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AL Post 506 hosts fish fry

The American Legion Post 506 will have a fish fry Saturday from 12 until 3 p.m. at 3203 West Highway 80.

Carry out and delivery available is available. Price is \$6 a plate. Everyone is welcome. Call 263-2084.

Senior Circle plans lunch

Big Spring Senior Circle will be having a Valentine's Day lunch at noon, Feb. 14, in the SMMC Classroom.

For more information call Pam Stephens at 268-4721.

WHAT'S UP...

TODAY

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

SATURDAY

Howard County Scottish Rite Club, 8 a.m., Masonic Lodge, 21st & Lancaster. Breakfast served.

The Heritage Museum, 510 Scurry, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The Potton House, 200 Gregg, a restored historic home, is open from 1 to 5 p.m. A one-time admission fee of \$2 for adults and \$1 for children and senior citizens are encouraged.

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

MONDAY

Senior Circle 4 p.m., Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Sit and Be Fit Chair Aerobics. People 50 and better are invited to participate.

Big Spring Evening Lions Club, 6:30 p.m., 1607 East Third. Call 267-3068.

TUESDAY

Intermediate Line Dance Class, 9 a.m., Senior Citizens Center. Call 267-1628.

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Archeology Society planning big fund-raiser Saturday

By CARL GRAHAM
Staff Writer

In an effort to fund various annual projects, Howard County Archeology Society is staging a garage sale Saturday.

According to Sam Hunnicutt, who is helping in organizing the event, this is one of their biggest fund-raising events of the year.

"We will be having thousands of different items from many different sources," said Hunnicutt. "A lot of our members have donated items and we will have several different ven-

dors here. We will have homemade burritos available and one vendor will have the newest Beanie Babies available for collectors."

The group has 26 active members, according to Hunnicutt.

"When I'm active, I really mean active when it comes to this group," said Hunnicutt. "In some groups, only a small percentage of the members do most of the work but that is not our club. They are all involved in what our club does."

Hunnicutt said this effort is to raise money to fund the

society's newsletter, pay for guest speakers throughout the year, buy new equipment and other various things that may arise.

"We have various guest speakers that come throughout the year," said Hunnicutt. "These are highly respected speakers in the archeology field and they don't come free so we must raise funds to offset that cost. We also are wanting to purchase more equipment in the future."

Hunnicutt said that some of the items include comput-

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HERALD photo/Carl Graham
Sam Hunnicutt, Kent Ivey and Lane Clawson arrange a group of computers that will be available in the Howard County Archeology Society garage sale Saturday.

Community pays homage to a friend

'Roast' quickly turns to night of accolades

By BILL MCCLELLAN
News Editor

They came to roast Carroll Jennings. In the end, all they could do was praise him.

In a surprise banquet Thursday night, more than 100 people gathered to honor to a man who greets everyone in that deep voice as "my friend."

For six years, Jennings directed the United Way of Big Spring and Howard County. He promoted the Big Spring Symphony, was a founding force behind the July 4 celebration Pops in the Park, and has let anyone who will listen know that the true love of his life is... hockey.

More than a dozen friends and co-workers took the podium to tell stories about Jennings, who is retiring as United Way director.

"He is a teacher, a mentor and a friend," said Archie



HERALD photos/Bill McClellan
Carroll Jennings, left, laughs with Cavan McMahon and Frances Wheat after discovering a roast was being held in his honor Thursday night. Below, Jennings poses for the crowd in his Odessa Jackalopes gear with players Derek Laxdal, left, and John Bossio.

Kountz, a former United Way president and Big Spring resident.

Most spoke of Jennings' ability to coax people into

volunteering, as well as his constant optimism and warm smile.

"He hypnotizes you with his voice and when you

wake up, you have volunteered to do something," said Linda Conway, who chaired last year's Pops in the Park festivities.

"He creates opportunities for our community to improve and for our citizens to have a better quality of life," she added.

Bob Scott, a former president of United Way, recalled how Jennings always plans every project down to the last detail.

"All you had to do was show up and know how to read," panned Scott. "He loves to get things going, but he wants to stay in the back. He lets you get the credit."

"He's the Pied Piper," said Suzanne Haney, former president of the Big Spring Symphony board.

Haney praised Jennings for advancing the importance of the symphony. "I hope in the symphony of



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BSHS forensics students are runnersup at Abilene

By LYNDEL MOODY
Staff Writer

Big Spring High School speech and debate team took the sweepstakes runner-up trophy in the Abilene High Classic Speech Tournament last week.

"We have a good group of about 15 kids who are giving up their weekends to represent Big Spring at these speech tournament," said Jennifer Adams, speech team coach.

The team placed in the top 10 out of 25 schools attending the two-day event, said Clint Adams, speech team assistant coach.

The team earns points based on the students' individual performances during their competition.

The two-day event, sponsored by the Texas Forensic Association (TFA), allowed almost 400 students to practice their skills in University Interscholastic League (UIL) events such as poetry, prose, Lincoln-Douglas debate, cross-examination debate and extemporaneous speaking.

In addition, the students had the opportunity to compete in other events such as duet acting, dramatic and humorous interpretation and original oratory.

Clint Adams said many of the TFA sponsored competitions are used to help the students build toward UIL district competition, but students also have an opportunity to earn points to qualify for TFA state competition.

Big Spring High School sophomore Brittany Barrow placed seventh out of 68 contestants in the dramatic

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Oops!

Indiana man who reported car stolen is wanted for auto theft

By CARL GRAHAM
Staff Writer

An unusual twist came from the early Thursday morning arrest of six people charged with auto theft and other crimes.

According to Big Spring Police Sgt. Roger Sweatt, an Indiana man called the department to report his car stolen. That's when officers discovered the twist.

"It appears that the individual who called in the report here of his car being stolen was actually wanted back in Indiana for the theft of that car," said Sweatt. "I don't know if he just didn't realize that we would be making those checks with authorities back there or not, but the car had been stolen from a car dealership in Plainfield, Ind., a suburb of Indianapolis."

Kurt Allen Muzquiz, 20, of Indianapolis, has waived extradition and officials from Indiana will be picking him up in the next few days. Sweatt said. Charges of failure to identify as a fugitive and probation violation were added to the charge of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle on Muzquiz.

"From what I gather, Muzquiz called in the report of the car being stolen after two females from Indiana that were riding with him took off and left him," said Sweatt.

"They then apparently picked up three individuals from here that they knew to



HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody
Nancy Jones, volunteer for the Festival of Lights, serves salad dressing to a Texas Department of Criminal Justice work camp inmate. Volunteers feed close to 160 prisoners and 20 guards last week to thank them for their work in the event. The food was provided by Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

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OBITUARIES

Elizabeth M. Harris

Funeral service for Elizabeth M. Harris, 86, of Big Spring is pending at this time with Nalley Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. She died Thursday, Jan. 18, 2001, in a local hospital.

James Biggs

Funeral service for James Biggs, 75, of Stanton, is pending at this time with Gilbreath Funeral Home in Stanton. He died Thursday, Jan. 18, 2001, in a Midland hospital.

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interpretation and earned points toward TFA state qualification.

Semi-finalists included: Barrow in poetry, sophomore Laura Schnake in both poetry and prose, sophomore Stacey Head in prose and senior Eric Gamble in original oratory. Other team members, attending the tournament included sophomore Wolfgang Robinson, freshman Madison Taylor, seniors Amber Dunlap and Jason Baker, junior Nathan Smith, senior Jade Hughes and freshman Cliff Green.

Also, sophomore Mindy Partee, senior Cody Rubio, sophomore Ashley Tuttle and freshman Sarah Vella were participating.

The TFA events include schools from Class 1A to 5A. "Out of the 4A schools that attend these meets, we are consistently placing higher than the other teams," Clint Adams said.

Earlier in January, the team competed at Midland Lee High School with Gates placing first and Robinson placing third in the novice Lincoln-Douglas debate.

Dunlap placed eighth in extemporaneous speaking, earning points for TFA state competition. Taylor placed third in novice cross-examination debate and semi-finalists included Hughes and Barrow in duet acting, Barrow in poetry, prose and dramatic interpretation and Baker in impromptu speaking.

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life, your Big Spring experience has been a high note in your career."

Plaques, a harmonica and a kazoo were among gifts sprinkled in among the kind words, but probably no material presents were more well-received than those presented by the Odessa Jackalopes hockey team. Coach Don McKee and players John Bossio and Derek Laxdal presented Jennings with an autographed stick, 92 Jackalopes videos, a 12-pack of beer, a

Jackalopes jersey with his name embroidered on the back, and a contract.

"Tonight, Carroll has the opportunity to fulfill a dream... to sign his first pro hockey contract," McKee said.

Later, McKee told the coach of Jennings' contributions to the team, saying he was very active in the booster club, a big contributor to the all-star game and chairperson at the annual Christmas dinner for the players.

"He knows the game and the players and they really appreciate that," said McKee.

Among those attending was Jennings' son Ross Jennings from Pittsburgh. He told of growing up with a father "who was never wrong" and "who knew everybody."

"It's good to come here and see what he means to this community," said the younger Jennings.

After the praise, Jennings thanked those in attendance and said he would have many fond memories of Big Spring.

Jennings said he has opened the door to the United Way office 7,700 times, received 1,783 pre-approved credit card applications, opened his mailbox 1,912 times and on 313 occasions heard his wife, Geannene, "express her favorite expression with me — 'forget it.'"

In typical fashion, Jennings closed by telling those in attendance, "I hope you all have had a chance to give to the United Way. I hope you have attended the Big Spring Symphony. I hope you will celebrate our independence on July 4 at the park, and I hope you have seen that wonderful air museum, Hangar 25. Most of all, I hope you go to Odessa and see the Jackalopes.

"Even though you kept this from me tonight, you are still my friends."

The program was hosted by outgoing United Way president Richard Steel and organized by associate director Cindy Michaels, who will take over as director of the agency.

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ers, software, laser printers, dishes, furniture of all sorts and many other items to numerous to mention.

"We are expecting warmer weather Saturday so plan on coming out and see what we have," said Hunnicutt. "Also, if you have items to put in or any questions on what we have, call us at 263-4816 or 556-9485."

The sale will be held at 105 West First St. and will begin at 8 a.m.

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do some early morning joy-riding."

Three local youths, Deborah Darnell, 25, Jason Threats, 22, and Marty Hendricks, 19, were originally charged in connection with the car theft, but those charges were dropped after officers questioned the three.

Indiana resident Jessica McGuire, 19, was charged with unauthorized use of a vehicle, along with unlawful carrying of a weapon. Shanna Piercefield, 20, was also charged with unauthorized use of a vehicle.

Bombing victims may attend execution

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — The government is sending out letters to 1,100 people asking if they want to attend the May 16 execution of Oklahoma City bomber Timothy McVeigh.

McVeigh is set to die by injection at the federal prison in Terre Haute, Ind., for blowing up the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building in 1995, killing 168 people and injuring more than 500.

Eight seats are open to victims, but that number could expand, U.S. Bureau

of Prisons spokesman Dan Dunne said Thursday.

Some Oklahoma City residents want the government to put the execution on closed-circuit television.

Dunne said the letters should arrive by Saturday at the homes of bombing survivors and relatives of victims.

"The number of victim seats could change given the number of victims involved," he told the Tulsa World. "The first step is to get a sense of how many want to attend. Then we will look at what we can do to accommodate needs."

McVeigh is allowed execution seats for two attorneys, a spiritual adviser and three adult family members or friends. The government will have a few seats and the media will be given 10 seats.

Paul Heath and seven other bombing survivors have asked attorney Karen Howith to go to court if necessary to give victims a closed-circuit telecast of the execution.

Congress authorized such a telecast to an Oklahoma City auditorium for the Denver trials of McVeigh and co-defendant Terry Nichols.

McVeigh has halted his appeals and has until mid-February to file a clemency request.

His attorney, Nathan Chambers, said he and his client have taken no position on the attempt to put the execution on closed-circuit television.

"It's an interesting issue," he said. "If someone makes a formal application to do that, we'll address that."

Laura Bush tackling illiteracy nationwide

WASHINGTON (AP) — The day before George W. Bush was sworn in as Texas governor in 1994, his wife Laura asked a half-dozen Texas authors to read their works at the University of Texas — foreshadowing the battle she would wage against illiteracy.

"Literate children become literate adults," the teacher/librarian-turned-first-lady said as she raised thousands of dollars to buy new books for Texas library shelves.

"Reading is a critical family skill," said Laura Bush, launching literacy centers in Texas almost a decade after mother-in-law Barbara Bush used her national First Lady platform to encourage a nation to read.

Now Laura Bush is branching out.

On Friday, the future first lady headlines an event for her husband's presidential inaugural celebration — Laura Bush Celebrates America's Authors. There, historian Stephen Ambrose, novelist Mary Higgins Clark and several children's writers will help the former teacher and librarian launch a national campaign for family literacy.

After the morning celebration at the Daughters of the American Revolution

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Constitution Hall, Laura Bush and several authors will visit District of Columbia schools where researchers are studying reading instruction.

BRIEFS

55 ALIVE/MATURE DEFENSIVE DRIVING CLASS, will be held on Jan. 30 and 31 from 9 a.m. til 2 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Senior. This class is taught by certified instructors. Those who participate in the classes must attend both days. There will be a \$10 fee. To preregister please call 267-1628.

THE AMERICAN LEGION POST 506 will have a Fish Fry Saturday from 12-3 p.m., at 3203 West Highway 80. Carry out and delivery available. \$6 a plate. Everyone welcome. Call 263-2084.

THE HOWARD COUNTY LIBRARY Book Club will meet at 7 p.m., Feb. 5, in the Howard County Library. The book to be discussed will be "A Gracious Plenty."

RAPE CRISIS/VICTIM SERVICES is seeking volunteers to start in a training program on Feb. 5. Volunteers, who must be 18 years old, undergo 40 hours of training and an interview process before they can begin to assist local victims of violent crime.

RC/VS advocates are available 24 hours a day to provide crisis intervention or accompaniment to the hospital and law enforcement agencies. The non-profit agency also provides follow-up services with victims and refers them for further services, and gives educational programs for the community.

Training will be Feb. 5-10, and 12, 14, 15 and 16. Call Linda Perez, 263-3312, for more information.

SUPPORT GROUPS

TODAY •Turning Point A.A., 8-9:30 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 10th and Goliad. Open to all substance abusers. •AA, 615 Settles, 8 p.m. Big Book Study. •NA 8 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad. Call 268-4189 (pager no.).

SATURDAY •Family support group for current and former patients and their families, 1 p.m. weekly, Reflections Unit of Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Call Beverly Grant,

TEXAS LOTTERY

Pick 3: 1,3,0

Cash 5: 3,25,33,37,39

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

263-0074. •Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon, 8 p.m., 10 p.m. open meetings, 615 Settles. •NA 8 p.m., St. Mary's Church, 1001 Goliad. Call 268-4189 (pager no.).

SUNDAY

•AA, 615 Settles, 11 a.m. closed meeting and 7 p.m. open meeting.

•NA 8 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad. Call 268-4189 (pager no.).

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

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POLICE

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activities between 8 a.m. Thursday through 8 a.m. today:

- SHANNA PIERCEFIELD, 20, of Indianapolis, was arrested on a Howard County warrant. •JESSICA MCGUIRE, 19, of Indianapolis, was arrested on a charge of carrying an unlawful weapon. •KURT ALLEN MUZZQUIZ, 20, of Indianapolis, was arrested on a charges of failure to identify and violation of probation. •LIONSO JIMINEZ, 21, of 507 Alysford, was arrested on a charge of criminal

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trespass. •CLASS C ASSAULT was reported in the 600 block of W. I-20.

•CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 4400 block of Connally.

•DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported in the 600 block of W I-20, in the 2000 block of FM 700, in the 1000 block of Main and in the 1400 block of Tucson.

SHERIFF

The Howard County Sheriff's Office reported the following activities between 8 a.m. Thursday through 8 a.m. today:

•CHRISTOPHER VALBUENA, 26, of 117 W. 19th, was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated, 2nd. (BSPD)

FIRE/EMS

The following is a summary of the Big Spring Fire Department and EMS:

00:59 a.m. — 500 block of West 17th, medical call, one patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

5:36 a.m. — 1200 block of West 16th, medical call, one patient transported to SMMC.

8:45 a.m. — 1600 block of Lexington, medical call, one patient transported to VA Medical Center.

9:31 a.m. — 3200 block of Parkway, trauma call, one patient transported to SMMC.

12:55 p.m. — 800 block of Willa, medical call, service refused.

3:18 p.m. — 200 block of North Johnson, medical call, service refused.

7:32 p.m. — 400 block of Hillside, medical call, one patient transported to SMMC.

7:45 p.m. — 500 block of West 17th, medical call, service refused.

RECORDS

Thursday's high 40. Thursday's low 23. Precip. Thursday 0.00. Record high ***. Record low ***. Average high ***. Average low ***. Month to date 0.43. Year to date 0.43. Sunrise Saturday 7:46 a.m. Sunset Saturday 6:08 p.m. Sunrise Sunday 7:46 a.m. Sunset Sunday 6:09 p.m. *** Indicates statistics not available.

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Elizabeth M. Harris, 86, died Thursday. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

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Reward money attracts some bounty hunters

DALLAS (AP) — It would take something more than a half-million dollars for bondsman Kenneth Knowles to don his trademark cowboy hat and head out after seven dangerous Texas convicts who have eluded capture for more than a month.

Not more money. Nothing short of a return to the reckless days of his youth would send Knowles out in search of the escapees, who are believed to have an arsenal of more than 40 weapons.

"I want to live a little longer. If I was a little younger, a little quicker and could duck a little faster, I would do it," said Knowles, a 61-year-old Wichita Falls resident whose Central Bail Bonds has offices across North and West Texas.

Knowles, who has tracked fugitives for more than 20 years, said the men accused

of killing an Irving policeman two weeks after fleeing the Connally Unit on Dec. 13 have nothing to lose. Charged with capital murder, they will face either life in prison or execution if they're caught and convicted.

The risk, he says, outweighs the \$500,000 reward. "As I have matured, I don't think it would be worth my life when we have people hired and paid to do it," he said.

Still, the growing reward fund, among the largest ever offered for domestic criminals, is attracting attention, said Bob Burton, who heads the National Association of Bail Recovery Agents and operates a bounty hunter training school in Tucson, Ariz.

The fund may represent only a portion of what could be earned by an enterpris-

ing bounty hunter, he said. "Getting \$3 million to \$5 million in book and movie rights; that's the real reward, along with the pleasure of getting to turn down Jay Leno and Geraldo Rivera," said Burton, whose organization represents more than 2,000 bounty hunters nationwide.

Burton advises anyone who tracks down the seven to seek police assistance and contact a reporter to ensure getting credited with the discovery and the right to receive the reward.

"I have instructed all of our bounty hunters to go to the nearest St. Rafael's Church and say a heartfelt novena, because if you stumble into these well-armed thugs, there's going to be something more than the average arrest," he said.

Bounty hunters earn cash rewards from bail bonds-

men by hunting down criminals who jump bond.

More than 3,900 private investigators are registered with the state.

Dallas private investigator Ted Horneber, 47, said he has assigned eight investigators to the case. His concern for public safety makes it worth the effort to hunt for the escaped prisoners, he said.

"I'm not really concerned with the money part of it," he said. "I just want to get these people off the street."

Horneber, one of the owners of a business called Dallas County Protection, said he is fully aware of the perils and will call law enforcement officers if his firm zeros in on anyone.

"Those are people that are extremely dangerous," Horneber said. "We don't want to take any chances with these guys."

Lawmaker wants study done on state's executions

AUSTIN (AP) — Saying there are innocent men languishing in Texas' death row, Rep. Harold Dutton filed a bill this week calling for the state to halt executions while a commission studies the process.

The bill seeks a moratorium on executions until 2003 and would set up a nine-member commission to study issues such as legal representation of inmates. The commission would recommend improvements to be implemented through legislation.

"I don't think there's one legislator who would say that our whole process by which a person receives the death penalty doesn't have some flaws," said Dutton, D-Houston. "I just didn't think that we should

hurry and do in 140 days what I thought should be a reasoned approach to resolve this problem."

People close to the issue say this may be the first bill that has called for a moratorium in Texas.

The move even surprised staunch death penalty opponents who have been unsuccessful in rounding up legislative support for the measure in the past.

"That will be an uphill battle," said Jimmy Dunne of the Texas Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty. "Texas is known as the death penalty state around the world. It's hard to turn something like that around."

Dunne said halting executions is necessary to fix what he called inequities in the system.

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EDITORIAL

"Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances."

-FIRST AMENDMENT

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OUR VIEWS

We salute:

Each week, the *Herald* salutes individuals and groups from our community and area who have been recognized for special achievements or accomplishments.

We recognize these special people for working to help make our region a better place to live, work and play.

This week we salute:

• **CROSSROADS AREA RESIDENTS** who braved the cold, long lines and an even longer wait to join in the big send-off for President-elect George W. Bush Thursday in Midland.

• **TIM TANNEHILL**, Big Spring High School biology teacher and coach, on being named high school assistant principal.

• **SIGNAL MOUNTAIN QUILTERS' GUILD**, which will have some beautifully hand-crafted quilts on display through the end of the month at the Heritage Museum.

• **EVERYONE** who participated in Monday's march honoring the late Dr. Martin Luther King Jr and to the VA Medical Center and Howard College, which held separate observances in his honor.

• **THE HARLEY OWNERS GROUP**, who raised \$1,500 in its annual *Big Spring* Cookoff last Saturday.

• **CARROLL JENNINGS**, out-going United Way of Big Spring and Howard County director, who was honored Thursday night in a surprise "roast" at the country club.

Is there an individual or organization in our community that you feel should be saluted? If so, please send us their name and why you think they should be recognized. We must have your name and telephone number and you must provide it in writing.

OTHER VIEWS

After weeks of innuendo and accusations that bordered on demagoguery, the debate surrounding attorney general nominee John Ashcroft has centered on a simple but important question: Can Americans trust that, as the nation's chief law enforcement officer, Mr. Ashcroft would enforce the law regardless of whether he agrees with it?

Critics say that they have concerns and contend that, while Mr. Ashcroft was attorney general of Missouri, he was more zealous in enforcing laws that he supported. Those critics, along with Democrats eager to make mischief with a Bush nominee, will attempt to use this week's confirmation hearings to paint the former Missouri senator as "anti-civil rights."

They cite his reservations about affirmative action and opposition to Ronnie White, a prominent black nominee to the federal bench.

They also point to his having battled with federal courts, as Missouri governor, over the desegregation of Kansas City schools.

What they don't take into account are the facts that Mr. Ashcroft voted to confirm 26 of 28 black judicial appointees before him, initiated the Martin Luther King Day observance in Missouri and supported the historically minority Lincoln College.

While John Ashcroft would not have been our first choice for attorney general, he is the choice of our president-elect. Mr. Bush has the right to select the Cabinet he chooses and the duty to stand by his selections during even the rockiest of confirmations.

If Mr. Ashcroft holds steady, much of the opposition will wither, and what does not will be revealed as nothing more than a critique of his politics by those who do not share them.

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Self-defeating regulation is the problem

When we conservatives are old and gray and hobbling about with canes, there is one thing that is certain — we will still be outraged at press bias.

The most recent example of their settled prejudices was on display last week in coverage of the California power problem. As everyone knows, Californians are being forced to endure rolling blackouts because the state's power supply is suffering a drastic shortage. Unreliable power is a mark of primitive countries. How did this come about in the largest state in the most prosperous and advanced country on earth?

The answer — if you believe *The New York Times*, ABC, CBS and the other outlets of liberal opinion, er, news — is "deregulation." National Public Radio even inserted this bit of "explanation" in its top-of-the-hour news highlights: "George Bush arrived in Washington today to begin inaugural festivities. ... California is suffering

rolling blackouts in response to a power shortage thought to have been caused by deregulation."

As former Delaware Gov. Pete du Pont explained in a cogent article in *The Wall Street Journal*, the problem with California's energy supply is not deregulation but the opposite — stupid, self-defeating regulation.

Yes, in 1996 the state enacted a regulatory scheme that partially deregulated electricity prices — but only at the wholesale level. So while power generators were able to increase and decrease the prices they charged utilities, the utilities were forbidden to pass the higher rates on to consumers. The legislature cut rates for electricity by 10 percent and then froze those prices for six years. Recently, wholesale prices for power have jumped. Pacific Gas and Electric was forced to purchase power out-of-state for \$1.7 billion but had to sell it to California consumers for only \$70 million. Guess what? The utilities have been squeezed to the point of bankruptcy. And Silicon Valley may yet see its liquid crystal displays go dark. California's energy usage has increased by 30 percent during the past decade while generated power has increased only 6 percent. Why? In part because a coalition of lefty environmentalists —

du Pont calls them "Bananas, "Build Absolutely Nothing Anywhere Near Anyone" — has made it impossible to build new power plants.

Nuclear power (cheap, safe) is anathema, of course, but the environmentalists have opposed even windmills on the grounds that they might damage birds. With retail prices frozen for six years (also courtesy of the California legislature), consumers have had no incentive to conserve. Producers have had little incentive to run the environmentalists' gauntlet to build new plants because prices were fixed not by the market but by politicians in Sacramento.

And so, surprise! California is suffering shortages. As Thomas Sowell (and every elementary economics text) has pointed out, in the absence of price controls, shortages are passing things. Consumers buy less and producers make more when prices rise. But if the price is not permitted to rise, consumers don't get the information that the commodity is scarce and do not conserve, and producers have no incentive to make it less so.

The result: shortages and rationing.

One might have thought that with the fall of the Soviet Union, these debates

about government interference in the market had been settled. Remember the joke: What happens after the communists take over the Sahara Desert? Answer: Nothing for 10 years and then a shortage of sand. But that object lesson was missed, as was the more recent reminder in the form of the S&L crisis. Recall that the federal government limited the interest S&Ls could charge for loans while interest rates were rising. Thrifts found themselves offering market rates for deposits but obliged to charge less than market rates for loans.

The result: bankruptcy. As for deregulation, when it is truly implemented (permitting prices to rise for utilities but not for consumers is not deregulation), whether in the trucking, airlines or package delivery markets, it has always resulted in greater competition and lower prices to consumers. This does not invalidate all government regulation of the private economy. Citizens like health and safety regulations, and expect the government to test foods, medicines and drugs for efficacy and safety.

But what Californians, to say nothing of the liberal media, should learn from this is that the laws of economics are not optional.



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YOUR VIEWS

TO THE EDITOR:

We want to say "thanks" to everyone that had the slightest part in the "Festival of Lights". The lights, silhouettes and sculptures have been taken down and put away for another year and we would like to report our Fourth Annual "Festival of Lights" as a success despite the nightly vandalism, theft of several items and icy weather. It was challenge to stay the course with all the handicaps, but we were pleased with the attendance of 14,000 visitors interviewed from 38 states.

An event such as this could not be possible without the help and support of all the wonderful people as follows: Al's and Sor Barbecue, Richard Atkins, B&M Fence Co., Darrell Reagan, Charles and Joan Bell, Carl Bradley, Cap Rock Energy, Choate Company, Ed and Vicki

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Spring Federal Correction, Cornell Correction, Wilderness Camp, First Church of the Nazarene, Alon (Fina) Oil & Chemical, Roy Worthy, Wayne Jones, Sam Knight, Howard College, Big Spring Police Dept., Skip Burcham, Big Spring Herald, Lyndel Moody, Michelle Wiggins, Janet Daylong, Jeanine Husky, Eunice Thixton, Pete Thiry, Tony and Michelle Uranga who decorated the Kids Zone and all the wonderful greeters.

Also, to my committee members that worked with a commitment to see this event brighten up the holidays, I say thanks! I am grateful to Tom Corwin who was always willing and on call for any electrical problems we encountered. How can I ever say the proper "thanks" to Bobby McDonald...my support at all times. He was

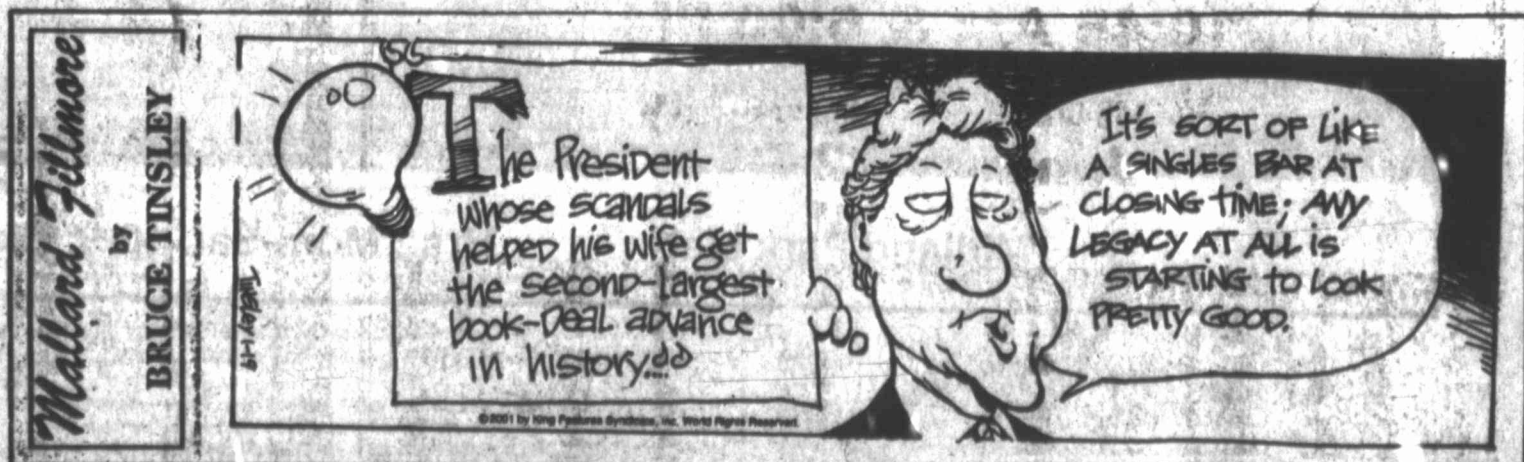
out most every night troubleshooting, replacing bulbs, repairing cut wires and doing the things needed to keep the lights on.

We have a vision for our lighting festival and we believe it can be the greatest lighting event in West Texas. To accomplish this we need more volunteers in all areas of operation.

It takes money, maintenance and manpower to have a successful operation, and without the help of the Wilderness Camp inmates it would not have reached this point. They have been a tremendous support.

We need people we can share our vision with who get as excited as we are. We need committed people to take charge of various areas and we will be looking at this in a new way this year.

PAT SIMMONS
CHAIRMAN



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Bush rules out federal intervention in California energy crisis

WASHINGTON (AP) — President-elect Bush ruled out federal intervention on electricity prices and discouraged any notion of a U.S. bailout to ease California's energy crisis on Thursday, saying state officials must "correct the law that has caused some of this to happen."

He said he was optimistic that the power interruptions in the nation's most populous state would not turn into a financial crisis that would spread throughout the country. Bush, a former oil man who campaigned for

increased energy production, noted that he was criticized during the campaign by environmentalists and yet "a lot of the harshest critics of a balanced environmental policy are beginning to have rolling blackouts in their communities."

In a wide-ranging interview with The Associated Press on the first day of his three-day inauguration celebration, Bush pledged to stick by his \$1.6 trillion tax cut program — but said he was open to speeding up its effective date as Republican leaders have suggested.

"The bill I'm sending up is the bill I campaigned on," he said, saying an across-the-board tax cut was only a matter of time. "I have a lot of work to do on the issue, but I believe we're going to get something done."

Turning to foreign policy, Bush said he believed he could persuade Russian President Vladimir Putin as well as European allies of the wisdom of allowing the United States to move ahead with a national missile defense system if he could just "look them in the eye."

Bush also said he would

maintain a hard line on Iraq's Saddam Hussein and was prepared to use military force, if necessary, to stop production of weapons of mass destruction.

The president-elect said he would not be surprised if Saddam were to test his resolve. "It's possible that he would, provoke, test. And we'll be ready," said the son of the president who drove Saddam's invasion forces from Kuwait.

He also said the United States "would react in a forceful way" against those who plotted the Oct. 12

bombing in Yemen of the USS Cole, which took the lives of 17 American sailors. He said he could not say whether U.S. intelligence officials had determined who was responsible.

Confident of his and Secretary of State-designee Colin Powell's diplomatic skills, Bush said he would try to keep alive now-troubled peace initiatives begun by President Clinton in the Middle East and Northern Ireland.

He said that, at least initially, Powell would be the point man in both trouble

spots, saying he did not plan to name special envoys — as Clinton had.

Bush seemed relaxed and animated in the hour-long interview in the Truman Room of the Blair House, the government's guest quarters across from the White House. Sipping on a diet cola, Bush said:

— He was "ready to go" on delivering his inaugural address, which he said would last a relatively brief 13 minutes. He said the speech would celebrate the nation's long tradition of peaceful transfers of power.

Legislature approves emergency action as more blackouts loom

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — California lawmakers scrambled to approve a \$400 million rescue plan in a desperate bid to keep power flowing as the state's energy crisis begins reverberating through the economy, threatening everything from milk supplies to gasoline deliveries.

The bill, passed Thursday night, allows the state to buy power on the open market and provide it to cash-strapped utilities at little cost. Gov. Gray Davis was expected to sign the measure today.

The action followed a second straight day of rolling blackouts that stretched from the Bakersfield area of central California to Oregon, 500 miles away. Power was turned off for about two hours to more than 675,000 California homes and businesses Thursday.

"I have a brand new baby. I'm worried about lights and heat," said Roland Plukas, 33, of Santa Monica. "I bought a flashlight yesterday, and I'm buying a bigger one today."

The power problems shut down the state's main gasoline pipeline and forced

farmers to dump milk because the dairy plants were operating on reduced hours.

Hospitals and airports were exempt from the outages. Utilities refused to disclose which areas were blacked out, but the effects were obvious: Traffic lights went out for a second day across the San Francisco Bay area. Computer screens went dark, heaters and bank machines were silent and lights went out in classrooms.

The measure approved by the Legislature is only expected to tide the state's energy-starved utilities over until a more permanent solution is found.

"It is in fact the best of a range of absolutely terrible options facing this body," Assemblywoman Sarah Reyes said before voting in favor of the bill. "This is a Band-Aid we're going to put on a bleeding body."

But with the energy crisis triggering rolling blackouts Wednesday and Thursday, legislators said they had little choice.

"We're troubled by what goes on in our state and we can only see it getting worse," Senate leader John Burton said.

Principi pledges to tackle veterans benefits

WASHINGTON (AP) — Veterans Affairs Secretary-designate Anthony Principi pledged to improve veterans' benefits and health care as lawmakers predicted his certain approval to head the agency.

"When you are confirmed — and in my judgment you should be and will be — our nation's veterans will depend on you," said Sen. John D. Rockefeller, D-W.Va., serving as chairman of the Senate Veterans Affairs Committee until Republicans return to the majority Saturday.

President-elect Bush's nominee to run the nation's veterans programs assured the committee at his Thursday confirmation hearing, "If I can make a difference for America's veterans, then my rewards will far outweigh any sacrifice I may make."

"And I do intend to make a difference," he said.

Principi said he planned to create a task force and conduct a complete review of the often slow and cumbersome veterans' benefits system.

"It may be necessary for VA to declare its own war on claims processing," said Principi, a deputy secretary in the department during the presidency of Bush's father and a former counsel to the Senate committee holding the hearing.

"I am not interested in abstract theories of veterans

benefits," Principi said. "I want hands-on practical solutions. I will not want to hear that problems are intractable because of the language of the law."

Principi comes to the agency at a time when many veterans are questioning the benefits system.

An analysis last year found that despite spending

more than \$200 million to upgrade its computers, the Veterans Benefits Administration — which distributes compensation for 3.2 million veterans and their survivors — takes longer to process claims than it did a decade ago.

According to the review, it takes an average of 205 days to complete an original dis-

ability claim, compared with 164 in 1991.

Principi also expressed support for a proposal that the Defense Department and Veterans Affairs join forces in some procurement efforts, including medicine purchases. He also promised to address concerns with the veterans' health care system.

Clinton thanks people for eight years

WASHINGTON (AP) — With less than two days remaining in his term, President Clinton told Americans goodbye, patted himself on the back and wished his successor well in meeting the nation's challenges at home and "leading freedom's march" in foreign lands.

Clinton said he was profoundly grateful for the chance to serve two terms — the first Democrat since Franklin D. Roosevelt to be elected twice. He boasted having led the nation through its longest economic expansion in history. Then he left Americans with his thoughts about the world, racial and ethnic unity and fiscal policy.

"In all the work I have done as president — every decision I have made, every executive action I have taken, every bill I have proposed and signed — I have

tried to give all Americans the tools and conditions to build the future of our dreams," Clinton said.

It was Clinton's 15th Oval Office address during his presidency, a turbulent eight years that brought prosperity along with a humiliating sex scandal and bitter impeachment battle. He made no mention of the Monica Lewinsky sex-and-lies scandal that will forever taint his legacy.

Across town, a group of conservatives gathered to celebrate Clinton's leaving. They sipped wine at a \$125-a-plate dinner organized by the Media Research Center, a conservative media-watchdog group.

"I've never seen a back I've found more attractive," Robert Bork said of Clinton. Bork, whose nomination to the Supreme Court was scuttled by Democrats in 1987, said he felt "a general

sense of jubilation" that the Clinton era was ending.

Clinton said the America he leaves behind is stronger than the one he came to Washington to lead in 1993. He boasted that his administration had achieved progress fighting crime, cleaning up the environment, preserving land, reducing welfare rolls and expanding college opportunities.

Clinton rattled off statistics to highlight economic prosperity: More than 22 million new jobs, the lowest jobless rate in 30 years, the highest homeownership rate ever.

Clinton said nothing about his plans after Bush is sworn in at noon Saturday.

He said he wished Bush all the best "in meeting these challenges and in leading freedom's march into this new century."

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CHURCH NEWS

Calvary Baptist

Calvary Baptist Church is located at 1200 West Fourth St. with Bro. Herb McPherson, pastor. Sunday school starts at 9:45 a.m. Worship service is at 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. Wednesday Bible Study is at 5 p.m.

The Sunday morning message will be an expository sermon on "Jesus Calls disciples" from Luke 5:1-11.

Thought for the day: If you are a Christian and able bodied and not attending church, why? If you cannot give a scriptural answer to this, you need to be in church this Sunday. You will find a warm welcome at Calvary Baptist!

First United Methodist Church

"Not Just Any Wedding" (John 2:1-11) is the title for Dr. Ed Williamson's mes-

sage on Sunday, Jan. 21, 2001, at the First United Methodist Church. Join us in church at 8:30 and 10:50 a.m.

A special service for kids age 4 to fifth grade is held every Sunday on the third floor immediately following the children's corner in the 10:50 a.m. service. This service gives children a chance to memorize scripture, do crafts and learn more about God's love for them.

The Kingdom Class Sunday school class will be accepting donations for its annual rummage sale. Call William at 263-1226 for pick-up or bring donated items to 1405 Wood. The funds will go to a charity voted on each week. Wednesday Noon Bible Study Luncheon meets in Garrett Hall.

Feb. 2-4 there will be a Mid High Retreat at CETA Canyon. Feb. 8-11 the youth will be going on a ski trip to Ruidoso. The cost is \$230, and it is not too late to sign up. The Chancel Choir meets

each Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. Youth handbell choir meets Sundays at 4 p.m. in the choir room; youth choir meets on Sunday at 6 p.m.

The church will be sponsoring an estate sale for the late Bee Zinn on Saturday, Jan. 27, in the Partee Building (Gregg Street Entrance). Robert Pruitt is the auctioneer. You can preview the items from 8-10 a.m. and the sale will begin at 10. Food and drinks will be available.

The First United Methodist Church is located at 400 Scurry and all visitors and new residents of Big Spring are welcome. Please call the church office, 267-6394, for more information.

Forsan Baptist

Join the Forsan Baptist Church family this Sunday as we worship and praise the Lord Jesus Christ. This Sunday Morning, Pastor Jeff Janca will be sharing a message from God's Word entitled, "The Road to

Revival. Sunday School begins at 9:45 a.m. followed by the morning worship service at 11 and the Evening Service at 6 p.m. Forsan Baptist has services for children, youth and adults every Wednesday night at 6.

Our church is located at 201 West Main St. in Forsan; call 457-2342.

St. Paul Lutheran Church

Here's a chance to keep your New Year resolution to grow closer to Jesus through small group Bible Study! We have new small group study opportunities starting soon.

On Thursday, Jan. 25, a 13 week study of Philippians will begin at 7 p.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Fellowship hall. The title of the study is "Joy Under Stress." Philippians is the letter of joy. This is not joy forged out of privilege and abundance. It is not the joy of people who have no problems to face; this is joy in

the midst of hard situations. Come and join this small group on Thursday nights with leader Lucille Moore.

On Jan. 31, Krista Stutz will begin a new Brown-Bag Ladies Lunch Bible Study. Join her group at noon Wednesdays in the Fellowship Hall for Beth Moore's "Breaking Free-Making Liberty in Christ a Reality in Life." This study leads you through the Scriptures to discover the transforming power of Christian freedom. The 20 week course will include a video, workbook and discussion. We have working women, single, home-school moms, professional women and all ages that attend this study.

Call 267-7163 for more information on what's going on at St. Paul Lutheran Church, 810 Scurry.

St. Mary's Episcopal Church

The Brotherhood of St.

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Pastors must speak up for what is right

In an article last Friday, the author suggested that pastors such as myself have been spinning our wheels when we speak out against homosexuality.

I can only speak for myself, but the reason that I have spoken out against homosexuality as being sin is because we have been overwhelmed by the news media, politicians, Hollywood stars, rock musicians, television programs and even some churches that are all promoting the homosexual agenda. They have been sharing a big lie to this world and this world has been swallowing their lie hook, line and sinker. I along with several other pastors have been trying to warn our community of this big lie because no one else has been willing to address this important issue.

Our children, young people and adults need to hear the other side of the story, which they are not getting from anywhere else. As a pastor, I have a responsibility that is declared in the Bible to "preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine."

As a pastor, God's Word tells us that part of our job description is to reprove and rebuke, that is, we are to correct and warn others. We are to encourage people to repent of their sins and turn to Christ for help.

Another reason why I speak out is a friend from my childhood, Scott, is a homosexual and is dying with AIDS. Scott bought the lie that many scientists, Hollywood stars and the news media promoted which said that they had found the gene that causes homosexuality. He told me about the "gene story" and that God made him that way.

I remember when the news media first told that story. It was on every television program, newspaper, magazine and talk show. Homosexuals were saying, "See I told you, it's not my fault I'm gay."

Two years later only one news program, the CBS Morning Show, reported the real truth. The scientists had made some mistakes in their findings and they did not find that gene after all. That story was buried. Where were the front page articles heralding the real truth? They were nowhere to be found.

I had a friend whose name was Alex. Alex had chosen to be homosexual. He later realized that it was wrong and that he needed to be free from this sin. He gave his life to Christ.

Alex later met a fine Christian woman and mar-

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JEFF JANCA

Pipe organ business is ministry to owners

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — Just before Pope John Paul II's visit to the United States in 1987, workers at a Miami cathedral had made all the preparations, including spray-painting the grass green. The only problem was the pipe organ.

Sometimes it played, sometimes it didn't. Sometimes it played by itself when notes stuck.

So the Miamians called Phil Minnick and Robert Bunn, who started a pipe organ business in a basement in Columbus, to make the repairs.

"It was a speechless moment," Minnick says about seeing the pope. "I could tell that he loved the sounds of the organ by the expression on his face, the way he applauded the organist. I can't even describe it."

The two owners of Bunn-Minnick Company Pipe Organs wish that everyone showed the kind of excitement the pope did at hearing the boom of a centuries-old pipe organ.

They and some of their 25 employees say working with instruments of worship brings together their jobs and faith.

"It's a relief from the modern world," says Minnick, speaking of the organ's unique, medieval sound.

Some churches opt for electronic or digital organs, but the sound is not the same. Besides, electronic components and plastic keys wear out over time.

So some churches still opt for pipe organs, even though they can cost \$250,000 to \$500,000.

Bunn and Minnick's 31-year-old company has long since moved out of Robert Bunn's basement and into a large three-story building cluttered with hunks of poplar and lead pipes. The company, one of about 100 pipe organ makers of its size nationwide, is booked with orders and restoration work nearly two years in advance.

Religion plays a central role in their work, Bunn and

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Church restored as reminder of destruction

GOLDEN POND, Ky. (AP) — Some of the churches were moved. Some were bulldozed and the piles of rubble burned.

When the federal government in the 1960s moved residents and demolished their homes and businesses to create the Land Between the Lakes recreational area, not even places of worship were allowed to remain.

Except St. Stephen, a century-old Catholic church nestled amongst hills and tall trees. It was saved during the demolition process — most likely because it was forgotten. It had sat empty since the early 1940s.

Now a group of mostly former residents is preserving it as a memorial to the more

than 40 area churches where residents once congregated for weddings, funerals and Sunday services.

"We all see our own church in this church here," said Ray Parish, president of Between the Rivers Inc., the organization that initiated the project.

"We don't feel much better about the government, but we feel better about ourselves by doing this project," said Parish, 49, of Grand Rivers.

The Land Between the Lakes is an inland peninsula in western Kentucky and Tennessee that was formed

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CLUB NEWS

1941 Study Club

The 1941 Study Club met in the home of Sherry Rowden on Jan. 8, 2001.

There were twelve members present. President Shelly Phinney asked members Helen Shive, Mildred Buchanan and Sue Tindol to form a nominating committee for next year's officers. They will present their nominations at our February meeting.

The meeting was turned over to Jean Wynn, who introduced our guest for the evening, Sharon Smith, RMT, owner of Tranquility Professional Massage talked to us about massage therapy and some of the health benefits it can provide. She told us about Reiki, Jin-Chi and aromatherapy. She demonstrated the technique of Reiki on several members. After her demonstrations, refreshments were served by Sherry Rowden and Wanda Wolf. Our next meeting will be on Feb. 5.

Sands Springs Lions Club

The Sand Springs Lions Club met Monday with Ben Boadle, president, presiding.

Dr. Clark McDaniel was introduced as our guest speaker. McDaniel told of his early childhood days growing up in a small town outside of Chicago. Family was very important to him and he decided at an early age he was going to be a doctor.

He told of the changes in the medical profession and how these changes would affect us in the future and of the tremendous pressure that is put on doctors today.

McDaniel came to Texas in 1979 to practice medicine in a more leisurely fashion. He still believes in making house calls and sometimes even uses a horse and buggy and the barter system. He came from a med-

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Christianity still world's biggest religion, major reference book reports

NEW YORK (AP) — Christianity remained the world's biggest religion while Islam and the non-religious population posted notable increases in the 20th century, according to a major religious reference book.

Hinduism showed a slight gain relative to world population during the century, but Buddhism and Judaism lost ground. The biggest declines occurred among traditional ethnic creeds, especially in China and Africa.

The trends are reported in the second edition of the "World Christian Encyclopedia" (Oxford University Press), a compilation of statistical estimates and descriptions for each religious group in each nation.

"Christianity has become the most extensive and universal religion in history," the encyclopedia states, and has a majority of the population in two-thirds of the world's 238 countries.

In addition, "Christianity has become massively accepted as the religion of developing countries in the so-called Third World."

Even so, no one in 1900 would have predicted the sweeping defections from Christianity that took place "in Western Europe due to secularism, in Russia and later Eastern Europe due to Communism, and in the Americas due to materialism," the book says.

Christianity began and ended the century as the world's biggest religion, the encyclopedia says, with 555 million believers in 1900 or 32.2 percent of world population and 1.9 billion or 31 percent as of last year.

Counted Christians are divided among 33,820 denominations or similar distinct organizations. Some 386 million believers are in "independent" churches apart from the historic Catholic, Orthodox, Anglican and Protestant

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branches, the book reports. Christians counted as belonging to other groups have quadrupled since 1970, with huge increases noted among Pentecostal and Charismatic movements.

Islam ranks second, and during the last century grew from 200 million or 12.3 percent of population to 1.2 billion or 19.6 percent.

The total for non-religious people increased from a negligible 3 million in 1900 to today's 768 million or 12.7 percent of the world population.

Other current totals: Hinduism, 811 million; Buddhism, 360 million; Sikhism, 23 million; and Judaism, 14 million.

In the United States, while there is considerable disagreement over numbers for non-Christian religions, the encyclopedia lists 5.6 million Jews, 4.1 million Muslims — a more than fourfold increase in 30 years, 2.4 million Buddhists and 1 million Hindus. There are 192 million people in U.S. Christian groups.

The lead editor of the 1,700-page work is the Rev. David B. Barrett of Richmond, Va. He has specialized in religious demographics since 1957 and leads the Global Evangelization Movement, a research center in Richmond, Va., that collects its data from a wide variety of sources.

STATEWIDE CHURCH NEWS

DALLAS (AP) — The National Church Arson Task Force has sent agents to join North Texas firefighters in investigating the torching of an Episcopal church. The blaze early Wednesday at the Episcopal Church of the Resurrection caused an estimated \$1 million in damage. There were no injuries, but church members said paintings and other valuables were lost in the blaze.

Created in 1996 after a series of fires and bombings at churches, the task force investigates all blazes at houses of worship.

No arrests have yet been made. Witnesses said the fire appeared to start about 1 a.m. in the sound room of the parish hall, then spread through the church sanctuary.

Church leaders are creating a makeshift sanctuary to house Sunday services. A structural engineer who examined the sanctuary found damage there, said fire Lt. Doug Dickerson.

"We'll do whatever it takes to keep on going," Gordon Frederick, head of pastoral care at the church, said. "We're hoping some things can be saved."

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

55 ALIVE/MATURE DEFENSIVE Driving Class will be held on Jan. 30 and 31 from 9 a.m. til 2 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Senior. This class is taught by certified instructors. Those who participate in the classes must attend both days. There will be a \$10 fee. To preregister please call 267-1628.

AMERICAN LEGION POST 506 will have a fish fry Saturday from noon-3 p.m. at 3203 West Highway 80. Carry out and delivery will be available. Cost is \$6 a plate. Everyone welcome. Call 263-2084.

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Andrew will have their monthly meeting and breakfast on Saturday, Jan. 20, starting at 8 a.m. in the Parish Hall.

The Episcopal Church Women will hold their annual meeting on Sunday, Jan. 21, 11:45 a.m. in the church.

The Canterbury Board meets on Monday, Jan. 22, 5:15 p.m. at Canterbury South.

St. Mary's Inquirer's Class will meet on Wednesday, Jan. 24, 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

First Assembly of God

Pastor R.T. Havener and the congregation of the First Assembly of God Church located at Fourth and Lancaster would like to invite you to join them for an exciting week of worship.

Pastor Havener will be speaking in both services this Sunday. During the next six weeks each Sunday evening at 6 the messages will be on "Prophetic End Time Events". Some of the subjects will be "The Tribulation", "Armageddon", "The Man of Sin", "The Mark of the beast", and others.

On Wednesday at 7 p.m. Pastor Havener will be ministering on the "Gifts of the Spirit."

Midway Baptist

Midway Baptist Church would love to invite you to our services this Sunday. We will begin with Sunday morning Bible study at 9:45 a.m., followed by our morning worship service at 11 a.m.

This Sunday's guest speaker will be Mike Seay. He will be preaching both in the morning service and the evening service at 7 p.m. Come out and worship with us this Sunday!

First Christian

Dr. Jimmy Watson, pastor

of First Christian, will preach the sermon, "The Inauguration of the Gospel" at the 10:45 morning worship service. The sermon is based on Luke 4:14-21, the account of Jesus standing up to read from the Book of Isaiah. Chi-Rho and JYF youth groups will meet with Ricky Simpson, youth director, at 4 p.m., Sunday evening.

On Wednesday night, Jan. 24, First Christian will host a Wednesday night schedule of food, fun and fellowship beginning at 5:30 p.m. There will be youth activities included.

First Church of the Nazarene

Revival services start Sunday at 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m., Monday through Wednesday at 7 p.m.

The speaker is the Rev. Jerry Ferguson, Los Angeles District Superintendent in the Church of the Nazarene.

The Rev. Robert Brooks, former minister of music at the local church, now serving in Topeka, Kan., will do the praise and worship.

Sunday morning will include children's activities for ages K-4, and a nursery is always available for those younger.

First Church of the Nazarene is refocusing its service schedule and will go back to offering a single service on Sunday mornings. Sunday school and Bible study is at 9:30, friendship and coffee time at 10:25 and worship at 10:45.

Alan Wallace, who has served the church in worship ministries for four years, will be leaving to take a senior pastor position at Lubbock Monterey Church of the Nazarene beginning March 1.

A church-wide appreciation and farewell potluck dinner on Feb. 18 after the morning service in the gym. Friends and family members are all invited.

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ical family and plans to practice medicine until he is 85.

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ried. Alex later found out that he had AIDS. Both he and his wife began a ministry to homosexuals and to those with AIDS, sharing with them that Jesus Christ could set them free from the sin of homosexuality and other sins.

My friend Alex died. What he had sown in his earlier years eventually caught up with him. Yes, Christ had forgiven him, but there were consequences to his previous actions.

Why do I speak out? Simply, I do not want people to make the same mistakes that Alex and Scott have made. I want people to know the truth that contrary to popular opinion, homosexuality is still sin and there is hope and help in Jesus Christ.

Another reason why I speak out is that many in Hollywood and in the homosexual community have been saying that Jesus and his disciples were all homosexuals. They say this is not based on any evidence but because they want to try to justify their sinful behavior.

Big Spring Art Association

Bonita Lyght presided at

the Big Spring Art Association Jan. 16, meeting. A plaque was presented to Khatuna Buzell for winning People's Choice award at the Membership Show. Speaker Judy Gibbs presented guidance needed for the careful selection of colors.

Jean Money won Tipping of the Brush Contest and her oil painting will be displayed at the Citizens Credit Union. Lyght's will be at First Big Spring Banking Center, Gibbs' paintings will be at the courthouse annex and Dell's Cafe, Elnora Hart's will be at Al's Bar-B-Q, Kay Smith's will be at the Chamber of Commerce and Laurie Petersen's picture will be at Santa Fe Sandwiches.

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Minnick say. They call it a ministry.

Above the entrance to the building is written: "Soli Deo Glori," a Latin phrase that Bach inscribed on his manuscripts. It means, "To God alone, the glory."

The building even has a chapel. The cross above a small altar is made of the wood from a utility pole that carried power into the building, which in the early 20th century housed a com-

pany that made steel oil derricks.

Bunn worries about finding younger workers to continue the craft.

One younger worker drawn to the spiritual craft is Scott Gorsuch, 38, a rock guitarist and cabinet maker. Gorsuch sets the pitch of the pipes, making slight adjustments in their openings to give them their voice. He sees himself as an ambassador as he introduces his rock audiences to an older sound.

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when the Cumberland and Tennessee Rivers were impounded to create Kentucky Lake and Lake Barkley. It is about 90 miles north of Nashville.

Today, the 170,000-acre area, which contains a wildlife preserve, is visited by 2 million people annually for activities such as hunting, boating, camping and horseback riding, according to the U.S. Forest Service.

It was created in 1963 by President Kennedy as a federal demonstration project to show how a parcel of land could be converted into a recreational area to stimulate economic growth by returning it to a natural state and erasing evidence that people ever resided in the area.

To do so, about 700 families were moved, said Kathy Harper, spokeswoman for the Forest Service — the

agency that took control of the area from the Tennessee Valley Authority in 1999.

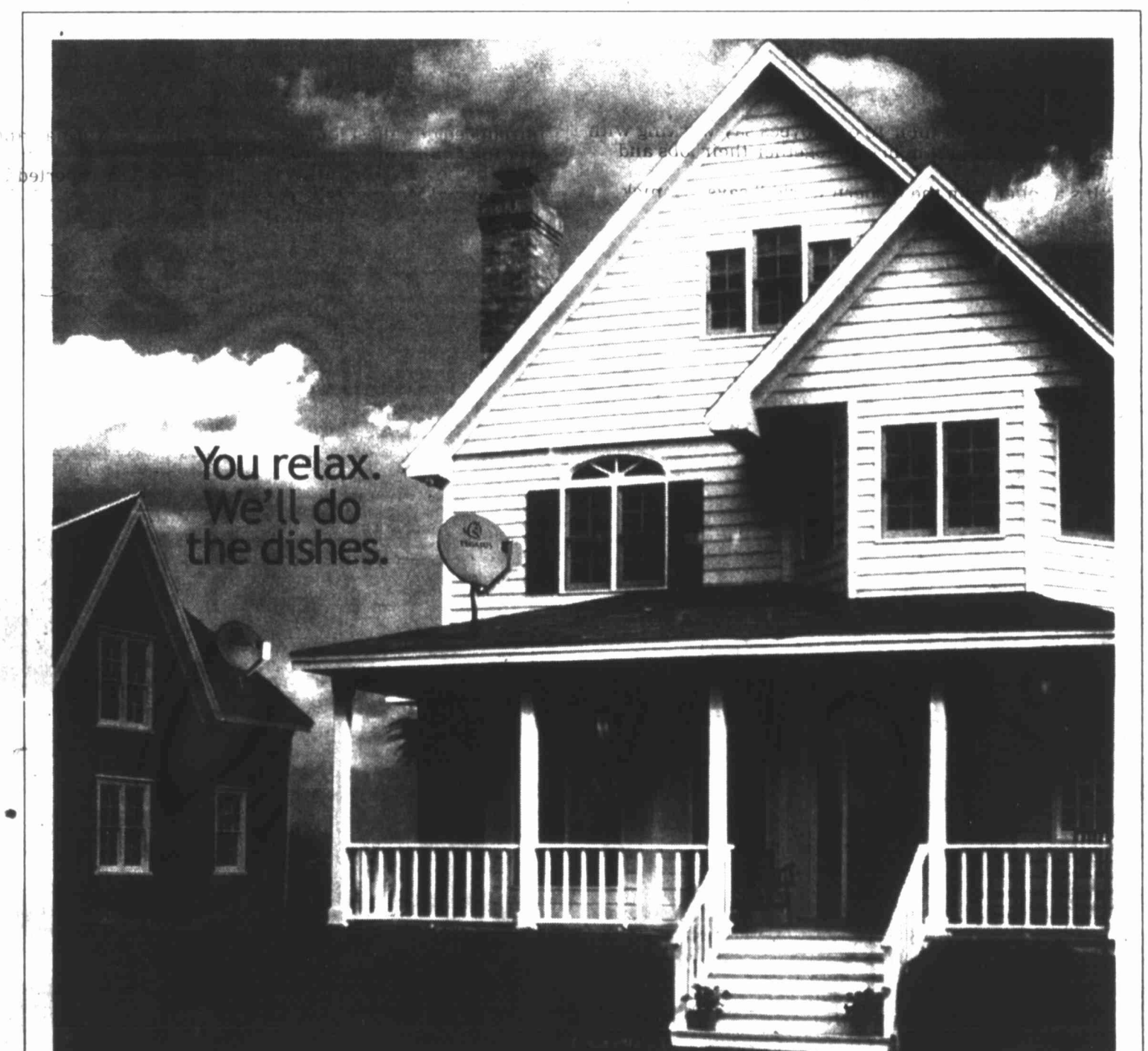
Houses were torn down or moved, along with businesses. Churches with names like Hematite Methodist, Jenny Ridge Holiness and Carmack Baptist were among those removed.

The decision wasn't without controversy.

Many in the area's close-knit communities objected to the use of eminent domain to build a recreation area.

"We were native to the place and our sense of identity is tied to the place," Nickell said. "We feel like we belong there as much as the rocks or trees or anything else."

Some people asked that the churches be allowed to remain intact, but TVA officials objected, Nickell said. Only the area's 250 cemeteries were undisturbed.



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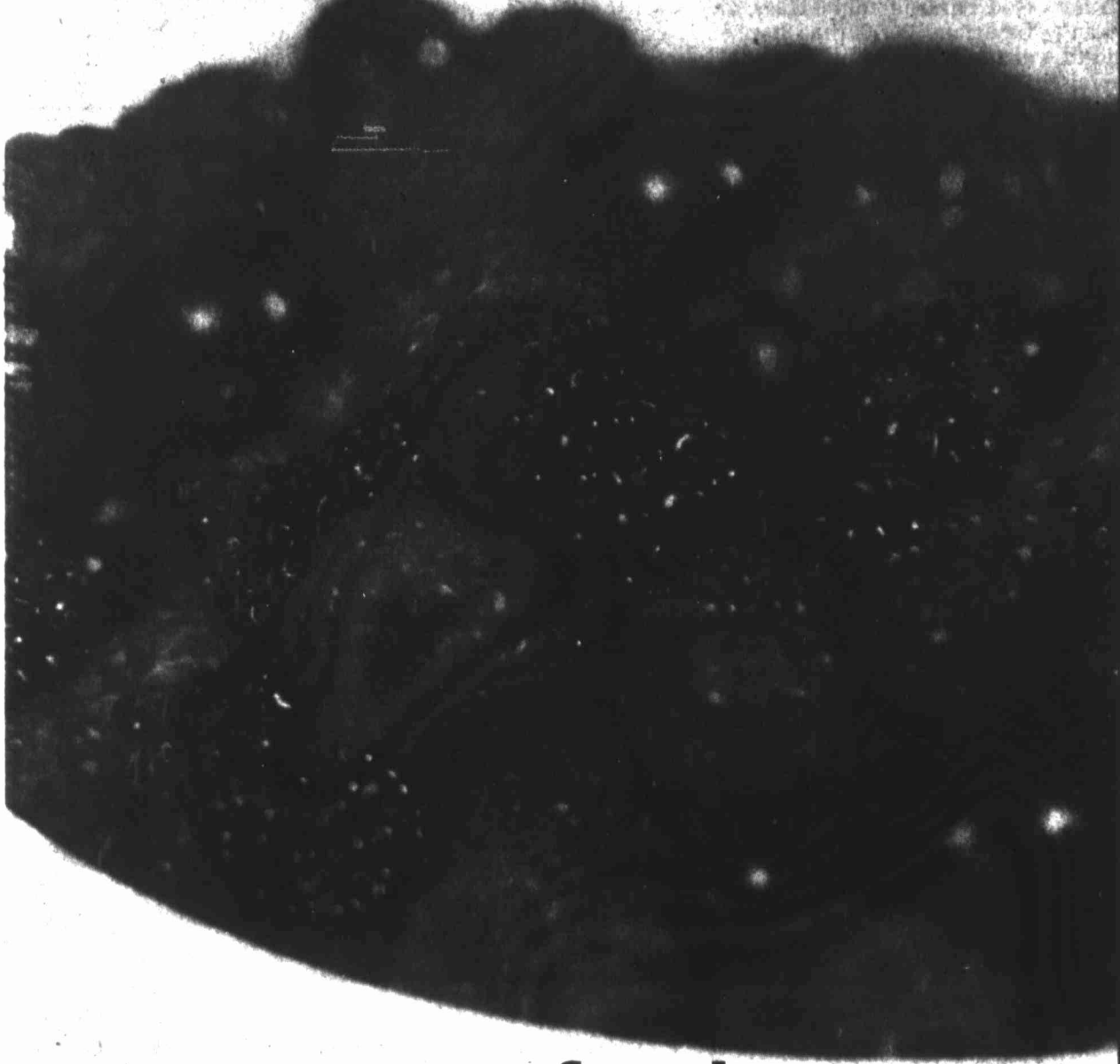
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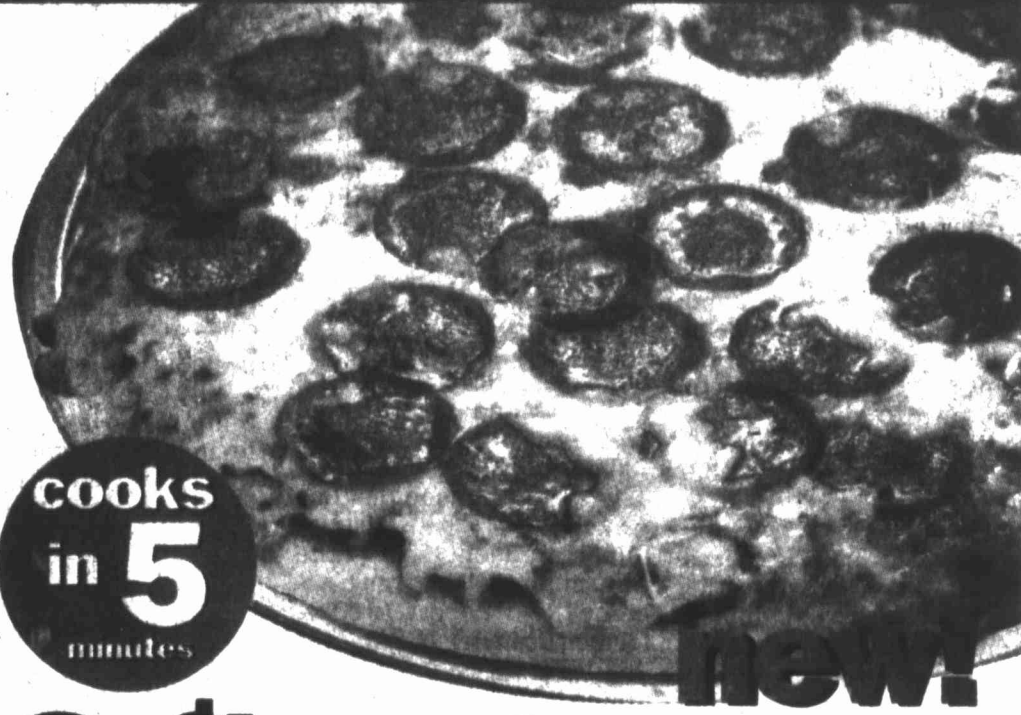
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The American League will have a meeting at 7 p.m. at LaContesa Salon. Anyone interested in running for the should attend. For more info call Robby Wegner at 267-14.

Lady Hawk so set to meet b

The Howard Lady Hawks softball team has scheduled its first meeting at 7 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 27, in the Student Building's Cactus Room. Meals will be served and those players who cannot attend should call Reed at 264-5040.

Sign-up for ad volleyball leag

An organization for women's volleyball will be formed Monday at the H-E-B store. Adults interested in joining a team to play volleyball should call the YMCA at 264-5040.

Laker Girls so to appear at

Odessa College cheerleaders will appear at the College Hawks game on Friday, Jan. 26. The cheerleaders will be wearing their new uniforms. The game will be at 7 p.m. at the Odessa College Gymnasium. Admission is free. For more information call the YMCA at 264-5040.

Area coaches to transmit s

The Herald is conducting a survey of area coaches to determine the best way to transmit sports information. Coaches are asked to provide copies of their schedules for the 2001 season to do so as soon as possible. Rosters and schedules can be faxed to the Herald at 264-7205.

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6 p.m.
• Steers at Frisco (VG, VB)

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American LL slates meeting for Monday

The American Little League will have an open meeting at 7 p.m. Monday at LaContesa Beauty Salon.

Anyone interested in running for the board should attend.

For more information, call Robby or Twila Wegner at 267-1440.

Lady Hawk softballers set to meet boosters

The Howard College Lady Hawks softball team has scheduled its meeting to gather with boosters for 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 27, in the Student Union Building's Cactus Room.

Meals will be \$5.25 each and those planning to attend should call Betty Reed at 264-5040.

Sign-up for adult volleyball league

An organizational meeting will be held on Monday at the YMCA for adults interested in registering a team to play volleyball.

Two leagues are being formed — Co-Rec & Ladies Power.

Registration forms are available at the YMCA.

League play is expected to begin the week of Jan. 29. Registration fee is \$100 per team.

For more information call the YMCA at 267-8234.

Laker Girls scheduled to appear at OC game

Odessa College officials have provided Howard College Hawks fans with added incentive to follow the Hawks and Lady Hawks on the road when they take on the Wranglers and Lady Wranglers on Thursday, Feb. 22.

Not only will fans be able to watch two games pitting top-flight Western Junior College Athletic Conference contenders, but the Laker Girls — the Los Angeles Lakers' cheerleaders — will perform during the games.

The Herald will be giving away 50 general admission tickets for the Feb. 22 games on a first-come, first-served basis.

Area coaches asked to transmit schedules

The Herald is asking all Crossroads area basketball coaches who have not provided copies of their varsity schedules and rosters for the 2000-2001 season to do so as quickly as possible.

Rosters and schedules can be faxed to the attention of Kamillah Ward at 264-7205.

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Noon — Australian Open, ESPN, Ch. 30.

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NHL
7 p.m. — Pittsburgh Penguins at Dallas Stars, ESPN, Ch. 30.

SKIING
11 p.m. — FS, World Cup, ESPN, Ch. 30.

High school junior humble about scoring 101 points in game

CLEVELAND (AP) — If Cedrick Hensley is bursting with pride about scoring 101 points during a high school basketball game, he's not showing it.

"It's just another game. My goal in basketball is to get better in practice. I need to improve on my game, on my shooting," the 17-year-old Heritage Christian Academy junior from Texas City said Thursday.

His voice at times barely rose above a loud whisper as he discussed his accomplishment — a feat not done in more than two decades.

Coach Jerome Tang said he isn't surprised by his player's reaction to Tuesday's scoring outburst in Heritage Christian's 178-28 victory over Banff Christian School of

Tomball, Heritage, a 122-student private school.

"He takes it real cool. He's not a kid with a big head. He's pretty quiet," Tang said.

Tang said he was taken aback by Hensley's accomplishment. "I'm in awe of it."

Hensley became the 14th boys' basketball player to score at least 100 points, according to the National High School Sports Record Book.

His performance on Tuesday came the same night that DaJuan Wagner, who has averaged more than 47 points this season, scored 100 points during a game in Camden, N.J. — the first such tally in 22 years.

"We just wanted to give him a chance to make history," said Hensley teammate Lamar Hurd, who had 32 assists in the game. "Nobody could stop him from getting a basket. He came out so quick at the start of the game. I knew he could make it. Everybody on the team was pushing for him."

The 6-foot-4 Hensley credits his teammates.

"They just told me to run the flow and they would give (the ball) to me like a present," Hensley said. "I really wasn't thinking about (scoring 100 points). I was just thinking of having fun."

Tang said his team just wanted to let Hensley play as much of the game as possible and let him score

50 points before undergoing minor surgery on Friday. Hensley did not wish to describe the surgery, which will have him out for about two weeks.

Tang's plan was to have Hensley play the entire game. His starters were to play the first half and his freshmen would play the second half.

"I never thought 100 points was going to happen until four minutes to go in the third quarter when he had 70 points," Tang said.

Tang said he talked to the opposing coach twice during the game to make sure everything was OK. "It was not about trying to run up the points," he said. "It wasn't meant to hurt or embarrass anyone."

Hawks, Lady Hawks split with Midland

Tarver, Mattear lead way in 62-59 win over Chaps

JOHN A. MOSELEY
Managing Editor

It was everything it was supposed to be.

Howard College's Hawks battled their way to a knock down, drag out 62-59 win over Midland College's Chaparrals in Western Junior College Athletic Conference (WJCAC) basketball action Thursday night at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

Freshman post Darius Mattear iced the win with a pair of pressure-packed free throws with 6.52 seconds remaining, thwarting a Midland rally that saw the Chaps erase a nine-point Howard lead in the final three minutes and take a 59-58 lead.

"It was your typical Howard-Midland game," a clearly relieved Hawks head coach Tommy Collins said after seeing his team escape the Chaps' late rally.

"This was a must win for us," Collins added. "It was so important because our mentality has been so fragile. The last thing we needed was to start conference play with an 0-2 record."

Instead, the Hawks improved their record to 7-11 overall and 1-1 in WJCAC play as they prepare for Monday's long trip to Borger where they'll take on Frank Phillips' Plainsmen at 8 p.m.

Midland, which had opened WJCAC play with a win over Frank Phillips on Monday, dropped to 12-6 overall and 1-1 in conference play with the loss.

Collins admitted that his biggest concern was his young team's hesitancy at crunch time.

"We've played several games this year against really good, ranked teams where we were in the same position we were in tonight," he explained. "We'd have a lead and then get tentative going down the stretch."

"You can't try not to lose," Collins added. "That was what we kept trying to get across to these guys. If you do that, you'll lose every time. You have to make plays to win."

"Our biggest problem," he continued, "is that these kids don't really have any way to understand when we (he and his staff) talk about Howard's tradition and how hard you have to work to win in this conference. But they got the idea tonight and that's important."

Mattear, who finished the night with 17 points, made it clear he understood what Collins and the Hawks staff had been stressing.

"It was embarrassing when we lost Monday (at New Mexico Military Institute)," Mattear said after nailing the two free throws that iced the win. "That wasn't Hawks basketball. Coach Collins made that clear and we've spent a lot of time this week looking at



Howard College's Zacherie Moss (42) posts up against Midland's Quannas White (4) during the Hawks' 62-59 WJCAC win over the Chaparrals Thursday night. Moss was one of three Howard players to finish the game in double figures, as he scored 11 points.

WJCAC STANDINGS

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Arizona welcomes Olson back with 71-58 win over USC

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — Coach Lute Olson was welcomed back with a rousing standing ovation at the McKale Center and shouts of "Luuuute."

His 17th-ranked Arizona Wildcats responded by giving him one of their best performances of the season in a 71-58 victory over No. 24 Southern California.

When it was over, Olson couldn't hide the emotion of his first game back following the death of his wife of 47 years, Bobbi, to ovarian cancer on Jan. 1.

Someone asked if he felt her presence at the game.

"We have been together so long," Olson said, his voice cracking with emotion, "that her presence is always there."

After being away for five games, Olson wondered all day if he was

ready to go back on the sidelines.

The court has since been renamed "Lute and Bobbi Olson Court," and the seat she always used was left empty.

"I felt very ready as far as being in the practice situation. It didn't take long to adjust to that," Olson said. "But just thinking of coming out here with the crowd the way I figured they would be early, and the name on the court and an empty seat over there — that was the hardest thing to think about."

Olson said he came back because he felt his players and his coaching staff needed him.

"This has been a really difficult year for our players to this point," he said. "I just feel like we need some stability now."

Gilbert Arenas scored 18 points and Jason Gardner 17, including 12

in the last 6 minutes on two 3-pointers and 6-of-6 free throws, for Arizona (11-5, 4-1 Pac-10). He also had six assists and no turnovers. Richard Jefferson also scored 17 points, matched his season high with eight rebounds and had seven assists. Michael Wright added 13 points.

It was the third consecutive double-digit victory for Arizona following its home loss to Stanford.

"I really like the feel of where this team is right now," Olson said.

Sam Clancy had 23 points for the Trojans (12-4, 2-2), who lost their second in a row. David Bluthenthal added 14 points, but only three in the second half.

The Wildcats, who play UCLA on Saturday, outscored USC 11-3 in the final 3 minutes to beat the Trojans in Tucson for the 16th time in a

row.

Olson was back on the sidelines after a five-game absence. Arizona was 3-2 while he was gone, 3-1 in Pac-10 play.

"It felt good to know he was here," Wright said. "He is a great teacher. He makes you want to play harder when he is out there."

The long ovation he received was just the latest in an outpouring of affection for the woman who had been the outgoing partner to the sometimes aloof coach.

"This community has been tremendous," Olson said. "The kind of reaction has really helped our entire family get through this."

Arizona took the lead for good 7 minutes into the game and was up by as many as 13 in the first half. But the Trojans came back to cut the lead to two in the second half.

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LADY HAWKS

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was its play inside the paint and its free throw percentage, shooting 64 percent for the game.

Midway through the first half, the Lady Hawks used mini runs at the basket by Gantt and Karmika Freney to close the Lady Chaps' lead to 20-13. But the back-to-back turnovers hurt the Lady Hawks as Midland capped their own runs with a 12-point lead going into halftime with Howard trailing 46-34.

At one point in the first half, the Lady Hawks had a chance to cut the lead to five points with a 3-pointer by Lindsey Smith. But the basket didn't count and instead an offensive foul was charged to Taneshia Harris, which led to a 10-point turnaround for the Lady Chaps.

The second half would be just as unkind as the first with the Lady Hawks trailing by 10-15 points throughout much of the period.

As if things weren't already against them, the Lady Hawks lost Karmika Freney for the remainder of the game when she suffered a sprained ankle.

That must have sparked something in the Lady Hawks' play because just a few minutes later, Mathiew's drive to the basket as part of a 13-2 run would cut Midland's lead to six points with 11 minutes to play.

Midland used a 14-6 run capped by Chanovia Rhodes' 3-point play at the basket to lead, 71-59, with 51/2f minutes remaining.

After that sequence, the closest the Lady Hawks would get was nine points, but a misread at the basket would lead to another 3-point play for the Lady Chapparrals.

Midland was led by Chanovia Rhodes with 19 points. Amisha Carter added 13 points, while Charie Sutherland chipped in with 12.

The Lady Hawks put four players in double figures. Along with Gantt's 23 points and Mathiew's 15, Shamieka Buckley provided 14 and Vanessa Lehmann chipped in 10.

The Lady Hawks dropped to 8-10 on the season with the loss. They next travel to Borger where they face Frank Phillips' Lady Plainsmen at 6 p.m. Monday.

MIDLAND 82, LADY HAWKS 69
Midland — Lena Samilton 35 34 9; Loren Mostacia 46 0 0 8; Levi Martin 13 2 4 4; Delfiah Gray 25 2 4 7; Heidi Lange 0 2 2 3 2; Amisha Carter 35 7 12 13; Courtney Feagler 1 3 0 3; Veronique Alessa 0 2 3 2; Cherrish Carter 0 2 1 2; Chanovia Rhodes 7 9 5 8 19; Sylvia Butler 13 0 0 2; Charie Sutherland 24 6 8 12; Totals 24 49 30 47 82.
Howard — Taneshia Harris 0 0 0 0; Vanessa Lehmann 5 9 0 0; Shaniqua Campbell 0 2 0 0; Lori Stewart 0 0 0 0; Lindsey Smith 13 0 0 3; Taneshia Thomas 13 0 2 2; Karmika Freney 13 0 0 2; Grace Gantt 9 12 5 8 23; Latasha Mathiew 6 8 2 3 15; Shamieka Buckley 35 8 10 14; Chris Carmichael 0 0 0 0; Totals 26 45 15 21 69.
Halftime score: Midland 46, Howard 34.
Three-point goals: Midland 4 (Gray, Feagler, Sutherland, 2), Howard 2 (Smith, Mathiew).
Fouls: Midland 20, Howard 27. Technical fouls: Wells. Fouled out: Lehmann, Harris. Records: Midland 18 1, 1-0; Howard 8 10, 0-1.

Jeter, Rivera asking Yanks for millions

NEW YORK (AP) — Derek Jeter asked for an \$18.5 million, one-year contract on another day for baseball salary records, and Yankees teammate Mariano Rivera was right behind with a \$10.25 million request.

Atlanta outfielder Andruw Jones asked for \$8.2 million as 63 players exchanged figures with their teams in salary arbitration Thursday.

Twenty-seven players, meanwhile, agreed to contracts. Toronto right-hander Esteban Loaiza got the biggest deal, \$10.3 million, for two years.

A pair of players eligible for free agency after next season settled on large one-year contracts. Los Angeles pitcher Chan Ho Park agreed at \$9.9 million and Oakland outfielder Johnny Damon, acquired from Kansas City last week, agreed to \$7.1 million.

Yankees officials and Jeter's agent, Casey Close, spoke throughout the day about a multi-year contract. The progress, according to a person familiar with the talks.

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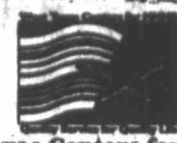
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The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
**** Take a stab at something totally different. A friend cheers you on as you head into new territory. You make strong decisions, especially involving a near or possible purchase. A spontaneous invitation comes your way. Say yes. Tonight: Party.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
**** What you thought was a piece of cake might need work. The unexpected runs rampant. Work with someone, with an eye to building greater communication and security. Your solid ways prove to be a magnet for another. Knowing when to

let go is instrumental. Tonight: An old-fashioned date.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
**** Others present a myriad of ideas and invitations. Know when to say no, but also know when to say yes. Your instincts guide you with unexpected news. Don't worry so much about a risk. You, of all signs, know how to adapt and flex. Your smile and charisma draw admirers. Tonight: You can have it all.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
**** Relax with the moment, and stop pushing. A partner or associate could surprise you with unexpected behavior. Understand what is happening with this person. You could opt to change plans, but wherever you are, you have a good time. Tonight: Know when to say you've had enough!

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
**** You cannot seem to do enough for another. Erratic but exciting behavior marks a key relationship. Add your special sense of fun and frivolity. Know when to drop seriousness. A friend brings wonderful news. Get together with friends, whether for a favorite sport or just for a chat. Tonight: Kick up your heels.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
**** Put up your feet. Remember, you have reason to relax and get plenty of R&R. You express your

ingenuity with a hobby or pastime. Work on letting go of barriers. Someone you respect delivers good news. You discover that anything is possible. Tonight: Be a couch potato.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
**** Everyone needs time to be a kid again. Accept your carefree side, and allow yourself to play and enjoy. Someone listens carefully to your ideas. You feel valued. Hop in the car for a day trip. You discover that anything is possible. A new friendship takes an odd turn. Tonight: Catch up on others' news.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
*** You might need to calm a loved one who is feeling upset or insecure. You might not have all the answers, but you come up with many. A partner whom you have come to trust comes through one more time. Do something special for this true friend. Tonight: Make a favorite meal.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
**** Family makes your day. Let another dote on you. Communicate what is really on your mind. Another loves hearing your news. Get together with a group of friends. You don't have to go far. Tonight: You get what you want.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
*** Take your time making plans, especially if you feel ambivalent about what others want to do. Your energy grows as the hours pass. Get into a favorite pastime that helps you relax. In

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fact, you might want to check out a membership at a gym or take lessons in a new sport. Tonight: Don't make it too late.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
**** Your sense of fun emerges. Though you surprise others once more, it is clear how popular you are. Others adore your company. Let your imagination come out with a loved one or a new romantic interest. A friendship could develop into more. Tonight: Go for what you want.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
**** Call an older relative who cares a lot about you. Build a relationship through sharing more of your inner self. Your instincts help you zero in on what is going on with a key person in your life. You see life far differently once you two start talking. Stay close to home. Tonight: Recognize how many admirers you have.

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DEAR ABBY: Six years ago my mother died. A year after that, our father met a lady, "Alice," who made him very happy. My sister and I loved her from the start; our brother did not. Father has been engaged to this lovely lady for three years with our blessing.

Our brother decided that Dad had no right to happiness and has disowned the family over "that woman." We have all accepted our brother's decision not to be a part of the family.

The problem is, as time has gone on, our father spends less and less time with his children and grandchildren — who all live in the same town — and more and more time with her children and grandchildren. Dad now knows her granddaughter better than his own grandchildren.

During the past two years, he has spent both Thanksgiving and Christmas with her children. Dad and Alice show up to spend an hour or two with our side of the family for these holidays, and then leave for her children's home to celebrate. We had mentioned very early in the year that our family would like them to join us for at least one of the holiday dinners.

In short, this is my and my sister's dilemma: We lost our mother, we have lost our brother, and now we feel we are losing our father. We don't know how to broach the subject without causing hard feelings on the part of Dad's fiancée. We do love Alice; she has made our dad very happy. But this is beginning to cause resentment from my sister, our children, grandchildren and me.

How do we get them to understand that they need to give our family equal time without causing a rift? We love both Dad and Alice, and don't want our family splintered any more than it is. — FAMILY TIES, TUCSON, ARIZ.

DEAR FAMILY TIES: I think you've said it very well. Tell your dad and his

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fiancée exactly what you have told me. (If you feel unable to honestly express your feelings, then clip this column and give it to them.) You and your sister are not asking too much. In fairness to all concerned, an adjustment needs to be made.

Invite Alice's family to join your family for one warm, blended family event. Life is too short to feel resentful.

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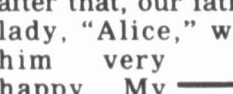
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"AL... EVER GET TO EAT IS JUST."
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"OH, SURE - NAME ME ONE JOB OPENING FOR SOMEONE THAT SPENDS HIS LIFE ON HIS BELLY."
"A WRESTLING REFEREE?"

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1-19
"GUESS WHAT I SAW IN THE BACK ROOM."
"WHAT?"
"A RAT!"
"SO WHAT? WE'VE HAD RATS BEFORE."
"BUT THIS ONE WAS IN A FIST FIGHT WITH A COCKROACH!"

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"IF YOU HAD TO SHARE YOUR GILL WITH SOMEONE, SPOOK - WHO WOULD IT BE?"
"A GINGERBREAD MAN"

HI AND LOIS

1-19
"DID YOU TAKE MATH IN HIGH SCHOOL?"
"OF COURSE!"
"AND WHAT DO YOU USE IT FOR NOW?"
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"I KNEW IT! THIS STUFF IS TOTALLY USELESS!"

GASOLINE ALLEY

1-19
"I'd be surprised if we have any furniture left after those 2 buzzards get through picking us clean!"
"Phyllis! Your trouble is you're not trusting!"
"Wait! Your trouble is you're too trusting!"
"I trust I'll get my goodnight kiss! Right?"
"Like I said! You're too trusting!"

SNUFFY SMITH

1-19
"ZORA BELLE IS MOVIN' OFF TO TH' FLATLANDS, LOWEEZY"
"OH, NO!! NOT ZORA BELLE"
"WHAT WILL WE DO FER JUICY GOSSIP?"
"TH' WELL JEST RAN DRY"

BETLE BAILY

1-19
"BEETLES AT THE OFFICERS' CLUB WORKING ON THE GENERAL'S BIRTHDAY PARTY"
"I HOPE HE HAS SOME COOL IDEAS"
"HOW COOL?"

THIS DATE IN HISTORY

The ASSOCIATED PRESS
Today is Friday, Jan. 19, the 19th day of 2001. There are 346 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:
On Jan. 19, 1807, Robert E. Lee, the commander of the Confederate armies, was born in Stratford, Va.
On this date:
In 1736, James Watt, inventor of the steam engine, was born in Scotland.
In 1809, author Edgar Allan Poe was born in Boston.
In 1853, Verdi's opera "Il Trovatore" premiered in Rome.
In 1861, Georgia seceded from the Union.

In 1944, the federal government relinquished control of the nation's railroads following settlement of a wage dispute.
In 1955, a presidential news conference was filmed for television for the first time, with permission from President Dwight D. Eisenhower.
In 1966, Indira Gandhi was elected prime minister of India.
In 1970, President Richard Nixon nominated G. Harrold Carswell to the Supreme Court; however, the nomination was defeated because of controversy over Carswell's past racial views.
In 1977, in one of his last acts of office, President Gerald Ford pardoned Iva Toguri D'Aquino, an American who'd made wartime broadcasts for Japan.
In 1981, the United States and Iran signed an agreement paving the way for the release of 52 Americans held hostage for more than 14 months.
Today's Birthdays: Actor-singer John Raitt is 84. Actress Jean Stapleton is 78. Actor Fritz Weaver is 75. Former PBS newsman Robert MacNeil is 70. Movie director Richard Lester ("A Hard Day's Night") is 69. Singer Phil Everly is 62. Actor-singer Michael Crawford is 59. Actress Shelley Fabares is 57. Country singer Dolly Parton is 55. ABC newswoman Ann Compton is 54. Singer Robert Palmer is 52. Singer Harry McGilberry (Temptations) is 50. Actor Desi Arnaz Jr. is 48. Actress Katey Sagal is 45.

THE Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

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- Monster of myth
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- Per unit
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- Swiss bowman
- Very slow tempos
- Related
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By Stanley B. Whitten
Highwood, IL
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A NEW ERA

THE INAUGURATION OF GEORGE W. BUSH

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN

Features Editor

MIDLAND — At least 20,000 people are estimated to have gathered in Centennial Plaza Wednesday morning for a rally honoring President-elect George W. Bush and his wife, Laura.

While the temperature hovered at 32 degrees, scores of Republicans, schoolkids and the merely curious wrapped themselves in blankets, huddled together and stamped their feet for more than three hours.

When the Bushes arrived, just before noon, a huge cheer went up from the crowd as they waved tiny flags and held up cameras.

"It was a very poignant moment," said Kay Bancroft, who accompanied her daughter's fifth grade class from St. Mary's Episcopal School to the event. "When they came up on the podium, he had on his white cowboy hat and ... oh, that was something!"

The Bushes left from Midland bound for Washington, D.C., to attend inaugural events. The president-elect spoke to the crowd for about 10 minutes before stepping into the crowd to shake hands.

"Laura and I are on a great journey," Bush told the crowd. He thanked those who waited for him in the cold, including another group that met the motorcade as it left Midland International Airport en route to the rally.

"I'm going to take a lot of Midland



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MEMORIES WILL LAST A LIFETIME

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN

Features Editor

A group of St. Mary's Episcopal School fifth graders were among the estimated 20,000 people who waited in the cold for a glimpse of President-elect George W. Bush in Midland Wednesday.

As they waited in line for hours that morning, they weren't even sure they would get in to the plaza,

Above, George W. and Laura Bush are shown at the podium during his speech to a rally in Midland Wednesday. Twenty thousand people were estimated to have packed Centennial Plaza for the event, billed as a big send-off for the Bushes before they head to Washington, D.C. Far left, students from the fifth grade at St. Mary's Episcopal School saw Bush from less than 30 feet away after waiting several hours in freezing temperatures.

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and a lot of Texas with me up there (to Washington, D.C.)," he said. "My many friendships will keep me strong and keep me humble."

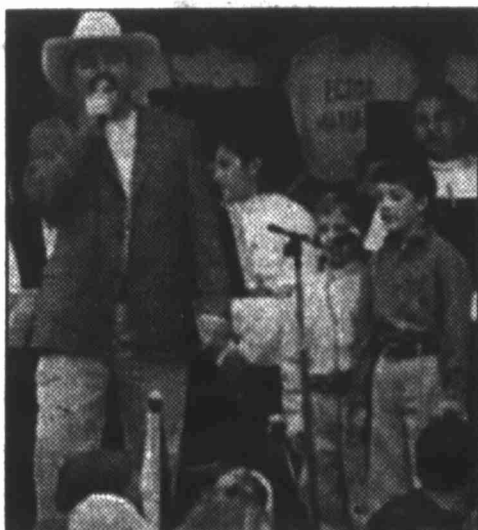
Bush said his deepest values were formed during his time in the Tall City. He and his wife grew up in the West Texas city, where he returned after graduate school to start his own business.

"The most important things in my life happened here in Midland," he said. "Here I met my wife, Laura. I fell in love with her grace and goodness and America will, too."

Many of those who crowded into the downtown plaza to see Bush were schoolchildren, like the group from St. Mary's. Others were families, some with several small children whose parents consider the event a once-in-a-lifetime experience.

Much of the crowd had arrived before the gates opened at 9 a.m., some by 7. Lines at several entrances to the plaza snaked for blocks as law enforcement officers painstakingly screened each visitor and searched purses, scrutinized camera equipment and in some cases even used explosive-sniffing dogs to check bags.

Entertainment before the arrival of



HERALD photo/Debbie L. Jensen
Above, Big Spring native Vince Hatfield performed his original song, "George Bush for Our USA," accompanied by his sons, Joshua, 9, and Zachary, 7, during the rally. At right, a giant video screen broadcast Bush's speech for the crowd, which was estimated at 20,000.

the Bushes included Big Spring native Vince Hatfield, who performed his original song, "George Bush for Our USA." Accompanied by his sons, Joshua, 9, and Zachary, 7, on background vocals, Hatfield performed on an entertainment stage to the left of the stage set up for Bush.



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where extra-tight security created a backup that lasted for blocks.

As it turned out, though, the group not only got in to the rally, they stood less than 30 feet from the spot where Bush made his speech.

"All of them were just in awe," said Kay Bancroft, one of two adults who accompanied the 11 fifth graders. "It was a real visual experience; the atmosphere in the whole place was just charged with excitement."

Before the event, some of the students said they hoped they would see a Secret Service agent. They got that wish several times over: Dozens of the agents, some of them in plain clothes, stood or patrolled during the event.

In his speech, Bush credited West Texas with helping him form his core values. Some who attended the rally said that was no surprise.

David Canady, a Midlander, was interviewed by a Washington Post reporter during the event. The question: What kind of place is Midland, Texas?

"I told them it was a place where everybody works hard," Canady said. "I told them it's not a place where you expect to get something for nothing."

Don Hunt said he liked the fact that Bush talked about "Midland values."

"One of the main reasons we voted

for him was the family values issue."

While the Hunts had waited in line since 7:15 a.m. to get a spot in the plaza, their coveted position in the crowd didn't make the wait any warmer. As temperatures hovered at the freezing mark, one television camera operator plugged in a small portable heater at his feet on the platform, where media from all over the country and several foreign countries waited to document the event.

Eugene McVeigh and Eamon McKenna, both from Ireland, were at the rally filming footage for a documentary on Bush they are making for the British Broadcasting Company.

In the area set aside for media, journalists could be seen at various times talking on cell phones and headphones in several languages, many of their conversations going directly to live broadcasts.

In the middle of it all were the fifth graders from St. Mary's.

"The kids were thrilled," Bancroft said. "They could not believe we were so close."

As they passed the time playing "I Spy," some of the students admitted they were "totally frozen," Bancroft said.

"But one little girl said her toes were freezing, and then when George Bush came out, she said, 'They're not cold anymore!'"

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Big Spring High School students excited about inauguration

By **LYNDEL MOODY**
Staff Writer

George W. Bush's inauguration as the 43rd President of the United States promises to be an exciting experience for some Big Spring High School students.

More than a dozen students — and an equal number of parents and other adults — boarded an airplane early this morning to journey to Washington, D.C., for the event.

"It is an experience of a lifetime," said 17-year-old Brandon Falkner. "Not that many people get that type of experience."

Each member of the group paid \$1,160 for the trip. The package includes lodging in a hotel for four days and three nights, two meals per day and transportation to and from events.

The students learned about the trip after a travel agency contacted Big Spring High School government teacher Kathie Bowermon.

Bowermon said she "threw it out to my kids," and a trip was scheduled.

During the year, Bowermon's government and current events class studied the election from the campaign through the recount.

Students watched news reports from CNN, studied the electoral system and discussed current events during class, Bowermon said.

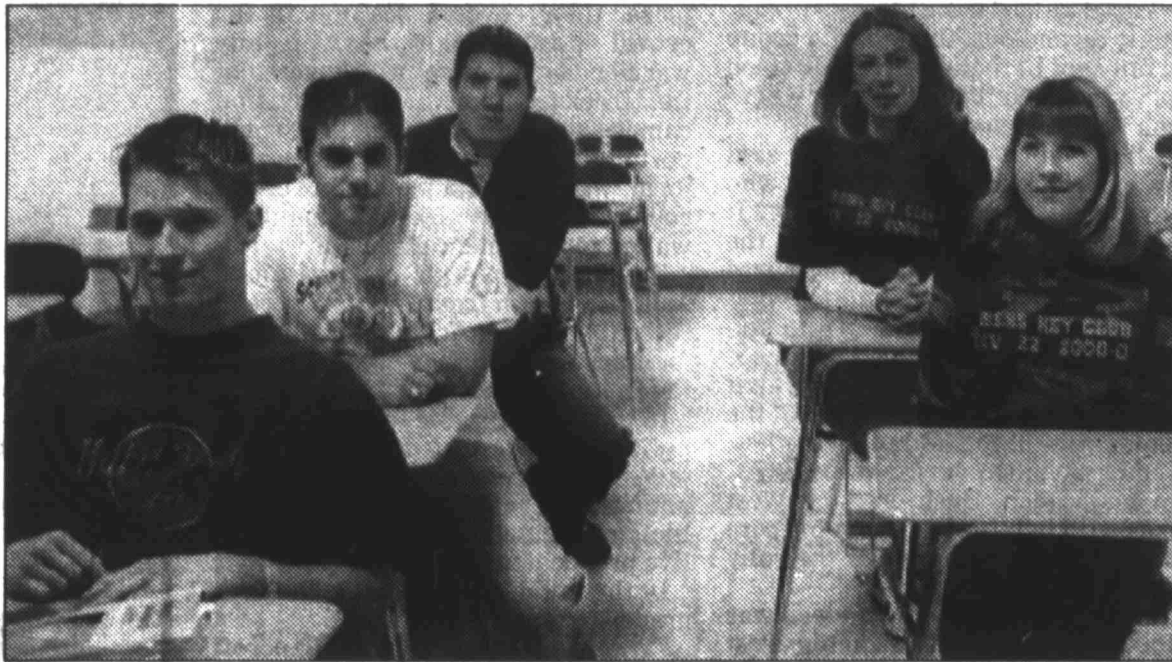
Many of the students, several of whom are Bush supporters, are excited to be a part of an event they have learned about.

"It is important to me because the election was so controversial," said Jason Thomas.

"I followed the election the whole way through."

The Big Spring group will share bus transportation with a group from Florida during their stay in Washington, D.C.

The Big Spring students followed the Florida recount controversy while the county waited to find out the final results from the Nov. 7 elec-



HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody

Some of the Big Spring High School students who will attend President-elect George W. Bush's inauguration Saturday include, front to back, at left, Jason Thomas, Brandon Falkner and Brent Moore, and at right, Brittany Store and Annette Richardson.

tion.

During the trip, they will visit many historical sites, including Arlington National Cemetery, the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, FDR

Memorial, the Pentagon Mall, the White House and the National Archives.

"We want to see as much as possible in the four days we are there," said Brent Moore.

On the day of the inauguration, the group will watch the parade. Later that night, they are scheduled to attend a ball at the Hard Rock Cafe, they said.

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Random facts about Bush

— Bush will be only the second presidential son to follow his father into the White House. George Walker Bush will be the 43rd president; his father, George Herbert Walker Bush, was the 41st. John Quincy Adams was the sixth president; his father, John Adams, was the second.

— Bush, a graduate of Harvard Business School, will be the first president whose education includes an MBA.

— Bush will be the first president in more than a century and one of only four in history to be elected despite losing the popular vote. Vice President Al Gore outpolled him by 539,947 votes, slightly more than half of 1 percent of the overall vote count.

— Bush's campaign fund-raising for the primary set a record for presidential candidates. He raised \$103 million, far surpassing Bob Dole's \$51 million, including federal matching funds, in 1996. He also set a record for most money spent by a presidential candidate for the primary. He spent \$95 million, compared to Dole's \$42 million.

— How much has Bush traveled abroad? Three visits to Mexico, two trips to Israel, a three-day visit in Rome with one of his twin daughters, and a six-week stay in China in 1975 when his father was U.S. envoy to Beijing.

— In September 1999, doctors reported Bush was 6 feet tall, weighed 192-1/2 pounds, had blood pressure "in the right arm sitting position" of 104 over 80, pulse 38, a rate considered normal for a conditioned athlete.

— Who wants to work for Bush? As of Tuesday, Jan. 9, his transition office had received 45,314 resumes.

— Bush will be the first president to enjoy an annual salary of \$400,000, double what President Clinton earned. It is the first presidential pay raise since 1969.



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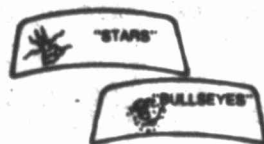
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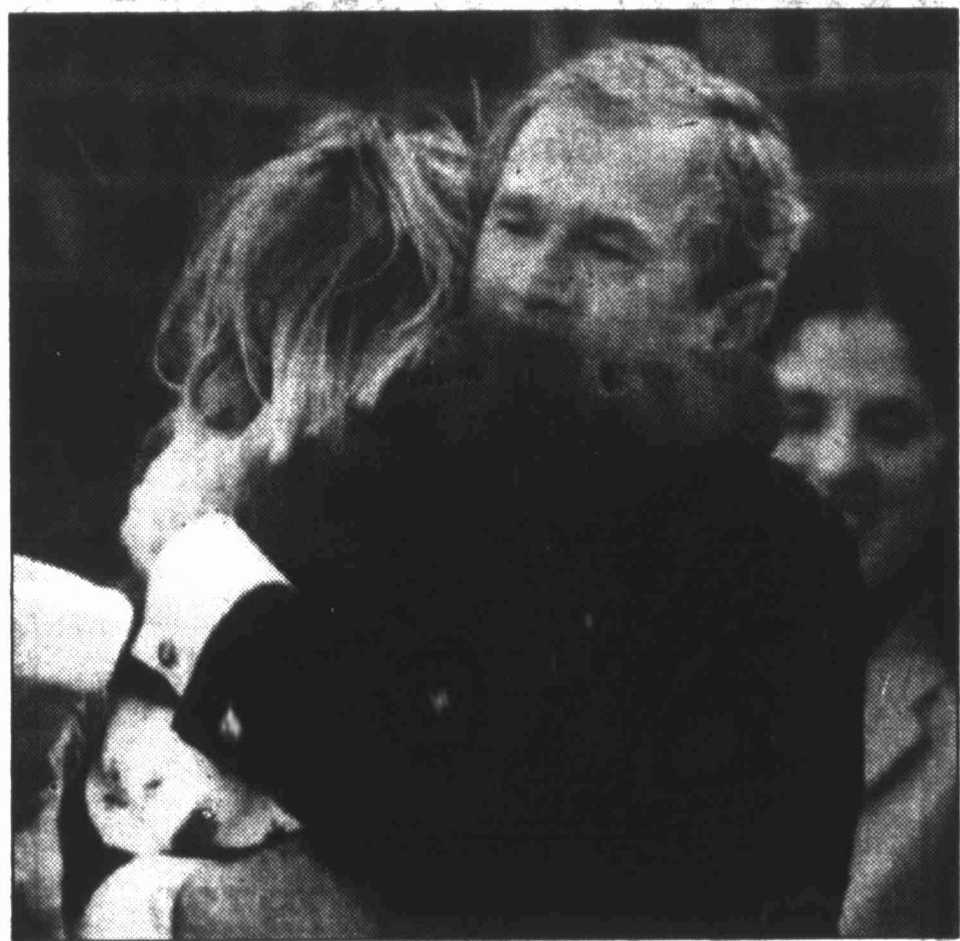
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President-elect George W. Bush receives a hug from a young girl in Austin. Bush will be sworn in as the nation's 43rd president on Saturday in Washington, D.C.

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Synchronized lawn chairs, shopping carts dot parade

WASHINGTON (AP) — This isn't his Daddy's parade.

The newly sworn President Bush will have all the traditional military bands playing "Hail to the Chief" and plenty of floats exhibiting patriotic themes, but the inaugural parade of the second Bush presidency may be most remembered for some, shall we say, eccentric performances.

All told, more than 10,500 people representing 45 states will participate in the parade, among them members of 38 high school and college bands from across the country, each branch of the military, as well as a team of guards mounted on horses.

One of the odder tributes will come from the Precision Lawn Chair Demonstration Team, a group of 13 buddies from Colorado who flip and fold aluminum lawn chairs in time to militaristic chants such as, "I got myself a new beach chair. This is where I park my derriere."

The group espouses no political beliefs, and lobbies only for lawn chair safety. The guys also note proudly that they are the only group chosen to represent Colorado in the parade.

"It's just everybody's image of Colorado. You think of fun in the sun. You think of snow. You think of people not wearing enough clothes, and you think of people in lawn chairs relaxing, leisure," said Chairman Richard Carnes.

A true mark of their devotion may be the fact that, whatever frigid temperatures befall Washington on Jan. 20, the men intend to march in shorts, Hawaiian shirts, and sunglasses. "You will be able to see the white legs and the hair stand up on our white legs," said Carnes, 41.

This will be their first inaugural parade, though they performed as a warm-up act for Bill Clinton's parade in 1993. They began their rise to the presidential history books in 1984, when the guys, who jokingly called themselves members of the Pro Leisure Tour, thought of the lawn chair gimmick to march in the Vail, Colo., Fourth of July parade.

"There was a whole group of us and none of us was married, and we were trying to come up with something silly and attention-getting," Carnes

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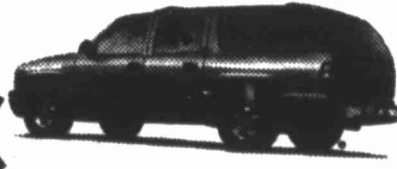
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said.

Needless to say, their synchronized chairmanship caught some attention.

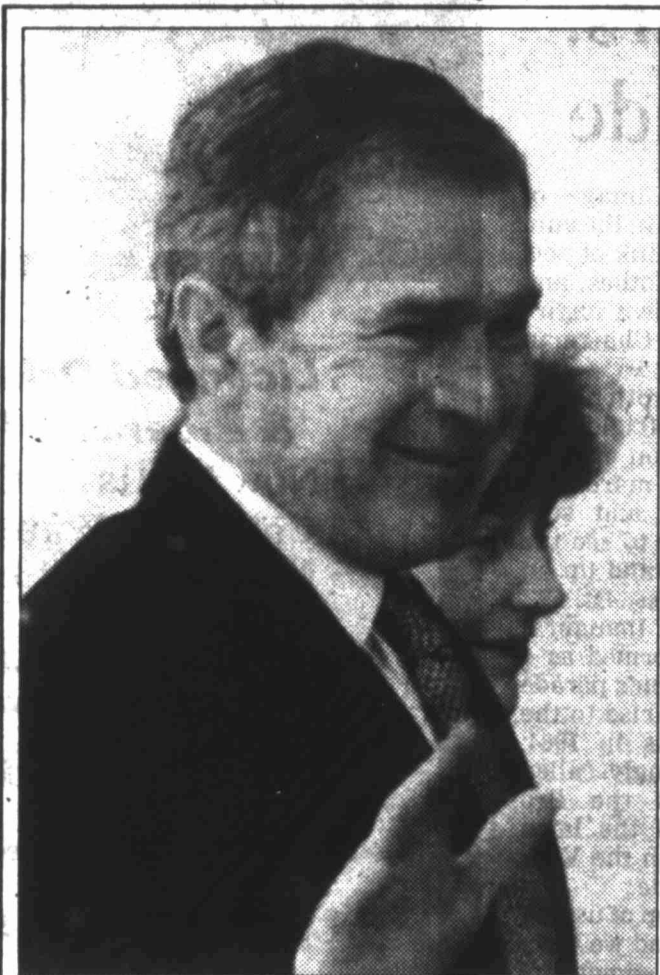
Another curious marching brigade is the Red Hot Mamas, 70 Idaho women in red house dresses and blue aprons who dance with shopping carts while wearing hats comprised of 4 feet of groceries standing atop their heads.

The hats are designed to be aerodynamic with a variety of items, including cereal boxes, potato chip bags and milk jugs. Each is topped off with red, white and blue balloons.

On the more traditional side, about 13 to 15 floats will glide through the parade down Pennsylvania Avenue. The floats include a representation of the American bald eagle, which previously appeared in parades for Ronald Reagan, Clinton and the first George Bush 12 years ago. Another, the Wyoming float, will represent the home state of the new vice president, Dick Cheney, and includes a replica of the Grand Tetons.

The parade begins near the Capitol at 2 p.m. EST and is expected to last about 2 hours, ending just past the White House.

Television networks are expected to air at least part.



George W. Bush waves to supporters as he walks with wife, Laura.

The Associated Press

Billy Graham's son to deliver invocation in his father's stead

WASHINGTON (AP) — George Bush won't be the only proud father watching a son fill his shoes this weekend: Billy Graham's son Franklin will step in for his father and offer the invocation at the inauguration.

Billy Graham, 82, originally planned to deliver the Saturday's invocation before George W. Bush is sworn in, which would have been the ninth time America's best-known preacher would have participated in an inauguration. Graham delivered the invocation at the elder Bush's 1989 inauguration.

Doctors advised Graham to skip the ceremony, however, after medical tests revealed that a shunt — a small, thin catheter designed to drain fluid from his brain — is working improperly.

Graham was disappointed. He had hoped to offer prayers to help heal some of the wounds of the tense weeks after the election, when Al Gore challenged Florida's

certification of Bush's victory.

"Prayer is a common denominator that unites us as a people," his spokesman, Larry Ross, said. "It is more important now than ever before to pray for all of our leaders and our nation at this critical time in our history."

In addition to delivering the invocation, Franklin Graham, 48, will offer a homily at the National Cathedral on Sunday, one of several inauguration weekend church services.

The Grahams are proud that Franklin Graham was asked to step in, Ross said.

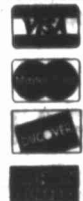
"Just as Mr. Graham offered prayers for President Bush in 1989, it is fitting that his son is able to do the same for the president's son," Ross said.

In November, after preaching to 242,000 in Jacksonville, Fla., Billy Graham turned day-to-day administration of his organization over to his son.

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