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WEATHER

Tonight:



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Senior Circle plans special luncheon event

Senior Circle, Scenic Mountain Medical Center chapter, will sponsor a lunch Wednesday for all women 50 years old and better with a guest speaker on breast cancer awareness. The lunch is at noon in the first floor classroom at the hospital; it is free to Senior Circle members and \$2 for non-members. Scenic Mountain Medical Center will give away two free mammograms during the lunch. Call Pam Stephens, 268-4721, for a reservation.

WHAT'S UP...

TODAY

□ Big Spring Evening Lions Club, 6:30 p.m., 1607 East Third, call Janis Dean 267-3068.
□ Disabled American Veterans Chapter No. 47, 6:30 p.m., Veteran's Medical Center Room 212, call Don Scheiber at 263-7361 Ext. 4088 for more information.
□ Christian Singles Fellowship, 7 until 9 p.m., First United Methodist Church, Youth Hall. All singles in the community are welcome.

TUESDAY

□ Intermediate line dance classes, 9 a.m. Senior Citizens Center, call 267-1628.
□ Big Spring Rotary Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room.
□ Big Spring Band Booster, 6 p.m., high school band hall.
□ Big Spring Art Association, 7 p.m., library annex, 500 Main, Community Room.
□ Big Spring Chapter No. 67, Order of the Eastern Star, 7:30 p.m., Masonic Lodge, 219 Main.

WEDNESDAY

□ Optimist Club, 7 a.m., Howard College Cactus Room.
□ Big Spring Downtown Lions Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room, call Terry Hansen 264-5175.
Line dancing, 1 p.m., Senior Citizens Center, Industrial Park, call 398-5522 or 267-1628.

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Reservation period extended for Hangar 25 Air Museum Pig Ball

By BILL McCLELLAN
News Editor

Those who didn't find time to make reservations for the Hangar 25 Air Museum's annual Pig Ball will be happy to learn that the deadline has been extended.



WORTHY

"We had initially thought

we had to set reservations for Friday in order to have an accurate count of the meals we needed. We have since checked with the food service provider and discovered we can take reservations up to the last minute," said Jerry Worthy, Hangar 25 Air Museum committee member.

"So we're delighted to extend the invitation period and invite as many people as would like to come on out and have a great time with us."

The Pig Ball, set for Oct. 21, is the primary fund-raiser for the Hangar 25 Air Museum. It starts with attendees making a grand entrance at the hangar. Prizes are awarded for the most outlandish and unusual entrances to the event.

Suggested dress is formal or in costume dating from the 1940s to the 1970s, the decades when Webb Air Force Base was active. Neither style is mandatory, however.

A dinner of beef tenderloin will be followed by a unique auction. Some of the

items to be auctioned include jewelry from Blums, a Union Pacific lantern accompanied by a tour on a Union Pacific engine, a Don Caney mesquite cross, a framed G. Harvey print from the Byrd House, a used Geo automobile.

Others include an opportunity to direct the Big Spring Symphony or be on the broadcast team for a Big Spring Steer football or basketball game, a football autographed by Sammy Baugh and a mystery item. A trip to Dallas to watch

the Dallas Cowboys play at Texas Stadium with skybox seats included will be also auctioned.

Bronda and Razz-ma-Taz will be performing a wide variety of music for the event.

Tickets are \$100 for cocktail, dinner and dance and \$50 for dinner and dance.

For patrons who wish to only attend the dance, ticket prices are \$15 per person or \$25 per couple.

Ticket sales have been

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Volunteering keeps retiree active, he says

Editor's Note: The following article is one in a series on volunteerism in the Crossroads Area.

By LYNDEL MOODY
Staff Writer

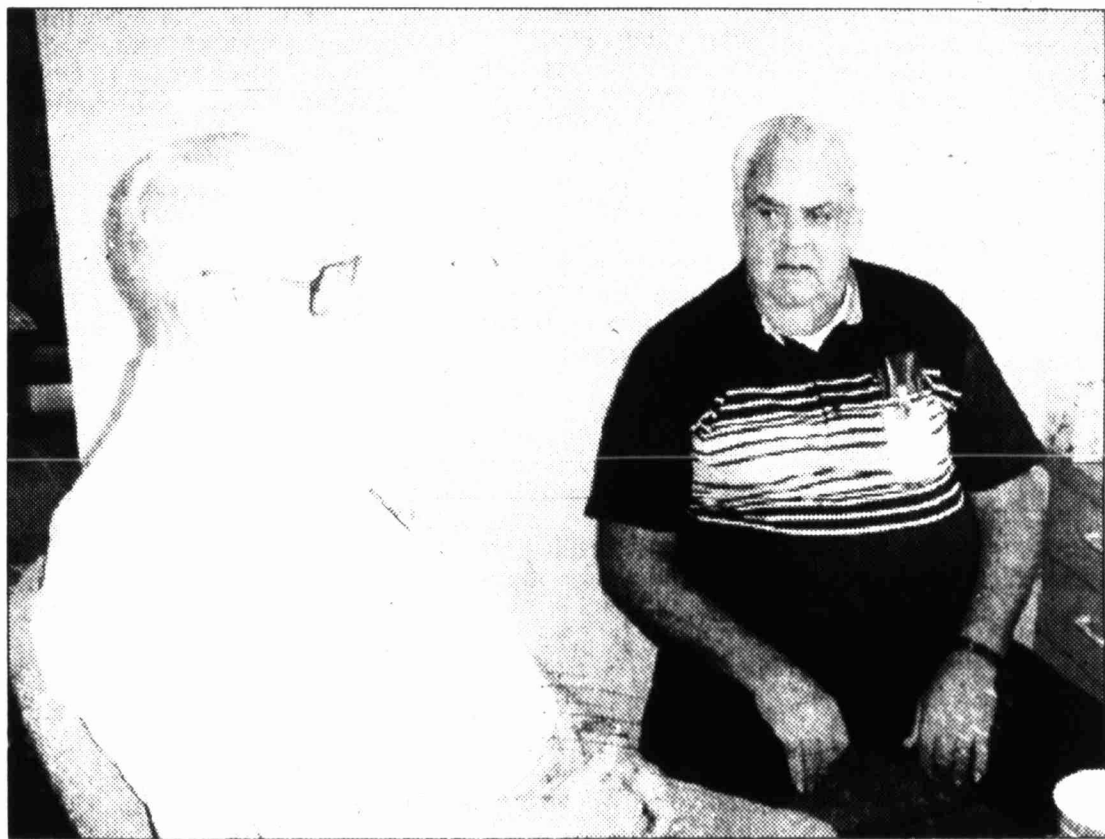
Even though West Texas VA Medical Center volunteer Leonard Posey tells his co-workers he volunteers to agitate and aggravate, he enjoys helping people and making a difference in his community.

"I retired on Dec. 1, 1992, and volunteered here the next day," he said. "I

never developed any hobbies, just work."

Posey's step-daughter suggested that volunteering for the VA might be a good way to spend some of his retirement.

"A person has to stay active," he said. "I know friends who have retired and just sat down. After a short period of time they are in bed. In a short period of time, they are dead. Staying active is every-



West Texas VA Medical Center volunteers Eschol Graham, left, and Leonard Posey visit at the Outpatient Care information booth. Leonard began volunteering at the VA the day after his retirement.

thing. We have people in their 80s volunteering," he continued.

A retired Air Force master sergeant and state

employee, Posey donates 15 hours a week at the information desk in the front lobby.

"It's satisfying to make

sure that someone knows where they are suppose to go," he said.

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VOLUNTEERS OF THE CROSSROADS

HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody

Despite drought, area gins up and running

By CARL GRAHAM
Staff Writer

Despite the lack of a hard freeze, harvest is well under way around the county and surrounding area of this year's cotton crop.

Mustang Farmer's Gin at Lomax has ginned more than 1,000 bales of cotton. The facility is only ginning Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m.

"We have been ginning pretty steady since the first of the month," said gin manager D.V. Cook. "Of course all the cotton has been from irrigated fields. So far, the quality of cotton has been real good and producers have been getting around three bales of cotton to the acre."

Other area gins are reporting good-quality cotton as well. Farmer's Co-Op in Stanton is operating on a 12- to 13-hour day. The Tarzan Gin near Lenora is ginning on a nine-hour a day schedule. Tarzan has ginned in excess of 1,600 bales so far.

The Co-Op Gin in Ackerly has already ginned more than 4,250 bales. According to Irma Leal, gin secretary, the quality for dry and irri-

gated land has been extremely good.

Howard County Extension Agent David Kight said that production would be lean this year.

"Overall, production will be very limited," said Kight. "Most of the area gins are open and running although most will probably not run full capacity. What most will do is run probably Monday through Friday or possibly Saturday but I don't anticipate any running a 24-hour a day operation."

"There just won't be enough cotton to justify it."

Kight said that most of the dry-land farmers are waiting to see what kind of disaster relief they may get.

"Most of the dry-land producers I have talked to are either waiting to see what disaster relief they will get or waiting for the first freeze to come," said Kight. "A few have already begun to defoliate but the majority are in a hold status. The ones that are harvesting will supposedly get more than the ones that are just plowing their crops under."

"From what I have heard, dry-land cotton will probably make at best around a



Jose Juarez, an employee of Mustang Gin in Lomax, tapes up a bale of cotton that has just been ginned. According to manager D.V. Cook, the facility has ginned more than 1,000 bales.

quarter-bale to an acre," Kight said.

Producers who normally do their ginning at the Big

Spring Co-op Gin are taking their cotton to be ginned to Stanton or to Flower Grove Co-Op Gin.

HERALD photo/Carl Graham



A large crowd turned out Saturday for a rummage sale at the Culligan Water Store on FM 700. All money collected went to help defray medical expenses for cancer victim Matt Wynn of Coahoma.

HERALD photo/Carl Graham

County library

Reception set showcase new additions to computer lab

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN
Features Editor

A reception Thursday at the Howard County Library will celebrate the addition of four new computers for public use.



REDMAN

The four-station computer lab, with 37 programs and Internet connections available, was purchased with a grant from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation.

"They are getting computers for every library in the country," said Librarian Loraine Redman. She said the four Gateway computers arrived late last week and are set up and ready for use.

On Thursday from 4 until 6 p.m., the Big Spring Woman's Club will host an open house for the public to see the new computers and share refreshments.

A representative of the foundation will also be present to demonstrate some of the features available to users.

"There are some wonderful programs available, especially for kids," Redman said.

"They have things like Barney's Circus and the Magic School Bus."

For adults, there are a wealth of useful programs, like Microsoft Office, Redman added.

"I'd like to see people come in and do their resumes, or make Power Point presentations." Disks will be available for storing information, up to 100 megabytes on each, she added.

Although not all details have not been worked out, there will probably be a sign up sheet for the new machines, with headphones available for temporary checkout.

Along with the new computers, Redman said the library received a computer toolkit, a training manual, syllabi and transparencies for classes.

Since the library now has a server, the programs on the new machines will be available to other computers throughout the library as well, she added.

"We're so happy to have them, and we hope people will come out and join us Thursday, or just stop by the library to see them," Redman said.

"And don't forget to bring the kids."

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Clinton to attend peace summit

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton said Saturday he will attend a Middle East summit Monday in Egypt with Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak and Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat.

"I will do everything I can to minimize the violence and to do all the preparation necessary to maximize the chances of a successful meeting," Clinton said in a brief statement at the White House before leaving on a political trip to the West.

Clinton has labored over the past eight days to end the crisis in the Middle East, where a lasting peace has been a top priority for his administration.

His first call for a summit was canceled when Egypt and the Palestinians balked. And in organizing the one on Monday, Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak had to overcome demands by Arafat that Israel withdraw troops from the

entrance to cities held by the Palestinians, lift a siege of West Bank towns and agree to an international inquiry into the causes of the violence.

Violence in the region during the past two weeks has resulted in the deaths of nearly 100 people — most of them Palestinians — and the U.N. Security Council accused Israel last Saturday of using excessive force.

"We should be under no illusions," a weary Clinton said. "The good news is the parties have agreed to meet and the situation appears to be calmer."

"But the path ahead is difficult. After the terrible events of the past few days the situation is still quite tense."

U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan, who has been in the region for a week trying to broker an end to the bloodshed, said earlier that the summit aimed at ending the worst Israeli-Palestinian

violence in decades would take place without preconditions.

Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak had offered to serve as host for the summit at the Egyptian resort of Sharm el-Sheikh.

"President Mubarak and I are convinced that we must make every effort to break the cycle of violence," Clinton said.

With the summit in two days, Clinton said, "We expect that both parties will do all in their power to cease hostilities and halt the violence."

The violence appeared to be abating last weekend and Israel and the Palestinians appeared to be stepping back from the brink of war. But relations were so strained that Arafat and Barak asked international mediators, including Annan and British Foreign Secretary Robin Cook, to carry messages back and forth.

America's long-running debate over fluoride hits ballots Nov. 7

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Paul Wiegand guides his dental mirror around the tiny mouth of 4-year-old Matthew Wetesnik. He counts eight cavities — two so deep they will need root canals.

Leaning over the anesthetized boy, Wiegand repeats the plea of health officials and dentists in the nation's eighth-largest city: Put fluoride in city water and children will suffer fewer rotted teeth.

On Nov. 7, voters will reply. The question of whether to fluoridate the water is on the ballot in San Antonio as well as Abilene, Clark County, Nev., which includes Las Vegas; Spokane, Wash.; Leavenworth, Kan.; Brattleboro, Vt.; Utah's Salt Lake and Davis counties; and the Utah cities of Logan, Provo and Nibley. Hyrum

and Smithfield. For decades, public health officials have promoted fluoridation as a cheap, easy way to prevent tooth decay. San Antonio Water System officials estimate fluoridation would cost an average of 12 cents a month per household.

Trying to get fluoride in the water has ignited controversy since 1945, when Grand Rapids, Mich., became the first city to add the cavity-fighting mineral.

The current efforts are the third in San Antonio and Spokane. Cumberland, Md., residents ousted a mayor who briefly fluoridated their water in 1990. This year they voted to allow it.

Roughly 56 percent of Americans were drinking fluoridated water in 1992, the most recent federal estimate. Since then, big cities including Los Angeles and

Sacramento, Calif., have added the chemical.

During the Cold War, some opponents feared fluoridation was a communist plot. Today, they often argue fluoridation is mass medication from an intrusive, costly government.

Opponents across the country cite studies suggesting fluoride causes such ailments as brittle bones and cancer. Health experts say such claims are groundless. The Centers for Disease Control ranks it among the 20th century's top 10 public health achievements.

A comprehensive review of fluoridation research published this month in the British Medical Journal found no evidence of harm. While it linked fluoride to white spots on teeth, a cosmetic condition, the report found it cuts tooth decay about 15 percent.

HOROSCOPE

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Tuesday, Oct. 17:

Break old patterns. Take workshops to develop greater insight. Use vacation time to visit different places and learn more about other cultures. Make learning your highest priority. Your anger often comes out in inappropriate ways. Express your feelings and gain more control of them. If you are single, you meet people easily. Opt for a different type of personality than you have been with before. You might relate more successfully as a result. If you are attached, clearing feelings keeps your relationship exciting and fresh. GEMINI opens the door to an adventure.

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

**** Your temper needs monitoring, as it leads you to bad decisions. Stop Cool off if possible. The unexpected gives rise to a new friendship or source. Network. Feedback and overtures from others need to be noted. Tonight: Save.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

*** Expenses could go overboard. Your efforts to please another might be well-intended, but they could cause you an unnecessary risk. Let your imagination speak with a financial matter. Use your strength to make money and focus on priorities. Research a new work venture. Tonight: Pay bills first.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

**** Use care with a family member who could be hot under the collar. Before you know it, you could have a problem. Use some of your famous charm to make peace. Unexpected developments steer you in a new direction. Again, tap into your imagination. See possibilities. Tonight: Ask for what you want.

CANCER (June 21-July 21)

22) *** Your words could be misunderstood. By the same token, others might not get your message as clearly as you would like. Be careful when dealing with someone and funds. You might not be able to count on your tried-and-true sources. You can be a fountain of ideas. Use this ability. Tonight: Play it low-key.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

**** Keep goals your highest priority. You could spend too much in an attempt to realize one goal and end up diverting another. Is this what you want? Maintain an unusually high profile. Others respond to your ideas and energy. Make calls and arrange an instrumental get together. Tonight: Out and about.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

*** You could misdirect your high energy. Be careful not to irritate co-workers and bosses. Working as a team sometimes means swallowing your pride. A boss values your priorities and insights. You might need to change course at the last minute. Tonight: Work late, if need be.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

**** Use your inner power. Don't accept the obvious. Instead, check out a problem carefully. Read between the lines with a boss, who might not be giving you the whole story. Your playful spirit draws others. Be creative and innovative with a child. Willingly go in another direction. Tonight: Rent a movie.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

**** One-on-one relating brings a new sense of what can happen. You recognize that another doesn't work well with you. Listen to your sixth sense. You might need to change direction. Your ability to shed what doesn't work is your strength. Tonight: Indulge a loved one.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

**** Don't blow a fuse with a boss, who might be on the

warpath or difficult. Know what you want and expect in the long run. Note others' moods before charging in and making a decision. You could draw some unanticipated reactions. Tonight: Where the crowds are.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

**** Dig into work, even if you're distracted. Make calls. Find an expert if need be. Do not minimize your focus by doing two things at once. Demonstrate your ability to lead. Others seek you out for advice and feedback. Tonight: Get errands done first.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

**** Allow your animal magnetism and charm to emerge. Don't neglect an important partner, or you could have a mini War of the Roses. Creatively seek out solutions until you have a satisfactory answer. Be careful about allowing a professional tie to develop into more. Tonight: Take a midweek break.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

*** Deal with personal matters if you want to resolve a problem. You could be distracted at work. A partner or associate becomes unusually touchy. Make a decision about how much you can mix home and work, even if you have a home office. Tonight: Make nice.

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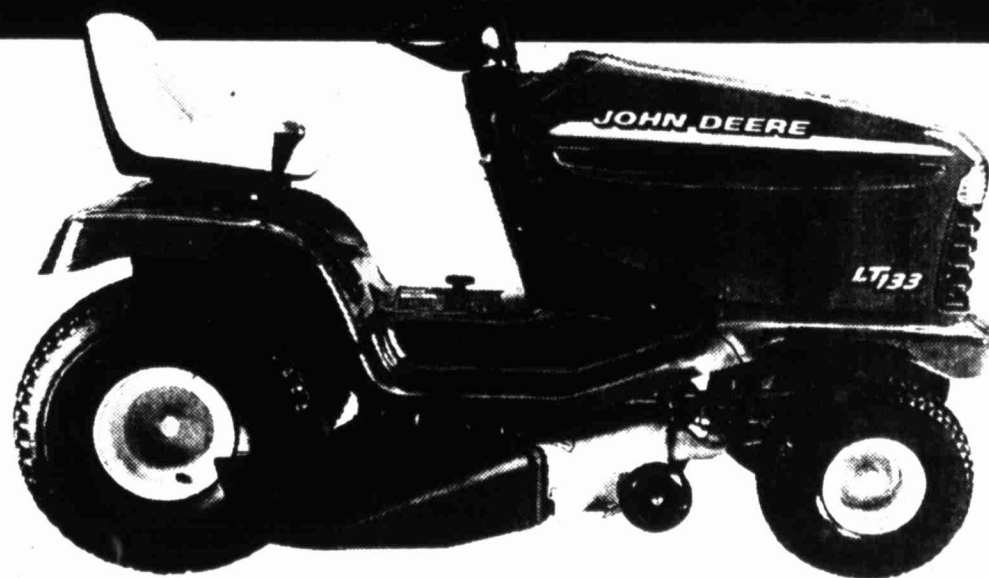
Rapper Eminem (1974), daredevil Evel Knievel (1938), actor Howard Rollins (1950)

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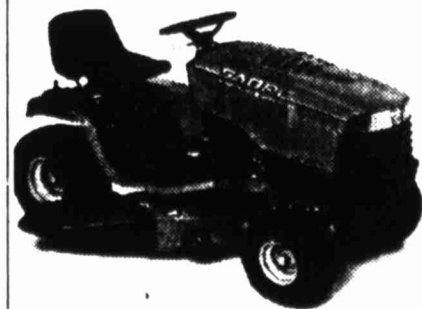
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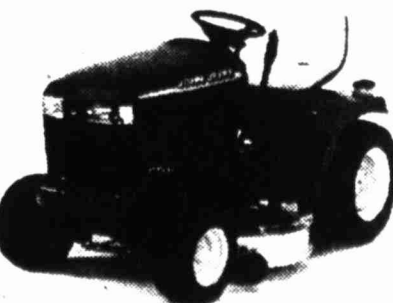
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OUR VIEWS

Making best of a difficult traffic tangle

By now, almost every one of us have experienced the traffic snarl created by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) project rebuilding U.S. Highway 87 between Fourth Street and Interstate 20.

While frustration can mount while inching through the four-way stops at the intersections of Third and Fourth Streets at Gregg Street, the slowdown has given most of us a chance to see how much difference TxDOT's improvements will make once the project is completed.

What's more, the congestion created on Gregg Street and the Lamesa Highway during Big Spring's brief rush hours serves as a reminder of why many community leaders are pushing for construction of a truck reliever route that would funnel Highway 87's "through traffic" around the city's perimeter.

Clearly, project planners' decision to place three-way stops at Third and Gregg and at Fourth and Gregg have improved the flow through those intersections, as well as allowed local motorists to make turns to the left at those locations.

Still, at the times of heaviest use, traffic seems to come to a near standstill in the downtown area, and there's little question those conditions will remain for some time to come.

Once crews complete work on the southbound lanes of the highway, traffic will be rerouted to that side of the highway and work will begin on the northbound lanes we currently travel.

Plans call for the project to be completed in just about a year, but until then we need to all remember the "Drive Friendly" proviso and exercise caution when driving through the construction area.

After all, it's simply a matter of making the best of a difficult situation, and none of us needs to pay the doubled fines that are imposed for violations of traffic laws that occur in construction areas.

OTHER VIEWS

In the current New Yorker, the magazine's Washington correspondent, Joe Klein, recounts an exchange from a 1992 campaign debate in which President Bush gave a fumbling answer to a question from the audience about how the national debt affected the "economic problems of common people." Because the woman who asked the question was black, Mr. Bush noted that he had been to an A.M.E. church recently. Then he veered awkwardly to the subject of teenage pregnancies. When Bill Clinton's turn came, he stepped toward the woman and said, "Tell me how it's affected you again." In Mr. Klein's view, this demon-

stration of Mr. Clinton's superior empathic ability was a pivotal moment in their competition. The observation touches on the perennial questions of what voters look for in the candidate debates and how they process what they see and hear. ... The explanation may be that people are looking for something that cannot be strictly measured by IQ or by checking a resume for the number of years in Washington. Debate audiences are trying to gauge something more mysterious and unpredictable, which is whether a given individual has a presidential temperament.

THE NEW YORK TIMES

Al Gore is not a normal human being

I have no doubt that Dan Balz of The Washington Post deserves to be called a "respected" journalist, indeed a "professional." Yet here is how, in his opening paragraph, he attempted to create a world that does not exist:

"Texas Gov. George W. Bush and Vice President Al Gore came to last night's debate with clear goals in mind. Gore wanted to avoid the kinds of exaggerations that marred his performance in their first debate and have degged him since. Bush wanted to reassure voters that he was comfortable in the arena of foreign policy."

The word "exaggerations" is key here. Gore admitted that he had been wrong about some "details" and promised to do better. "Exaggerations"? "Details"? It turns out that in the first debate in Boston, Gore invented an uncle who had fought in World War I and had been gassed. He used this fictitious figure to illustrate the importance of the Balkans in modern history; that is,

WWI began in the Balkans, and as a result his very own uncle was gassed.

I have no conclusive theory about why Gore feels he must fabricate in this way, but it did not begin yesterday. This appears to be habitual.

What seems to be true is that Bush rode into the Winston-Salem, N.C., debate with a slight nudge upward in the polls, as a result, it would seem, of that first debate in Boston. The Washington Post-ABC News poll had Bush up 48-45, whereas he had been down by a half-dozen points.

The Gore team clearly thought that his performance in Boston had to be reconsidered this time, because in Winston-Salem, Gore was reconfigured as Polite Al, almost Lord Chesterfield reborn.

In other words, the Gore team knew that Boston was a disaster.

The major question in this election so far is why Gore is not leading by something like 15 points. We have unprecedented prosperity. Why should we "change horses in mid-stream"?

We are not threatened by a powerful foreign enemy. By any measure, Gore is well prepared, experienced and so on. And as a political powerhouse, his opponent is not to be mistaken for Reagan or FDR.

But why is Gore tied with Bush in the polls, or even now maybe slipping behind?

The reason is that large numbers of people can't stand him.

In Boston, while spinning on statistics, fuzzy or not, and while scoring conventional debater's points, Gore lost the first debate in a devastating fashion.

The voters were shown a split screen. In one frame, they saw and heard Bush speaking. In the adjacent frame, they saw Gore. Sometimes Gore was stonily impassive. But he also tried to hog the screen by sighing audibly and by trying to editorialize on what Bush was saying. Major impoliteness. But worse, the stone face would become hectically mobile, as if jerked into motion by an electrical switch thrown by the warden. Suddenly, Gore was grimacing, sneering, rolling his eyes, laughing in a phony way, doing everything except sticking out his tongue.

Former Jimmy Carter speechwriter Hendrick Hertzberg once immortalized remarked about Dick Gephardt that you long to peel away the smooth, rubber mask and gaze upon the lizard beneath. But Gore makes Gephardt look like Paul Newman or Clark Gable.

People do wonder about Bush's gravitas. But they

also wonder, and increasingly so, whether they could stand four years of "Gore the humanoid" invading their living rooms via the TV screen. My God, you might have to look at this strange creature on a daily basis!

The audience has always noticed Gore's condescension. He speaks extra slow, as if to a second-grade audience. He repeats and repeats until you want to scream. He sounds robotic.

And his audience is getting a bit nervous about his whoppers. People are beginning to understand that Gore is not a normal human being. Is he really some sort of carrot, living among us from somewhere deep in space? What normal husband would give his wife a very long kiss in front of 50 million people? Is that his idea of a lovers' lane?

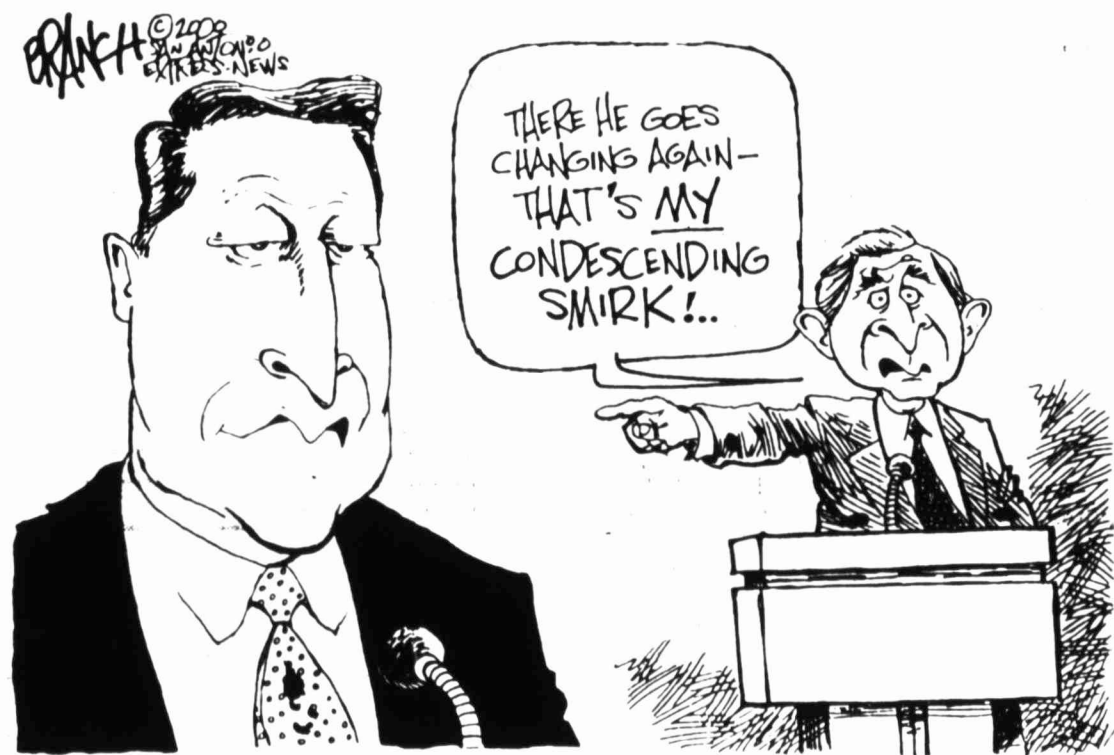
So the Gore team went back to the drawing board and rewired him for the Winston-Salem debate. The plugs and transistors from Boston were removed. No more eye-rolling, sighing or eyebrows raised toward the ceiling.

But strangely, or maybe not strangely, the rewired Gore was even more inauthentic.

As columnist Michael Barone observed, Gore is much more comfortable as an attack dog than as Lord Chesterfield.



JEFFREY HART



An outrageous lack of security

On Oct. 12, the hull of the USS Cole, a 505-foot guided-missile destroyer, was ripped open by a large explosion when the vessel was refueling in the port of Aden off the coast of Yemen.

According to U.S. officials, the explosion happened when a smaller vessel assisting with the refueling pulled up alongside the destroyer.

Navy Admiral Vern Clark, the chief of naval operations, said, "A boat that was involved in mooring would not be expected to be a threat." A press release from the Department of the Navy reports that the explosion caused a "30-foot-by-40-foot gash in the port (left) side of the ship at the waterline."

Admiral Clark also said that the Cole had been on Bravo alert, a medium security level that requires the posting of guards and other measures. However,

the vessel did not dock alongside a conventional pier, according to Clark. Refueling took place at a "fueling dolphin ... a fueling facility out in the middle of the harbor," Clark said. "Small boats come to the ship and the lines drop down to them, and the boat takes the line to the mooring buoy."

Regarding the small boat that approached the destroyer, Clark said, "When you enter a port like this, you make contact with the port officials." He also said that the port officials sent out the support boats to help the destroyer refuel and that "we don't automatically suspect people that are sent forward to help us in an official way."

It was not an unannounced visit, as had originally been reported. Rather, the Cole had notified port authorities 10 to 12 days prior to its docking. According to an official at the Navy, the refueling was handled by an independent contractor. That particular contract had been open for the last 12 months. The official did not know the types of security protocols followed by the contractor, nor did he know if the contractor had

any affiliations with the Yemen government.

What goes unexplained is why any vessel would be allowed to approach a U.S. warship for any reason without being cleared for security purposes. And when Adm. Clark says, "A boat that was involved in mooring would not be expected to be a threat," we are left to wonder what he would consider a threat. Terrorists do not advertise their intentions.

It appears that Navy policy needs to be altered. A top-to-bottom review of procedures needs to be initiated to remove words such as "expected" and "assumed" from the vocabulary. We should not assume, for example, that a U.S. warship docking in a friendly port should expect various "friendly" vessels to be friendly. We all know that U.S. military personnel are particular targets of terrorism, and the only activity that should be expected is unfriendly activity.

Is it U.S. Navy policy to allow any sort of civilian vessel to approach our ships in U.S. domestic ports, let alone foreign ports? That was not the policy even at Pearl Harbor in 1941.



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The Big Spring Quarterback meet at 7 to Big Spring H Athletic Center's meet. Anyone supporting the ball program attend.

College set 'Start Smart'

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 6. Florida St.
 7. Oregon
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IN BRIEF

Quarterback Club will meet tonight

The Big Spring Quarterback Club will meet at 7 tonight in the Big Spring High School Athletic Training Center's meeting room. Anyone interested in supporting the Steers football program is invited to attend.

College set to start 'Start Smart' series

Howard College has scheduled a Start Smart Sports Development Program for 3-to-5-year-olds and their parents beginning Tuesday at the First United Methodist Church.

The three-week program is free and designed to develop basic motor skills a pre-schooler needs to participate in sports.

Registration on the roster of 20 continues through today. Sessions are from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. each Tuesday and Thursday.

To register, call the college's continuing education department at 264-5131.

Hunter's ed course slated for Oct. 28-29

A hunter education course has been scheduled for the weekend of Oct. 28-29 at the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce office.

Class sessions are set for 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. both days. The fee will be \$10.

All persons born after Sept. 1, 1971, must take a hunter education course in order to hunt in Texas.

Those interested may sign up for the class at Dibrell's Gun Shop.

For more information, call course instructor Steve Poitevint at 264-7033.

AP POLL

The Top Twenty Five teams in The Associated Press college football poll, with first-place votes in parentheses and records through Oct. 14:

	Record
1. Nebraska (66)	6-0
2. Virginia Tech (1)	6-0
3. Oklahoma (4)	6-0
4. Miami	4-1
5. Clemson	7-0
6. Florida St.	6-1
7. Oregon	5-1
8. Florida	6-1
9. Washington	5-1
10. Kansas St.	6-1
11. TCU	5-0
12. Georgia	5-1
13. Mississippi St.	4-1
14. Ohio St.	5-1
15. Southern Miss.	5-1
16. Michigan	5-2
17. Purdue	5-2
18. South Carolina	6-1
19. Oregon St.	5-1
20. Notre Dame	4-2
21. Arizona	5-1
22. Minnesota	5-2
23. UCLA	4-2
24. N.C. State	5-1
25. Northwestern	5-2

Others receiving votes: Texas 134, Auburn 74, Colorado St. 25, Iowa St. 19, W. Michigan 16, Arizona St. 10, Tennessee 9, Alabama 5, Toledo 4, Air Force 2, Pittsburgh 2, Louisville 1, Wisconsin 1.

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TENNIS
8 p.m. — Swisscom Challenge, FXS, Ch. 29.

Loss puts Lady Steers in must-win situation facing Maidens

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Managing Editor

Big Spring's Lady Steers now face their most important volleyball match in years Tuesday when they play host to San Angelo Lake View's Maidens at 7 p.m. in Steer Gym.

The Lady Steers, currently in fourth place in the District 4-4A standings following their 15-9, 9-15, 15-10 loss in Levelland on Saturday, enter their final two games of the regular season in a must-win situation.

That's a pretty tall order since the Maidens will enter Tuesday's match unbeaten in 4-4A play and a lock on the league championship.

Worse still, Lake View will have

added incentive when they step onto the Steer Gym court, remembering a Lady Steers win in the final game of the 1999 season that cost them a district championship.

"We said last week that all we had to do was win two of our last three games to put ourselves in position for a playoff berth," Lady Steers head coach Traci Pierce said this morning. "Of course, the idea was to win at Levelland and then not be under the kind of pressure we're under now. There's no question that losing up there hurt."

"Lake View is going to come in there tomorrow night and remember last year when we knocked them out of first place," Pierce added. "What I've told our kids now is that we just have to decide what

we want and step on the people that are in the way, and right now, Lake View is in the way."

The Lady Steers, now 21-9 on the season and 7-5 in district play, found themselves playing a relaxed opponent that had nothing to lose during Saturday's match.

"We didn't play the best we could by any means," Pierce noted. "But the real key was that they played as good as they could play. They didn't have anything to lose and have everything to gain by beating us."

"It would be nice if we could go into this game Tuesday night with the same attitude," she added. "Volleyball is such a mental game ... you have to think it and believe it. Too much pressure just causes you to freeze up at the times when

it's important to be loose."

Despite the three-game loss Saturday, a number of Big Spring players turned in solid numbers.

Junior middle hitter LaTrisha Rollins led the way at the net, finishing the match with 10 kills and eight blocks, while Kim Wrightsil had nine kills, 10 blocks and added three service aces for good measure.

Melissa Forth added five kills, four blocks and two aces for the Lady Steers, while Meghan Pudliner had one kill, four blocks and four assists. Krystle Long and Jessica Woodward added a kill and two blocks apiece.

Brittany Bryant and Paige King provided help in the passing game — Bryant finishing the match with 10 assists, while King had eight.

Aikman struggles in Dallas loss

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

There's a changing of the guard taking place in the NFC East.

The New York Giants are moving back up, Dallas is dropping down and Troy Aikman might soon be on his way out as the Cowboys' quarterback, even if owner Jerry Jones says that won't happen next week.

Aikman had the worst day of his 12-year career on Sunday as he gift-wrapped a 19-14 Giants' victory by throwing a team-record tying five interceptions, the last of which set up Ron Dayne's game-winning 3-yard touchdown run early in the fourth quarter.

The loss dropped the once-proud Cowboys to 2-4, and it clearly opened the door for those calling for Randall Cunningham to replace the battered Aikman, who suffered the ninth concussion of his career earlier this season.

"As I see it right now, I don't think there will be a change," Jones said in the locker room minutes after the game. "As far as I am concerned, he is our starter without even hesitation. Don't anybody misinterpret."

Jones and Dallas coach Dave Campo said they never considered pulling Aikman after he threw four interceptions in the first half.

Aikman, who led the Cowboys to three Super Bowls in the last decade, clearly wants to keep his job, but he offered Jones and coach Dave Campo an out after the game.

"If the staff decides something needs to be done at that position, I hope they'll make that decision," Aikman said. "I want

what's best for the team. I'd like to think I'm the guy that gives this team the best chance to win. If the staff decides that's not the case, I would expect them to do something."

Elsewhere in the NFL, it was Denver 44, Cleveland 10; Indianapolis 37, Seattle 24; the New York Jets 34, New England 17; Philadelphia 33, Arizona 14; Minnesota 28, Chicago 16; Buffalo 27, San Diego 24 in overtime; Oakland 20, Kansas City 17; New Orleans 24, Carolina 6; Green Bay 31, San Francisco 28; and St. Louis 45, Atlanta 29.

Tonight, it's Jacksonville at Tennessee. Off this week were Miami, Tampa Bay and Detroit.

Aikman did his best to overcome his performance by leading the Cowboys on a late drive to the New York 14 in the final minute.

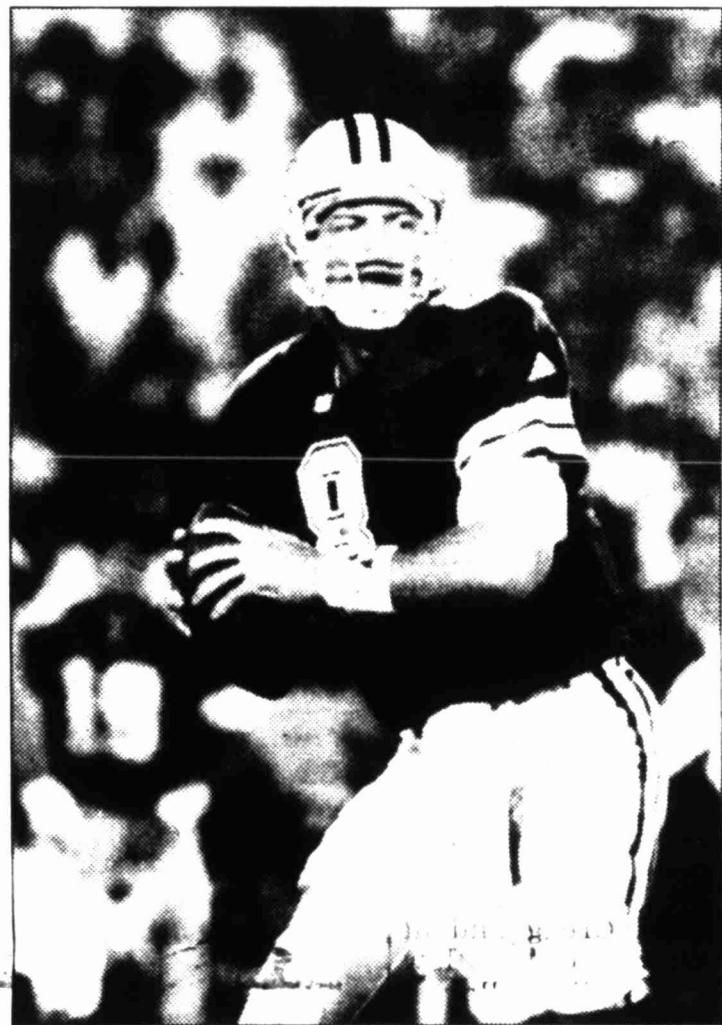
However, his last-ditch, off-balance pass to the end zone — he tripped over the foot of one of his linemen — was batted away by linebacker Jessie Armstead.

"When you get five picks you should win," said Giants coach Jim Fassel, whose team is finding ways to win recently so the coach can keep his job.

Both of the Giants touchdowns were set up by interceptions, and a third pick stopped a second-quarter Dallas drive inside the New York 20.

"I think Troy tried to put a little too much on his own head," said Giants cornerback Dave Thomas, whose interception at the Dallas 21 set up a 1-yard touchdown pass to Pete Mitchell in the second quarter, the only score in the first half.

"In other years, he had so many other weapons and the big line. He doesn't have that any more, and



AP file photo
Dallas quarterback Troy Aikman, pictured here during a 1993 game, tied a Cowboys team record Sunday when he was intercepted five times in a 19-14 loss to the New York Giants.

he's trying to do more," Thomas added. "He's relying on his arm and you can't do that. Troy knows that."

The victory was the second straight for the Giants, and it guaranteed that they would head into their bye week tied for first place in the division with the Washington Redskins.

"Right now things are going pretty good," tackle Lomas Brown said. "But we've still got a long way to go."

What the Giants did well

on Sunday was to get their running game going again for the first time since the second week of the season.

New York rushed for 203 yards on 33 carries against Dallas' porous defensive line. Dayne, the rookie Heisman Trophy winner, had his best day, gaining 108 yards on 21 carries.

"I didn't even know I had 100 yards," said Dayne, whose touchdown run capped a 31-yard drive set up by linebacker Mike Barrow's interception at the Cowboys 38.

"He's been so great this year. It was unusual," La Russa said.

It shouldn't have been considering Kile's own history and the results of other pitchers going on short rest in the past two postseasons. Nine times managers have brought starters back early and the results are disastrous. The pitchers are 0-4 with a 17.51 ERA and the teams have lost seven.

"That has nothing to do with it," Kile said. "If you make good pitches, it doesn't matter if you're pitching on one day's rest. I didn't make good pitches."

Mets nearer to NL pennant after 10-6 victory

NEW YORK (AP) — With Mighty Mac once again reduced to being a spectator, the New York Mets moved within one win of wrapping up their half of a Subway Series.

New York pounded St. Louis ace Darryl Kile with a record five doubles in a four-run first inning and Mark McGwire didn't swing the bat for the third time this series as the Mets beat the Cardinals 10-6 Sunday night for a 3-1 lead in the NL championship series.

"He's the X-factor of X-factors," Mets manager Bobby Valentine said of McGwire,

who can only pinch hit because of tendinitis in his right knee. "There were a few times he was standing there lurking in the wings. I'm glad we kept him on the bench."

The Mets got some help from Cardinals manager Tony La Russa — whose every move backfired — as McGwire waited with the bat in his hands three times in the sixth inning as the tying run came to the plate.

The Mets will try to keep Big Mac on the sideline again in Monday's Game 5 as they attempt to finish off the Cardinals. Only eight

teams have ever come back from a 3-1 deficit in a best-of-seven series.

"We're 27 good outs away from being in the World Series," said Glendon Rusch, who pitched three scoreless innings for the win.

Along with not using the greatest home run hitter in the game, La Russa's decision to bring Kile back on three days' rest didn't work either. Kile, who had been 4-8 with a 6.66 ERA in his 13 appearances with three days between starts, allowed seven runs and eight hits in three-plus innings.

Snyder girls too much to handle for Big Spring's netters

HERALD Staff Report

SNYDER — Big Spring's Steers saw Snyder's Tiger netters double up on them Saturday in District 4-4A team tennis action.

While Big Spring won six of the nine boys' matches, Snyder forged its win with a sweep of all nine girls' matches.

Although Ryan Gibson gave Snyder a win in the No. 1 boys' singles match, knocking off Zach Smiley 6-3, 7-6; Jay Shroff got the Steers on track with a 6-0, 6-3 win over Allan Smith in the No. 2 match.

Big Spring's No. 3 player, Alex Edgemon, outlasted Horatio De Paz

for a 6-1, 4-6, 7-6 victory — taking the final set tiebreaker by an 8-6 margin.

Snyder's only other singles win came in the No. 4 spot where Alex Best defeated Michael Roffers 6-4, 6-1.

Derek DeHoyos and Brian Wingert closed out the singles with dominating wins. DeHoyos took a 6-2, 6-0 win over Adam Rodger, while Wingert rolled past Charlie Gorman 6-0, 6-0.

Gibson and Smith teamed to take the No. 1 boys' doubles match for Snyder, posting a 6-0, 6-1 win over Shroff and Edgemon.

But Smiley and DeHoyos combined to take a 6-2, 6-0 win over De

Paz and Best, and Roffers teamed with Wingert for a 6-3, 7-6 win over Gorman and Rodger.

Snyder was able to claim the overall match by dominating play in the girls' bracket.

Patricia Vargas took a 6-2, 6-1 win over April Ward. Claire Cotton was a 6-2, 6-1 winner over Megan Roffers; Jordan Hardin added a 6-2, 6-1 decision over Heather Parnell. Afton Sutter defeated Mindy Partee 6-2, 7-5; Cosy Jones beat Annette Richardson 6-3, 6-3; and Andra Dunham rolled to a 6-0, 6-0 win over Lauren Chesworth to sweep singles play.

Cotton and Hardin then rebounded from a hard-fought first set to

take a 7-5, 6-1 win over Ward and Partee in the No. 1 girls' doubles match. Dunham and Vargas then posted a 6-3, 6-2 win over Parnell, and Roffers before Brumley and Cantu knocked off Breck Simmons and Amanda White 6-0, 6-0.

Snyder completed the match when Jones and Kubena took a 6-4, 6-0 win over Richardson and Drew Mireles in mixed doubles play.

The Steers netters will return to action Tuesday when they travel to Sweetwater.

Big Spring will then close out 4-4A team play Saturday when they host Friendship's Tigers at the Figure 7 Tennis Center in Comanche Trail Park.

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DENNIS THE MENACE



I DON'T THINK ALL THIS DIRT WILL FIT BACK INTO THE HOLE, WE'D BETTER DIG ANOTHER ONE.

FAMILY CIRCUS



My Feed the Piggy Day Care is open now. I'll play with PJ while you get dressed.

HAGAR



I CAN REMEMBER WHEN KETCHINGS WERE HEROES WITH SINGING AND DANCING.

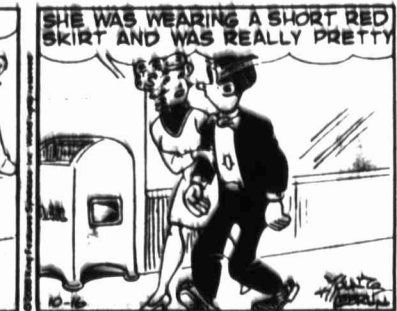


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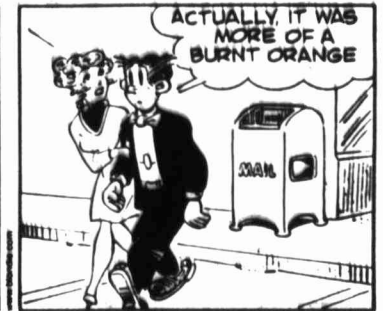
BLONDIE



BLONDIE, THAT PRETTY GIRL JUST SMILED AT YOU.



SHE WAS WEARING A SHORT RED SKIRT AND WAS REALLY PRETTY.



ACTUALLY, IT WAS MORE OF A BURNT ORANGE.

B.C.



I NEED A SNAPPY HEADLINE FOR MY COLUMN ON ROYAL WEDDINGS.



MUCH 'E DO 'ABOUT KNOTTING

GEECH



LOOK, MADINE EQUIPMENTS ARE ON SALE.



I STILL HAVE THE ONE I BOUGHT IN MID-JUNE, AND I CAN'T EVEN GET IT HALF-ON.

WIZARD OF ID



WHO GOES THERE?



CONGRATULATIONS, PADRE, YOU'VE HIT THE MOTHER LOVE.

HI AND LOIS



HOW DID YOU END UP WITH FOUR KIDS?



YOU'RE NOT MUCH FOR FAMILY PLANNING ARE YOU?

GASOLINE ALLEY



Are there the boat crew, Nina! Let's get out of here!

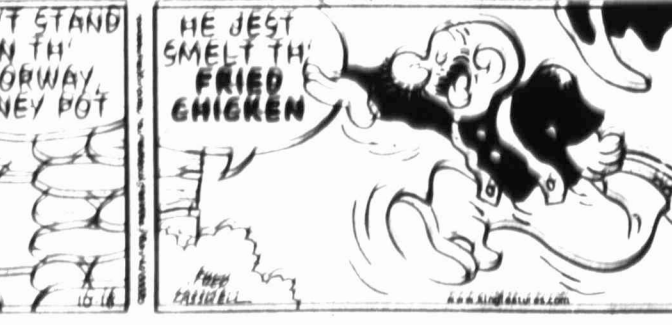


There's a small matter concerning your unpaid account!

SNUFFY SMITH

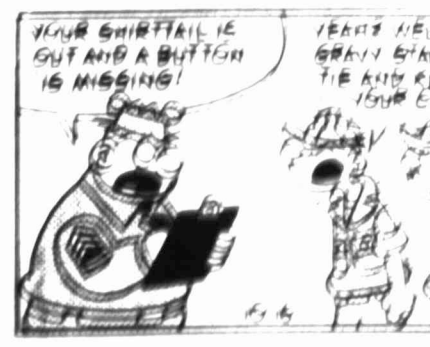


WHEN IS UNK SNUFFY COMIN' HOME FOR SUPPER?



HE JEST SMELT TH' FRIED CHICKEN.

B. KITTLE BAILY



YOUR SHIRTTAIL IS GUT AND A BUTTON IS MISSING!



write to myself conduct investigations before meals.

THIS DATE IN HISTORY

Today is Monday, Oct. 16, the 290th day of 2000. There are 78 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On Oct. 16, 1859, abolitionist John Brown led a group of about 20 men in a raid on Harper's Ferry. On this date: In 1793, during the French Revolution, Queen Marie Antoinette was beheaded. In 1918, Margaret Sanger opened the first birth control clinic in New York City. In 1943, Chicago Mayor Edward J. Kelly officially opened the city's new subway system during a ceremony at the State and Madison street station.

In 1946, 10 Nazi war criminals condemned during the Nuremberg trials were hanged. In 1962, the Cuban missile crisis began as President Kennedy was informed that reconnaissance photographs had revealed the presence of missile bases in Cuba. In 1964, China detonated its first atomic bomb. In 1964, Harold Wilson of the Labor Party assumed office as prime minister of Great Britain, succeeding Conservative Sir Alec Douglas-Home. In 1970, Anwar Sadat was elected president of Egypt, succeeding the late Gamal Abdel Nasser. In 1978, the College of Cardinals of the Roman Catholic Church chose Cardinal Karol Wojtyla to be the new pope; he took the name John Paul II. In 1987, a 58-hour drama

in Midland, Texas, ended happily as rescuers freed Jessica McClure, an 18-month-old girl trapped in an abandoned well. Ten years ago: Soviet President Mikhail S. Gorbachev submitted to the Soviet legislature a scaled-back plan to transform the Soviet economy to a free-market system. Comedian Steve Martin and his wife, actress Victoria Tennant, visited American GIs in Saudi Arabia. The Cincinnati Reds beat the Oakland A's 7-0 in game one of the World Series. Today's Birthdays: Actress Angela Lansbury is 75. Former presidential adviser Charles W. Colson is 69. Actor Tony Anthony is 63. Actor Barry Corbin is 60. Rock musician C.F. Turner (Bachman-Turner Overdrive) is 57. Actress Suzanne Somers is 54.

THE Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

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