much sys-

temwide," said American spokesman Tim Smith.

Other airlines offering the discounts include U.S. Airways, America West, Continental, Trans World Airlines and Delta Air Lines.

Northwest said the discounts would remain in effect for travel to most destinations through

Dec. 17. Advance purchase is required, a 14-day maximum stay applies to most destinations and tickets must be purchased by Aug. 13.

A Saturday night stay is required and tickets are non-refundable.

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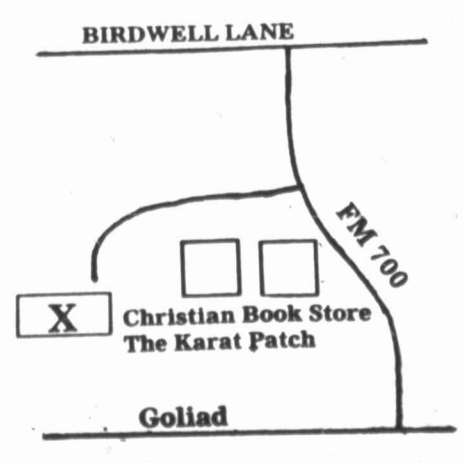
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OUR VIEWS

Decision to go forward on plaza good one for all

Take a minute to visualize downtown Big Spring. Tree-lined streets, the courthouse, antique shops, theater, barber shop, restaurants, law offices... the Permian Building.

Well, okay, take only one second on the Permian Building. We don't want the crumbling, decaying old structure to mar our perception of downtown, the way it does in reality. But wait a moment, let's allow our vision to move ahead a bit, into the future. Let's envision a downtown area without a Permian Building. In its place, vision a plaza, an informal sort of tourist area, where visitors can stop and relax, use the restroom and learn more about what our city has to offer. A place, too, where community members can gather to sing Christmas carols on a chilly winter's night, or offer up hamburgers during a city wide picnic.

That vision, by the way, isn't just a dream. Named Pioneer Plaza by a committee to promote Big Spring, it's the vision of many of our city's leaders.

No doubt you know that most of the funds to bring the Permian Building down have been raised. It is hoped that the eyesore will be leveled by the end of the year.

In its place, and in the adjoining lot, community leaders are hoping to build a park, a plaza — a downtown welcome center. It's not a project that has come about easily. The scope of it has been downsized more than once, due to budget restraints. And even then, it is no sure deal. The half-million dollar deal still relies on a Statewide Transportation Enhancement Program grant. If the grant isn't approved, the plaza won't be built, at least not right away.

The prospects were good enough, however, to lead the city of Big Spring to sign off on the deal and pledge \$25,000 to the project. That's approximately a fourth of the local funds necessary to make it happen.

Another \$25,000 from the Industrial Foundation and requests for funds from other organizations, including the Dora Roberts Foundation, look to increase that amount. There is still a shortfall, but the community has faced and conquered greater obstacles before.

Our downtown area has a lot going for it, but it could have more. We applaud those community leaders who want to not only rid our city of an aging eyesore, but to put in its place something we can all be proud of.

OTHER VIEWS

In a clever appeal to the Yuppie culture of wanting to do just the right thing for kids, the television industry packages a great deal of kids' programming as "educational."

But as a new study from the Annenberg Center at the University of Pennsylvania notes, a lot of programs labeled as "educational" are dandies sold as roses.

Shows such as "Duck Tales" and "Hercules" are called "educational" by some broadcasters, even though the program's creators don't claim as much. Even "NBA Inside Stuff" has the "educational" label.

According to the study, only about one-third of children's programming that is labeled as "educational" in station filings with the Federal Communications Commission

actually is highly educational. Even more disturbing, however, is the coarse content of many supposed "kids" shows. Forty-five percent of children's programs available in the 1998-99 season contained one or more instances of problematic language, and 12 percent had one or more instances of sexual innuendo. For kids' programs the only acceptable number should be zero.

The bottom line, of course, is that TV still is TV, and if it was a "vast wasteland" when then-FCC Commissioner Newton Minnow decried its content a generation ago, then it is even worse now.

The best thing any parent could do for a child is to throw out the TV and buy a few good books.

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Democrats, GOP play acting in tax debate

WALTER R. MEARS
AP Special Correspondent

Trying to get their tax act together to take it on the road, congressional Republicans are negotiating on terms for nearly \$800 billion in cuts over the next 10 years, so that they can pass it and shelve it. That way, President Clinton's certain veto won't happen while Congress is on vacation and he has the stage to himself.

Away from Washington, all this play acting doesn't make sense to people who wonder why Congress and the White House aren't seeking terms on which they can agree rather than collide.

But in an arena bounded by politics and long-rehearsed arguments about tax rates and government spending, it sounds sensible, at least to the debaters.

They've been around the tax track before. In prior rounds over the past five years, Clinton has used vetoes and the threat of them to push his budget terms, to his and Democratic advantage.

He's made issues of Social Security and Medicare financing — and now the expansion of the latter to cover prescription drugs. In the 1999 round,

he also argues that reducing the national debt is more important than a giant tax cut.

It is an article of Republican faith that when the party campaigns for tax cuts, it wins elections, that the money ought to go back to taxpayers and not into the hands of Washington bureaucrats who think they know better how to spend it.

That essentially sums up the endless hours of speechmaking on tax cuts and government priorities.

Republican Sen. Phil Gramm of Texas says the real argument has more to do with federal spending than with cutting taxes. That sounds a lot like one of the rationales of Ronald Reagan's tax cutting economic policy nearly 20 years ago, which was that if the government didn't get the money, it couldn't spend it on programs his Republican administration wanted to undo anyway.

Gramm, on ABC, said that the Republicans and the White House are "much further apart than the public understands." Perhaps, but people do understand that the Republican Congress is going to pass something, Clinton is going to veto it, and both sides are going to argue that they were right. At least people who are paying attention to the whole busi-

ness. What they think about it depends on whether the question is put on GOP terms or Democratic terms. A Pew Research Center poll showed a 3-1 preference for spending over tax cuts, when the money was designated for programs dealing with education, the environment, health care, crime and defense. But the choice was nearly reversed when it was an option between a tax cut and "new federal programs."

At issue now are House and Senate bills for 10-year tax cuts, totaling \$792 billion in each version, but with differing provisions on what would be cut.

One feature of both measures: Neither would cut taxes until the year after next. About 80 percent of the projected cuts wouldn't happen until after 2004.

Republican leaders are trying to blend those bills into one they can get approved by the House by Wednesday or Thursday, and the Senate Friday, before Congress recesses for a month's summer break.

That final version would be set aside until after Labor Day, then sent to Clinton, who said he will veto it as excessive.

The Republicans can't muster the two-thirds votes it would take to override him. But they could spend the recess telling voters about their tax cut bill.

"As the president said, we need to do first things first — that's Social Security and Medicare," White House Press Secretary Joe Lockhart said Monday. The Republicans insist there's surplus enough to cover that and their tax cuts. The White House says not.

Clinton has proposed about \$250 billion worth of tax cuts over 10 years, for retirement savings, education tax breaks and other aims. The administration is willing to negotiate up a bit, but not to anything approaching the Republican measures.

So the lines are set. Neither side can win outright. Neither side can afford to surrender.

Sen. Pete Domenici, the New Mexico Republican who heads the Budget Committee, said there ought to be a grand compromise, but that it would have to include a very major tax cut. But to Clinton's Democrats, that would be capitulation, not compromise.

Domenici said the alternative is gridlock, and it would be the Democrats' fault.

They will say not, and blame Republicans.



Honest explanations are lacking

I am waiting for those advocates of free trade to explain the record trade deficits which have continued to pile up nonstop. I'm waiting for them to explain how the



CHARLEY REESE

North American Free Trade Agreement, sold on the basis that it would create jobs by increasing U.S. exports, has in fact converted a pre-NAFTA trade surplus with Mexico into a post-NAFTA trade deficit.

I am waiting, but I do not expect any honest explanations, since free trade has been sold to Americans on a falsified basis from the beginning. In the first place, what the establishment folks call free trade isn't free trade.

Let me tell you what true free trade is. Free trade is when the Congress of the United States passes a law that says the tariff on all goods or services imported from abroad is "x" percent. Period. No exceptions. No quotas.

Foreigners are free to send in whatever they can sell, and Americans are free to buy whatever imports they wish to buy. The tariff is not for the purpose of protecting any domestic business or granting favors to any foreign country.

It is simply a tax whose sole purpose is to generate revenue.

That's free trade, and such a law could be written on a single sheet of paper. Trade agreements that number in the thousands of pages, like NAFTA and GATT, are anything but free trade. They are managed trade agreements, deals cut by the negotiators for the benefit of the politically influential at the expense of the politically impotent. That's why they are negotiated in secret and why the executive branch always wants Congress to abandon its duty and vote for the agreement without reading it, holding hearings on it or amending it.

The euphemism for this unconstitutional procedure is "fast-track authority." That means dereliction of duty on the part of Congress and usurpation of authority on the part of the executive branch.

But Americans don't seem to care. As the fictional Mexican bandit Calero says, if people act like sheep, it's probably sacrilegious not to shear them.

A trade deficit simply means that Americans buy more stuff than they sell. Our deficit is somebody else's surplus. This surplus represents dollars in their accounts, dollars which can be used, if all the trade is controlled by a government (such as it is in China), to finance military buildups, secret police or the construction of more slave labor camps.

Our trade deficit with China is not making individual Chinese businessmen rich; it is

making the Chinese government and its army richer.

Foreigners who do business in Cuba don't help the Cuban people, they help their oppressor, Fidel Castro. If, for example, you build a hotel in Cuba, then instead of hiring and paying your own employees, you pay Castro in dollars or pounds, and he supplies your employees and pays them in worthless pesos. It gives him a neat profit, one reason this Marxist dictator is listed among the world's richest individuals.

Dictatorships, bear in mind — whether leftist or rightist, Marxist or capitalist, fascist or socialist — are just variations of gangsterism in which the gangsters control the government. That, any private-enterprise gangster will tell you, is the best of all possible worlds for a gangster.

As a believer in true free trade, I wouldn't forbid Americans from doing business with gangsters, but I would make it clear that they would receive no assistance, subsidy, protection or guarantees from the government. That is not the case today.

Big business gets all that assistance from the government when it does business with gangster governments. The reason? Frankly, it's because the people elect too many whores, and business can afford to keep the whores in the style they are accustomed to while the people can't. But, hey, the people get the propaganda — like NAFTA and GATT are good for you.

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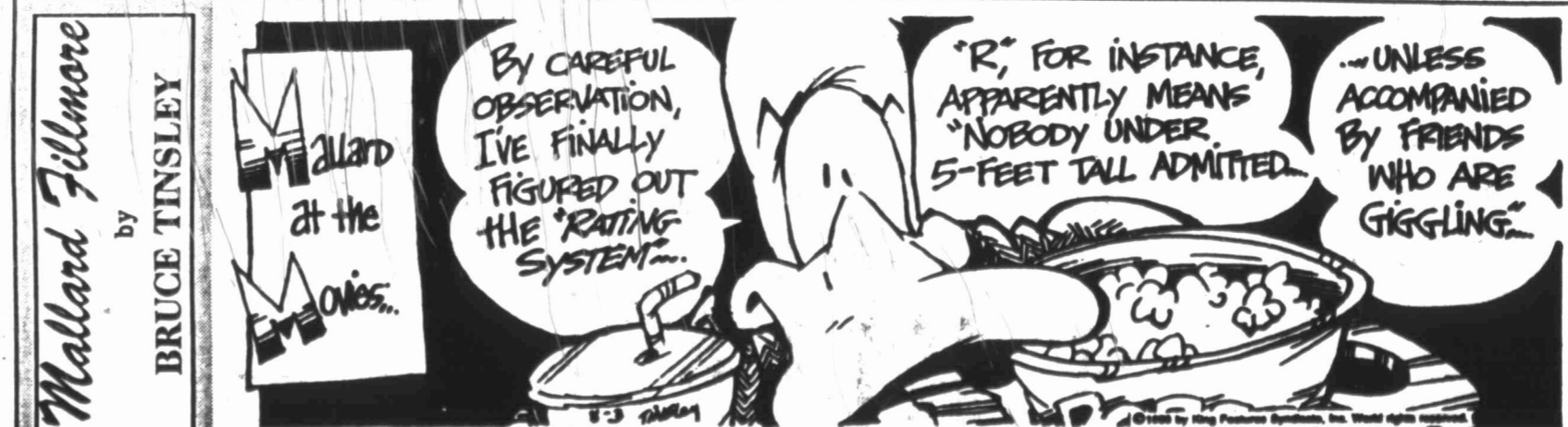
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Baby's parents lament lack of necessities; agency denies family mistreated

DALLAS (AP) — Naim and Lebihe Karaliju said they feared for their lives so much four months ago that they slept in their clothes, hoping they could quickly escape invading Serbs in the middle of the night.

After escaping from war-torn Kosovo and giving birth to what is believed to be the first American-born Albanian refugee, the couple now lives in a furnished Dallas apartment with a television, VCR and a refrigerator full of Coca-Cola.

But despite their apparent good fortune, the Karalijus and the rest of their family say they are angry with a federal agency who they say broke promises about how they would be provided for in their new home.

"I'm not saying we've been treated badly," Karaliju said through a translator. "But the refugee service has not kept its promises. They did not fulfill the commitments they made to us."

The Karalijus claim Refugee Services of North Texas promised them \$200 per person in addition to helping them find work and paying for two months' rent. The agency rent-

ed a two-bedroom apartment and two more three-bedroom apartments for the 24 family members for two months, but the Karalijus say they have received no money.

Currently, 11 Karaliju women are working as housekeepers at a local hotel, but none of the four men is employed.

Karaliju, who named his son Amerikan following the Albanian spelling, said he is worried he won't be able to support his famous baby much longer.

"It will be hard, because even if I work, I would be making less than \$200 a month," Karaliju said. "How could we survive on \$200 a month if we don't get help from the government?"

Chip Corcoran, the executive director of Refugee Services of North Texas, paints a much different picture of the situation. Corcoran said his agency has surpassed all federal require-

ments in the Karaliju case and has worked with local groups to ensure that the family has housing, employment and other necessities.

The State Department allocates \$740 per refugee to 10 national organizations, which process and organize cases before passing along \$580 per refugee to local affiliates. Those affiliates, which use that federal money to operate, are then required to use at least \$200 on "direct expenses" for each refugee.

Corcoran said his agency has already spent more than that amount on the Karalijus. Money is still being spent in that case, he said.

"I simply don't understand where the claims are coming from," Corcoran said. "Some of our people visited them last week, and their only complaint was that they did not have enough money for cigarettes." Baby Amerikan grabbed

national attention when he was born at Fort Dix, N.J., on May 6. His picture was splashed across the front of newspapers across the country, and President Clinton was among those who wished him well.

There are now 32 members of the Karaliju family in Dallas. A cousin, Sheban Murseli, petitioned the federal government to bring his relatives to Texas.

Murseli, a construction contractor in the north Dallas suburb of Farmers Branch, has provided the group with transportation, food and amenities such as TVs during their stay, and employed Karaliju for about three weeks in June, Karaliju said.

But Murseli is now in Kosovo assessing damage to the family's homes, and Karaliju says he has no car, no job prospects, and nothing to keep him busy.

"All day long, I have nothing to do but lay around and watch TV," Karaliju said.

Refugee Services of North Texas is funded by the State Department through Church World Services, a national organization. CWS officials said they have checked up on the Karalijus and dispute the family's claims that it is not being provided for.

CWS spokeswoman Deborah DeWinter said Corporan's agency arranged for local charities to provide the family with furniture and other supplies. Ms. DeWinter also complained that Karaliju has shown no interest in finding a job, even when an interview was set up for him.

"We expect any employable refugee to do his part," Ms. DeWinter said. "We expect them to follow up on job interviews and participate like a normal citizen, and Mr. Karaliju has not shown the willingness to do that so far."

Corcoran said individuals must claim a "distinct fear of

persecution" in order to be classified as refugees. Once that is done, the refugees have immediate access to food stamps, social security cards and may apply for citizenship.

Corcoran said most of the 78,000 refugees accepted by the U.S. each year remain in the country. The Karalijus said they intend to do the same, even though they feel mistreated.

"The problems here are not big compared to in Kosovo," Karaliju said. "In Kosovo, it was about survival. At least we can sleep here without fear."

Vebi Karaliju, Amerikan's grandfather, said their decision to stay is based upon the interests of the children.

"As far as my wife and I are concerned, we'll go back tomorrow," Vebi Karaliju said. "We don't care if the houses are leveled, we'll find a way to live."

"But we will stay because of the younger generation. We will stay for the baby."

Soldiers killed in crash called 'America's finest' during Fort Bliss salute

FORT BLISS (AP) — Hundreds of military personnel and relatives and friends of five soldiers killed in a plane crash in Colombia gathered Monday for a tearful memorial service capped by a 21-gun salute.

The five Fort Bliss soldiers died July 23 when their U.S. Army spy plane slammed into a mountain while on an anti-narcotics mission. Two Colombian air force officers also were killed.

On Monday, mourners overflowed an orange-brick chapel with a capacity of 450 to remember Capt. Jose A. Santiago, 37; Capt. Jennifer J. Odom, 29; Chief Warrant Officer 2 Thomas G. Moore, 32; Pfc. T. Bruce Cluff, 26; and Pfc. Ray E. Krueger, 20.

On the altar were mixed bouquets of colorful flowers, five pairs of black boots and five upside-down M-16 rifles topped with camouflage helmets, each with the name of one of the soldiers.

No caskets were present. Remains of two of the soldiers have been returned to the United States, but they have not yet been identified. Searchers in Colombia continue to look for three bodies.

The Fort Bliss crew was eulogized with emotional remarks by their fellow soldiers and called "five of America's finest" by the commander of their battalion, Lt. Col. Mark W. Perrin.

Speaking to the congregation, Perrin praised the work of the 300-soldier 204th Military Intelligence Battalion, whose uniforms bear a crest that states "Silently We Defend" and whose motto is "Vigilant Hunters."

He said his soldiers have succeeded in reducing the amounts of illegal drugs in the United States today.

"The soldiers of the 204th know they are special," Perrin said. "They understand that few outside of the intelligence community know who they are, what they do, and how they do it."

"They don't get their motivation and pride from outside recognition," he said. "Rather, they're motivated in the knowledge that they are a vital part of something much bigger than themselves."

Perrin read a poem titled "Soldier," which includes the phrase, "I went where others feared to go, and did what others failed to do."

Toward the end of the service, there was a "roll call" in which the names of each of the five were called out three times — their full names on the third call — to signify they are missing from the battalion.

The service ended with seven soldiers wearing fatigues and white gloves shooting three rounds of blanks with M-16s.

Four of the five soldiers had children, and two of their wives were expecting.

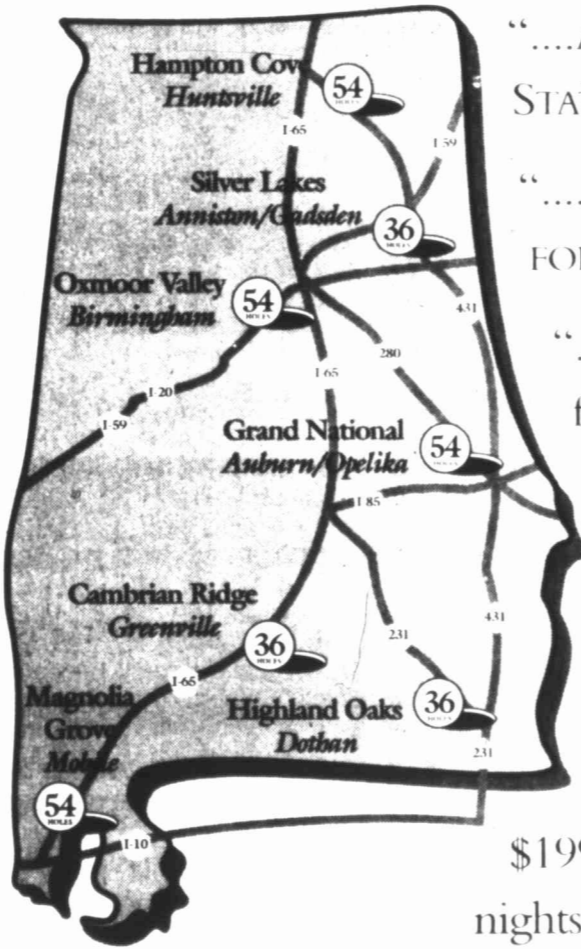
Cluff and Krueger posthumously were promoted to the next higher rank of specialist.

The Army has not said who was flying the plane, which crashed into an uncharted mountain, but both Odom and Moore were pilots trained to fly the Havilland RC-7 reconnaissance plane.

The craft disappeared from radar screens while over rebel-controlled territory and slammed into a mountain.

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IN BRIEF

Big Spring Steer tickets on sale to season buyers

Season ticket holders have the first option on Big Spring Steers 1999 football tickets, that are now on sale at the BSISD Business Office.

The four-game ticket package is priced at \$16.

Season ticket holders will have until Friday, Aug. 13 to purchase tickets.

After that, tickets will go on sale to the general public from Monday, Aug. 16 until Friday, Sept. 3.

Tickets will be sold from 8:30 a.m. until 4 p.m. The office will be closed from noon until 1 p.m.

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 football coaches are asked to return their Herald football questionnaires as soon as possible.

Through today, Big Spring, Forsan and Borden County coaches have been returned.

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

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

Comanche Trail LGA holds Monday playday

The team of Dee Jenkins, Dottie Rogers, Nita Everton and Vera Quigley combined for an even par 36 during nine-hole playday action conducted by the Comanche Trail Ladies Golf Association on Monday.

Annie Ward, Daury Cockrell, Dana Wilkinson and Linda DeWaters posted a 1-over-par 37, matching the score posted by the team of Tammy DePaw, Patsy Sharpnack and Doris Stevenson.

Ward, Cockrell, Wilkinson and DeWaters took second place on a scorecard playoff.

Sharpnack, Wyatt named city's senior champions

Patsy Sharpnack claimed the women's senior championship and Riley Wyatt took the men's senior title Sunday following the final round of the Big Spring Herald City Golf Championships.

Sharpnack finished the tournament with rounds of 82 and 86 on the Comanche Trail Golf Course's par 72 women's layout to post a 168 total.

Wyatt rebounded from an opening round of 75 on the 6,327-yard, par 71 men's layout at the course, firing a 3-under-par 68 on Sunday for a 143 total.

Wyatt's 143 total was not only good enough to earn the men's senior championship, but gave him the win in the first flight.

ON THE AIR

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MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL
7:10 p.m. — Minnesota Twins at Texas Rangers, KBST 1490-AM.

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7 p.m. — Minnesota Twins at Texas Rangers, TCA Cable 97.
7 p.m. — Los Angeles Dodgers at Houston Astros, FXS, Ch. 29.

Ogden proves a pleasant surprise for Cowboys — again

WICHITA FALLS (AP) — Jeff Ogden was a decent high school football player, but not good enough to be given a college scholarship.

Ogden ended up walking on at Division I-AA Eastern Washington and becoming a pretty decent receiver, but not good enough to get drafted by the NFL.

Once again, Ogden is having the last laugh. He's in his second training camp with the Dallas Cowboys and this time he's focusing on moving up the depth chart rather than worrying about making the team.

"I'm taking a more aggressive, more proactive approach to improving the

team," Ogden said. "Last year, there were some times where I didn't improve the team. I was just kind of a guy who could fill in. This year, I'm actually trying to make a difference."

In only a week of practices he's already impressed coach Chan Gailey.

"The way he carries himself, his confidence, his hands — every aspect of his game has improved," Gailey said. "He doesn't even look like the same person who first stepped on our field last year."

Ogden was one of 10 players trying to win the final receiver's job last summer. He outlasted the others by showing quick feet and sure hands in practice, then backing it up in preseason games.

Ogden caught seven passes for 126 yards, good for a team-best average of 18 yards per reception.

In the regular season, Ogden contributed mostly on special teams, although he also caught eight passes for 63 yards. His most memorable game was Nov. 22 in Seattle when he caught four passes for 26 yards and ran 12 yards on an end round while playing in front of friends and family in his home state.

Some would call the 6-foot, 190-pound Ogden an overachiever. It may be more accurate to say people have simply underestimated his abilities.

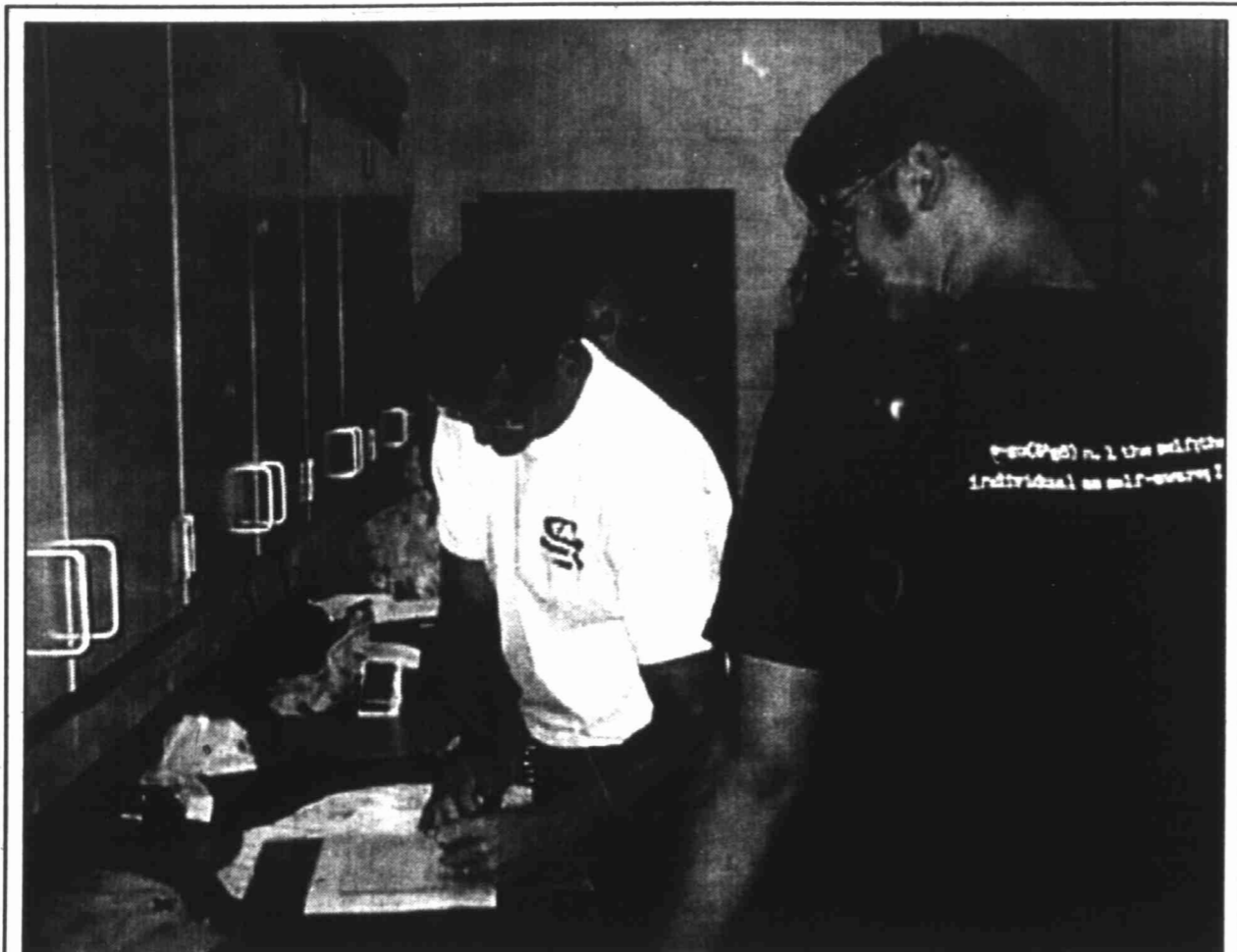
Ogden has been winning inspirational awards since his high school days in

Snohomish, Wash. He had a slow start to his college career then broke out as senior with 57 catches for 1,148 yards and 13 touchdowns.

Ten NFL teams invited him to training camp. He picked Dallas, and the Cowboys are glad he did. Receivers coach Dwain Painter already has told Ogden to be prepared to fill any of the five receiver roles in the playbook.

"The reason I'm here is because I can play a few different positions," Ogden said. "That's going to be a burden put on me, but it's one I gladly accept."

He began this camp working out with rookies and newcomers instead of going through veteran drills.



Big Spring assistant coach Tim Tannehill logs in equipment issued to senior lineman Ryan Jensen this morning at the Big Spring High School Athletic Training Center, as Steers coaches and players prepared for Wednesday's start of two-day football practices.

Woods beats Duval 2 and 1 in 'Showdown at Sherwood'

THOUSAND OAKS, Calif. (AP) — Great start, rocky finish.

That made David Duval a loser to Tiger Woods in golf's first appearance on network television in prime time.

Playing not far from where he grew up, Woods overcome a sluggish start and dominated the par-3 holes to beat Duval 2 and 1 in the "Showdown at Sherwood," a made-for-television match-play competition Monday night.

It was nothing more than an exhibition match, but the world's top-ranked golfers were paid very well for their three-plus hours of work.

Woods earned \$1.1 million, while Duval collected \$400,000. Each will donate \$200,000 to charity, including \$100,000 each to the PGA Tour-sponsored First Tee program.

If either felt any pressure, it certainly wasn't evident, although neither was at his best.

At a time where the pressure perhaps should have been on, Woods and Duval were giggling like schoolchildren as they chatted while walking down the 15th fairway. Woods led 1-up at the time.

"I approached the match that David and I are good friends, and we were going to come out here and put on a good show," Woods said. "I think it's a wonderful concept."

So is this sort of thing the start of something new?

"I hate to say it, but it's basically up to the ratings," Woods said. "How high the ratings are will determine how successful it was."

Duval won the first two holes with a birdie and a par, but Woods won the next two, and added wins at the sixth and ninth holes for a 2-up lead at the turn.

A win on 12 put Woods ahead 3-up, but when Duval won 13 and 14, it was anyone's match.

The players halved 15 before the match's biggest shot.

Duval hit what he would later call his best shot of the day down the middle on the par-4, 449-yard 16th hole, but the ball took one bounce into a rock formation some 300 yards from the tee.

That meant a one-shot penalty.

Meanwhile, Woods hit two terrific shots to leave him 10 feet from the hole. Duval conceded, giving Woods a 2-up lead with two holes left.

"It was one of the worst breaks I've ever seen, to end up in Jack's little concoction in the middle of the fairway," Woods said, referring to Jack Nicklaus, the course designer.

"I hit it where I was aiming it," Duval said. "I've played the Shark Shootout three times (at Sherwood Country Club). I know it's there. I've aimed for it

every time."

This time, to his dismay, he hit it.

Needing a birdie to keep the match alive, Duval's tee shot off the 232-yard 17th caught a ridge and rolled 50 feet from the hole.

Woods was 40 feet away, and lagged his putt within 2 feet.

Duval then conceded, and they smiled and shook hands as the floodlights installed on the final two holes at Sherwood before the match cast shadows across the green.

It was the fifth par-3 hole played by the pair; Woods won the first four.

"The great thing about match play is I was down early. I knew I could come back," Woods said. "It's a game of momentum. The momentum changes, it's like the NBA or football, when a team gets on a roll, they get all pumped up."

Woods, who has won three times and has finished no worse than seventh since his post-Masters break, is No. 1 in the world rankings — a position Duval previously held by becoming the first player in 25 years to win four times before the Masters.

"A rivalry? Not yet," Woods said. "We haven't gone head-to-head yet."

Not only that, Woods and Duval have been paired together only one other time, in the third round of the World Series of Golf last year.

1A Football

Garden City may face tough task in District 7

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the third in a four-part series on Crossroads Area football teams. Today: Class 1A. Wednesday: Six-man.

By JOHN H. WALKER
Editor

Class 1A football, according to Texas Football magazine, will have a decidedly West Texas flair in 1999.

While Panhandle power Wheeler is the preseason favorite to take the state championship, other West Texas teams in the Top 10 include Aspermont, Baird, Paducah and Sudan.

In spite of losing 12 letterman — including seven starters on both offense and defense — Sudan make have the most potent backfield combo in the state in quarterback R o c k y M c A d a m s (1,230 yards passing) and runningback D o n y a l e Weaver (1,244 yards rushing).

Further South, in District 7A, the row to see looks to be a long one for Coach Mike Meeks and the Garden City Bearkats.

Despite the fact the Bearkats return 10 lettermen — including seven starters on both offense and defense — they are picked to finish fifth in the six-team district.

Wink's Wildcats (7-4) return 26 lettermen, including six offensive and six defensive starters, and are picked to win the district.

For Coach Sam Scott, wingback/defensive back Jared Green (6-1, 170, 4.9) leads the list of players to keep an eye on. Others include two-way end Sam Haring (6-4, 220, 4.8) and tackle/linebacker John Henderson (5-11, 190, 5.1).

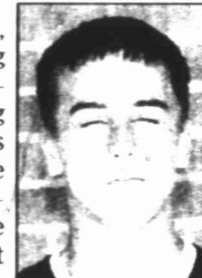
Scott's wing offense will be run by quarterback Ben McGehee.

Rankin's Red Devils (4-6), long a Class 1A power in West Texas, are picked to finish behind the Wildcats in the district race.

Coach Mickey Owens is looking for quarterback help among his 16 lettermen, including six offensive and six defensive starters, to figure in the title race.

Top 10

- Texas Football's preseason Top 10 picks:
1. Wheeler
 2. Bartlett
 3. Detroit
 4. Aspermont
 5. Dawson
 6. Baird
 7. Iowa
 8. Paducah
 9. Tenaha
 10. Sudan



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Players to watch for the Red Devils include defensive end Bobbie Delapena (6-2, 185, 5.1), fullback/defensive back Ruben Dela Paz (5-10, 155, 4.8) and tight end/defensive end Bryan Hill (5-10, 185, 4.9).

The Fort Davis Indians (8-2) return the most starters — nine offensive and defensive in the district — but are short on numbers. Despite losing just five lettermen, the Tribe returns but a dozen letterwinners.

Players to watch include line-backer Gus Hernandez (6-3, 170, 4.8), quarterback Phillip Drake (6-2, 210, 4.7) and runningback J. P. Cotton (5-10, 180, 4.7).

Cotton is among the top returning rushers in the state in Class 1A, having gained 1,401 yards a year ago, while Drake ranks among the top passers, having thrown for 1,157 yards.

In Marfa, Pat Ward thinks he can take his Shorthorns (9-2) back to the playoffs. It was Marfa's first trip to post-season play since the single-wing days of Coach Dub Polson in the 70s and 80s.

Top players to watch for the Horns include offensive line-man Mike Spencer (6-2, 270, 4.8), quarterback Randy White (5-11, 170, 4.5) and tailback Ronnie Garcia (5-7, 143, 4.5).

Garden City (3-7) will hang its hopes on quarterback Justin Hillger (5-8, 150), center Erik Halfman (5-10, 147), guard Kyle Kight (5-9, 177) and guard Anthony Wheat (5-10, 152).

Other returning starters for the 'Kats include tackle Tony Talamantes, wide receiver Chris Bryan and defensive end Abel Maldonado.

Way out West, in Fort Hancock, fans of the Mustangs (3-6) have learned that being a great football school in six-man doesn't necessarily mean the transition will be made to 11-man.

After a 3-6 season, the Mustangs are picked dead last despite returning eight starters on both offense and defense.

Rodriguez sparks 5-4 Rangers win with two home runs

ARLINGTON (AP) — Texas Rangers manager Johnny Oates left himself open to second-guessers when he gave All-Star catcher Ivan Rodriguez some extra games off earlier in the season.

Oates reasoned that he wanted Rodriguez fresh for the stretch run. Now that rest is paying dividends.

Rodriguez maintained his personal hitting streak, homering twice and driving in four runs, as the Rangers remained unbeaten against the Minnesota Twins with a 5-4 victory Monday night.

"It's been a while since I've seen somebody in as good a groove as he's in," Oates said. "He's not going to be sitting down much from here on out."

Rodriguez expects to see little time off the rest of the way.

"I've told Johnny Oates I don't want to

be on the bench," Rodriguez said. "I want to be in there all the time."

He'll get no argument from anyone connected with the Rangers. Rodriguez is 15-for-23 with four homers and 13 RBIs in five games.

"This is the best streak I've ever seen a guy have in a short span," teammate Rafael Palmeiro said. "He's on some kind of hot streak. Everything's coming together for him as a player. Experience and talent are coming into play."

Texas trailed 3-2 in the seventh when Royce Clayton tripled off LaTroy Hawkins and Mark McLemore drew a walk from reliever Eddie Guardado (2-3). Rodriguez followed with his 21st home run into the left-field seats.

On Sunday, Rodriguez was 5-for-6 with four RBIs in the Rangers' 12-5 win over

the Royals.

"I feel great right now," Rodriguez said. "I'm healthy and feel stronger. I'm just trying to see the ball, hit the ball and put it in play. I just want to win and help the team into the playoffs."

Guardado took the blame for his high pitch to Rodriguez.

"I take nothing away from Rodriguez or the Rangers," Guardado said. "The ball was high and he did what you're supposed to do."

Rodriguez hit a solo shot in the third to give Texas a 1-0 lead and join Lance Parrish and Carlton Fisk as the only American League catchers with 20 or more homers in at least three straight seasons.

Minnesota has lost all eight meetings with the Rangers this season.

Rangers reliever Jeff Zimmerman (9-0) had his string of scoreless appearances end at a club-record 26, but still managed to pick up the victory.

The victory enabled Zimmerman to tie Whitey Ford and Joe Pate for the AL record for consecutive wins at the start of a career. It also matched Pate's mark of consecutive wins by a rookie relief pitcher.

Zimmerman allowed a RBI single to Matt Lawton in the eighth as the Twins narrowed the deficit to 5-4 and stopped Zimmerman's club-record scoreless streak at 29 2-3 innings. He hadn't allowed a run since May 25.

John Wetteland pitched the ninth for his 32nd save.

Palmeiro's sixth-inning homer, his 26th, put the Rangers in front 2-1.

BASEBALL

Major League Baseball
MLB—Re-signed the New York Yankees' OF Darryl Strawberry to a one-year contract for \$10 million.

Arizona Angels—Acquired Jim Edwards from the 60th pick. Designated OF Reggie V. Anderson.

Baltimore Orioles—RHP Jim Coner from Rochester International League.

Chicago White Sox—Drew Jackson on the 15th pick, retroactive to July 27. The contract of RHP Kip V. Birmingham of the Southern League.

Detroit Tigers—RHP Francisco Cordova from Jack Southern League.

Minnesota Twins—Mark Rodman on the 15th pick, retroactive to July 25. Re Dan Perkins from Salt Lake City.

Texas Rangers—Assign Goodwin to Charlotte of the State League.

Arizona Diamondbacks
RHP Byung-Hyun Kim on the 15th pick. Recalled RHP Erik T. Tucson of the PCL.

Los Angeles Dodgers
C Paul LoDuca from Albuquerque. Optioned C Ange.

New York Mets—Add Shannon Dunston to the 15th pick. Optioned OF Mike.

Philadelphia Phillies—Signed F Michael Curry year contract.

Minnesota Timber
Signed F Wally Szczechak 1 year contract.

Philadelphia 76ers—Dave Corley from vice president.

Phoenix Suns—Agreed with F Rodney Rogers on a contract.

Portland Trail Blazer
G Rashad Rice and G Jim J. Atlanta Hawks to G Steve S. Ed Gray. Re-signed F Jerome Schreffel to a two-year contract.

Seattle
Renounced the rights to Polynice, G Drew Barry, G J. and G Aaron Williams. Re.

Green Bay Packers—Jeremy Butler. Announced McCoy has returned to.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR WEDNESDAY, AUG. 4: Sometimes you get locked into negative thinking or into odd positions because of your stubbornness. Finding a way out proves to be challenging; reacting to the different elements in your life won't work. Learn to detach and jump over obstacles. Work requires tremendous attention. Home life is demanding; everyone seems to need something from you.

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) ***Handle finances with your customary strength. Anger marks money dealings with associates. You want it your way; they want it theirs. Finding a midpoint seems nearly impossible. Unexpected developments throw you on a different course. You might respond in an overly serious manner. Tonight: Go over finances.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ***Your personality usually helps mend boundaries, but now others simply trigger and trigger again. Walk your own way; make your own choices, professionally and personally. Approach problems with common sense. Tonight: Do what makes you happy.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ***Take a deep breath and listen to feedback. Others get more irritated than usual. Unfortunately, all you do is provoke them even more. Plug frustration into your work, refuse to trigger and get your job done. News from a distance shakes up the status quo. Tonight: Do something just for you.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ***Aim for what you want, but don't expect others to chip in. Financial pressure remains intense. Carefully think about a decision. You might not be sure what is really happening. Tempers flare, especially with a loved one or child. You don't see eye to eye with another. Tonight: Brighten a friend's life.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ***Take the lead, despite obstacles which seem to appear left and right. Bosses are demanding, as is a must appearance. Family isn't supportive; they want what they want - now. Partners are disruptive. When centered, you are a powerful force in the midst of this instability. Tonight: In the limelight.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ***Take an overview where others can't. Do quiet research or take a walk to detach.

Events aren't what they seem. Still, keep the avenue of communication open, even if you hear some things you would prefer not to. Flex with a new situation at work. Pressure is intense. Stay steady. Tonight: Listen to a favorite piece of music.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ***Close relating creates a difficult situation. Though you like working as a team, you could easily lose your temper. Your fuse is clearly short, especially when it comes to money. A risk or gamble backfires. Be strong, but not difficult. Tonight: Talk through a problem.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ***Stop acting out. Think and remain steady. You understand why a partner is grim; however, you might prefer not to deal with it. A change on the homefront creates more chaos. Know which way to go and how to follow. Be serious as you lay out terms. Tonight: Go along with another's plans.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ***Dig into work. Pressure is intense; you might have difficulty getting the total view. Unexpected results come through an unanticipated conversation. Steel yourself and stay centered. Emphasis is on getting the job done; don't permit frustration to get to you. Tempers get out of control. Tonight: Bring extra work home.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ***Another hits hard, determined to make his point whether you want to hear it or not. A friend shows his temper. You may decide to pull back substantially. Be careful with financial commitments presently - even you could make a mistake. Avoid taking risks in any area of your life. Tonight: Peace and quiet.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ***Pressure continues to build left and right. Making a solid decision is difficult. You feel like telling a boss where to go (but don't), and personal matters weigh heavily on you. Your unpredictability continues to toss others into chaos. You might not be sure about what to do; try to calm down, others need time. Tonight: Vanish into your ivory tower.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ***Return calls; don't stand on ceremony with others. You might find it difficult to speak, but so does a loved one or friend. News from a distance bolts you out of your mood; you gain insight. Don't do anything you don't want to do, but do consider a sudden trip or offer. Tonight: Have a serious talk.

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Loss of self esteem is no game for victims of domestic abuse

DEAR ABBY: I was appalled by the letter written by the retired therapist, "Dr. Howard Bott," who said that a victim of domestic abuse who confides in her friends is somehow responsible for the abuse. His suggestion that somehow the woman n a m e d "Sara" was playing a "game" for dramatic effect was unbelievable. Women who are abused by spouses and significant others believe that they are powerless to stop the cycle of abuse. Friends and family need to show the victim that their love is unconditional, gather information about a "safe plan" from their local victim/witness or women's shelter, and assist her when she's ready to leave the relationship. They also need to be patient with the victim.

Ask any member of my family and they'll tell you it takes a long time for the victim to

rebuild that self-esteem and to know she's capable of changing the situation. Our daughter was in a similar relationship for more than seven years. When she finally found the courage to leave, it was too late. He stalked and murdered her.

Please tell your readers that they should NEVER, EVER consider domestic abuse to be a "game." It's not. It has deadly consequences. - BEEN THERE, SUPERIOR, WIS.

DEAR BEEN THERE: Please accept my sympathy for the tragic loss of your beloved daughter. In recent years, law enforcement and behavioral therapists have become more knowledgeable about the cycle of domestic violence - and all agree that it is not to be taken lightly.

For everything you need to know about wedding planning, order "How to Have a Lovely Wedding." Send a business-size, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Wedding Booklet, P.O. Box 1047, Mount Morris, IL 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

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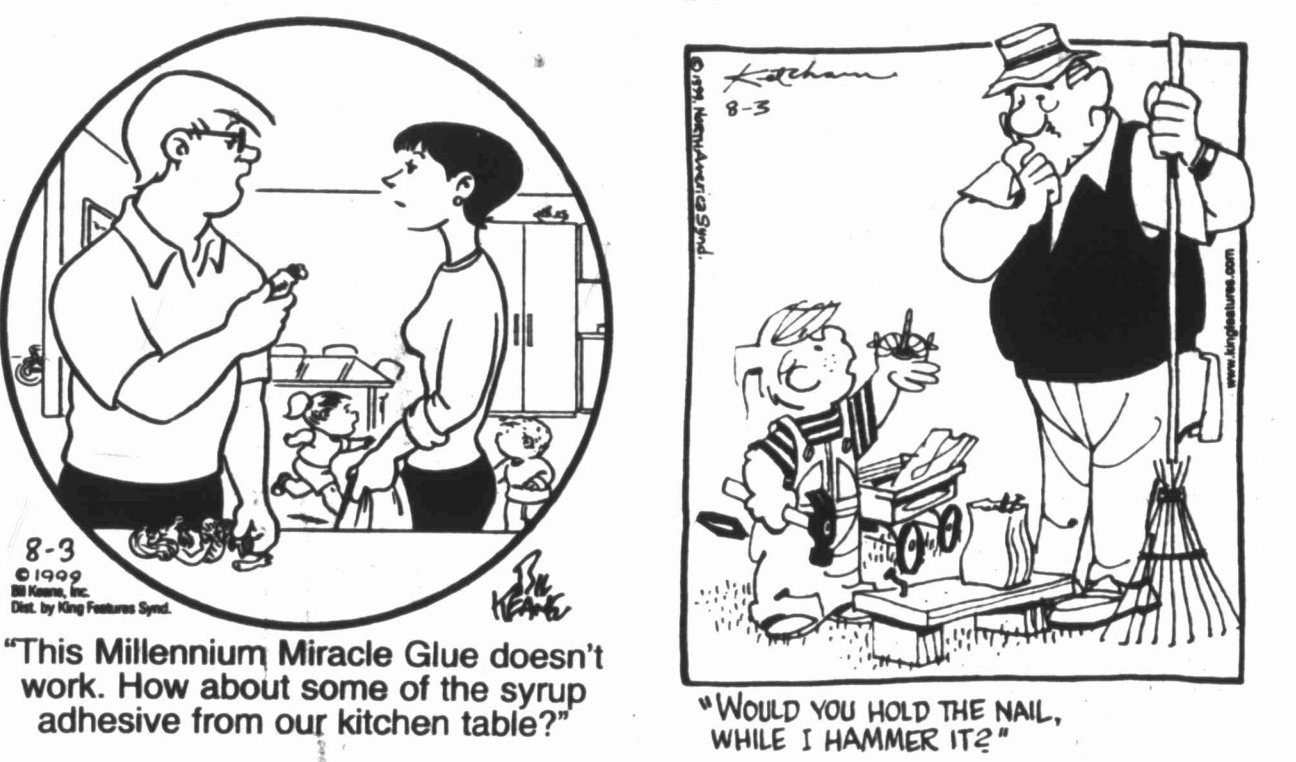
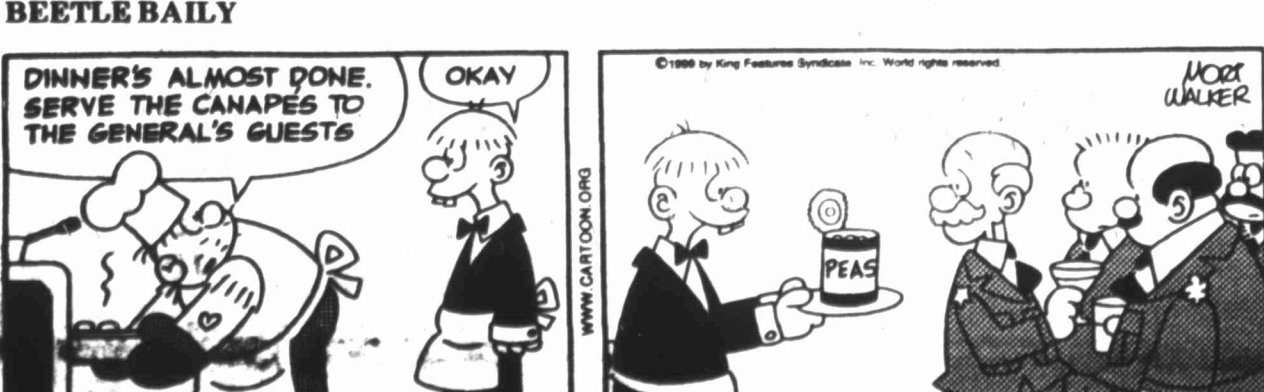
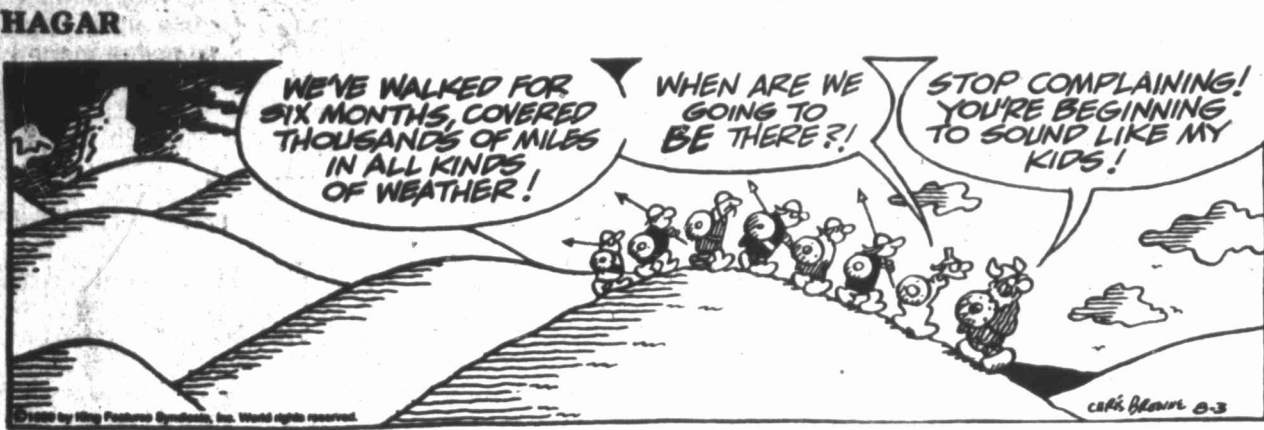
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TUESDAY AUG. 3

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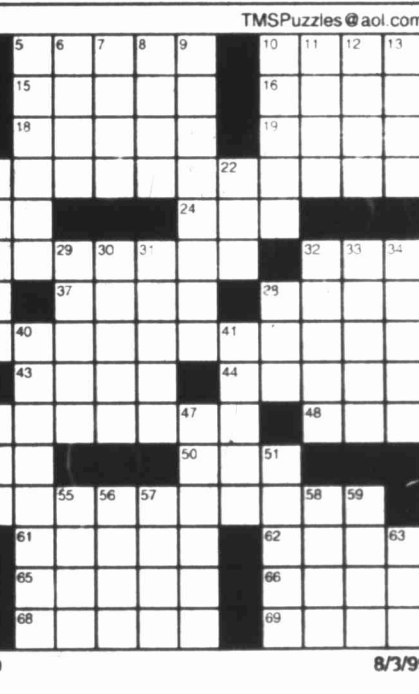
THIS DATE IN HISTORY

The ASSOCIATED PRESS Today is Tuesday, Aug. 3, the 215th day of 1999. There are 150 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On Aug. 3, 1949, the National Basketball Association was formed. On this date: In 1492, Christopher Columbus set sail from Palos.

THE Daily Crossword

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Spain, on a voyage that took him to the present-day Americas. In 1914, Germany declared war on France. In 1923, Calvin Coolidge was sworn in as the 30th president of the United States; following the death of Warren G. Harding. In 1936, the State Department urged Americans in Spain to leave because of that country's civil war. In 1943, Gen. George S. Patton slapped a private at an army hospital in Sicily, accusing him of cowardice. (Patton was later ordered by Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower to apologize for this and a similar episode.) In 1948, Whittaker Chambers, a former Communist, publicly accused former State Department official Alger Hiss of having been part of a Communist underground, a charge Hiss denied. In 1958, the nuclear-powered submarine "Nautilus" became the first vessel to cross the North Pole under water. In 1981, U.S. air traffic controllers went on strike, despite a warning from President Reagan they would be fired. In 1988, the Soviet Union released Mathias Rust, the young West German pilot who had landed a light plane in Moscow's Red Square in May 1987. In 1993, the Senate voted 96-3 to confirm Supreme Court nominee Ruth Bader Ginsburg. Ten years ago: Shiite Muslim kidnappers in Lebanon suspended their threat to execute another American hostage, three days after the purported hanging of Lt. Col. William R. Higgins. Hashemi Rafsanjani was sworn in as president of Iran. Five years ago: President Clinton told a prime-time news conference he would sign either of two Democratic health care plans before Congress. Arkansas carried out the nation's first triple execution in 32 years. Stephen G. Breyer was sworn in as the Supreme Court's newest justice in a private ceremony at Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist's Vermont summer home. One year ago: The White House played down the possibility that President Clinton would reverse previous statements and admit to a sexual relationship with former White House intern Monica Lewinsky when he testified before a grand jury. Today's Birthdays: Author P.D. James is 79. Broadway composer Richard Adler is 78. Singer Gordon Stoker (The Jordanaires) is 75. Author Leon Uris is 75. Singer Tony Bennett is 73. Actor Alex Cord is 68.