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Power Points gets under way in Tuesday paper

Power Points, the ritual contest of the football season, gets under way in Tuesday's edition of the Herald.

Each Tuesday, local merchants will sponsor the contest — which tests the prognostication prowess of our readers.

While either original or facsimile entries are eligible, all entry forms must be deposited in an official entry box at participating merchants.

Entries are due by 2 p.m. Fridays and results will be published each Thursday.

Entrants will compete for both state and local prizes — including the weekly \$1,000 state prize for the person scoring the highest out of a possible 136 points.

The names of local weekly winners will be placed in a hat and drawn at the end of the season for a variety of

WHAT'S UP...

MONDAY

□ Muscular Dystrophy Telethon, 9 a.m. until 6 p.m., Big Spring Mall.

TUESDAY

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

□ Coahoma senior citizens luncheon, noon, Coahoma Community Center.

□ Big Spring Quarterback Club, 7 p.m., BSHS Athletic Training Center.

□ 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 at 9:15 a.m.

□ Line dancing, 10:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Center, Industrial Park.

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

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

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Firefighters kick off Labor Day weekend with 'Fill the Boot' drive

By MARSHA STURDIVANT
Staff Writer

Big Spring firefighters clowned for motorists Saturday while carrying firemen's boots for their Fill the Boot campaign for the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

"We've had a very good day. We raised more than \$1,000 in just our first two hours," said Paul Brown.

And whether a donation was forthcoming or not, firefighters Mark Brown and KC Ward continued their exaggerated sneak approach toward vehicles stopped at red lights in the intersection of FM 700 and US 87.

"We're trying to raise money for Jerry's kids," Brown said. Mitch Gill, secretary-treasurer

of the Big Spring Professional Firefighters Association, said two motorists were very generous Saturday. By 2 p.m., the firefighters had raised more than \$2,600 for MDA.

"We had two different people who gave us \$100 bills, and we really appreciated that," Gill said.

And Ron Phillips, who approached vehicles with a little more reserve, said he helped with the Fill the Boot campaign in 1998.

"I'm on shift today, but even if I was off-duty, I'd be here, helping with the donations," Phillips said.

Big Spring residents will have another opportunity for fun and

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Big Spring firefighter Ron Phillips accepts a donation from a motorist Saturday during the Fill the Boot drive for the Muscular Dystrophy Association. More than 40 firefighters working in shifts participated in the event at the intersection of FM 700 and US 87 on Saturday.

HERALD photo/Marsha Sturdivant

A moment of silence ...



Youth-led Lord's Prayer fills period of silence

By JOHN H. WALKER
Editor

While school officials scrambled to make sure everything went right and the word "prayer" wasn't mentioned Friday night over the public address system, dozens of volunteers met fans at the gates of Big Spring's Memorial Stadium, passing out handbills with the words to The Lord's Prayer on them.

Following an idea formulated by members of several local church youth groups, adults stood shoulder-to-shoulder with youngsters at the gates, passing out the handbills and encouraging fans to pray The Lord's Prayer during the 30-second period of silence observed directly prior to the playing of the national anthem.

And while it began slowly and lowly, the words to the prayer grew louder and louder

across the stadium as young and old alike simultaneously gave praise to God while defying the court's ruling.

At the end, a loud, singular "Amen" could be heard all along the west stands — moments before the Steer Band began playing the anthem.

"We're losing a lot of our rights and we've got to work to get them back," Dr. E.B. Range said as he took a flier from volunteer James Hall on his way into the stadium. "It just keeps getting worse and worse ... I'm a veterinarian and, in many cases, animals have more rights than people."

Students felt the same way. "I don't think it's (court ruling) fair," one female student said. "The people who complain and file suit say their rights are being violated, but what about the rights of those

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Many Big Spring fans (top photo) who rose for a moment of silence Friday night began reciting The Lord's Prayer. In the bottom photo, James Hall (left) hands Dr. E.B. Range a flier asking fans to join in The Lord's Prayer during the moment of observed silence.

HERALD photos/John H. Walker

Injunction allows student to lead prayer at Santa Fe

SANTA FE (AP) — Only hours after winning a court ruling, a 17-year-old girl walked to thunderous applause to a microphone Friday night and offered a prayer before her high school's season-opening football game.

The crowd cheered Marian Lynn Ward as she was accompanied by the Santa Fe High School principal to the announcer's booth, then stood and cheered for a minute and a half after she asked God's blessings on the game, the players and the fans at the game between the high schools of Santa Fe and Crosby.

Santa Fe Independent School District Superintendent Richard Ownby had warned any student who violated an appeals court ruling banning pre-game prayer would be disciplined.

But hours before the game, U.S. District Judge Sim Lake of Houston issued a temporary restraining order barring officials in the Santa Fe Independent School District from punishing Miss Ward if she led the prayer.

Elected by her classmates to deliver inspirational remarks, the Baptist minister's daughter got in references to deity and other things that school officials had said could not be done.

Santa Fe is about 35 miles southeast of Houston.

"Since a very good judge that was using a lot of wisdom this afternoon ruled that I have freedom of speech tonight, I'm going to take it," she began, to renewed applause.

She asked God to keep the players safe and prayed that sports and fans alike would show good sportsmanship and that God would bless the evening.

Her voice cracked and she seemed on the verge of crying as she said: "God thank you for this evening. Thank you for all the prayers that were lifted up for this week for me. I pray that you'll bless each and every person here tonight."

She finished the prayer, "In Jesus' name, I pray. Amen."

Her parents, Bob and Marjorie Ward,

watched proudly.

"Praise the Lord," Mrs. Ward said.

Ward, pastor of Santa Fe Baptist Church, said: "I feel very proud of her. I'm pleased with her character and her conviction."

Paul Bricker, 57, of Santa Fe said he hadn't been to a football game in 30 years, but came to the stadium to hear the prayer.

"It was great, wonderful. I love it. Thank God for that girl," Bricker said.

Houston attorney Kelly Coghlan, representing Miss Ward, filed suit against the district late Thursday. Coghlan said although Miss Ward had not indicated she would pray, he believed the superintendent's threat of discipline violated her Constitutional right to speak freely.

"I do not want a government that tells students they must pray," Coghlan said. "But I do not want a government either that stifles genuinely student-initiated

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Taxes

Commissioners hold the line on tax rate, put 40-hour week on schedule

RICK McLAUGHLIN
Staff Writer

There was good news from Friday's special called meeting of the Howard County Commissioners Court.

• The county's tax rate will remain unchanged for the third year in a row at 45.88 cents per \$100 valuation.

• County workers will return to a 40-hour work week on Friday, Oct. 1.

• County employees will receive a one-time Christmas "supplement" the first pay period in December.

Commissioners were generally agreed that the county's financial condition wasn't as bad as they had feared in recent months. All four commissioners indicated they favored no increase in the county's tax rate if it could be helped. "I think we can get along without an increase," noted commissioner Bill Crooker.

That tax rate is expected to raise \$3,749,546. The same rate raised \$4,479,959 last year, a shortfall of \$730,413 because of falling mineral valuations. "We have made that difference up in scrimping and cutting and with the co-operation of the department heads," Crooker said.

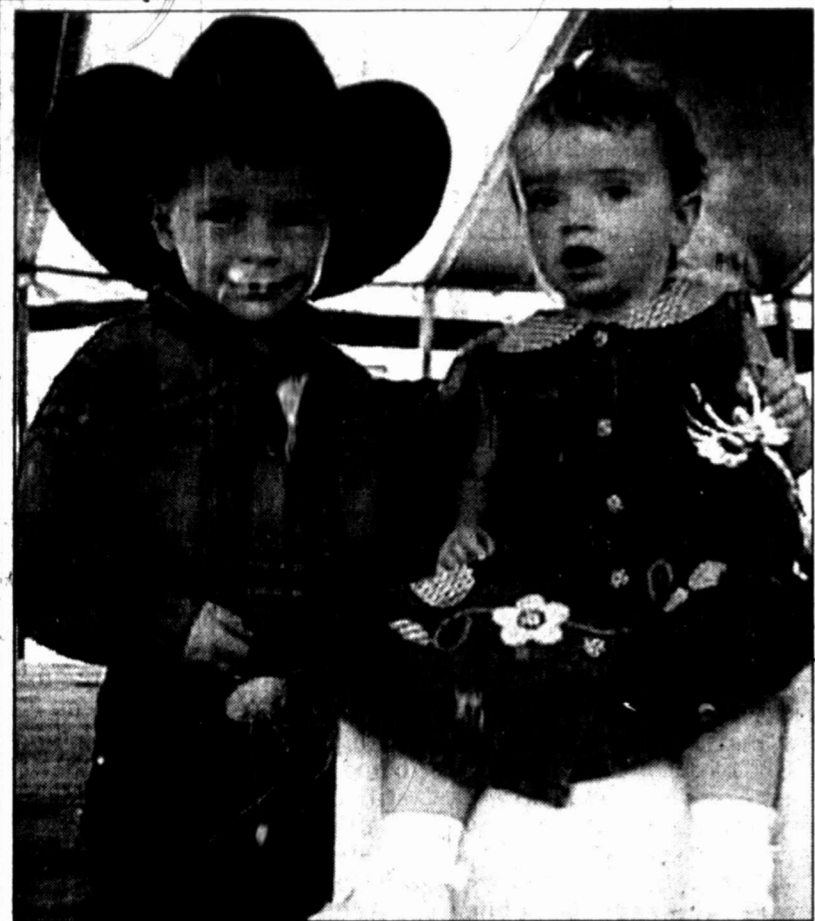
The final budget meeting, public hearing and adoption will be Monday, Sept. 13 with the tax rate officially set at the Monday, Sept. 27 meeting.

In addition to budgeting 40-hour work weeks for employees, the commissioners approved a \$500 bonus, or supplement as they called it, for full-time employees with more than six months of employment with the county. A supplement of \$250 was approved for part-time employees with more than six months.

"They (county employees) co-operated with us well on the salary reductions when things didn't look good," said Kilgore. The supplements will probably be paid the first pay period of December.

In other business, the commissioners took up an offer by Sheriff Bill Jennings to have the sheriff's department take over janitorial and maintenance functions of the Howard County Courthouse.

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HERALD photo/Marsha Sturdvant
Howard County Fair Kountry Kids Contest overall winners Trenton Crenshaw, 3, and Valarie Estill, 20 months, received trophies and gifts as their prizes at the contest Saturday at the Howard County Fair. Winners of each age group were Annie Crenshaw, 6 months, Luke and Logan Edwards, 3 weeks old, Kaitlynn Rodgers, 11 months, Lane White, 18 months, A'xia Rawls, 2, Morrow Nichols, 4 and Kendra Carey, 5.

faith."
A national debate over school-sanctioned prayer focused on Santa Fe in 1995 when two families filed suit against the Galveston County school district, challenging its policies allowing student-led prayer.

While the New-Orleans based 5th Circuit Court supported prayer at high school commencements, its ruling on sporting events ended the football game tradition across Texas, Louisiana and Arkansas.

The Santa Fe school district has petitioned the Supreme Court to review the case, citing an 11th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruling that makes pregame prayer legal in Alabama, Florida and Georgia.

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food for a good cause Monday, when the local MDA telephone bank is set up at the Big Spring Mall.

The telethon, which officially begins today at 5 p.m., will have local residents manning the telephones to take donations.

And the entire day at the mall has planned activities, featuring the Harley Owners Group with motorcycles in the mall, a barbecue luncheon, and motorcycle games in the afternoon.

A local band, Saxet, will begin performing about noon in the parking lot under the shade of a tent. The tent was provided by H-E-B Food Stores.

Folks who choose to go to the mall to pledge may also enjoy a barbecue luncheon, chili dogs and hot dogs, provided by HOG.

And a contest between motorcycles will allow people to select their favorite Harley Davidson on display by donating money.

A silent auction is also scheduled, and throughout the day silent bids will be taken on such merchandise as coffee cups, t-shirts and radios.

Lezlie Kurklin McCurdy, director for HOG, said the silent auction is another way to raise money for Jerry's Kids.

"We will have items positioned inside the mall, with a minimum bid. About 4 or 5 in the afternoon, we will check for the maximum bid and announce the winner," she said.

Also inside the Mall, telephones provided by Cellular

One will be manned to receive calls of pledges from Howard County residents.

"Local folks do not have to call Midland to donate to MDA. They may make their pledges here in Big Spring, to people they know at our own phone banks," Brown said.

The local telethon begins about 9 a.m. Monday, and will conclude about 6 p.m. During local commercial breaks from the televised drive in Midland, Big Spring viewers will see and hear themselves, Brown said.

The firefighters and the HOG members have a friendly challenge between the groups to see who will raise the most money.

Should the HOG members win, they will be treated to a ride on a fire truck, with the approval of the fire chief. Should the firefighters win, they'll receive a ride on a Harley Davidson, Gill said.

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"I'm embarrassed at the condition of the courthouse," the sheriff told the commissioners. "The courthouse is such a mess."

By way of example, a lipstick-stained plastic foam cup in the second row of seats in the commissioners courtroom held a full growth of green mold over the top of old, cold coffee. County Judge Ben Lockhart removed the evidence from the courtroom.

The sheriff told the commissioners he would agree to take over the management of maintenance "only if I have the right to hire and fire." It was noted some of the janitorial and maintenance work is already done by inmates of the jail, but not always on a daily basis.

However, it was said that the responsibility for janitorial work has not been organized in recent years or even under the direction of a single commissioner.

"It's been bounced around from department to department," said Precinct 2 commissioner Jerry Kilgore.

The commissioners had little trouble agreeing to Jennings' proposal and the sheriff's office will take over maintenance officially on Tuesday.



HERALD photo/John H. Walker
Big Spring Evening Lions Club Queen Alicia Phifer serves homemade desserts at Friday's annual Lions Barbecue Dinner in the East Room of Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. Lions officials said a total of 305 meals were served.

PRAYER

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who want to pray?"

Last Tuesday, Big Spring Independent School District trustees voted to observe the 30 seconds "to promote student safety and good sportsmanship." The vote became necessary when the U.S. Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans struck down pregame prayer in a case that started in the Santa Fe School District in Galveston County.

That ruling made it illegal for anyone to deliver a pregame prayer over the public address system — whether student, minister or school employee — and was directly opposite a ruling issued by the Atlanta, Ga.-based 11th Court of Appeals, which said a school district could not deny a student the right to pregame prayer.

While the court's ruling prohibited the pregame prayer, it did not impact other activities — such as the team's praying before coming onto the field or kneeling after the game at mid-field and giving thanks to the Lord for watching over them and keeping them safe during the contest.

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prayer."

Owby said while he personally favors student prayer before football games, the district must enforce the law. The 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in February ruled sporting events are not solemn enough to warrant organized prayer.

But Lake's ruling said the school guidelines "clearly prefer atheism over any religious

Three Forsan students hospitalized after Friday wreck on 'Thrill Hill'

HERALD Staff Report

Three Forsan High School students remain hospitalized after a one-vehicle roll over that occurred about 6 p.m. Friday on "Thrill Hill" in Howard County.

Courtney Covey was air lifted to Shannon Medical Center in San Angelo, where she was placed into the intensive care unit. Her condition has been upgraded to stable today, and she has been moved to a regular hospital room, according to a hospital nursing supervisor.

Brad Gillihan and Zack

Johnson are listed in stable condition in Scenic Mountain Medical Center, suffering from broken limbs, according to the third floor supervisor.

Gillihan, a starting tackle for the Forsan Buffaloes varsity football team, is suffering a broken leg, said Forsan head football coach Roger Hudgins.

Johnson, a junior varsity football player for Forsan, sustained a broken arm, Hudgins said.

Randy Harmon, also a passenger in the vehicle, was treated and released from Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

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-FIRST AMENDMENT

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OUR VIEWS

Monday is day for the worker to celebrate

Monday, we celebrate one of the most basic components of a successful society — the worker. Great decisions are made by politicians, generals command during wars, and scientists explore the mysteries of the universe. But with the "common" working man and woman to drive the gears of society, all the equations and theories wouldn't amount to much.

In recognition of the workforce that fuels this country, the U.S. Congress has set aside the first Monday in September for the observance of Labor Day.

So, what exactly should we be observing Monday? George Sand once said, "Work is not man's punishment. It is his reward and his strength, his glory and his pleasure." While some would doubtless take issue with Sand's statement, there is more than a little truth to it.

For many, who we are is defined to a great deal by what we do for a living. A great majority of U.S. workers take great pride in their occupations, and strive to do the best job possible.

Given these facts, therefore, a day of celebration of our work makes a great deal of sense.

Very few good things come about as a result of random chance or fortune, but rather from simple, hard work.

A cure for polio? Jonas Salk worked years on the problem before finding a cure.

Likewise, the Empire State Building and other great structures in this country just didn't appear out of the blue one day, but were the result of years of labor.

The examples could go on and on...

But it's not just great accomplishments we recognize with Labor Day, but the simple realization that much that makes this nation great has been made possible by the work of its people.

YOUR VIEWS

TO THE EDITOR:

I must say I have been a bit surprised not to see any letters about the Big Spring Junior High situation. "I am mad as hell and I'm not going to take it anymore!"

I spoke to Mr. Ronald Rowell with the Texas Education Agency in Austin this morning and he relates this issue should be handled at the local level and the responsibility is on the local board of trustees, Big Spring Independent School District. I agree, but I am not seeing much being done by the board except spending another \$90,750 plus a 5 percent bond for compaction grouting which will "almost assured" halt the slippage.

"Almost" is such a huge window. I personally would like a bit more assurance for that kind of money. The board, after all, is elected by the citizens of Big Spring. Remember us... we voted for that bond election?

In closing, I take great personal offense with Mr. McQueary's continued insistence that a canyon does not exist under that school. Technically, the canyon no longer exists because it had been filled with dirt, but it DID exist! I remember it very well — will testify in court, write it in blood or whatever would please him. I feel he is calling me and all the others who remember liars. Mr. McQueary, you were not in Big Spring in the 1950's, were you?

I am appealing to the citizens of Big Spring who remember that canyon to unite and go to the board one more time before one or many

of those students at Big Spring Junior High gets hurt. If you are interested, please feel free to contact me at 268-9551.

ELICE FLORES
Big Spring

TO THE EDITOR:

I read with interest the different things we have to be proud of in Big Spring. There are so many diversified, interesting activities to be thankful for. As an older person with disabilities, I cannot attend the various functions, but I'm so happy for those who can.

One of the things I'm very grateful for is our Veterans Hospital, which serves our community and many, many, other counties so efficiently. My husband passed away in the V.A. hospital three years ago. Prior to that, for several years, it was his "home away from home." In fact, I was in and out of the hospital so often during this time, it almost seemed like a second home to me; so I had occasion to know that both the management and the staff are very caring of our veterans. They truly make a difference in the lives of many.

To me, Big Spring is a cultural, caring, God-fearing community. When extra efforts are needed for worthy causes, the people join together in a circle of love, and these efforts are accomplished.

Please join me in prayer that God will permit us to keep the V. A. hospital in Big Spring always — standing tall!

DOROTHY MCCAULEY
Big Spring

Silence, Lord's Prayer, rain — on same night

Have you ever wondered how we all fit together in the scheme of things? I mean, really sat down and pondered the possibilities?

To me, there was an interesting combination of events Friday night — beginning with the praying of The Lord's Prayer before the football game and, about midnight, ending with the last of the raindrops that fell.

In reality, the rain didn't do a lot of good for the crops and really didn't cover that large of an area but it was a lot like chicken soup in that it made us feel better.

Earlier in the day Friday, staff writer Marsha Sturdivant and I talked about the fact kids have always been rebellious — some to a greater degree than others.

Since she and I both grew up in the 60s — me a few years ahead of her — we talk about those days, as well as those of the early 1970s.

She reflected that in light of those days, often portrayed as the days of drugs and sex, wouldn't it be something if the rebellion inside today's youth was to push our country back to where it seemed to once again be on its axis?

"Just think," she said. "Instead of tearing something up or getting involved in something dangerous or bad, today's kids could be leading a rebellion to take our country back to one that truly is Christ-led."

And it's that thought that takes me to Friday night, where adults joined youngsters in handing out fliers with the words of the Lord's Prayer on them — asking those attending the game to join in the praying of the Lord's Prayer when it was time to take our 30 seconds of silence.

Is that all those who would deny us our rights give us? Just 30 seconds?

I wouldn't want to impose my thoughts and beliefs on someone if they didn't want me to, so right now, if you don't like what I'm writing and you're

reading ... QUIT!

After all, if we don't like a television program, we don't watch. If we don't like the choice of candidates, we don't vote. If we don't like the food that's served on the buffet, we don't eat.

But if we don't like the fact the vast majority wants to pray, instead of simply standing there and not participating — or even praying to the supreme being of our beliefs — we sue.

Those who believe in a supreme being have a vision of that individual in their mind, whether it be the Jesus we Christians grew up with long, brown hair or a Buddha or whomever.

But instead of pausing to ask the God of our beliefs to watch over the players and keep everyone safe, we sue and say it's not OK for anyone.

But you know, while there was no prayer over the public address system Friday night, there were a whole lot of hearts opened to God — asking him to watch over the participants and spectators alike ... to keep them safe and to get us through this trial, just like he has done so many times before.

Despite my background as the great-great-grandson of the first Methodist circuit rider in Mississippi, my journey on this path has been a short one — and maybe that's why I marvel so and some of the things I see.

To me, God placed a roadblock in our path. One that, depending on how we reacted, would either stop us, force us to take a detour on our journey or do something he wouldn't want.

To simply cave in and do nothing would be to give up ... to pray and violate the law would teach our children the wrong thing and would break God's law as well ... but to use that 30 seconds to pray the Lord's Prayer meant that we thought about our problem and came up with an answer that still allows us to raise our voices in unison to the Lord while he shows us ways to take back our land.

And when it was all over with, wasn't that rain wonderful?

It was like the Lord reminding us that when we put our faith in him, he takes care of us.

(John H. Walker is editor of the Herald.)



JOHN H. WALKER



Springer: Relief or disappointment?

By THOMAS TASCHINGER
Beaumont Enterprise

Should we be relieved or disappointed?

Jerry Springer has decided not to run for the U.S. Senate. That's right folks; the Sultan of Schlock will not be throwing his hand-held mike into the ring. Ohio Democrats, desperately searching for someone — anyone — to stop Sen. Mike DeWine from skating to another six-year term, will have to find another dark horse. (As Ohio Republicans quipped earlier, "Wasn't Howard Stern available?")

But for one brief shining moment, Jerry's fans could dream. For once the drag queens, transvestite biker preachers and pre-teen junkies thought they might have someone who would represent their, um, interests.

But as with a promo during sweeps week that doesn't quite deliver, Springer let everyone down. After letting this trial balloon float for a few days, he shot it down like a proposal to add boring economic forecasts to his raunchy gabfest.

Although intrigued by the idea, Springer said it was 'impractical if not impossible for me to make a run for the Senate at this time.' Instead the self-described Ringmaster will concentrate on a new late-night talk show that will debut in, of all places, England.

Of course in an earlier, sim-

pler time, the notion of Springer running for the Senate wouldn't have been taken seriously. But as we all know, that was then and this is now. The celebrity culture has been transformed from a slice of pop culture to its dominant force. And not only does this tail wag the dog, it does so with celebs who are increasingly bizarre and self-destructive.

Ru Paul, Tracy Lords, Dennis Rodman, Andy Dick, et al have formed a 24/7 parade of freaks and geeks oozing into mainstream America. The line between fame and infamy has virtually disappeared, and about all that matters is the level of notoriety one can achieve. Once you pass that magic threshold — usually when you are identified by first name only (Roseanne, O.J., Monica) — you are eligible for previously respectable roles as talk-show guest, fundraiser ... and now politician.

Fifteen months ago Jesse Ventura was an ex-wrestler dimly recalled for his nickname and a few minor roles in cartoonish 'action films.' When he ran for governor in the extremely cold state of Minnesota, he seemed little more than comic relief.

But of course Jesse won the three-man bout — and not because many residents of that frozen tundra actually wanted him meddling with their taxes and legislature. Most folks who voted for him probably did so on a lark, bored with the two

establishment candidates ('Dull and Duller') and prepared to joke over the next four years, 'Hey, don't blame me for Gov. (Establishment Candidate). I voted for the Bod.'

That's why some Ohio Democrats flirted with a talk-show host; name-recognition. It doesn't matter that Springer panders to the lowest strata of an icky medium. In the millennial culture, he's got game, and after Jesse's stunner, the long shot might not have been so long.

Of course Ohio still has a few fuddy-duddies who stand on principle and honor. But this dwindling band probably couldn't have kept Jerry from getting the nomination if he wanted it any more than they could keep Marv Albert from resuming his lucrative career.

Still, in a quaint sort of way it was touching to see Congressman Ted Strickland condemn Springer by saying, 'He hurts people. He abuses damaged, vulnerable people for his own purposes. I think what he does with his TV show is despicable.'

Strong words indeed, and doubly noteworthy from a fellow Democrat.

Sen. Springer? Why not? In a way, it might have been cathartic for him and Steve Forbes and a few other bozos to win next year. Sometimes you can't recover until you hit rock bottom, and maybe that's the bitter medicine our body politic needs.

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Investigators to review filmmakers tapes of 1993 Waco standoff

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. (AP) — Investigators are reviewing footage obtained by a Fort Collins filmmaker to see if it shows U.S. armed forces firing into David Koresh's compound at the close of the Waco standoff, a U.S. congressman said Friday.

Filmmaker Mike McNulty said he obtained the infrared film, taken by an FBI surveillance aircraft at about 9,000 feet, through the Freedom of Information Act.

"We have those tapes and have given them to two experts to analyze," Rep. Dan Burton, chairman of the House Government Reform Committee, said Friday. "Two separate entities are looking at them frame-by-frame."

Burton's committee is investigating the Waco siege. He refused to disclose Friday what agencies or individuals are reviewing the film.

McNulty said his footage indicates that the Army's secretive Delta Forces fired at least 60 rounds into Koresh's compound 51 days after the siege started on Feb. 28, 1993.

On Friday, McNulty showed participants at the Republicans' annual "The Weekend" retreat a preview of the grainy black-and-white film that captures flash anomalies outside the building at around 11:24 a.m.

The clips will appear in MGA

Films' "Waco: A New Revelation," due out later this month.

A tank is seen driving up to the compound and two figures rolling out. Three quick flashes follow. Several other light bursts, all in quick succession, were shown further away from the Davidian's building.

"Do we have footage that you can see a guy, identify his face, and see him shooting into the building?" asked McNulty. "No. What we do have is a collection of evidence that the Delta Forces were operational and pulling triggers."

Heat signatures picked up by the camera also indicate that Davidians were shooting back, McNulty said.

Pentagon officials have said three Army special forces officers were at the scene, but were there only as observers.

Congress reviewed versions of the tape in July 1995 — which McNulty said were of lesser quality than his footage — but a gaudy that the flashes were the reflection of sunlight off a bright shiny surface.

McNulty said he and others dispute that theory in his film.

"We have to look at these tapes very thoroughly," said Burton. "We're not going to go off half-cocked, we have to be pretty certain before we say anything."

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rules is the military allowed to participate in domestic law enforcement operations.

If it turns out that military forces did open fire without proper authorization, "then those who did it will and should be prosecuted," said Burton.

The FBI revealed last week

that "a very limited number" of incendiary tear gas grenades were fired at a bunker in the Waco compound. The revelation contradicted previous claims that no pyrotechnic devices were used in the effort to end the siege.

Burton said this week that his

Judge orders government to hand over Waco evidence

WACO (AP) — A federal judge has ordered government lawyers to submit all evidence from the 1993 federal raid on the Branch Davidian religious cult's compound at Waco or face contempt charges.

The order was issued by Judge Walter Smith of Waco in response to a Justice Department motion this week challenging Smith's authority to take control of the evidence. Smith is scheduled next month to begin hearing a wrongful death lawsuit filed against the government by cult members who survived the raid.

Branch Davidian leader David Koresh and about 80 of his followers died in the 51-day standoff with federal law enforcement officers and subsequent fire at their Mount Carmel compound.

In his order, Smith expressed hope that gathering the evidence in one place will deflect suspicions of "a massive cover-

up" of what happened at the compound.

"The court's purpose is to secure the evidence so that neither the parties to the pending civil litigation, the media or the public will perceive that the government may have the opportunity to conceal, alter or fail to reveal evidence," Smith wrote.

Earlier this summer, the Texas Department of Public Safety had requested that Smith take control of the portion of Waco evidence it was holding since the Justice Department asked the Texas Rangers to investigate the raid.

DPS spokesman Mike Cox on Friday applauded Smith's order. He said his agency has been eager to hand over the evidence it had collected but then denied the proper authority to control.

"We've never really had anything but the storage rights to it, but that problem has been

committee is subpoenaing members of the Delta Force who may have been in the Waco area and a CIA agent who supposedly has spoken to Delta Force members about their possible involvement in the siege.

"Every bit of evidence is extremely important," said

Burton of McNulty's film.

McNulty's 1997 film, "Waco: Rules of Engagement," is based on grainy, black and white videotape recorded by an FBI surveillance aircraft circling over the compound. It was nominated for an Oscar in 1998 for Best Documentary Feature.

solved with the judge's order," Cox said. He refused to elaborate further.

Texas law officers have said they thought DPS was being used by the federal government to keep evidence from public scrutiny.

Smith said U.S. Attorney Bill Blagg, whose jurisdiction includes Waco, must appear before him Oct. 1 to explain why the government should not be held in contempt if it doesn't comply with his order.

Blagg did not return return calls made by The Associated Press on Friday seeking comment.

The Justice Department contends gathering, copying and transferring the evidence would be "an unwarranted and substantial burden" on the government.

Attorney General Janet Reno is seeking an outsider to head an independent inquiry into the siege in the wake of reports that

the FBI used incendiary devices. The FBI had previously denied such devices were used.

At a news conference Friday in Washington, Ms. Reno said she'll find a person who is free of "conflicts of interest and will be well-received" to head an independent investigation of the Davidian case.

In her first confirmation of the new information, Ms. Reno acknowledged that she had been misled about the nature of weapons used the day of the Mount Carmel fire. But she said all the evidence she has seen supports the view that federal agents did not start the fire.

Mike Caddell, a lawyer representing the Davidians in the wrongful death lawsuit, said "it's clear that the Justice Department and the FBI are not trustworthy custodians of the evidence."

The department is considering an appeal of the order.

Weatherman says to plan ahead for tornadoes

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — A carefully laid plan can help people make life-or-death decisions when seconds count in a tornado outbreak, a meteorologist says.

Rick Smith of the National Weather Service's Southern Region headquarters in Fort Worth said families should identify the safest places in their homes.

If there's a basement, Smith said families should identify the space with the greatest structural protection.

Without a basement, Smith recommended the strongest room in the lowest floor of the house: a small interior room

without windows, or an interior closet.

During tornado season, families should stock these areas with pillows, blankets, flashlights and battery-powered radios and TVs, he said.

Smith made his comments in connection with a weather service report examining the agency's performance in the May 3 tornado outbreak that killed 44 people in Oklahoma and six in Kansas.

That outbreak produced numerous tornadoes, including one in the Oklahoma City area with wind speeds clocked at 318 mph — the highest wind speed ever recorded.

Although the weather service has long recommended against leaving home to avoid tornadoes, the report said many Oklahoma City residents survived by driving away from the storm's path because of advance warning.

Television meteorologists warned that the storm was so violent that no one above ground was safe.

But the chances of surviving an average tornado are good and the weather service said people shouldn't base their disaster plans on storms such as the one May 3.

"That's what's so hard about this," said Smith. "There's no

hard and fast rules."

The report also said the weather service should update its tornado safety brochures to warn against taking shelter from the storms under overpasses.

The report cited two deaths and numerous serious injuries from people who hid beneath highway overpasses.

While there are no absolutes short of hiding underground, Smith said an overpass is the last place he would go.

He also said ledges beneath bridge decking of many overpasses may expose people to higher wind speeds than they would encounter in a ditch.

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AG John Cornyn withdraws Dan Morales' Hopwood decision

AUSTIN (AP) — Attorney General John Cornyn on Friday withdrew his predecessor's legal opinion that directed Texas colleges to adopt race-neutral policies for admissions, financial aid and scholarships.

Dan Morales' 1997 opinion reached broad conclusions at a time when a federal appeals court ruling on the issue still is under appeal, Cornyn said in a legal opinion of his own.

"We caution that the law concerning the consideration of race in higher education programs is in flux and is likely to remain so in the near future," said Cornyn, a Republican.

Several officials said the impact of Cornyn's action wasn't immediately clear.

Cornyn's opinion was in response to a request by Texas lawmakers who criticized Democrat Morales' interpretation of the 1996 ruling by the U.S. 5th Circuit Court of Appeals.

That court threw out the University of Texas School of Laws' affirmative action admissions policies. Morales, a Democrat, interpreted the ruling to apply to scholarships and financial aid as well as admissions.

Following Morales' ruling, the

UT system and most other state universities in Texas stopped using affirmative action scholarships and financial aid. Many blamed that for a subsequent drop in minority enrollment across the state.

Contending that only the U.S. Supreme Court can "resolve these sensitive issues with any degree of certainty," Cornyn pulled down Morales' legal opinion, which considered to hold the weight of law.

"Absent clear guidance from the high court, we think it inadvisable to reach broad conclusions on what may or may not be permitted under Hopwood on

matters other than admissions," Cornyn said.

Colleges that have changed their policies to comply with Morales' directives should not change again, Cornyn said. They should wait for a final court decision before considering changes in the use of race for financial aid, he said.

"Otherwise, universities open themselves up to additional lawsuits or a court ruling that may not stand the test of time," Cornyn said.

The University of Texas Board of Regents has asked the U.S. 5th Circuit Court of Appeals of New Orleans to

reconsider the decision that led to the ban of affirmative-action policies.

"We deeply appreciate the attorney general's efforts on behalf of the University of Texas and of all Texas higher education," said UT Chancellor William Cunningham.

The so-called Hopwood ruling, named for one of the plaintiffs, came in a lawsuit by four white applicants against the UT law school's old affirmative-action admissions policy.

The appeals court ruled that the policy discriminated against whites; the U.S. Supreme Court let the ruling stand.

Although only three judges sat on the 5th Circuit panel that issued the ruling, nine members of the 16-judge court would have to agree to reconsider it.

On Friday, Cornyn said he hopes the 5th Circuit will "give some additional guidance and clarification in this area of the law."

mean we can go back to time when we could? Or does he mean we should stand pat and wait for the court opinion? To be honest with you I can't tell which it is.

"I hope the interpretation is that we may use race to enhance diversity and to award scholarships. The wording still leaves some doubt in my mind," Newton said.

Because fall semesters have already started, school officials have time to question Cornyn, Newton added.

State universities are likely to discuss the ruling with their in-house attorneys before deciding whether to revamp recruiting policies, he said.

"Students are by and large not recruited until spring. We're talking about next year's admissions. Between now and then I'm sure there will be ample opportunity to flesh this out," Newton said.

State Sen. Carlos Truan, D-Corpus Christi, said he hoped Cornyn was opening the door to increased financial aid.

"The opinion of Morales was devastating to minorities in this state. If we can allow financial assistance to those students, it would be very good," Truan said.

Farmers, legislators and business owners meet in Lubbock to discuss rural unity

By CHRIS NEWTON
Associated Press Writer

LUBBOCK — Idalou banker Mike Mauldin remembers when times were good for farmers in Texas.

Most of the farmers that Security Bank lent to in the 1960s were in their late 20s to early 30s and nearly all of them came from families that had built generations of good credit by paying off their loans early.

Now Mauldin says he can't remember the last time he met a young man or woman who wanted to be a farmer. He says Security Bank's average farm loan applicant was between 57 and 62 last year.

"At this rate, their won't be a farm industry in 10 years," Mauldin said. "I grew up in a

time when my parents told me that if you worked hard and were honest you could make a living farming. That isn't true in agriculture anymore."

Mauldin, West Texas farmers and legislators shared their concerns Friday about the future of the farming industry at an event called Rural Unity Day. The event, held at Hens and Fins Restaurant in Lubbock, was sponsored by the Texas Farmers Union.

For most, it was a time for many to reflect on the fortunes and misfortunes of the last several years.

Wes Sims, president of the Texas Farmers Union, warned that entire communities could dissipate if farmers don't receive federal aid soon.

"Producers are being liquidat-

ed because bankers are becoming concerned with lack of return as a result of record-low commodity prices," said Sims, a Sweetwater farmer and rancher. "Farmers who have worked a lifetime have now reached the point where they must sell everything they own to hopefully break even and owe no debt to creditors or the government."

Sims said the \$7.4 billion agriculture aid package recently passed by the Senate was less than half of what farmers across the nation would need to make it through the year.

Legislators echoed his comments.

"We've got to give farmers the chance to make money if they are successful," said Sen. Paul Wellstone, D-Minnesota. "Right now, you can have a

good crop and still make no money. Until we change that, we're going to continue to see the sons and daughters of farmers head to greener pastures."

The group of farmers began by eating a lunch that was priced to match the estimated amount of money farmers and ranchers receive for their goods.

A plate of chicken cost 12 cents, cole slaw cost 3 cents, bread cost .004 cents, beans were 1.8 cents and potatoes were 2 cents.

"People may be paying a lot for chicken by the time they eat it at a fancy restaurant, but we're not seeing any of that money out on the farm," said Slaton farmer Rich Hamilton. "That just doesn't seem right. That is what today is all about."

Gov. Bush names new state funeral commission

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. George W. Bush appointed a new Texas Funeral Service Commission on Friday, following a new law restructuring the troubled panel that has been involved in a whistleblower lawsuit.

The agency's former executive director, Eliza May, contends in her lawsuit that she was fired after investigating Houston-based Service Corp. International, a company that donated some \$45,000 to Bush's gubernatorial campaigns.

Bush, the GOP presidential front-runner, isn't a defendant in the suit. On Monday a judge said he didn't have to respond to a subpoena from Ms. May's lawyers, who sought to question him.

Ms. May was ousted in February, and the commission's day to day operations currently are being overseen by the state comptroller's office.

Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander said her staff found a backlog at the agency of both consumer complaints and applications from funeral service providers.

"The (new) board members are tentatively planning a meeting in early September, and we hope to have our work done shortly after that meeting," said Mark Sanders, spokesman for Ms. Rylander.

Bush named six members to the new commission governing board that will oversee the funeral regulatory agency. Both industry representatives — John C. Taylor King of Austin and Jim C. Wright of Wheeler — had been on the old panel.

The new funeral panel will be headed by Austin lawyer Harry M. Whittington. He previously served on the Texas Board of Corrections, which ran the state's prisons, and he chaired the Texas Public Finance Authority Board.

"The governor's office was looking for people with public service experience, management expertise and integrity," said Bush spokesman Ray Sullivan.

"The two funeral industry representatives were on the commission before, and they were the members with the

most public service experience," Sullivan said.

The old, nine-member governing board included four commissioners who were required to be licensed embalmers or funeral directors and five members of the general public. On the new board, four members are from the public and two are from the industry.

Neither King nor Wright are affiliated with an SCI-owned funeral home.

Bush has said he knows nothing about the firing of Ms. May, once treasurer of the Texas Democratic Party, or the investigation into embalming practices of SCI, owner of some 3,700 funeral homes.

The SCI investigation resulted in recommended fines of \$445,000. SCI is fighting the fines, saying regulators misinterpreted state embalming law.

Ms. May is suing the funeral commission, SCI and SCI chief Robert Waltrip. The lawsuit contends she was fired nine months after being called into the office of Joe Allbaugh, Bush's executive assistant, and

asked to explain inspections on April 10, 1998, at two SCI affiliates. Allbaugh now manages Bush's presidential campaign.

In addition to Whittington, the other public members appointed Friday are: Frank W. Marsh of Hunt, an accountant and business consultant; Martha J. Rhymes of White Oak, president of a business development company; and T. Roy Green of Arlington, 18 who has served on the Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse.

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Dennis returns to cramp Labor Day tourism along N.C. coast

NAGS HEAD, N.C. (AP) — Hurricane warnings were posted for much of the already battered North Carolina coast today as Tropical Storm Dennis strengthened slightly and headed for land.

After meandering along the coast for a week, Dennis was expected to finally come ashore tonight near Morehead City, with a chance it might build up to hurricane strength, meteorologists said Saturday.

People along the shore were keeping a watch on the returning storm, said commercial fisherman Jonathan Robinson in the tiny fishing village of Stacy, northeast of Morehead City.

"We put our boats in the harbor down here last Saturday and we ain't got 'em out yet," he said.

Along with heavy surf that has damaged beaches and dunes, the storm has ruined the

holiday weekend tourist trade. "It's not the Labor Day weekend we'd hoped for," Keith Brightbell said Friday from his shirt shop here. "Business was so good in June because of the lighthouse move, it balanced out the loss of Labor Day."

Thousands of tourists had been drawn to the Outer Banks this summer to see the Cape Hatteras Lighthouse being moved a half mile from the beach to protect it from erosion.

Last weekend, then-Hurricane Dennis sideswiped the coast without ever coming ashore. It dumped up to 8 inches of rain and dished out 20-foot waves and 100 mph wind before heading out to sea. But it soon began backtracking.

At 11 a.m. EDT Saturday, the storm was centered about 80 miles south of Cape Hatteras, and its top sustained wind had accelerated to 65 mph, the

National Weather Service said. There was a chance it could grow back up to hurricane strength of at least 74 mph before hitting land. It was moving northwest at about 9 mph.

A hurricane warning was in effect along much of the North Carolina coast from the Virginia state line to Surf City, and a tropical storm warning extended northward along the

Virginia coast to Chincoteague. Vacationers and residents alike are tired of the 11-day-old storm.

"We just want to go home," said Pete Wilcox, as he sat at a roadblock in Nags Head on Friday, trying to reach his home in Rodanthe, on Hatteras Island. "I've been out of work a week, and don't need that."

On the island, where surf

chewed up the main north-south highway and choked it with sand, four-wheel-drive traffic was allowed again Friday. A half-mile of the roadway remains impassable north of Buxton, where the lighthouse is located.

Few motels and campgrounds, normally teeming this weekend, were open at midday Friday. Many of the thousands of vaca-

tioners who pack the Outer Banks in summer were gone, and traffic was light on roads.

"Normally we would be full for all three days," said Nancy Newins, manager of Lucille's Motel in Carolina Beach, where fewer than half the rooms were booked. "We're hoping the storm goes away, and everybody sees it on the news and hurries back."

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Space shuttle flights on hold because of damaged wiring

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — Space shuttle flights are off until at least mid-October because of a startling amount of damaged wiring discovered throughout the fleet.

An exposed wire caused a short circuit that knocked out two engine computers during the launch of the shuttle Columbia in July. Similar flaws later were uncovered elsewhere on Columbia and in the wiring on Endeavour and Discovery.

"It is a serious situation," shuttle program manager Ron Dittemore said Thursday. "We are not going to fly again until we understand what we have and get it fixed."

As of late this week, technicians had discovered 38 spots with exposed wiring in Endeavour and 26 in Discovery, and even more places where the wires need to be reinforced with tubes and Teflon wrapping "to bulletproof it the best we can," Dittemore said.

A quick check of Atlantis turned up one suspect wire.

Endeavour should have gone up in mid-September with radar equipment to map Earth's surface, Discovery in mid-October with crucial replacement parts for the Hubble Space Telescope.

The delays are making this the leanest year for shuttle launches since 1988, when flights resumed following the Challenger disaster. With only two more launches scheduled by year's end, there could be just four in 1999.

The trouble began July 23, when a short circuit five seconds into Columbia's launch knocked out computers for two of the shuttle's three main engines. Because each engine has two computers and only one is needed, Columbia made it to orbit with five astronauts and the powerful Chandra X-ray Observatory.

It was believed to be the first time in 95 shuttle missions that a short circuit

occurred during liftoff, by far the most dangerous part of the flight. If an engine had shut down, the shuttle would have had to attempt an unprecedented emergency landing in Florida or in Africa.

Because Columbia was still in the atmosphere — and not in the vacuum of space — when the short happened in the cargo bay, sparks could have ignited.

But shuttle circuit breakers are much more sensitive than those in a home or even on a plane; they immediately pop when a short occurs, halting the flow of electricity. That's what happened aboard Columbia.

The half-second short was caused by an exposed wire that had lost its insulation in one spot, allowing the wire to come in contact with a rough screw.

Workers evidently had stepped on the wire or brushed a tool or work platform against it. It's possible the damage was there since Columbia's first flight in 1981; the wiring is original.

At first, NASA thought the exposed wire in its oldest shuttle was unique and perhaps the result of age. But technicians found another flawed wire on the opposite side of the cargo bay.

As a precaution, NASA ordered inspections of the wiring in its three other shuttles.

The inspections will take at least another few weeks. Each shuttle has 200 miles of wiring; half of it is being checked, the half where workers are most likely to have damaged it.

NASA has yet to decide which mission will go first once flights resume.

"I've told the folks that I don't want you worrying about launch dates," Dittemore said. "I want your heads down in the foxhole fixing these wires."

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New Mexico inmates shipped to Virginia after fatal uprising

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) — Four days after a guard was stabbed to death during an uprising at a privately run prison, 109 inmates were shifted to a high-security state prison in Virginia.

Such a move had been threatened previously by Gov. Gary Johnson after other recent violence at three private prisons in the state.

The new Wailens Ridge Correctional Facility, a state

prison in Big Stone Gap, Va., was chosen because it is designed to hold the most dangerous of inmates.

"Given the history and destructive nature of these inmates, I think it's important to send them a message that if you mess with the bull, you're going to get the horns," said Rob Perry, New Mexico's corrections secretary.

The inmates were transferred Friday from the medium-security

Guadalupe County Correctional Facility, where prisoners angry about a lockdown took over common living areas for three hours Tuesday before authorities regained control. A guard was fatally stabbed and an inmate was wounded in a stabbing.

The prisoners believed to have taken part in killing the guard were sent to a maximum-security area of a state prison in New Mexico. Others believed to

have taken part in the uprising were transferred to Virginia.

The Guadalupe County prison is operated by Florida-based Wackenhut Corrections Corp. Perry said the transfer also was a warning to Wackenhut to improve its management.

"I think it's important to send a message to all of the parties involved," he said. "The state of New Mexico's not going to tolerate prison violence, homicide and riots, and this is the

response."

Four inmates and a guard have died in Wackenhut-run prisons in New Mexico in the past nine months. In addition, two guards were injured in a disturbance Aug. 17 at a prison run by Corrections Corporation of America.

Wackenhut's Pat Cannan said company officials are "concentrating our efforts to bringing the situation under control" at their two New Mexico prisons.

The four inmate killings are more than all of New Mexico's state-run prisons have had in any single year since 1985. The killing of the guard was the first in New Mexico since 1987.

New Mexico houses about a third of its nearly 5,200 male inmates at privately operated prisons.

The state is paying Virginia \$64 a day to house each of the transferred inmates.

Work continues against blaze in Southern California mountains

BIG BEAR LAKE, Calif. (AP) — Brent Smyth has spent the last few days battling a 63,375-acre blaze in the rugged San Bernardino Mountains — a gritty job of hacking and shoveling that could be undone by a breeze.

But Smyth isn't complaining — he actually seems to enjoy the arduous task.

"A lot of outdoor enthusiasts are drawn to this type of work," said the 21-year-old, who has been fighting fires around the country nonstop since April. "You have to love camping in the woods and hiking all day."

Smyth is one of 2,100 firefighters from across the country drawn to this popular

resort town to fight the blaze, which began Aug. 28 and is now 70 percent contained. One firefighter suffered a minor injury Friday, bringing the total injured to 10. The tab for fighting the blaze has topped \$8.1 million.

By the end of Friday, firefighters had made 63 miles of fire line, with about seven miles to go before the blaze would be surrounded. The so-called Willow fire was one of seven large fires burning in California.

Most of the other wildfires burning out West are contained.

Residents of near the region 90 miles east of Los Angeles were depending on

firefighters to keep flames away from towns through the lucrative Labor Day weekend. Wind on Friday swept smoke into Big Bear, where some people covered their faces with bandanas to protect against ash.

Crews have turned a ski resort into a mini-city by making it their headquarters. Hundreds of silver-colored dome tents dotted the grass-covered ski slopes while, inside the resort, fire officials labored over logistics.

By day, crews shovel dirt and chop away at smoldering tree trunks, pausing to pick soot from their teeth and wipe sweat from their brows. At night, they

wait in long lines for food, then crawl into sleeping bags and shiver in 30-degree temperatures.

Ground crews work ahead of wildfires, clearing areas with bulldozers or by hand, burning off the adjacent vegetation and then repeating the process. If the wildfire crosses the line, the crew has to start all over.

"Fire gets the old adrenaline going," said Mike Witte, 38, a Bureau of Land Management bulldozer operator from Medford, Ore. "You get done with the day and you feel like you've done something, like you've accomplished something."

'Junior' Gotti gets 6 1/2 years for racketeering

WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. (AP) — Saying he was ready to "take my medicine," John A. "Junior" Gotti was sentenced Friday to nearly 6 1/2 years for racketeering and other mob crimes in the years since he replaced his father atop the Gambino crime family.

Gotti, 35, received 10 months less than the maximum sentence of 87 months, or just over seven years. Wearing a dark suit and glasses, Gotti remained calm during the 70-minute hearing before U.S. District Judge Barrington Parker.

Gotti spoke briefly before sentencing, telling the judge: "I'm a man's man. I'm here to take my medicine." Parker gave Gotti until Oct. 18 to surrender and begin his prison term.

Authorities said Gotti took over control of the once-mighty Gambino family after his father, "Dapper Don" John J. Gotti, was sentenced to life imprisonment in 1992.

"Junior" Gotti pleaded guilty in April to charges of bribery, extortion, gambling and fraud. He also pleaded guilty to tax and loansharking charges that

were looming in Brooklyn. Parker, pointing out that the elder Gotti had spent time in jail while his son was growing up, seemed perplexed by the son's decision to repeat his father's mistakes.

"You know the toll that kind of behavior took on the family and children," Parker told him. "Yet the pattern, for reasons I'm unable to fathom, is duplicated."

Gotti and his wife have four children, and she is pregnant with their fifth child.

Prosecutors claimed Gotti had inherited a leadership position in the Gambino family when his father was imprisoned for life on a 1992 racketeering conviction that included five murders.

If convicted at trial, the younger Gotti faced up to 15 years and millions of dollars in fines.

Instead, the night before the start of his April trial, he accepted the plea offer. The government asked for the maximum sentence.

"Gotti's pattern of criminal activity is sprawling and

reflects a willingness on his part to corrupt all aspects of life," prosecutors wrote in a pre-sentencing letter to Parker.

They added they would have proven that "the racketeering enterprise of which Gotti was a high-ranking member for almost a decade was the Gambino Family of La Cosa Nostra."

Attached to the letter were excerpts of comments by John J. Gotti when he learned, in prison, of his son's indictment. Infuriated by the carelessness that allowed agents to find piles of cash and a roster of gangland members, Gotti said his son and co-defendants "should never be sent to jail. They should all be sent to the insane asylum. ... I wanna know what part of this was intelligent."

The elder Gotti was known as the Teflon Don for avoiding conviction in three trials until he was finally convicted in 1992. The racketeering case alleged five murders — including that of his predecessor, Paul Castellano — and relied on the testimony of the Mafia's highest-ranking turncoat, Salvatore

"Sammy the Bull" Gravano.

By contrast, the younger Gotti earned a reputation as a mediocre mob leader — one tabloid dubbed him "Dumbfella." He also drew attention for stunts like as visiting a Toys R Us in Queens after hours to buy the store's stock of hard-to-find Tickle Me Elmo dolls.

The defendant was indicted more than a year ago with 39 other men on mob-related charges, many of them stemming from an alleged extortion scheme at the Manhattan topless club Scores.

He spent eight months at the Westchester County jail before he was released in September to house arrest, which included a guard at his door, a tap on his phone and an electronic bracelet on his ankle.

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Pilot in fatal crash gave no indication of distress

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Deputy Steven Lipinski was one traffic light away when he heard a twin-engine plane hit a shopping mall, clip some power lines, then crash to the ground.

Within 30 seconds, he was at the scene. He was too late.

"I could see nothing but flames inside the cabin," said Lipinski, of the Palm Beach Sheriff's Office. "There were no voices, no screaming to indicate there were any survivors."

All eight aboard perished in the predawn crash Friday, including pilot George Rivera, 47, of Tampa, and the plane's owner, Dr. Constantine Chambers, founder of the Chambers Hair Institute. The company has offices in Florida and Michigan.

Also killed were passengers

Andrea Coolidge, 31; Shawn Meckelburg, 19; Erica Jones, 22; Mindy Marino, 17; Peter Passaris; and Alan Steven Rivera, 19. All six were of Florida and affiliated with Chambers' company.

No one on the ground was injured.

Chambers, who owned the plane, had a student pilot's license. Alan Yurman, an investigator with the National Transportation Safety Board, said it's unknown who was piloting at the time of the crash.

The plane left Pontiac, Mich., late Thursday, where Chambers performed a hair-transplant operation, the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office said. It had landed there Tuesday from Boca Raton with five people aboard, investigators said.

The plane stopped once in

Atlanta en route back to Boca Raton on Friday, they said.

The pilot's voice didn't indicate any trouble when he asked for permission to land at Palm Beach International Airport, Yurman said.

After receiving clearance, the pilot reported he had the airport in his sights. Then, the plane apparently fell into distress.

"Mayday!" someone on the Beechcraft King Air BE-90 cried.

The plane clipped a single-story shopping mall, flipped and twisted, then burst into flames just a half mile from the runway, landing on the chain link fence that borders the airport.

"There was no explanation of what the emergency was," Yurman said after listening to a tape of the final radio contact.

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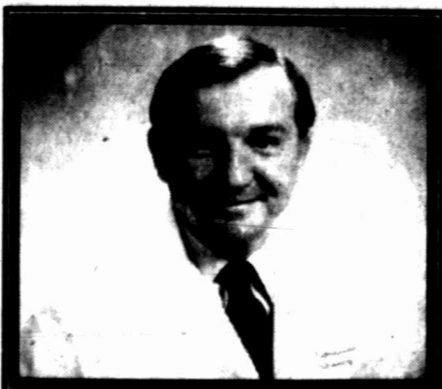
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Syria insists peace talks with Israel must yield Golan Heights

DAMASCUS, Syria (AP) — Syria notified Secretary of State Madeleine Albright Saturday that it would hold peace talks with Israel if it could be assured of recovering the strategic Golan Heights.

Foreign Minister Farouk al-Sharaa indicated Syria expects Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak to accept the conditions. He said Barak was in the mold of the late Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin, who Syria claims had made a commitment to give back the lost land.

"We believe Prime Minister Barak belongs to the school of Rabin and he considers Rabin his mentor and he is going to follow his steps," al-Sharaa said. "We feel he is going to endorse what Rabin did."

Albright arrived here flush with an agreement between

Israel and the Palestinians in which Israel will begin this month relinquishing 11 percent of the West Bank.

Albright said negotiations should be based on the principle of "land-for-peace." But she declined to say whether she agreed with al-Sharaa, who told reporters at a joint news conference "we would like to resume where we left off."

After the Damascus meetings, Albright flew to Beirut, Lebanon, and became the first secretary of state to land at Beirut International Airport since George Shultz in 1983. "It is a signal of our assessment that Lebanon is making significant progress toward normalizing life in Lebanon," a senior official on Albright's plane told reporters.

The secretary of state had

talks scheduled in Beirut with Prime Minister Selim al-Hoss, who also is Lebanon's foreign minister.

The senior U.S. official, speaking on condition he not be identified, said her purpose is to sound out the Lebanese over the possibility of resuming negotiations with Israel, keeping in mind Syria's tremendous influence in Lebanon.

Talks between Israel and Syria broke down three years ago. But Albright sees new

opportunities with Barak.

Waxing poetic, Albright said "the light that came from yesterday's agreement should illuminate the whole region." She then went off to see President Hafez Assad.

Israel backs Albright's diplomatic initiative. Foreign Minister David Levy said Friday in Jerusalem "we would wish this path with Syria would be reopened. This is a time of good will. We should seize it."

When talks broke down three

years ago, Israel was on the verge of giving up the Golan Heights, the high ground around Mount Hermon overlooking northeastern Israel.

"Syria is with peace, and there will be no peace in the Middle East without Syria," the official Tishrin newspaper reported today. "But Syria will not give up one iota of its soil to please Israeli leaders and their expansionist plans."

Most of today's state-run newspapers called on Albright

to take a more active role.

The daily Baath criticized Barak for "seeking to restrict and confine the U.S. role in the peace process to that of an observer."

In her talks with Assad, Albright is expected to raise the issue of four Israelis missing in action in Lebanon. Syria is the main power broker in Lebanon and maintains 30,000 troops in the country.

Albright is scheduled to leave the region today.

U.N. police search for clues to explosions in Kosovo

PRISTINA, Yugoslavia (AP) — British peacekeepers and U.N. police in Kosovo are searching for clues to a pair of late-night explosions that rocked central Pristina, killing one person and injuring five others, including several children.

The first explosion occurred shortly before 11:00 p.m. Friday on the third floor of a five-story apartment building. British peacekeepers believe the explosion occurred outside the door of an elderly Serb's apartment, killing the man.

Five people, including three ethnic Albanian children in an apartment next door, were lightly injured by shattered window glass.

"We believe that one Serb who lived here died and this was a vendetta action," said Lt. Blair Hall of the Royal Irish Regiment.

British peacekeepers and U.N. police and firefighters arrived at the area and cordoned it off following the initial blast.

About 30 minutes later, a second explosion rocked a neighboring building. No injuries were immediately reported.

It was unclear who caused the explosions, but an ethnic Albanian who gave his name only as Shar said the apartment next to the first blast had belonged to a Serb family, but is now inhabited by ethnic Albanians.

Sofije Aliaj, 40, moved to the apartment with her husband and six children a few months ago because their house in the Kosovo countryside was burned during the fighting. She had just put her children to sleep when the first explosion occurred.

"I was in the hallway still doing my housework and I heard the bang. We didn't know what was happening," she said. Three of her children suffered cuts from shards of broken window glass.

Also today, in the southern city of Prizren, an ethnic Albanian man died after he was shot in apartment, NATO reported. German soldiers were investigating.

Another ethnic Albanian man was found injured early today on the main road west of Klina in western Kosovo, the peacekeepers said. The man claimed

five civilians beat him and stole his car.

Since June 12, NATO-led peacekeepers have been working to stabilize the situation in Kosovo. They have come under criticism from Serbs, who accuse them of favoring the province's Albanian majority.

The most recent flashpoint was over 15 bodies found in the American sector of eastern Kosovo. The Serbs were believed to have been killed in late July, several weeks after the peacekeepers entered Kosovo when Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic accepted a U.N.-sanctioned peace agreement.

Serb forensic experts complain they have been denied permission to examine the remains.

The political leader of the Kosovo Liberation Army, Hashim Thaci, has urged an end to revenge-taking against Serbs and urged Kosovo Serbs to return to the province. But his comments were sure to be ignored by Serbs, who blame the KLA for the wave of anti-Serb violence since NATO bombing ended in June.

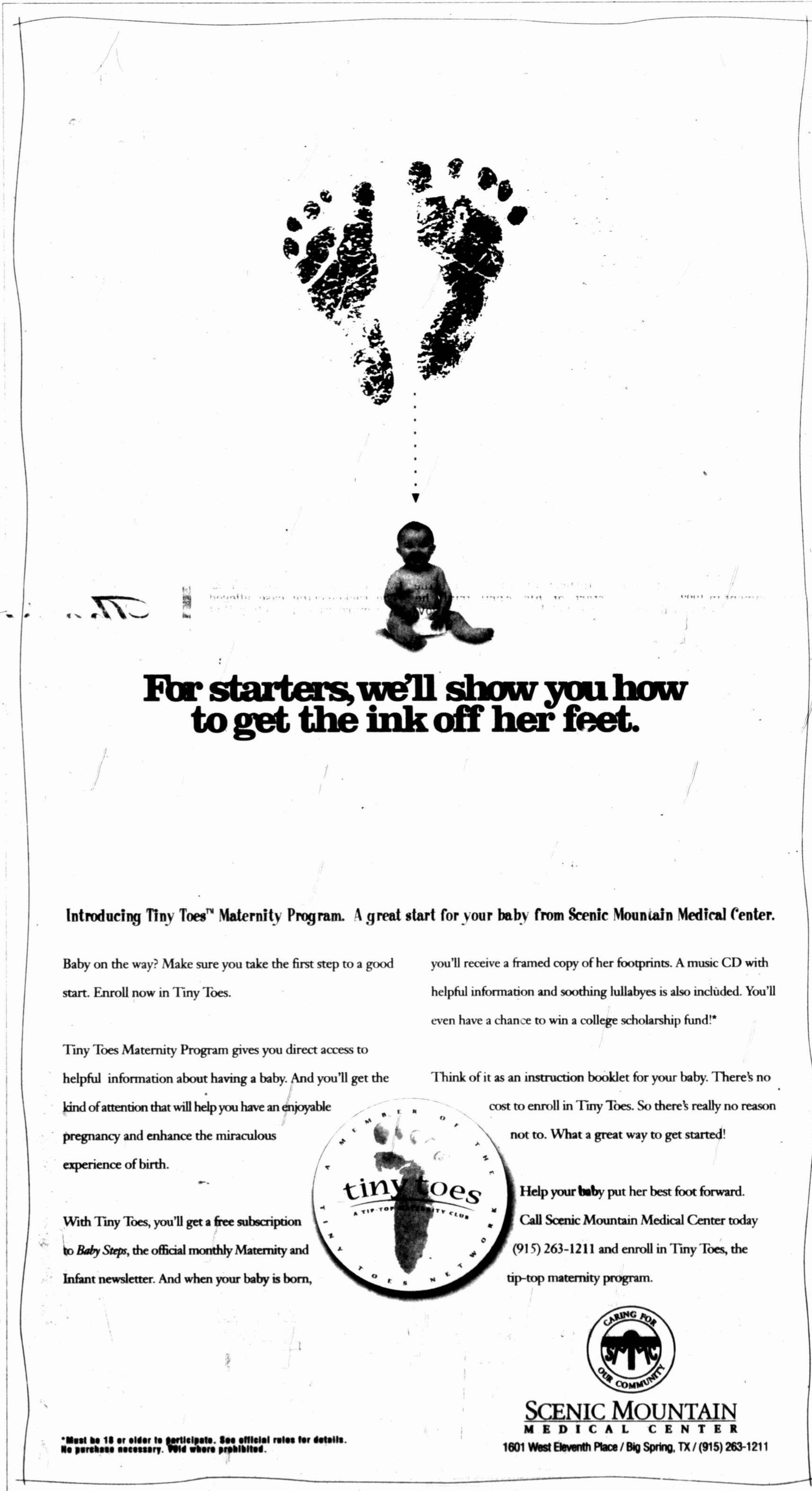
Most of Kosovo's prewar population of 2,000,000 Serbs have fled since then, amid dozens of killings, abductions and other violence directed against them in retaliation for the crackdown against Kosovo Albanians by Serb forces.

Reporting on the situation in Kososka Mitrovica, the tense ethnically divided northern town, the state-run Tanjug news agency said NATO-led peacekeepers had to intervene twice to protect Serbs from ethnic Albanians.

The peacekeepers turned away men in uniforms of the KLA threatening Serb doctors and patients at the town's U.N.-run hospital, said Tanjug.

In the other incident, also Friday, a group of ethnic Albanians chanting inflammatory slogans tried to cross a bridge separating the two ethnic communities to the Serb side, but were prevented by French peacekeepers, who threw up barbed wire and other obstacles on the bridge, said the news agency.

There was no independent confirmation.



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IN BRIEF

Lady Bearkats sixth at cross-country meet

Garden City's Lady Bearkats finished sixth in a field of 11 teams Saturday at the Ector County Independent School District Cross-Country Meet.

Michelle Fuchs led the way for Garden City, finishing second in the individual standings with a 13:39.35 clocking, while teammates Alicia Trevinio and Maggie Lopez added 23rd and 49th places.

In the boys' division, however, the Bearkats had just three entrants. Roger Alvarado finished 19th in the field with a 20:38.17 clocking.

Teammate Justin Crowley finished 33rd, while Allen Tilley was 35th.

Coahoma boosters slate meeting for Monday

The Coahoma Athletic Booster Club will meet at 7 p.m. Monday in the Coahoma Elementary School cafeteria.

A short business meeting will be followed by viewing highlights of the Bulldogs' season opener with Lorenzo.

The public is invited to attend.

Beach volleyball tourney scheduled for Sept. 18

A beach volleyball tournament sponsored by the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce Sports Committee has been scheduled for Sept. 18 at Comanche Trail Park.

Entry fees for the event are \$40 per team. Each team must have at least six players.

Three sand courts will be set up just west of the Dora Roberts Community Center for the tournament.

For more information, call Javier Becerra at 664-9874 or 267-4560.

YMCA inline hockey registration continues

Registration is now under way for the Big Spring Family YMCA's fall inline hockey program.

Boys and girls between the ages of 8 and 17 are eligible to play. No tryouts will be conducted, all children registering will be placed on a team.

Fees for the program are set at \$15 for full YMCA members, \$25 for program members and \$32 for non-members.

A seven-game schedule will begin the week of Sept. 13. Games and practices will be played at Marcy Elementary School.

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

YMCA swim team begins practice for fall season

The Big Spring YMCA swim team has begun practices for its fall season.

Team membership is open to anyone between the ages of 6 and 14 who can swim one length of the pool.

Practices are held from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Monday through Thursday at the YMCA.

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

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MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL
6:40 p.m. — Chicago White Sox at Texas Rangers, KBST-AM 1490.

Television

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Noon — NASCAR Winston Cup Southern 500, ESPN, Ch. 30.
1 p.m. — SCCA Trans-Am, TNN, Ch. 35.
3 p.m. — CART FedEx Molson Vancouver, ABC, Ch. 2 & Ch. 8.
3:30 p.m. — NHRA Big Bud Shootout, TNT, Ch. 35.

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL
7 p.m. — New York Yankees at Anaheim Angels, ESPN, Ch. 30.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL
6:30 p.m. — Arizona at TCU, FXS, Ch. 29.

GOLF
4:30 p.m. — Senior PGA Waterhouse Championship, final round, ESPN, Ch. 30.

TENNIS

10 a.m. — U.S. Open, men's and women's third and fourth rounds, CBS, Ch. 7.
6:30 p.m. — U.S. Open men's and women's fourth rounds, USA, Ch. 38.

Bulldogs open by romping to 49-3 win over Lorenzo



Coahoma's Rickey Richters (17) breaks loose and sets sail for a 28-yard touchdown run in the first quarter of the Bulldogs' 49-3 win over Lorenzo's Hornets.

By RICHARD JACKSON
Herald Correspondent

COAHOMA — The Coahoma Bulldogs' season opener was just about everything new head coach Robert Wood could have hoped for Friday, as the 'Dogs posted a 49-3 win over Lorenzo's Hornets.

From the outset it was clear the Bulldogs had too much talent for the Hornets to handle. In particular, Coahoma had too much of Walt Bordelon for Lorenzo to stop. The senior fullback carried the ball 11 times for 130 yards and two touchdowns, then tacked on five extra-point kicks in leading the Bulldogs to the win.

Senior speedster Mario Garcia took the opening kickoff and returned it 60 yards to the Lorenzo 25, only to see a penalty back the Bulldogs to the Hornet 40-yard line.

Bordelon needed just two plays to cover that distance, however, capping the two-play drive from 15 yards out and

then kicking the extra point for a 7-0 Coahoma lead.

The Bulldogs never looked back. Coahoma's second touchdown was provided by Rickey Richters on a 28-yard burst, giving the Bulldogs a 14-0 lead going into the second quarter.

Garcia then added a 29-yard scoring jaunt in the second quarter, but the Hornets managed to block the extra point, leaving Coahoma with a 20-0 lead.

While the Coahoma offense seemed to be moving the ball at will, the Bulldog defense proved to be stingy all night, allowing the Hornets just 53 yards of rushing and less than 100 yards in total offense.

"I'm really pleased with the way we played both offensively and defensively," Wood said following the lopsided win. "We had way too many penalties, so we'll have to work hard this week to correct that."

Otherwise, the only real mis-

Steers stun Frenship, 28-21

Ford's late 62-yarder difference

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Sports Editor

Perseverance. That proved to be the key for Big Spring's Steers, as they rallied from a 21-14 deficit in the fourth quarter Friday to post a 28-21 win over Frenship's Tigers.

Frustrated almost all night by Frenship's big, veteran defensive line, Big Spring's Colby Ford was forced to wait until less than 30 seconds remained before finally breaking loose.

When he did, however, it stunned everyone in Memorial Stadium.

With the final seconds ticking away, the scored tied at 21-all and the Steers facing a third-and-seven situation at their own 38-yard line, Big Spring head coach Dwight Butler called for a fake reverse, hoping only to get a first down and run out the clock.

But as Ford faked the reverse hand off to flanker Willis Morrison, the Tiger defense refused to bite and the Steers junior tailback saw a wall of blue and white-clad defenders.

The 6-foot, 200 pounder had no choice but reverse course, stepping out of one would-be tackler's give, got a big block from quarterback Lance Brock and set sail down the left sideline 62 yards, scoring the game-winning touchdown with 11.4 seconds left to play.

"See what we told you?" Butler told his team following the win. "That's what happens when you don't ever quit ... never, ever quit!



Big Spring running back Colby Ford (14) breaks into the open and picks up good yardage as Frenship defenders Brad Brunns (12) and John Beauregard (57) try to make the play. Ford rushed for 171 yards on 26 carries and scored the game-winning touchdown in the 28-21 victory.

"We didn't play worth a darn, but the defense kept us in there until the offense got going," he added a few moments later. "Our counter stuff and trap plays weren't working. Our offensive line and Colby were really having to struggle, but everybody kept hanging in there and didn't quit on one another."

Safety Michael Morrison provided the Steers' first touchdown of the game when he intercepted a Trace Vineyard pass and returned it 35 yards, staking Big Spring to a 7-0 lead. Frenship tied the game early in the second quarter, using its massive offensive front to bully its way up the middle. Tailback Jorge Rodriguez did most of the damage, accounting for 38 yards of the drive and capping the march with a nine-yard burst up the middle.

Big Spring was able to counter Frenship's defensive emphasis on stopping Ford just before halftime when Brock hit tight end Blair Nutting on a post pattern that went for 63 yards and a touchdown that gave the Steers a 14-7 lead at intermission. That lead didn't last long, however, as Frenship recovered a Ford fumble on the third play of the second half and then

Buff defense stops Garden City cold in 7-0 Forsan win



Forsan's Brandon Bingham (22) heads into the line after taking a hand off from quarterback Dustin Morgan (11), as Garden City's Jaquin Mier (67) tries to fill the hole during the second half of the Buffs' 7-0 win over the Bearkats.

By TOM RUIZ
Herald Correspondent

FORSAN — Defense ... enough said. A somewhat seasoned Forsan Buffaloes defense repeatedly turned back the very young and determined Garden City Bearkats Friday night to take a 7-0 win in the season opener for both teams.

The win was put in perspective even before the opening kickoff, however, as Buffs coach Roger Hudgins was forced to inform his team that starting tackle Brad Gillihan and junior varsity player Zach Johnson had been injured in a one-car accident prior to the game.

"That just took the wind out of our sails before we could ever get started," Hudgins admitted. "That made it a difficult night, because I think all of us had our minds on those kids to some extent."

Hudgins said Gillihan had suffered a broken leg in the accident and Johnson had broken his arm.

The Buffs nearly stubbed their own toe, however, as untimely turnovers continually thwarted chances for Forsan to expand its lead.

But whenever the Bearkats threatened to score, the Buffs' defense came to the rescue.

In fact, it was a series of back-to-back turnovers that led to the game's lone score. After the Buffs had fumbled the ball inside their own 20, Garden City gave the ball right

back three plays later when quarterback Justin Hilliger was hit as he released the ball.

Forsan's Derek Wash plucked the wounded duck out of the air at the Buffs' 6-yard line to thwart the Bearkat threat.

The Buffs then went on an eight-play, 94-yard scoring march. The workhorse on the drive was Wash, who finished the night with 126 yards rushing on 20 carries.

On the all-important scoring drive, however, Brian Mims and Brandon Bingham helped carry the mail as well.

On the fourth play of the drive, Wash broke open the game's longest run, dashing 36 yards to the Garden City 10.

The young Bearkats did not break easily, however.

Zane Cummings, the lone senior on the Bearkat roster, held sway on his side of the field and the Buffs wisely chose to attack Garden City's less-experienced side. That strategy paid off, as Mims snuck in from one-yard out with 4:08 showing before halftime. Garden City, on the other hand, had its opportunities to score. Once in the first quarter, the Bearkats pounced on a Forsan fumble inside the Buff 30. And in the third quarter, another Forsan fumble allowed

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SPORTS EXTRA

LOCAL BOWLING

WEDNESDAY NITE TRIO

RESULTS: Timeless Design over BSI 8-0, Robertson Body Shop over MGM 2-0, American State Bank split with No Name 4-4, Loan Stars over Big Spring Music 8-0, Slow Starters split with Arrow Refrigeration 4-4, Alley Cats over KC Steakhouse 6-2, Sparkys (unopposed) 6-0; hi sc team game American State Bank 582, Robertson Body Shop 580, Arrow Refrigeration 540, No Name 4-4, American State Bank 1685, Robertson Body Shop 1618, Loans Stars 1550; hi hdp team game No Name 721, American State Bank 710, Loan Stars 704; hi hdp team series No Name 2090, Loan Stars 2984, American State Bank 2009; hi sc game men Jackie Lecroy 241, Mark Rogers 233, Jim Nipp 225; hi sc series men Jackie Lecroy 681, Mark Rogers 603, Jim Nipp 587; hi hdp game men Mark Rogers 287, Jackie Lecroy 276, DeWayne Woodall 267; hi hdp series men Mark Rogers 765, Jackie Lecroy 759, Cameron Clinton 729; hi sc game women Cathy McMurry 210, Patti Hill 206, Kay Hendricks 201; hi sc series women Cathy McMurry 591, Patti Hill 573, Kay Hendricks 507; hi hdp game women Cathy McMurry 266, Kay Hendricks 254, Marilyn Woodall 250; hi hdp series women Cathy McMurry 759, Patti Hill 687, Gerry Hartley 685.

STANDINGS-Loan Stars 8-0, BSI 8-0, Sparkys 6-0, Alley Cats 6-2, Robertson Body Shop 5-2, No Name 4-4, American State Bank 4-4, Slow Starters 4-4, Arrow Refrigeration 4-4, KC Steakhouse 2-6, MGM 2-6, Unopposed Points 2-8, Big Spring Music 0-8, Timeless Design 0-8.

LADIES MAJOR WEEK 1

RESULTS: Monday See Monday Do 8-0, Day & Day Builders 0-8, Campbell Cement Construction 6-2, Rainbow Brite 2-6, Bow-A-Rama 6-2, Perco Car Center 2-6, A&F Farms 2-6, Dream Team 6-2, Pack-Sender 8-0, Big Spring Music 0-8, Barber Glass & Mirror 2-6, Green House Photography 6-2, Neighbors 2-6, Cline Construction 6-2, Wicked Witches of the West 6-2, Team 18 2-6; hi sc team game Big Spring Music 677, Dream Team 670, Cline Construction 651; hi sc team series Dream Team 1941, Big Spring Music 1882, Pack-Sender 1838; hi hdp team game Cline Construction 915, Monday See Monday Do 894, Dream Team 887; hi hdp team series Dream Team 2592, Cline Construction 2540, Monday See Monday Do 2495; hi sc game WIBC Clara Cline 220, Lavonne Brumley 216, Bethany Everett 204; hi sc series WIBC Lavonne Brumley 560, Peggy Drake 544, Clara Cline 518; hi hdp game WIBC Clara Cline 276, Lavonne Brumley 261, Janet D. Long 258; hi hdp series WIBC Lavonne Brumley 695, Peggy Drake 691, Mary Ellis 687.

STANDINGS- Monday See Monday Do 8-0, Pack-Sender 8-0, Dream Team 6-2, Cline Construction 6-2, Bow-A-Rama 6-2, Campbell Cement Construction 6-2, Wicked Witches of the West 6-2, Rocky's 4-4, Something Else 4-4, A&F Farms 2-6, Carl's 2-06, Barber Glass & Mirror 2-6, Neighbors 2-6, Rainbow Brite 2-6, Neighbors Auto Sales 2-6, Big Spring Music 0-8, Day & Day Builders 0-8.

PIN POPPERS WEEK 1

RESULTS: Bowl-A-Rama tied Duze Chicks 4-4, Guys Restaurant over Kuykendall 4-2, Rose Barber Shop over Petty Farms 5-3, Alley Cats over Hair Designs by Randy 6-2, Health Food Store over Perco Car Center 8-0, Hair Designs by Randy 1884, Jose Barber Shop 1798; hi sc team game Hair Designs by Randy 685, Alley Cats 651; hi hdp team series Health Food Store 2357, Alley Cats 2339; hi hdp team game Alley Cats 853, Hair Designs by Randy 823.

STANDINGS-Health Food Store 6-2, Alley Cats 6-2, Guy's Restaurant 6-2, Rose Barber Shop 5-3, Perco Car Center 2-6, Hair Designs by Randy 2-6, Kuykendall 2-6.

PIN POPPERS WEEK 2

RESULTS: Hair Designs by Randy over Kuykendall 6-2, Bowl-A-Rama tied Robbie Barber Shop 6-2, Duze Chicks over Perco Car Center 8-0, Petty Farms tied Health Food Store 4-4, Guy's Restaurant over Alley Cats 6-2; hi sc team series Hair Designs by Randy 1900, Perco Car Center 1678; hi sc team game Hair Designs by Randy 649, Health Food Store 582; hi hdp team series Hair Designs by Randy 2311, Kuykendall 2273; hi hdp team game Hair Designs by Randy 786, Kuykendall 780.

STANDINGS-Duze Chicks 12-4, Guy's Restaurant 12-4, Health Food Store 10-6, Hair Designs by Randy 8-8, Alley Cats 8-8, Petty Farms 7-9, Rose Barber Shop 5-3, Kuykendall 4-2, Bowl-A-Rama 4-4, Perco Car Center 2-14.

WEEKS MAJOR WEEK 1

RESULTS: Bob Brock Ford tied Parks Agency 0-0, Columns Restaurant tied Tri Fuegos 4-4, Team seven tied Mason's Collectibles 0-0; hi sc series Jackie Lecroy 613, Wendel Payne 592, Joe McMurry 588; hi sc game Lou Everett 256, Joe McMurry 219, Gilbert Cisneros 214; hi sc team series Tri Fuegos 2644, Bob Brock Ford 2608, Columns Restaurant 2537; hi sc game Bob Brock Ford 929, Tri Fuegos 929, Team 230; hi hdp series Wendel Payne 706, Jerome Eggleston 699, Bert Hilliger 681; hi hdp game Lou Everett 292, Joe McMurry 252, Gilbert Cisneros 247; hi hdp team series Team six 3210, Columns Restaurant 3173, Tri Fuegos 3351; hi hdp team game Team six

MAJOR LEAGUE STANDINGS

Table with columns: American League, East Division, West Division, National League, East Division, West Division. Rows include teams like New York, Boston, Toronto, Tampa Bay, Cleveland, Chicago, Minnesota, Detroit, Kansas City, Texas, Oakland, Seattle, Anaheim.

Saturday's Games... Late Games Not Included... Today's Games... National League...

Table with columns: American League, East Division, West Division, National League, East Division, West Division. Rows include Atlanta, New York, Philadelphia, Montreal, Florida, Houston, Cincinnati, Pittsburgh, St. Louis, Milwaukee, Chicago.

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NFL PRESEASON

Friday's Games... Saturday's Games... End Preseason... Transactions... Baseball... American League... National League... Houston Rockets... Philadelphia Flyers... Dallas Stars... Phoenix Coyotes... St. Louis Rams... Carolina Panthers... Buffalo Sabres... New York Rangers... Tampa Bay Lightning... Anaheim Ducks... Dallas Stars... Phoenix Coyotes... St. Louis Rams... Carolina Panthers... Buffalo Sabres... New York Rangers... Tampa Bay Lightning... Anaheim Ducks... Dallas Stars... Phoenix Coyotes... St. Louis Rams... Carolina Panthers... Buffalo Sabres... New York Rangers... Tampa Bay Lightning... Anaheim Ducks...



Grady running back Frankie Garza (2) prepares to cut behind the block of teammate Jed Hinojosa, as quarterback Clint Schuelke loses his feet in the backfield during the Wildcats 36-28 loss to Midland Trinity's Chargers.

Mustangs upset by Grandfalls

HERALD Staff Reports... GRANDFALLS — A furious second-half rally by Sands' Mustangs came up just short Friday, as they suffered a 52-47 defeat at the hands of Grandfalls' Cowboys. Ranked No. 3 in the preseason six-man football polls, the Mustangs fell victim as Kevin Rey made his debut as the Cowboys' head coach. Rey guided Trinidad to the six-man state championship in 1998. The Cowboys jumped out to a 14-0 lead on a pair of touchdowns by James Stocks, also got a pair of running scores from quarterback Stephen Phillips. Phillips added four touchdown passes, and covered an outside kick in the waning moments to thwart Sands' bid for a comeback. Quarterback Coby Floyd threw two touchdowns in the Mustangs' bid to rally in the fourth quarter.

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Astros edge Expos in extra innings

MONTREAL (AP) — Jeff Bagwell scored the go-ahead run on Ugueth Urbina's wild pitch in the 10th inning and Derek Bell followed with a two-run homer as the Houston Astros beat the Montreal Expos 5-2 Saturday night. Bagwell hit a two-out double off Urbina (6-6), broke for third on Urbina's 3-1 pitch to Russ Johnson and rounded third as the pitch got away from catcher Chris Widger. Widger threw to Urbina, who couldn't handle the ball as he blocked the plate. With his view of blocked by Urbina, plate umpire Tim Timmons made a safe call well before Bagwell managed to push his foot between Urbina's legs to touch the plate.

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SCHOOLBOY FOOTBALL SCORES

CLASS 5A
Abilene 14, Lubbock Monterey 3
Abilene Cooper 10, Killeen 7
Brownsville Hanna 7, McAllen Mem. 4

How They Fared

Here's how the top 10 teams fared in this week's Associated Press high school football poll:

- Class 5A
1. Midland Lee (1-0) beat EP Coronado, 49-7
2. Duncannonville (1-0) beat Plano East, 7-3
3. Lewisville (1-0) beat Plano, 15-13

CLASS 4A
Albus (Okla.) 10, Vernon 6
Austin LBI 17, Hwy Consolidated 7
Austin McCallum 35, Sam Houston 28

- Class 2A
1. Omaha Paul Hewitt (1-0) beat Apr, 44-0
2. Mart (1-0) beat Groesbeck, 50-14
3. Celina (2-0) beat Anna, 54-6

- Class 3A
1. Wheeler (1-0) beat Wichita Falls JV, 51-13
2. Bartlett (1-0) beat Hutto, 29-6
3. Aspermont (1-0) beat Hawley, 22-6

- Class 4A
1. Bullard 16, West Rusk 14
2. Buns 55, Deweyville 6
3. Burnet 14, Manor 12

Sanger 27, Princeton 13
Sealy 39, Brookshire Royal 7
Seminole 28, Monahans 0

CLASS 2A
Abilene 7, Plains 6
Alto Golden 32, Tyler Gorman 7

CLASS 3A
1. Sealy (1-0) beat 2A No. 6 Brookshire-Royal, 39-7
2. Cuero (1-0) beat CC Calallen, 13-10

CLASS 4A
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STEERS

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mounted a short 5-play, 24-yard drive to tie the game. Vineyard capped the drive by hitting Chad Mandrell with a 5-yard touchdown strike.

The Steers' offense continued to sputter in the third quarter, and with 3:48 left in the period, linebacker Nate Gensler intercepted a Brock pass and returned it 43 yards, Mandrell's third PAT kick of the night made it a 21-14 Tigers lead.

"They were knocking our tackles back into the middle linebacker and moving pretty much at will there for a while," Butler said. "We had to make some adjustments, and there late in the game, conditioning became a big factor. Just like last week, we were in better shape and that made the differ-

ence at the end."

Big Spring finally mounted a sustained drive midway through the final period, driving 41 yards in nine plays to tie the game with 3:04 remaining.

The big play came on a fourth-and-12 situation when Brock completed an 18-yard strike to James Clements. Fullback Jose Carnero bulled up the middle from two yards out on the next play.

The Steers' defense then held Frenship to a three-and-out series, setting the stage for Ford's last-second heroics.

Ford finished the night with 171 yards on 26 carries, leading all rushers. Frenship's Rodriguez finished the night with 118 yards on 24 carries.

The Steers, 2-0 on the season, travel to Monahans Friday.

Table with 3 columns: Frenship, Team stats, Big Spring. Rows include rushing yds, passing yds, punts-avg, fums-lost, pen-yds.

Scoring summary:
First Quarter
BS - 4:26 remaining, Michael Morrison 35 pass interception return (Josh Spencer kick).

FORSAN

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Garden City to take possession inside Buff territory.

But it was in the fourth quarter when Garden City got its best opportunity to tie the game.

Faced with second-and-10 at their own 36, the Bearkats provided what was clearly the game's craziest play. Hillger threw a pass deep that

bounced off Wash's shoulder pads and into the waiting hands of Bearkats receiver Brandon Bednar.

Wash stayed with the play, however, and brought Bednar down at the Forsan 19.

That was as far as the Buffs would allow Garden City to go - Wash getting a little revenge when he intercepted a Hillger pass at the Forsan 15-yard line, preserving the 7-0 win.

Table with 3 columns: G. City, Team stats, Forsan. Rows include rushing yds, passing yds, punts-avg, fums-lost, pen-yds.

Scoring summary:
First Quarter
No scoring.

STANTON

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kickoff return, but a holding penalty left Stanton starting at its own 21.

Jeremy Hull clicked off an 11-yard run to start a drive that reached the Greenwood 23 before losing steam. A 30-yard field goal attempt by Harris fell short.

While Stanton's defense held the Rangers in check, the Buffs saw a turnover and penalties thwart their bid to extend the lead.

Greenwood finally made it interesting midway through the fourth quarter when senior fullback John McSpadden broke

loose for good yardage, setting the stage for quarterback Wes Smith's 40-yard touchdown strike to tight end Nathan Himbury.

"I think we were looking a couple of defenses playing really well and both offenses shooting themselves in the foot," Stanton head coach Mark Cotton said, adding that he'd expected the game to be a low-scoring affair. "I knew going in that our defense was way ahead of our offense right now."

The Buffs now must prepare to take on Midland Christian's Mustangs, who opened the season Friday with a 49-16 win over Sterling City.

Table with 3 columns: Greenwood, Team stats, Stanton. Rows include rushing yds, passing yds, punts-avg, fums-lost, pen-yds.

Scoring summary:
First Quarter
S - 7:28 remaining, Courtney Scurlark 17 pass from Will Harris (Harris kick).

BULLDOGS

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take of the night on Coahoma's part came when the Hornets managed to recover a fumbled punt, setting up a 22-yard field goal by Manuel Gonzales.

Just before halftime, the Bulldogs marched 95 yards to make it a 28-3 halftime lead. Garcia hit Richters with a 12-yard scoring pass with nine seconds remaining, then legged in the conversion run.

In the second half, Bordonel chalked up his second touchdown on a 5-yard burst before Brandon Wyatt got in on the act, scoring on a 3-yarder.

Garcia capped the scoring in the fourth quarter, scoring his second touchdown of the night on a 28-yard scamper.

The Bulldogs travel to Grape Creek this week, facing a team that suffered a 20-7 loss to Ozona's Lions in their season opener Friday night.

Table with 3 columns: Lorenzo, Team stats, Coahoma. Rows include rushing yds, passing yds, punts-avg, fums-lost, pen-yds.

Scoring summary:
C - Walt Bordonel 15 run (Bordonel kick).
C - Ricky Richters 28 run (Bordonel kick).
C - Mario Garcia 29 run (PAT blocked).
L - Manuel Gonzales 22 field goal.
C - Richters 18 pass from Garcia (Garcia run).
C - Bordonel 5 run (Bordonel kick).
C - Brandon Wyatt 3 run (Bordonel kick).
C - Garcia 28 run (Bordonel kick).

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Lady Steers reach finals of Wayland volleyball tourney

HERALD Staff Report

PLAINVIEW — Big Spring's Lady Steers knocked off District 5-4A rival Snyder's Lady Tigers in the gold division semifinals of the Wayland Baptist University Coca-Cola Classic volleyball tournament.

The win sent the Lady Steers into the championship game which was scheduled for a late start Saturday night.

The Lady Steers opened the tournament by winning their division in pool play, winning five of six games.

They opened the tournament with a 15-8, 15-2 win over Tucumcari, N.M., and followed that with a 15-4, 15-5 win over Plainview's Lady Bulldogs.

In fact, the only blemish on Big Spring's slate in pool play came when they split a pair of games with Borger, losing the first game 15-11 before winning the second by an identical score.

Big Spring runners run first meet of year

ODESSA — With a team boasting only two boys with experience, Big Spring cross-country coach Randy Britton said he was pleased with what he saw from his Steers and Lady Steers runners Saturday

at the Ector County Independent School District Cross-Country Meet.

Britton was particularly pleased with the showing of freshman Eve Tobar, who led the Lady Steers varsity, posting a 14:13 clocking to finish eighth in the field individual.

Dorlores Liedecke added a 37th-place finish, while April Aguilar was 58th, Pricilla Franco was 66th and Angelica Hinojos was 68th.

The Lady Steers junior varsity squad was paced by Yael Portcarrero, who finished 52nd. Emily Flores followed with a 77th-place finish, while Audrey DeLeon was 89th and Sami Buchanan was 90th.

The Steers junior varsity finished third as a team in its division with Mike Solis leading the way. Solis posted a time of 18:49 to finish fifth in the individual standings, while Ben Garcia was 12th with a time of 19:50.

Chris Martinez finished 23rd for the Steers JV, while Rickey Yanez was 29th and Steve Moreno was 32nd.

Big Spring had just two runners entered in the varsity boys' field. Mike Martinez finished eighth in that group with a 17:58 clocking, while Rolando Ladesma was 18th with a time of 18:48.

Akron no match for No. 2 Penn State

STATE COLLEGE, Pa. (AP) — No. 2 Penn State's 70-24 victory over Akron turned into milestone Saturday for the Nittany Lions.

Rashard Casey scored his first college touchdowns, one rushing and one passing. John Gilmore, Eddie Drummond and Bryant Johnson each caught their first TDs at Penn State. Mick Blosser ran for his first score and Askari Adams returned an interception for his first TD.

The Lions (2-0) put up 70 points for the first time since beating Maryland 70-7 in 1993.

Akron (0-1), a 45-point underdog, remained winless in 10 games against Top 25 teams since joining Division I-A in 1987.

Mike Cerimele added two TDs, and Eric McCoo and Omar Easy one apiece as Penn State outgained the Zips 553 yards to 281.

No. 4 Florida 55, W. Michigan 26

GAINESVILLE, Fla. (AP) — Torched on defense and embarrassed in a few other areas, No. 4 Florida had as many things to worry over as to be happy about Saturday night.

Doug Johnson threw for four touchdowns and Earnest Graham ran for 158 yards in Florida's 55-26 season-opening victory over Western Michigan, but opposing quarterback Tim Lester had as big an impact on the game as anyone.

Lester finished with 405 yards passing — 314 in the first half — against a Florida defense that didn't have a starter remaining

from the lineup that opened last season.

No. 5 Nebraska 42, Iowa 7

IOWA CITY, Iowa (AP) — Bobby Newcombe atoned for three first-half turnovers by running for two touchdowns and passing for one as No. 5 Nebraska opened the season with a 42-7 victory over Iowa.

Leading just 7-0 after a mistake-laden first half, Nebraska gradually asserted control behind Newcombe and No. 2 quarterback Eric Crouch to spoil the debut of Iowa coach Kirk Ferentz.

Crouch, who lost a highly publicized battle with Newcombe for the starting job, ran for three touchdowns.

Newcombe threw a 47-yard touchdown pass to Sean Applegate to get the Cornhuskers going early in the third quarter, then had scoring runs of 1 and 5 yards to stretch the lead to 28-0.

No. 7 Michigan 26, No. 16 Notre Dame 22

ANN ARBOR, Mich. (AP) — Forget the quarterback controversy at Michigan. The Wolverines did what they do best on Saturday as Anthony Thomas scored from one yard out with 1:38 left to lift No. 7 Michigan to a 26-22 victory over No. 16 Notre Dame.

Playing before an NCAA-record crowd of 111,523 at Michigan Stadium, the Fighting Irish took a 22-19 lead with 4:08 remaining on Jarious Jackson's fourth-down, 20-yard touchdown pass to tight end Jabari

Holloway. Jackson hit a 2-point conversion pass to Bobby Brown, and all the Irish had to do was hold that line against the Wolverines. They couldn't do it, thanks to a bunch of penalties.

No. 9 Wisconsin 49, Murray St. 10

MADISON, Wis. (AP) — Ron Dayne rushed for 135 yards and three touchdowns despite sitting out the second half as No. 9 Wisconsin pounded Division I-AA Murray State 49-10 Saturday.

The Badgers' senior tailback got 20 carries as Wisconsin's starters scored on their first six possessions against the undermanned Racers. Wisconsin led 42-7 at halftime, and coach Barry Alvarez elected to hold Dayne out of the second half.

No. 10 Georgia Tech 49, Navy 14

ANNAPOLIS, Md. (AP) — Phillip Rogers ran for 80 yards and a career-high three touchdowns Saturday as No. 10 Georgia Tech beat Navy 49-14 Saturday, enabling coach George O'Leary to enjoy his view from the press box.

The Yellow Jackets (1-0) reeled off 28 straight points after Navy (0-1) forged an early 7-7 tie. Rogers ran for 72 yards and two scores to help Georgia Tech take a 28-7 halftime lead.

O'Leary was forced to watch the game from the press box after being penalized by the NCAA in April for making an improper loan to former running back C.J. Williams. It wasn't the vantage point he pre-

ferred, but the Yellow Jackets fared well against a porous Navy defense without him on the sideline.

Boston College 30, Baylor 29, OT

BOSTON (AP) — Kyle Atteberry missed an extra point in overtime and Boston College, behind Cedric Washington's 177 yards rushing and three touchdowns, beat Baylor 30-29 Saturday.

On Boston College's overtime possession, Washington scored on a 1-yard run and John Match kicked the extra point. Baylor then scored on a 1-yard run by Jermaine Alfred.

Atteberry, who missed a long extra-point attempt after Baylor was penalized for excessive celebration following a second-quarter touchdown, pulled his kick to the left.

The loss spoiled the debut of Baylor coach Kevin Steele, who was linebackers coach for the Carolina Panthers the last four years.

Texas 69, Stanford 17

AUSTIN (AP) — There were no disastrous breakdowns for Texas this time, just total domination of an overwhelmed Stanford defense.

Quarterback Major Applewhite passed for 353 yards in three quarters and Texas scored touchdowns on its first six possessions to roll over Stanford 69-17 Saturday.

It was the most points ever surrendered by Stanford.

Kwame Cavil had 180 yards receiving and two TDs.

Seven-run seventh powers White Sox to 12-3 win over Rangers

ARLINGTON (AP) — The White Sox scored their most runs since May 15, and they did it with Frank Thomas and Ray Durham on the bench for most of the game.

Liu Rodriguez hit a tiebreaking two-run single in a seven-run seventh inning and the White Sox routed the Texas Rangers 12-3 Saturday, stopping a five-game losing streak.

Thomas missed the game because of a bruised ankle and Durham was lifted in the second inning after aggravating a

strained left hamstring.

"We finally put some runs on the board," White Sox manager Jerry Manuel said. "Anytime you get that many runs without guys like (Thomas and Durham), it's good."

Brook Fordyce was 4-for-5, matching his career high for hits. Greg Norton was 3-for-4, singling twice in the seventh, and Rodriguez drove in three runs.

The White Sox had 15 hits and matched the season-high 12 runs they scored in May against

the New York Yankees.

"It was contagious," Norton said. "It snowballed. Anytime we had a runner in scoring position, we seemed to get a hit."

Rafael Palmeiro's league-leading 42nd homer, a two-run drive in the third, put Texas ahead 3-2 and moved him one ahead of Seattle's Ken Griffey Jr. But the White Sox rallied in the seventh against Esteban Loaiza (7-3).

Norton led off with a single, Craig Wilson sacrificed and Mike Caruso's double tied the score.

Rodriguez blooped reliever Tim Crabtree's first pitch to left for a 5-3 lead. Magglio Ordenez followed with an RBI single, Paul Konerko hit a two-run double and Norton's RBI single made it 9-3.

Chicago had eight hits in the inning, a season high. The White Sox matched their most runs in an inning this year.

Brian Simmons added an RBI groundout in the eighth. Norton doubled in a run in the ninth and Fordyce had an RBI double. Carlos Castillo (2-2) pitched

two hitless innings in relief of Jaime Navarro, who allowed three runs and seven hits in five innings. Navarro threw 126 pitches during a rare afternoon game at Arlington, with the gametime temperature at 100 degrees.

"The only mistake I made was to Palmeiro," Navarro said. "I just wanted to keep it close until the guys could come back. It was hot, but I've pitched when it was 110 degrees."

Loaiza, who has lost two straight starts after winning

seven in a row, gave up five runs and six hits in 6 1/3 innings.

"Overall, I thought he threw the ball well," Rangers manager Johnny Oates said. "He got away with a couple of pitches, but there weren't that many balls that were hit hard."

Rusty Greer's RBI single put Texas ahead in the first, but Chicago took a 2-1 lead in the third on a run-scoring throwing error by third baseman Todd Zeile and Rodriguez's RBI single.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The Glasscock County ISD will hold a public meeting at 8:00 p.m. in 308 West Chambers, Garden City, Texas 79739. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited. The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates					
	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund*	Total	Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student
Last Year's Rate	\$ 1.385	\$ 0.0	\$ 1.385	\$12,742.	\$ 329.
Less State-Funded	\$ 0.043	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.043	\$ N/A	\$ N/A
Tax Relief					
Last Year's Rate Adjusted for Tax Relief	\$ 1.428	\$ 0.0	\$ 1.428	\$ N/A	\$ N/A
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service**	\$ 1.398	\$ 0.0	\$ 1.398	\$9,324.	\$ 280.
Proposed Rate	\$ 1.458	\$ 0.000	\$ 1.458	\$ 9,530.	\$ 0.0

* The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

** The Rate to Maintain the Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service does not reflect revenue available to the district in the 1999-2000 school year for the pay raise for classroom teachers, full-time librarians, full-time counselors, and full-time school nurses enacted by the 76th Legislature. The estimated cost of the pay raise for the 1999-2000 school year is \$120,000.

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence			
	Last Year	This Year	
Average Market Value of Residences	\$ 43,940	\$ 43,940	
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$ 20,150	\$ 20,150	
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$ 1.3850	\$ 1.4580	
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$ 279.08	\$ 293.79	
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes	\$ 14.71		

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is 1.458048. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of 1.458048.

Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:

Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s)	\$ 922,707.
Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)	\$ 0

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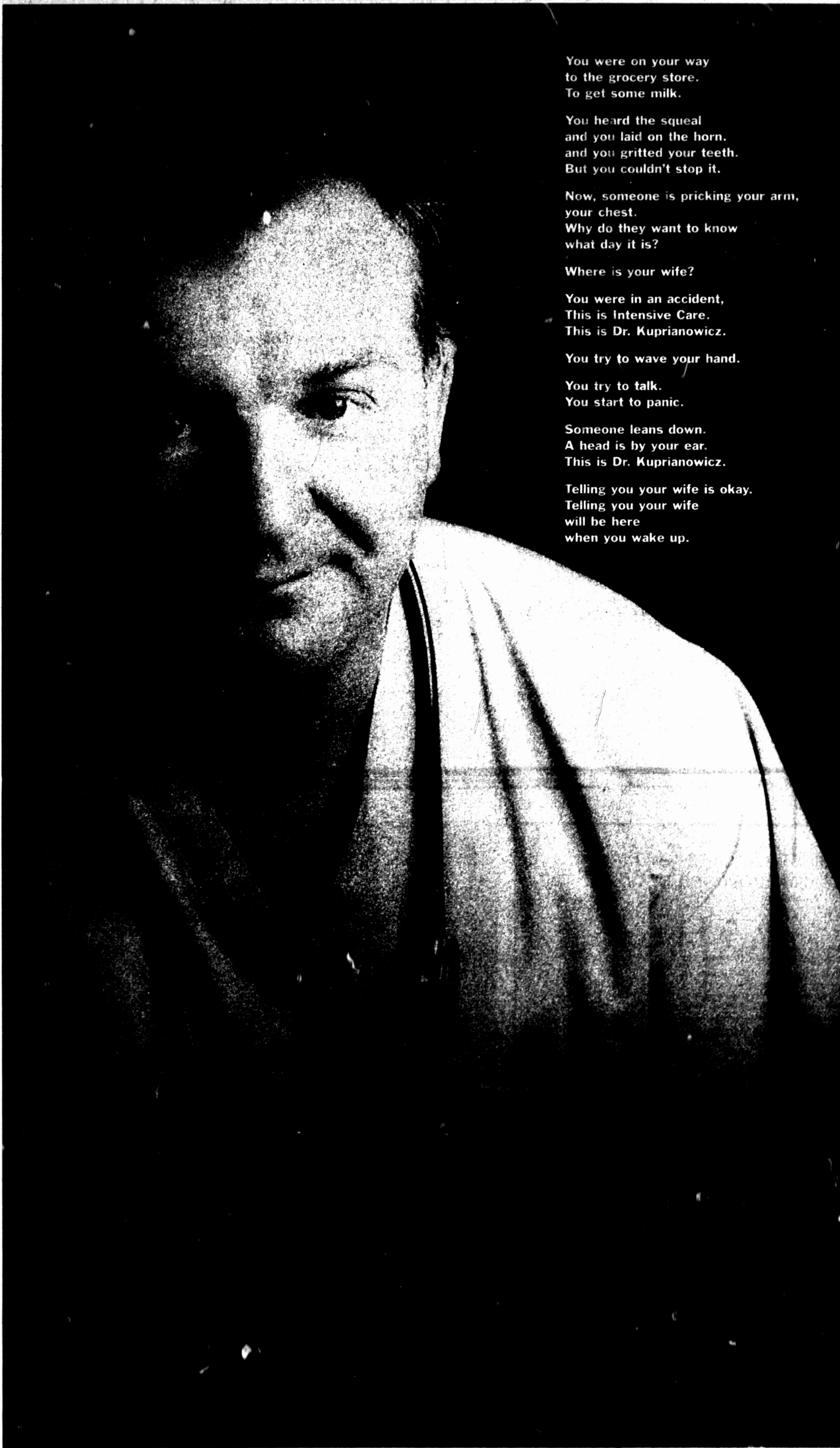
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to the grocery store.
To get some milk.

You heard the squeal
and you laid on the horn.
and you gritted your teeth.
But you couldn't stop it.

Now, someone is pricking your arm,
your chest.
Why do they want to know
what day it is?

Where is your wife?

You were in an accident,
This is Intensive Care.
This is Dr. Kuprianowicz.

You try to wave your hand.

You try to talk.
You start to panic.

Someone leans down.
A head is by your ear.
This is Dr. Kuprianowicz.

Telling you your wife is okay.
Telling you your wife
will be here
when you wake up.

In 1994, Dr. Kuprianowicz
and his wife, Dr. Rosinska,
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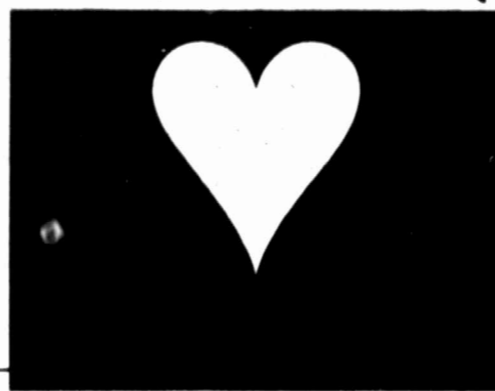
◆The term common sense actually refers to what can be understood through the five senses.

◆The coin we call a penny is officially called a "cent" by the U.S. Mint.

Got an Item?

Do you have a story idea for the *life!* section? Call 263-7331, Ext. 236.

Stories of the heart



Austin Rinard and Heather Kirby probably don't realize all they have in common with Mildred Gamble.

After all, their life stories are much shorter: Austin, 6, and Heather, 5, are just starting to school, while Gamble is enjoying the relaxed life of a senior citizen.

But all three share a life-changing experience: They have each undergone open-heart surgery. And the families of all three are now supporters of the American Heart Association, which will sponsor a fundraising walk locally Oct. 2.

Four defects in Austin Rinard's tiny heart were discovered just a day after his birth. Soon he and his mother were in the back of an ambulance, his father following them in the car, headed to Lubbock.

One surgery followed quickly, and others would come. He faced months of hospital stays, IV's, medications and tests.

"You know they say be strong and don't cry," said his mother, Tasha, "well that was not me. You just want to believe so bad that everything will be all right."

She said nurses and doctors often promised Austin "a prize" of some sort for undergoing difficult procedures. Eventually, though, he would say, "I don't want the prize," hoping that he could get out of having the procedure as well.

Today, Austin lives, goes to school and Boy Scouts, and even plays pee-wee baseball, with the equivalent of half a regular-sized heart. His condition requires regular monitoring, and even dental work is treated as major surgery. But otherwise, the young survivor is enjoying the normal, everyday life of a child.

When they met, Rinard and Larenda Harrison discovered they have plenty to talk about. Harrison's daughter, Heather Kirby, underwent open-heart surgery to correct a birth defect earlier this summer.

"She handled it better than I did," Harrison said of her daughter, who just started school. In fact, the youngster surprised her mother with her understanding of what was happening.

When Harrison began to try to explain to the little girl that she would have to have surgery, Heather was matter-of-fact.

"I know they're going to have to open me up," she told her mother. She added that she knew she would be asleep, and wasn't scared.

The surgery, which took place in Fort Worth, was to repair two holes in the little girl's heart. Now she takes steroids, which cause her body to swell. When doctors recently found a buildup of fluid around her heart, she was ordered not to run and play until the problem resolves itself.

That meant when Austin's mother invited her over to visit recently, Heather couldn't jump on the trampoline, or frolic with the puppy.

But her mother and Rinard both can talk about their children's conditions like medical experts. They have consulted physicians, read books and searched the Internet.

They have sought second, third and even fourth opinions. And they have tried to help their children just go on with their lives.

When Mildred Gamble's heart problems began three and a half years ago, everyone who knew her was surprised. Her lifestyle was healthy—exercise, eating right. She was a breast cancer survivor who seemed stronger than ever.

But in March 1996, she had a heart attack. In August 1997, she had open-heart surgery. It was then that she began to understand what her grandson, Austin Rinard, had already gone through.

It was determined that the grandmother's sudden heart problems were a reaction to radiation treatments she had received 20 years ago when fighting breast cancer. And although her story differs from that of Austin, or his friend, Heather, Gamble sees similarities.

"There are all kinds of different stories," said Gamble. "But we all have the Heart Association to thank."

She said her family has learned the American Heart Association directly funded research that aided the doctor who performed Austin's surgery.

About 31 percent of all donations to the Heart Association go toward research. AHA funds research programs that are aimed at helping discover the causes of heart attacks—such as Gamble's. Heart attacks are still the nation's number one killer.

Congenital heart defects, like those doctors found in Austin and Heather, are the most common birth defects. AHA is funding genetic research in that area as well.



Tasha Rinard is chairman for the American Heart Walk, which begins at 9 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 2 at Comanche Trail Park.

She said her goal for this year's event is to make it "family friendly." They plan to have local cheerleaders along the two-mile route, adding encouragement for walkers. Meanwhile, those who are walking for pledges are welcome to bring strollers, pets and friends along to make their time more enjoyable, Rinard said.

"Some people will walk because they have a friend with a heart problem," she said. "Some will have family members. But I want everyone there to realize the good they are doing. They are walking to help somebody who has a child like I have. They are doing something so important."

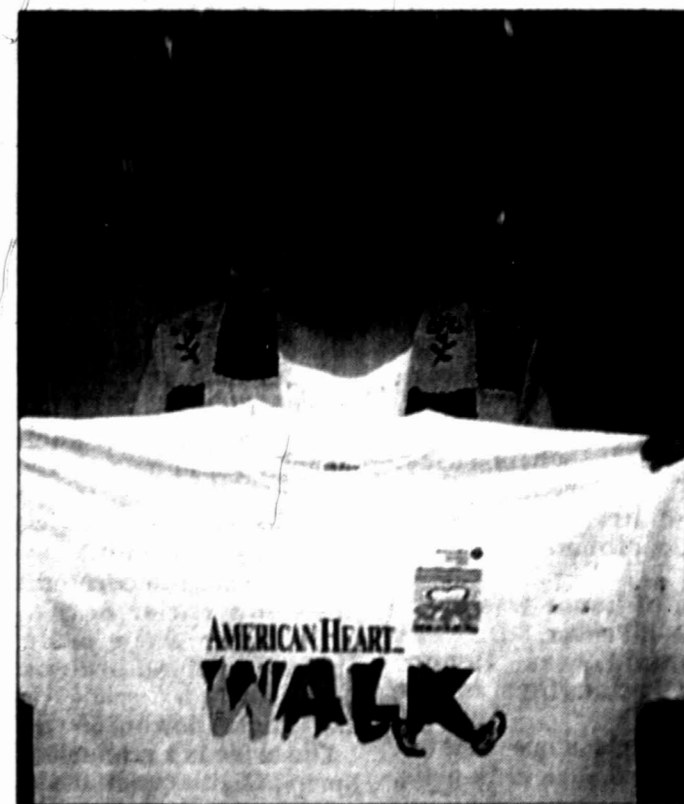
For information about joining this year's Heart Walk, call Rinard at 264-9031.



In the photos: At top, Austin Rinard with his grandmother, Mildred Gamble. They have both undergone open-heart surgery. At right, Heather Kirby is shown with her mother Larenda Harrison. Heather had surgery earlier this summer to correct a birth defect that left two holes in her heart. Far right, Tasha Rinard, Austin's mother and chair of the American Heart Association Heart Walk this year, holds up one of the walk T-shirts.



Story and photos by Debbie L. Jensen



With a child around, dogs find a place for their devotion

The Golden Retrievers are looking out the front door, hoping somebody (people 3 feet tall or shorter) will come play with them. Or at least let them do their job—protect small children.

This week, the dogs grew up sort of, and found what they really enjoy doing: Watching over small children, and older children, playing with them, just giving their all for kids.

We have been fortunate to have had three children visit this week. I use the word "fortunate" in the strongest sense; since we do not have children of our own, we have always enjoyed visits from friends and their children, and now their grandchildren.

The first group of visitors had visited several times before, and the dogs knew their antics would be appreciated. They showed off, Sally devoted herself to the teenage girl, doing anything to get her to laugh.

Cutter on the other hand followed the boy, assuring him of complete devotion.

The next day, Sally and Cutter hoping someone would come to play, waited at the front door, finally giving up after an hour.

Yesterday was a red letter day for the dogs and us. Three children, a boy of 11, girl, 7; and a 14-month-old boy who was walking pretty well came with their mother to visit.

The dogs knew someone was coming because we cooked a lot the day before, so they were ready, hoping of course for children.

They were not disappointed, I must say, the youngest child walking around the house had their undivided attention. Here was someone who needed them all the time. One dog was always near; I believe if they could have, they would have picked him up and hugged him.

The child, used to animals in his own home, was delighted.

He pulled Sally's ears and Cutter's tail and held on to each dog's nose at one time or another.

In fact he pulled, punched or pinched every part of the dogs; and I am pleased to say, not once did either dog show any signs of displeasure of their treatment at the child's hands.

Eventually they did give the two other children some attention, but only briefly, after all there was the small creature to watch over and protect. Sally, who believes she is on this earth to have fun, and



MARY RANDLE



CUTTER

Cutter who really tries very hard to be the best watchdog on the block, came into their own. If you are familiar with Golden Retrievers, you know they are gentle, love to play, with or without children, but

preferably with children. They seem happiest with their families, sharing their everyday lives. But their behavior with the children was outstanding; they were never cross, full of love, and ready to play.

By the time our friends left for home, the baby was asleep, and the dogs worn out.

They recovered more quickly than we; Sally seemed to have a lot to share. She put her paws on my knee, sighing, even cooing; trying her best to tell me what a wonderful day she and Cutter had with the children.

We all slept well that night, the dogs probably dreaming of endless play.

Somehow they seem different from the dogs who ate the yard, rugs, and anything else they could get in their mouths.

They are in for a treat today. A lovely young mother and her baby boy are coming to visit; perhaps they will be able to tickle his feet, and he will laugh.

Do you think they have really grown up?

Mary Randle writes a monthly column for the Big Spring Herald.

WEDDINGS

Hernandez-Buske

Amanda Michelle Hernandez and Peter Andrew Buske were united in marriage on Sept. 4, 1999, at St. Thomas Catholic Church with Father Cornelius Scanlan officiating.

She is the daughter of Pete and Martha Hernandez, Big Spring, and the grandson of Luisa Cortez and Elvira Hernandez, Big Spring. He is the son of the late Russell and Nan Buske.

Instrumentalists/vocalists were Cindy Chavez, Steve Chavez and Hilda Lara.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a white bouffant gown with a keyhole neckline and princess waistline. It had a cathedral length train and fitted long sleeves with lace insets. She wore a pearl braided headpiece and fingertip veil with scalloped edges.

She carried a cascading bouquet of calla lilies accented with English ivy and sprigs of pearls.

Matron of honor was Melinda Reyes, sister of the bride of Big Spring.

Bridesmaids were Monica Gonzalez, cousin of the bride of Victoria, Lupe Moreno, aunt of the bride of Big Spring, Sarah Martin of Fort Worth, and Pandy Buske, sister-in-law of the groom of Big Spring.

Selina Gonzalez, cousin of the bride of Victoria, Megan Bobo and Elizabeth Bobo, both nieces of the groom of Big Spring, were the junior bridesmaids.

Ashley Buske, niece of the groom of Coahoma, was the flower girl, and Christopher Michael Reyes Jr., nephew of the bride of Big Spring, was the ringbearer.

Jim Buske, brother of the groom of Big Spring, served as best man.



MRS. PETER ANDREW BUSKE

Serving as groomsmen were Joshua Preston of Oklahoma, Jon Parker, nephew of the groom of Dallas, Matt Parker, nephew of the groom of Bryan, and Mike Reyes, brother-in-law of the bride of Big Spring.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held at the Dora Roberts Civic Center.

The bride's cake was four separate basket weave tiers with Italian buttercream icing.

The groom's cake was a German chocolate cake with the Texas Tech logo.

The bride is a 1995 graduate of Big Spring High School, and a 1999 graduate of SMMC School of Radiologic Technology. She is employed by SMMC as a radiologic technologist.

The groom is a 1990 graduate of Big Spring High School, a 1995 graduate of Texas Tech University, and a 1997 graduate of Odessa College. He is employed by SMMC as a physical therapist assistant.

Following a wedding trip to the islands of Oahu and Maui, Hawaii, the couple will make their home in Big Spring.

Brooks-Roberts

Jody Lynne Brooks and Ross Taylor Roberts were united in a double ring ceremony, July 31, 1999, at the First United Methodist Church of Stanton. The ceremony was officiated by the Rev. Curtis Cadenhead of Abilene. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roger Brooks of Stanton. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Neal Roberts of Big Spring.

The bride is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Perry of Big Spring, and Mrs. Kay Brooks of Sweetwater. She is the great-granddaughter of Mrs. Helen Turnbow of Weinert.

The groom is the grandson of Mrs. Hughetta Roberts of Big Spring and Mr. and Mrs. Glen Taylor of Wellington.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride chose white satin and re-embroidered lace gown designed by Alfred Angelo. The fitted bodice was adorned with hand-beaded sequins and pearls, a sweetheart neckline, a keyhole back and long fitted sleeves. From the dropped basque waistline, a full skirt adorned with hand beaded motifs. The cathedral length train was trimmed with hand beaded motifs and scalloped border lace. The bride chose a wreath headpiece of white flowers and pearls and a fingertip illusion veil. She carried a bouquet of white orchids and roses.

In keeping with tradition, "Something Old" were three gold wedding bands that belonged to Jody's great-grandmothers; "Something New" was her wedding gown; "Something Borrowed" was a strand of pearls belonging to her grandmother; and "Something Blue" was her mother's wedding garter.

Bridal attendants wore evening length dresses of navy Windsor satin. Each wore white gloves, pearl earrings, pearl necklaces, and carried a bouquet of white lilies. Serving as matron of honor and sister of the bride was Lisa Baggerly of Teague. Robin Gilbreath of Stephenville was maid of honor. The bride's attendants were Holli Welch, Sharon Henson, Cindy Roberts, sister-in-law of the groom, and Kayla Roberts, sister of the groom. Flower girl was Kaylee Roberts, niece of the groom.

The groom was attired in a classic black tuxedo with tails and a white vest. His attendants wore classic black tuxedos with navy vests. Jason Roberts, brother of the groom, served as best man. The groom's attendants were Michael Roberts, brother of the groom, Michael Barkley, Montana Howell, Dee Lott, and Jeremy Smith. Nephews of the bride and groom, Sawyer Roberts served as ring bearer, and Chandler Baggerly as candlelighter. Cousins of the bride,



MRS. ROSS TAYLOR ROBERTS

Tanner Crain and twins Brooke and Brandi Byrd, also served as attendants. Ushers were Matthew Blocker, Jeremy Louder and Kason Anderson.

Special music was presented by vocalists Melissa Wheeler and Reggie Franklin. They were accompanied by Lyn Porter, organist and Lynn Smith, pianist. Navy candles were lit during the ceremony in loving memory of Dirk Perry and "Shorty" Roberts. Coordinating the wedding and rehearsal was Melissa Wheeler.

A reception was held immediately following the ceremony. Bonnie Franklin and Patti Briggs designed and decorated the serving tables and catered the foods. Serving in the house party were Linda Burns, Theresa Herm and Margie Chandler.

The reception was designed and decorated by Stanton Weddings and Floral, with a lighted tulle gazebo, extended scenes of skies, pedestals and arches. Symbolic of the occasion was a heart shaped cage of love birds. Two silver fountains in the archways flowed with punch and water. The bride's cake was a seven-layer satellite arrangement decorated with white lilies, orchids and pink roses. The cake was topped with a musical porcelain bride and groom. Serving at the bride's table were Leslie Stewart, Robyna Dean, and Katie Bowman, friends and classmates of the bride.

The groom's table was decorated with a silver candelabra of white lilies and orchids. A basket weave chocolate cake filled with Parisian creme and adorned with white hearts and lovebirds was created by his loving aunt Veena. Chocolate dipped strawberries and pecans were also served. Jenifer Roberts and Laura Elrod attended the groom's table.

A rehearsal dinner was served to the wedding party and family members, hosted by Mr. and Mrs. Neal Roberts.

After a wedding trip to Cancun, Mexico, the couple will make their home in Midland.

Willis-Gomez

Raye Anne Willis and Roy Olivas Gomez Jr. were united in marriage on Aug. 30, 1999, with Justice of the Peace Marilyn Carson officiating.

She is the daughter of Pat Clayton of Big Spring. He is the son of Juana Silva of Big Spring, and the late Roy Gomez Sr.

The couple will reside in Big Spring.



MR. AND MRS. ROY OLIVAS GOMEZ JR.

VA recognizes Hands and Heart Award winner

By IVA JO HANSLIK
VA Medical Center

Congratulations go to Mrs. Ardella B. Jones for her selection as the recipient of the 1998 Hands and Heart Award. Secretary of Veterans Affairs Togo D. West Jr. congratulated Mrs. Jones for this selection. He stated, "this award acknowledges your professional expertise and dedication in providing quality health care to veterans. Just as importantly, however, it recognizes the care and compassion that you bring to your work. Thank you for your service to the department and to those who have served in uniform. The high standards of patient care you have demonstrated exemplify VA's commitment to keeping our Nation's promise to veterans."

Congratulations Mrs. Jones!

Each month Carl D. Brown, Medical Center Director, recognizes an "Employee of the Month." These employees are nominated based on their exemplary service to our veterans and fellow coworkers.

August 1999 Employee of the Month: Frank Garza, Medical Supply Technician. Congratulations Frank.

July 1999 Employee of the Month: Bethany Everett, Computer Assistant. Congratulations Bethany.

June 1999 Employee of the Month: Ms. Teresa Thompson, Secretary. Congratulations Teresa.

The Nation will observe Hispanic Heritage Month Sept. 15-Oct. 15.

Today VA is proud to serve almost 1 million veterans of Hispanic heritage. We thank them and remember their service with gratitude. For, of all Hispanic contributions to America, they made the noblest that one can make. They helped safeguard our country's freedom. The Office of Public Affairs, Washington, D.C., provided the following Hispanic American veterans facts.

Veterans: Approximately one million, 3.6 percent of America's 26.5 million living veterans, are Hispanic. Since 1987, the percentage of Hispanics in our armed forces has increased more than any other ethnic group. Currently, over 7 percent of the nation's active duty armed forces are Hispanic Americans.

Thirty-eight Hispanic veterans have received the Medal of Honor, America's highest military decoration for valor. Mexican Americans account for more Medals of Honor than any other ethnic group.

Estimates of the number of Hispanics who served in the U.S. armed forces during World War II are as high as 500,000 (the total U.S. population of Hispanic males in 1940 was one million).

Hispanic American veterans earned 13 Medals of Honor during the Vietnam War. Twenty-thousand Hispanic servicemen and women participated in Operation Desert Shield/Storm.

Welcome new employees: Stephanie Lyons, Medical Administration Service; Carl Graham, Nutrition and Food Service; Rachel Lopez, Nutrition and Food Service; Dr. David Sabbar, Radiology Service; Dr. Alle R. Naqvi, Medical Service; James M. Long, Pathology and Laboratory Medicine Service; Karen Woods, Nursing Service; Carla Smith, Nursing Service; Mark Arista, Environmental Management Service.

Upcoming events:
September — National Cholesterol Education Month
September 17 — National POW/MIA Recognition Day
September 26 — Gold Star Mother's Day
Iva Jo Hanslik is temporarily the Community Relations Coordinator at the VA Medical Center. She can be reached at 264-4824.

Matthews-Daniels

Kathy Priest Matthews and Gordon Lee Daniels exchanged wedding vows on Aug. 21, 1999, at Berea Baptist Church with the Rev. Monroe Teeters officiating.

She is the daughter of Lyndon G. and Joyce M. Priest of Big Spring.

He is the son of Murphy L. and JoNell Daniels of Big Spring.

Hughetta Roberts was the organist, and Gary Daniels was the vocalist and guitarist.

Given in marriage by her brother, Danny G. Priest, the bride wore a satin and lace gown with short layered lace train, lace sleeves and a heart-shaped neckline.

She carried a bouquet of white orchids, white roses, sprays of wine net with glitter doves and streamers of wine and white ribbon and white lace.

Matron of honor was Stacy Lawrence of Pever, S.D.

Bridesmaid was Kendra Matthews, daughter of the bride.

Flower girls were Kristen Matthews and Acacia Daniels, and ringbearer was Landon Bowen.

Glen Daniels and Gary Daniels served as best men.

Ushers were Murphy Henry, Stephen Henry and Danny Priest, and serving as candlelighters were Brittany Priest and Charlie Hedden.



MRS. GORDON LEE DANIELS

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the fellowship hall.

The wedding cake was a white cake with pink reverse shell borders decorated with bells and glitter doves. The cake topper was a bride and groom under an arch of silk flowers with a cascade of roses and candles flowing down.

The bride is a graduate of Big Spring High School and a 1997 graduate of Howard College. She is employed by Cornell Corrections.

The groom is a graduate of Coahoma High School, and is employed by Cornell Corrections.

The couple will make their home in Big Spring.

STORK CLUB

Ashlan Paige Armstrong, 8:26 p.m., three pounds 13 1/2 ounces and 17 1/2 inches long, and Andi Renae Armstrong, 8:24 p.m., four pounds four ounces and 18 inches long, Aug. 20, 1999; parents of the girls are Stacy and Andrew Armstrong.

Grandparents are Douglas and Katherine Wurmnest of

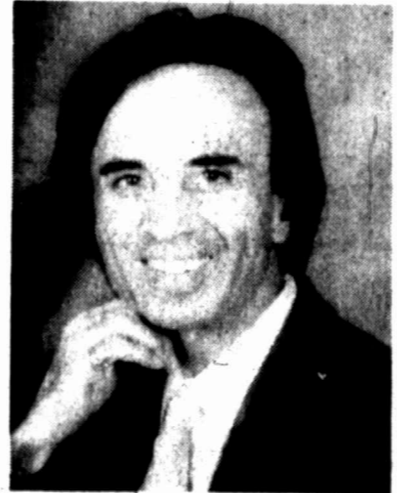
Fresno, Calif., Wendell Armstrong of Big Spring, and Janet Wurmnest of Fresno, Calif.

Kayley Lauren Olson, girl, Aug. 26, 1999, 4:10 p.m., eight pounds five ounces and 19 1/2 inches long; parents are John and Kellie Olson of Beaumont.

Grandparents are Ann and Kirk McKnight of Big Spring, Dale and Renee Olson of Bellmead, John and Bobbie Thomas and Nelda Green of Victoria.

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IN THE MILITARY

Marine Pvt. John D. Bryan, son of James E. Bryan of Stanton, recently completed basic training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego, Calif. He is a 1997 graduate of Stanton High School.

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AUCTIONEERS NOTE: There is a large variety of many special items in this auction.

Furniture 53 Pieces: French Oak Hunt Cabinet with carved figures c(1870-1880), Mahogany (S) roll top desk, Large Philadelphia chest on chest, Burial front marble top side board c(1910-1920), Victorian marble top chest of drawers, Chippendale settee, French wardrobe with beveled mirror front c(1895-1905), Nice dome top China cabinet with carving, Early French marble and brass center tables c(1905-1915), Nice shell back plantation sofa, 9 piece carved Belgium dining room set c(1901-1920), Two large teak wood carved wardrobes, Beautiful marble top side board with beveled glass top c(1890-1905), Tilt top parlor table with pie crust edge, Rare mission style oak cabinet with carvings c(1905-1910), Marble top parlor table with fancy flowers and leaf on rod iron base, Large Mahogany claw foot dining table with 8 matching chairs, Too many items to list.

Unusual Items of Interest: Camel back mantel clock, Unusual cane side magazine rack, Nice brass Victorian coat rack with fancy top c(1915-1918), Magnificent 3 piece art deco marble and bronze clock set, Early barley twist smoking stand, English cooper and brass oak bucket, Large early linen lace table cloth, Large marble clock with scones UCRA maker, Bisque doll marked B. Moore S.E.B.J., "Paris" - 252 14" Pouting, Original advertising package Aratex collars c(1920), Rare Braniff internat onal air line sauce set, "1910" Hammer cooper tray with sterling edge, **Collection of cut glass:** Set of 5 sandwich cased glass supper trays, Victorian "1908" cup and saucer of the capitol in D.C., Matched set of 12 Heisey signed punch cups, Set of wedge-wood China, Adams England Est. 1657 Iron stoneware, "Occupied Japan" Phoenix dishes, "Sterling" dish by Amston, Reid and Barton bowls, Lovelace silver bowl, "Rare" black case Lionel train set in original box, Metal saving bank-First State Bank of Pittsburgh, KS, Metal saving bank-First National Joplin, MO., Linen and lace, golden harvest pottery, Noritake pieces, Bird pictures, Glass cigar store jars, 6 civil war early wine glasses, 1950 Hostess glasses by Libby. Part 2 Listing Only.

Coin collection: Fifty-two items-Including U.S. Gold Coins, Morgan Silver Dollars, Silver Walking Half Dollar, V-Nickels and Roman Coins.

Firearms: Selections of antique pistols and rifles.

Jewelry: 31 lots Emerald, Sapphire, Ruby and Diamond rings, Opera Link Pearls, Diamond tennis bracelet and Diamond necklaces.

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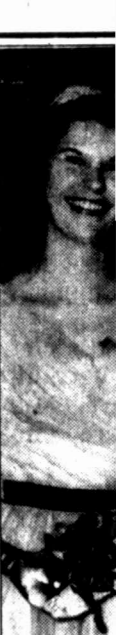
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ON THE MENU

SENIOR CITIZEN CENTER
MONDAY-CLOSED FOR LABOR DAY
TUESDAY-Hamburger steak, french fries, mixed vegetables, salad, milk/rolls, fruit.
WEDNESDAY-Meatloaf, macaroni/cheese, corn, fruit salad, milk/rolls, pie.
THURSDAY-Chicken, noodles, squash, salad, milk/rolls, cake.
FRIDAY-Turkey & dressing, sweet potatoes, green beans, salad, milk/rolls, applesauce.

STANTON SCHOOLS
MONDAY-HOLIDAY
TUESDAY-Pizza or baked potato, peas & carrots, tossed salad, fruit cup, milk, fruit drink.
WEDNESDAY-Country steak or goulash, whole potatoes, green beans, mixed fruit, hot

roll, milk, fruit drink.
THURSDAY-Baked fish or corn dog, macaroni/cheese, carrots, fruit gelatin, french bread, milk, fruit drink.
FRIDAY-Choice of sandwiches, tator tots, sandwich salad, fruit cup, cookie, milk, fruit drink.

BIG SPRING ELEMENTARY
MONDAY-HOLIDAY
TUESDAY-Cattleman franks, macaroni & cheese, blackeye peas, mixed fruit, hot roll, milk.
WEDNESDAY-Spaghetti w/meat sauce, glazed carrots, rosy applesauce, hot roll, milk.
THURSDAY-Green enchiladas, corn on cob, border beans, sliced peaches, cornbread, milk.
FRIDAY-Cheeseburger, salad, french fries, ranch style beans, rainbow freeze bar, milk.

COAHOMA SCHOOLS
MONDAY-HOLIDAY
TUESDAY-Pizza, tater tots, fruit, milk. Teachers: salad or

baked potato call by 9:00
WEDNESDAY-Enchiladas (corn dogs), ranch beans, spanish rice, jello w/fruit, cornbread, milk.
THURSDAY-Fried chicken (burritos), gravy, corn, potatoes, rolls, milk.
FRIDAY-BBQ beef/bun (sub sandwich, lettuce/tomatoes), fries, fresh fruit, milk.

FORSAN SCHOOLS
MONDAY-HOLIDAY
TUESDAY-Steak fingers, whipped potatoes and gravy, english peas, hot rolls, pears, milk.
WEDNESDAY-Hot dogs, french fries, salad, relish and onions, cookies and creme, milk.
THURSDAY-Chicken sandwich, pork and beans, chips salad, cinnamon rolls, milk.
FRIDAY-Fajitas and cheese, ranch style beans, spanish rice, salad, sherbet, milk.

SANDS SCHOOLS
MONDAY-Corndogs w/mus-

tard, pork & beans, broccoli & carrots sticks, cake, milk.
TUESDAY-Fish w/tarter sauce, scalloped potatoes, pea salad, batter bread, cake or fruit, milk.
WEDNESDAY-Beef & cheese chalupas, salad, sliced potatoes, cobbler, milk.
THURSDAY-Baked ham, potato salad, salad, pineapple, hot rolls, milk.
FRIDAY-Spaghetti w/meat sauce, salad, corn, batter bread, fruit milk.

ELBOW SCHOOL
MONDAY-HOLIDAY
TUESDAY-Chicken pot pie, green beans, crackers, fruit, milk.
WEDNESDAY-Taco/sauce, corn, salad, fruit, milk.
THURSDAY-Tuna salad sandwich, veggie sticks, fresh fruit, milk.
FRIDAY-Bar-B-Q weiners, potato salad, pork & beans, sliced bread, milk.

WHO'S WHO

Dorothy J. Graves, 17, recently graduated from the Texas Academy of Mathematics and Science, University of North Texas this May. She has been accepted to a 3-year course at Goldsmith College, University of London, England, starting this fall. She is the daughter of Arthur and Delia Graves of Big Spring. She will study Anthropology and communications.



GRAVES

Baylor University awarded 646 academic degrees to students at the 1999 summer graduation. Degrees awarded include 373 bachelor's degrees, 250 master's degrees and 23 doctorate degrees. Among those receiving degrees was Donny Wayne Dennard, Big Spring, with a Bachelor of Business Administration.

Sul Ross State University conferred degrees on 196 students during summer commencement exercises held Saturday, Aug. 14, in the Graves-Pierce Complex.

Among those graduates were: Joy Armstrong with a Master of Education, School Administration; Michael Wallace with a Master of Education, Physical Education, both of Big Spring, and Rosie Laine, Master of Education, School Administration of Coahoma.

David Lefever of Big Spring has just returned from Missouri Auction School where he successfully completed the course in Auctioneering and Auction Sales Management. He received his diploma and the honorary title of Colonel along with men and women auctioneers from throughout the United States and Canada.



LEFEVER

The concentrated 9-day course is conducted by the Missouri Auction School at the world's largest auction training center. His training included lectures and workshops featuring prominent auctioneers from throughout America. He participated in selling numerous public auctions in nearby communities. Subjects included antiques, livestock, furniture, business liquidations, real estate, auto, machinery, general merchandise, all types of estate auctions, and the rapid fire chant of the tobacco auctioneer.

ANNIVERSARIES



MR. AND MRS. ROBERT RAGAN, THEN AND NOW

Robert and Charlene Ragan celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary Sept. 2, 1999. He was born in Big Spring, and she was born as Charlene Shuff in Sweetwater. They were married on Sept. 2, 1959, at the First Presbyterian Church in Sweetwater. Mr. and Mrs. Ragan have three children, Becky Williams of Austin, Amy Burchett of Big Spring, and Charley Ragan of



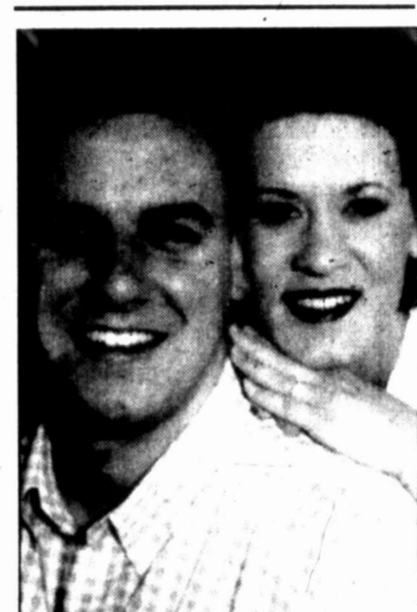
Dallas. They also have six grandchildren. The couple has lived in Snyder, Hobbs, N.M., Odessa during their marriage, as well as in Big Spring for the last 36 years. They are both retired. Previously, Charlene was a medical records director, and Robert was a drilling bit salesman. They are affiliated with the First United Methodist Church of Big Spring.

ODDS-N-ENDS

STILLWATER, Okla. (AP) — Showing your school spirit is a practice that's going down the toilet — literally. Oklahoma State University on Wednesday unveiled its newest officially licensed product — Super Fan-nies. The brainchild of Steve Pankow, Super Fan-nies are disposable diapers adorned with team logos. OSU and the University of Oklahoma are among the initial 10 universities to sign on with Pankow's company, Associated Hygienic Products LLC, which manufactures private-label diapers for major retailers. "I've been selling diapers for a long, long time," Pankow said. "I've never seen people have so much fun with them." Pankow said he came up with the idea seven years ago. Many colleges and universities already license such items as toilet seats and credit cards bearing the school's logo. "College sports are kind of a family thing. I got to thinking about families, kids, education — it all seemed to tie together," Pankow said.

IMPERIAL, Mo. (AP) — A tooth-brushing contest during a high school pep rally sounded innocent enough. But it left many grossed out, and at least one mother furious. Eight Windsor High School football players were supposed to brush their teeth, and then ask students to vote on who got them the cleanest. But the contest took a sharp turn toward the disgusting when the student organizing the contest showed up Friday with only one toothbrush. After the toothbrush had passed through eight mouths and all had spit into the same cup, a freshman heeded prompting from classmates and drank from the cup. Parent Melanie Karlin, who is a nurse, wasn't just grossed out when her son recounted the incident. "I can't express how livid I still am," she said. "Why didn't someone with half a brain stop this before it went down the whole line and got to the last kid?" she asked officials Monday. Principal Bob Borman said it happened too quickly. The student who organized the contest was reprimanded and will be barred from creating future school events. Health officials planned to meet to determine if tests should be conducted on the contestants.

GETTING ENGAGED



Kathy Ogburn and Mike Bagwell, both of Big Spring, will exchange wedding vows on Nov. 6, 1999, at the First United Methodist Church with Dr. Ed Williamson and the Rev. Jack Abendshan officiating. She is the daughter of Redge and Carol Crowder of Big Spring and of Charlton and Jeanette Ogburn of Forsyth, Ga. She is the granddaughter of Delma Ogburn of Dublin, Ga., and of the late Don and Edda Bohannon of Big Spring. He is the son of Chuck and Sue Bagwell of Big Spring, and the grandson of Al and Jane Bagwell of Oklahoma City, Glen and Hazel Strange of Dublin, Texas, and Dorothy Gilbreath of Euless.

Paid announcement

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NEWCOMERS

Brian and Kristi Fontana, Stephenville. He is employed by Honea Implement Inc. Tony Barrick and daughters Chelsea and Lauren, San Angelo. He works for St. Johns Hospital in San Angelo. Arnulfo and Rena Chavera Jr. and son Orlando, Albuquerque, N.M. He works for 87 Auto Sales. Lloyd and Jennifer Duck and daughters Miranda, Amanda and Melinda, Edgewood, N.M. He is employed by Fina Oil & Chemical. Kathleen Moffett, Rotan. She is an interpreter for the Highland Council for the Deaf. Erin More, Vernon. She is a SWCID student. Laura Garcia, Dallas. She is a SWCID student and is employed by HEB.

New in town? Read the Herald and learn about your community.

HUMANE SOCIETY



Pictured: "Poppy" gray tiger tabby, spayed, 1 year old female. Special Note: All dogs and cats presently available for adoption at the shelter have received their vaccinations, including rabies. "Sally" Calico, 1 year old plus, spayed female. "Tuffy" 1 year old male, gray and white tabby, neutered. "Kasey" Orange tabby, 2 years old plus, spayed female. "Jinks" Domestic long-haired tabby, 2 years old plus, spayed female. "Jackie" Domestic short-haired grey tabby, 2 years old plus, spayed female. "Fancy" Domestic short-haired tortoiseshell spayed female, 1 year old plus. "Maya" Domestic short-haired grey tabby, spayed female, 1 year old plus. "Maggie" Black/white domestic short-haired female, spayed, 1 year old plus. "Rocky" Gray tabby, domestic long-haired male, neutered, 3 years old. These, plus many more dogs and cats are awaiting adoption. Adoption fees for dogs are just \$60 and cats are \$50. This includes spaying or neutering, vaccinations, wormings and rabies shots. All pets come with a two-week trial period. Call the shelter at 267-7832 for more information.

Halitosis hotline will send message to offender

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — How do you tell your friend, your co-worker or your spouse that he or she has bad breath? Leave it to a trained professional. A new service by the Center for Breath Disorders allows people to send an anonymous — and tactful — message breaking the news. The letter says: "Someone close to you who cares has requested that we forward this information to you. We understand the difficulties a person faces in both their personal and professional lives due to a breath odor problem. ... You're not alone." Some people have already thanked the center for their messages. The Center for Breath Disorders can be reached via e-mail at drbreath1(at)aol.com or call (888) 373-0911.

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Sales tax payments for September are mixed across West Texas region

By JOHN H. WALKER
Editor

The state comptroller has delivered \$187.7 million in monthly sales tax payments a 3.9 percent increase over the \$180.5 million total for September 1998.

September payments to cities and counties include local sales taxes collected in July and reported in August.

In West Texas, the reports were mixed, with less than half of the 19 cities tracked monthly by the Herald showing increases

over the same period a year ago.

Increases were shown in Abilene, Forsan, Lamesa, Lubbock, San Angelo, Seminole, Snyder, Stanton and Sweetwater.

Decreased revenues were reported for Andrews, Big Spring, Coahoma, Colorado City, Fort Stockton, Kermit, Midland, Monahans, Odessa and Pecos.

Year-to-date, only five of the 19 cities are showing an increase over the same period last year.

Percentage-wise, Forsan showed the greatest amount of increase at 119.12 percent — although that only amounted to a \$955.41 increase over last year's payment of \$802.00.

The greatest increase dollar-wise came in San Angelo, where 1999 numbers were up nearly \$232,000 over 1998's \$652,387.60. The increase represented a 35.55 percent hike.

The greatest percentage drop came in Coahoma — 39.59 percent — where payments declined from \$4,040.93 a year ago to \$2,440.94 this time.

Both Midland and Odessa showed dollar drops of more than \$80,000 from a year ago.

In Midland, the payment check was down \$109,015.39 over the same period a year ago, leaving the Midland County seat more than \$850,000 down year-to-date.

In Odessa, the September payment was down \$81,790.69 over last year, although year-to-date figures show Odessa payments still \$275,000 ahead of last year.

In Big Spring, the September check was \$244,950.12 — or \$12,343.78 down from last year.

The 4.79 percent drop for the month left Big Spring city coffers \$130,710.87 short when compared to the same period a year ago.

Three cities had double-digit percentage increases — Forsan, San Angelo and Snyder — while five had double-digit declines.

Those cities were Andrews, Coahoma, Colorado City, Midland and Pecos.

Year-to-date, Andrews, Kermit and Monahans were all down double-digits percentage-wise.

"Sales tax collections continue to expand as Texas communities gain new businesses and new jobs," Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander said Thursday.

The comptroller delivered payments totaling \$172.5 million to Texas cities. So far this year rebates to cities are 6.8 percent higher than the same period in 1998, according to the comptroller's office.

Counties got \$15.2 million. Another \$6.1 million went to 44 special-purpose districts around the state.

Ranch-to-Rail allows operators info feedback

The Ranch to Rail Program is an information feedback program that allows cow-calf operators and purebred breeders to determine if their calves meet the needs of the beef industry, and to identify what constitutes value beyond the weaned calf phase of beef production. Producers will be provided with information on both feedlot performance and carcass value.



DAVID KIGHT

Sept. 10 will be the deadline for nominating steers into the 1999-2000 Ranch to Rail Program. Nomination fees will be \$10 per steer with a minimum consignment of five head in the 500 to 850 lb. weight range. All trucking, feed and medicine costs incurred during the feeding period will be deducted from the final sale price of the steers. Animals will be collected for trucking in early October at regional pickup points. Delivery dates for Ranch to Rail North, Slaughter County Cattle Company, Tulia, are Oct. 12-13. If you've considered placing some calves in the program, it's definitely not too early to be thinking about backgrounding them. Obviously, backgrounding for early October delivery would necessitate weaning sometime in very early September. Modified Live Virus vaccines, when used properly, provide the best immune response to the respiratory disease complex.

Specific information on what vaccines are recommended, and on how to implement the VAC protocols, can be obtained at the county extension office. Last year, 101 ranches from Texas and other states participated in the program. It is revealing that the range in returns per head varied from +184 to -104. Steers sold on a carcass basis with premiums for Choice and Prime quality grades and discounts for Standards. Premiums were paid for Yield Grades 1 and 2 with discounts for Yield Grades 4 and 5. Ranch to Rail offers producers a means of collecting data which can help them identify those breeding programs and management techniques which can help them capture value and more effectively market their beef product.

David Kight is Howard County Extension Agent-Agriculture. His office is located in the basement of the Howard County Courthouse and his telephone number is 264-2236.

Site preparation finally under way on vets' home

By BILL McCLELLAN
News Editor

Work crews have graded land north of Interstate 20 in preparation for construction of the Big Spring Veterans Home.

It's the first sign in some time of activity at the planned site of the 160-bed facility, and a welcome one at that.



COUNTS

"I'm excited to see some work going on, getting the thing started," said State Rep. David Counts, who helped bring the home to Big Spring. "It will be slow for a little while, but I'm excited for the city and all the people who have been working on this for so long."

Leonard Greco, operations manager for M.W. Builders, said dirt work will take 30 to 45 days. The construction schedule is 13 months, which puts completion of the home in October or November of next year, he said.

Once complete, it will contain a secure, 32-bed Alzheimer's unit, a library, chapel, gift shop, residents' rooms and a play area for children. The facility will provide physical, speech and occupational therapy, on-going health care assessments, hospice care, respite care, social services, therapeutic activities and wound care.

The 76,000 square-foot home will employ 150 workers. "We are delighted to see this project hit another step to bring it to reality," said Chuck Williams, Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce president. "It will be a shot in the arm to the Big Spring area. But the real purpose is to give much-needed aid to those veterans who have given so much."

"It is the right thing to do for the veterans in our area," said Cary D. Brown, CEO at the Veterans Association Medical Center here. "We are looking forward to having a good working relationship with the State Veterans Nursing Home."

Brown said medical center officials met with representatives from The Park Associations last week. "It (the meeting) went extremely well and I feel we are off to a good start to a continuing relationship. We are looking forward to the day it opens," he said.

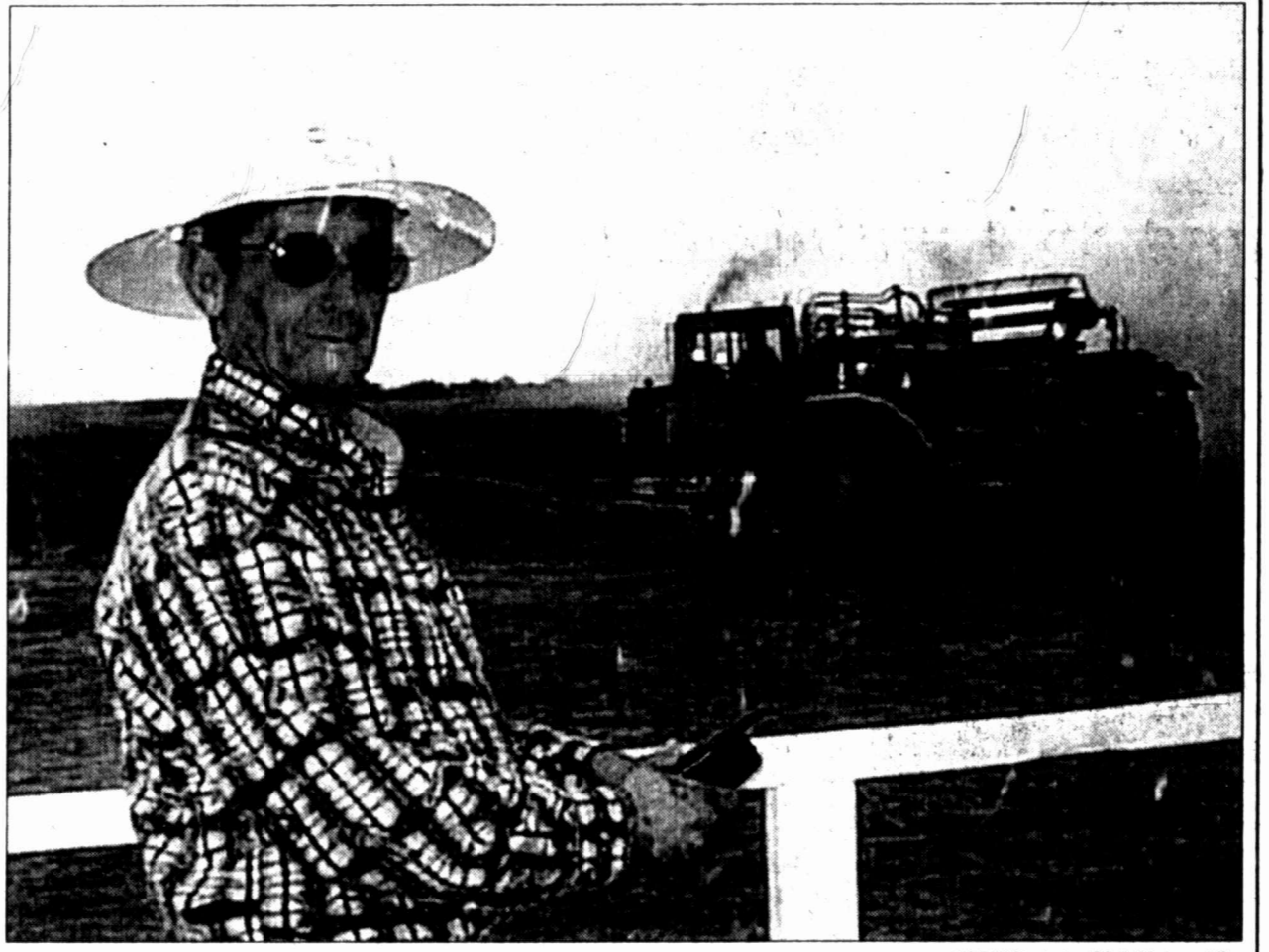
Park Associates has designed and will operate the facility, as well as veterans homes under construction in Temple, Bonham and Floresville.

Greco said he is in the process of lining up contractors for construction of the home. At peak construction times, up to 100 workers will be on-site at one time, he said.

"We've had some delays, and moving the dirt will take some time, but we are getting started," said Greco, who is responsible for overseeing construction at all four state veterans home projects.

The start hasn't gone unnoticed, particularly by the closest neighbor, Big Spring State Hospital.

"They have done an incredible job of clearing off that much land in just one day,"



HERALD photo/Rick McLaughlin

Bud Swanson, project manager for Price Construction, looks on as a Caterpillar earthmover removes a layer of soil during site preparation at the Big Spring VA Home. Site work is expected to take 30 to 45 days.

"The weather hasn't been as extreme this year as it was last year," Chandler said. "The temperature has not been as hot and there have been less insect problems."

Rayford Pullen, Montague County extension agent, said the peach harvest in his area is over.

"Overall, 1999 was a good year for peach producers," Pullen said. "The quality was good and the prices were good."

He said consumers were very pleased with the product this year. Overall, the peach crop is much better this year than last year.

"Last year was a wreck," Pullen said. "The 1998 drought played havoc on our peach quality."

He also said the fact that the Hill Country did not produce a peach crop this year also helped producers in his area.

"They did not have enough chill hours this winter to produce a peach crop," Pullen said. "Although we would never wish anyone any harm," he said, "their bad luck was our good luck."

He added that this year's crop was exceptional. "We'd take it every year if we could," Pullen said.

In West Central Texas, District Extension Director Scott Durham in San Angelo said irrigated peanuts look good in his area.

"Oat producers are preparing fields for planting," he said. Durham said all cotton fields need moisture for boll development.

"Drop is occurring on smaller bolls where fields have received little or no moisture," he said. He said the sorghum harvest is under way with low yields.

"Livestock are in fair to good

said Jök Simons, director of operations, and marketing for the state hospital. "It's exciting. We had heard so little for so long. We're all really excited now because it's pretty clear they are going to start construction."

There has been some discussion about shared services between the state hospital and home, but that is all speculation at this point, Simons said. "We would very much be interested in working out any collaboration we can that would help either of us. We're looking forward to the first opportunity the management company will meet with us," said Simons.

Texas Tech researchers say two-year study shows seaweed makes great feed for cattle

LUBBOCK (AP) — Cattle industry alone due to fescue (grass) toxicity exceed \$600 million annually. What we see is that the seaweed treatment has reversed some of the toxic effects of the infected fescue.

Seaweed contains high concentrations of vitamins, but beyond that, researchers aren't exactly sure why it has a positive effect on cattle.

"We know it is good for people too, but like many things, we don't know why it is so good for disease prevention," Allen said.

Some ranchers seemed skeptical, but said they would give it a try if seaweed were available on the market.

"I've heard of feeding cattle different types of forage, but seaweed?" said Ray Herbert, a rancher near Dalhart. "Seems

treated with seaweed. Feeding the cattle seaweed was a big step and we were skeptical at first, but the results proved positive."

Kevin Pond, another researcher on the project, said a group of cattle who ate seaweed produced better cuts of meat than those fed hay.

"The quality grade appears to go up about a half grade in animals that have been seaweed treated," Pond said. "This translates into better beef, a benefit to both producers and consumers."

The university has applied for a patent for producing seaweed feed and hopes to market it next year. The research has just been released for peer review.

one was listed as miscellaneous, Houston-based Baker Hughes Inc. reported Friday. During the same week last year, 770 rigs were operating in the United States.

Baker Hughes has kept track of the count since 1944. The tally peaked at 4,530 on Dec. 28, 1981, during the height of the oil boom but set several record lows this earlier year, bottoming out at 498 on April 9.

Of the major oil and gas-producing states, Texas gained 15 rigs, Oklahoma gained three and California added one.

The number of rigs actively exploring for oil and natural gas in the United States rose this week by three to 671.

Of the rigs running nationwide, 121 were exploring for oil, 549 for gas, and

Peaches

Farmers celebrate rebound this season

COLLEGE STATION (AP) — Texas peach producers are feeling peachy-keen after this year's successful crop, the Texas Agricultural Extension Service reports.

Galen Chandler, district extension director in Vernon, said most producers are done harvesting but not all are completely finished.

He said peach yields have been good because most peaches are under irrigation. The crop this year has been very good.

"Well, the crop is still holding onto the quality and prices are relatively stable," Chandler said.

He said this crop is much better than last year's in terms of prices and yields.

"The weather hasn't been as extreme this year as it was last year," Chandler said. "The temperature has not been as hot and there have been less insect problems."

Rayford Pullen, Montague County extension agent, said the peach harvest in his area is over.

"Overall, 1999 was a good year for peach producers," Pullen said. "The quality was good and the prices were good."

He said consumers were very pleased with the product this year. Overall, the peach crop is much better this year than last year.

"Last year was a wreck," Pullen said. "The 1998 drought played havoc on our peach quality."

He also said the fact that the Hill Country did not produce a peach crop this year also helped producers in his area.

"They did not have enough chill hours this winter to produce a peach crop," Pullen said. "Although we would never wish anyone any harm," he said, "their bad luck was our good luck."

He added that this year's crop was exceptional. "We'd take it every year if we could," Pullen said.

In West Central Texas, District Extension Director Scott Durham in San Angelo said irrigated peanuts look good in his area.

"Oat producers are preparing fields for planting," he said. Durham said all cotton fields need moisture for boll development.

"Drop is occurring on smaller bolls where fields have received little or no moisture," he said. He said the sorghum harvest is under way with low yields.

"Livestock are in fair to good

IN THE NEWS

TIFFNEY TINDOL, associate at Bealls for Women in Big Spring Mall, was named Associate of the Quarter for May-July 1999.

Each quarter, Stage Stores, Inc. honors outstanding associates for practicing good customer service, going the extra mile for customers and setting a good example for co-workers.

MEGAN KNIGHT and **KYLE RIGHT** received the Gold Star Award at the District VI 4-H Gold Star Banquet on Aug. 28 in Fort Stockton.

The Gold Star Award is the highest award given to a 4-H member of the county level.

KNIGHT is the daughter of Stanley Jr. and Becky Knight and **KIGHT** is the son of David and Vicki Kight.

STANLEY JR. and **BECKY KNIGHT** were also honored at banquet, being named as Outstanding Adult Leaders for Howard County.

Farmers and agricultural specialists from throughout West Texas are invited to a Monsanto Centers of

Excellence field day on Thursday, Sept. 16 at the AG-CARES Farm near Lamesa.

The event will begin at 8 a.m. and conclude with a sponsored lunch.

The AG-CARES Farm is located on U.S. Highway 87, two miles north of Lamesa on the west side of the road. For more information or advance registration, call 1-800 Roundup.

Sponsors are the Lamesa Cotton Growers, Texas A&M University and the AG-CARES Farm.

Topics to be covered include conser-

vation tillage systems, water conservation with high-frequency deficit LEPA irrigation, ways to prevent wind and sand damage, new varieties of Bollguard cotton, computer crop development and economic modeling, and ultra-narrow-row cotton production.

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New carry-on bag rules to be enforced at Dallas Love Field

DALLAS (AP) — No matter how hard Vance Bates scrunched and rolled his overstuffed garment bag, it wouldn't fit through the window in front of the X-ray machine at Dallas Love Field.

After watching the scene play out for a few seconds Friday afternoon, Southwest Airlines employee Marcus Taylor bounded up to Bates.

"Sir, starting tomorrow you'll have to check that bag," Taylor said. He lifted the Plexiglas cutout and let Bates slip his bag through the X-ray machine.

"I'll have to find a smaller carry-on, and I'll pack less clothing," Bates said as he collected the offending bag and walked briskly to catch his plane to Houston.

If Bates had come to the security gate one day later, he would have been sent back to the ticket counter to check his bag. That's because starting Saturday, Southwest will

require that all carry-on bags fit through a 10-by-16-inch opening. The Plexiglas that Taylor was able to swing out of the way on Friday will be bolted down.

The bag-size test at security checkpoints is Southwest's answer to passengers with more and bigger carry-ons.

Once on board, passengers scramble for precious overhead bin space, and there's another free-for-all as soon as the plane lands. Airline employees say the extra time required for people to schlepp all their bags hurts the airlines' on-time arrival scores.

"Our policy is designed to provide for the comfort of all of our customers," said Southwest spokeswoman Ginger Hardage. "If everyone adhered to the policy, we would be able to accommodate everyone's need for (bin) space."

"I don't have a problem with it. People try to take too many bags and there isn't enough

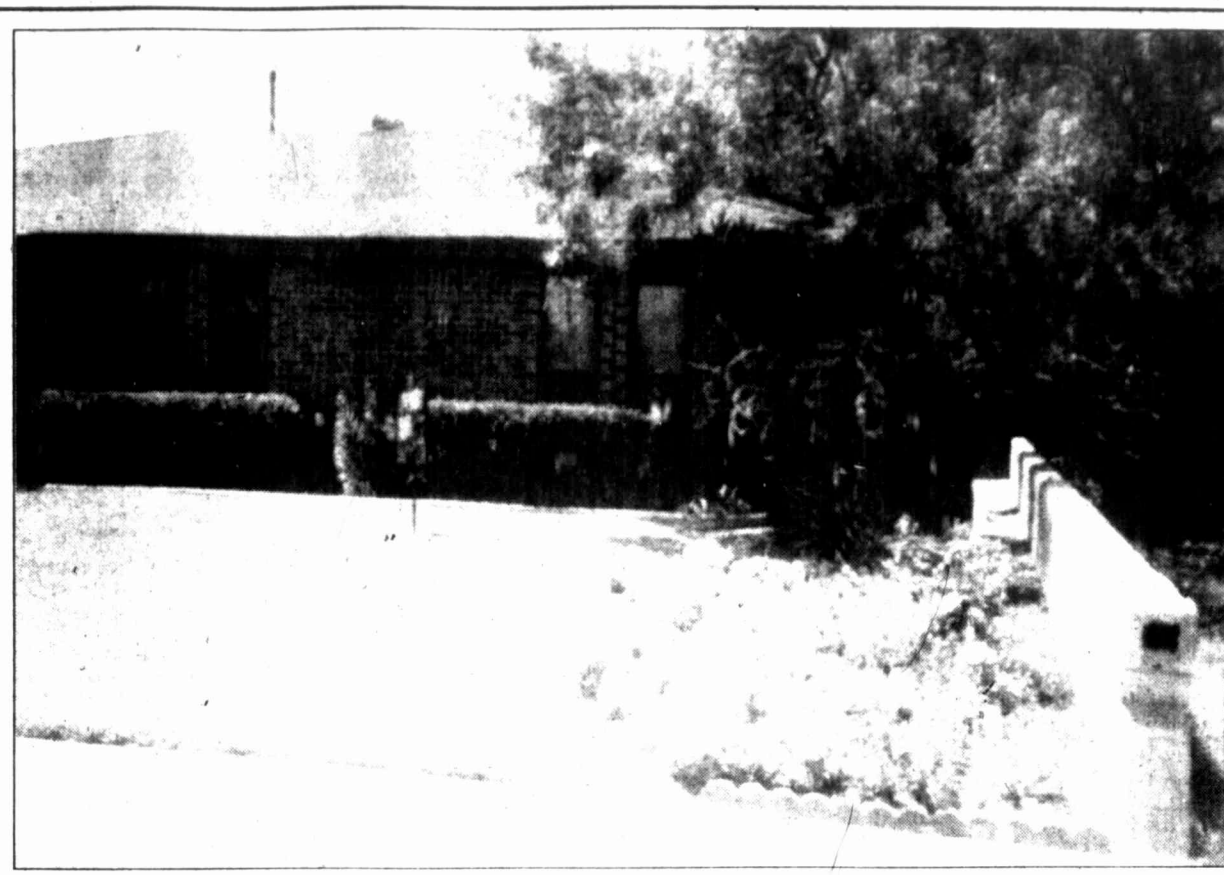
room on the plane," said a woman rushing to catch a flight home to Houston.

The woman — she would give only her first name, Karen — also got a polite warning from Taylor. She said she'll get to the airport early enough to check her suitcase the next time.

Southwest isn't the only crusader against big carry-ons. United and other airlines have installed sizing barriers at Denver, Chicago O'Hare, Los Angeles International and elsewhere.

But not everyone is getting along. Continental sued Delta for installing a barrier at a security gate in San Diego shared by the two airlines. American Airlines puts the onus on flight attendants to decide if bags are too big.

Federal regulators have considered setting rules for carry-ons but so far have only printed brochures asking travelers to "think small."



Courtesy photo
The home of Don and Linda Duffey, 4118 Bilger, was one of four Yellow Rose beautification plaque winners for August. Other winners included Taco Bell, Bill and Mary Alexander at 2714 Carol and Thomas and Joyce Davis at 1706 Alabama. The monthly beautification recognition and awards program is coordinated by the Spade and Hoe Garden Club.

Allstate to refund \$5.4 million to policyholders

AUSTIN (AP) — Allstate Insurance will refund \$4.5 million to middle-aged Texans who were overcharged for auto coverage dating back to 1995.

About 135,000 former and current Allstate customers can expect an average \$20 refund. Those with more than one car or who had policies for several years may receive larger refunds, said company spokeswoman Sharon Cooper.

Allstate announced the refunds after

reaching an agreement with the Department of Insurance which found the company incorrectly computed special discounts for drivers age 50 to 64.

"We require car insurers to apply discounts fairly and uniformly, but that didn't happen in the case of Allstate's 50-64 discount," said Insurance Commissioner Jose Montemayor.

Allstate officials say they based the 15 percent discount, which applies to most

auto customers 50-64 without young drivers in the household, on the wrong figure. This led to some customers receiving more of a discount and some receiving less, said Ms. Cooper.

"We believed we were applying this discount properly," said Ms. Cooper. "When notified by the state that there might be a problem, we immediately worked to resolve the matter and return the money to our customers."

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condition," he said. "Producers are continuing to increase the amount of supplemental feeding."

In Southeast Texas, District Extension Director Dale Fritz in Bryan said his area is very hot and dry.

"The corn harvest is mostly completed and the cotton har-

vest is started," he said. Fritz said producers are preparing land for oat and wheat planting.

"The soybean harvest is nearing completion and the sorghum harvest is finished," he said.

He added that pastures are drying out and many producers are thankful for early hay cuttings.

"Some local cattle markets are falling while others are still strong," Fritz said.

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 Bustamante, Jesus, #10 S. Nolan, Big Spring
 Capetillo, Rebecca, 3102 40th St., Snyder
 Carpenter, Oren R., II, 736 Pine, Colorado City
 Carter, Mrs. M., Hc 71, Box 73 or P.O. Box 2771, Coahoma
 Chavez, Susan, P.O. Box 494, Big Spring
 Cox, Roxanne A., 2638 Langley, Big Spring
 Dearick, David Wayne, 1707 Morrison, Big Spring
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 Franks, Jean Ann, 6400 E. County Road No. 105, Midland
 Gamel, Rawsie, 213 Sandlin Road, Big Spring
 Garcia, Gloria H., 1510 Ave. R, Apt. No. 4, Lubbock
 Garcia, Jerardo H., 5101 N. A Street No. 103, Midland
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 Gonzales, Belinda, 1601 Harding, Big Spring
 Gonzales, Diane D., Hcr 5, Box 8C, Lamesa
 Gonzales, Frank Jr., 704 N. Elgin, Lamesa
 Grime, John, 914 E. Sixth, Big Spring
 Grulis, Pam, 1505 Owens, Big Spring
 Hadorn, Pamela Kay, 101 Shifflett Dr., Big Spring
 Hanson, Roger B., 500 E. 17th, Big Spring
 Harman, William J., Hc 76, blk. 147k-1, Big Spring
 Henderson, Christine L, 420 N. El Paso, Tulla
 Hernandez, Esperanza, 1313 Mulberry, Big Spring
 Hernandez, Juanita, 1502 Bluebird, Big Spring
 Holstine, Dorothy, Box 351, Sweetwater
 Holt, Marlene J., 1402 B S. Main, Big Spring
 Jennings, Jim, P.O. box 396, Marlin Lopez, Brandy, 4213 Hamilton, Big Spring
 Maggett, Pavony D., 1105 Catalina Way, Apt. C, El Paso
 Martin, Martha McDonald, 1407 Lincoln or P.O. Box 2813
 Massingill, Sky W., 33 Tutane No. 2, Big Spring
 Mathis, Lashauna, 3416 Millbrook No. 61, San Angelo

Medina, Rene, 605 Colgate, Big Spring
 Mitchell, Angela, 4424 Leddy, Midland
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 Noble, Larral, 23641 20th Ave. S, Apt. 3 304, Des Moines, Iowa
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 Olivas, Maria Ysabelle, 710 NW Seventh, Big Spring
 Ortiz, Raul Jr., 6409 E. CR 85, Midland
 Owensby, Penny, Hc 63, Box 180E, Big Spring
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 Rubio, Tiffany, 1005 Stadium, Big Spring
 Smith, Coralyn, 5615 N. Service Road, Big Spring
 Vek, Eugene, 1007 Wood, Big Spring
 Watson, Steven, 2306 Thorpe Rd., Big Spring
 Yanez, Eva Carrasco, 1616 Mesquite, Big Spring

Howard County Clerk:
Marriage Licenses:
 William Crawford Tarleton, 40, and Sheryl Sawyer Kennedy, 44
 Elvis Eugene Lang, 23, and Lisa Jean Chavarria, 24
 Chauncey Lavar Ford, 19, and Deanna Cells Avery, 19
 Stirling Spencer, 51, and Carrie Sue Riddle, 37
 Toliver Johnson Thomas, 20, and Leslie Irene Gunter, 21
 Bud DeWayne Romine, 41, and Darcy Ann Ehrmke, 21
 Thomas M. Sanchez Jr., 27, and Candese Lee Lambrecht, 26
 Rafael Vasquez Ortiz Jr., 36, and Alicia Marie Hernandez, 36

Court Records:
Deed Records:
Warranty deeds:
 grantor: Carol Ann Mims, Lynn Gage Mims, Michael Layne Mims and Jodi Mims
 grantee: Cody and Kelli Tredaway property: lots 2-3, blk. 1, Buffalo Subdivision
 filed: Aug. 23, 1999

grantor: Aaron Dameron
 grantee: Marcellous Weaver
 property: the north 25' of lot 2 and all of lot 3, blk. 2, Morning Side Addition
 filed: Aug. 23, 1999

grantor: B.J. Williams, Michael Lee Kind, Sandra Kay McNaillen and Linda Bea Cybert
 grantee: John Covarubias
 property: a tract and parcel of land known as 1/2 acre tract, being out of and part of the northeast 1/4 of section 19, blk. 34
 filed: Aug. 23, 1999

grantor: Lillian Gould
 grantee: Joseph R. Sikes and June J. Sikes
 property: all of lot 8, blk. 4, Sunset Place Addition
 filed: Aug. 24, 1999

grantor: Marvin A. Harris Jr., Beverly Harris Johnston, Andra Harris Dunn
 grantee: Gerald Harris
 property: lot 12, blk. 1, Washington Place Addition
 filed: Aug. 24, 1999

grantor: Elmo Martin Jr.
 grantee: Dona Robertson Jr., Don "Ducky" Robertson and Ricky Robertson
 property: surface estate only in the south 1/2 of section 29, blk. 31
 filed: Aug. 27, 1999

grantor: Phillip Eugene Gibson and Deanna Kay Garrett Lucas
 grantee: Patrick L. Carnahan and Jennifer L. Carnahan

property: the south 1/2 of lot 2, and all of lot 3, Clawson Subdivision, Coahoma
 filed: Aug. 27, 1999

grantor: Dairy Queens of West Texas, Inc.
 grantee: DQF Properties One, LLC
 property: lots 6-7, blk. 8, Hall Addition
 filed: Aug. 27, 1999

Deed with vendor's lien:
 grantor: Johnnie Leon Hobbs and Frances Hobbs
 grantee: Ricky Lynn Brown and Angela Kaye Brown
 property: the surface estate only of a 5.0 acre tract of land out of a 19.98 acre tract in section 105, blk. 29
 filed: Aug. 24, 1999

grantor: Rodney Allen Phillips and Cherry Donnette Phillips
 grantee: Frank Acosta Jr.
 property: lots 1-4, blk. 11, Fairview Heights Addition
 filed: Aug. 24, 1999

grantor: Julian Valle Jr. and Celeste L. Valle
 grantee: Robin Cisneros and Laura Cisneros
 property: all of lot 7, blk. 4, Stanford Park Addition
 filed: Aug. 25, 1999

grantor: Howard College
 grantee: Allied Mortgage Capital Corp.
 property: lots 6-7, blk. 15, corrected plat of lots 8-9, blk. 19, lots 1-7, blk. 15, College Park Estates
 filed: Aug. 27, 1999

118th District Court Filings:
Family:
 Ronnie Epley vs. Greg Franklin
 Patricia Lopez vs. Adolfo S. Lopez

Divorce:
 Bryan E. Alexander vs. Sterling Vaughn Alexander
 Patricia Mauldin vs. Lloyd Allen

Mauldin Jr., Patricia Diane Genn vs. Ronald Toy Genn
 Janet D. Long vs. Loy D. Long

Accounts, notes & contracts:
 Federal Diversified, a division of the Pacesetter Corporation vs. Ruby Juarez
 Glenda Wright vs. State National Bank of Big Spring and Steve Smith

Larry Joseph Piggins vs. Guadalupe Ramirez Gonzales
 Clint Binham vs. Jason David and Olga Cerda

Injuries & damages:
 Gloria Perez vs. Colonial Penn Insurance Company, Inc.

Other:
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1 Device for viewing from cover
10 River of Portugal and Spain
15 College of voters?
16 Coeur d' Alene ID
17 Fairly well
18 Nina's sister ship
19 Of the highest point
20 Happens repeatedly
21 'c'est moi'
22 Like fattening foods
25 Juicy fruits
27 -Ata, Kazakhstan
28 Once around the track
31 Entrance guard
33 Powerful ruler: abbr.
34 Pub offering
35 Before, in poetry
36 Actress Sue Langdon
37 Mediocre grade
38 Diarist Anaïs
39 Singer AJ
41 NFL scores
42 Poor grades
44 Tenant farmer
46 Counterpoison
48 Clear thinking
52 Dark red gemstone
53 Figure skater
54 French floor
55 Watered
58 Renowned
59 Type of phone
60 Hank of hair
61 Sugar, e.g.
5 Deceptive maneuver
6 Anthracite, e.g.
7 Sphere
8 Chum
9 Bridge authority
10 Come to a point
11 Actress
12 Bend the knee in worship
13 Still scraggly
14 Surf paintings
20 Actress
Arquette
22 Meal supplier
23 Positive vote
24 Tibetan Buddhism
26 Part of a balcony
28 Property broker
29 One causing estrangement
30 Enter
32 Bright night
40 Greek letter
43 Scorches
45 So far
47 Burpee catalog order
49 Boarded
50 "My Favorite Wife" co-star
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51 Apple juice
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