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WEATHER

Tonight:



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Clouds, rain in forecast for weekend

Crossroads area residents woke up to dense fog this morning but it looks like cloudy weather and rain may be in the forecast for the next couple of days.

"We are forecasting mostly cloudy weather today with a 50 percent chance of rain," said Dan Koch, meteorologist with the National Weather Service in Midland. "We may have some thunderstorms in the afternoon.'

As thousands of visitors pour into the city of Big Spring today for the Region I, Class 4A basketball tournament at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum, cloudy weather and rain are in the forecast. Hail is a possibility, Koch said.

Saturday looks to be another cloudy day with a 20 percent chance of rain and wind gusts picking up from the west at 20 or 30 miles per hour.

Candidates are throwing their hats in ring for races across Crossroads By CARL GRAHAM city officials said the mayor up are mayor-pro tem

would be out of town and Reily from District 5 and unavailable for comment until early March.

Also up for election on May 5 are city council terms held by Bruce Allen and Warren Wallace. As yet, no one has filed for those seats. In Colorado City, Sammy Contreras has filed for another term to the city council. He represents District 1. Mayor Jim Baum has not indicated if he would seek another term for his post. Other incumbent council members who have not filed but their terms are

city officials said the mayor up are mayor-pro tem Bob recently appointed councilman Justin Harris from District 2.

In Stanton, the at-large council seat held by David Hernandez is up and he has already filed for another term. The only other slot up this time is a council seat currently held by Valentino Sotelo. Sotelo has not made any indication that he will seek another term.

Forsan city hall could not be reached this morning. Filing continues through March 21

Saturday sports special section As part of the Herald's coverage of the 2001 Region I-4A girl's basketball tournament this weekend at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum, the newspaper will produce a special tour-

nament edition Saturday morning. "There will be no home delivery of the product," explained publisher John H. Walker, "but it will be available at local motels. restaurants and in convenience stores."

Walker said the product will be free, with the cost being underwritten by

advertisers and the newspaper. "This tournament is a tremendous opportunity for our community and we want to do everything we can to ensure it will

become an annual event in

Big Spring.' Walker said the newspaper would follow the same procedure next weekend when the Region I-4A boy's tournament is also hosted at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

"This tournament is a team effort for the community," Walker said.

Tournament tourists should make impact Water By JOHN A. MOSELEY

Managing Editor

Staff Writer

Bill Read,

Coahoma for

the past eight

years, filed

this week to

seek a fifth

term in May.

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Several candidates have

filed their intentions to run

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READ

Big Spring residents shouldn't be surprised this weekend if they see quite a few unfamiliar faces around town.

That's because the state's two top-ranked Class 4A girls' basketball teams are seemingly poised for a showdown as the first of two Region I, Class 4A high school basketball tournaments Big Spring will host in the next two weeks gets under way at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

But before No. 1-ranked Plainview's Lady Bulldogs and Canvon's No. 2-ranked Lady Eagles can think of a 2 p.m. Saturday rematch of last season's regional championship game, they have to face challenges from No. 15 Cleburne's Lady Yellowjackets and / Fort Worth Wyatt's Lady Chaparrals.

The tournament will start



HERALD photo/Carl Graham Howard College and the community of Big Spring are doing everything they can to welcome tourists from the Region I, 4A high school basketball tournaments this weekend

CRMWD inks agreement with other entities, expects end to 'water wars By CARL GRAHAM

Staff Writer

A historic agreement was reached this week that will help solve potential water disputes before they arise. General managers from

the Lower Colorado River Authority (LCRA), the Colorado River Municipal at District

(CRMWD) GRANT and the

WEEKEND TICKET

TODAY

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

SATURDAY

County Howard Scottish Rite Club, 8 a.m., Masonic Lodge, 21st & Lancaster. Breakfast served. □ The Heritage Museum, reception for Angie Way, curator who has resigned after 14 years, p.m. noon-2 Refreshments will be served, and a "memory tree" will be created out of written memories from friends and colleagues in the community.

□ 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.

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at 6 tonight when topranked Plainview puts its impressive 32-1 record on the line, taking on 26-6 Cleburne.

Canyon, 28-1 on the year and the defending state champion, will face Fort Worth Wyatt, which enters the fray with a 25-6 mark at

A number of area businesses are already feeling the economic impact that Howard College officials anticipated when they announced last year that the University Interscholastic League (UIL) had selected them as the tournament's host.

"This tournament is bringing a lot of visitors to Big Spring ... they're already beginning to arrive," said Stan Feaster, the coliseum's director who doubles as Howard College's sports information director. 'From the interest we've seen, I think we're going to pack the coliseum this weekend."

Feaster said he'd already heard from people in the community that had been contacted by out-of-town friends who planned to attend the tournament and had been unable to secure motel rooms.

Indeed, all of Big Spring's prime motels are reporting that they're fully booked for the weekend.

"Through calling around town. I found out that every motel in town has been booked up and full, that's a good sign," said Terri Davis, the Big Spring Chamber of Commerce's executive director, making it clear that the tournament will have a profound economic impact on the community

"The tourism industry looks at a return of \$7 for every dollar spent by visi Davis explained. tors."

"However, we use a more conservative figure of about \$4 for every dollar spent. But it's clear this (tournament) is going to be very beneficial to our communi-

"Howard College, and Stan Feaster in particular, should be commended for the outstanding work they did in getting this tournament here," she added.

Davis said the chamber has distributed fliers throughout town listing places to go shopping, restaurants and the like in

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Brown County Water Improvement District No. 1 (BCWID) met Tuesday and worked out an agreement that has been a long time coming, said CRMWD general manager John Grant. He said this agreement

should write a final chapter in the 'water wars' the three groups have had over the years

"It is important, in a state where water is a limited and precious commodity, that we all work together," said Grant. "We serve a region that is prone to more droughts and dry weather

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Gas line rupture diverts N. 87 traffic

By LYNDEL MOODY Staff Writer

Big Spring police diverted traffic on N. Highway 87 this morning while Energas employees worked to fix a rupture in a four-inch gas line.

According to John Pudliner, Energas operations manager, the company was called to the accident that happened near Carlos Restaurant at about 8 a.m. today.

Jimmy Marquez, Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) project manager on Highway 87, said a subcontracting crew from Colorado Bridge was excavating the site to install a storm sewer. The crew accidentally ruptured a four-inch line that extended out underneath the roadway, he said.

"The gas line extended about 10 feet underneath the roadway and dead ended," said Kevin Larpenter, operations supervisor. "Gas was leaking about 30 minutes."

According to Larpenter, the company did not know the gas line extended underneath the roadway; the fact was missed in the early planning stages of the construction of the highway project.

About 30 feet of the pipe has been abandoned by the company and will no longer carry gas, he said.

"No one knew the line extended out beyond the right of way," Marquez said. John Pudliner, Energas operations manager, said the standard procedure for this situation is to first arrive quickly at the scene. "We assess the scene and insure the safety of the people working, the customers and our employees," he

said No customers were affect ed, Larpenter said.

Big Spring firefighters responded to the scene and stayed on a stand-by position. Big Spring police began diverting traffic in the area shortly after 8 a.m. Construction crews also helped with traffic flow.

HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody

Big Spring police officer Nathan Londenberg diverts traffic around a natural gas leak on N. Highway 87 this morning near Carlos Restaurant. A construction crew working on the 87 project accidentally ruptured a four-inch gas line and gas leaked for about 30 minutes.



C-City chamber will recognize leaders at annual banquet

HERALD Staff Report

COLORADO CITY - The annual Colorado City Chamber of Commerce banquet is scheduled for Saturday at 7 p.m. at the **Civic Center.** At the banquet, the "Citizen of the Year" award will be announced as well as the "Outstanding Farm and Ranch Family.

The "Citizen of the Year" award goes to a deserving member of the community who is civic-minded and someone who believes in

helping others not as fortunate as themselves, according to chamber information. Last year the award went to Bryan Limmer, a local banker and former county agent who contributes greatly to the Mitchell County 4-H and FFA Livestock Show as well as other youth programs.

The annual "Outstanding Farm and Ranch Family award goes to a farm family who exemplifies good agribusiness and leads by example, and has "whole some family values," cham-

ber information says.

The award went to Richard and Nell Gale of the Looney Community last year. They are cotton producers who farm south of Loraine.

This year the banquet will be emceed by Colorado City Superintendent School Buddy Compton; there will be three guest speakers.

The speakers are Billy Schat of Abilene, the Commander of the West Central Texas Interlocal Crime Task Force. Schat will be giving a brief histo-

ry of that organization and its goals. He has been with the task force since 1987.

Virginia Fuller, local businesswoman and president of Fuller's Foods Grocers, will be another of the three speakers; the third will be Doris McClellan, author of several children's books. McClellan was born and raised in Mitchell County and is the wife of Spade Ranch cowboy Bill McClellan.

Entertainment will be provided by a variety of local talent.

Singers David Callaway and Megan Merrill of Colorado City High School will perform, as will the brass ensemble of David Jones, Evan Jones, Tyrell Jones, Jeremy Ross and Jincy Ross

The event is being catered by Nix's Barbecue of Colorado City. Tickets are \$13 each.

Among other banquet business, incoming and outgoing chamber board members will be installed and new officers will be introduced.

OBITUARIES

Charles E. "Ed" Roberts

Funeral service or Charles E. Roberts, 66, of Big Spring, is pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Mr. Roberts died Thursday, Feb. 22, 2001, in a Lubbock hospital

Herminia Arguello

Rosary for Herminia Arguello, 77, of Big Spring, will be held at 7 p.m., Friday, Feb. 23, 2001, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Funeral service will be 12:30 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 24, at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church with the Rev. James Plagens, pastor, officiating. Burial will be at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Mrs. Arguello died Thursday, Feb. 22, at her residence

She was born on April 25, 1923, in Abujita, Mexico and married Jose G. Arguello on June 27, 1945, in Mexico. He preceded her in death on Sept. 27, 1994. She was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church. For many years she was a lecture reader at church and was involved in church activities. She was a housewife and a loving mother, grandmother and friend.

Survivors include: two daughters. Rosemary Hernandez of Big Spring and Tina Abeyta of Lubbock; two sons, Ricky Arguello of Big Spring and Jose G. Arguello Jr., of Albuquerque, N.M.; four sisters; two brothers; and five grandchildren.

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

WATER

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and will provide an adequate water supply for our area here as well.

LCRA, whose enabling legislation allows them to sell water only within their existing service area, is seeking legislative changes, as well as a permit for additional water rights from the Texas Natural Resources Conservation Commission (TNRCC). The LCRA is seeking rights to all unappropriated water and excess flood flows that originate in the Colorado River below Lake Brownwood and the O.H. Ivie Reservoir, and they want to be able to sell the water outside the river basin to the city of San Antonio.

According to Grant, CRMWD and BCWID have agreed to support LCRA's pending application to the TNRCC for LCRA to have the right to all of the unappropriated water and excess flood flows in the Colorado River Basin originating below Lake Brownwood and the O.H. Ivie Reservoir.

In exchange for this support, LCRA will subordinate any new water obtained under this permit to all of the existing surface water permits in the Colorado River basin above the O.H. Ivie Reservoir and Lake Brownwood. In addition, LCRA has agreed to subordinate this water to any new permits, or amendments to existing permits which may be issued to CRMWD or BCWID above the O.H. Ivie Reservoir and Lake Brownwood.

Secondly, CRMWD and BCWID have agreed to support certain legislation allowing LCRA to sell excess water outside of their existing water service area. This includes a proposed term sale of water to San Antonio. In exchange for this support, LCRA has agreed to subordinate any water they transfer out of the Colorado River basin to all existing water rights above Lake Brownwood and the O.H. Ivie Reservoir.

"This agreement has been in the works for about three months, said Grant white

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By CARL GRAHAM Staff Writer

Twenty-two-year-old Johnny Dow of Big Spring is listed in serious but stable condition at Scenic Mountain Medical Center where he remains under 24hour-a-day security watch. Dow was wounded Tuesday by Department of Public Safety trooper Kneel Stallings during a traffic stop just south of Big Spring.

Stallings had pulled over pickup truck that Dow was a passenger in because the female driver was not wearing a seat belt. After talking to the driver, Stallings went to the passenger side of the vehicle and asked Dow to step out of the vehicle, give his name and date of birth, so he could run a warrant check

According to DPS reports, 9:30 p.m., St. Mary's as Stallings was running Episcopal Church, 10th and the check, another vehicle Goliad. Open to all subpulled up on the scene. The woman and two children stance abusers. got out and began talking Big Book Study. with the female subject in the pickup.

It was then that Dow turned his back away from the trooper; Stallings has said he heard the slide of a gun and, upon seeing the expressions on the faces of the others at the scene, took a position of cover and fired several shots at Dow, striking him three times, according to DPS reports.

Stallings has been on paid administrative leave since the incident pending the completion of the investigation. He was unhurt.

State utility officials finalize deregulation

BIG SPRING A ROUND THE TOWN

TEXAS LOTTERY Pick 3: 2,5,7

BIG SPRING HERALD

Friday, February 23, 2001

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

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closer to opening the mar-Carbon Co. Relay for Life ket," said Chris Schein, team. The sale will be at spokesman for Dallas-based American Self Storage, 3314 E. FM-700, from noon-5 p.m. In adopting its rules, the Friday, March 2, and 9:30 commission backed off of a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, one proposal that would March 3. All proceeds will have charged customers go toward the Relay for Life seasonal rates, which some fundraiser for the analysts said could increase American Cancer Society in consumer electricty bills May. between \$15 to \$20. The

> **VOLUNTEER INCOME** TAX ASSISTANCE (VITA) volunteers have been trained by the Internal Revenue Service and will be preparing 2000 Income Tax Returns for individuals beginning Monday, Feb. 5, and each Monday until April 9, from 9 a.m. to noon at the Senior Citizens

Center, 1901 Simler Drive.

This is for all citizens, and there is no charge. Please bring your tax booklet received from the IRS, all W-2s, 1099s and other documents received showyour 1999 Income Tax Return. If you cannot come at that time or need further assistance, please call Dorothy Kennemur at 398-5522, or the senior center at

WHO HAVE witnessed the effects of childhood diseases are needed to staff a new volunteer program that will promote immunizations.

Volunteers 55 and older are sought for the effort, to •AA, 615 Settles, 11 a.m. be known as the Seniors for closed meeting and 7 p.m. Childhood Immunization Program. RSVP volunteers •NA 8 p.m., St. Mary's will visit new mothers at Episcopal Church, 1001 Scenic Mountain Medical Goliad Call 268-4189 (pager Center and remind them of the importance of the IF YOU HAVE A SUPPORT immunizations

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FIRE/EMS

The following is a summary of the Big Spring Fire Department and EMS: 9:03 a.m. - 2700 block of Gregg, medical call, service refused

10:11 a.m. - 1900 block of North Highway 87, medical call, one patient transported to University Medical Center

12:09 a.m. - 1700 block of Lancaster, medical call, one patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center

12:57 a.m. - 1600 block of Lincoln, medical call, one patient transported to SMMC.

1:35 p.m. - 600 block of Bell, medical call, service refused

5:24 p.m. - 2300 block of Wasson, medical call, one patient transported to SMMC.

5:27 p.m. - 3200 block of Parkway, medical call, one patient transported to SMMC

6:30 p.m. - 1400 block of Young, traffic accident, two patients transported to SMMC.

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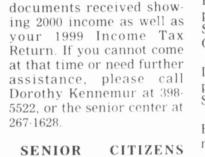
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than most of the state. This agreement helps LCRA as they are able to share excess water with San Antonio and others while at the same time, it gives CRMWD and **BCWID** present and future assurance that our rights to seek, appropriate, maintain and protect an adequate supply of water for West Texas are not in jeopardy



Judy Williams, 57, died Wednesday. Services will be 2:00 PM Monday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park. The family will receive friends from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM Sunday at the funeral home

Charles E. "Ed" Roberts, 66, died Thursday. Services are pending.

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upper Colorado River basin above O.H. Ivie Reservoir and Lake Brownwood are. protected."

Included in the cities that are, or will be served by the O.H. Ivie Reservoir, Lake Brownwood and other reservoirs above them on the Colorado River are Midland, Odessa, San Angelo, Big Spring, Snyder, Abilene, Brownwood and many other smaller towns.

After being on the opposite sides of many water issues for over 50 years, CRMWD and LCRA have worked steadily toward compromises that stand to benefit water users within their own service areas and across the state.

"It was a long time coming because we have been fighting for years over this," said Grant. "It is further evidenced that, as one of our directors recently said, the water authorities have more common aims than adversarial ones, as we seek to meet the water needs of our own customers and all Texans."

IMPAC

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an effort to be helpful to Big Spring's visitors.

'We do all we can at the chamber to help out our retailers in Big Spring and try to make every visitor's stay enjoyable," Davis added. "That's part of our job and we're grateful for this tournament. We're hopeful everyone will leave here with a positive feeling about Big Spring.'

Tickets for the tournament are priced at \$5 per person each day. Doors to the coliseum will open at 4:30 this afternoon and at 12:30 p.m. on Saturday.

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of electricity

AUSTIN (AP) - State utility officials on Thursday finalized one of the last major aspects of Texas' planned electric deregulation program that will allow most customers to sign up for the electric company of their choice starting in January.

The Public Utility Commission had been wrestling over rules on what is called the Price to Beat, which forces the state's existing utilities to cut their rates to customers on their home turf by 6 percent. The rates typically would

remain frozen at that level, or until the utility loses 40 percent of its customers to new competition, which can set lower prices. After the utility loses 40 percent of their customer base, it will be free to set its own prices.

On Thursday, the PUC agreed to rules that will allow a utility-affiliated retail electric provider to offer rates to be adjusted for changes in the market price of fuel and purchased energy.

A provision written into the law, which was drafted in 1999, would allow electric utilities to recover its fuel costs through customers through a "fuel factor," which is charged on each customer's bill, based on usage.

The rules are designed to make sure customers are protected and have a reliable source of energy, said PUC spokesman Terry Hadley. They are also designed to prevent Texas utilities from suffering deregulated losses similar to those that affected California utilities.

California did not take shifts in the market place into account when it froze rate increases.

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GROUP LISTING, PLEASE



'PARENTS WHO CARE' WILL meet Monday, Feb. 26, at the Big Spring High School Library at 7:30 p.m. All parents of the junior class are invited to attend this meeting to plan the after-prom party. Call Lori Pudliner at 267-7622 or 264-3641 for more information.

THE COAHOMA BAND BOOSTERS will meet Mar. 5, at 7 p.m. at the high school band hall. Plans for the band trip will be discussed.

CHILDREN'S PROTEC-TIVE SERVICES IS LOOKING for families willing to open their homes and their hearts to abused and neglected children. Midland, Odessa, Big Spring and surrounding counties are in need of foster homes. An informative meeting on foster parenting will be held in Micland at 7 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 22, at the Texas Department of **Protective and Regulatory** Services, 901 West Wall, 2nd Floc , Midland. For more information call 915-686-2273 or to the Texas **Department of Protective** and Regulatory Services Foster Care and Adoption Inquiry Line at 1-800-233-3405.

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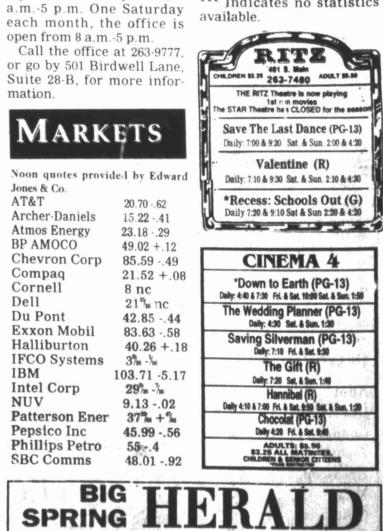
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Insurance rates will rise despite state efforts to lower them

DALLAS (AP) - Many of state Texas' largest auto insurance companies have opted to raise rates this year despite a move by the state's top insurance regulator to force rates down slightly.

Filings by the 10 largest insurance companies last month indicate that seven fied. are raising premiums statewide in 2001.

Three companies lowered rates slightly, but not as much as the 1.3 percent reduction recommended by

Insurance Commissioner Jose Montemayor.

The inc**reases** have prompted the Texas Department of Insurance to examine whether the higher rates being charged by some of the companies are justi-

The commissioner can direct companies to revise their premiums if he feels they are excessive.

Insurers are given some leeway in setting their pre-

miums, which under state law may be as much as 30 percent above or below the standard — or "benchmark" - rates set by the commissioner

But the vast majority of companies in Texas charge more than the state benchmarks, which are supposed to reflect rates that allow them to earn a reasonable profit

Consumer groups said they are not surprised by the rate increases.

"For the past five years, ance matters, insurance companies have been making hundreds of millions of dollars in excess profits in Texas," D.J. Powers, a lawyer for the **Center for Economic Justice** and former general counsel for the Texas Department of Insurance, said in Friday's editions of The Dallas Morning News.

The center represents lowincome consumers and small businesses in insur-

"We are seeing the largest profits that insurance companies have ever made in Texas, and yet every year we see them charge higher rates," he said.

Farmers Insurance, for example, raised rates at two of the top 10 companies it owns.

preferred-customer Its company, Mid-Century Auto Insurance, had one of the largest statewide rate

increases this year -19.5

percent.³ Texas Farmers raised rates 1.3 percent.

A spokesman for Farmers said the higher rates are needed to offset losses in Texas.

"The increase was attributed to the higher costs for repairing damage to cars as well as rising medical costs," said spc`esman Bob Huxel

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Dallas man accused in Juarez slayings

DALLAS (AP) -Sara Rosales appeared anguished as she stood in her apartment doorway and spoke bout her younger brother's rest.

A few years ago, Jose Juarez Rosales was detained by Mexican authorities in connection with their investigation into the deaths of numerous women in Cuidad Juarez, just across the border from El Paso, Sara Rosales said.

While in custody, her brother's life was threatened and he was beaten, Sara Rosales said. He finally was released, but now Mexican authorities are again targeting him in the same investigation, she said.

Juarez Rosales, 24, was arrested Thursday at the East Dallas apartment he sister.

"It hurts a lot," Sara Rosales said in Spanish through a translator. "I think they are mistaken."

Juarez Rosales had been released from Chihuahua police custody in 1996 after a Mexican judge determined there wasn't enough evidence to hold him, according to the El Paso Times' editions Friday.

The newspaper reported that Mexican authorities had appealed the ruling and a different judge issued a new arrest warrant for him. Juarez Rosales' arrest in North Texas came after officials with the Mexican Attorney General's office in San Antonio notified Dallas County authorities late Wednesday that a man named in an arrest warrant

napping from Mexico might be living in Dallas, Dallas County sheriff's investigator Don Peritz Jr. said.

Dallas County authorities checked records and found they had a bond forfeiture warrant on a DWI case for a man with the same name and birthday. Once in custody, Peritz said, Juarez fingerprints Rosales' matched those of the man wanted in the Mexican warrant.

"He's a suspect in multiple sexual assaults, murders and possible dismemberments," Peritz said.

Gonzalez, Victor for spokesman the Chihuahua attorney general's office, told the El Paso newspaper that Juarez Rosales "is believed to be a member of the Rebeldes

shared with his 30-year-old for rape, murder and kid- (Rebels) gang, which was accused in 1996 of killing and raping at least seven women.

Juarez Rosales, who has been in Dallas for about a year and had worked in construction, is also accused of being in this country illegally, Peritz said. Late Thursday, a Dallas judge dismissed the DWI case against Juarez Rosales, freeing immigration officials to proceed with his deportation to Mexico.

While in custody in Mexico in 1996, authorities wrapped Juarez Rosales' head in a towel and beat him, Sara Rosales said. He also was taken up in a helicopter by authorities and told to sign a confession or be pushed out of the chopper

Snow feared to hamper search for missing couple Freezing temperatures

AMARILLO (AP) Winter weather, including snowfall, is a concern for crews continuing to search for a Texas Panhandle couple whose helicopter disappeared while they were returning home from their granddaughter's basketball game

More than a week after Gene and Bobbie Sue Webb failed to arrive home in their Robinson R-22 helicopter, the Civil Air Patrol was still pursuing their trail that led from Gruver to Randall County south of Amarillo.

The fact that the Webbs' helicopter was white with black markings has made the search tougher, said Rich Simerson, Maj. Amarillo CAP squadron commander.

snow and fog have limited search efforts since the Feb. 15 flight failed to arrive and authorities were notified the next day. Snow remained in the region's fields. "We've checked out quite

few snowbanks,' Simerson told the Amarillo Globe-News in Friday's online edition.

He said the search for the Webbs has included 55 sor ties and more than 150 flight hours - the largest ever conducted out of the Amarillo squadron of the agency regulated by the Department of Defense.

The call first went out within Texas, before adjacent wings in New Mexico and Oklahoma were called in to assist.

Border agents seize more than ton of marijuana MCALLEN (AP) Border agents have seized

more than a ton of marijuana worth about \$1.7 million from a truck near the Rio Grande.

Agents patrolling along the Rio Grande near Mission on Thursday spotted the vehicle and had decided to pursue it when its occupants started returning to the river. The truck's driver and a passenger escaped across

Deadline looms for damaged high-rise FORT WORTH (AP) - A we'll have to enforce the company's owner said he

35-story office tower in downtown Fort Worth that survived a tornado's deadly destruction now faces another battle that could decide whether it is closed and demolished.

Attorneys for the Bank One tower's owners, who have been cited by Fort Worth firefighters for city code violations, and operators of a penthouse restaurant urging the building's repair were scheduled to face off again Friday in a state district court hearing.

order," Jim Tidwell, the department's executive deputy chief, said. "The closest we can come is to not allow anyone else in the building after that time.

"In Reata's case, as people finish their lunches, they'll be escorted from the building," he said.

Plans Jeff Moore of Axa Advisers made two weeks ago for a business dinner at the Reata did not anticipate what might have been the restaurant's last night of operation.

was contacted Thursday about imploding the highrise building.

The building's owners told the Fire Department after several safety mandates that they would make only the repairs necessary for an unoccupied building. Thousands of dollars in fines are accruing daily.

Attorneys for the restaurant sued after the company announced it would not repair the building.



the Rio Grande in a waiting boat, said Jesse Jimenez, a U.S. Border Patrol spokesman. In a search of the truck,

agents found 36 burlap sacks filled with marijuana weighing a total of 2,116 pounds. The drugs and the vehicle were confiscated and turned over to the Texas Department of Public Safety, Jimenez said.

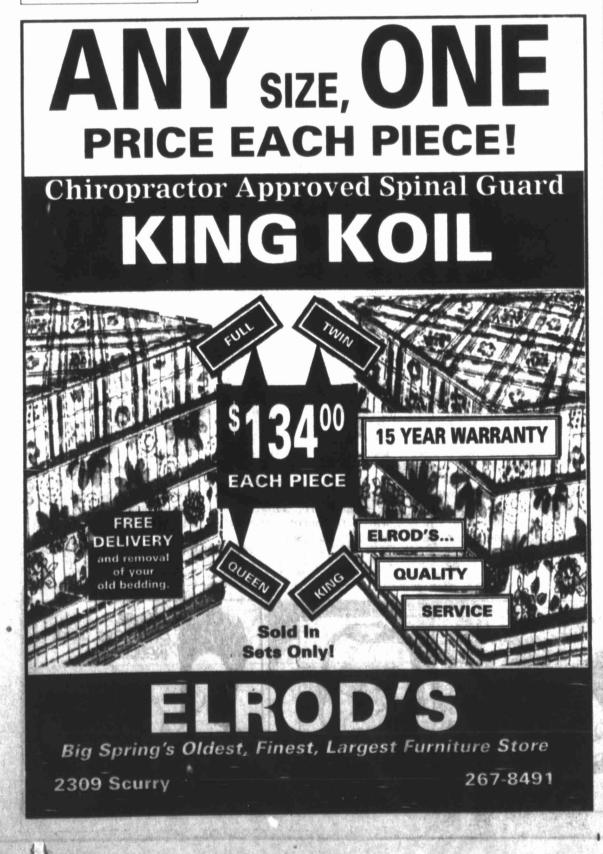
Judge Dana Womack was deciding whether to issue a temporary injunction allowing the Reata restaurant to remain on the skyscraper's 35th floor.

Firefighters who imposed the deadline 10 days ago told officials of Loutex Fort Worth that the building must be vacated at noon unless they comply with city-required safety repairs. "If we don't have a ruling,

We use it a lot for business," Moore said. "We're going to miss it tremendously.

This week, Loutex officials announced that Fine Line Diversified Realty, an entity of Fort Worth's Bass family, plans to buy the building and tear it down. That contract expires at the end of March, contingent on an end to litigation.

An Oklahoma demolition



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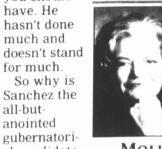
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D's standards not real high right now

et's talk Texas politics. At this point, the Democratic Party's Great Brown

Hope is Tony Sanchez Jr., of whom you may never have heard. No reason why you should



MOLLY for 2002? To IVINS be blunt about it, because his

last name ends with "z' and because he has money. Texas Democrats do not have real high standards at this

Sanchez is a South Texas oil and banking magnate who has never run for anything. He has been a major

Sanchez appears to be intelligent and can actually make a decent speech, which puts him several leagues ahead of Gov. Rick Perry, who has good hair. The problem here, if you will bear with my metaphor, is that the Republicans in Texas have built a party that is like one of those big restaurant

toasters that hold eight slices at time. They just pop candidates into their machine - doesn't matter who the candidates are - and bingo, they get flipped out into public office.

The Democrats, on the other hand, have a system where every candidate has to build his own toaster and it only holds one slice. Next election, everybody has to build his own new toaster. Because the D's, as a party, have no money, each candidate has to go raise enough for a statewide race on his or her own. This is difficult, tedious and hard on everybody.

Texas D's are not so stupid that they haven't noticed this is not working. But they don't know what to do about it.

The long-term answer has always been demographics time is on our side. Texas becomes majorityminority in 2008, and those are our voters. The R's under Karl Rove were shrewd enough to have gone to work on the Hispanic vote, with not much effect so far. The D's would have to work pretty hard to throw away that vote, although they are, of course, capable of it.

The D's are simply ecstatic over the prospect of Sanchez on the ticket, apparently undeterred by the fact that he appears to be at least as much of a Republican as he is a Democrat. Hey, this is Texas — we're bipartisan.

At least he made his own

money - about \$600 million. He's already scared the R's enough so that Gov. Goodhair has started clucking about South Texas. To everyone's astonishment, during his State of the State address the governor burst into a declaration of his great passion to save and improve South Texas.

The reason that this came as a surprise is because the only known thing that Perry has ever done about South Texas was to reverse every policy initiated by Jim Hightower to help farm workers after Perry took over as agriculture commissioner.

Every D political operative I know is excited about the Sanchez candidacy. But may I suggest that, longterm, running D's who are indistinguishable from R's is not in our best interests?

Texas D's are so cowed at this point that Sanchez looks like a savior. But I'll tell you something about Texas voters: Offered a choice of an ersatz Republican and the genuine article, they'll take the real Republican every time. The only way to get out our vote is to get it out - hard, dirty, brick-by-brick labor. Because of the unfortunate consequences of the 36-Day War, what actually happened in this country on Election Day has been largely ignored.

The D's won the ground war, and consequently the election, despite the unfortunate ruling by the Supreme Court.

Thanks largely to efforts of organized labor (bril-

liantly marshalled by John Sweeney, who cannot be praised enough) backed by NAACP get-out-the-vote efforts, there was a truly amazing turnout – and some terrifically exciting skirmishing in several key states.

Sorry to sound like a political fundamentalist, but the air war (that's TV advertising) is overrated. And may I point out that most political consultants get 15 percent of what they book on the air ad campaign, giving them a considerable incentive to overdo that and neglect the ground war. Unfortunately, Texas

labor is in a sad state. Essentially, we don't have many troops here (with all apologies to the troops we do have who work their tails off every election). D's can win elections in Texas if enough people vote. But we have to work harder to get to our people, and television is not the answer. Why should a tired single mom with two kids drag herself to the polls after a long day at work to choose between a Republican and Democrat who sounds exactly like a Republican?

Every assault on the social safety net affects her life first and worst, but all she knows is that the system is not working for her, so why bother? The more that D candidates resemble R candidates, the less reason there is to vote.

If Texas D's are too gutless to stand for anything, why should anyone vote for them?

ADDRESSES

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SUGGESTED REFORM #1 FOR THE NAVYS CIVILIAN GUESTS WHO WANT TO EXPERIENCE THE THRILL OF COMMANDING A SUBMARINE

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-FIRST AMENDMENT

OUR VIEWS

"Congress shall make no law respecting an estab-

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redress of grievances.

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Managing Editor

Publisher

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:

• RON GEORGE, FORMER WEBB AIR FORCE BASE PILOT who returned to Big Spring last weekend to sign copies of his book and visit with folks at the Hangar 25 Air Museum.

• HAROLD DAVIS, a "true survivor" who hit the beach as a young Marine lieutenant on Iwo Jima Feb. 19, 1945; his courage and valor during the 36-day battle earned him the Silver Star.

• BIG SPRING STATE HOSPITAL VOLUN-**TEERS**, who brought in more money than ever in their Valentine's Day fund-raiser, and also brought cheer to hundreds of area residents with gifts, candy and singing telegrams.

• CUB SCOUT BEAR DEN PACK 179, which donated books for the use of inmates at the Howard County Jail, putting their Scout motto "Do a good deed daily," into action.

• MONICA CHEN, Coahoma High School senior who was chosen best flute mayer in the 🔒 state for Classes 1A-3A.

point.

Democratic donor, but he is also a big-time George W. Bush backer. He gave enough to Bush to get appointed to the UT System Board of Regents, and that means major money

 LOCAL CITIZENS, COMMUNITY LEAD-ERS. STATE OFFICIALS. VETERANS AND ALL THOSE who helped our community celebrate the grand opening of the Lamun-Lusk-Sanchez Texas State Veterans Home on Monday.

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

It's easy to be swayed by the mythic nature of Dale Earnhardt's life and death.

Polishing the myth eases the pain of losing the man. It distracts from the realization that racing is a blood sport. Earnhardt was the fourth driver to die in less than nine months, but his death will make the greatest impact

Maybe better safety equipment would have saved Earnhardt ...

Some have said that tragedy is just part of the game.

On the track, Earnhardt was one of the boldest and seemingly least vulnerable. He was one of the last drivers to wear an old-fashioned open-face helmet. He visibly chafed at new safety regulations, saying they were a disservice to fans who wanted to see races the way he wanted to run them

If Earnhardt could have seen the reaction to his death maybe he would have rethought what fans really want.

In Sunday's aftermath. one thing is clear. They didn't want this

THE NEWS-JOURNAL OF DAYTONA BEACH

Napster may be on its way out, but America's music industry still has to contend with the unregulated swapping of copyrighted songs on the Internet.

As officials with the Freedom Forum noted, the First Amendment guarantees freedom of music, not free music.

Napster had, in effect, appealed on the basis that sharing music over the Internet was no different from taping a TV show to watch later or giving a friend a tape of favorite tunes.

The court, however, determined that taping a TV show on a VCR or recording a compact disc on a tape to play in the car is limited in scope, largely for personal use and not used for profit.

Numerous other sites exist on the Internet to exchange music. ...

Enforcing any ban on music-swapping will be difficult, especially if companies outside the United States take over the enterprise.

The music industry must adapt and learn to use the new technology to its advantage. That means coming up with a way to distribute music online so that customers are less likely to copy it illegally. THE (ROCK HILL, S.C.) HERALD



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Sensible proposals confusing to Washington

was watching some Washington pundits discuss President George W. Bush's defense plans recently, and two out of the three were convinced

that it was entirely poli That's the trouble with Washington journalism. People become so consumed

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with politics that they treat every

it were politics. They ignore the substance In fact, the president's

common-sense proposal that strategy must determine the budget and not the other way around is one of the things that first attracted me to his campaign. He laid out that position long before he received the Republican nomination. It's just common sense. You wouldn't go out and buy two dump trucks, a milling machine and a race

car and then try to decide what you were going to do with them. You first would determine what you wanted to do, and then you buy only the stuff you needed to accomplish that goal. That's all Bush is propos-

ing. Let's review our military; let's determine the most likely threats; let's decide what our strategy is going to be and then tailor the force and the equipment to accomplish our goals. It makes perfect sense, which is probably exactly why it seems so weird to Washington pundits.

They are not used to sensible proposals.

The kind of force structure you need to guard America's interests and deter aggression is quite different from the force structure you need to fight a major land war in Europe or Asia. It will be interesting to see what these studies come up with.

In the meantime, Bush is going ahead to increase pay and benefits for the troops. That raise is necessary no matter how you structure the force or equip it. I've

never believed in an all-volunteer force, but if you're going to go that route, then you have to pay the price. You can't treat volunteers like conscripts and expect them to stay.

No doubt a lot of work is needed on the part of the military that is invisible to most civilians. I mean the logistical tail. It doesn't do any good to have 1,000 tanks parked in Texas if you have no way to get them to the war. A large fleet won't be effective if you lack the means to refuel and resupply the ships at sea. Transport ships and transport aircraft are probably way short of our needs.

In the past eight years, some of the defense budget has been diverted to social spending. Hopefully, the Bush team will eliminate this.

I would prefer it if we would go back to the old name, War Department, to remind people that every penny spent should be devoted to preparing for war - not accomplishing some civilian social schemes.

Nor should we forget Dwight Eisenhower's warning about the militaryindustrial complex. Buying weapons, most of them produced on a cost-plus basis, is where you will likely stray from the moral path

I once talked with an efficiency engineer who had gone to work for a defense contractor. His profession was to find out how to do things more cheaply. After a few weeks, he was called in, and his supervisor told him bluntly, "We didn't hire you to tell us how to make this cheaper; we hired you to justify the price we are charging the government." The engineer, who is a man of integrity, quit.

The purpose of our armed forces is not to be a source of pork-barrel spending for members of Congress or of outrageous profits and bribes to people in the weapons business. Anybody who supplies defective equipment or overcharges the military should be treated as an enemy of the country, just as you would treat a saboteur or a spy.



CHARLEY REESE

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NATION/WORLD

National, world leaders gather on Gulf War anniversary

- On the 10th anniversary of the start of the ground offensive in the Gulf War, former President Bush, retired Gen. Norman Schwarzkopf and other top principals from the war planned to recount their experiences.

Former British Prime Minister John Major, former Deputy National Security Adviser Robert Gates and former press secretary Marlin Fitzwater were joining Bush and Schwarzkopf at Texas A&M

recollections of the ground assault that began Feb. 23, 1991. After initial air strikes

early in 1991, Bush approved a plan that would start the assault by forces of a fragile 28-member coalition he put together to eject Iraqi troops who had invaded Kuwait.

One-hundred hours after Schwarzkopf launched the attack, the fighting was over and the forces of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein had been routed.

COLLEGE STATION (AP) University to share their - Schwarzkopf, commander, of the coalition army that peaked at 540,000 personnel, became a national hero.

The American death toll for the six-week war was 79, including 28 in the ground battles.

Iraq put its losses at nearly 100,000, plus as many as 45,000 civilians.

In the decade since, debate has continued over whether coalition forces quit too ear ly and whether they should have continued into Baghdad to remove Saddam, who remains in power.

Only a week ago, Bush's in three cases the allies son, President George W. Bush, gave approval for renewed airstrikes over Iraq to attack air defense and radar sites south of Baghdad. Those attacks, by American and British planes, were related to enforcement of a "no-fly" zone. U.S. and British pilots

airspace since shortly after the war. Since Jan. 1, Iraqis have

have been monitoring Iraq's

fired on allied planes over northern Iraq 15 times, and

fired back.

Iraq claims the flights are illegal and a violation of its sovereignty. The United States and Great Britain insist the patrols are authorized under U.N. resolutions calling for protection of Iraqi minorities — Shiites in the south and Kurds in the north.

Former President Bush has said the reason for stopping the war was because the coalition achieved its goal, outlined in a U.N. res-

olution, to stop Iraqi aggression after Saddam's forces invaded Kuwait.

Schwarzkopf, who retired later in 1991 after 35 years in the military, said his only mission was to remove the Iraqis from Kuwait.

Bush, in a post-presidency book, also said he regretted that Saddam has survived in power.

A capacity crowd of 2,500 was expected for the event at Texas A&M, where Bush's presidential library is located.

Politicians, activists gather to discuss slave reparations

of the nation's oldest historically black universities, politicians and activists are preparing another call for a government study on what the country should do to make amends for slavery.

Fisk University's Race Relations Institute is holdgenerations of blacks.

tution of slavery is long gone, and we shouldn't be considering reparation for it," said Melvin Black, a Nashville city councilman and panelist at the conference, which starts today. The government issued formal letters of apology and \$20,000 in reparations

Japanese-Americans to interred during World War

animal to be destroyed.

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NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) II, but Congress has repeat- From the campus of one edly balked at paying reparations to blacks whose ancestors were slaves.

Rep. John Conyers, D-Mich. has called for a commission to examine slavery's legacy and possible compensation during each of the last 12 congressional sessions.

Nashville is among about Detroit, Dallas,

East expecting warmer weather after the storm

RICHMOND, Va. (AP) -Highway crews worked late into the night to clear roads that were blanketed with snow during an eastern storm that paralyzed the region and left at least 11 people dead.

The blinding weather conditions caused a 166-vehicle pileup in northern Virginia that killed one and resulted in more than 115 injuries. The snow turned to slush by mid-afternoon, but police warned that road conditions were turning dangerous again by late night.

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Virginia Department of Transportation spokeswoman. "That should tell

you everything.' In North Carolina, two people, including a teenager on her way to school, were killed after the storm coated roads with freezing rain, snow and sleet, author-

ities said. The weather forced huncaused two deaths in the western part of the state.

In West Virginia, two people died after weather-related collisions, police said.

New Jersey State Police reported at least four multiple-vehicle crashes on major highways, resulting in three deaths.

"The traffic was throwing dreds of Pennsylvania snow up like dust," said

schools to be closed and Dennis Eddy, who totaled his Ford pickup in a 20-vehicle pileup in New Jersey. "People just kept piling up. By the time you saw people, it was too late.'

The Virginia pileup, near the nation's capital, started about 10:30 a.m. after a car collided into a tractor-trailer and caught fire on Interstate near Garrisonville.



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CHURCH NEWS

First Baptist Church

The Rev. Kenneth Patrick, former pastor at First Baptist Church, will return Sunday to preach at the morning and evening services.

Patrick, who is serving as chaplain for Baptist Memorial Center in San Angelo, was pastor at FBC for 27 years before his resignation in 1997. On Sunday, he will start his local visit by teaching the Chapel Class at 9:30 a.m. At 10:50, he will preach during morning worship, and again at 6 p.m.

All friends are welcome to come by First Baptist to visit with Patrick and hear him speak.

First United Methodist Church

"God's Time or Your Time" (John 7:1-9) is the title for Dr. Ed Williamson's message on Sunday 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 the fifth grade is held every Sunday on the third floor immediately following the children's corner in the 10:50 a.m. service. This special service gives children an opportunity to memorize scripture, do arts and crafts and learn more about God's love for them.

The senior adult ministry will be having their annual brunch on Saturday at 9:30 a.m in Garrett Hall. There will be a full breakfast buffet and we hope to see you there. The youth will be traveling to Midland on Friday, March 23 at 6 p.m. to see the movie "Left Behind." The cost is \$7 and everyone is welcome to come along.

Our church has a wonderful ministry for the children of our church family and the children of the community. Kids Club, a Tuesday afternoon activity program for children kindergarten through fifth grade, provides rich opportunities for church office, 267-6394, for more information.

North Birdwell Lane Methodist

North Birdwell Lane United Methodist Church is going to be a place of much activity during the next few weeks. On Saturday from 2 to 5 p.m., the church is hosting a 90th birthday party for Louise Sneed, a charter member of the church and long time resident of Howard County teaching in the Center Point/Morgan schools as early as 1930s. She later worked for 18 years at First National Bank. All friends, former students and co-workers are invited to attend this celebration. We request no gifts, just a memory or two of Louise.

On Sunday, pastor Joel Miller will be starting a series on Prayer Life at the morning worship service beginning at 9:30. Sunday School classes begin at 10:30 a.m. Then at 5 p.m. the church will host the Area-Wide Methodist gathering. Members and pastors from area churches meet for a devotional service, singing and refreshments.

Starting March 6, at 4 p.m. at the church located at 2702 North Birdwell Lane, a youth Bible study/craft class will begin. Call Madeline Boadle or pastor Miller at 263-2536 for information.

College Park Church of God

College Park Church of God is now offering afterschool tutoring on Wednesdays from 4 to 6 p.m. Your children can be better prepared for their school day by enrolling them in this free tutoring program. Just one more way for us to serve the community of **Big Spring**

This program is available to all students, public, private and home-schooled. For more information please contact College Park Church of God at 267-8593.

Immaculate 👔 **Heart of Mary**

would like to take this opportunity to wish the Crenwelges "all the best" in their new home in

Fredericksburg. New candelabras for the

small chapel have been purchased in memory of the altar society's deceased member, Ruth Conway. The Altar Society has also purchased new brass flower stands and altar clothes. Keeping our church beautiful is one of the main activities of our ladies. If you would like to serve the church in a creative capacity, join us the second Tuesday of every month at 7 p.m. in the church office. Be on the lookout: Father

McCarthy and Delia Graves may be knocking on your door! They have a refrigerator stick-up for you and are coming to offer you and yours the love of Christ. Call 267-4124 if you would like them to visit.

The church schedule for the week of Feb. 24 to March 2, is Saturday and Sunday Masses - Distribute Lenten Reflection Calendars. Monday - Lector training session 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 27, - Fat Tuesday Covered Dish 6:30 p.m. (bring old palms) Ash Wednesday - 8 a.m. Mass and distribution of ashes. 4:30 Scripture Reading and distribution of ashes. 7 p.m. Mass and distribution of ashes.

St. Mary's **Episcopal Church**

This Sunday, Feb. 25, the Rt. Rev. C. Wallis Ohl will be with us for his annual Visitation and Confirmations. A reception in honor of the Bishop and Confirmands will follow the 10:30 a.m. Service.

We will have our Annual Mardi Gras Party and Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper again this year. Festivities will begin at 6 p.m., Feb. 27, in the Parish Hall. The Brotherhood of St. Andrew will do the cooking. Plan to join us for this time of parish fellowship and good food.

Ash Wednesday is Feb. 28. Lent begins with the Eucharist and Imposition of Ashes at 7 am in the Chapel and at noon and 7 p.m. in the church. The first "Stations of the Cross" service this Lent will be Friday, March 2, beginning at 12:05 p.m. in the

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church. "Stations of the Cross" will be held every Friday until Palm Sunday.

Baptist Temple

FEATURES

Baptist Temple Church invites all of Big Spring to meet together for five days beginning Sunday, March 25-30 for a community-wide worship revival.

Leading the series of worship events is Jeff Payne, a Psalmist/Worship Evangelist from Beaumont. Payne has been preaching, singing, writing and recording music for over 20 years and has about 30 published worship songs sung in churches throughout America. Services are Sunday at 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m. and weekly at 7 p.m.

A Prayer Breakfast for men will be Saturday, March 3, 7 a.m., at Herman's Restaurant. All men are encouraged to attend.

The Women's Enrichment Ministry will be having Bonnie Wheat as a guest speaker at the next Women's conference on Thursday, March 22. The conference will meet at Baptist Temple fellowship hall at 6 p.m.

For more information about the activities of Baptist Temple Church vou may call the church office at 267-8287.

St. Paul Lutheran Church

St. Paul invites you to learn more about the upcoming Lenten Season. Watch each week as we answer frequently asked questions concerning Lent. Lent is a 40-day journey in which God's people prepare with joy for Easter. One frequently asked question about Ash Wednesday is "why are the 40 days called Lent and why 40 days?"

They are called "Lent' because that is the Old English word for "spring," the season of the year during which they fall. Forty days is a traditional number of discipline, devotion and preparation in the Bible. Moses stayed on Mount Sinai 40 days (Exodus 24:18 and 34:28,, the spies were in the land for 40 days (Numbers 13:25), Elijah traveled 40 days before he reached the cave where he had his vision (I Kings 19:8), Nineveh was given 40 days to repent (Jonah 3:4), and most importantly, before undertaking his ministry, Jesus spent 40 days in the wilderness praying and fasting (Matthew 4:2).

It is fitting for Christians to imitate Jesus with a 40day period of prayer and fasting to prepare for the celebration of his ministry's climax, Good Friday (the day of the crucifixion) and Easter Sunday (the day of resurrection).

You are invited to join us for Ash Wednesday service, Feb. 28, 7:30 p.m. as the Lenten period begins. We are also starting a Lenten Food Gathering project in which non-perishable items will be collected during Lent. The last day for collection will be Palm Sunday.

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

First Christian

The Rev. David Huffman, Assistant Director of Church World Service, will bring the message Sunday morning at First Christian Church. That afternoon, at 2 p.m., the Rev. Huffman will hold an organizational meeting for Crop Walk, which will be held sometime later this spring. We invite any and all interested parties from the local churches to send a representative to this meeting at First Christian.

The youth will meet at 4 p.m. for activities under the leadership of Ricky Simpson.

On Wednesday night we



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will continue viewing a film series by Marcus Borg, the popular Jesus scholar, entitled, "The Death and Resurrection of Jesus." A light meal is served at 5:30 p.m., followed by the video and youth activities at 6 p.m.

On Thursday, March 1, the Christian Women's Fellowship will meet for a covered dish luncheon and program. The business meeting will begin at 11 a.m. with the luncheon and program to follow at noon. Shelane Roberts will be bringing the program on "Mary and Martha at the Millennium." For those of you who work, remember, you do not need to bring a dish — the ladies will always prepare extra.

First Assembly of God

'With Me In Paradise" is Pastor R.T. Havener's message this Sunday morning. This sermon taken from Luke 23:42-43; is the second in a series of sermons on the "Seven Last Utterances of Christ on the Cross' being delivered each Sunday in the 10:40 a.m. service. In the evening service at 6, Pastor Havener will be speaking on end time prophetic events. This Sunday's sermon is, "The Certainty of Christ's Coming", and will deal with the Second Advent of our

Lord. The congregation of First Assembly of God invites you to join them at Fourth and Lancaster.



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IMH is losing two long serving members, Joe and Elizabeth Crenwelge. Joe and Elizabeth have given 30 years of invaluable volun-

Ashes will remind us to repent On Feb, 28, you'll be able 6:26, Ezekiel 27:30 and

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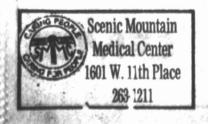
Ash Wednesday is the first day of the season of Lent. This is the day on which the pastor applies ashes to the foreheads of the faithful to signify an inner repentance.

Ash Wednesday probably dates from at least the Eighth Century. One of the earliest descriptions is found in the writings of the Anglo-Saxon abbot Aelfric (955-1020).

In his "Lives of the Saints," he writes, "We read in the books both in the Old Law and in the New that the men who repented of their sins bestrewed themselves with ashes and clothed their bodies with sackcloth. Now let us do this little at the beginning of our Lent that we strew ashes upon our heads to signify that we ought to repent of our sins during the Lenten fast."

As Aelfric suggests, the pouring of ashes on the body as an outer sign of inner repentance is an ancient practice. The Old Testament mentions it several times. The earliest occurrence is found at the end of the book of Job. Having been rebuked by God, Job confesses. "Therefore I despise myself and repent in dust and ashes" (Job 42:6).

Other examples are found in 2 Samuel 13:19, Esther 4:1-3, Isaiah 61:3, Jeremiah



Daniel 9:3. In the New Testament, Jesus alludes to the practice in Matthew 11:21 "Woe to

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In the typical Ash Wednesday service, we are invited to the altar to receive the imposition of ashes. The pastor applies the ashes in the shape of a cross on our foreheads, while speaking the words, "For dust you are and to

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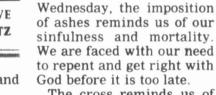
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The cross reminds us of the good news that through Jesus Christ crucified, there is forgiveness for all sins, all guilt and all punishment. Many choose to leave the

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CLUB NEWS

Neighbors and Newcomers

Big Spring Neighbors and Newcomers Club will sponsor a book review by Jimmie Smith, followed by an afternoon tea, Saturday at 2 p.m. at First Christian Church. Smith is known across the state for her reviews, and is a personal friend of club member Evanell Truszkowski.

Smith, who grew up in Fort Worth, has a master's degree in speech and drama. She is retired from teaching school, and now travels throughout the state giving spirited, dramatic reviews of books she has read.

The book Smith plans to review for the Feb. 24 program is, "They Call Her Mrs. Doc," by Janet Oke. It is the story of the daughter of a small-town doctor liv-

ing in Canada, and how her life changes after her marriage.

There is no charge for the book review, and anyone is welcome to join the event. Donations will be taken to benefit the Salvation Army's utility fund.

For more details about the review and tea, call Truszkowski at 267-7417.

Morning **Optimist Club**

Mike Ritchey, principal of Big Spring High School, has been in the business of developing and educating youth for 16 years. He thanks the Optimist and other civil clubs for the investments in the community youth and brought a brief report of what's going on at Big Spring High School. Just a few years back, he said, Big Spring High School received a failing grade from the TEA Accountability System.

The failing grade was credited to an error in reporting the drop-out rate

at Big Spring High as 9 percent. Administrators have implemented many changes, including a TAAS **Tutorial Periodand tailoring** sessions to meet the needs of each class.

Ritchey noted changes that should bring positive results; the testing place is no longer in the cafeteria but in the same classrooms used for tutorials and the bells are turned off. The Juniors and Seniors earning passing grades on all testing areas are rewarded by a 10 a.m. arrival time for classes. Richey also outlined the **Choices and Consequences** motivation program, featuring guest speakers such as James White from the Drug and Alcohol Abuse program, Linda Perez, a local representative from the Rape Crisis Victim Services and two prisoners hoping to bring home the impact of personal choices youth face everyday.

Upcoming focus of events at the High School include a Revealing Day when we community wide Job Fair. Local businesses are

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encouraged to contact Mr. Spencer in Career Technology for booth arrangements.

Beta Sigma Phi

This year started in August with Beginning Day. We had a successful, fund raising, garage sale in October. We had a baked potato/Frito pie booth at the Arts/Crafts Fair and this was very successful.

In November we gave a food basket to a family in the area. In December we took two angels from the Angel Tree and gave to them. We had our Christmas Social at K.C.'s Steakhouse and Rhapsody entertained.

On Feb. 10, 2001, we had our Valentine Banquet. Beverly Miller was crowned as Chapter Sweetheart.

Upcoming events include: Chapter Anniversary, Spring Arts and Crafts Fair, Founder's Day and reveal our Secret Sisters.

Big Spring Art Association

The Big Spring Art Association met Feb. 20, in the home of Pauline Wood. Judy Gibbs was co-hostess.

Deanna Foresyth spoke on the art of painting landscapes and still-life objects on eggshells. She displayed several very beautiful examples of her art work.

Bonita Lyght announced that the club's juried area show will be held this spring in the Big Spring Mall.

Kay Smith won first place and Elnora Hart placed second in the painting contest on the subject of books.

In the Tipping of the Brush Contest Arlys Scott won first and second places and her paintings will be displayed at Citizens Credit Union and First Big Spring Banking Center. Judy Gibbs' painting may be seen at the court house annex, Smith's at Al's Barbecue, Jean^w Money's at the Chamber of Commerce and Lyght's at Dell's Cafe.

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isn't about being showy of boastful (Matthew 6:16-18). Rather, we do it as a witness that all people are sinners in need of repentance and that through Jesus all sins are forgiven through faith.

Ash Wednesday, like the season of Lent, wis never mentioned in Scripture and is not commanded by God. We are free either to observe or not observe it. Obviously, the imposition of ashes is meaningless unless there is a corresponding inner repentance and change of behavior.

The remainder of the Lenten season provides us an opportunity to practice and strengthen those changes in behavior. With this in mind, I heartily recommend the Rite of Ashes on Ash Wednesday to all Christians. It's a great opportunity for repentance and spiritual renewal.

When you take the meaning of Ash Wednesday and put it within the framework of sacramental Confession and Absolution, you have a truly powerful combination for change. A blessed Ash Wednesday observance to all

Steve Stutz is pastor at St. Paul Lutheran Church.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY for

Saturday, Feb. 24, 2001: Pressure builds in your career this year. You might feel overwhelmed by what is going on with your work. Consider changing your job or field. Take a course. Sometimes you get a bit down about your work or life. You will be empowered to make changes from late summer on. If you are single, your love life spices up considerably after July 15. If attached, trust and share more with your partner. You add steam to your relationship. A fellow PISCES understands you.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult **ARIES** (March 21-April

19) *** Don't be concerned if you're not a powerhouse. Take your time and slow down if you need to. You might be more tired than spontaneous get-together. GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

*** Realize that you don't always have to be the epitome of wit and happiness. Make it OK to go within yourself. You have a lot to think about, between a transforming relationship and your expectations. Others look to you for leadership. Tonight: Out and about. **CANCER** (June 21-July

***** Invite a friend or 21)

loved one to join you on a day's excursion, be it to a you with his attitude. Let museum or a nearby town. You will enjoy the change of pace. Share a problem, and you'll discover that another has answers. Think possibilities. Tonight: Follow the music. **LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22)

**** If you're feeling over the perfect Saturday night. burdened by responsibility, **Sector Andrew** (Nov, 22-) why not discuss the prob lem with a partner? You

see it. Tonight: Where the crowds are

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) *** Unlike many, you cannot take off and be carefree. Focus on your "musts" and get them done. You will feel better about yourself, as if you have accomplished a lion's share. Work with a touchy associate or partner. Success is the result. Tonight: Do something physical.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov.

**** Someone challenges go of the issue here and enjoy what is good in your life. Choose to look at the glass as half-full instead of Optimism half-empty. allows for more happiness and fun. Express your playfulness. Tonight: Make this

find that this person will- be avoided. You might want

times you feel tired. Take your time with a creative project and when dealing with a loved one. Make calls and reach out for others. You get a second wind. Tonight: You don't have to go far.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

*** Halt spending. You could be acting out of sadness, frustration or anger. Swallowing or suppressing your feelings could do even more damage. Listen to a family member who understands you, even if the conversation makes you a bit uncomfortable. Tonight: Fun doesn't have to be expensive.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

**** You sparkle, but others seem off kilter. Help them if need be, but don't put yourself in a situation that you could regret later. A discussion becomes rather intense. heavy and Understand where this person is coming from Tonight: Invite a fun pal along to the movies or a jazz-and-blues club. **BORN TODAY** Computer entrepreneur Steve Jobs (1955), actor Billy Zane (1966), writer Mary Ellen Chase (1887) For America's best extended horoscope, recorded by Jacqueline Bigar, call (900) 740-7444, 99 cents per minute. Also featured is

The Spoken Tarot. Callers must be 18 or older. A service of InterMedia Inc., Jenkintown, Pa. Jacqueline Bigar is on the

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usual, as you could be working through something in your sleep or in your subconscious. Price an expenditure. Tonight: You come first.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

***** Use tried-and-true methods when approaching a friend or loved one. Look at the big picture. You see a profound change in someone close to you. Decide how best to support this person. Make time for friends. Tonight: Have a

ingly helps. Suggestions also prove to be insightful and helpful. Take time to relax and talk with your significant other. Tonight: Add some steam and romance to your life.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ***** Others gladly invite you along. What was not suitable could change. Don't worry so much about plans. Go with the flow. Popularity soars if you are willing to relax and open up to options. Not everything has to happen as you

to gain better control of a project at home or perhaps start a new exercise and health regimen. Follow a nice, even pace. Don't push. Make pleasurable what you find difficult. Play a favorite CD. Tonight: Happy at home.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

***** Whether you are aware of it or not, many of your ideas blossom in your sleep. As a result, some-

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RELIGION BRIEFS

RICHMOND, Va. (AP) -Baptist Southern Convention missionaries and groups they work with in other nations established 6,520 new congregations and baptized 451,301 believers last year, the denomination's International Mission Board reported.

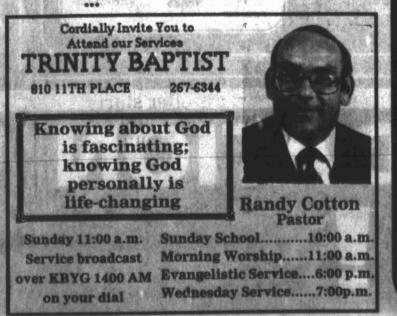
That represented a 37 percent jump over 1999 in newly formed congregabaptisms while tions. increased 24 percent. Overseas independent Baptist churches now have 5.6 million members, a 14 percent increase for the year.

In addition to career missionaries, the board sends short-term volunteer workers from the U.S. In 1975 it set a goal of 10,000 volunteers on the field, but last year the total participating was 30,512.

The trade association for evangelical Protestants in television and radio has severed its 57-year affiliation with the National Association of Evangelicals. Karl Stoll, communications director at the Religious National Broadcasters' offices in Manassas, said "part of the concern" was the National Association of Evangelicals' decision last year to admit member denominations that belong simultaneously to the more liberal National **Council of Churches.**

MANASSAS, Va. (AP) -

The group has issued no formal explanation and none is planned, Stoll said. The association represents 51 conservative Protestant denominations and 45,000 local congregations. The broadcasters became an affiliate in 1944.









BIG SPRING **HERALD**

Do you have an interesting sports item or story idea? Call Kamilah Ward, 263-7331, Ext. 233.

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No. 3 Illinois' loss to Ohio St. opens up Big Ten race IN BRIEF The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Little Leagues start

registration Saturday **Big Spring's three Little** Leagues will begin registration at Saturday at the **Big Spring Mall**.

The first session is slated from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. Saturday. Players may also sign up from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday, Feb. 26 through March 2, and from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, March 3.

For more information, call Denise Yandrich at 756-2841 or 263-1945.

Steers, Lady Steers

compete in tourneys The Lady Steers' beat Fort Stockton 6-0 behind Christina Gwyn's 11 strike-outs in the Midland Tournament Thursday.

The Lady Steers face El Paso high today.

The Steers baseball team suffered a 13-10 loss to El Paso Montwood JV and a 17-1 loss to El Paso Montwood varsity during Thursday's tournament play.

Boys' Class 2A area play-off game

There will be a Class 2A area boys' play-off game bidding Wall's Hawks against Plains' Cowboys at 8:30 p.m. Saturday at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

Country club to hold Young Life golf classic The Big Spring Country

Club will hold its third annual Young Life Golf Classic on Saturday and

begin at 1 p.m. s. Entry lee is

Sean Connolly's game-winning 3pointer for Ohio State made a lot of people at Michigan State happy.

Connolly's 3-pointer with 30 seconds left gave Ohio State a 63-61 upset of No. 3 Illinois on Thursday night and tightened the race for the Big Ten title.

The Illini (21-6, 11-3), who had a five-game winning streak snapped, lead Michigan State by a half-game in the conference. Illinois can clinch a share of the title by beating Iowa and Minnesota in its final two games.

"This will just make us more hungry," Illinois' Sergio McClain said. We still control our own destiny."

In other games involving ranked teams, it was No. 1 Stanford 75, Washington State 64; No. 2 North Carolina 95, Florida State 67; No. 15 UCLA 88, Oregon 73; and No. 25 Providence 119, Binghamton 58.

With Illinois on top 61-60, the Buckeyes' Brent Darby was guarded by Sergio McClain in the backcourt and couldn't find an open man. But he was able to toss a pass to Connolly, who broke open along the baseline. He turned and hit the 3pointer to put Ohio State ahead 63-61.

"I came off a couple of screens and just came open," said Connolly, a transfer from Providence in his first year with the Buckeyes. "It felt like it was going in when it left my hand.' Brian Cook missed a 3-point attempt with 9 seconds remaining for Illinois. The Buckeyes' Tim Martin rebounded and was fouled, but missed both free throws.

Williams took the inbounds pass. Pressured by three defenders, his shot with 2 seconds left wasn't close

Ohio State has now knocked off four ranked teams in the last month.

"How about our kids?" Buckeyes coach Jim O'Brien said.

Brian Brown led Ohio State with 18 points, while Ken Johnson had 16 points and Darby had 14.

The Buckeyes have won five straight Big conference games.

No. 1 Stanford 75,

Washington State 64

Casey Jacobsen scored 21 points as host Stanford overcame an eightpoint halftime deficit to beat Washington State.

Stanford which returned to No. 1 this week, also got 13 points and six rebounds from Jarron Collins.

No. 2 North Carolina 95, Florida St. 67

Joseph Forte scored 36 points as North Carolina rebounded from its first loss in 2> months.

The host Tar Heels saw their 18game winning streak broken at Clemson on Sunday, but led by 10 at halftime this time around and shot 57 percent to win going away.

Howard squads split with Odessa Johnson, Gantt team up for late victory By KAMILAH WARD

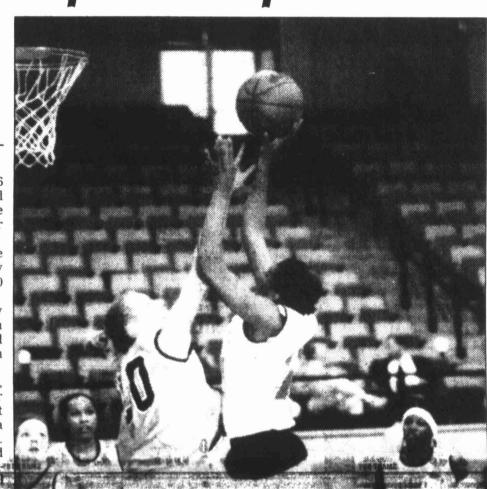
Sports Writer

In a contest that saw 46 turnovers, 43 fouls and 142 total shots, it was just a matter of time before the game went in either teams favor.

It was a close one, down to the very last few seconds. But the Lady Hawks were able to pull out a 78-70 win over Odessa Lady Wranglers. Odessa challenged the Lady Hawks early in the contest with runs at the basket while Howard could only find their offense in spurts.

By the end of the first half, Howard was trailing 35-27 after only scoring three points in the last four minutes of half while Odessa managed to pull out a late 12-0 run.

The contest was evenly matched considering both teams were struggling to hold on to the ball as we as score at the opportune time Odessa was somewhat lifted by their trips to the free throw line, completing 18-of-30 shots from the stripe while the Hawks were only allowed 16 attempts. The sluggish first half somewhat carried over after the break, except Howard was left holding the ball with a late eight point victory. Koretha Johnson led all scorers with 20 points while Grace Gantt followed close behind with 19. Their contributions began in the first half but really picked up in the second half as Gantt was the recipient of four long baskets after Howard's man-to-man defense forced turnovers in the early minutes of the half. Johnson stepped up and knocked down two big 3-pointers, one of which gave the Lady Hawks a minutes to play. Odessa spent the remainder of the contest playing catch up cutting the Lady Hawks 10-point lead to three points with 43 seconds to game against Clarendon Monday night. play. But Johnson's strong output the cushion they needed in the end. The Lady Hawks play their final home game at 6 p.m. Monday y-Mid against Clarendon's Lady Bulldogs.



Slow first half comes back to haunt Hawks By KAMILAH WARD

Sports Writer

From the tip, the Hawks showed signs of trouble, lacking offense in a much needed Western Junior College Athletic Conference (WJCAC) game Thursday night as the inevitable played out when Howard suffered a 98-68 loss at the hands of the Odessa College Wranglers.

The Hawks managed their first score, a 3-pointer by Artavius Davis at about three minutes into the contest. By that point, the Wranglers had already managed a couple break-away dunks at the other end.

The Hawks hopes of beating the co-leaders in WJCAC deteriorated as they could only muster 30 first half points, 10 of which were made at the free throw line.

Howard scored in lapses while turning over the ball 26 times over the entire 40 minutes.

Derrick Tarver and Ander Pinedo were the only Hawks in double figures and only two of the six players to score on the night. Tarver managed 23 points after being harped all night by Odessa's Ellis Sherrod. Pinedo finished the game with 12 points. Odessa hit 40-of-73 shots and 16-of-21 free throws. The Hawks could only manage nine shots in the first half going into the break with a little a momentum after Tarver hit a half court bank shot. The second half began with better intensity as Pinedo opened the half with two quick 3-pointers but Odessa overwhelmed the Hawks dishing the ball out 28 times before handing Howard the 30-point loss. "The team wasn't focused and didn't give 110 percent," Owens explained. "But it's better to lose now than to lose in the tournament." The Hawks still have a chance to get to the Regional Tournament, it's just a matter of who wins and loses over the next week of WJCAC basketball. The Hawks will be back in action at 8 p.m. Monday as they face Clarendon Bulldogs in their last home game of the season.

For more information call Larry Bryan at 267-5354.

Free admission for HC fans wearing red

Anyone who wears red to the Lady Hawks and Hawks last home game Monday night will receive free admission.

For more information contact the athletic department at 264-5040.

AREA GAMES

TODAY

JUCO SOFTBALL Howard College Lady Hawks at Midland Tournament.

H.S. BASKETBALL GIRLS

 Coahoma Bulldogettes vs. Hale Center's Lady Owls, Abilene.

H.S. BASKETBALL BOYS

 Stanton Buffaloes vs. Ozona's Lions, Grape Creek. H.S. BASEBALL Big Spring at El Paso

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H.S. BASKETBALL BOYS 7:30 p.m. - Stanton Buffaloes vs. Ozona's, ions KBST 1490 A.M.. GIRLS

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HERALD photo/Jim Flerro much needed five-point lift with 14 Howard College's Taneshia Harris (11) goes up for a rebound against Odessa College's Kim Cole (20) during the Lady Hawks first meeting with the Lady Wranglers. The Lady Hawks pulled out a late 78-70 win over Odessa Thursday night. The Hawks and Lady Hawks host their final home

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Best in the West? It's the Utah Jazz, but just barely. Donyell Marshall and Karl Malone each scored 22 points as Utah moved ahead of the Portland Trail Blazers for the best winning percentage in the Western Conference with a 90-84 victory Thursday night.

John Stockton added 18 points for the Jazz (36-16), who won their fourth straight and ninth in 10 games. Utah, which leads the Midwest Division, is one one-thou-

sandth of a percentage point ahead of Pacific leading Portland (38-17). "Everybody might want to say that this was just another game, but this was a huge win for us," said Malone. "Those guys have had our number here, and to come in to this

playoff intensity and get a win was huge.

In other NBA games, Sacramento defeated Washington 114-110, Dallas downed Boston 98-91, Charlotte edged Golden State 93-91 and the Los Angeles Clippers beat Chicago 93-90.

Marshall, acquired in a trade from Golden State, has increased his scoring to 18.5 in his last six games. Since moving into the starting lineup following a five-game losing streak in late December and early January, Utah is 16-3,

Rasheed Wallace had 32 points and 11 rebounds, two nights after scoring a career-high 42 in a victory over Denver. Scottie Pippen, who missed 18 games with an injured right elbow, returned and scored four points on 1-of-4 shooting in 20 minutes.

The Jazz led by nine to start the fourth quarter but let their lead slip to 73-72 on a dunk by Wallace with 5:28 to go. Utah then scored on its last eight possessions.

"We executed, stayed focused and made everything down the stretch," Marshall said. This was as close to a playoff game as I have ever played.'

Wizards 110

Doug Christie matched his season-high with 32 points, and Vlade Divac added 27 points and a seasonhigh six blocks in Sacramento's victory at Washington.

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Davis, Etan Davis and \$3 million, the Kings didn't miss injured Chris Webber, who missed his fifth consecutive game with a sprained left ankle.

Washington also waived Felipe Lopez, Gerard King and rookie Mike Smith and placed Rod Strickland on the injured list, leaving the Wizards with just eight players in uniform.

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Warriors 91 At Charlotte, David Wesley hit a 3pointer with 17 seconds left to give Paul Silas his 100th coaching victory with the Hornets.

Golden State dominated most of the game, but gave Charlotte a chance to win it late. After Wesley sank his only 3 of the night, Antawn Jamison missed at the other end.

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Angeles Lakers on Feb. 18. CLEVELAND CAVALIERS—Signed F Chucky Brown for the remainder of FOOTBALL NEW YORK KNICKS-Acquired G

coach. WASHINGTON REDSKINS-Released RT Andrew Heck. National Hockey League COLORADO AVALANCHE-Assigned C Joel Prpic to Hershey of the AHL. COLUMBUS BLUE JACKETS— Reassigned LW Mathieu Darche to Syracuse of the AHL MONTREAL CANADIENS—Sent D Andrei Markov and D Francis Bouillon to Quebec of the AHL. PITTSBURGH PENGUINS-Called up D Sven Butenschon and D Josef Melichar from Wilkes-Barre Scranton of the AHL ST. LOUIS BLUES-Recalled F Marty Reasoner from Worcester of the AHL. OLYMPICS USA BASKETBALL-Named Brian Hargrove assistant director for com-petitive programs. Lakers, 10:30 p.m SOUTHERN METHODIST-Suspended F Dewayne Floyd from the men's basketball team for violating team rules. URSINUS—Named Peter Gallagher football coach.

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n and G Muggsy Bogues from Toronto for G Chris Childs and a first-round draft pick. Placed C Travis Knight on the injured list. PHILADELPHIA 76ERS—Traded F-

C Theo Ratliff, F Toni Kukoc, C Naz Mohammed and G Pepe Sanchez to Atlanta for C Dikembe Mutombo and F Roshown McLeod. PORTLAND TRAIL BLAZERS-

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their franchise player. MIAMI DOLPHINS—Released WR Tony Martin and RB Thurman Thomas.

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Sharper staying put in Green Bay The ASSOCIATED PRESS The emphasis was on defensive backs as NFL teams met the deadline for declaring franchise and

transition players. All-Pro safety Darren Sharper signed a six-year, \$30 million deal to stay with the Green Bay Packers. Aeneas Williams, a six-time Pro Bowl cornerback, was designated Arizona's franchise player. Jason Sehorn, the league's highest-paid cornerback, is being allowed to enter free agency unencumbered.

One day after the Atlanta Falcons signed cornerback Ray Buchanan to a \$36 million, six-year deal that includes an \$8 million signing bonus, Sharper agreed to remain with the Packers. He will make more money than any NFL safety.

"I don't want to sound boastful, but I feel as though I'm the best safety in the league, so that's why I thought I deserved to be the highest paid one," Sharper said.

Sharper led the NFL with nine interceptions last season and earned his first start in the Pro Bowl.

"Frankly, there are not any pressures," Sharper said. "I can go out there and play with reckless abandon and not worry about anything because I know I'm

Williams will be, too, whether he remains with the Cardinals or winds up elsewhere. Williams, 33 and a top cornerback for a decade, had considered retirement. He is now guar-

anteed at least \$4.1 million. 'By making Aeneas our franchise player, we are acknowledging to the rest of the league how the

Cardinals feel about him,' coach Dave McGinnis said. Thursday was the final day teams could protect players by giving them franchise or transition tags. The franchise tag ensures a free agent will stay with a team unless a trade is worked out that usually includes two first-round draft choices; transition gives a player's old team right of first refusal and compensation.

Sehorn was not given the franchise player designation by the Giants. Sehorn already made \$5.6 million. but Giants GM Ernie Accorsi said he is confident the team will re-sign him. "There is risk to this, no

question," Accorsi said. "Somebody could come in and offer a huge amount of money. But I have a degree of trust for these players and their agents, so we are going to give them every opportunity to sign what we think is a fair price and what they think is a fair price.'

Kevin Carter, who went from All-Pro defensive end on a Super Bowl champion to underachiever for the Rams last season, was designated St. Louis' franchise player. His agent, Harold Lewis, said Carter didn't like the move.

"It's not free agency, that's for sure," Lewis said. "It's an honor on one hand to be labeled one of the best at your position. It's also a lot of money.

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LOS ANGELES (AP) Triplett. Kirk Sergio Garcia, Tom Scherrer and Brent Schwarzrock had a few things in common at the Nissan Open. All of them were tied for the lead. and none of them had any real reason to expect that.

Schwarzrock was an alternate who flew across the country from Georgia in time to register and hit a few balls on the range. His first journey around Riviera Country Club was Thursday, when he shot a 5under 66 despite bogeys on two par 5s.

Garcia at least got in two practice rounds, but excuse him for being a bit tired. He left Pebble Beach for Australia, spent two rocky weeks Down Under and just got back Sunday.

And while Triplett is the defending champion at the Nissan Open, he's been stale on the West Coast Swing and wasn't thrilled with his game. Returning to the scene of his only PGA Tour victory rejuvenated him. along with that 35-foot eagle putt on the 10th hole.

And then there's Scherrer. The Kemper Open champion has been thinking about one thing since the tee times came out Tuesday: I'm playing with Tiger Woods.

"I'm very happy I played well in front of him," Scherrer said. "I didn't want to embarrass myself." He didn't.

With a bogey-free round of 66 on a cool, breezy day at Riviera, Scherrer gave the gallery what it came to see crisp irons, a good short game and putts that disappeared into the hole.

That remains out of reach for Woods.

Despite working hard on his game last week in Las Vegas, Woods struggled with the same minute flaws that define the difference between a 66 and the 71 he signed for Thursday.

"I know exactly what I'm doing," Woods said. "I just need to get out of it."

He still has time this week. The logjam at the top

extended beyond the leaders, with more than half of the field at par 71 or better and just about everyone still trying to get into position for the weekend.

Rocco Mediate, Bob Tway and Japanese stars Joe Shigeki Ozaki and Maruyama were among those at 67, while Davis Love III and Nick Price were in a large group at 68. Love is coming off a win and a runner-up finish, and a 68 was a good start considering what's at stake. A solid week would make him king of the West Coast Swing, which pays out \$500,000. Phil Mickelson also has a chance at the bonus, but he opened with a 73.

Scherrer gets one more round with Woods on Friday, and his only concern is that an afternoon start might bring out even more people to watch.

The gallery was still larger than anything he usually sees on the PGA Tour, especially for a Thursday morning. But Scherrer was a model of patience and nearly perfection. He didn't hit every fairway, but he never missed by much. His longest par putt was about 5 feet.

That was the longest putt Woods made all day, and those were for par. He twice tapped in for birdies on the par 5s, and his wedge into No. 8, his 17th hole, spun back to about 2 inches to get back to even-par for the round.

"I just hit some bad putts and a couple of loose shots," Woods said. "I was putting all right, but the problem is when you have the 40- and 45-footers and the 30-footers all day, you're not going to make your share of those. I need to hit the ball a little closer.'

Schwarzrock had no such complaints. After all, he was at home in Georgia on Tuesday and hopeful of getting into Doral or maybe the Honda Classic. With 15 players having dropped out of the Nissan, ba flew to Los Angeles.



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David Wells finally showed up with his new team, and Juan Gonzalez didn't take long to fit in with his.

Gonzalez, signed by injury-plagued Cleveland this winter to help replace Manny Ramirez, bruised his right elbow after being hit with a foul ball during the team's first full-squad workout Thursday.

"It scared me a little bit," said Gonzalez, who three hours later still had the elbow wrapped in ice. "The doctor checked it and said it was on the muscle, not the bone.'

Because of injuries last year, the Indians set a major league record by using 32 pitchers, and they were without Ramirez for 40 games because of a hamstring injury.

This one doesn't appear serious. The Indians did not think any X-rays were needed. Gonzalez thinks the elbow will be OK, but didn't know if he'd participate in Friday's workout.

"His arm might be a little sore for a while, but he'll be OK," Indians manager Charlie Manuel said from Winter Haven, Fla. "I'm not worried.'

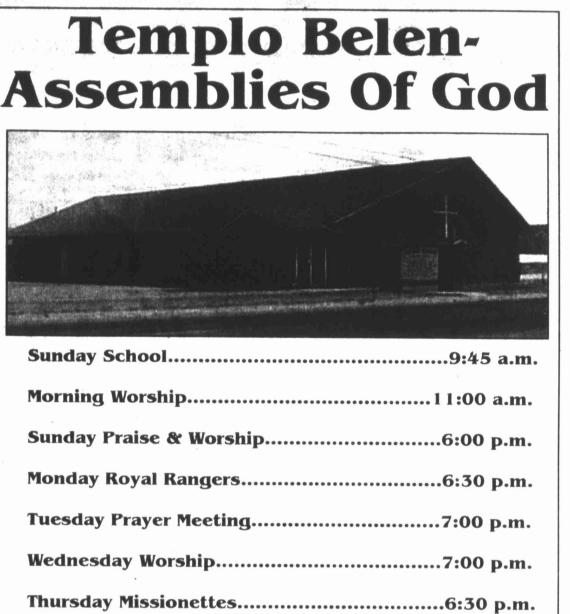
Wells, whose attempt to gain an extension from Toronto led to a trade to the White Sox, reported to Chicago's camp in Tucson, Ariz., a week past the voluntary date, but well before next Tuesday's mandatory date.

Toronto has asked the commissioner's office to review the controversial trade that brought him to the White Sox for injured left-hander Mike Sirotka, with the Blue Jays asking that the deal be reworked.

"That's out of my hands. I'm here now and I'm not going to even worry about it," Wells said.

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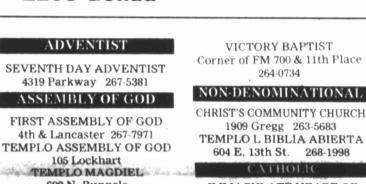


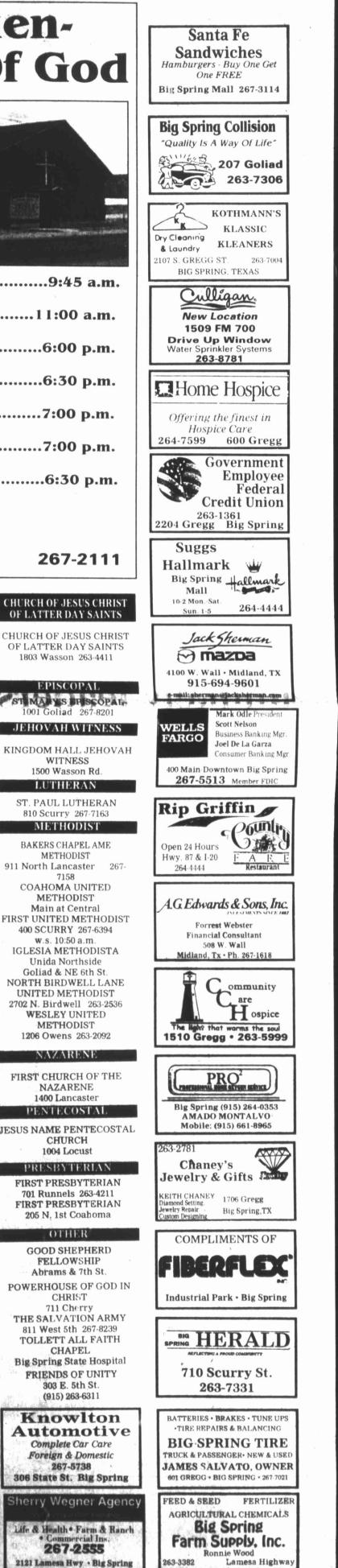


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Frank Thomas has been a distraction so far for the White Sox, complaining that his \$9.9 million salary is unjust.

"He's a little upset," teammate Ray Durham said. "All around baseball guys are upset about their contracts. It filters down. A lot of guys are wanting new deals because of the deals that are out there.'

Thomas used to be one of baseball's highest-paid players. Then, Alex Rodriguez got a \$252 million, 10-year contract from Texas in December.

Now, Thomas isn't even in the top 30. He unpacked his bags Wednesday, left the clubhouse before a team meeting and vented during dinner with some teammates.

He joined a lengthening list of stars upset over money. Sammy Sosa, Gary Sheffield, Barry Bonds and Omar Vizquel all have asked for extensions.

"You see the pay scale is getting out of whack," Thomas said. "You can't have A-Rod making 25 million and we're coming in at 7, 8, 9 million. It's a busi-ness. It's just like Hollywood. You can't have the top actor making 25 million and the rest making 10 million.'

Pedro Martinez, winner of the last two AL Cy Young Awards, also reported Thursday. He looked beefier when he arrived at Boston's training camp in Fort Myers, Fla.

Martinez said the extra pounds on his usually skinny frame came from dining on healthier fare in the Dominican Republic.

"Rice, beans, vegetables and some chicken," he said. "I wanted to feel stronger." The Red Sox had even

more uplifting news when Bryce Florie threw batting practice for the first time since suffering serious eye damage when he was struck by a liner hit by Ryan Thompson of the New York Yankees last Scpt. 8.

But he doesn't expect his vision will ever be as sharp as it was.

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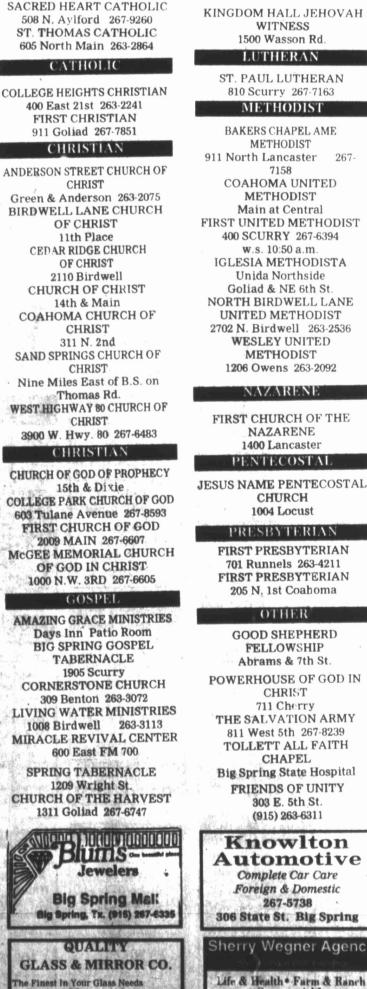
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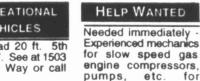
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Truth about dad's birth

opens an old wound

The woman he always believed was

his mother was, in fact, his grandmother. His older "sister" was really his mother. She was 16 when she became pregnant by a young soldier who

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His grandmother, a

strong-willed woman, took

his mother to another state

and pretended she had

given birth. She was deeply

ashamed of her daughter.

and went to great lengths to

carry out the plan. She

wrote letters home to rela-

tives informing them of her

even describing her terrible

Abby, my father has been

estranged from both women

since learning the truth.

My great-grandmother is 88

years old. I pray that our

family can be healed before

it's too late. Dad is angry,

betrayed and bitter. He

refuses to discuss the mat-

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saddest part is that some

family members have told

me they knew the truth all

His grandmother felt the

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DEAR SECRETS: I feel

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years ago. But family secrets sometimes have a life of their own, and she probably couldn't find the words by the time he was an adult.

> That your father is bitter and hurt because he was lied to about his history is understandable. However. some sessions with his clergyman or a therapist might help him to let go of his anger and forgive the deception - before it's too late.

DEAR ABBY: Please settle a disagreement between me and my fiance. Several of his co-workers have had weddings recently, with more to come. It is their practice to invite only their co-workers, stressing that no spouses or significant others are invited. This is not true of their other guests, only their co-workers. I have heard they believe the people from work are not as much fun when their spouses or dates are around.

All these weddings have been in halls with light buffets or appetizers and cash bars. They are always held at night with a DJ and dancing. They are not formal

My fiance's co-workers are almost all female. Therefore, he's the only dancing partner for 10 to 15 women who are without. their husbands or bovfriends.

I think this practice is: extremely rude. My fiance; believes it is their preroga-: tive and the "modern" way of doing things. What do vou think? - STEAMED IN CONNECTICUT

DEAR STEAMED: People usually limit their guest list because of budgetary concerns. Your fiance is correct that it's the host's privilege to issue such an invitation. All the same, to invite only half of a comtect her daughter's reputa mitted couple (a spouse or tion, because in 1950 being fiance) to a wedding where





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there's music and dancing is a breach of etiquette. To quote the lyrics of Irving Berlin, he should be able to "change partners and dance" - with you if he wishes.

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PUBLIC NOTICE Public Hearing Notice CITY OF BIG SPRING PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION 5:30 P.M., TUESDAY, MARCH 6, 2001 CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS 307 EAST 4TH STREET. BIG SPRING, TEXAS **REZONE OF LOCKHART** ADDITION The City of Big Spring is requesting the approval of a Rezone of Lot 1. Block 4, Lockhart Addition to the City of Big Spring, Howard County Texas. 3086 February 23 & 25, 2001 PUBLIC NOTICE Notification is hereby given that Woodforest National Bank, 13301 East Freeway Houston, Texas 77015, has filed an application with the Comptroller of the Currency on Pebruary 21, 2001, as specified in 12 C.F.R. 5 in the Comptroller's Manual for National Banks, for permission to establish domestic branch-es at the following locations Walmart #513, 201 West Marcy, Big Spring, Howard County, Texas. Any person wishing to com ment on this application may file comments in writing with the Deputy Comptroller, Southwestern District, 1600 Lincoln Plaza, 500 N. Akard, Dallas, Texas 75201-3.394 within 30 days of the date of this publication. The nonco fi dential portions of the application are on file with the Deputy Comptroller as part of the pubtic file. This file is available to public inspection during regu ar business hours. 3082 February 23, 2001 PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 59, TEXAS PROPERTY CODE, AMERICAN SELF STORAGE WHICH IS LOCATED AT 3314 E. FM 700, BIG SPRING, TX. 79720 WILL HOLD A PUBLIC AUC-TION OF PROPERTY BEING SOLD TO SATISFY A LAND-LORD'S LIEN. SALE WILL BE AT 11 O'CLOCK A.M. ON MARCH 3, 2001 AT 3314 E FM 700, BIG SPRING, TX. PROPERTY WILL BE SOLD TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH. SELLER RESERVES RIGHT TO NOT ACCEPT ANY BID AND TO WITH DRAW PROPERTY FROM SALE. PROPERTY TO EACH SPACE MAY BE SOLD ITEM-BY-ITEM, IN BATCHES, OR BY THE SPACE. ALL SALES ARE SUBJECT TO TEXAS STATE SALES TAX. SALE IS ON THE CONTENTS OF TENANT: Christopher Alexand CONSISTING OF: Misc.-item TENANT: Lana Coke CONSISTING OF: Misc. Items 3081 February 23 & March 2, 2001



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THIS DATE **IN HISTORY** The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Today is Friday, Feb. 23, the 54th day of 2001. There are 311 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Feb, 23, 1945, during World War II, U.S. Marines on Iwo Jima captured Mount Suribachi, where they raised the American flag.

On this date:

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In 1848, the sixth president of the United States, John Quincy Adams, died of a stroke at age 80.

In 1861, President-elect Lincoln arrived secretly in Washington to take office, an assassination plot having been foiled in Baltimore.

In 1870, Mississippi was readmitted to the Union.

In 1927, President Coolidge signed a bill creating the Federal Radio Commission, forerunner of Federal the Communications Commission.

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invaded the Parliament, taking lawmakers hostage. The attempt collapsed 18 hours later.

In 1997, scientists in Scotland announced they had succeeded in cloning an adult mammal, producing a lamb named "Dolly."

Ten years ago: President Bush announced that the allied ground offensive against Iraqi forces had begun. (Because of the time difference, it was already the early morning of Feb. 24 in the Persian Gulf.)

Today's Birthdays: Actor Peter Fonda is 61. Singermusician Johnny Winter is 57. South African ac ivist Country-rock musician

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