MONDAY

May 22, 2000

WEATHER

Tonight:



TONIGHT 65°-67°

TUESDAY 98°-101°

Lawsuit reform topic for June 1 **Kiwanis Club**

Ken Hoagland, director of communications for Texans for Lawsuit Reform, will speak at a noon luncheon of the Kiwanis Club of Big Spring on Thursday, June 1, in the Cactus Room at Howard College.

The public is invited. Lunch is \$5.25. Those who plan on having a meal should make reservations by Monday, May 29, by calling Billy T. Smith at 267-6479.

WHAT'S UP...

TODAY

☐ Big Spring Evening Lions Club, 6:30 p.m., 1607 East Third.

TUESDAY

☐ Intermediate line dance classes, 9 a.m. Senior Citizens Center, call 267-

☐ Big Spring Rotary Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room.

WEDNESDAY

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

☐ Senior Circle Big Spring 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 West Third.

THURSDAY

☐ Gideons International, Big Spring Camp No. U4206O, Hermans, 7 a.m.

□ Big Spring Senior Citizens Center Art Classes, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. for 55 and

☐ Kiwanis Club, noon, **Howard College Cactus** Room.

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

FRIDAY

□ Signal Mountain Quilting Guild, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Call 267-1037 or 267-7281. Bring a lunch.

☐ The Greater Big Spring Rotary Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room. AMBUCS, noon, Brandin'

Iron Restaurant. **Spring City Senior** Citizens country/western

dance, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m.

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Big Spring. Refinery sells to company owned by Alon Israel

By BILL McCLELLAN

News Editor

Fina Inc., a subsidiary of TotalFinaElf S.A., announced Sunday it will sell the Big Spring Refinery to a newly created company owned by Alon Israel Oil Co. LTD.

The new company will be managed by a group familiar with the 70-year-old plant including Jeff Morris, current vice president of Total Fina, who will be the chief executive

Morris said Sunday he has assembled a group familiar with the refinery - Claire Hart, chief financial officer; David Spott, vice president of marketing; and Mike Wheatley, vice president of supply.

"I think it is important that someone runs the business that knows it, knows its strengths, knows the industry and knows Big Spring," said Morris, who is in Big Spring today, meeting with refinery employees

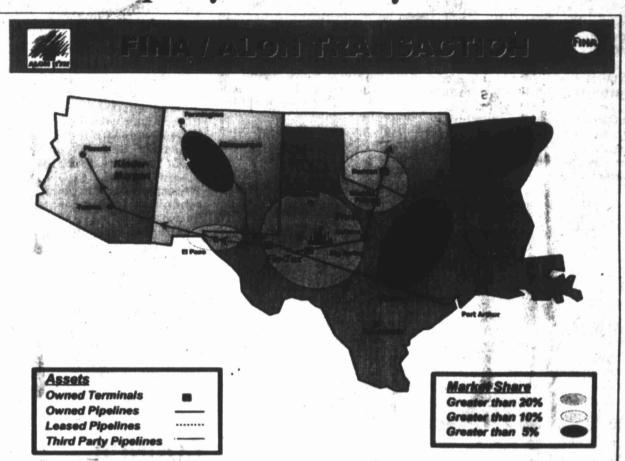
In addition to the refinery, the sale includes Fina Inc.'s

domestic fuels marketing business and related fuels pipeline and terminal assets. It is Alon's

first major U.S. acquisition. "The sale of Fina's Southwestern Business Unit and its branded marketing business is part TotalFinaElf's strategy to focus on world-scale petrochemical and chemical operations in the U.S.," said Ron Haddock, Fina president and CEO. Fina, in partnership with BASF, is constructing the world's largest steam cracker on the site of its Port Arthur refinery. Fina also operates the world's largest styrene/polystyrene facility in Carville, La.; the world's largest polypropylene facility in La Port; and a recently expanded polyethylene facility Bayport.

For Alon, the acquired marketing network includes approximately 1,700 Fina fueling stations owned and operated by Fina distributors. Over the past five years, Alon

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New company committed to growth at refinery, Morris says

By BILL McCLELLAN

News Editor

The new refining and marketing company that will be taking over the Big Spring Refinery is committed to growth, its chief operating officer said Sunday.

"Our theme is growth and we're going to grow," said Jeff Morris, current Total Fina vice president and former Big Spring resident.

With Total buying Fina, standable for them. Now you



MORRIS

there hasn't been as much interest, and that was under-

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have a group clearly interested and owners who know something about the refinery," said Morris.

refinery, its crude and fuels pipeline and terminal system to a newly created company owned by Alon Israel Oil Co. LTD. The new company has yet to be named

For Morris, who has been with Fina for 26 years, the decision to link up with Alon Israel was a major one.

"It's a bit risky, leaving Fina. But I am committed to it, as are a lot of other good people. As It was announced Sunday far as I am concerned, we have that Fina Inc. would sell the a very strong team. They all do a very good job of running the

> plant. "It's a very strong refinery today. I want to continue that and support that," Morris said. Morris praised the efforts of Moore Development for Big

Spring Inc. "Moore Development helped See REFINERY, Page 2

together. I am really thrilled to be a part of it," he said. Corporate offices will remain

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in the metroplex, Morris said. "Fina is moving to Houston, and with that move, head office personnel will be free to join our company. So it makes sense to keep the people together who know the business so well, and that's what we will

Volunteerism is fun for Austin Nutting

Editor's Note: This is the sixth in a weekly series of articles on volunteers of the Crossroads.

By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

ending a helping hand whenever he can, 16year-old Austin Nutting thinks of volunteering as more fun than work. "Seeing the peoples faces

when I

am done helping them reminds me to do it again," Nutting

VOLUNTEERS OF THE CROSSROADS

With that attitude, he's constantly finding ways to stay active and help in the commu-Austin, A Big Spring High

School junior, is a member of the high school Key Club, an organization sponsored by the Kiwanis Club to help encourage community service.

"Anytime Austin could help, he has been involved," said Suzzan Nutting, Key Club sponsor and Austin's mother.

Austin recently received the Key Clubber of the Year award for earning the most volunteer points in the organization. He has handed out programs



Austin Nutting, Big Spring High School junior, donates collected magazines by the high school Key Club to Bobble Hanson, a Big Spring State Hospital employee. Nutting was Key Clubber of the Year for earning the most volunteer points.

at the Big Spring Symphony, helped collect magazines to take to the state hospital, has worked at every football game handing out programs and

then sometimes afterwards helped in the concession stand, his mom said.

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Council to reconsider vote to rename Kids Zone, view law dealing with carnivals George Quick, director of oper-

By BILL McCLELLAN

News Editor

Big Spring City Council will consider rescinding its vote to rename Kids Zone and take a look at an ordinance dealing with carnivals during a meeting set for 5:30 p.m. Tuesday.

Also on the agenda is an executive session to consider the fire chief's position. City Manager Gary Fugua and a panel of city staff have interviewed three local candidates for the chief's position and Fuqua may make his appointment Tuesday. His appointment is contingent on the council's approval. Candidates who have been

interviewed are three chief deputies: Alex Calvio, Steve Hedges and Brian Jensen. Jensen currently serves as interim fire chief. Two other men have expressed interest in the position, but have not set up an interview. They are Eddie Varela, fire chief for the Fire Protection Barstow District in Barstow, Calif.; and

ations at the Louis F. Garland Fire Academy in San Angelo.

In a rarity, the council will consider rescinding a unanimous vote in made in March. At that time, the council approved renaming of Kids Zone - the children's playground area at Comanche Trail Park - to Katy McAteer Kids Zone McAteer, who no longer lives in Big Spring, was a leading force behind the construction of the popular play area. However, vocal opposition,

including that of some of the original committee which worked on Kids Zone, has led the council to reconsider the vote. An option, city officials have said, is to erect a plaque in McAteer's honor. More vocal opposition - this

time to a carnival set up at the Big Spring Mall - has the council considering an ordinance to deal with the issue. Residents of the mall area complained about the noise. The new ordinance would call

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Summer school set to begin for Big Spring ISD students

By GINA GARZA

Staff Writer

Big Spring High School graduation may be over but summer school will begin soon.

"Grades kindergarten through eighth won't begin until June 1 and will end June 30," said Esthela Aguirre, curriculum coordinator for Big

AGUIRRE S p r i n g Independent School District. "But grades 9 through 12 start Wednesday and goes through

Kindergarten through fifth grade will have school at Goliad, sixth through eighth at Big Spring Junior High and 9 through 12 at the high school.

This is the first year summer school will be offered for kindergarten.

"Last year, the Texas Education Agency awarded funds to every district in the state and required us to do an accelerated reading program for those who are at risk of developing reading problems" Aguirre explained. "This is part of the Texas Primary Reading

Parents were notified in mid-March if the teacher recom

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The Spring City Stompers were dancing it up for Big Spring Mall patrons \$ dancers were Mary Ann Fincher, Dorothy Kennemur, Sarah Kelley, B.D. Mason, Carol Earles, As Lou Bradberry, Lura Perry, Socorro Correa, Margle Myers, Faye Horton, Jo Wyatt and Inez Be

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Joyce Laverne Kaufman

Funeral service for Joyce Laverne Kaufman, 54, Odessa, was 2 p.m., May 22, 2000. at Hubbard-Kelly Chapel, Odessa. Ms. Kaufman died on Thursday, May 18, 2000, at an

Odessa hospital. She was born on Sept. 11, 1945, in Monahans. She moved to Odessa in 1971 from Andrews. She was a homemaker and a protestant.

She is survived by: one son, Danny Halbrooks of Odessa, three daughters, Regina Halbrooks of Odessa, Tonya Ritchey of Tyler and Sheila Sedillo of Denton; four brothers. Glyndon "Buddy" Pace of Odessa, Raymond Pace of Willow, Okla., William Pace of Phoenix, Ariz., and David Pace Jr. of Big Spring; one sister, May "Bee-Bee" Halbrooks of Odessa; boy friend, Kenneth Sullivan of Odessa; and nine grandchildren.

Pearl Agnes Rutledge

Pearl Agnes Rutledge, 80, of Big Spring, died Sunday, May 21, 2000, at a local hospital. Gravside service will be 2 p.m. Tuesday, May 23, 2000,

Trinity Memorial Park. Lanny Hamby will officiate.

Agnes was born in Rodgers, Ark., March 21, 1920, to J.C. Muriel

Pemberton She married Woodrow T. 'Woodie" Rutledge on Feb. 3,

She dedicated her life to her husband and children. She was also a sewing instructor for Singer for ten years; she and her daughter-in-law, Jeannie Rutledge, owned and operated Phaze I from 1985 until 1989. She was a life-time member of the Baptist faith. In her later years, time spent in Ruidoso, her Sunday School class and her card circle were especially dear to her heart.

Survivors include: four children, Pat Leatherman and husband, Ron, their son, Gary Leatherman, and wife, Gina, daughter, Kellie Stovall and husband, Jeff, all of Plano. Linda Rutledge of Big Spring and her daughters, Tammy Evans and husband, Jessy, of Mineral Wells and Kim Branch and husband, Jack of Odessa and son, Bill Miller of Lubbock. Tom Rutledge and wife, Pat, of Big Spring, and their sons and daughter-in-law, Zane Rutledge and wife, Ronda, of Oakland, Calif., and Jeff Rutledge of Houston. Russ Rutledge and

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Leo David Hatten, 78, died Sunday. Graveside services will be 11:00 AM, Tuesday, at Trinity Memorial Park

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Patricia Gernandt, 84, died Saturday. Private family memorial services will be at a later date.

Harvey Strube, 39, died Saturday. Services are pending at Fredericksburg, Texas.

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wife, Jeannie, and their sons, Rusty Rutledge and Ryan Rutledge, all of Big Spring. She had nine grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, two sisters, Faye Arlene and George Ann; her husband, Woodie, who died on June 23, 1987.

The family suggests memorials be made to the American Heart Association or the American Cancer Society.

Pallbearers are sons, Tom

Rutledge and Russ Rutledge, and grandsons, Bill Miller, Zane Rutledge, Rusty Rutledge and Ryan Rutledge. Honorary pallbearers are

John Paul Amos, Buddy Duncan, Bill Grace, Bill Tune and Jeff Rutledge.

The family will be at 2101 East 24 Str. Arrangements are under the

direction of Myers and Smith Funeral Home.

Leo David Hatten

Graveside service for Leo David Hatten, 78, Big Spring will be 11 a.m. Tuesday, May 23, 2000, at Trinity Memorial park with Dr. Claude Craven, retired Baptist ministry, offici-

Mr. Hatten died on Sunday, May 21, in a local nursing home.

He was born on April 16, 1922, in Whone and married Audie White Hughes in 1960 in Odessa. She preceded him in death on Dec. 1, 1994. He worked as a custodian for Big Spring Independent School District. He had served in the United States Army and was a Baptist.

Survivors include: two sisters. Mary Robbins of Rising Star and Mildred Hall of Odessa; one step-daughter, Jean King of Big Spring; two stepsons, Nathan Hughes of Forsan and Bud Hughes of Knott; several set-grandchildren, step great-grandchildren and nieces and nephews.

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

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has become one of the major distributors and marketers of liquid petroleum gas and fuel products in Israel. Other major investments include a significant role in the \$1.2 billion Cross Israel Highway and a \$7 million 50/50 venture with Texaco to build a plant adjacent to Israel's Haifa Refinery, to make gas from heavy oil.

In addition to the Big Spring Refinery, Alon is acquiring Fina's crude and fuels pipeline and terminal system. This includes ownership of the Amdel Pipeline System, which is planned to transport specific crude oils from the U.S. Gulf Coast to the Big Spring Refinery, and potentially to transport fuel products to support Alon's growth in the future.

Fuel products will be distributed in the region using the Trust and River Pipeline Systems supporting terminals in Big Spring, Abilene, Wichita Falls and Duncan, Okla. Alon will also secure Fina's interest in the Holly/Fina Pipeline Alliance, which supplies products to El Paso, New Mexico and Arizona. Alon's access to the system will grow to 20,000 barrels per day, or about onethird of the Big Spring Refinery

output in 2002. The Israeli company also plans to continue to expand Fina's asphalt business. Fina is one of the largest asphalt producers in the Southwest, with nearly a 30 percent market share in road asphalt.

"We are pleased to enter the U.S. with such a strong asset base," said David Wiessman, Alon Israel CEO. "We believe there will be future growth opportunities as a result of the ongoing transition in the U.S. refining and marketing busi-

ness," he added. "We will do our best to preserve Fina's culture and continue the company's growth," said Wiessman.

REFINERY

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'We seriously considered coming back to Big Spring, my wife Karen and I. I would love to live here. But in a practical

e, staying in Dallas where the personnel is already intact makes sense," he said. "We continue to own property in Big Spring. This is home

The acquisition means a change also for current refinery manager Steve Weber, who will take over as manager of a major petrochemical plant south of Baton Rouge, La.

"It was a very difficult decision," said Weber. "I received a very competitive offer with Jeff's group, and a very good offer with Total Fina. After weighing all of the factors, I decided that I wanted to go in the direction I feel Fina is tak-

"I know they (the newly formed group headed by Morris) will be successful. It's a tremendous workforce," added Weber, who with the move will return to Baton Rouge after about two years in Big Spring.

Alon Israel CEO David Wiessman said the company is committed to Big Spring and the refinery

"Although Alon is acquiring significant assets, we believe employees are the company's most valuable resources. They are essential to the organization's success and prosperity, said Wiessman.

The refinery employs some 220 workers. Company wide, including terminals, pipeline and office workers in Dallas. there are some 325 employees, Morris said.

COUNCIL

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for all exhibitions, carnivals and circuses to be located at Howard County Fairgrounds. That could be opposed by some mall area business owners, however, who have said the carnival was good for business.

On second reading, the coun-Authorized the mayor to exe-

cute a contract with State National Bank as its depository, · Authorized the mayor to execute a contract for legal ser-

vices with Jean Shotts, · Authorized the city manager to execute an agreement with Johnson Construction Group for improvements to the lighting and system in the Municipal Auditorium,

. Authorized the mayor to execute a contract with Sealco of Sanderson to slurry seal runways at McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark.

· Approved a resolution denying the application of TXU to modify, close or delete certain

VOLUNTEER

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Recently, he volunteered with the Key Club for Relay for Life and help with registration for the second year in a row.

"Austin appeared on my doorstep at registration to help, and he was a very good volunteer," said Sandra Logback, head of registration for Relay for Life. "He did all my leg work for me. He showed up about 4 p.m. and stayed until 7 or 7:30.'

This year, I asked for him because he did such a good job last year," she continued. "He brought people with him to help work with registration. We need kids like him to help out."

Austin recently participated in the Christmas in April project by stripping paint and caulking a house.

"I started about 8 a.m. and worked until 6," he said.

Balancing his academic work with his volunteering, Austin also participates in high school basketball.

The high school Key Club can average from one to as much as six service projects in a week, Suzzan said

"I have some fantastic kids in Key Club," she said.



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BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

According to Suzzan, the Key Club is open to everyone interested in community volunteering. Members are required to keep a passing grade, go to the meetings and complete one service a month.

As a parent and a teacher, Suzzan tries to instill in her sons and students to think of others and that community volunteering can be a fun rewarding experience.

Austin says both his parents encourage him to be more

The day after celebrating his brother Blair's graduation from high school. Austin was helping at the school to collect text books from the classroom.

He volunteered last year to

store the books and this year was asked to help, Suzzan said. "I think it's fun," Austin said of his volunteerism. "I don't consider it work. I think of it as

more fun than work.'

SUMMER SCHOOL

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mended their child to go to summer school.

"There was an assessment done on each kindergartner in January so the teachers could identify those with potential problems," said Aguirre.

Summer school for grades kindergarten through eighth is free and is recommended for those who haven't met promotion criteria, but grades 9 through 12 are on a tuitionbased system and students can take classes to get ahead.

small classes — 11 or less in kindergarten and 16 or less in first through eighth grades," she added. There will be buses running

"This year, we have very

and breakfast and lunch will be served at each campus having summer school. Summer school really is ben-

eficial to our students," said Aguirre. "It takes coordination between our campuses and us at the ISD office to get it running smoothly.

MARKETS

July cotton 63.00, up 170 points; June crude 29.30. down 59 points; cash hogs \$1 lower steady at 47 even; slaughter steers \$1 lower steady at 71 even; June lean hog futures 68.10, down 75 points; June live cattle futures 67.82, down 30 points courtesy: Delta Corporation.

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VOICES FOR CHILDREN, ALSO known as Court-**Appointed Special Advocates** (CASA), is seeking volunteers from the Big Spring area to serve children involved in court cases. The agency, based in Midland, serves the Big Spring area, representing the needs of children who have been removed from their homes due to allegations of abuse or neglect.

To become a volunteer, a 40hour training session is required, as is a background check and interview. A training session will be scheduled

CASA's new office is located at 201 W. Wall, Suite 909. For information, call Kari Coleman, 683-1114.

THE MOBILE MEALS PRO-GRAM, also known as Meals on Wheels, needs volunteers to deliver meals.

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

SPRING HIGH BIG SCHOOL Class Reunion of 1950 is looking for the following graduates: Norman Brown, Gray Nichols, Wayne Brown, Bill Cook, Larry Dillon, Joe Miller, Vernon Smith, Mary Jane Couch, Delores Franklin, Margaret Hurt, Lou Ann Miller, Doris Ann Stevens, Mozelle Day, Betty Jo Ledlow, Pat Miller, Maudean Pinkerton, Betty Hamrick and Janice Montgomery.

If you know about these people, please call, Joyce Kilpatrick Choate, 393-5722.

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

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SUPPORT GROUPS

MONDAY

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

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

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting.

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Charter plane crashes, killing all 19 passengers

Investigators will focus on why International Airport. The two engines of a chartered plane carrying 19 people from a weekend trip to Atlantic City apparently failed at the same time, federal transportation officials said today.

National Transportation Safety Board member George Black said engines failing simultaneously is "highly improbable" and could indicate some sort of systems failure.

"We'll be looking at fuel systems; we'll be looking at ignition systems, the weather - all of the variables that are associated with the operation of the engines," Black told CBS' "The Early Show" this morning.

Among the possibilities, he said, was that the fuel was contaminated. Investigators were trying to figure out where the plane had last refueled, he said.

The plane crashed Sunday in a dense and remote northeastern Pennsylvania forest, killing all those aboard.

National Transportation Safety Board investigators were reviewing the transcript from air traffic controllers who spoke with the crew before the acci-

The two pilots can be heard on a portion of the tape saying, 'we lost both engines.'

Black also said that investigators now know that pilots did not indicate there were engine troubles on their first approach ment landing.

WILKES-BARRE, Pa. (AP) - to the Wilkes-Barre/Scranton plane crashed while attempting a second approach.

"We said earlier — last night - that we thought there was an engine loss on the first attempt at an approach," he said. "We listened to the full tower tape last night, and there was no mention of any emergency or engine problem until the second approach."

A trail of emergency vehicles and four-wheel drive trucks had to climb winding roads through the mist-shrouded Pocono Mountains to reach the site where the twin-engine plane went down Sunday on its Wilkesapproach Barre/Scranton International

The victims' bodies were taken to a refrigerator truck that acted as a makeshift morgue until authorities can use dental records and information from families to begin identifying the remains.

The Jetstream 31, owned by Executive Airlines Farmingdale, N.Y., disappeared off radar during a second instrument approach at about 11:40 a.m. Sunday, said Federal Administration Aviation

spokeswoman Tammy Jones. "The weather was bad, it was windy and there was some precipitation. The visibility was poor," Jones said, describing typical conditions for an instru-

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Tuesday, May 23:

This year, your softer side emerges when dealing with others. You have the unique ability to convey your message over space and distance, via phone and the Internet. Others openly receive your caring. Be willing to break patterns and establish better rap port with others. You are likely to attend school or broaden your knowledge. If you are single, you are likely to meet new people quite easily. You form an important relationship this year. If attached, a special trip or adventure heats up your relations hip. Loving builds. AQUARIUS opens doors for 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) ***** Aim for what you want, but stay goal-directed. Creativity and energy merge, making you an unstoppable force. New ideas come up in discussion. You are anchored. heading in a new direction. Just go with the force. Tonight: Where the gang is.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) **** Take charge, and others will listen. It's about time! Your opinions carry weight. Know what you want, and you'll succeed in making it happen. A

You might need to spend a lit- work late. tle in order to make more. Tonight: A must appearance.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) **** Reach out for others. Examine long-term objectives; make calls; listen to others. Others have different views; listen to them. Charm and high desirability draw others toward you. Use your charisma to your your heels advantage. Tonight: Check out

CANCER (June 21-July 22) **** You might be holding something back, fearing exposure or another's strong reaction. Relate on a one-on-one level and learn to trust the individual with whom you are dealing. You gain if you are willing to put yourself on the line. Tonight: Togetherness

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

***** Listen to others, even if you think they are off kilter. Good intentions come through, allowing you to respond positively. Discussions are unusually motivated and directed. Recognize the liabilities. Tonight: Where the crowds are.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) **** A boss appeals to your sixth sense. You might not be sure which way to go, but the direction will become clear. Trust another's judgment, and you'll build good will. Dig into work; clear your desk; get the money inquiry could cost you. job done. Tonight: Willingly **LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

**** You don't always have to agree, but understanding where another comes from encourages a relationship. Make plans for a weekend getaway; an attraction could be building into a lot more. Make long-distance calls; reach out. Tonight: Kick up

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) *** Stay in control of a situation. Recognize limits. Be willing to get ahead on an important project. Family and personal concerns keep coming up for you. Deal with a parent; a talk helps you understand each other. Caring builds. Tonight: Consider an in vestment.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec.

***** Take advantage of the moment. A partner feels great with you and lets you know. Friendship builds; you feel better than you have in a long time. Make inquiries; keep conversations flowing. You gain important information. Tonight: Out and about.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan.

**** Make an effort to build security. Do more for yourself. When dealing with finances, strike while the iron is hot. Others mobilize and prove to be helpful. Take time to analyze details. Don't skip your Syndicate Inc. daily walk or exercise. Tonight:

Your treat.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ***** Beam in what you want. Stay on top of a change. Be frivolous and full of fun. Allow more creativity into your life. Others see you as an endless source of information. Eye what you want, and zero in. Tonight: Could be fun, if you

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

*** Take a back seat and get down to the basics. You might not be totally aware of the mechanics that surround a close relationship. Be sensitive to a friend. Discuss your feelings and open up. Check out a potential investment. Tonight: Do something nice for yourself.

BORN TODAY Actress Joan Collins (1933), former boxer Marvin Hagler (1954), singer Rosemary **Clooney (1928)**

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Female NRA members try

to counter gun-control voices For the women of the National and a toy gun," Phillips Rifle Association, safety is in remarked. guns — not gun control.

With that message, the NRA's female members concluded this year's annual convention by trying to counter the call for stricter gun laws a week ago at the Million Mom March in tion for NRA women. Washington, D.C.

because Lam a good mother." said Maria Heil, an NRA mem ber. "Hoyou came about your children, you should make sure ures on how many of the 3.6 you have the ability to defend million members are women,

Good parenting, gun-safety education and self-defense are valid alternatives to more guncontrol laws, the female speakers at the NRA's 129th convention said Sunday.

Barbara Phillips, a member of the NRA's executive board, called the tens of thousands of Million Mom March protesters "misinformed and confused."

"I'm sorry to see such a huge group of women so misled and manipulated," Phillips said.

"Moms should do everything possible to allow their kids to face a future in the real world. Moms need to educate their children about firearms and the

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) - difference between a real gun

Sunday's events included a seminar held by the NRA's Women on Target, which helps women join and organize shooting and hunting clubs. The seminar was followed by a recep-

Eleven of the NRA's 76 direc-"I choose to own a gun tors are women, as is the second vice president, Sandy Froman: The group doesn't keep fig-

> spokeswoman Trish Hilton said, but she said female membership is growing quickly. NRA officials point out the

> prominent role of women in the group isn't new — Marion Hammer served as president in 1996 and 1997.

But it's clear the NRA is concerned about an electorate in which women account for more than 50 percent of voters and the growing divide between men and women on the issue of gun control.

In a Gallup poll earlier this

month, three-fourths of women surveyed said they support and their children. stricter gun controls, compared with about half of men.

you have honored the men and women who have served our the widow of a military man, I want to express my gratitude. For the past two years, I have taken part in the ceremonies in Arlington Cemetery and at the Wall in Washington, D.C., and found them emotionally moving. Our country is free because young men and women in the service sacrificed their lives for their

beloved **America** So often the "forgotten" ones are the

wives and children left behind by the death of the military per-After World War II, four war wid-

VAN BUREN ows felt the need to establish an organization called Gold

Star Wives of America for widows whose husbands died on active duty, or who died as a result of disabilities incurred while on active duty. It was incorporated in the state of New York in December of 1945. The organization has worked to preserve and to institute government programs pertaining to the welfare of the widows

ABIGAIL

We need to reach the widows who have married again, and lost a second husband, with some good news. Their benefits can be reinstated by contacting their state director of veteran

Abby, will you be the bearer of these good tidings? It could be beneficial to thousands. -FLORANCE B. HERBERT,

Gold star wives the spread word on benefits for widows of vets DEAR ABBY: Over the years, NATIONAL PRESIDENT afternoon siesta.

EMERITUS DEAR FLORANCE: That's country in military service. As important news, and I am pleased to pass it along.

For further information, military widows may write: Gold Star Wives of America Inc., 5510 Columbia Pike, Suite 205, Arlington, VA 22204. Please enclose a long, stamped, selfaddressed envelope. The organization also has a Web site: www.goldstarwives.org.

DEAR ABBY: "Joel." my husband of 40 years, and I sleep in different bedrooms because he snores. He has a job that requires him to get up at 4 a.m. After he showers and gets dressed, he comes into my room to say goodbye.

Abby, in the process of saying goodbye, Joel feels for my ace to kiss me and ends up leaning on my throat, poking me in the eye or pulling my hair. I naturally become frightened and jump, which causes him to clunk me again!

I have asked him countless times to allow me to sleep, but he still comes in to adjust my covers or rub my feet, both of which WAKE ME UP! I have tried locking my door, but then he plays with the dog outside my door, causing her to bark, and that WAKES ME UP!

I have tried getting up early with him, but I just can't function the rest of the day. I told him that waking me up early is a form of abuse, but he refuses to listen

Any ideas? - SLEEPLESS IN

NEW JERSEY

DEAR SLEEPLESS: Face it. Your husband is doing this deliberately. He resents your not getting up to be with him. Since he wakes you anyway, perhaps you should get up to see him off, and then take an

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U.S. cigarette exports drop, smoking-related deaths still rise

smoking habit at a surprisingly

global. But there are signs of increased smoking in poor countries and among teen-agers and young women in several countries, and deaths blamed on smoking still are rising worldwide.

U.S. cigarette exports are down 25 percent, with 50 billion fewer cigarettes sent abroad in just one year. That is 2.5 billion fewer packs of cigarettes exported each year. The number of cigarettes sold

per person in the United States

Americans are rejecting the declines in some of the heaviest rapid rate, a trend that is going Japan and, markedly, China, cigarettes

The anti-smoking campaign decline. The

fell a record 8 percent last year, according to government data and to a Worldwatch analysis cent from two years ago.

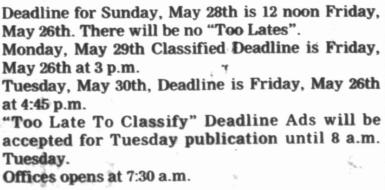
that also cites per-capita smoking countries: France, whose 1.25 billion people now smoke one-third of the world's

credits smoking bans and increased public awareness of smoking's dangers for the Agriculture Department cites higher taxes, price increases to offset a \$246 billion tobacco settlement with several states, and the cumulative impact of 35 years of warnings from the surgeon general's

The industry says the decline is directly related to the rising price of cigarettes — up 80 per-

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By WALTER R. MEARS

AP Special Correspondent

To reduce the political volt-

age when handling the third-

rail issue of Social Security,

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investments as part of Social

advocates the option of private

So is Vice President Al Gore.

who opposes major changes in

While the White House con-

testants are disputing what to

Social Security, their rival pro-

do about future financing of

posals agree on one claim: It

will not cost beneficiaries or

Republican Bush does not pre-

taxpayers a thing — at least

Gore opposes any future

increase in the benefit age,

which is gradually increasing

now, one of the changes made

in 1983 to shore up the system.

The age for full retirement

benefits will be 67, effective in

Not that it won't take more

money than the system will

have to cover the benefits as

65 years old grows and the

Security taxes declines.

the number of Americans over

ratio of workers paying Social

There are now 3.4 workers

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the system. He says Bush

would put benefits at risk.

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the careful candidate assures

older Americans that their ben-

efits will not be cut, and every-

Gov. George W. Bush is care-

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OUR VIEWS

Bulldogettes have made us proud again

the 2000 high school softball season ended one day earlier than Coahoma's Bulldogettes and their fanatical fan following expected when Troy's Lady Trojans dealt them a 3-2 defeat in Friday's Class 2A semifinal game at University Interscholastic League (UIL) state championships.

While Troy went on to claim the Class 2A state championship with a 2-1 win over defending champ Alto, the Bulldogettes' disappointment should be considered anything but a failure.

The Coahoma program has enjoyed nothing but phenomenal success, and that's something that not only the Crossroads Area, but all of West Texas can be

For a third straight season, the Bulldogettes qualified for the state tournament Austin, their fourth such trip in the past five years.

In fact, Coahoma has clearly set the benchmark for small school softball throughout the region — having not only made four state tournament appearances, but in six years of UIL-sanctioned competition, refused to surrender even a single loss in district play.

Bulldogette success has been more than just a run of

The support Coahoma teams receive is literally storied, time and time again giving the Bulldogettes an advantage over the competition before the first pitch is delivered.

And as we have noted here before, Coahoma's summer league softball program can take a heady share of the credit for the Bulldogettes' success over the years, because that's the proving ground where the school's stars are developed.

We here at the *Herald* offer our congratulations to the Bulldogettes, their fans and the entire Coahoma community on what was truly another banner season. Once again, you made us proud.

OTHER VIEWS

The duel between Million Mom March Inc. and Second Amendment Sisters Inc. for the hearts and minds of the American people should have been spelled d-u-a-l'.

Both sides have good ideas about a problem that is still too big to be ignored. ..

To hasten the decline of gun deaths, Donna Dees-Thomases, whose sister-inlaw is a close friend of Hillary Clinton ... organized a rally to demand new gun laws.

One proposal would close the loophole regarding background checks for buyers at gun shows. Trigger locks and mandatory gun safety classes are among other proposals. ...

To counteract that rally. the Second Sisters were hastily organized. They call for protecting the Second Amendment right to own a gun and for better enforcement of existing laws. ...

Some unsolicited advice to the moms and sisters: **Emulate Mothers Against** Drunk Driving.

That means being nonpartisan.

That means holding people, not cars or guns, responsible for their actions. That means new laws. That means better enforcement of existing laws.

That means working together.

> CHARLESTON (W.VA.) DAILY MAIL

would take roulette-style risks and invite "sky-high bailout costs" to meet retirement needs after a stock market slump. His plan would use the money the government saves on interest costs on a lowering national debt to keep Social Security solvent through the baby boom

person getting benefits out.

That will go to down to two

workers per retiree by 2030.

There are nearly 45 million

beneficiaries now, and the

number will be increasing

sharply in the coming decades.

by changing the system to per-

share of what would be Social

mit working people to put a

Security taxes into private

retirement accounts in the

Gore says the Bush plan

stock market.

Bush wants to deal with that

retiree crunch. At this point, the system is projected to run short of the funds to pay benefits in 2037. Gore says his proposal would cover costs through at least

It, too, would change the system, because it would commit funds from elsewhere in the federal budget for Social Security needs, which have been covered by payroll taxes. That is automatic, without annual appropriations.

Gore's plan would have to withstand rival spending claims in Congress because the money would come out of the budget that finances other federal programs. To overcome that obstacle, Gore would have to find a way to bind future

paying into the system for each Bush contends Gore's plan would only pass the problem on to future generations, and eventually would force increased takes or lowered ben efits.

Social Security in play in presidential race

Gore taunted what he called Bush's "freedom to lose your Social Security act." He also said it would cost close to \$1 trillion over 10 years to start a private investment plan because money needed to pay benefits would be diverted out of the system.

Still, the private investment proposal has Democratic supporters. Indeed, in 1998, President Clinton proposed having the government invest part of the Social Security fund in the stock market for better returns and Gore agreed at the time. The idea went nowhere with Congress.

Sen. Daniel Patrick Movnihan of New York, the Democrats' senior man on the issue, favors the option of putting 2 percentage points of the 12.4 percent Social Security tax into personal investments.

In outlining his proposals, Bush left details for later, endorsing a proposal by retiring Democratic Sens. Moynihan and Bob Kerrey of Nebraska, and Sen. John McCain, the Republican he beat for the presidential nomination. They want a bipartisan commission to look at all the options, specifically including private investment accounts, and recommend a solution to Congress

Gore accused Bush of advo-

HEY-NOT ONCE HAS ANYONE COMPLAINED TO ME THAT THEY WERE EXECUTED BY MISTAKE....

cating a secret plan, to be disclosed only after the election. There are precedents. Clinton resisted Republican demands for a specific administration bill on Social Security financing, saying that there should be a bipartisan consensus on what to do. That was supposed to happen in time for action in 1999, but it did not.

So it is a 2000 issue, a major testing point for Gore and especially for Bush, who broke a Republican campaign habit by raising it, early in his presidential primary campaign. It has worked to Democratic advantage in past elections, as in 1986, when Republicans lost control of the Senate after voting to limit future cost of living increases in Social Security

Republicans have tended to be defensive in handling the issue. Not Bush. His campaign figures that a stock marketsavvy generation of younger Americans, many of whom doubt they will get their Social Security entitlement unless the system is changed, will back the changes he wants.

Gore's defense of the system as is may be reassuring to elder voters. A CBS-New York Times poll shows that Gore has the advantage on the issue now. Forty-seven percent said he would do a better job of dealing with Social Security, 39 percent said Bush.

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Poisonous clouds hang over us tion in pollution levels since 5. Boston

ir pollution has turned many of the nation's major cities into major health hazards. We will never know how many people

died as a result of breathing toxic fumes We will never know how many children were affected, mentally and physically, by bad air. We will never



JACK ANDERSON

know how many elderly people lived out their golden years with chronic conditions caused by pollution.

We do know that most city governments have taken steps to improve the situation, and we know that federal autoemission standards have significantly contributed. But when we read the statistics, we must remember that the bar started out very low.

Overall, the country has experienced a one-third reduc-

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1970, which translates into more than 77 million tons of pollutants per year. Specific chemical reductions include carbon monoxide (down 33 percent), nitrogen oxides (down 12 percent), volatile organic compounds (down 42 percent), sulfur dioxide (down 13 percent), particulate matter (down 75 percent) and lead (down 98 per-

But the true culprits are power plants, which are primarily responsible for emitting toxic substances into the atmosphere, including sulfur dioxide, nitrogen oxide and carbon dioxide as well as mercury, arsenic, lead, cadmium, nickel and manganese.

What these statistics tell us is that we have come a long way, but we have much farther to go. A study completed by the Foundation for Clean Air Progress released a report with the following list of the top 10 U.S. cities that have made improvements in air quality over the last 10 years:

1. Rochester, N.Y.

2. Buffalo, N.Y.

3. Milwaukee 4. San Diego

who lives in or has traveled to Los Angeles realizes how bad the situation still is. A gray haze hangs over the city like a cloud of poison gas - and in many ways, that is exactly

what it is.

and Kentucky.

6. Sacramento, Calif.

The average reduction in pol-

lution was about 54.3 percent.

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Angeles reduced its levels by

40.7 percent. However, anyone

Rochester reduced pollution

7. Detroit

8. Chicago

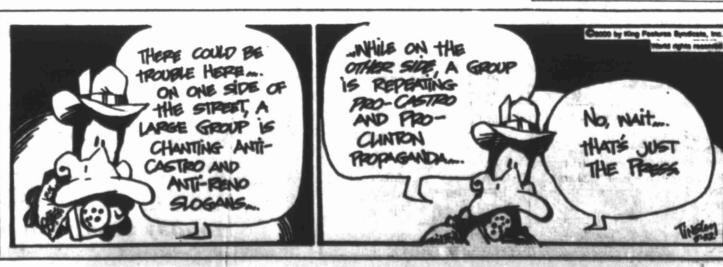
9. Newark, N.J.

10. Los Angeles

A study released by the U.S. **Public Interest Research Group** confirms this. California came in last for having the greatest number of breaches of air-safety standards. It was followed by Texas, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Georgia, Tennessee, Indiana, Maryland

This report studied the amount of times a state breached the eight-hour safe ozone standards, and the measurements were taken in the peak ozone months.

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Bulldogs' region semifinal slated for Thursday night

Coahoma's Bulldogs, having swept two best-of-three playoff series, will only have to play one game in the Region I, Class 2A semifinal round.

The Bulldogs will take on Stamford at 6:30 p.m. Thursday at Snyder's Moffett

Ticket prices will be \$4 for adults and \$2 for students.

Lady Hawks coach signs prospect from New York

Howard College Lady Hawks head basketball coach Ron Mayberry has added another player to his lengthy list of signees.

Mayberry announced the signing of 5-foot-8 point guard Shanekque Campbell from Queens, N.Y., this morning.

Campbell, who averaged 14.5 points, 9.;0 assists and 5.3 steals per game during her high school career, as named to the All-Queens team in each of her four years as a school girl and this season was named to the All-New York City squad.

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"She's a great prospect," Mayberry noted. "She's a solid player from a solid program and we're excited about having been able to sign her."

Ballapalooza registration deadline will be Tuesday

Tuesday is the deadline for entering teams for the second annual Ballapalooza Softball Tournament scheduled for June 3-4 at the Roy Anderson Complex.

Sponsored by the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce Sports Committee, the tournament will be limited to 20

Entry fees are \$120 per team. For more information or to enter a team, call Andi York at 263-7641.

Summer tennis clinic slated to begin May 29

The 2000 Big Spring Steer Summer Tennis Clinic has been scheduled for May 29 through June 1 at the Figure 7 Tennis Center.

The camp for youngsters between the ages of 5 and 18 will feature three hours of intensive training each day.

Fees are \$96 per player. For more information, call Jim Blacketer at 264-6834.

Steers basketball camp scheduled for May 29

The 2000 BSHS Steers Basketball Camp has been scheduled to begin Monday, May 29, at Steer Gym.

Camp sessions will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. each day through June 1.

The camp is open for youngsters between the second and eighth grades. Fees will be \$45 per youngster

For more information, call Jimmy Avery at 264-0403.

Camp of Champs slated to begin June 5 at BSHS

The Camp of Champs weightlifting camp at Big Spring High School will begin June 5 at the BSHS Athletic Training Center.

The camp is designed for youngsters in grades 5-8.

For more information, call Ricky Long at 263-0519 or the Big Spring High School athletic department at 264-3662.

Softball tournament set for June 9-11 in Stanton

A challenge men's softball tournament has been scheduled for June 9-11, in Stanton. The deadline for entries is 7

p.m. Thursday, June 8. For more information, call Mike Martinez at 756-2603, or Mack Galan at 684-5277 or 559-

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Cornhuskers rip Baylor for second straight tournament title

baseball team came to the Big 12 tournament expecting to do well, and why not? The Cornhuskers had finished second during the regular season and were highly ranked.

Then they fell immediately into the loser's bracket, losing 12-10 to Missouri.

"We thought we were going to hang around for a while, and we were one game away from going home early,' coach Dave Van Horn said. "I think the guys were just determined not to go home.'

That determination showed itself in a five-game run through the loser's bracket, capped Sunday with an 11-3 victory over Baylor that gave the Cornhuskers their second straight Big 12 tournament

As they had in a doubleheader sweep

(47-15) got another strong pitching performance Sunday. This time Chad Wiles came through, throwing 5 1/3 hitless innings.

Wiles, who before the tournament had not won since Feb. 18, was 2-0 in the tournament. He threw 10 1/3 innings, including two relief stints, and gave up seven hits and just four runs.

"I knew I had it in me to do it, I just struggled all year long," Wiles said. "I just came in going as hard as I could, trying to get outs.'

Wiles (4-2) hit the third batter he faced, then retired the next 14 before giving up back-to-back walks and an RBI single in the sixth. He allowed a solo homer to Ron Zboril and three straight singles in the seventh before being replaced with an 8-3 lead.

"That's probably the most intense I've ever seen a pitcher on the mound," coach Dave Van Horn said. "He had a vision and he knew what he wanted to do and he did it. He pitched til he ran out of gas."

Sunday's effort by Wiles was Nebraska's third straight strong performance by a pitcher not normally in the rotation.

On Saturday, Scott Fries threw a complete game five-hitter in a 3-1 victory over Oklahoma.

The Cornhuskers had to beat OU again to reach the title game, and R.D. Spiehs came through with 7 2/3 solid innings in

"I couldn't have expected all the guys to do as well as they did," Van Horn said. "It figures somebody would have a bad outing. But what we're talking about

might have had his best outing, and Chad had definitely his best outing of this year, given the number of innings and that he was coming off two relief appearances this week.'

The Cornhuskers, who also beat Baylor for the tournament title a year ago, earn an automatic berth in the NCAA tournament.

No. 1 seed Baylor (45-15) had swept the three-game series with Nebraska on its way to the regular-season league title, but this time didn't get a hit until Jace Brewer's RBI single ended the no-hitter and the shutout.

The Cornhuskers looked forward to playing Baylor, particularly since the Bears had swept them during the season. Nebraska won 15 straight after that weekend and is 29-4 since that time.

Coahoma's Mario Garcia rounds third base as head coach Scott Lewis waves him home during the Buildogs' sweep of Sonora in their area playoff series. The Buildogs improved their record to 26-5 Friday and Saturday with a 14-0, 9-4 sweep of New Deal's Lions in a regional quarterfinal series. Coahoma now advances to the regional semifinals where they'll face Stamford's Bulldogs in a onegame playoff set for 6:30 p.m. Thursday at Moffett Field in Snyder.

Helped by controversial call, Knicks edge Heat in Game 7

caught the inbounds pass with Indiana. 2.1 seconds left and hurled the ball high into the air, finally putting the seesaw series between the New York Knicks and Miami Heat out of reach.

For the second year in a row. the Knicks were a single point better than their archrivals, beating Miami 83-82 Sunday in a thrilling Game 7.

The action didn't end when the game did. Miami's Jamal Mashburn chased after the referees shouting insults, and the Heat said bad calls tainted the Knicks' victory.

"They had three officials in their pocket," Mashburn said. "You can print that. I don't care if I get fined or not."

New York, jubilant after eliminating Miami in a winner-taketo the Eastern Conference clinching the outcome.

MIAMI (AP) - Chris Childs finals. They start Tuesday at "It was a big win, but we still

> have a job to do," forward Larry Johnson said. The 65th and final lead change in Knicks vs. Heat came when Patrick Ewing slipped past Alonzo Mourning for a dunk

with 1:20 to go. That ended the scoring, but there was plenty of excitement to come. Mashburn and Tim Hardaway missed shots for the Heat, but

they got the ball back with 12 seconds to go. Clarence Weatherspoon then missed Miami's final shot of the season, and New York's Latrell Sprewell grabbed the rebound as he stumbled out of bounds.

Referees Dick Bavetta, Dan **Crawford and Bennett Salvatore** deliberated, then signaled a all game for the third consecu- timeout for the Knicks and tive year, began looking ahead awarded them possession,

"I had Sprewell calling time out, but I wasn't sure where his foot was," Salvatore said. "I didn't believe he was out of bounds, but I wanted to check with my partner to make sure he was not out of bounds when my whistle blew. He confirmed that there was no question that the timeout came before he went out of bounds.

There was only one problem with that explanation. "I didn't call timeout,"

Sprewell said. "I don't know who called it.'

Miami was unhappy about several other calls and a disparity in free throws throughout the game. And the Heat renewed complaints about the disputed foul that helped the Knicks pull out Game 6.

"We're a better team than they are," Mourning said. "The last two games, we were (robbed) on the two calls.

Rangers come up with still another comeback victory

Comebacks and one-run victories are becoming the norm for the Texas Rangers

The Rangers rallied from a five-run deficit and won their third consecutive one-run game on Sunday night, 6-5 over the **Baltimore Orioles**

Texas has come back from at least a five-run deficit three times this season and has won five of its last six one-run games.

"We've been in this position many times before," Rangers first baseman Rafael Palmeiro said. "We have confidence that we can come back. We've come back to score some runs and win some games, so we know we can score and we capitalized on it."

Pinch-hitter Catalanotto's two-out RBI single in the eighth lifted the Rangers! to the victory, extending their winning streak to a season-high six games.

Catalanotto is 10-for-14 this season with runners in scoring position and has 12 hits in his last 14 at bats.

"The ball is just finding holes for me," Catalanotto said. "I'm seeing the ball good, but I'm not crushing it. I'm trying to be aggressive and it's just getting

through for me. Elsewhere in the American League, Chicago got only one hit but topped Toronto 2-1, Cleveland topped New York 6-1, Seattle ripped Tampa Bay 8-4, Oakland downed Minnesota 13-4, Detroit beat Boston 7-5 and Kansas City defeated Anaheim

In National League games, it was Los Angeles 12, Florida 3: San Francisco 16, Milwaukee 10; New York 7, Arizona 6; Atlanta 12, San Diego 6; Chicago 4, Cincinnati 2; Montreal 8, Houston 3; and St. Louis 7, Pittsburgh 5.

Overall, Texas pinch hitters are 8-for-11 with seven RBIs this

As a pinch hitter, Catalanotto has two hits and a walk in four at-bats.

"He's unbelievable," said Rangers second baseman Luis Alicea, who had three hits. "The way he's swinging the bat, the only way they're getting him out is if he hits the ball

he's a pleasure to watch. He's on every pitch." Ruben Mateo drew a leadoff

walk off Buddy Groom (2-2) and advanced to second on Mike Lamb's sacrifice. Catalanotto, hitting for Jason McDonald, singled to right off Mike Trombley to cap Texas' comeback from a 5-0 deficit.

Orioles manager Hargrove decided to pitch to Catalanotto rather than walk him and go after Alicea, who was on deck. Sunday night was Alicea's fifth three-hit game of the season.

"Catalanotto just reached out and flicked the ball." Hargrove said. "It's a pick your poison situation. I would rather pitch to him than to Alicea, who I think is hitting the ball real

well right now. Baltimore has lost 15 of its last 17 and is 6-20 since April 22.

The Rangers are three games over .500 (23-20) for the first time this season and have won nine of their last 11. Texas swept a six-game homestand for the fourth time in team history and improved to 14-5 in May.

Texas has also won three

straight one-run games. Mike Venafro (1-0) pitched two-thirds of an inning for the victory and John Wetteland pitched the ninth for his 10th save.

"Offensively we've scored a lot of runs, the bullpen is coming around, and we've won a lot of one-run games," Rangers manager Johnny Oates said. "The bullpen has a lot to do with it. If you can close the door, it gives you a chance to win games."

Orioles starter Scott Erickson took a shutout into the sixth before Palmeiro's one-out solo homer made it 5-1. After Mateo's two-out single, Lamb hit a two-run homer to make it Texas knocked out Erickson

in the seventh, loading the bases on two walks and a single. Ivan Rodriguez had a sacrifice fly off reliever Al Reyes, and Palmeiro tied it with an RBI groundout against Groom.

Erickson allowed five runs and six hits in six innings. He struck out two and walked six in his fourth start since having surgery to remove bone chips right at somebody. Technically, from his right elbow March 3.

FORT WORTH (AP) — Phil Mickelson thought he might have done enough to get into a playoff at Colonial when he capped his 7-under-par 63 with a long birdie putt at the 18th hole. What he actually had Sunday was the

lowest final round by a PGA Tour winner this season, and his third victory of the year, after Stewart Cink and Davis Love III struggled down the stretch. "It was weird to be finished, watching the tournament on television and still be

in it," Mickelson said. "I thought there was an outside chance I would get into a playoff.' Mickelson instead finished Colonial at 12-under 268, two strokes ahead of Cink and Love. He joined Tiger Woods as the

only three-time winner on the PGA Tour this season. After sinking his final putt from more than 20 feet, his fifth birdie on the back nine, Mickelson had to wait about an hour for Cink and Love to finish their

rounds. During that time, Cink had bogeys on three of the last four holes and Love was

unable to recover from earlier problems. That allowed Mickelson to get his 16th PGA Tour victory without picking up another club.

With two victories and two other top-10 finishes in his last six events, Mickelson is ready to turn his attention to next month's U.S. Open, during which he will

"I'm going to try to take the momentum that I have from the past few weeks and work on the things that I've been doing to play well," Mickelson said. "I'm going to work on what I have been and see if I can have a good result at the

Open.' Last year, Mickelson was the runnerup to the late Payne Stewart, whose 20foot putt on the 72nd hole was the longest ever made on the final green to win a U.S. Open.

Mickelson, who also won the Buick Invitational and the BellSouth Classic this year, plans to take the next two weeks off the tour. He will play at the Buick Classic the week before the Open. Mickelson began his final round at

Colonial six shots behind Cink, who was trying to follow up his victory in the MCI Classic last month. When Mickelson lost another shot after hitting into a greenside bunker and taking a bogey 5 on No. 9, he thought he was too far behind to win.

"I got off to a good start and was thinking a lot about winning," Mickelson said. "When I made the turn, I tried not to think about winning. I tried to hit some good golf shots because I was too far behind to win.'

Then he birdied the next three holes. The 18th-hole birdie for Mickelson came just before Cink's drive at the 15th dropped into thick rough after hitting a

Cink's approach at the 430-yard hole stopped just short of a greenside bunker. then he made a nice pitch within about 6 feet only for him to slide the par-saving putt past the hole. That dropped him even with Mickelson and out of sole possession of the lead for the first time during the final round.

The lead was gone when Cink three-

putted the 17th. His 40-foot putt slid past the hole, and then he missed the 4-footer coming back and ended with a bogey 5 that put him 11 under.

Love fell out serious contention after a

bogey at 9, when he drove into the trees way right of the fairway and hit his second shot through the green. Even though he saved par after missing the fairway at the 10th to remain nine under, he was four strokes behind after Cink's 10-foot birdie putt there.

"I let it get away from me in the middle of the round today," said Love, who had four sub-70 rounds. "I'm getting tired of playing good golf but not playing great for four days. It's frustrating.

Love, who along with Mickelson lost in a playoff to Jesper Parnevik in last week's Byron Nelson Classic, finished second for the eighth time since his last victory at the 1998 MCI Classic, 48 tour-

naments ago Cink had five bogeys over his last 14 holes, three the last four holes. He had just three bogeys the first 58 holes of the tournament.

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Today is Monday, May 22, the 143rd day of 2000. There are 223 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On May 22, 1947, the Truman Doctrine was enacted as Congress appropriated military and economic aid for Greece

and Turkey. On this date:

THE Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

In 1761, the first life insurance policy in the United States was issued, in Philadelphia. In 1813, composer Richard Wagner was born in Leipzig,

Germany. In 1819, the Savannah, the first steam-propelled vessel to attempt a transatlantic crossing, departed from Savannah. Ga. (It reached Liverpool, England, afyter 29 days.)

In 1868, the seven-member Reno gang made off with \$96,000 in loot from "the Great Robbery" Train near Marshfield, Ind.

In 1900, The Associated Press (founded in 1848) was incorporated in New York as a nonprofit news cooperative.

In 1939, Adolf Hitler and Benito Mussolini signed a "Pact of Steel" committing Germany and Italy to a military alliance.

In 1969, the lunar module of Apollo 10 flew to within nine miles of the moon's surface in a dress rehearsal for the first lunar landing.

In 1972, the island of Ceylon, formerly ruled by Britain, became the republic of Sri Lanka.

In 1979, Canadians voted in parliamentary elections that put the Progressive Conservatives in power, ending Prime Minister Pierre Elliott Trudeau's 11-year tenure.

In 1992, after a reign lasting nearly 30 years, Johnny Carson hosted NBC's "Tonight Show" for the last time.

Ten years ago: After years of conflict, pro-Western North Yemen and pro-Soviet South Yemen merged to form a single nation, the Republic of Yemen. Boxer Rocky Graziano died in New York at age 71.

Five years ago: The Supreme Court ruled 5-4 that states cannot limit service in Congress without .amending the CBS Constitution. "The Evening News" resumed a single-anchor format with Dan Rather, after Connie Chung was dropped from the broadcast.

One year ago: Columbine High School seniors wearing blue-and-silver gowns marched single file in a graduation ceremony that mixed celebration of the day with sorrow for victims of the recent massacre.

Today's Birthdays: Movie

reviewer Judith Crist is 78. Singer Charles Aznavour is 76. Actor Michael Constantine is 73. Conductor Peter Nero is 66. Actor-director Richard Benjamin is 62. Actor Frank Converse is 62. Actor Michael Sarrazin is 60. Actor Paul Winfield is 59. Actress Barbara Parkins is 58. Songwriter Bernie Taupin is 50. Actor Al Corley is 44. Singer Morrissey is 41. Country musician Dana Williams (Diamond Rio) is 39. Model Naomi Campbell is 30.

5/22/00 By Vivian O. Collins Albany, GA

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