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WEATHER

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TODAY 75°-80°
TONIGHT 42°-46°

Thanksgiving holidays begin at some schools

Some Crossroads Area school students, teachers and administrators will get to enjoy an extended Thanksgiving holiday this week.

Big Spring ISD, St. Mary's Episcopal School and Forsan ISD closed their doors Friday and won't hold classes again until Monday, Nov. 29.

Students at Sands, Stanton, Coahoma and Garden City will attend classes Monday and Tuesday, but will be out the rest of the week, also returning on Nov. 29.

WHAT'S UP...

MONDAY

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

TUESDAY

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

□ Big Spring Rotary Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room

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

WEDNESDAY

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

□ Senior Circle mall walkers meet 9:15 a.m. in front of movie theater box office.

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

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

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

THURSDAY

□ Gideon's International Big Spring Camp No. 4206, 7 a.m., Hermans.

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

□ Kiwanis Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room.

□ Masonic Lodge No. 598, 7:30 p.m., 219 Main.

FRIDAY

□ AMBUCS, noon, Brandin' Iron Restaurant.

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

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Possible first freeze forecast Tuesday night, no moisture expected

By JOHN H. WALKER
Editor

A weather change, with the lowest temperatures of the year, is in the forecast for this week in the Crossroads Area.

"There's a pretty vigorous system moving in from the Pacific and because it is stronger, it will be able to direct some colder air into the region," explained National Weather Service (NWS) forecaster Jack Ciccone.

How cold?
Possibly the first freezing temperatures across the region.

While today's temperatures are expected to range between 75 and 80 degrees, the mercury is expected to fall as low as 25 degrees both Wednesday and Thursday mornings.

According to the Texas Almanac, the average first killing freeze in Howard County occurs on Nov. 7. Last year, the first freeze established a record when it did not occur until Dec. 7. A killing frost occurs when the temperature drops below 32 degrees for more than an hour.

Afternoon highs are expected to range between 65 and 70 degrees on Monday to the mid-50s on Tuesday and only 50 on Wednesday and back up to between 55 and 60 degrees on Thanksgiving Day.

But other than the lower temperatures, don't expect any other weather conditions — such as freezing moisture — that one might look for this time of the year.

"There's no moisture at all in this system, so we won't get any precipitation," Ciccone added.

What's in store on Friday, when merchants hope shoppers fill their stores to begin the Christmas shopping season?

"After Thanksgiving, the weather will be in a moderating trend," Ciccone explained, adding that we can look for weather similar to that of the past few weeks, although more on the norm of what one would expect for late November.

Earlier this month, NWS meteorologist Ray Fagen said to expect a warmer and dryer winter than normal.

"Our official forecast for the winter is a warmer and dryer than usual type of winter, and that's the pattern we see setting up that we will have through February," he said.

Fagen said the increase of 'La Nina,' counterpart to 'El Nino,' will push the jet stream in the Pacific Ocean further north usual, creating warmer temperatures and dryer conditions for West Texas.

'La Nina' is the condition that will impact our weather this winter and is a combination of several conditions.

The configuration begins with the fact

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Remodeling continues at VA Medical Center

By MARSHA STURDIVANT
Staff Writer

The Big Spring VA Medical Center has begun another remodeling project, one in a series that will conclude with most areas of the hospital refurbished.



"We've got quite a bit going on. Basically every floor is being remodeled, so that we will have practically a brand new hospital inside when we're finished," said Cary Brown, chief executive officer of the hospital.

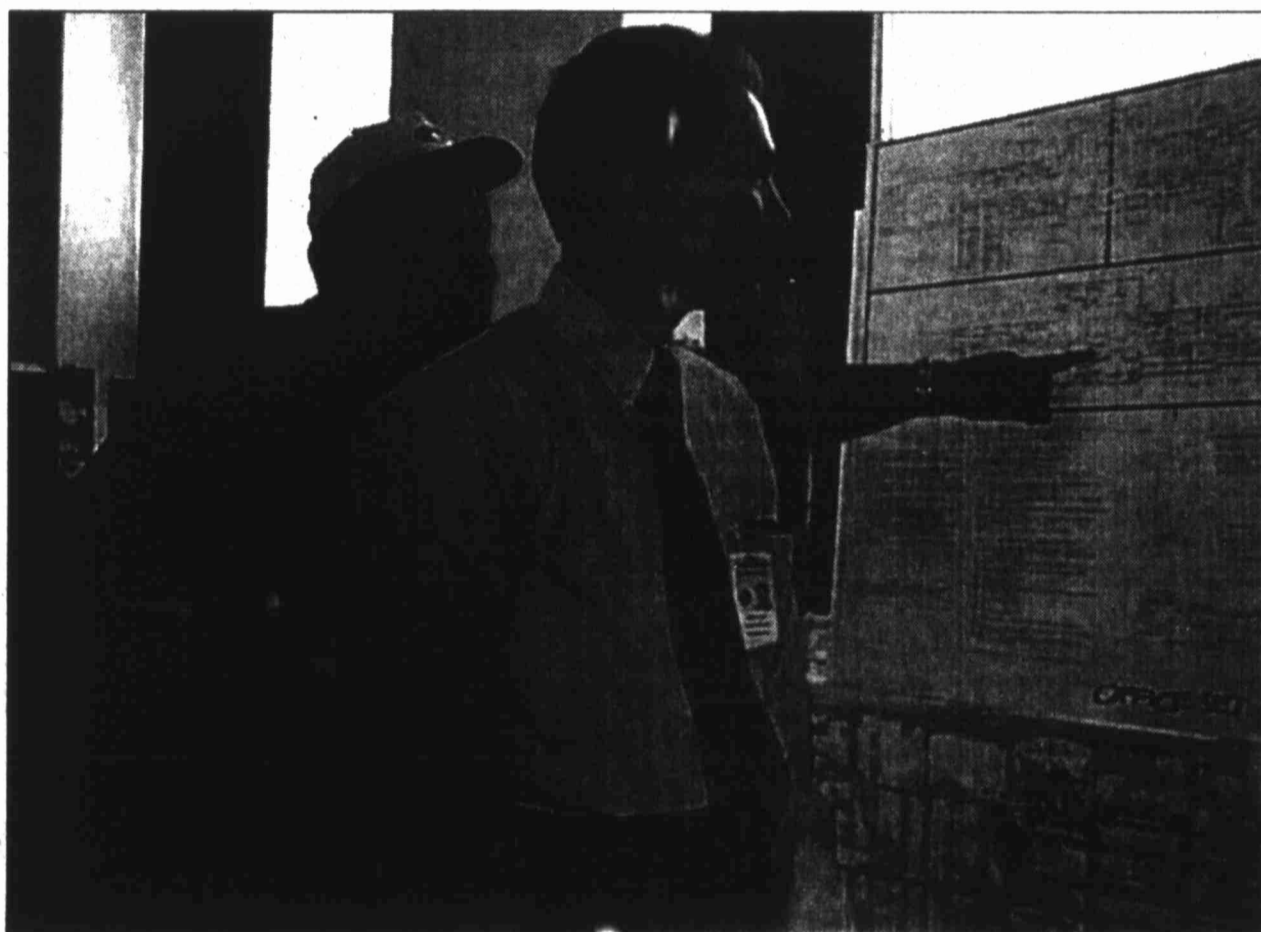
And while these renovations will not increase the 147-bed capacity, Brown said he believes the services offered veterans on an outpatient basis will increase.

"Our goal is to provide preventative care, and we are treating a growing number of veterans each year. We hope to increase outpatient care for veterans, and we hope to add an additional outpatient medical team. Increasing the number of veterans receiving outpatient care is our goal for this year," Brown said.

Currently, work is under way to give the sixth floor nursing home a complete facelift, with new vinyl wall coverings in patient rooms and offices, an indoor-outdoor patio and complete refurbishing of the shower rooms.

New handrails and bumper rails will also be installed, Brown said.

"We have moved the sixth floor patients to the third floor for now, and when the renovations on the sixth floor are complete, we will move them back and move the fourth floor patients to the third floor, to begin renovations to the fourth floor," Brown said.



HERALD photos/Marsha Sturdivant
Mike Cruz, left, general manager of Cruz Construction, and James Carter, assistant chief engineer for the VA Medical Center, consider plans for the sixth floor renovation currently under way, while below, Donny Ladner of Ladner Construction observes as David Stephens digs a trench for new water main lines.

The fourth floor and sixth floor remodels are two of a series of projects approved by the Veterans Administration, part of an extensive renovation project that began with a new outpatient clinic and recently completed surgical floor.

Work on the two floors is expected to be complete within the next eight months.

Construction is also ongoing for a \$475,220 project replacing all the water main lines to the hospital. The project was approved because of several water leaks the facility experienced during the past few years, Brown said.

"These pipes are 50 years old

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Sandhill cranes have returned to Howard County

LYNDEL MOODY
Staff Writer

Howard County has seen the return of the sandhill cranes, just as a researcher for the Northern Prairie Wildlife Research Center tracked by satellite nine sandhill



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cranes to West Texas. The cranes were seen Friday evening over Big Spring and few had been seen several days ago near Moss Creek Lake.

Last March, biologist captured and marked 16 cranes in the Central Platte River Valley in Nebraska. Researchers are monitoring the cranes to document their year round habitat and to accurately estimate the size of the mid-continent population. Each marked bird is carrying a standard U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service aluminum



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band on one leg and a transmitter above the knee joint on the other leg.

Crane hunting season in West Texas opened Saturday, though few are hunted in the Howard County area.

Jay Roberson, Texas Parks and Wildlife biologist, wants Texas hunters to know that "if they take one of these marked cranes, no laws will have been broken. We would hope that the hunters would help us by returning any transmitters that they might find. Each transmit-

ter costs about \$3,600." The sandhill cranes usually appear in Howard County in late October. Local bird watcher Pat Simmons, who counts the sandhill cranes every year, said the reason for the delay was the unseasonable warm weather and lack of rain this year. The cranes eat grain, insects and even small rodents.

According to Simmons, the sandhill crane count was down last year from 1997 by 8,575.

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Razing date set

Demolition of Permian Bldg. slated to begin Monday, Dec. 6

By BILL McCLELLAN
News Editor

The countdown is on — Monday, Dec. 6, is the anticipated start date for the Permian Building's demise, city officials said Friday.

"What the contractor is telling us is that Vanco Abatement out of Midland will start removing the asbestos on Monday, Nov. 29, and on the following Monday, Midwest Wrecking Co. will bring in their equipment to start tearing it down," said Kenny Davis, chief building inspector for Big Spring.

"They plan on having it on the ground in five days," Davis said. "Then it will take some time to haul it all off."

"All the documents are signed and we are still looking to get it down by the end of the year," said Emma Bogard, assistant city manager. The company has said it will have the project completed in 45 days.

It was originally expected that Midwest would implode the aging structure, but that's changed, Davis said.

"It's going to be a conventional wrecking ball situation. They are not going to do an implosion," he said.

Bringing down the building will relieve the city of an eyesore and potentially dangerous situation. Some of the brick facade of the building has fallen off, leading the city to rope off an area around part of the structure. But the demolition won't be without some inconveniences for a few downtown stores.

"More than likely we will rope off Scurry, and block off Second Street from Scurry to Main. That will affect some businesses, but they will be able to access their buildings from the back," said Davis. "The reason to block off Second Street is the brick facade on that side of the building is not that stable."

"The intention of the contractors is to try to make every

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Howard College hosts hundreds for annual Area II FFA contests

By BILL McCLELLAN
News Editor

Three hundred high school Future Farmers of America students from across West Texas were at Howard College on Saturday, vying for an opportunity to advance to state competition.

"All of these kids were first or second in district contests to qualify for today's Area II FFA Leadership Contest," said Lynn Walling, Howard College agriculture instructor.

The students were participating in parliamentary procedure, skills demonstrations, a

quiz contest, radio broadcasting, public relations and public speaking. The top students advance to state competition scheduled for Dec. 4 at Sam Houston State University in Huntsville.

"This is a lot of fun," said Kandace Kimmell, a junior FFA student from Borden County High School. "You get to meet some very interesting people. It's a brotherhood. I've learned a lot through FFA."

"It helps develop leadership qualities, how to talk in front of people and improves your self confidence," said Ramon

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Among the 300 students competing in the Area II FFA Leadership Contest Saturday at Howard College were these from Borden County High School, pictured with Howard College ag instructor Lynn Walling. From left, they are Halley Adcock, Nick Flanigan, Kaci Poole, Kandace Kimmell and Robert Stamper. They are displaying banners which were to be awarded to winners in the various contests.

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OBITUARIES

Helen Harris Hurt

Helen Harris Hurt, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Clifford Hurt, died on Wednesday, Nov. 17, 1999, at her sister's residence in Midland. Graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Monday, Nov. 22, 1999, at Trinity Memorial Park with Rev. Eddie Tubbs, pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating.

She was born on May 11, 1923, in Big Spring, Texas, and graduated from Big Spring High School. She attended Texas State College for Women (now Texas Women's University) in Denton, receiving her BS degree with the Class of 1944. She launched her business career soon thereafter in Dallas. Returning to Big Spring after almost a decade, she was employed by CRMWD.

Her interest in writing led her to the Big Spring Weekly News where she developed her column "To The Four Winds." Joining the editorial staff of the Big Spring Herald, she was involved with women's news. Subsequently, she was recruited by Cosden Oil & Chemical Company, overseeing the Cosden Copper being among her duties. After a long tenure with Cosden/Fina, she took early retirement and devoted herself to family responsibilities.

Miss Hurt was an active member of First Baptist Church and had participated in various local clubs. She had been a long-time board member and a vice president of the Big Spring Concert Association.

Survivors include her sister and brother-in-law, Lillian and Joe H. Rockwood of Midland; a niece, Helen R. Auburg of Alvin; three great-nephews, Eric Auburg and Carl Auburg, both of the United States Marines, and Brian Auburg of Alvin; and a number of cousins. She was preceded in death by her parents and her brother, John Clifford Hurt Jr.

The family suggests memorials to First Baptist Church, 700 W. Marcy, Big Spring, Texas, 79720, or Hospice of Midland, 911 West Texas, Midland, Texas, 79702.

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

Paid obituary

Louise Weeg Jayes

Louise Weeg Jayes, 94, of Big Spring, died on Thursday, Nov. 18, 1999, at her residence. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Monday, Nov. 22, 1999, at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church with Rev. Christopher Coleman, pastor, officiating. Interment will follow at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

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Helen Harris Hurt, 76, died Wednesday. Graveside services will be 11:00 AM, Monday at Trinity Memorial Park.

Louise Weeg Jayes, 93, died Thursday. Funeral services will be 2:00 PM, Monday, at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church. Interment will follow at Mt. Olive Memorial Park. Edith Marie White, 47, died Thursday. Graveside services were held 2:00 PM Saturday, at Trinity Memorial Park.

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She was born on Nov. 21, 1905, in Big Spring and married Walter Jayes, who preceded her in death in 1956.

Her parents were A.F. and Sofie Weeg. She grew up in Big Spring and graduated from Big Spring High School in 1923. Mrs. Jayes lived most of her life in Big Spring and worked for the Robb Theatres for more than 17 years.

She was a member of Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church and the Altar Society.

Survivors include her brother, Charles Weeg of Big Spring; as well as a niece, a nephew, several nieces and nephews and great cousins.

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Edith Marie White

Edith Marie White, 47, of Big Spring, died on Thursday, Nov. 18, 1999, at a local hospital. Graveside services were held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 20, 1999, at Trinity Memorial Park.

She was born on Sept. 6, 1952, in Big Spring and was a lifetime resident. She was a member of Calvary Baptist Church.

Survivors include one brother, Glenn Adkins of Clyde; one sister, Mary Belle Lyon of Castle Rock, Colo.; an uncle and aunt, Billy and Bennie Barber of Big Spring; two nieces; and three nephews.

The family suggests memorials to the American Diabetes Association, Inc., West Texas Affiliate, Western Regional Office, 8008 Slide Road, Lubbock, Texas, 79424.

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

Berty Cowley Tidwell

Berty Cowley Tidwell, 88, of Big Spring, died Saturday, Nov. 20, 1999, at a relative's home in Lubbock. Services are pending at Adams Funeral Home in Ralls.

Bush foreign policy would be tough toward Russia, China

SIMI VALLEY, Calif. (AP) — George W. Bush says his foreign policy would not view China and Russia as strategic partners, but as competitors — "without ill will, but without illusions."

The Texas governor, front-runner for the Republican presidential nomination, said in unveiling his international agenda that Beijing's conduct is "alarming abroad and appalling at home," while Russia has behaved just as badly in Chechnya.

Speaking Friday at the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library, Bush rejected the Clinton administration's view of the two countries as "strategic partners."

Bush, whose father was U.S. ambassador to China before becoming president, called Beijing "an espionage threat to our country. ... China's government is an enemy of religious freedom and a sponsor of forced abortion — policies without reason and without mercy."

He voiced support for China's entry in the World Trade Organization, and pledged that a Bush administration would honor U.S. promises to the peo-

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ple of Taiwan. "We do not deny there is one China, but we deny the right of Beijing to impose their rule on a free people," he said. "As I've said before, we will help Taiwan to defend itself."

Bush condemned Russia for supplying weapons to "rogue states," for having a corrupt financial system and for brutally cracking down on civilians in its war with the breakaway republic of Chechnya.

"When the Russian government attacks civilians — killing women and children, leaving orphans and refugees — it can no longer expect aid from international lending institutions," the governor declared. "The Russian government will discover that it cannot build a stable and unified nation on the ruins of human rights."

He said the United States should treat Russia and China "without ill will, but without illusions."

Bush's speech drew criticism from Vice President Al Gore's Democratic presidential campaign.

BRIEFS

HANGAR 25 AIR MUSEUM

is joining the Trail of Lights. Hangar 25 lights will glow after Big Spring Herald-sponsored Lighted Christmas Parade on Dec. 4. As part of the opening of the Trail of Lights, Hangar 25 will be open to the public from 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. The hanger will be outlined in white lights and the interior will have special lighting for the holidays. Museum volunteers will be serving cookies, coffee and punch.

AARP 55 ALIVE MATURE

Driving Course will be taught Wednesday and Thursday, Dec. 1-2 at Martin County Senior Citizens Center. The course is open to all people age 50 and over, who must attend both sessions. After completion, participants are eligible for a 10 percent discount on auto insurance. Cost is \$8 for the course and there are no tests or exams. Call 756-2791 to register.

IT'S TIME FOR THE Big Spring Woman's Club annual coat drive.

We will be collecting coats for needy children and adults from through Nov. 30. Please bring your extra coats, hats, mittens, gloves, scarves, windbreakers and blankets to Harris Lumber and Hardware (1515 E. FM 700), the Howard County Courthouse (first floor) or Scenic Mountain Medical Center (1601 W. 11th Place).

THE AREA AGENCY ON Aging Ombudsman Program will begin a new training session to train volunteer ombudsmen to visit residents in Big Spring nursing homes. The training will begin after Jan. 1. Please call 800-491-4636 for more information.

SUPPORT GROUPS

SUNDAY
•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, 11 a.m. closed meeting and 7 p.m. open meeting.
•NA 8 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad. Call 268-4189 (pager no.).

MONDAY
•TOPS Club (Take off pound sensibly), weigh-in 5 p.m. and meeting at 6 p.m., College Heights Christian church, 21st and Goliad.
•Project Freedom, Christian support group for survivors of physical/emotional/sexual and/or spiritual abuse. Call 263-

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5140 or 263-2241 for dates/times of upcoming groups.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting.

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

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

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

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

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

•Encourager's Support Group (for widows) will meet Monday, Nov. 1, at 6 p.m. at the Spanish Inn. They will also meet Monday, Nov. 15, at 6 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church, Seventh and Runnels (enter through the north door), for a Thanksgiving dinner. Turkey will be furnished. Bring any dish to go with turkey. For more information call 398-5522.

•Survivors of Suicide support group will meet 7:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 15, at Memorial Hospital, Midland. The theme will be "Caring for the grieving: our need and their need."

•The New Voice Club, a support group for laryngectomees and their families, will meet Monday, Nov. 15, at 2410 Wason Drive, the house behind the 7-11 store, but with the driveway on Randolph. For directions call 267-2800.

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

Volunteers ready to serve dinner Thanksgiving Day

More than 20 volunteers have donated their culinary skills to the Salvation Army to help prepare the traditional community Thanksgiving Day dinner at the Corps office.

The dinner is set for 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. at 811 W. Fifth, and will feature all the traditional holiday foods such as turkey and dressing and pumpkin pie.

Last year, the Corps served nearly 300 meals to the community, and again this year they are also providing meals for those individuals who cannot travel to the office.

Anyone who needs a Thanksgiving Day dinner delivered should call the office at 267-8239.

MEETINGS

HOWARD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
10:00 a.m. Monday,
Howard County Courthouse

Items on the agenda include:
• Purchase requests
• Bills related to the Volunteer Fire Department

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• Personnel considerations
• Payroll supplement
• Consolidation of election precincts
• Authority to replace Assistant District Attorney
• Appointment of Texas Veterans Land Board County Committee
• Request to go out on bid for motor grader
• Presentation on maintenance of heating/cooling systems in Howard County buildings

MOORE DEVELOPMENT FOR BIG SPRING INC.

3 p.m. Monday
Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce boardroom

Items on the agenda include:
• Minutes of the Oct. 27 board meeting
• October financials and investment report
• Recommendation from the committee for renovations to new training office for West Texas Centers for MHMR
• Consideration of extension of water and sewer lines at airport
• Executive session regarding Solitaire Homes, reconvene into open session to take action as necessary
• Executive session for discussion of financial information and incentives regarding economic development negotiations with StarTek, reconvene into open session to take action as necessary.

POLICE

Big Spring Police Department reported the following incidents between 8 a.m. Friday and noon Saturday:

- KATHY TURNER, 46, was arrested for driving with a suspended license.
- JOE JOHNSON, 28, was arrested for driving with a suspended license.
- HECTOR MELENDEZ, 20, was arrested for driving with a suspended license.
- ELVIS LANG, 24, was arrested for no driver's license.
- EPIFANIO GUZMAN, 27, was arrested on local warrants.
- JOE TORRES, 35, was

arrested for criminal mischief.
• KRISTIN PIRKLE, 21, was arrested on local warrants.
• FREDERICK NEWTON, 45, was arrested on a Lynn County warrant.

• DARRIN WEBB, 29, was arrested for Class C assault.
• CRISPIN SANCHEZ, 27, was arrested for assault/cause bodily injury.
• MANUEL ESCAMILLA, 37, was arrested for assault/cause bodily injury.

• JAIME MUNOZ, 34, was arrested for public intoxication.
• STEVEN BONNER, 21, was arrested for making alcohol available to a minor.

• CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 1600 block of Fourth, the 900 block of West Fifth, the 1200 block of Main and the 1500 block of Tucson.

• MINOR ACCIDENTS were reported at Mile Marker 177 on the north service road of Interstate 20, the 1300 block of Gregg and the 1800 block of Gregg.

• THEFT was reported in the 500 block of Birdwell, the 2300 block of Wason, 18th and Gregg and the 1700 block of East Marcy.

• DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported in the 1500 block of West Third, the 400 block of West Fifth, the 2400 block of Morrison, the 700 block of North Douglas and the 3600 block of Calvin.

• BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE was reported in the 1500 block of E. Fourth and the 800 block of W. 17th.

• BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported in the 1300 block of Madison and the 400 block of W. Sixth.
• ASSAULT/FAMILY VIOLENCE was reported in the 500 block of W. Seventh.

• LOUD PARTY/NOISE was reported in the 1600 block of State.

• CLASS C ASSAULT was reported in the 400 block of E. Fourth and the 300 block of W. Fifth.

• FORGERY was reported in the 2200 block of Gregg.

• DISORDERLY CONDUCT/LANGUAGE was reported in the 2500 block of Gregg.

• DISTURBANCE/FIGHT was reported in the 3100 block of Parkway.

• GRAFFITI was reported in the 1100 block of Lamesa.

Our most sincere thanks for all the prayers, flowers & food sent to the Family on the death of our beloved Paul Flores. Special thanks to Fr. James Plagens, Fr. C.J. Scanlan OMI, pallbearers, choir, lectors, also Myers & Smith Funeral Home.
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thing come back to the south (on the vacant lot). They'll probably bring it down a floor at a time," he added.

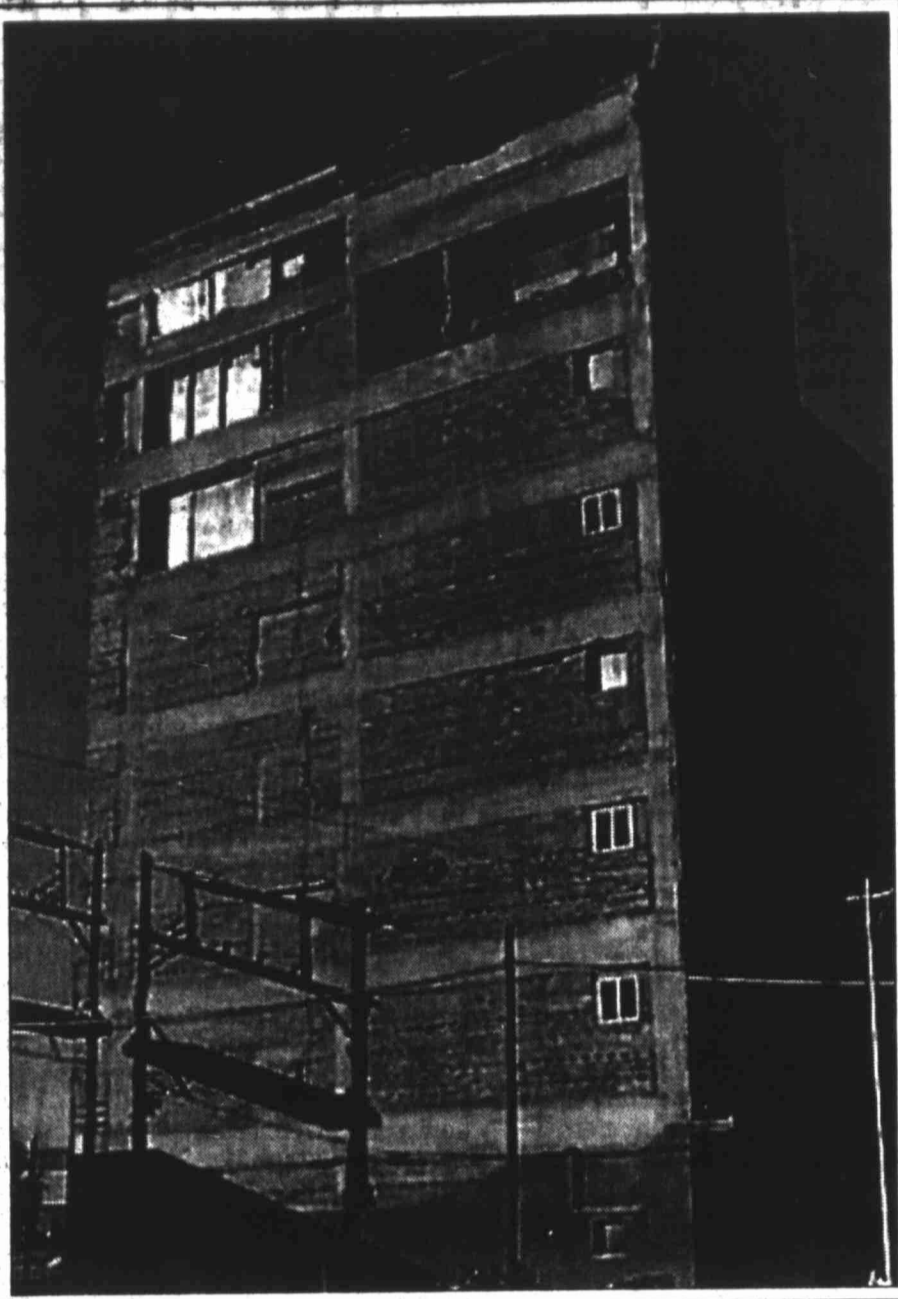
Power lines and gas lines have already been rerouted in preparation for the demolition of the building, which has been in the works for some time now.

City officials had first anticipated that the four taxing entities — the city, county, Big Spring ISD and Howard College district — might each share in the removal of the building. That plan fell through when it became obvious that most of the other entities weren't willing to put up any funds.

Big Spring City Council was able to get the project under way by pledging \$50,000.

Moore Development for Big Spring Inc. matched that amount and Cornell Corrections added \$25,000. Big Spring Main Street Inc. originally put in \$3,000, but now will pay the back taxes, amounting to some \$2,800.

Cost of the demolition will be \$89,450.



Stanton ISD board approves resolution in support of student-initiated prayer

HERALD Staff Report

Stanton ISD trustees have approved a resolution in support of student-led prayer at extracurricular events, though for now, the district is holding a moment of silence.

"Our lawyers advised us to obey the law. Even through we had a hard problem with not being allowed to pray, we obeyed the law," said Jim White, superintendent.

That hasn't stopped the board from making it clear they support prayer. "We've adopted a resolution from Pearland ISD — I think probably they were sent to

every school district. In talking with them, they decided most effective way to fight this was by passing this resolution supporting student-led and student-initiated prayer," White said.

"Our board felt like our right to pray was being taken away and this is a way we could still show our support for student-led and student-initiated prayer."

The Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals earlier this year issued an opinion banning organized prayer from football games and nonsectarian, non-proselytizing prayer from graduation ceremonies.

Texas Attorney General John

Cornyn subsequently informed districts around the state that the ruling prohibits only "school organized" prayer.

"The opinion does not prohibit students from engaging in voluntary prayer and should not be construed to prevent that type of activity as long as the school and school officials are not involved," Cornyn said.

The resolution passed by Stanton ISD trustees states that the board supports the Sante Fe Independent School District and its appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court to overturn the U.S. Fifth Circuit Court's decision.

The Supreme Court has agreed to look at the case.

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seniors invited.

SATURDAY

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

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that the Pacific Ocean is experiencing cooler seas surface temperatures. This in turn affects jet stream patterns, and pushes the cooler weather into the West Coast in a more northerly manner. The northerly direction will affect the Great Lakes and other northern areas.

"This will effect the Pacific Northwest. There will be more snow and rain in the northwest, and more snow and rain in the Great Lakes than in Texas," he said.

The freeze could mean good news for farmers still waiting to get their cotton crop harvested.

Many area farmers have been playing an economics waiting game with the weather — waiting on a killing frost to stop their cotton plants from growing rather than spending money to defoliate.

A killing freeze would also bring an end to the diapause phase of the boll weevil eradication program. Until there is a freeze that kills the plants, malathion will continue to be applied to hostable cotton, according to Permian Basin Boll Weevil Eradication Zone district manager Jim Daniels.

CRANES

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Simmons said she had received some reports of sightings of a few cranes near Moss Creek Lake.

The sandhill cranes migrate from Nebraska to Texas every year. Texas is an important

wintering area for mid-continent sandhill cranes. This is the largest population of cranes in the world with more than a half million birds, he said, but accurate counts on the Platte Rivers in Nebraska each spring are hampered by prolonged migration. He said much more reliable estimates may be possible after completing this study. Crane movements can be tracked on Northern Prairie Wildlife Research Center's Web site at: www.npwr.usgs.gov/perm/cranemov/cranemov.htm.

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and need replacing," he said.

Along with the water main replacement, plans are being prepared to also improve the reverse osmosis water systems. The design for this project is in-house, and construction bid awards are expected by September 2000, he said.

"This will provide for upgrading a portion of our RO pumps, clean out several sump pits in the basement and replace soft water lines in the basement," he said.

Following the completion of the sixth and fourth floors, the next project approved for bid is a new design for the intensive care unit, which will be relocated from the fifth floor to the third floor east wing.

"Once the design process has been completed this spring or summer, we look forward to awarding a contract for construction by the end of September 2000," Brown said.

Also on the agenda is a renovation of the urgent care area. The design is expected to begin after Christmas, with a bid process under way in September 2000, he said.

"Renovation of the urgent care area will provide us with new life support stations, a TB isolation observation/treatment room, and a cosmetic upgrade to the rest of the area," Brown said.

The emergency room is also going to undergo a complete remodel, he said. And while plans for the fifth floor have not been determined, Brown said he believes the floor will accommodate some type of specialized health care.

"We haven't determined what

we will place on the fifth floor, although we will develop a plan and I feel sure it will be some sort of new clinical program," Brown said.

Brown said the community may be confident that the hospital will continue to exist in Big Spring for a long time.

"The Veterans Administration is investing millions of dollars in this hospital, and it will be here a long, long time," Brown said.

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Griffin, a senior at Borden County High.

Borden County was just one of several dozen schools that qualified students to the day-long competition.

"They range from Haskell to El Paso and from Brownfield down to Sonora," said Walling. "All of the schools compete against each other. It doesn't matter how big or small you are. And some of the smaller schools traditionally have some of the strongest teams."

Public speaking is an individual event, but most of the contests are team-orientated, with groups ranging from three students up to eight, Walling said.

"Most of these schools have been preparing for contests for two months, now, with their high school ag science teachers," he noted.

Howard College sponsors the contests and furnishes awards for the first four teams in each contest.

"It's the 20th year I have done this at the college," said Walling. "We do it as a recruiting tool, and also as a public relations tool."

Star lighting planned Friday

The sixth annual lighting ceremony for the star on Gail Mountain will be Friday, Nov. 26, at 7 p.m.

The star will remain lit until Jan. 1, 2000.

The Museum in the Courtyard will be open at 5 p.m. before the lighting ceremony for visiting and refreshments.

There will be entertainment provided by local musicians and singers.

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OUR VIEWS

Your generosity, Angel Trees make holidays brighter

More than 550 Howard County children who otherwise would not get gifts this holiday season will — but only through your help and the help of your neighbors and co-workers.

Through your generosity and the Salvation Army Angel Tree program, these youngsters will be a little happier Christmas Day.

The program works this way: Families in need apply for assistance through the Salvation Army. After making sure those families qualify, the Salvation Army makes up cards with the first name of each child, their age, clothing and shoe size, and three gift wishes. These cards are placed on Angel Trees, which are distributed at various businesses in the community.

Individuals, entire families and local organizations select an angel or angels to adopt for Christmas. They purchase gifts for the child, and return the gifts to the Salvation Army. The gifts may also be returned to the business where the tree is located.

The joy of knowing you are helping some child to have a merrier Christmas is magical. For some, the Angel Tree project is something the entire family participates in. It makes a wonderful tradition that teaches children the joy and importance of giving.

People who want to help but don't have the time, or feel they just wouldn't know what articles of clothing or toys to purchase, can still help. They can go by the Salvation Army at 811 West Fifth and make a donation specifically to go to an Angel Tree.

Angel Trees are mostly for children, but there is also one that contains the names of needy senior citizens. This particular tree can be found at the Herald office, 710 Scurry. Other Angel Trees are at Rip Griffin's Gift Shop, Gale's Sweet Shop, Big Spring Mall, Wal-Mart, Scenic Mountain Medical Center, Cosden Credit Union and Al's Barbecue.

It is the generosity of local citizens that makes the Salvation Army Angel Tree program one of the most rewarding and heart-warming Christmas activities we can participate in.

The next time you are out, consider going by one of these locations and adopting an angel. We guarantee it will be as rewarding for you as it is for the child or senior citizen who receives your generous gifts.

YOUR VIEWS

TO THE EDITOR:

The Big Spring Harley Owners Groups would like to take this opportunity to thank all that came out and supported our recent Seafood Fest.

Your generosity and appetite will allow us to make

Christmas a little brighter for many of the angels hanging on the Angel Trees in the community.

This Seafood Fest was our largest ever and would have not been possible without the help and support of the following businesses: Big Spring Water and Ice, Coca Cola and Rainbow Bread. A very special thank you to Mel and Denise Dickerson, of Mel's Fried Fish and Seafood, whose hard work and generosity make many fundraising events possible in this area.

With this Christmas season upon us, the members of Big Spring H.O.G. would like to

encourage everyone to pick up an angel or two. Christmas is about giving, so please help us make Christmas special for those who are less fortunate.

THE BIG SPRING HARLEY OWNERS GROUP

TO THE EDITOR:

Recently at Goliad Elementary School, we held a No Zeros Party for students in the sixth grade who had no zeros on any assignment in any subject for the entire six weeks.

We would like to thank several businesses for helping sponsor this party by contributing coupons and merchandise for us to use as rewards for these students. They are as follows: Rocky's, All Star Sports, Subway, Dairy Queen, 7-11 and Skateland. We appreciate your support.

THE TEACHERS AND STAFF OF GOLIAD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Trade deal with China could be big for Clinton

By **MARTIN CRUTSINGER**
AP Economics Writer

In terms of trade victories, it's been a long dry spell for Bill Clinton. Two big deals in his first two years in office, and then nothing for the past five years.

By resuscitating a major market-opening agreement with China that many had given up for dead, Clinton has provided himself one last chance to burnish his trade legacy.

That's if he can, in his last year in office, get the measure through a Congress that next year will be filled with members of his own party who have been extremely hostile to his centrist "New Democrat" message that protectionism is not the answer to America's economic problems in an era of increasing globalization.

Clinton has been sounding that theme since he first ran for president in 1992, staking his claim of being a "New Democrat" in large part on his support for free trade and a willingness to buck the labor unions that form a major Democratic Party constituency.

After taking office, Clinton went on to quick wins on two big trade deals, pushing against strong union opposition for congressional passage of

the North American Free Trade Agreement with Mexico and Canada in 1993 and the Uruguay Round global trade liberalization agreement in 1994.

That's when his luck ran out. No major trade legislation has made it through Congress since 1994. And, embarrassingly for Clinton, the logjam has been in his own party.

The president has been unable to persuade his fellow Democrats in the House to give him the negotiating authority known as "fast track" he needs to pursue his agenda of creating free trade areas in the Western Hemisphere and among Pacific Rim nations.

That has left Clinton to trudge off to the annual Pacific leaders' summits in faraway places like New Zealand with little to do since other countries aren't about to engage in actual bargaining if Clinton doesn't have the authority to close a deal.

Clinton's drought may be coming to an end. Last week in Beijing, his negotiators bagged a market-opening agreement with China that could mean billions of dollars in increased sales for American farmers, manufacturers and service industries from movies to banking.

In return for lowering its barriers to American products, China would receive U.S. support for its quest to become a member of the World Trade Organization, the 135-nation group that sets the rules for global trade.

For the legacy-minded Clinton, the China trade deal is a coup, representing the biggest economic prize for American companies since China and the United States resumed normal diplomatic relations a generation ago.

There is a catch. For U.S. companies to receive the market-opening benefits that China is offering, Congress must vote to provide China with permanent "normal trade relations," scrapping the current annual vote on whether China can retain the favorable tariff rates the United States grants to most other countries.

Already U.S. labor unions, human rights groups and environmentalists are lining up in opposition. They aren't mincing words. AFL-CIO President John Sweeney calls the deal "disgustingly hypocritical."

Supporters are gearing up for battle as well, and they include some of America's biggest corporations, which have been complaining for years about the trade barriers China is now

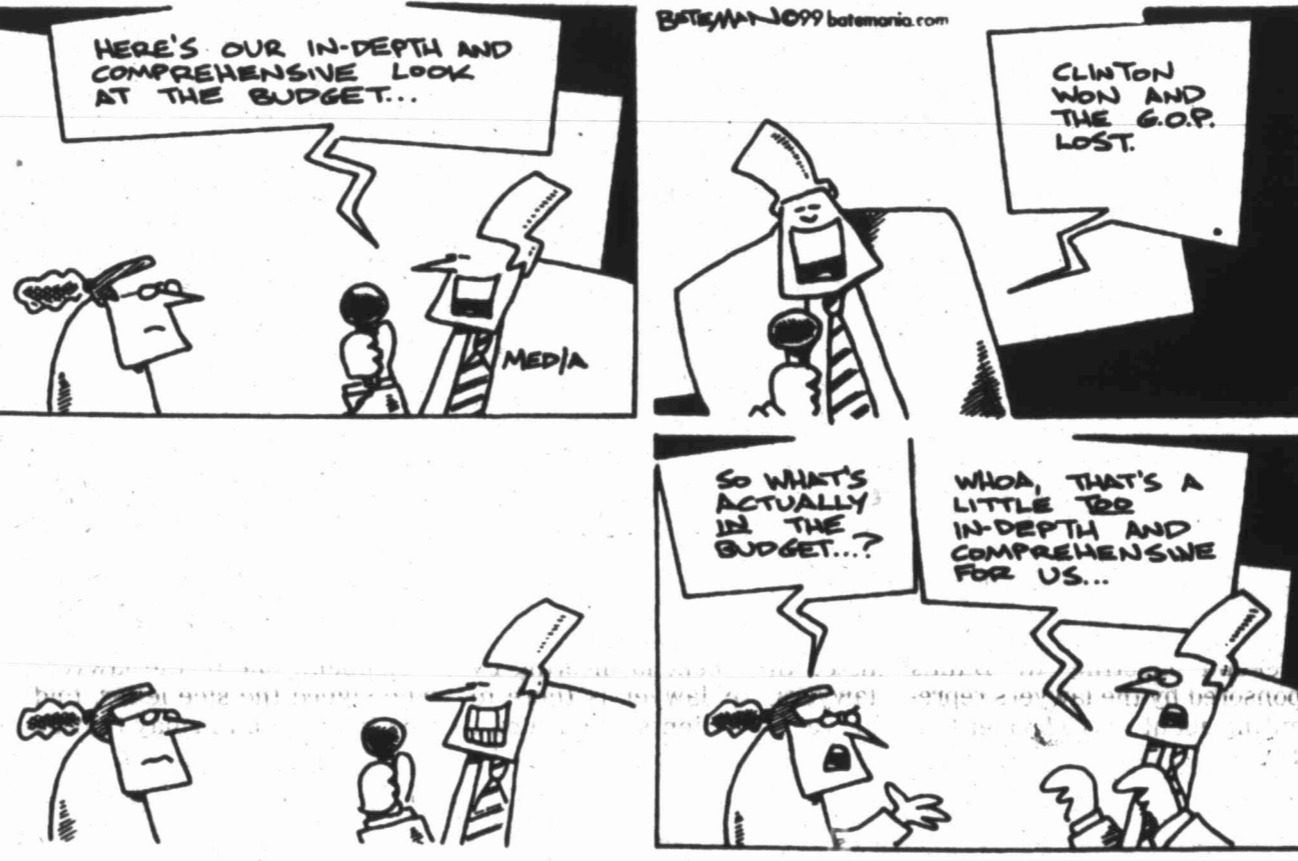
pledging to dismantle. One problem that Clinton's supporters will have to address is a soaring U.S. trade deficit, which the government reported Thursday is running at a record annual rate of \$256 billion this year.

Administration officials blame the Asian financial crisis for the deficit, saying the deep recessions overseas have cut sharply into American exports.

Administration opponents believe the widening deficit is an indictment of the administration's free trade approach. They argue that foreign competitors are taking advantage of open U.S. markets while rigging the system to block sales by American firms.

Many trade experts still believe Clinton can win next year's China vote just because the economic gains for American exporters in cracking the world's largest market would be so substantial.

"This is a concrete agreement with obvious benefits for the United States," said Jeffrey Schott, a trade expert at the Institute for International Economics in Washington. "It also says a lot on the very important issue of the shape of our future relations with China."



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YOUR VIEWS

TO THE EDITOR:

As I sit here writing this, I am crying because on Saturday, Nov. 13, I was treated most unfair and accused of things that were not right or true. The man who did this decided that he did not want me in his neighborhood because I didn't look like I belonged there.

He called the police to try to get me arrested for solicitation, but if this man had given me a drop of common courtesy, he would have seen that I had a right to be in his neighborhood for the papers I carry with me plainly state that I would be out on Nov. 9 soliciting donations for the Big Spring Humane Society, to help my little four-footed friends that live there.

The policeman who came was most kind and understanding and after he saw the papers I handed him, he made a call to his supervisor and I was told it was fine for me to continue to go on collecting donations for the Humane Society and I went on my way, but I was stopped in the driveway of one of the houses by a man who got out of his vehicle without any other words other than "I want my \$5 donation back."

At first, I didn't even know who he was until I saw the young boy sitting in the man's vehicle. Then I knew who this was, for I had stopped at his

house and rang the door bell and this man's grandson, about 9 or 10, came to the door to see what I wanted. I handed him the note and a newspaper clipping from the Herald that I carry from house to house. He took both of these things into his house, I thought to show his parents, and I waited for a few minutes.

Then the young boy returned and gave my note and clipping back, he also handed me a \$5 donation for the Humane Society.

As I have everyone who makes a donation to the Humane Society, I had him to write his name, address and amount of the donation he gave me and I went on my way.

Not knowing that in a short while that the man who lived there would call the police on me and then accuse me of taking money from his grandson. I do not force no one nor do I take money from anyone — man, woman or much less a child.

The money that is given to me is a donation to the Humane Society.

I do not get paid to help the Humane Society by going door to door. I do it because the donations I collect help the stray, abused and homeless animals of Big Spring. Animals that can't speak to get help and I cannot speak either so I know what it is to hurt and not be

able to make anyone understand what is wrong.

And this cruel man hurt me by not even trying to let me write down what I couldn't say otherwise and what I wanted to tell the man was that I did not take his grandson's \$5 ; it was given to me as a donation to help the Humane Society, not me.

And I truly believe that this man was quite wrong in his treatment of me. I also believe he must know that he was wrong, not me. For while I don't live in his fancy neighborhood, the little house I live in is just as much cared for as those fine houses and while I do bear scars that come from my battle that I fought with advanced throat cancer, most people are kind enough to overlook those scars and see the beauty that is in my heart.

This man felt contempt for the way I looked and after he demanded, I give him his \$5 donation, he drove off leaving me crying and unable to call anyone for help. I didn't go to anymore houses that day for my heart was broken from the cruelty that he treated me with.

In closing, I would like to thank the many kind and caring people who gave me a donation to help the Humane Society because every donation I receive is written down and given to the Humane Society,

even the 7¢ that a little bitty girl gave to me last time I went from door to door. Her kind act brought tears to both her mother's eyes and mine because that dear little girl told me, "I want to help the kitties."

A lot of times a parent will give a child money to give to me as a donation to help the Humane Society.

I did nothing wrong Saturday, Nov. 13. God saw what happened, and He also saw the unkind way that man treated me.

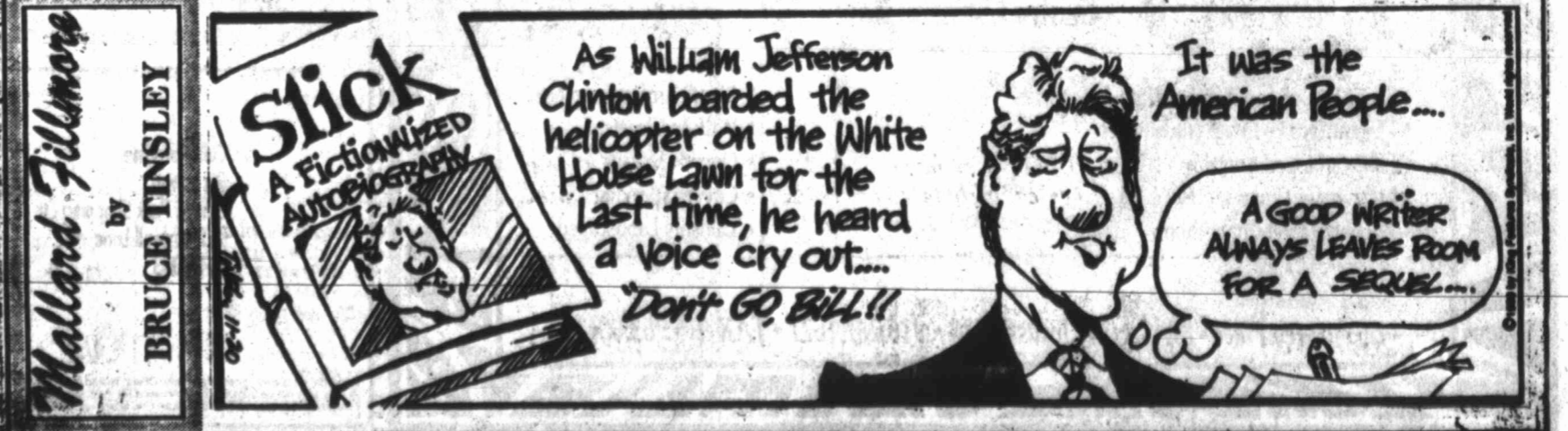
While I did return his \$5 donation to the Humane Society, he didn't return the little card that I gave him. A card which says:

Each of us matters to Him and it's true, God loves us all, rich and poor alike. We aren't judged by the beauty in our faces, but by the beauty that is in our hearts.

LANA F. ANGUIANO
BIG SPRING

P.S. I will continue to go door to door until Dec. 1 for I have set a special amount of donations that I feel that I will be able to collect to help my little four-footed friends at the Big Spring Humane Society. With the Lord's blessings and help from the ones who answer my knock at their door, as I kindly ask for a donation to help the Humane Society.

For if we don't help them, who will?



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Bonfire accident claims 12th victim; two others remain on life support

COLLEGE STATION (AP) — Even as Texas A&M University students gathered in hospital waiting rooms to help the injured, loved ones readied to honor those killed in the collapse of the annual Texas A&M bonfire.

A 12th young person has died of injuries received in the collapse of the college's annual bonfire log structure.

Funerals for those killed were scheduled through the weekend, with the first at a suburban Houston church on Saturday.

Meanwhile, two of the seven students still hospitalized improved from critical to serious condition Saturday.

The accident renewed old safety questions about the tradi-

tion. Some of the questions were raised years earlier by a few of Texas A&M's own engineers. But their concerns were never addressed and are shrugged off even now, the Houston Chronicle reported Saturday.

Tim Kerlee Jr., 17, a freshman from Germantown, Tenn., died at 8 p.m. Friday at College Station Medical Center, where he was taken with a crushed pelvis and broken arm. He had been on life support.

At St. Joseph Regional Health Center in Bryan, Chad Hutchinson of Houston and J.H. Washam of Dallas had improved from critical to serious condition as of Saturday morning, according to officials

at St. Joseph Regional Health Center in Bryan. William Davis of Bellaire remained in critical condition at the hospital, while Lannie Hayes of Monahans and Milton Thiel of Livingston were listed in fair condition. Will Harlan of Midland has been discharged, hospital officials said.

At College Station Medical Center, John Comstock, 19, of Richardson, remained in critical condition and Dominic Braus of Hallettsville in serious condition.

Nineteen students who were hospitalized after the accident early Thursday morning on the Texas A&M campus had been released by Friday.

Makeshift memorials have been mounted where the logs

that made up the wood-and-wire structure once stood. College officials continued today to try to figure out why the huge stack collapsed. Some said they heard a large crack.

Texas A&M President Ray Bowen on Friday ordered the formation of a task force of engineers and other experts to look into the disaster "so we'll be able to analyze all the facts and make decisions to see this horror never visits our campus again."

Officials have said about 70 people were stacking the logs upright in layers when the pile gave way. Some students were hurled from the structure. Others were trapped in the shifting logs.

University spokeswoman Cynthia Lawson said late Friday the university has hired Buchanan Soil Mechanics Inc. of Bryan to test the soil at the bonfire accident site.

Representatives of the company were at the scene Friday night, she said.

The work was being speeded up, she said, because officials want to obtain soil samples that match those the night of the accident. There was the possibility of rain in the College Station area today.

The soil testing is the first of many steps that will be taken into the investigation.

The bonfire pyramid collapsed early Friday when it began to sway and then toppled, crush-

ing students and leaving some trapped under the pile of heavy logs.

The investigation into the accident centered on the 100-foot, spliced together center pole.

The bonfire is a 90-year tradition. It is constructed and then lit on the night before the university's football game against archrival University of Texas.

The bonfire, scheduled for Thanksgiving night, has been called off. The game will be played Friday at Austin.

It was only the second time in history that the bonfire had been cancelled. The first time was in 1963, after President Kennedy was assassinated.

University warned of dangers in bonfire design

COLLEGE STATION (AP) — Engineering professors tried fruitlessly over the years to warn students that the design of their beloved bonfire contained perilous engineering flaws, they said.

Those unheeded warnings have resurfaced in the wake of last week's tragic collapse at the Texas A&M campus. The entire structure tumbled to the ground early Thursday, killing 12 students and injuring scores more.

"You put a pine pole in the center and then ... lash all these matchsticks together. ... Any engineer worth his or her salt has known that (is stupid)," Swiki Anderson, now a consulting engineer, told the Houston Chronicle. Anderson said he voiced his worries to his department chairman when teaching at A&M in the late 1970s and early 1980s.

"It's an accident that's been waiting to happen."

The Aggie bonfire pile is flawed because it consists of a

relatively loose bunching of upright logs and because its base is too narrow to hold its looming tower, A&M professor emeritus Louis J. Thompson said.

"I kept telling them it was dangerous," said Thompson, a civil engineer who retired in 1991 after 25 years. "What's amazing to me is that it went on as long as it did."

Other A&M staff have defended the practice as both safe and technically sound. Bill Kibler, assistant vice president for student affairs, said he is unaware of red flags hoisted by engineering faculty members over the years. He said it is somewhat unfair for complaints to be voiced now.

Anderson shrugged off Aggies who defend the 90-year-old tradition.

"When you speak out against things (at A&M), you're labeled as a troublemaker," he said. "As a matter of fact, you're vilified." The lumber pile was also dan-

gerous because groups of logs were lashed together with wire, but there was no mechanism to tie the entire structure together, Thompson said.

And that lack of integrity meant nothing could have prevented a beam from splitting along its length if it were bent, Thompson said.

University officials have said the investigation will focus on the stack's center pole, which may have split in two, capsizing the structure.

"It was very carefully done," Thompson said. "But there was just not enough strength."

About 5,000 students participate in the annual bonfire construction, A&M officials have estimated.

In the late 1980s, between 55 and 85 students a year were usually treated at the campus health center for bonfire injuries ranging from ant bites to more serious wounds, The Dallas Morning News reported. Sophomore Wiley Jopling was

killed during a 1981 bonfire timber cut. No other Aggie bonfire deaths had been recorded until Thursday.

Despite the renewed questions, Aggie students and former students remain fiercely loyal to the tradition. Families of students injured or killed have told reporters they consider the collapse a freak accident.

"He loved what he was doing, and he died doing what he loved," Jeannie Hensley of Nacogdoches, Jopling's sister, told The News.

"He would want the bonfire to go on," she said. "He was Aggie to the bone."

One of the few lawsuits against A&M over bonfire-related injuries was filed by Keith Van Boskirk of Beaumont. The Corps of Cadets member broke a hip in 1985 when a tree that had been partially cut for the bonfire toppled onto him.

Two juries failed to reach verdicts in the lawsuit before a judge dismissed it.

Secret side letter contradicts assertions of plaintiffs

DALLAS (AP) — A secret side agreement appears to contradict assertions made by the plaintiffs in the \$3.75 billion settlement reached by lawyers for people who claimed they suffered serious side effects from the diet drug fen-phen, The Dallas Morning News reported Saturday.

The letter, obtained by the newspaper, was signed by two Philadelphia lawyers who agreed to support positions taken by the manufacturer they were suing.

American Home Products Corp., maker of fen-phen, contends that minor heart-valve damage suffered by some user of the diet drug is "normal and clinically insignificant."

The newspaper reports that the assertion undermines some of the claims by the users that the condition is serious and was caused by fen-phen use.

One of the lawyers who signed the letter pointed out that it reflects scientific research about the effects of fen-phen.

American Home Products

declined to comment about the letter, the newspaper reported.

The letter, dated Oct. 6, is expected to be a main focus of a weekend meeting in Dallas sponsored by the lawyers representing about 10,000 former fen-phen users who don't support the settlement with American Home Products.

The letter, obtained by The Philadelphia Inquirer, was written by two plaintiffs' attorneys, Michael Fishbein and Gene Locks, the day before a tentative settlement was announced in litigation against AHP.

Locks said Friday the letter simply outlines areas of possible agreement.

"The letter is just some of the facts that are accurate, it is not inconsistent with prior positions. It is harmless," he said, adding, "People who are not informed may misunderstand."

When the fen-phen settlement, the largest ever in a pharmaceutical liability case, was announced Oct. 7, there was no mention of the letter, The Dallas Morning News reported

Saturday.

"I've never seen anything so inexcusable," said Dallas lawyer Kip Petroff, who organized the weekend meeting with lawyers. "A lawyer is there to serve his clients. You don't make judgments that will hurt them."

The primary allegation in the lawsuit was that American

Home Products played down and withheld information about the heart valve problems associated with fen-phen.

Fishbein, one of the lawyers who signed the side letter, told The Inquirer on Friday that he accepted American Home Products' view that mild heart valve problems don't impair a person's daily activities.

From the family of Jerry "Curly" Moore, we can not start to tell everyone how much we appreciate all the love our friends poured out to us in our time of need. We can't name everyone but special thanks go out to Rev. Eddie Tubbs, Jody Nix, our pallbearers, Tom McCann, Andy Andrews, Eddie McLain Joe Falkner, Hoppie Wilson and Bill Green. All the teachers & coaches and close friends that gave so much support.

Also thank you for all the visits, cards, flowers, plants and food. We could not have gotten through the days following our great loss had it not been for all our friends.

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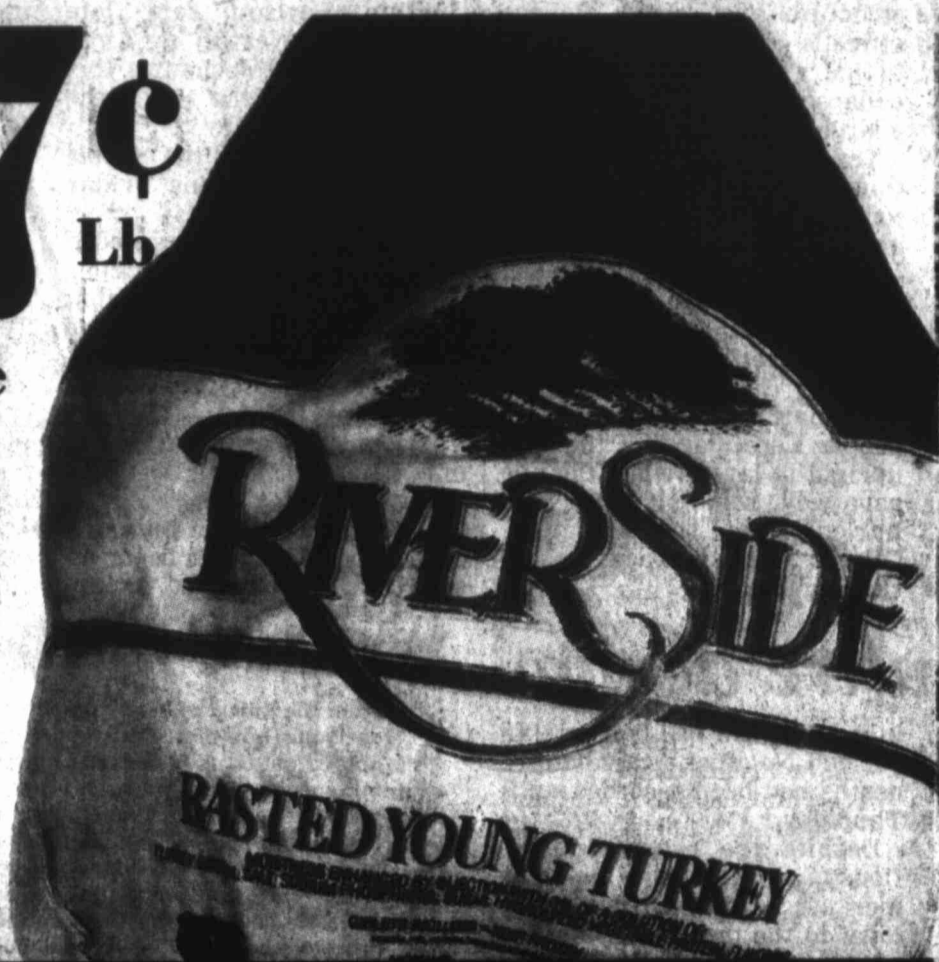
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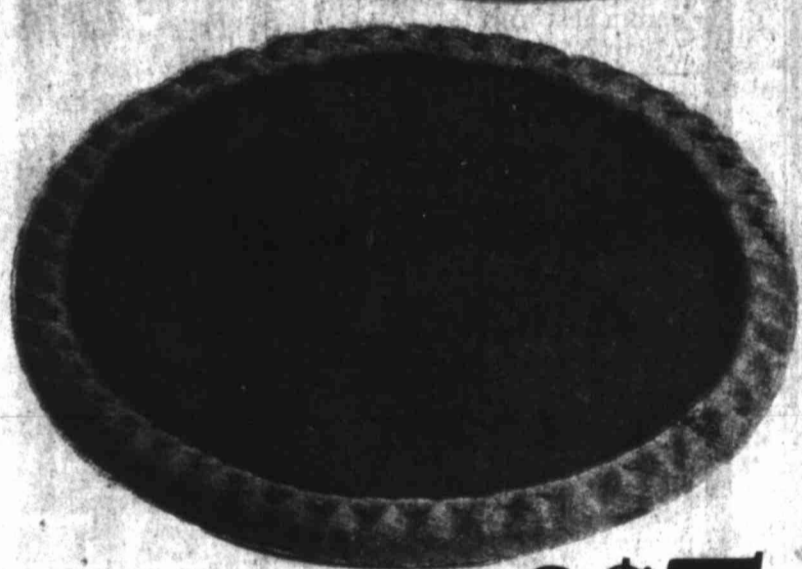
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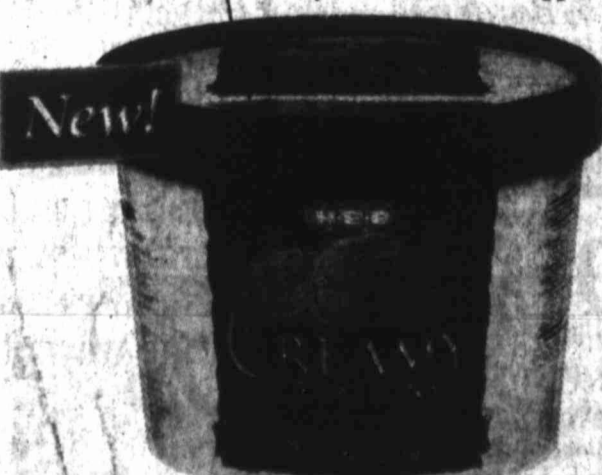
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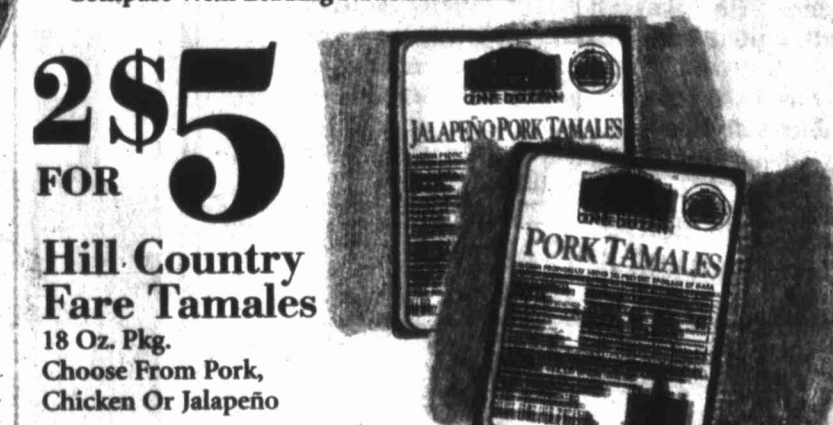
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Congress grants final approval to budget deal and adjourns

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congress granted final approval Friday to its grand budget deal with President Clinton and adjourned after a rocky year that began with impeachment, was dominated by gridlock but ended in cooperation.

By 74-24, the Senate sent Clinton a mammoth, \$390 billion spending measure that was the product of weeks of bargaining and covered the sweep of government from helping small businesses to maintaining the country's role in diplomacy.

It also contained political victories for both parties, as demonstrated by the lopsided, bipartisan support for the final vote. Republicans supported it by 42-12, and Democrats voted

"yes" by 32-12.

The prospect of an all-night Senate session abruptly vanished after dairy-state senators consented to drop procedural delays that threatened to keep lawmakers working almost until dawn.

"The Senate teaches you patience," said a relieved Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., after the way was cleared for the year's final votes. "If there's anything in the world that's like a good wine, it's the Senate."

In further demonstration of Lott's remarks, the normal 15-minute roll call for the spending bill stretched to 107 minutes as the Senate waited for Sen. Slade Gorton, R-Wash., who had left

the capital.

Shortly before 9 p.m. EST, the Senate adjourned until Jan. 24. The House is scheduled to hold a brief session without any votes on Monday, all but certainly its last session of the year.

Senators also voted 95-1 to send Clinton a tax bill, which along with the budget package were the two remaining, high-profile pieces of legislation for this congressional session. Both cleared the House by overwhelming margins Thursday, and the president was ready to sign both.

The huge spending measure would finance seven Cabinet departments and other agencies for the new fiscal year, which

allowed lawmakers to finish their budget work 50 days late and shattered spending limits they approved just two years ago.

The measure gave Clinton victories with money for hiring teachers and police officers, buying land for parks, paying arrears to the United Nations and expanding efforts to forgive debts of poor nations.

It let Republicans claim wins by saying they had limited Clinton's demands for extra spending to \$6 billion and rejected his calls for higher taxes on cigarettes and other items.

"What we have done is kept the faith with those who want a balanced budget," said Senate

Budget Committee Chairman Pete Domenici, R-N.M.

The GOP also took credit for higher education spending and for finishing the year without spending Social Security surpluses. The nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office and Democrats contest the latter claim, saying the bill exceeds 2-year-old spending limits by more than \$30 billion and eats into Social Security's reserves.

The tax measure was a 10-year, \$18 billion package extending the research and development credit and other tax provisions. Attached to it were bills delaying new Clinton administration rules for getting donated organs to the sickest

patients and extending federal benefits for disabled people who get jobs.

The specter of a long night in the Senate ended after Lott and Senate Minority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D., huddled for a half-hour on the Senate floor with Sen. Herb Kohl, D-Wis., leader of the disgruntled senators.

The leaders promised to try changing the way milk prices are set — next year.

By voice vote, the Senate sent Clinton a bill authorizing intelligence activities for the coming year. It included language making it easier for the government to seize the financial assets of drug kingpins and their business associates.

Suspicious words not on EgyptAir tape after all

WASHINGTON (AP) — The suspicious words "I made my decision now" are not on the cockpit voice recorder of EgyptAir Flight 990 after all, a government official says.

On Wednesday, a federal law enforcement official said that just before the autopilot was turned off and the fatal dive began, the crew member in the co-pilot's seat was recorded as saying: "I made my decision now. I put my faith in God's hands."

But on Friday, a government official said the first of those sentences — the one about making a decision — is not on the tape. It apparently arose from confusion among investigators, the official said.

This official, speaking only on condition of anonymity, could not say whether there was some other prefatory sentence or differing translation. Experts went over the tape this week and electronically enhanced it to

prepare an exact transcript.

Despite this, the head of the team investigating the Oct. 31 crash, said Friday that officials believe the crash may have been deliberate.

As they looked at wreckage and other evidence from the crash, "our investigators began to feel that the crash might — and I emphasize might — be the result of a deliberate act," James Hall, chairman of the National Transportation Safety Board, told reporters.

The New York-to-Cairo jetliner crashed off Massachusetts' Nantucket Island, killing all 217 people aboard, including two pilots and two relief pilots.

Hall said speculation about words captured on the cockpit voice recorder had caused unnecessary pain and "done a disservice to the longstanding friendship between the people of the United States of America and Egypt."

He decried "second, third-

and fourth-hand" speculation that is some instances has produced "headlines with information that is just flat wrong."

U.S. investigators apparently found the cockpit conversation suspicious enough that they considered turning over the inquiry to the FBI as a criminal matter. Hall said that decision has been postponed.

Many Egyptians, who pepper everyday conversation with religious expressions, were not convinced that the cockpit recording pointed to suicide.

Since Hall himself previously discounted mechanical failure or weather-related factors as causes of the crash, attention had turned to cockpit actions and the words of the crew, especially relief co-pilot Gameel El-Batouty.

After finding the flight data recorder, searchers recovered the cockpit voice recorder last weekend.

The flight data recorder

showed an unusual sequence of events, including that the plane's autopilot was disconnected at 33,000 feet. El-Batouty was apparently alone in the cockpit.

Eight seconds later, the tail flaps, or elevators, were moved to push the plane's nose down. The aircraft began a steep descent.

Next, the recorder revealed the cockpit doors opened. Investigators believe the pilot, Capt. Ahmed Mahmoud el-Habashy, returned to the cockpit.

Investigators believe he tried to regain control of the aircraft because he is heard to say, "Pull with me. Help me, pull with me."

Thirty-five seconds later, the elevators were moved to opposite directions. One pilot may have been trying to right the plane while another pilot's controls were pitching the plane toward the water.

Conspiracy theories raised anew at trial on King family suit

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — Theories that someone other than James Earl Ray killed the Rev. Martin Luther King are being aired once again in a Memphis courtroom as King's family seeks the "truth" about the assassination.

A trial in the family's wrongful death lawsuit against Loyd Jowers got under way last week in Chancery Court with testimony set to resume Monday.

Jowers claimed six years ago on national television that he paid someone other than Ray to kill King, but never has repeated the claim.

The trial has brought together an interesting cast that includes King's widow, Coretta Scott King; former Atlanta Mayor Andrew Young; and Joe Brown, star of the nationally syndicated show "Judge Joe Brown."

Mrs. King was the first person

to testify, telling the jury her family believes Ray did not act alone.

"If we know the truth, we can be free and go on with our lives," she said.

Her family is being represented by William Pepper, the lawyer who for years tried to get Ray out of prison. Ray, who confessed to the crime but later recanted, died from liver disease last year.

Brown, the Criminal Court judge who presided over Ray's last appeals, is scheduled to testify next week as a witness for the King family.

Brown gave Ray's lawyers permission last year to conduct new ballistic tests on the hunting rifle authorities say was used to kill King. The tests were inconclusive. He was considering another round of tests when a state appeals court took him

off the case because of prosecution claims he was biased toward Ray.

It is unclear whether Jowers will testify. He said on ABC-TV in 1993 that he hired King's killer as a favor to an underworld figure who was a friend. He did not identify the purported killer, but said it wasn't Ray.

Jowers now contends he played only a minor role in the killing, though he won't say what that role was. Like Pepper, he claims agents of the federal government, the state of Tennessee, Shelby County and the city of Memphis were involved in the killing. He has not offered any evidence to support that claim.

Young testified that he was at a meeting between Jowers and Dexter King, one of King's sons, at which Jowers admitted handling the murder weapon and

the payoff money for the killer.

Young said he concluded that Jowers was admitting to taking part in the murder to "get right with God," and that he believed Jowers was a "county district attorney general's office," said Jowers' claim has been investigated thoroughly and has no merit.

"We still find no credible evidence to show that Jowers did anything," he said Friday in an interview. "In spite of the fact that Jowers is trying to convince the world that he did something, the evidence just doesn't support him."

Ray's guilty plea was upheld eight times by state and federal courts. A congressional committee also concluded Ray was the killer, though it said he might have had help.

Boy shoots classmate

DEMING, N.M. (AP) — A boy dressed in camouflage shot and critically wounded a 13-year-old female classmate in the lobby of their middle school Friday.

Police identified the shooter as Victor M. Cordova Jr., 13, of Palomas, Mexico. He was charged with attempted murder.

Araceli Tena was in critical condition at Thomason Hospital in El Paso with a gunshot wound in the back of the head.

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IN BRIEF

Cancer Society offering Texas Golf Pass again

The Howard County unit of the American Cancer Society is encouraging golfers to take advantage of the society's 2000 Texas Golf Pass. The pass, which provides golfers with more than 450 rounds of golf at 273 Texas courses, is now available for a \$35 donation. Both the Comanche Trail Golf Course and the Big Spring Country Club are participating in the program, as is the Stanton Country Club. Those wanting to order the pass can do so by calling 1-800-ACS-2345 or online at www.acs-tx.org. Details are also available at all three local courses.

Bowl-A-Rama plans fete honoring Frances Glenn

A reception honoring Frances (McKenzie) Glenn has been scheduled for 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Monday at the Big Spring Bowl-A-Rama. Glenn is being honored for her bowling career that has spanned more than 50 years. She has been competing in Women's International Bowling Congress events since 1946.

Ozona knocks off Post in playoff game here

Ozona's Lions, who turned a stingy defense into a berth in the Class 2A, Division I playoffs as a runner-up to Sonora in District 2-2A, turned it into a 7-0 regional win over Post's Antelopes at Big Spring Memorial Stadium. The Lions defense allowed Post just 75 yards of total offense, making a first-quarter touchdown stand up. Ozona now advances to the state quarterfinals where they'll face the winner of Saturday night's Canadian-Jim Ned game.

Youth basketball sign-ups will begin on Nov. 29

Registration for youngsters interested in playing on a Big Spring Youth Basketball Association team will begin Nov. 29 and continue through Dec. 17. Tryouts are slated for Dec. 18 and the participation fee will be \$20 per youngster. The league is divided into three divisions for first-through sixth-grade players. Registration will be 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday at the Big Spring Mall from Nov. 29 through Dec. 11. Youngsters may also register from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. every day except Sunday at All-Star Sports through Dec. 17.

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Television

AUTO RACING
11:30 a.m. — NASCAR Winston Cup NAPA 500, ESPN, Ch. 30.

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4 p.m. — Top of the World Championship, teams TBA, FXS, Ch. 29.

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Noon — Detroit Lions at Green Bay Packers, FOX, Ch. 3.
Noon — New England Patriots at Miami Dolphins, CBS, Ch. 7.

3 p.m. — Dallas Cowboys at Arizona Cardinals, FOX, Ch. 3.
7 p.m. — New England Saints at Jacksonville Jaguars, ESPN, Ch. 30.

FIGURE SKATING

3 p.m. — Star Skates Goes Country, NBC, Ch. 9.
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2 p.m. — Villages Charity Challenge, FXS, Ch. 29.

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12:30 p.m. — MLS Cup, D.C. United vs. Los Angeles Quake, ABC, Ch. 2 and Ch. 8.

TENNIS

1 p.m. — WTA Chase Championships, final matches, NBC, Ch. 9.

Coyotes head to quarterfinals with win over Sanderson

HERALD Staff Report

WINK — Borden County's Coyotes made it clear Friday night that they have every intention of making a third straight appearance in the six-man state championship game, as they rolled to a 48-22 regional playoff win over Sanderson's Eagles. Senior running back Ed Rodriguez did most of the damage for Borden County, scoring three touchdowns as he piled up 204 yards on 21 carries. He added two pass receptions for 41 yards and then pass for two more, added 17 more yards to his individual offense total. But it was not until the second half that the No. 7-ranked Coyotes managed

to take their first lead.

The Eagles, who entered the game with an 8-1 record, got on the scoreboard first when quarterback Roland Rodriguez hit Alex Escamilla with a three-yard touchdown pass.

Borden County's Rodriguez answered quickly with a 42-yard touchdown burst and tacked on the two-point conversion kick that left the game deadlocked at 8-8 going into the second half.

Sanderson answered early in the second quarter when Joseph Cantu gathered in a seven-yard touchdown pass and Daniel Mendoza tacked on the kick for a 16-8 edge.

Borden County would enter the half-time intermission trailing by just two, however, as Rodriguez gathered in a

pass from Kevin Pinkerton and turned it into a 27-yard touchdown play.

Having rushed for a touchdown and caught a pass for another, Rodriguez decided it was time to throw one of his own and hit Nick Flanigan with an 18-yard scoring strike to give the Coyotes their first lead early in the third period.

Joseph Hardman, who didn't have too bad a night of his own, rushing for 106 yards on 10 carries, got in on the act with a 39-yard touchdown reception from Pinkerton. A Flanigan conversion kick made it a 24-16 lead for Borden County.

But Escamilla scored his second touchdown on a short pass, this time from six yards out, trimming the Coyotes' advantage to 24-22.

That would be all the Borden County defense would allow, however.

Worse still for the Eagles, was the fact that the Coyotes offense was just getting unbound.

T.J. Sharp capped a 22-point Borden County third quarter, breaking loose on a 60-yard touchdown burst, allowing the Coyotes to enter the final 10 minutes of play with a 36-14 advantage.

That would be all the scoring Borden County would need, but Hardman added a 62-yard touchdown run for his second score of the night and Rodriguez would cap his spectacular night with a 32-yard scoring burst.

The Coyotes, now 10-2 in the season, advance to the six-man quarterfinals where they'll face 11-1 Groom.

Iraan defense stops Stanton

By TOM RUIZ

Herald Correspondent

ODESSA — Flashbacks, the Stanton Buffaloes kept reverting to them in their Class 2A, Division II area playoff game against Iraan's Braves Friday night.

The flashbacks they experienced were memories of their game against Celina's Bobcats in the state semifinals a year ago.

In that game, the Buffaloes lost 9-0. This time, they saw the Braves deal them another nine-point loss, 20-11.

In 1998, former quarterback Kyle Herm had the Buffaloes marching toward a game-tying touchdown in the third quarter when he fumbled the ball at the Celina 19.

Against unbeaten Iraan, Jeremy Hull — the Buffs' bonafide big game player — fumbled the ball at the Iraan 12 as Stanton was moving in for a possible go-ahead score.

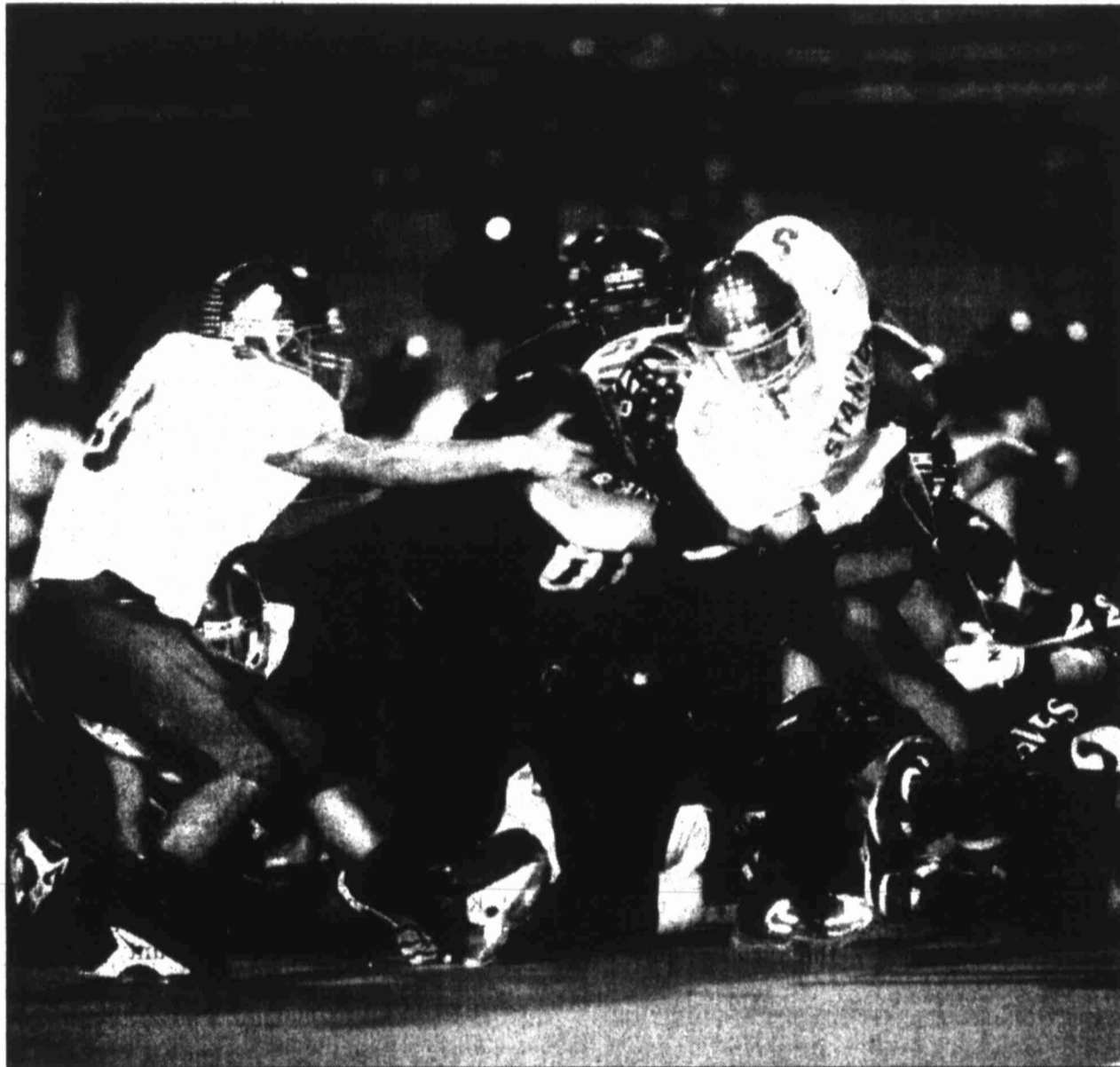
Instead, the Braves D.J. Villanueva was Johnny on the spot. The ball bounced off the Ratliff Stadium artificial turf into his hands and he raced 88 yards to give Iraan the insurance score it needed for a 20-11 edge.

But it was deja vu on the other side of the ball for the Buffaloes as well.

Late in the first half, Stanton defensive back Blaine Smith stepped in front of a J.B. Stone pass, but he couldn't hang onto the ball with 55 yards of open field in front of him.

The year before, Herm experienced the same nightmare, when a would-be interception slipped through his hands with nobody in sight to stop him had he picked off the pass.

Just like Herm in 1998, Hull failed to score in the season's



Stanton running back Jeremy Hull (5) gets stacked up at the line of scrimmage by a wall of Iraan defenders during Friday's Class 2A, Division II area playoff game at Odessa's Ratliff Stadium. While Hull would rush for more than 100 yards, he was kept out of the end zone in the Buffs' 20-11 loss.

HERALD photo/Jim Fiero

final game. He didn't break the big play, simply because the Iraan defense wouldn't allow him to.

The Braves put this game into focus with their defense. They gave up 258 total yards of offense — all of it on the

ground, Hull rushed for 158 yards and 98 more to Clay White who scored the Buff's lone touchdown in the second quarter.

But the Braves didn't let the big play hurt them. The biggest run from scrimmage for Hull

was a 20-yarder that came with time running out in the second quarter.

Hull would rush for only 33 more yards in the second half.

The Iraan defense also shut

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Battered rivals square off in 'other' home for Dallas

TEMPE, Ariz. (AP) — It will be bruised vs. battered, the halt against the lame, when the Dallas Cowboys play the Arizona Cardinals on Sunday.

The Cowboys, whose 5-4 record is good enough for a tie for first in the weak NFC East, probably won't have Troy Aikman and certainly will be without Michael Irvin.

Arizona will be playing without Jake Plummer for the fourth consecutive game, and likely won't have Michael Pittman, the hard-running back who gave life to the Cardinals' moribund ground game in last week's 23-19 upset of the Detroit Lions.

All-Pro offensive guard Larry Allen, who has never missed any of his 98 games with Dallas, is out with a knee injury.

Cardinals defensive end Andre Wadsworth isn't back from arthroscopic knee surgery. Deion Sanders is questionable. There are more, but you get the idea.

"The teams will certainly look a little bit different than the preseason rosters, but that's part of the deal," said Jason Garrett, who replaced Aikman and directed Dallas to a 27-13 victory over Green Bay last week. "The good teams are able to deal with those adversities."

Dallas won that game despite playing without Aikman, Irvin and Emmitt Smith, the first time all three sat out the same game in 10 years.

Smith plans to play Sunday with his fractured right hand in a protective cast, and that doesn't surprise Arizona coach

Vince Tobin.

"Emmitt hasn't missed very many games during his career," Tobin said, "and I'm sure he's had a lot of games that he hasn't felt 100 percent and he's lined up and played. That's the kind of player he is. That's the reason he's one of the top backs to play the game."

The Cowboys will augment the protective "glove" that Smith will wear by attaching a hip pad to it.

"Right now, I don't foresee any major fears," Smith said. "I know it's going to get hit, so I'm already prepared for that."

The game is the second home sellout for the Cardinals this season. In the 11 times the Cowboys have played at Arizona, eight have been sell-outs. Of course, the Cowboys

might not know how to play in front of empty seats. They've played in front of sellout crowds in every game, home and away, for eight years.

In Tempe, there will almost be as many Cowboys fans as there will be fans rooting for the Cardinals. Maybe that will make it seem like a home game for Dallas, which is just 1-4 on the road. The Cowboys led in all four losses, but were outscored in the fourth quarter 50-7 in those games.

"We've played good coming out of the blocks in those games, and then we've not been able to finish the job on the road," Dallas coach Chan Gailey said. "If we're going to be a team that tries to vie for a

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Mustangs' season comes to close with 74-30 loss to Grandfalls

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Sports Editor

BIG LAKE — The season ended Friday night in the same way it began — with a disappointing loss to Grandfalls-Royalty's Cowboys.

Only this time, there would be no tomorrow.

Tailback James Stocks and the No. 5-ranked Cowboys proved that their season-opening win over the Mustangs was no fluke in Friday's six-man regional playoff game, rolling to a 74-30 win.

Stocks, a 165-pound junior, was virtually unstoppable — rushing for 420 yards and seven touchdowns on 29 carries, as well as touching a 35-yard touchdown pass.

When the dust had settled, Stocks had

accounted for 455 of Grandfalls' 565 yards of total offense and gained even more respect Sands head coach Billy Barnett.

"He was just awesome ... we couldn't stop him," Barnett said after having seen his No. 2-ranked Mustangs literally man-handled — managing to avoid an early end to the game on the 45-point mercy rule when they blocked a conversion attempt following Stocks' final touchdown.

"Grandfalls just played a tremendous football game and we didn't play anywhere nearly as well as we did when we played them the first time," Barnett said.

"You can't really be all that upset about losing in a situation like this," he added. "When somebody plays as great as they did and you, for whatever reason, don't respond — well, you just have

to accept it and go on from there."

Going on from there means the Mustangs close their season with a 10-2 record and begin basketball workouts, while the Cowboys improve to 9-1 on the year and advance to the quarterfinals where they'll face Rule, a 63-32 winner over McLean.

From the game's start, there was little indication Grandfalls would win going away.

Sands took the game's opening kickoff and needed just three plays to cover 60 yards and take a 6-0 lead — Cesar Martinez ripped off 24 yards on the first play from scrimmage, Marcus DeLeon added 33 on the second snap and Junior Martinez capped the drive with a three-yard run just 34 seconds into the game.

Grandfalls answered almost as quickly, however. Stocks did most of the dam-

age on the 47-yard march and scored his first touchdown of the night on a 10-yard burst with 7:16 remaining.

Cowboys quarterback Stephen Phillips split the uprights with his conversion kick following the touchdown and Grandfalls owned an 8-6 lead.

The first quarter would end with Grandfalls owning that lead and prepared to add another score.

With the Sands defense doing its best to key on Stocks, Phillips made two quick handoffs to fullback Blake Knight to open the second quarter.

The second of those runs, a three-yarder, earned Knight a touchdown and Phillips added another kick to make it 16-6.

Sands would retaliate quickly, return-

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Dykes calling it quits

LUBBOCK (AP) — Texas Tech coach Spike Dykes, who made a career out of upsetting rivals Texas and Texas A&M on the way to becoming the Red Raiders' winningest coach ever, announced his retirement after Saturday's 38-28 win over Oklahoma.

The announcement came after a week of rumors that Tech already was hunting for a new coach.

"There really wasn't any pressure put on me. This is something that I've been thinking about for a long time," said Dykes, 61.

Dykes offered no specific reason for his retirement, but said, "It was time for a bit of fresh air."

Texas Tech went 6-5 this season and was 82-67-1 under Dykes, who joined the school in 1984. The Red Raiders have recently gained notoriety for playing spoiler to Texas A&M, beating the Aggies this season 21-19 while they were ranked No. 5.

Dykes posted victories over Texas A&M six times, including three of the last four, and also beat Texas six times. He led Tech to four straight bowl games, was Southwest Conference coach of the year three times and was the first Big 12 Coach of the Year in 1996.

Along with surprise victories this season over Texas A&M, Colorado and Oklahoma, the Red Raiders were upset by Missouri, Oklahoma State and lowly North Texas, and were embarrassed last week by Texas. Postseason losses like last year's 35-18 beating by Mississippi in the Independence Bowl also spawned a sense among many Texas Tech fans that the team wasn't living up to its potential.

"A lot of people in this world don't have any fun, but I've had a ball," Dykes said.

Dykes, like many of Tech's key players, is a product of West Texas football. He was a head coach at three Texas high schools before landing an assistant coaching job at Texas in 1972, under Darrell Royal. He returned to high school coaching at Midland Lee in 1980, leading the team to a 34-11-1 record before going to Tech.

Locally, Dykes was best known for his good-natured coaching style and friendly disposition.

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ing the ensuing kickoff 43 yards to the Grandfalls 32. From there, the Mustangs needed just two plays. Quarterback Coby Floyd hit Junior Martinez with a 17-yard pass completion and then broke loose on a 15-yard run, trimming the Cowboys' lead to 16-12 with 8:53 remaining in the first half.

Floyd, despite being hampered by a groin pull he sustained late in the Mustangs' bi-district win over Wellman, finished the night with just seven yards on 11 carries, but completed 21 of 36 passes for 343 yards and three passes. Sands was never able to get his normally potent running attack untracked, however, and managed just 107 yards overland.

"Coby put up some impressive passing numbers, but we really never did get things going offensively," Barnett noted. "Most of our passing came late in the game when we were trying to catch up. The only problem was that we never could stop them from finding the football."

Indeed. Following the Mustangs' second touchdown, Stocks became a virtual one-man highlight film, scoring on touchdown runs of six and 28 yards that left him with more than 200 yards to his credit at halftime and the Cowboys owning a 30-12 edge.

Almost nothing went right for the Mustangs in the third quarter, including an onside kickoff attempt to open the half. The kick traveled just five yards, setting Grandfalls up with excellent field position.

him a little bit, but during the game it's no big deal." Jason Garrett improved to 6-2 as an NFL starter. Last week, he completed 13 of 23 passes for 199 yards and two touchdowns. "I've been very fortunate to be in a very good environment," Garrett said. "The only thing I've ever tried to do is go in and be one-eleventh of the offense, just do my thing as best I can and let everybody else do theirs. I think when Troy goes down or Emmitt goes down, or Michael, we have such a team spirit here, and we have had that for a lot

of years, that everyone just rallies around the cause." Dave Brown, coming off his best game for Arizona, will get his fourth consecutive start in place of Plummer, who could be back from a broken right ring finger next weekend. But if Pittman can't play, that would be a big blow to an offense that obviously benefited from his aggressive style. Adrian Murrell, averaging 2.5 yards per carry, would start in Pittman's absence, with Mario Bates also getting increased playing time.

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Lady Hawks improve to 7-1; Lady Steers take consolation title

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If the collegiate classic portion of the Howard College Pizza Invitational is any indication, the Western Junior College Athletic Conference women's race may be tougher than it has been in some time.

While Howard's Lady Hawks improved their record to 7-1 Friday night with a win over New Mexico Junior College's Lady Thunderbirds, the 65-63 decision was anything but easy.

Howard jumped out to an early lead in the first half, but never could keep the Lady Thunderbirds from coming. As a result, NMJC overcame the early deficit and rallied to take a 38-30 half-time lead.

The second half was a different matter, however, as the Lady Hawks trimmed that edge to just one point midway through the second half and then outscored NMJC down the stretch 19-16.

Freshman Grace Gantt led the way for the Lady Hawks with 15 points, while Koretha Johnson added 12 and Taneisha Harris contributed 11. Sophomore posts Caryn Ross and Yolanda Grant rounded out Howard's double-digit scoring with 10 points apiece.

Erica Gonzalez led the way for NMJC in the loss, scoring 12 points, while Marquitta Ryan scored 11 and Thorian Buchanan chipped in 10 more.

New Mexico rebounded from that loss to take an 81-71 win over Western

Hawks suffer 73-72 setback in classic

HERALD Staff Report

GREAT BEND, Kan. — Howard College's Hawks suffered a 73-72 loss Friday night at the hands Brown-Mackey College during the opening game of the Barton County Classic.

Vasilis Tsimpliaridis, a freshman from Naousa, Greece, and sophomore guard Darryl Martin paced the Hawks in the loss, both finishing the night with 16 points.

Donald "Yogi" Ceasar added 14 more.

Texas College's Dusters in a Saturday morning game that had been rescheduled on Thursday.

Morgan Rookhuyzen had the hot hand for the Lady Thunderbirds on Saturday, scoring 13 points, while Buchanan added 11 and Gonzales scored 10.

Western Texas had won its first game of the classic with a 70-59 decision over Lubbock Christian University's junior varsity behind Heather Moon's 13 points.

Cassie Wilson was the only other Duster to finish Friday night's game in double figures, scoring 11 points, but Danielle Brown scored nine and three others ripped the nets for seven points.

In the high school division tournament, Odessa High's Lady Bronchos took a 54-48 win over Frenship's Lady Tigers to take the championship

"It was a disappointing game for us," Hawks head coach Tommy Collins said following the loss. "We were playing tight all night... playing not to lose. The good thing, though, is I know we're going to get it turned around."

The Hawks were trying to turn things around in a difficult spot Saturday night, facing No. 3-ranked Barton County on its home court.

Results from that game were not available as the Herald went to press Saturday night.

Saturday night, while Big Spring's Lady Steers rebounded from their loss to Midland Lee on Thursday to take wins over El Paso Parkland and El Paso Del Valle to claim the consolation championship.

The Lady Steers defeated Parkland, 55-37, in Friday night's consolation semifinal and posted a 54-47 decision over Del Valle in Saturday's title contest.

In other games Saturday, Lubbock High's Lady Westerners took seventh-place in the tournament a 42-37 win over Parkland and Midland Lee rebounded from its 53-47 loss to Frenship to take third place with a 69-58 thrashing of San Angelo Central.

Odessa High 54, Frenship 48

Lindsey Casey scored almost half of

the Lady Bronchos points in the championship game, finishing with a game-high 26.

None of the rest of Odessa High's players managed to finish in double figures, as the best support available came from Zanovia Gaston's eight points.

That was enough to turn back the Lady Tigers, however.

Misty Blount was the only Frenship player to finish in double figures with 10 points, while Jennifer Bagwell and Monica Clark chipped in nine and eight points, respectively.

Midland Lee 69, San Angelo Central 58

Freshman Adrienne Ross, who led the Lady Rebels to their opening-round win over Big Spring, was again Lee's leading scorer Saturday afternoon, ripping the mesh for 18 points.

The Lady Rebels provided plenty of support, however, as Danielle Dickey scored 12 points, Rochelle Warren added 11 and Julie Jay provided another 10.

Game-high honors went to Central's Lacey Hohman, as she erupted for a first-half slumber to score 17 points in the final 16 minutes to finish the day with 21.

Lady Cats teammate Kimmy Hocker added 15 more in the losing effort.

Big Spring 54, EP Del Valle 47

The Lady Steers took the fifth-place game behind the scoring of junior

guard Melissa Forth's 20 points, while backcourt teammate Brittany Bryant added 10 more.

Big Spring also got solid support inside from Latrisha Rollins and Meghan Pudliner. Both sophomores finished the game with nine points.

Forth couldn't claim game-high honors, however, as the Lady Conquistadores' Valerie Meza nailed four three-point shots en route to a 23-point showing. Her sister Vanessa added nine more.

In Big Spring's win over Parkland on Friday, guard Angela McGee and Pudliner provided the scoring lead — McGee finishing with a team-topping 17 points, that also earned her game-high honors, while Pudliner had 15.

The Lady Steers improved to 3-1 overall with their wins over the two El Paso schools.

The Lady Steers will play host to Midland Greenwood at 6 p.m. Tuesday.

Lubbock High 42, EP Parkland 37

The Lady Westerners made sure that Parkland would be the only team to leave for home without a win in the tournament, thanks to the scoring lead of Lacey Nash and Lindsay Williamson.

Nash paced Lubbock with 16 points, but Nash was close on her heels with 15.

Miyoshi Hadley was Parkland's only player to reach the double-digit plateau, finishing the game with 11 points, while Yolanda Miller added eight more.

Minnesota administrators resign positions following academic corruption probe

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Although his program was rife with corruption, former Minnesota basketball coach Clem Haskins still received a \$1.5 million contract buyout — a deal that might not have been made had the full extent of the fraud been known.

A report released Friday concluded there was widespread academic fraud in the basketball program and when the fraud was exposed, Haskins lied to investigators and also told his players to lie.

Haskins on Friday denied both conclusions.

The report by an outside law firm sharply criticized high-ranking athletic department and academic counseling officials for not detecting the fraud, and blamed faculty who were aware of improper academic assistance for players.

University president Mark Yudof on Friday announced the resignations of McKinley Boston, vice president of student development and athletics, and men's athletics director Mark Dienhart.

Haskins issued a statement through his attorney denying he had knowledge of the academic fraud.

"I did not know that Jan Gangelhoff was writing papers for players. I have not told anyone to lie or interfere with investigators; I have not made improper payments to players or Jan Gangelhoff," Haskins' statement said.

Yudof defended his June decision to buy out Haskins' contract because, he said, the program needed new leader-

ship to start the season free of the allegations.

"It was also the right decision given the information I had at the time. In fact, investigators only received new information regarding Clem Haskins within the past few weeks," he said.

The scandal erupted in March when the Saint Paul Pioneer Press reported that Gangelhoff, a former tutor, said she did more than 400 papers for as many as 20 basketball players between 1993 and 1998. The report substantiated most of Gangelhoff's claims.

While Yudof said he felt Boston and Dienhart were good men who simply managed badly, he had harsh words when asked at a news conference about Haskins.

"I am angry," Yudof said. "I feel I was lied to to my face, and that the problem was much deeper and that this program was corrupt in almost any way one can think about it."

The investigation also found that Haskins gave up to \$200 in cash directly to three athletes, and that he arranged a standing hotel discount for parents of athletes even though he had been cited by the NCAA for a similar violation at Western Kentucky.

The investigation's 1,000-page report, with another 1,500 pages of supporting exhibits, portrayed Haskins as a "power coach" who had so much success on the court that his program became virtually "untouchable."

Garden City sweeps past Miles

HERALD Staff Report

MILES — Garden City's Bearkats and Lady Bearkats chalked up wins Friday night, as they dealt Miles' Bulldogs and Lady Bulldogs a pair of losses.

Coach Mike Wallace's Lady Bearkats literally took no prisoners in the first varsity game of the evening, as M'Lynn Niehues scored 18 points and Kendra Batla added 15 more in a 56-13 romp over the Lady Bulldogs.

Tracy Machicek, Dendra Hirt and Summer Eoff added scoring help, as well as help on the backboard and in the front court. Machicek had seven points and six rebounds, while Hirt added six points and six

assists. Eoff added six point and five assists.

The Lady Kats are now 2-0 on the young season. The Lady Bearkats junior varsity also returned home a winner, as Michelle Fuchs scored five points and Collene Cox added five more in a 24-9 decision over the young Lady Bulldogs.

The nightcap proved to be much closer, however.

Cousins Cory Batla and Boyd Batla provided 26 points between the pair.

Kendall Goodwin added 12 more in leading the Bearkats to a 49-44 win.

Cory Batla paced Garden City offensively with 15 points, as they improved to 1-1 on the season.

Aggies dedicate game to their fallen classmates

COLLEGE STATION (AP) — Eventually, the Texas Aggies will start thinking about playing a football game.

It probably won't be today when they return to practice for the first time since 12 of their classmates died on Thursday when a 40-foot stack of bonfire logs collapsed, crushing them.

"They (players) are still in a state of shock," coach R.C. Slocum said. "Young people tend to consider that it's old people who die. It's hard for them to realize their fellow students died working on a project to recognize the spirit that comes with the game."

The Aggies have been forced to deal with sickness and sadness all season.

They learned in June that quarterback coach Ray Dorr had been diagnosed with fatal Lou Gehrig's disease. Slocum's son underwent successful heart surgery in April.

Now they're being asked to deal with this tragedy.

The huge bonfire, a 55-foot stack of logs, that annually precedes the Aggies' battle with

archival Texas, is one of the most visible traditions at a school that prides itself on togetherness and school spirit.

"We have lost fellow students and that is hard to take but with every trial there is a rainbow," cornerback Jason Webster said. "People come first. This is just a game. Our hearts go out to the families who lost their loved ones."

The team didn't practice Thursday and Friday. Some of the players helped remove logs at the accident site. But they will return to practice on Saturday and they plan to play their best on Friday against the No. 6 Longhorns at Kyle Field.

"I think the people who died will want us to play," quarterback Randy McCown said. "They gave so much effort and they gave their lives to support us. The least we could give back to them would be to go and beat Texas."

It's been an emotionally draining year for the players, coaches and fans and it goes far deeper than a season that didn't quite live up to their expecta-

tions. The Aggies (7-3, 3-3 in Big 12) are out of the title chase.

"These players were dealt a real dose about what life is all about," coach R.C. Slocum said. "They will have to deal with the fact that life is very precious. They need to take time to hug that little sister and spend time with their families."

Before Thursday's accident, Aggies already had plenty of reminders that a football game can become very insignificant.

In April, a week after spring training Slocum's son John Harvey, an A&M student, underwent successful reconstructive heart surgery to repair a congenital defect.

Dorr, who declines to speak about his illness, sensed that something as wrong but he delayed getting tests performed because he didn't want to give Slocum added worry.

When Dorr did get tests in June, they revealed the unwanted news.

Dorr has remained on the job this season, defying the effects of fatal amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, commonly known as Lou

Gehrig's disease.

ALS is a neurological disorder in which the muscles slowly atrophy. It causes weakness and eventual paralysis and pain in the latter stages. There is no cure and treatment generally is aimed at easing discomfort.

Players talk about Dorr with tears in their eyes in admiration of his determined fight.

"We are athletes but we are people too," Webster said. "I look at this and think how I would feel if some of my family passed away. We are a family here so it's kind of like some of my family did pass away. We will stick together and we will push through this."

CORRECTION NOTICE

In our Sears November 25th insert, we inadvertently advertised 50% off all Christmas decorations and Christmas wrap. The ad should read 50% off all glass, ornaments, wreaths, garland, tabletop figurines & gift wrap. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause our customers.

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Texas Tech knocks off Oklahoma

LUBBOCK (AP) — Texas Tech quarterback Kliff Kingsbury threw for 259 yards and three touchdowns and line-backer Kyle Shipley forced a fumble that led to a touchdown to give the Red Raiders a 38-28 victory over Oklahoma Saturday.

The win served as Spike Dykes' farewell as Texas Tech coach. He announced his retirement immediately after the game.

With 7:20 left in the third and Oklahoma leading 21-16, Shipley rammed into quarterback Josh Heupel at the Sooner's 25 and the ball went bouncing backward.

Several players on both teams tried to pounce on the ball, until Tech's Kevin Curtis finally recovered it at the Oklahoma 1. A quarterback sneak by Kingsbury gave Tech a 24-21 lead with 4:39 left in the third.

Then, after a short drive by Oklahoma, Kingsbury threw a 67-yard touchdown bomb to Sammy Morris on the first play of the Red Raider's drive to make the score 31-21 with 4:39 left in the third.

Tech (6-5, 5-3 Big 12) sealed the victory with an 8-play, 40-yard drive that culminated in an 18-yard touchdown pass from Kingsbury to Tim Baker with 3:54 left.

Oklahoma (6-4, 4-3) scored again after a quick drive led to a 1 yard touchdown run by John Norman with 1:39 left, but the Sooners were too far behind for the score to matter.

Oklahoma had come from behind in the first half to build a solid lead before Tech's third quarter rally.

After Oklahoma initial series was stunted, Texas Tech's Devin Lemons tipped a 15-yard punt from the 23 and Chris Hammons returned it 8 yards to the Oklahoma 30.

After losing two yards on the next play, Kingsbury zipped a 32-yard touchdown pass to Sammy Morris to give Tech a 7-0 lead, with 14:03 left in the first.

One series later, Kingsbury nailed Tim Winn with a 75-yard pass to put Tech at the 4. Oklahoma's defense held and Tech's Chris Birkholz nailed a 29-yard field goal to make it 10-0, with 8:54 left in the first.

Two series later, Oklahoma struck back.

Heupel completed a 15-yard pass to Jarrail Jackson, a 29-yard pass to Brandon Daniels and Quenton Griffin rushed for 32 yards to bring OU to the Tech 1. Two plays later, Griffin ran in for a touchdown to make the score 10-7. Tech, with 5:49 left in the first.

Taking possession at their own 35, Oklahoma scored again after a few short gains and a 44-yard touchdown pass from Heupel to Damien Mackey with :06 left in the first.

With 2:20 left in the second, Oklahoma took advantage of Tech's secondary again as Heupel completed a 20-yard pass to Curtis Fagan and then hit Jackson for a 42-yard pass to put Oklahoma at the 13. Griffin ran 13 yards up the middle for a touchdown.

DYKES

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"I think you coach because you love love kids," Dykes had said previously. "And if you do that, every day is rewarding. That way you never get your priorities out of perspective. It all boils down to the chance to work with young people, hopefully be an influence on them for the better, help them make something of themselves that is positive."

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Seminoles top Gators; ready to play for title

TOP 25 ROUNDUP

GAINESVILLE, Fla. (AP) — A little bit of Warrick and Weinke, a little bit of Janikowski and a whole lot of Florida State defense has the top-ranked Seminoles poised to play for the national championship.

Peter Warrick ran for one touchdown and set up another with a 38-yard catch, and Sebastian Janikowski kicked three field goals — one from 54 yards — as Florida State beat No. 3 Florida 30-23 on Saturday to complete its third perfect regular season.

The win all but clinched a spot for coach Bobby Bowden and the Seminoles (11-0) in the Sugar Bowl, the site of the Bowl Championship Series' national title game.

The Gators (9-2), who lost for just the fourth time at home in 10 years under coach Steve Spurrier, will play in the SEC title game on Dec. 4, needing a win to qualify for either the Orange or Fiesta bowls.

Florida State needed to pull out all stops against its bitter rival in a game that wasn't decided until the final play.

For the past seven years, this series has turned into a sort of playoff-elimination game, and the Gators weren't knocked out until the very end.

With the Gators on the FSU 40, Jesse Palmer threw a desperation pass into the end zone, where a half-dozen players were waiting for the ball. It was tipped by several Florida State defenders and fell to the ground before Brian Haugabrook had a chance to grab it.

The Seminoles raced to midfield and began the celebration, throwing their helmets to the air and stomping on the turf where they last won in 1993 — the year they won the national title.

Chris Weinke, playing in his first national-title caliber game after missing last year's games against Florida and Tennessee in the Fiesta Bowl, was 24-of-36 for 263 yards and a touchdown — a 30-yarder to Marvin Minnis with 6:03 remaining that put the Seminoles ahead 30-16. On the previous play, Weinke hit Warrick for 38 yards.

The Gators came back, though, with Doug Johnson throwing a 2-yard TD pass to Travis Taylor to trim the lead to seven points with 3:33 left. But the Seminoles recovered an on-side kick and then held off the Gators' last gasp.

To no one's surprise, Florida alternated quarterbacks, with Johnson and Jesse Palmer taking snaps every other play in an effort to get the offense going. It didn't work the way Spurrier had hoped as

Florida had a good chunk of its 346 yards in the final few minutes.

Florida's defense kept the game from getting out of hand early on, forcing the Seminoles to settle for first-half field goals of 22 and 27 yards by Janikowski.

Johnson was 20-of-36 for 214 yards with two interceptions; Palmer 9-of-20 for 166 yards.

Warrick, who heard chants of "Dillard's, Dillard's," in reference to his shopping mall scam that cost him a two-game suspension and the role of Heisman Trophy favorite, had a strong game. The wide receiver caught nine passes for 90 yards and ran for 19 yards, including a 4-yard TD to give FSU a 7-0 first-quarter lead.

Florida State led 13-6 at the half, but the margin could have been greater. After scoring on their opening drive, the Seminoles moved to the Gators 4-yard-line the next two times they had the ball but settled for Janikowski field goals.

Jeff Chandler kicked field goals of 50 and 45 yards to keep the Gators in striking distance entering the second half. Backed by a Florida Field record crowd of 85,747, Florida needed 71 seconds to take its only lead of the game.

First Chandler kicked his third field goal, a 22-yarder, to cut the margin to 13-9. The Seminoles took over and on third down, and with Florida's defense still setting up, Weinke took the snap and tried to hit Minnis for a big-gainer.

But cornerback Bennie Alexander intercepted the pass and returned it 43 yards for a touchdown, putting the Gators ahead 16-13 with 7:39 left in the third period.

Unperturbed by the blunder, Weinke promptly brought Florida State into Janikowski's field goal range. After his successful 49-yarder was wiped out by a delay-of-game penalty, Janikowski calmly kicked a 54-yarder to tie the score at 16-16.

Then came Florida State's big break — line-backer Tommy Polley blocked a Florida punt. He blew through the middle of the line, leaped in front of Alan Rhine's punt and safety Jean Jeune recovered at the Florida 21. Six plays later, Jeff Chaney scored from 2 yards out with 34 seconds left in the third quarter and the Seminoles had the lead for good, 23-16.

Florida nearly tied the score, moving to the Seminoles 8, but after a holding penalty moved the ball back 10 yards, Johnson's third down pass was intercepted at the 2 by free safety Chris Hope. A few plays later, Weinke found Minnis in the right corner of the end zone and the Seminoles had the win that should give them their second straight trip to the national title game.

This year, Bowden is hoping for different results as win would give the 70-year old coach the first perfect season of his career.

No. 2 Virginia Tech 62, Temple 7

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Michael Vick could have run all the way to New Orleans.

Vick ran for 134 yards and two touchdowns and passed for two more scores as the Hokies allowed Temple a brief early lead, then stormed back for a 62-7 win Saturday.

Vick completed 7-of-10 passes for 171 yards and two long touchdowns to Andre Davis, and made two spectacular touchdown runs.

Vick got out of trouble in the backfield with scoring runs of 53 and 75 yards. His most impressive score came early in the third quarter. Under pressure in the pocket from Temple's defense at his own 25, Vick eluded a couple tackles, reversed field, then raced down the sideline for a 75-yard score to give the Hokies a 34-7 lead.

Andre Kendrick added two rushing scores, while Larry Austin had a 31-yard interception return.

No. 10 Michigan 24, Ohio St. 17

ANN ARBOR, Mich. (AP) — Michigan forced three second-half turnovers and Tom Brady threw two touchdown passes as the No. 10 Wolverines rallied to beat Ohio State 24-17 Saturday.

Brady completed 17 of 27 passes for 150 yards, including an 8-yard touchdown to Shawn Thompson and a 10-yarder to Marquise Walker.

Steve Bellisari completed 8 of 20 passes for 84 yards and two touchdowns for Ohio State, but also tossed two costly interceptions.

A fumble recovery by Cato June in the fourth quarter set up a 77-yard, 10-play drive that gave Michigan its first lead of the game, 24-17, with 5:01 remaining. Brady, who was 5-of-6 for 51 yards in the

drive, finished it off with the touchdown pass to Walker.

The Wolverines tied it 17-17 in the third quarter, turning two interceptions into a field goal and a touchdown.

No. 7 Tennessee 56, Kentucky 21

LEXINGTON, Ky. (AP) — Travis Henry, filling in for injured Jamal Lewis, ran for 179 yards and a career-high three touchdowns as No. 7 Tennessee routed Kentucky 56-21 Saturday.

After Tennessee built a 27-0 lead in the first half, Kentucky scored a pair of second-quarter touchdowns to close to 27-14 at halftime. But the Volunteers scored four second-half touchdowns to put the game away.

Wildcats quarterback Dusty Bonner completed 32 of 50 passes for 361 yards and three touchdowns, but was intercepted five times. Kentucky also lost a fumble, giving the Wildcats six turnovers.

Tennessee quarterback Tee Martin threw for 155 yards and two touchdowns, one to Cedrick Wilson and one to David Martin before leaving early in the fourth quarter.

When Henry took a seat on the bench late in the third quarter, he had handled the ball on 23 of the 24 handoffs Tennessee had made to that point.

No. 9 Kansas State 66, Missouri 0

MANHATTAN, Kan. (AP) — Jonathon Beasley threw for two touchdowns and ran for another and cornerback Dyshod Carter scored twice Saturday as No. 9 Kansas State kept its Big 12 title game hopes alive with a 66-0 win over Missouri.

Frank Murphy added two TD runs and Adrian Beard recovered a blocked punt for a touchdown.

The Wildcats scored on their first five possessions — plus one of Missouri's — in leading 35-0 after one quarter and 42-0 at the half. Their 35 first-quarter points broke the record of 34 set last year in the second quarter against Northern Illinois.

Runs of 7 yards by Murphy and 1 yard by Beasley, and Beasley's 38-yard pass to Quincy Morgan gave Kansas State a 21-0 lead with 5:55 left in the first quarter. Two plays after Morgan's catch, Carter recovered a stray pitchout in the end zone for a 28-0 lead.

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QUICK TRIVIA

◆In music, the term rubato means "with a freedom of tempo."

◆In 1912, Massachusetts passed the first minimum wage law in the United States.

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Sunday, November 21, 1999

Hopping on the Record



MIKE HILLGER

How Garden City farmer Mike Hillger created a musical tribute to his hobby



When Mike Hillger combined two of his favorite things, the result, after dozens of hours of work at the recording studio, was a new CD. The Garden City farmer and rodeo team roper may have even created a new musical genre.

"Finals Fever," made up of all original songs, was recorded by Hillger in a small studio, formerly a storage shed, next to his house. Then he took everything to a friend who lives in Nashville and the result is professionally-produced compact discs and cassettes.

"It was a lot more work than I thought," said Hillger, 39. "That was something I didn't expect."

The Garden City native had been a musician for 20 years, playing fiddle and other instruments in various country and swing bands. His talent had even taken him to Las Vegas and Switzerland, to which photographs on the studio walls attest.

Eight years ago, a friend in the music industry introduced Hillger to team roping. Almost immediately, he was hooked.

"It's really competitive," Hillger said. His wife, Nancy, adds, "It's addictive," and her husband agrees.

"As soon as you win a couple of times, you want to go some more," he said. "Team roping is a mental exercise."

That aspect of the sport is included in some of the album's songs, which have titles like, "The Run From Hell," a song about everything going wrong, and "Dally'd at the Knot."

There are also songs about the cowboy life, such as "No Time," and "He's a Cowboy." And there is a melancholy ballad, "Moonlight Ride," and a song popular with kids, "Ducky," about a roping steer. "I think people of all ages can find something in it they like," Hillger said. "Older people like country waltzes, and younger people like the more rock 'n' roll style (of his song, "Rodeo Run"). I tried to put together a lot of different styles."

The album includes the prominent sounds of fiddle, steel guitar and acoustic guitar. Hillger plays bass and acoustic guitars, along with fiddle and singing vocals.

To play the other instruments, he brought in friends from the area. His wife even sings harmony on one song.

When the disc was ready for release about five weeks ago, Hillger's family and friends threw a huge party to surprise him. The day included, of course, some team roping in the family's arena.

Since then, the extended family has given time to help distribute and promote it. One of the ways they publicize the album is at

roping events all over the Southwest. It is also currently being sold in Big Spring at Kydee's store on South Highway 87, Big Spring, along with Big Spring Farm Supply and Ward's Western Wear.

It is sold in Garden City at Halfmann's Store, and in St. Lawrence at St. Lawrence Gin Co., and Ronda's Kwik Stop.

The album is also available on the Internet at slickhorn.com.

"It's being played on some of the Midland radio stations," Hillger said. With help from Nancy's sister, the discs were distributed to the stations, who expressed interest, but were noncommittal at first.

"I think what it took was for them to listen to it," Nancy said.

"It's about team roping, but I think we've sold copies to as many non-team ropers as we have to ropers," her husband added.

The title song, "Finals Fever," is about the feeling a team roper gets when he has a chance at winning the big competition, and the big money, Hillger said.

"As you move toward the finals, the money gets bigger, like an \$80,000 possible prize. You start to think, maybe I should really get involved in this. And then you start dreaming about what it would be like to win."

But, with a CD of his own, does the cowboy start dreaming about what it would be like to be a Nashville star?

Hillger said there's not much chance of that. The family is active in their community and sons Justin and Brian are busy in school.

But Hillger said he is content to keep music as a sideline, just as he does with team roping.

In fact, right now he can combine the two very well. A few days after his CDs and cassettes were delivered, Hillger left for the National Team Roping Finals in Oklahoma City. He loaded up some of copies of Finals Fever, along with his horse, and had a great time.

— Debbie L. Jensen



In the photographs: At top left, Mike Hillger's new CD is "Finals Fever;" the cover is shown here. At top right, Mike poses with his horse at the family farm in Garden City. Above left, Mike and his wife, Nancy, in the recording studio they created out of a storage shed. Above, right, Mike is shown in a publicity shot created for the release of his CD of original songs.

Have you taken the time to truly appreciate our way of life?

In the event you, dear reader, are wondering what my opinion might be on prayer at school events, read in Sunday, Nov. 7, *Herald* the article by Brian Wingert and the one in *life!* by Jean Warren. Both are excellent articles and well worth rereading.

As long as we have 16-year-olds such as Brian, the future of our country isn't hopeless. I admire his thoughts and his courage to write his opinions. Hang in there, Brian! As far as Mrs. Warren, I'm an interested reader of her articles each month and have had the pleasure of meeting her in person.

Now, on to something else entirely.

Halloween is over, Thanksgiving is this month. Already people are thinking about Christmas. I do wonder how many of us stop a while in our busy lives and consider what Thanksgiving really should be? I overheard a woman in a restaurant just today say, "Oh, let's just skip Thanksgiving and get on to Christmas."

I do wonder how many of us stop a while in our busy lives and consider what Thanksgiving really should be? (evidently she did not). In spite of the many bad things happening in our country, we still have so much to be thankful for.

One day, I tried to list all the things I have to be thankful for and it became such a long list I finally gave up.

Oh, my long life hasn't been all roses and sunshine by any stretch of the imagination, but over all I guess it balances out. One can always look around and see someone whose life is so much worse,



MYRTLE GRIFFITH

It's very much like the old saying, 'I had no shoes, and I complained until I saw a man who had no feet.' Think about that!

It's very much like the old saying, "I had no shoes, and I complained until I saw a man who had no feet." Think about that!

Our ancestors started the Thanksgiving holiday many years ago. They'd suffered so many hardships yet could give thanks for food and shelter and

the most basic needs. It's time to think about what it all means.

They came to establish "freedom." Many of our basic freedoms are slipping away. We must awaken to the dangers and do something about them. Apathy won't get us anywhere. Do you vote?

Do you take part in things that benefit your community? Do you help a neighbor whose life is in trouble? Do you even know your neighbor? Are you concerned with the present political trends? Do you offer smiles instead of frowns?

If your answer to any of these questions is no, stop, friend, and do some serious

thinking and mental self-examination. You might be surprised.

We are living in a fast-moving world and with all the technology that is current — computers, space, medicine, machines, to name only a few — I'm trying to adapt; how about you? It is somewhat like trying to swim upstream against a strong current. We can survive only by exerting our best efforts and with the help of a higher power.

Have a safe, happy, fulfilling day on Nov. 25. May God bless each of you. *Myrtle Griffith writes a monthly column for the Big Spring Herald.*

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ANNIVERSARIES

Halfmann

Eugene and Jerline Halfmann will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on Nov. 25, 1999, with a family dinner in Amarillo.

He was born in Temple, and she was born in Rowena as Jerline Mazur. They were married on Nov. 16, 1949, at St. Ambrose Catholic Church in Wall. The couple has four children, Linda Halfmann of Amarillo, Gene Halfmann of Tulsa, Okla., Cindy Worthan of Big Spring, and Greg Halfmann of Tampa, Fla. They also have four grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. Halfmann have lived in San Angelo and for the past 42 years in Big Spring.

They are both currently retired. Previously, Eugene served in the military during World War II, was a farmer and then worked at Webb Air Force Base until he retired. Jerline has always been a homemaker.



MR. AND MRS. EUGENE HALFMANN

They are affiliated with Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church. He enjoys hunting and watching sports, and she enjoys needlework.

Peurifoy



MR. AND MRS. CECIL PEURIFOY THEN AND NOW

Cecil and Natalie Peurifoy will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on Nov. 25, 1999, with family.

He was born in Abilene, and she was born in Coahoma as Natalie Smith. They met in 1936 at a church. They were married on Nov. 24, 1949, which was Thanksgiving Day, at the bride's parent's home.

Mr. and Mrs. Peurifoy have three children, Penny Lewis of Amarillo, Rick Peurifoy of Big Spring, and Hollie Peurifoy of Dallas. They also have two grandchildren. The couple has lived in Big Spring their entire

marriage. They are both retired. Previously, he owned Perco Car Care. They are affiliated with the 14th & Main Church of Christ.

They enjoy church, golf, family and friends.

This was their comment about 50 years of marriage, "Ours has been a wonderful Christian marriage blessed with three great children and two fine, loving grandchildren. We are of a large, close-knit local family. The church and family are a big part of our lives."

WHO'S WHO

Students from Big Spring who are candidates for graduation Dec. 18, from The University of Texas of the Permian Basin are: Laurie Michelle Barraza with a BBA in marketing, Vickie Melinda Carson with a bachelor of art's degree in sociology, LeeAnn Dorton with a BA in English, and Bradley L. Smith with a bachelor of science degree in mathematics.

More than 200 students will receive degrees from the University this fall. Freshman applications deadline has been extended through Dec. 1.

Jodi Rodgers, Big Spring, was named a Presidential Scholar at Lee University for the 1999-2000 school year. Presidential scholarships are awarded to any first-time freshman who has graduated from an approved high school and who scored 27-30 on the ACT or



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1150-1340 on the SAT. The scholarship is equal to standard full tuition for the freshman year.

Rodgers is the daughter of Carl and Debby Rodgers. She is majoring in Human Development.

Lee University is a four-year liberal arts university located in Cleveland, Tenn., 25 miles north to Chattanooga.

GETTING ENGAGED



Brandy Bedell of Irving, and Bryan Ziegler of Quitman, will exchange wedding vows on Jan. 8, 2000, at the Westside Church of Christ in Round Rock.

She is the daughter of Everett and Brenda Bedell of Georgetown.

He is the son of Johnny and Pam Ziegler of Quitman.



Yvette Cortez of Big Spring, and Joshua Preston of Norman, Okla., will be united in marriage on Dec. 11, 1999, at St. Thomas Catholic Church with Fr. James Plagens officiating.

She is the daughter of Mary Cortez of Big Spring, and Amando Cortez of Greely, Colo.

He is the son of Bonifacio and Kathy Salazar of Big Spring, and Chuck and Merrie Preston of Norman, Okla.

STORK CLUB

Hayley Victoria Allen, Nov. 12, 1999, 1:16 p.m., six pounds 15 ounces and 18 1/2 inches long; parents are Mark and Tammy Allen. She was born at San Angelo Community Hospital.

Grandparents are Lawrence and Nila Allen and R.M. (Jimmy) and Jean Moore, all of Big Spring.

Elizabeth Ann Long, Nov. 2, 1999, 11:07 a.m., five pounds 15 ounces and 18 inches long; parents are Kelly and Angie Long.

Grandparents are Harvey and Judy Brooks of Andrews, and Kim J and Dorothy Long of Big Spring.

Walter Henry Brumley III, boy, Oct. 28, 1999, 4:27 p.m., six pounds one ounce and 18 inches long; parents are Robin and Walter Brumley Jr.

Grandparents are Elizabeth and Don Williams and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Brumley Sr., all of Big Spring.

WEDDINGS

Doll-Robertson

Licia Doll and Richard Robertson were united in marriage on Oct. 2, 1999, at the First Church of the Nazarene with the Rev. Lynn Robertson officiating.

She is the daughter of John and Wilma Doll of Big Spring, and the granddaughter of Helen Doll of Big Spring.

He is the son of Ricky Robertson and Rhonda Robertson, both of Big Spring, and the grandson of Morris and Jimmie Robertson and Jewell and Mary Edens, all of Big Spring.

Pianist was Vanessa Burchett, and vocalist was the bride.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a white sleeveless gown with a rounded neck line. The bodice was fitted with a dropped waist and covered with lace and pearls. It was attached to a full skirt of layered tulle over satin and the bottom of the skirt was trimmed in satin. She wore a veil made by her mother, of layered tulle and trimmed with satin.

She carried a spray of pink roses with the stems and laced with a satin bow.

Maid of honor was Kim Avant.

Teresa Coker and Jeanell Scott were the bridesmaids.

Alicia Doll, niece of the bride, was the flower girl, and Joseph Thompson, cousin of the groom, was the ringbearer.

T.V. Green served as best man.

Serving as groomsmen were Brian Doll and David Doll, both brothers of the bride.

Ushers were Jody Robertson, Cody Robertson, cousins of the bride, Keith Rich and Jason



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Carrie and Crystal Doll, sisters-in-law of the bride, were the candlelighters.

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

The bride's cake was four round solid white cakes each on a separate floating crystal pillar. Each cake was decorated with Cornelli lace.

The groom's cake was a round German chocolate cake covered with chocolate covered strawberries.

The bride is a 1998 graduate of Big Spring High School. She is currently enrolled in the Howard College Nursing Program. She is employed by Professional Pharmacy.

The groom attended Coahoma High School. He is employed by Tire Time Rentals and is in the Texas National Guard.

Following a wedding trip to Dallas, the couple have made their home in Big Spring.

ON THE MENU

SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER

MONDAY-Ham, cauliflower, fruit salad, cornbread, milk, fruit.

TUESDAY-Smothered steak, potatoes, blackeyed peas, tossed salad, milk/rolls, cobbler.

WEDNESDAY-Chicken, french fries, squash, salad, milk/rolls, fruit.

THURSDAY-CLOSED FOR THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY

FRIDAY-CLOSED FOR THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY

SANDS SCHOOLS

MONDAY-Sandwiches, potato chips, fruit or cookies, milk.

TUESDAY-Lunchables, fruit or cookies, milk.

WEDNESDAY-HOLIDAY

THURSDAY-HOLIDAY

FRIDAY-HOLIDAY

STANTON SCHOOLS

MONDAY-Pizza or baked potato, peas & carrots, tossed salad, fruit cup, milk, fruit

drink

TUESDAY-Cheeseburger or hamburger, french fries, hamburger salad, fruit cup, milk, fruit drink.

WEDNESDAY-HOLIDAY

THURSDAY-HOLIDAY

FRIDAY-HOLIDAY

COAHOMA SCHOOLS

MONDAY-Chicken spaghetti (corndog), peas, bread, pears, milk.

TUESDAY-Hamburgers, fries, lettuce, pickles, tomato, pineapple, milk.

WEDNESDAY-HOLIDAY

THURSDAY-HOLIDAY

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GARDEN CITY SCHOOLS

MONDAY-Cheese enchiladas, corn, spanish rice, fruit

TUESDAY-Chili dogs, french fries, pinto beans, cake

WEDNESDAY-HOLIDAY

THURSDAY-HOLIDAY

FRIDAY-HOLIDAY

Life section
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Tuesday, Nov. 23, at noon
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Pictured: Pretty Bow - Chow mix, golden brown female, 5 years old plus, spayed.

Special Note: All dogs and cats presently available for adoption at the shelter have received their vaccinations, including rabies.

Waylon - Rotti mix, black and tan male, 1 year old plus, neutered.

Chow Girl - Chow Chow black, loving female, 4 years old plus, spayed.

Marcus - German Shepherd black and tan male, 1 year old plus, neutered.

Roscoe - White with gray and black markings, female 1 year old plus.

Shawn - Shep. mix, brown with dark muzzle, male 1 year old, neutered.

Tobi - Catahoula mix, tri colored female, 1 year old plus, spayed.

Lucy - Bassett and Beagle, black, brown and white female, 3 years old plus.

Laura - Shepherd mix, black and tan female, 2 years old plus, spayed.

Rebecca - Fawn and white, some black, female, 2 years old plus, spayed.

These, plus many more dogs and cats are awaiting adoption. Adoption fees for dogs are just \$60 and cats are \$30. This includes spaying or neutering, vaccinations, wormings and rabies shots. Also covers feline leukemia tests for cats. All pets come with a two-week trial period. Call the shelter at 267-7832 for more information.

NEWCOMERS

New residents of Big Spring welcomed recently by Joy Fortenberry and the Newcomer Greeting Service include:

George and Mary Shetler, Topeka, Kan. He is self employed, and she is an RN at Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

Mike and Eve Nieto, son Paul and daughter Merideth, Lamesa. He is the manager of TXU Electric Company.

Salvador and Gloria Jimenez, children Marisa, Gloria, Julie, Bianca, and Addie, Sweetwater. He is self employed, and she is the Coahoma Postmaster.

Euletta Seaton, Odessa. She works for West Texas Centers for MHMR.

Dave and Debra Eldridge, daughter Lauren and son Brian, Alvin. He works for Fina Oil & Chemical.

Tony and Tina Frazier and daughter Ashlyn, Odessa. He is employed by Buckner Counseling Center in Midland, and she is employed by West Texas Centers for MHMR.

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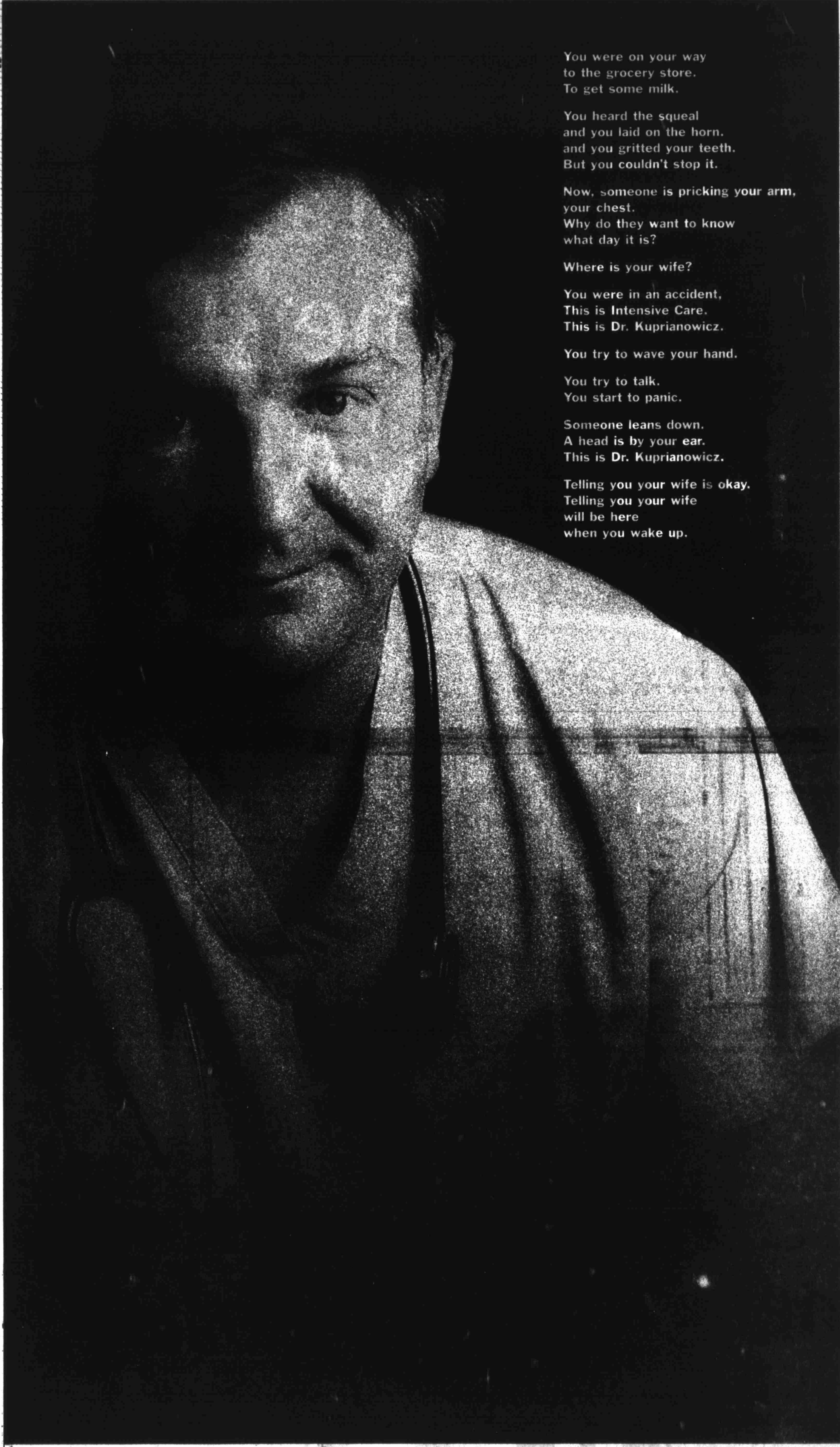
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Tobacco attorneys representing Texas agree to \$3.3 billion award

AUSTIN (AP) — Five outside attorneys who represented the state of Texas in its lawsuit against the tobacco industry have agreed to accept \$3.3 billion for their work instead of seeking more money from the state.

A national arbitration panel awarded the sum to the five as compensation for their work on a settlement that gave Texas \$17.3 billion from tobacco companies. The money is being paid by the tobacco companies over 25 years.

The private lawyers were under a federal judge's order to decide by Friday whether to accept that amount or try to collect under their original state contract, which called for them to get 15 percent of whatever Texas

receives from the tobacco industry.

Michael Tigar, a former University of Texas law professor who represents the outside lawyers, said his clients wanted to end a dispute that has continued for almost two years.

He said the lawyers wanted to end the controversy over legal fees because it was threatening to obscure "what a wonderful victory" the tobacco settlement was for Texas.

"We will take unilaterally the first long step towards healing," he said.

"We have over the past several months been listening to the people of Texas," Tigar said, citing recent newspaper editorials urging an end to the 22-month-old dispute.

The attorneys are John Eddie Williams and John O'Quinn of Houston, Walter Umphrey and Wayne Reaud of Beaumont, and Harold Nix of Daingerfield. They already have received about \$364 million from the settlement, which reimbursed the state for the cost of treating tobacco-related illnesses.

Gov. George W. Bush called Friday's news "a victory for the taxpayers of Texas."

"I intervened in this case to make sure that taxpayers would not be liable for any of the excessive legal fees. I am pleased ... that funds from the tobacco settlement will go to important needs, including children's health insurance,

rather than legal fees."

Friday's decision amounts to a waiver of the contract with the state, which was negotiated by former Attorney General Dan Morales, a Democrat who didn't seek re-election last year.

A 1998 report by professors at Yale University and the University of California-Berkeley said tobacco industry payments to Texas should be adjusted annually for inflation and other factors.

That would help boost the value of Texas' settlement as high as \$105 billion, which could have allowed the lawyers to collect an additional \$12.5 billion, Texas Attorney General John Cornyn said.

Cornyn and seven Texas legislators joined Bush in a lawsuit against the lawyers, and Cornyn said he is "very pleased" with the lawyers' decision.

But he insisted there would be no "quid pro quo."

He said he wouldn't drop his separate investigation into the legality of their contract with Morales and wouldn't agree to their offer to have Folsom oversee his investigation.

Among other things, Cornyn is believed to be investigating allegations made last year by famed Houston trial lawyer Joe Jamail that Morales demanded payments from lawyers he considered hiring for the tobacco lawsuit.

Drip-irrigation seminar may help producers fight water woes

For the past five years, for most agricultural producers, water has been the most limiting factor affecting profitability. Most agricultural producers do not have an option as to when they can put water on a crop.

Through a somewhat new technology of drip irrigation, producers with a limited water supply may wish to utilize this technology to reach higher production goals. Economic data indicates that profitability on a per acre basis can be enhanced through drip irrigation. The dryer the conditions the more profitability received from drip irrigation.



DAVID KNIGHT

A two-day seminar on drip irrigation will be held beginning at 8:30 a.m. Monday at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum on the Howard College campus. Registration fee of \$35 covers the cost of CEU and all meals for two days. Continuing Education Credits will be given as follows: Monday — 1 Law and Regulation, 2 General; Tuesday — 1 Law and Regulation, 2 General. If producers attend both days they will receive four CEU's General and one CEU Law and Regulation.

Topics will include: Drip irrigation overview; Implementation; Advantages/Disadvantages; Fertilization and Chemigation; and Water use of cotton. Dealers will also be on hand to discuss costs of drip irrigation on a per acre basis.

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

Remodeling of local Sears under way

By BILL McCLELLAN
News Editor

A new interior look, broader product line and a special emphasis on customer satisfaction are what Jody Swinney hopes will have shoppers not only making their purchases at the Sears store in Big Spring Mall, but coming back again and again.

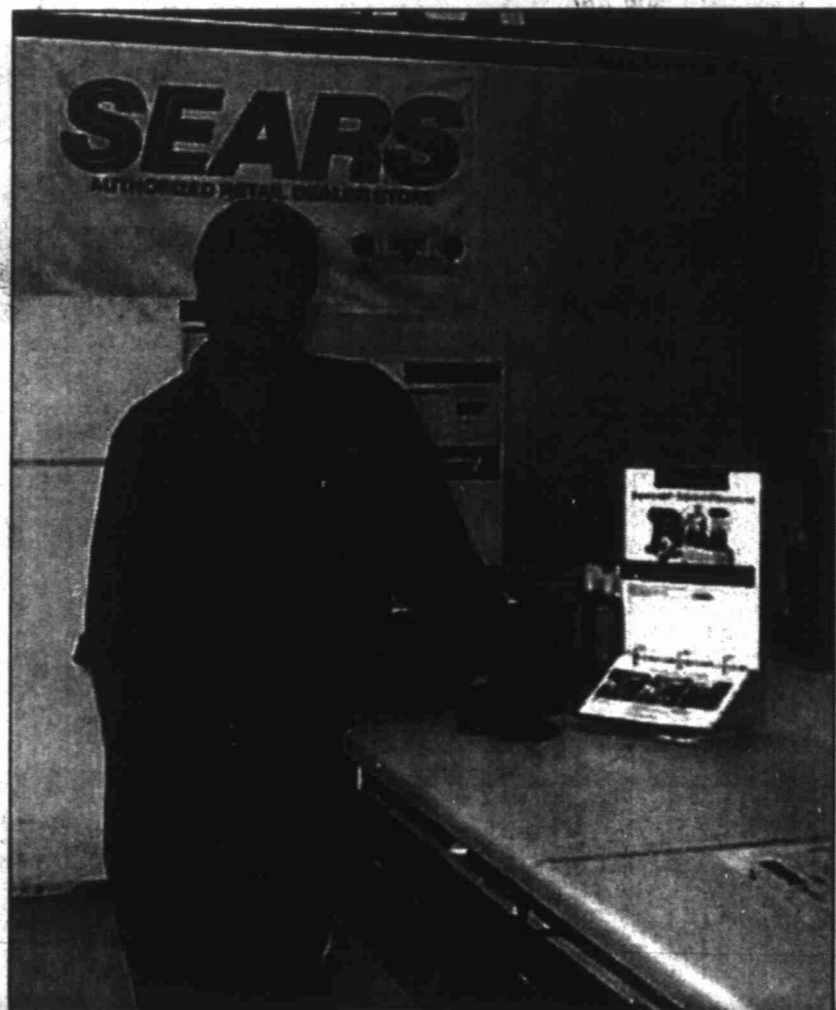
"Since taking over Dec. 1 last year, business has slowly been increasing — we hope because we are keeping the customers taken care of. We feel some of them may have been neglected before we took over and we have worked very hard to make sure that doesn't happen any more," said Swinney, store owner. "We are independently owned and operated. That means customer satisfaction is imperative to me. That's the big difference between us and the larger stores."

Unlike the larger Sears stores, the Big Spring store doesn't carry furniture, clothes and toys. But it does feature a large selection of appliances, electronics, lawn and garden items and toys.

"All of those are exactly the same as the larger stores. All sales and promotions are exactly the same," said Swinney.

That means the Big Spring store participates in Sear's "Good Life at a Great Price" guarantee. If an item purchased by a customer goes on sale within 30 days after the purchase, the store will adjust the final bill. That goes for competitor's prices, too, Swinney said.

"Our commitment is to make sure the customer is taken care of and is satisfied," Swinney



Jody Swinney, owner of the local Sears franchise, stands by part of his product line. The store is currently being remodeled.

The store is in the final stages of remodeling and changing displays. The floors have been redone, the layout changed and updated.

"We're totally redoing our electronics right now and we're in the last phase of that now," said Swinney. "It's amounted to almost \$8,000 in renovations."

"We are about to set up our

technology center, which will feature the latest items, including the new Sony Vega flat-screen television," he said. "We have the most extensive line of televisions, VCRs and stereo equipment in Big Spring."

They include Sony, RCA, Pioneer, Zenith, Phillips Magnavox, JVC, Aiwa, GE, Toshiba and Hitachi.

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Oil prices

Too early for to call for industry turnaround, but not for higher prices at gas pumps statewide

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Texas oil industry officials are cheered by this week's rise in oil prices but say it's too soon to know whether higher prices will create jobs on drilling rigs in West Texas and the Gulf of Mexico.

"Things had to get better or we were all going to be out of business," said Jim Johnson, owner of Verra Oil just outside of Odessa. "It's been a crazy year."

Johnson said his company is still not out of the woods.

"Right now the problem is recovering from all the debt we incurred during the rough period," he said. "We kept at it when others folded. Every day the price stays high, I'll send up a thank you."

Spot prices for crude oil rose Thursday to their highest level since the Persian Gulf War before slipping to close slightly below Wednesday's highs. West Texas intermediate closed Thursday at \$25.80 a barrel on the New York Mercantile after surging as high as \$26.80. Oil has more than doubled this year, raising the cost of gasoline and other products.

"It's good for Texas and the main industry of Texas, even if it's not particularly good for the Texas consumer," said Dale Steffes, president of Houston-based Planning and Forecasting Consultants. "If it holds, there will be huge amounts of jobs in Houston."

Steffes predicted that exploration drilling companies such as Diamond Offshore and Transocean Offshore Inc., both based in Houston, may put rigs back into service immediately. He said independent producers such as Anadarko Petroleum Co. and Apache Oil Co. also stand to make gains.

The rising prices haven't yet found their way to the oil fields. Guy Marcus, spokesman for Dallas-based Halliburton Co., the nation's largest oil-services firm, said the hitch is that major oil companies haven't yet increased their exploration budgets.

Halliburton has cut about 9,500 workers, roughly 10 percent of its workforce, since its peak in 1998. Company officials predict better business next year because of higher oil

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Greyhound plans to start U.S.-Mexico package-delivery service

DALLAS (AP) — Greyhound Lines Inc. announced last week that it will work with a Mexican company to offer package-delivery service on both sides of the border.

Greyhound, the largest bus company in North America, said it will deliver packages to Mexico in two to three days at prices that undercut other major shippers and the post office.

Dallas-based Greyhound said MultiPack, the largest package-delivery company in Mexico, will deliver its packages in

Mexico while it delivers MultiPack shipments in the United States.

Currently, Greyhound does not offer delivery service to Mexico, although many packages sent to its station in Laredo are destined for delivery in Mexico, a spokesman said.

Greyhound's delivery service, called Greyhound Package Express, or GPX, delivered 1.5 million packages last year, generating \$30 million in revenue.

George Gravelly, a Greyhound spokesman, said the company would not disclose any projection of how much business it

might generate in Mexico. He said shipments to Laredo, which are not advertised or promoted, account for "way under \$1 million" in revenue.

Gravelly said initial delivery service to Mexico will be offered from only five Texas cities — Dallas, Houston, Austin, San Antonio and Laredo.

"It's going to work, but we want to start small because we've never done this before," Gravelly said. "This is not a test market."

Shipments from Mexico to the United States will be available from all points in Mexico to all

points on the Greyhound system, he said.

Greyhound hopes to draw customers from United Parcel Service, Federal Express and the postal systems of both countries by offering lower prices.

The bus company said it will charge \$15 to deliver a package up to five pounds between Dallas and Mexico City. It said Federal Express charges \$33 to \$56 for the same shipment. Greyhound said delivery would take two or three days — Federal Express shipments take one to three days.

Greyhound and MultiPack

plan to share revenue from their distribution arrangement using a formula that takes into account package size, distance and other factors, Gravelly said.

Packages — which must weigh less than 100 pounds and fit within size limits — will be transferred between the two companies at Greyhound's bus terminal in Laredo. They will be carried to U.S. destinations using on-board bus storage bins.

Greyhound is a subsidiary of Ontario-based Laidlaw Inc., which already owned Greyhound Lines of Canada.

IN THE NEWS

Staff and Wire Reports

STEPHEN HOWARD, Big Spring, has been named "1999 Top Producing Rookie" by Norwest Mortgage.

HOWARD, who joined Norwest Mortgage on Nov. 15, 1998, produced more than \$5 million in loan volume in 10 months.

Based at Norwest Bank, 400 Main, Howard serves Big Spring and Howard County as well as the surrounding communities.

For more information, call Howard at 267-5513.

DR. JOHN PICHITINO, director of psychology at Big Spring State represented the hospital with a poster presentation at the National Academy of Neuropsychology conference in San Antonio earlier this

month. DR. PICHITINO'S presentation at the conference, attended by hundreds of neuropsychologists from around the world, included research involving neurocognitive functioning of Big Spring State Hospital patients.

The project originally was carried out by Carol Green, as part of her master's thesis and used neuropsychological test data from the hospital.

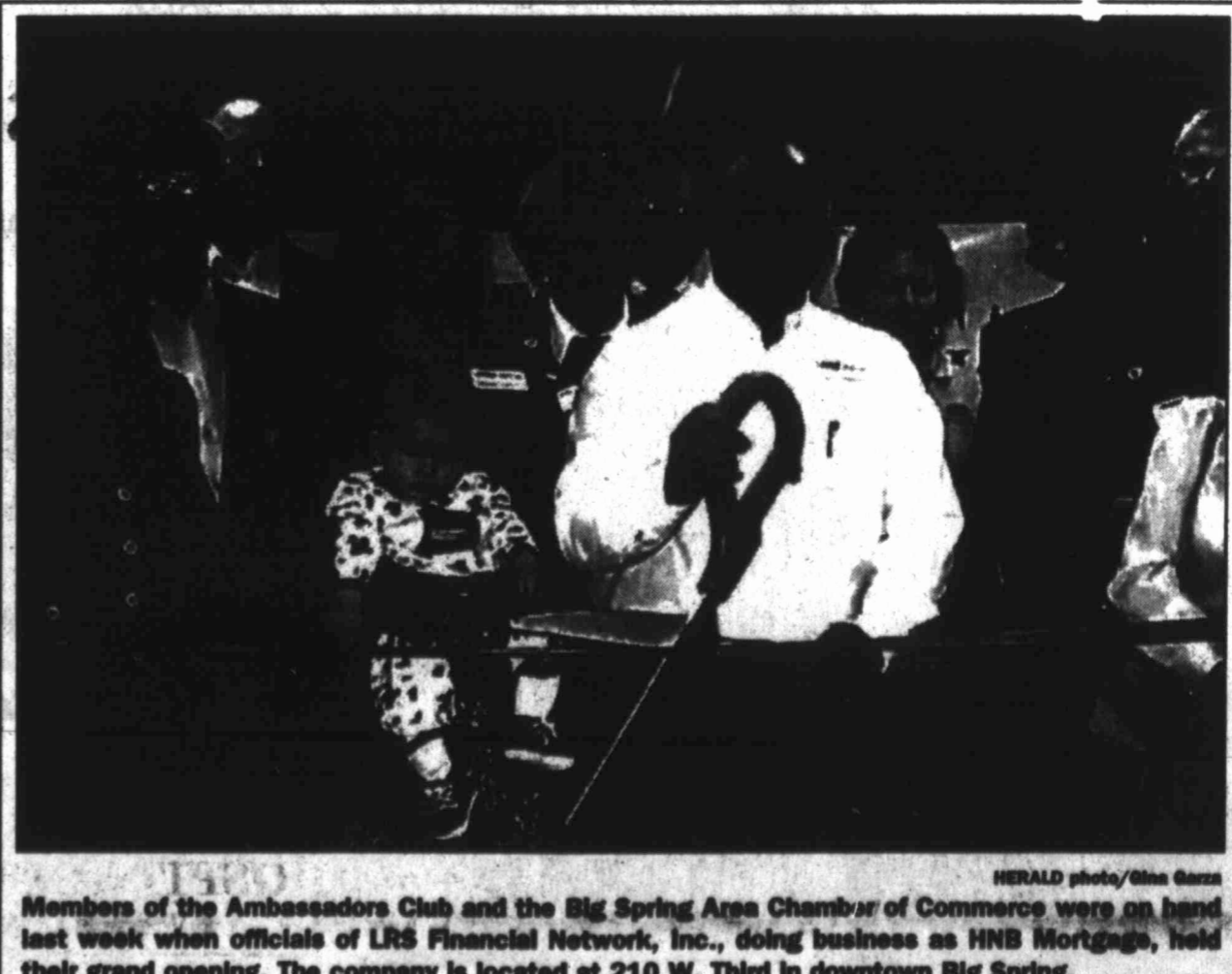
TERRI NEWTON and ANDI ANDREWS-YORK represented the Big Spring Convention and Visitors Bureau (CVB) at the National

Tour Association's 1999 annual convention in Nashville.

Recognized as one of the premier travel events held annually in North America, the six-day convention attracts more than 3,300 travel professionals, including tour operators.

DAWN LAFREEDA, president and owner of Den-Tex Central, Inc., has been named the top franchisee by Denny's Restaurants.

LAFREEDA owns and operates the Denny's in Big Spring, located at 1710 E. Third, in addition to 24 other Denny's. Lafreeda began her career at Denny's as a 16-year-old waitress and bought her first store with credit cards and a \$7,000 loan from her mother when she was 23.



Members of the Ambassadors Club and the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce were on hand last week when officials of LRS Financial Network, Inc., doing business as HNB Mortgage, held their grand opening. The company is located at 210 W. Third in downtown Big Spring.

HOUSTON (AP) — Investigators are looking into the possibility that a pilot deliberately crashed an airliner into the water last month, pilots say. Wednesday the pilots will begin their testimony about the crash.

Paul Berliner, area charter pilot, frequently files local national routes to passengers' alcohol after a flight. Berliner told the Chronicle.

"Everyone who gets on the plane asked guys have a lot of fun? All of a single pilot is looking for a drink. Berliner told the Chronicle.

"I fear the same. Everyone is going on the plane and you OK in the morning. When you get a

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Pilots fear EgyptAir crash will cause passengers to question mental state

HOUSTON (AP) — As investigators look into the possibility that an EgyptAir pilot deliberately crashed an airliner into the ocean last month, pilots predicted Wednesday that U.S. passengers will begin questioning them about their mental state.

Paul Berliner, a Denver-area charter pilot who frequently flies long-haul international routes, compared it to passengers' concern about alcohol after a Northwest Airlines pilot was convicted of flying while under the influence of alcohol in 1990.

"Everyone who came on the plane asked, 'Hey, you guys have a lot to drink last night?' All of a sudden, every single pilot is looked at as having a drinking problem," Berliner told the Houston Chronicle.

"I fear the same thing now. Everyone is going to come on the plane and say, 'Are you OK in the head?'"

When you get a high-profile

case, it's natural that happens."

In the United States, pilots are screened for emotional health through a variety of methods at the point of employment, say airline safety experts. But there is no formal system to measure mental health once the pilot is hired. Some European countries have considered requiring periodic mental examinations of commercial pilots.

A spokesman for Houston-based Continental Airlines declined to comment on how the airline gauges the mental health of its pilots.

But a spokesman for the airline's pilots' union said a pilot usually sees the same physician for the FAA-mandated physicals every six or 12 months and that the doctor would probably notice any changes in the pilot's demeanor.

"If I was a pilot and thought I was with someone who had a problem, I could

call the (airline's) professional standards group and say, 'Hey, I just flew with Mike, and I think something's wrong,'" said Mike Hynes, a member of the safety committee for the Independent Association of Continental Pilots.

"The peer system has worked very well over the years," Hynes said. "I would even go so far as to say it has helped people recognize that things are such that you need to move on to another career."

Federal investigators are probing whether EgyptAir relief pilot Gamil El-Batouty shut off the autopilot and pushed the jet into a dive, resulting in the Oct. 31 crash of a Boeing 767 that killed all 217 on board.

EgyptAir officials say none of the flight crew had psychological problems, and El-Batouty's family members have vehemently denied speculation he deliberately caused the crash.

OIL

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prices and reduced output by members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries. But those factors haven't yet prompted Halliburton to resume hiring.

Steffes, the Houston consultant, said companies that wait too long to hire run the risk of missing a boom. But, he said, they don't want to rehire laid-off workers only to let them go if prices fall.

The number of rigs actively exploring for oil and natural gas in the United States rose last week from 763 to 774. The rig count dropped as low as 498 in April.

The timing of the price increases could be significant, officials said, because oil-service and drilling companies are now drafting spending plans for next year. If they think

prices will remain at current levels or even rise further, they will be more likely to spend more on exploration and production, the officials said.

SEARS

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The store features all types of tools, from power saws and sanders to hand-held tools and the Rotozip — a hand held saw that is one of Sears' hottest selling items at the moment.

Tractors, mowers, tillers and power washers, plus accessories, are in stock, as are a large line of gas grills.

The store also carries microwaves, stoves, washers, driers, refrigerators by such manufacturers as Kenmore, Whirlpool, GE, KitchenAid, Maytag, Tappan, Amana and Frigidaire. Vacuum cleaners, batteries and table games are other offerings.

Normal hours for the business are 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Saturday at from 1-6 p.m. on Sundays. Sears is open until 8 p.m. through the holiday season now, however.

The day after Thanksgiving, the store will participate in an annual Sears event and be open from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m., with 10 percent off everything in the store from 7 a.m. to 10 a.m.

Swinney said when his family came to Big Spring to buy the store, a national publication said they were from Taos, N.M.

"We're not from Taos, but we did live there for three years and work at a Sears owned by my in-laws, and got some great experience there," said Swinney.

"But I'm from Ranger and my wife is from Fort Worth. So it was good to come back home to West Texas.

"We think Big Spring is a wonderful town."

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Court Records: Deeds:

WARRANTY DEED W/ VENDOR'S LIE:

grantor: Charles D. Martin and Beverly Carol Martin

grantee: Arnold Dennis Greenfield and Willie Mae Greenfield

property: a 4.0 acre tract of land, more or less, out of the Northeast 1/4 of section no. 25, blk. 31, filed: Nov. 5, 1999

grantor: Danne Hepler Clinton, 1/4 a Darne Denice Hepler Vaughn, Jannah Katherine Kirkland, 1/4 a Janna Katherine Hepler, Jack Kirkland, 1/4 a Harry Jack Hepler Jr. and Margaret Katherine Brophy, a/k/a Katherine Hepler Brophy

grantee: Sara Beth Warren

property: the north 100' of lots 1-2, blk. 70, Original Town of Big Spring

filed: Nov. 5, 1999

grantor: Hayes Stripling Jr. and Dorothy Stripling and Hayes Stripling Jr. as attorney-in-fact for Hayes Stripling, III and Kyle Stripling, dba Shoestring Ranch

grantee: Alvino Noyola and Juana Rocha

property: a 2.00 acre tract of land out of the northeast part of section 24, blk. 33.

filed: Nov. 5, 1999

grantor: Lloyd Mauldin Jr.

grantee: Patricia Jo Mauldin

property: the south 50' of the southeast 1/4 of blk. 20, College Heights Addition

filed: Nov. 9, 1999

grantor: John Eric Gilliam and Molly Rae Gilliam

grantee: Ron Phillips

property: a 5.0 acre tract of land, more or less, out of the southwest 1/4 of section 34, blk. 32

filed: Nov. 12, 1999

Warranty Deed:

grantor: Robert G. Zilbert, as the independent executor of the Estate of Barbara Sue Zilbert, deceased

grantee: Robert G. Zilbert

property: the east 1/2 of the northwest 1/4 of section 6, blk. 31

filed: Nov. 5, 1999

grantor: Donald E. Bryant, sole heir of Orville Bryant, deceased, and Marguerette Bryant, deceased

grantee: Lynn and Jan Maxwell

property: lot 6, blk. 5 A, Amended Central Park

filed: Nov. 5, 1999

grantor: Sidney O. Butler and Claudine Flynn

grantee: Johnny Lee Palmer and Mary Palmer

property: lot 2, blk. 4, Hillcrest Terrace Addition

filed: Nov. 5, 1999

grantor: Libby Radford Turner

grantee: Gregory Stephen Turner

property: a 3 acre tract of land, more or less, out of the southwest corner of the southeast 1/4 of section 14, blk. 34

filed: Nov. 8, 1999

grantor: Lloyd Everett

Thomas and Ruth E. Thomas

grantee: Sylvia Ramero

property: lot 4, blk. 4, Ridgelea Terrace Addition

filed: Nov. 9, 1999

grantor: Marvin Keenan

grantee: D.C. Lee

property: the east 100' of the south 65.2' in lot 1, blk. 23, Saunders Addition

filed: Nov. 10, 1999

grantor: Jay and Dorothy Shaw

grantee: Homer H. Massey, III

property: a tract of land

out of the east 1/2 of section 3, blk. 31

filed: Nov. 10, 1999

grantor: Dorrace June Smith

grantee: Melvin R. Dickerson

property: lot 10 and the south 1/2 of lot 11, blk. 39

filed: Nov. 15, 1999

DEED WITHOUT WARRANTY:

grantor: Cornello Ramirez

grantee: April Yvette Ramirez

property: lot 24, blk. 26, College Park Estates

filed: Nov. 9, 1999

Lee Walker Jr. Jennifer Flores vs. John Jay Flores

Angela Watson vs. Patricia J. Johnson

INJURIES & DAMAGES: Jose Enrique Gonzales vs. Dave's Tubing Testing and Hot Oil Service, Inc.

DIVORCE: Royce Carson vs. Tammi J. Carson

Angela Collins Wells vs. Glenn B. Wells

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Diane Herrera vs. George S. Herrera

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ACCOUNTS, NOTES & CONTRACTS:

Household Bank, F.S.B. vs. Ernest J. Vandermisnon

Yoho Commercial Finance LLC The Americas 1/k/a Volvo Truck Finance North America, Inc. vs. Charles Macke

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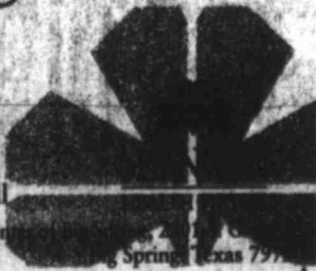
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22 Writer Murdoch
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26 Vigoda or Burrows
27 Actress Long
28 Gained
31 Absorb ending?
32 1994 Open golf champion
33 Fleets of warships
37 1966 Open tennis champion
39 Roman official
40 Frozen desserts
42 Former 1/2 country
43 "Cheers" bartender
44 Pearl
46 Allied org.
47 Dreamer's letters
50 South African province
51 Dash
52 Avoid a church service
55 Hemi-fly?
56 "... we forget."
57 Songs sung for lovers
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61 Wing it
62 Trig. function
63 Extreme skeptic
64 Manipulators
5 New Year in Hanol
6 Gonzales and Villa
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Nice business building. 1800sq. ft. Good location. \$50,000. Call Doris, agent for Home Realtors at 263-6525 or 263-1284.

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2/1 Apts. • 263-7621 \$94-\$195 Furnished or Unfur. \$275-\$350 monthly plus electric

Apartments, Unfurnished homes, Mobile Home. References required. Call 263-6844, 263-2341.

FURNISHED HOUSES

204 E 22nd Large clean 1BR house. Furnished. \$225/mo. \$100/dep. Sorry no pets 263-4922

OFFICE SPACE

2 bedroom garage apt. CHA, fenced yard, lease, deposit. \$200/mn. 263-6824, 263-7373.

ROOMS

Inn at Big Spring Commercial Groups Senior Rates Lobby Hours 8am till 2am. Doc Holidays Saloon 263-7621

UNFURNISHED APTS.

\$99 MOVE IN plus deposit. 1,2,3 bdr. Partially furn. 263-7811 or 363-5240 evenings

ALL BILLS PAID RENT BASED ON INCOME 1-2-3 Bdrcom Apartments Marcy Elementary 267-6421 PARK VILLAGE APTS 1905 Wason Drive

FREE RENT Central heat & app. 2 bdr. \$275 1 bdr. \$235 EM. \$200 On site maintenance Call 915-267-4217

LOVELY NEIGHBORHOOD COMPLEX

Swimming Pool Carports, Most Utilities Paid, Senior Citizen Discounts, 1 & 2 Bedrooms & 1 or 2 Baths Unfurnished KENTWOOD APARTMENTS 1904 East 25th Street 267-5444 263-5000

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS

Architect/Engineering Services on the Construction of a Terminal at the Big Spring McMahon-Wrinkle Airport City of Big Spring, Texas

Each proposal and supporting documents submitted must be in a sealed envelope or container plainly labeled in the lower left-hand corner, "A/E Services for Construction of a Terminal Building at the Big Spring McMahon-Wrinkle Airport" and the closing date and time. Offerors must also include their company name and address on the outside of the envelope or container. Proposals must be addressed to: Ms. Neilsa Reagan City of Big Spring Big Spring McMahon-Wrinkle Airport Hangar 25, 1911 Agon Drive Big Spring, Texas 79720 For the purpose of familiarizing offerors with the requirements, answering questions, and issuing orders as needed for clarification of the Request for Proposal documents, a pre-proposal meeting will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Monday, November 29, 1999, in Hangar 25, 1911 Agon Drive, Big Spring, Texas. All persons attending the conference will be asked to identify themselves and the prospective offeror they represent. The City of Big Spring reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any or all formalities. 2543 November 14 & 21, 1999

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

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UNFURNISHED APTS.

ALL BILLS PAID Section 8 Available RENT BASED ON INCOME 1-2-3 Bedroom Apartments Bauer Elementary 267-5191 NORTHCREST VILLAGE 1002 North Main

UNFURNISHED HOUSES

1018 Ridgeroad 3 bdr. 1 bath CHA large home with fenced yard. \$350/mn. \$100/dep. Call 263-1792 or 264-8006.

1313 Settles Like new inside w/whit CHA, for this 3 bdr. 2 bth. double car garage w/ electric door opener and fenced back yard, near all schools. \$550/mn. \$550/dep. Call 263-8569

2 bdr mobile home 1407 B Mesquite \$265/mn. \$150/dep. Also: 2 bdr. mobile 1410 near harding \$265/mn. \$150/dep. water paid. Call 267-6667.

2 bedroom house. Stove & refrigerator. Fenced backyard. \$200/mo with \$200./dep. 1503 Chickasaw, 263-3266.

2Br Near IS-20 and Andrews Hwy. \$295/mo plus deposit. No bills paid, no pets. 263-8513.

3 bdr 2 bath house for rent or lease. 1708 Purdue. Call 363-4871.

3Br-1bth. Good schools. Double carport. Rent \$350 mo. Deposit \$150. 267-5646.

3210 Drexel: 3br. 2 bth. CHA/A. Clean, just painted. Single garage Fenced yard. Call 263-3350

3BR, 2bth, appliances, carport, covered patio, fenced yard. Water & cable paid. CHA. Nice & clean. References. \$475/mo + \$275/dep. 267-2177 & leave message.

Especially nice 2/2 house with refrigerator, stove, dishwasher. \$550./mo, \$300./dep. No pets! Call Doris at 263-6525 or Home Realtors 263-1284.

For Lease: 3/2/2, 2 LA, CHA, FP, RV Port. Available 12/10/99. 4201 Bilger. \$700/mo. Call 264-1801

FOR RENT 2111 Runnels 3 bdr. 1 bth. HUD ok! 205 E. 22nd (upstairs) utilities pd. \$150/dep. \$300/mn. 915-363-8243.

For rent 3 bdr. 2521 Dow, and a 2 bdr. 2009 Johnson. For more info. 264-0793 or 270-2405 after 4 pm.

House for lease in Kentwood 3 bdr. 2 bath 1 block from school. \$600/mn. Call 263-5802.

House for rent at Lake Colorado City. Call (915) 263-2510.

Kentwood 3 bedroom 2 bath 2 car. Call 267-2321

KENTWOOD-2505 Central. 3 bd, 1 3/4 bath. CHA/A. Fenced yard. \$575./mo + deposit. Call 915-425-2939

One, two and three bedroom houses. Call 263-4410.

TOO LATES

2510 Carlton. Good neighborhood. Nice, clean 3BR, 2bth, CHA, 2 living areas, fenced backyard, double carport. \$550/mo, \$250/dep. 267-1543.

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TOO LATES

AKC Shih Tzu female puppies for sale. Call 263-1748.

Experienced Mechanic needed for general automotive repair. Apply in person 900 E. 3rd. G&M Garage.

MIDLAND COLLEGE VOCATIONAL NURSING INSTRUCTOR Classroom and clinical instruction in the Midland College Vocational Nursing Program. Needs to be eligible for or have a current Texas Registered Nurse license, and must have been actively employed in nursing for the past three years. BSN preferred. Areas of classroom and clinical concentration would include Basic Nursing Skills, Obstetrical Nursing and surgical content of Medical-Surgical Nursing. Salary is commensurate with educational qualifications and experience. Excellent fringe benefits. Apply: Human Resources, Midland College, 5600 N. Garland, Midland, TX 79705. EOE

3312 Auburn. \$350/mo, \$300/dep. Reference required. 268-9338.

2 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car garage. \$350/mo, \$200/dep. Call 264-9522.

ATTENTION THE BIG SPRING HERALD APPRECIATES YOUR BUSINESS

Here are some helpful tips and information that will help you when placing your ad. After your ad has been published the first day we suggest you check the ad for mistakes and if errors have been made, we will gladly correct the ad and run it again for you at no additional charge. If your ad is inadvertently not printed your advance payment will cheerfully be refunded and the newspaper's liability will be for only the amount actually received for publication of the advertisement. We reserve the right to edit or reject any ad for publication that does not meet our standards of acceptance.

Did you miss your Herald? Call 263-7335 & ask for Circulation.

Don't throw those unwanted items away! Sell them! Call 263-7331 and place your garage sale in the Herald Classified section and receive a Garage sale kit Free!

PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE OF ESTRY IMPOUNDMENT THE HOWARD COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE HAS IMPOUNDED 3 DONKEYS. THE DONKEYS WERE LOCATED IN THE NORTH CENTRAL PART OF HOWARD COUNTY. FOR INFORMATION CONTACT THE HOWARD COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE AT (915) 262-2244.

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HOROSCOPE

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR SUNDAY, NOV. 21:

You might receive many mixed messages this year. A partner or dear friend is often testy; you might get tired of the power struggle or the need to keep cheering him up. Go within and question your own values. Ask yourself: How would you like to be treated? You'll shed old beliefs as you gain a new perspective this year. You are incisive and direct; as a result, you can accomplish a great deal. If you are single, a meaningful relationship on your terms might be hard to establish. However, a very special person comes into your life around late spring. If attached, your commitment is tested, but happiness appears on the horizon. TAURUS can inadvertently challenge you.

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

****You are in the mood for doing. Indulge others; have a good time. Don't survey to get others' ideas; clearly, someone in your midst will have a distinctly different impression. You might take a comment personally. Make a money decision. Tonight: Call it an early night.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

****You'll be awash in controversy, high energy and key feedback. Cancel a day trip if you don't feel like going. Someone close to you could have an unexpected need. You could be too serious with an older relative. He needs your levity and lighthearted caring. Tonight: Be spontaneous.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

****Take some time off to just wander, if you want. Another doesn't see eye to eye with you, anyway. Don't struggle with relationships; follow your own drummer today. Join friends who entertain and comfort you. Understand what another wants, but don't take his attitude personally. Tonight: Doing your own thing.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

****Respond to others; make a special effort toward a needy friend who could be acting with hostility. A get-together with friends is surrounded by excitement. Don't worry about a friend who is behaving overly responsibly; he isn't going to change. Tonight: Do what you want.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

**** Make time for an older relative or friend. You have no idea how much your efforts are appreciated. You might opt to do something special for someone and not reveal or take credit for your actions. Don't worry so much about work pressure. Tonight: A must-show.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

****Work on maintaining an overview. Refuse to be pulled into another's issues. A child or new friendship proves to be unusually demanding of your

time. Only you can decide whether it is worth it or not. Another who is at a distance could be very serious. Tonight: Get into a relaxing hobby.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

**** Relating to others is always important to you. A new friend adds dynamic sparkle and spunk to your life. However, you can't always be in control of a partnership. Another throws a tantrum, but you might not want to think that he has caused it. Tonight: Think before an impulsive act.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

****"Moody" describes those around you. A family member surprises you with his spontaneity, pitching in to make a chore a lot more fun. You might have to ask him for help, however. A partner might be in a grim mood, not knowing what he wants. Tonight: Make that extra effort.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

**** Not every day can or has to be exciting, even for you! Take some time off to lull around, finish paperwork and perhaps get that chore or project completed. One interesting call may come in. Play it low-key anyway. Tonight: Enjoy, but curb spending.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

****Your temper often affects others, and today is no different. What was brewing yesterday still might not be clear. A frank discussion might be needed, even if it's uncomfortable. Another's spontaneity or advice could surprise you. Tonight: Take time for a child.