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WEATHER

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CHIP advisor to assist parents here Thursday

Jan Mann of Odessa will be in Big Spring Thursday to answer questions about the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP).

CHIP is private health insurance for children, designed for families who do not qualify for Medicaid but cannot afford to buy health insurance. The program will begin at 2 p.m. at West Texas Opportunities. Applications will be available and appointments can be made after the meeting.

Or, to apply for CHIP at anytime, call 267-9536. Proof of income, identification and recent electric and gas or propane bills will be necessary.

WHAT'S UP...

TODAY

Big Spring Band Boosters meet at 6 p.m. in the high school band hall. All band parents are invited to attend.

Big Spring Art Association meets at 7 p.m. in the Howard County Library basement at 7 p.m.

Big Spring Chapter 67, Order of the Eastern Star meets at 7:30 p.m. at the Masonic Lodge, 219 Main.

WEDNESDAY

Optimist Club, 7 a.m., Howard College Cactus room.

Line dancing, 1 p.m., Senior Citizens Center.

Sit and Be Fit Chair Aerobics, 10 a.m., Scenic Mountain Medical Center cafeteria. People 50 and older are invited to participate.

Beginning line dance class, 10:30-11:30 a.m., free to beginners. Contact Margarita Durand-Hollis at the Dance Gallery.

Big Spring Downtown Lions Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room. Call Terry Hansen.

Big Spring Duplicate Bridge Club, meets every Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at 1 p.m. at the Big Spring Country Club.

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Booth reservations going quickly for annual Ag Expo

By BILL McCLELLAN
News Editor

There is still time to reserve booths for the West Texas Ag Expo, planned for March 29 at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum, but those wanting to do so need to do so quickly.



VALVERDE

"We'll take booth reservations only for a few more days," said Debby Valverde, Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce secretary.

The expo is held in conjunction with the annual Ag Appreciation Luncheon, which will feature Texas Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs as guest speaker.

"We want to remind everyone that this year,

booths will be inside along the walls of the coliseum. No large equipment will be permitted inside," said Valverde.

Large equipment won't be allowed on the floor because this year the luncheon will be held in the center of the coliseum, with booths taking up space around the perimeter. That's to make room for the large crowd expected to hear Combs speak.

The Ag Expo will be held

from 10 a.m. and run until 3 p.m. and will feature various programs and exhibits. Howard County Extension Service will again be offering programs to area producers, who can receive continuing education units for attending.

The luncheon will begin at noon, and in addition to Commissioner Combs, will feature the naming of the Ag Producer of the Year, as well as a new award — the Agribusiness Person of the

Year. The luncheon is held to express appreciation to farm and ranch families for their significant contribution to the local economy. There is no charge to area farmers and ranchers for the luncheon, but they are asked to obtain tickets. Those are available at the chamber office and at various farm-supply businesses in Howard County.

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Snakes alive! It's roundup time

By CARL GRAHAM
Staff Writer

Fascinating to some, repulsive to others, the 39th annual Rattlesnake Roundup returns this Saturday and Sunday at the Howard County Fair Barns.

The event draws visitors from across Texas as again being sponsored by the American Business Club of Big Spring (AMBUCS).

Ray Alexander, AMBUCS treasurer, said the process of getting everything ready to go has already begun.

"We are busy getting ready with around 300 pounds of snakes already brought in," said Alexander. "Of course this roundup wouldn't be complete without Monty Stallcop and his snake handling crew. He is already here in fact, visiting several of the local area schools with his demonstrations."

Alexander said in addition to the rattlesnake roundup, many vendors will be participating.

"We have already gotten around 30 to 40 vendors with more coming in," said Alexander. "They will be handling items such as ceramics, jewelry, quilts, porcelain dolls, dream catchers, plus many more."

Of course for those inclined, Alexander said there will be rattlesnake meat fried up and ready to eat.



Courtesy photo

World famous rattle snake handler Monty Stallcop gives a cobra a kiss. Stallcop and a group of snake handlers that travel with him will be here again this year to provide great entertainment at the 39th annual Rattlesnake Roundup sponsored by AMBUCS. The event will be held Saturday and Sunday at the fair barns.

"We will have rattlesnake meat for anyone who wishes to see how it tastes," said Alexander. "We will also be having skinning and milking demonstrations throughout the day. Another fun event is the rattlesnake races as well as the handling demonstrations."

Alexander said that

weigh-in of the snakes will begin at 1 p.m. Friday and run until 6 p.m.

Doors will open at 10 a.m. Saturday for the public with weigh-ins from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m.

On Sunday, the roundup will be from noon until 6 p.m. with the awarding of the trophies at 5 p.m.

"Don't forget the arts and

crafts show in the Dora Roberts Building and the outdoor flea market," said Alexander.

"The weather forecast looks good so we should have a great roundup with plenty of snakes. We hope everyone will come out either Saturday or Sunday or even both," Alexander added.

Candidates line up for board slots as deadline edges close

By LYNDEL MOODY
Staff Writer

Several more candidates have announced their intention to seek a term on area school boards as the deadline to file for the May 5 elections is Wednesday.

Don Ewing, who works for Parker and Hannifin Corporation, has filed his intent to seek one of the two at-large positions for the Coahoma Independent School District board.

"I feel it is my duty," Ewing said. "I want people on the school board that care about what is going on."

Ewing attended Coahoma schools and has three children currently going through the school system.

He is joined by Brandon Luce, who filed earlier. Incumbents Ben Bowlin and Hubert Rowden have not filed.

In other area elections, Mike Hillger, a three-year veteran of the Glasscock County Independent School District, has filed his intent to seek another term for one of two at-large positions.

"I like helping out in the community," Hillger said. "We have done great things in Garden City and I would like to continue."

Hillger is a farmer in the Garden City area and has two sons attending the high school.

Earlier, incumbent Tibby Niehues announced her intention to seek another term on the Glasscock County ISD board.

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Senior Leadership program set to kick off

Herald Staff Report

The first session of the Senior Leadership Big Spring program sponsored by the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce will begin on Wednesday.

"We have a full class," said Nancy Jones, who



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helped to organize the class. "We worked on this for the past couple of months and we really think this program will be a great opportunity for the seniors."

The program is targeted toward retired or semi-retired individuals who may have lost contact with the business world and may no longer be involved in the community.

According to Terri Davis, executive director for the Chamber of Commerce, the

main purpose of the program is to get the seniors back involved in the community.

The program is designed to allow seniors to become familiar with businesses and industry in Big Spring as well as learn about the operation of the Chamber, Moore Development for Big Spring and the city of Big Spring, Davis said.

"This is the chance to see the industry and learn more about the town," Jones said.

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Howard College one-act play series opens Thursday

By Herald Staff Report

The Howard College theater group is geared up for its presentation of two one-act plays on Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

"These are really good plays and these students have come a long way," said Clay Grizzle, Howard College drama instructor.

The two shows will be under the direction of Grizzle and will begin at 8 nightly in the Howard College auditorium.

"This is going to be the last time people will see the auditorium before next year after the renovations," Grizzle said.

The first production is



GRIZZLE

called "Circle on the Cross," about a Vietnam veteran returning home after being reported as missing in action for many years.

The cast and crew performed the play at Tarleton University in Stephenville earlier this month and came back with several awards.

Dusty Osborn and Ben Solis, both won acting awards. In addition, Osborn was given an award for set design.

The cast members for "A Circle on the Cross" are Dusty Osborn, who plays the role of James Goode; Ben Solis, who plays the part of Billy Goode; Kim Leopard, as Jo Ann Goode; and Rau Stech, as Chester Goode.

The second play entitled "Breakdown," revolves around a man who returns

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HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody

Jose Chavez, left, and Mike Massey, both of MidTex of Midland, perform cabinet work on additional dorm rooms for Burke Hall at the SouthWest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf this morning.

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OBITUARIES

Jose Lopez

Funeral service for Jose Lopez, 60, of St. Lawrence, formerly of Miles, will be 11 a.m., Wednesday, March 21, 2001, at the St. Lawrence Catholic Church with the Rev. Bernard Getigan, pastor, officiating. Burial will be at St. Lawrence Cemetery. Rosary will be recited at 7 p.m. today at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel.

Mr. Lopez died Friday, March 16, at his residence.

He was born July 8, 1940, in San Angelo and had been a resident of St. Lawrence for more than 30 years. He worked in maintenance for the Texas Department of Transportation for 17 years, retiring in January 1998. He was a member of St. Lawrence Catholic Church.

Survivors include one brother, Emit Lopez of San Angelo; and one sister, Mary Llanas of Miles.

The family suggests memorials to St. Lawrence Catholic Church, 2400 FM 2401, Garden City 79739 or the donor's favorite charity.

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

Billie Louise Baldock

Funeral service for Billie Louise Baldock, 71, of Brownwood, formerly of Big Spring, will be 2 p.m., Wednesday, March 21, 2001, at Heartland Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Steve Holcomb officiating. Graveside service will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday at Trinity Memorial Park in Big Spring.

Mrs. Baldock died Sunday, March 18, in Brownwood.

She was born on Sept. 2, 1929, in Coleman. She had been a resident of Brownwood for the past 23 years and had lived in Big Spring and Talpa. She married Earl Field Baldock in Big Spring in 1945 and he preceded her in death in 1978. She was a homemaker and a Baptist.

Survivors include two sons, Louis Baldock of Colorado and Ronnie Baldock of Big Spring; five daughters, Betty Atkinson, Shirlee Johnson, Michelle Kemp and Kathy Johnson, all of Brownwood, and Diane Turner of Coleman, her mother, Lynniece Claece West of Santa Anna; one brother, Sammy Day of Abilene; three sisters, Wadean Green of Rising Star, Gertrude Bronner of Odessa and Carol Mitchell of Abilene; 15 grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren.

Arrangements are under

the direction of Heartland Funeral Home in Early.

Rodrigo Muniz

Funeral service for Rodrigo Muniz, 35, of Kermit, is pending with Stanton Memorial Funeral Home & Chapel.

Mr. Muniz died Monday, March 19, 2001, at a Midland hospital.

Lula Viola Boyd Metcalf

Funeral service for Lula Viola Boyd Metcalf, 87, of Big Spring, is pending with Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home of Snyder.

Mrs. Metcalf died Friday, March 16, 2001, at University Medical Center in Lubbock.

Euljoio DeLeon

Funeral service for Euljoio DeLeon, 81, of Big Spring, is pending with Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Mr. DeLeon died Monday, March 19, 2001, at a local hospital.

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Luncheon tickets are also available to non-producers at a cost of \$8 each and may be picked up at the chamber.

"We are really excited to have Susan Combs be the guest speaker at our luncheon," said Valverde. "We're looking for a good crowd."

To reserve booth space, or for more information about the luncheon or expo, call Valverde at 263-7641.

ELECTIONS

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Terry Shanks, District 5 trustee and Johnny Gonzales, who represents District 1, have filed to seek re-election on the Stanton Independent School District board.

David Zant and Stan Blagrave have filed to run for the two at-large positions up for election this year on the Sands CISD board.

In the Grady Independent School District 2 race, incumbent Bryan Cox filed. Cox is joined by Roy Madison, who filed his intent to seek re-election for District 7. As of yet, no one has filed for the District 1 seat.

No new candidates have filed to run for the three-at-large positions on the Big Spring ISD board. Earlier, incumbents Steve Fraser, Al Valdes and Mike Dawson all filed, as did Kent Sharp.

No new candidates have filed for the Forsan Independent School District board two at-large positions since John Spence, Allen McDowell and Debbie Burt announced their intention to run.

Early voting in all of the elections will begin on April 18 and run through May 1.

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On April 18 the group will tour Western Container. On May 2, the group will visit Howard College and the SouthWest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf campuses.

"The people I have talk with are very excited about touring Western

Container," Jones said.

On May 16, the group will tour the Alon and StarTek facilities. On the last week, the group will have a wind turbine tour followed by a graduation ceremony.

"I think the all-time favorite will probably be the wind turbine tour," Jones said.

The program is offered free to the individual with the only cost involved being lunch at some of the sessions. At other sessions, lunch will be provided by sponsorships, Davis said.

PLAYS

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from a sanitarium where he had been recovering from a nervous breakdown.

Grizzle had to make a last minute change in the part of John Bridgman who will now be played by Brandon Johnson, a former Howard College student.

Other cast members of "Breakdown" include Stephanie Guzman, who plays Mary Bridgman; Josh Hadley, who will play the part of John's other self; and Urica Humphries, as Ms. Bainard.

Admission is free for Howard College students and employees and \$3 to the general public. Tickets can be purchased at the door.

New trial ordered due to tardy prosecutors

ATLANTA (AP) — A judge who dismissed a felony hit-and-run case because prosecutors were 15 minutes late to court has ordered a retrial.

Fulton County Superior Court Judge Alice Bonner also removed herself from the case Monday in "light of the circumstances" surrounding it.

Rosendo Diaz Abarca, 24, is charged with hit-and-run in a November 1998 accident that killed Shareca Tucker, 18. Tucker was struck by four cars as she walked across a road.

Bonner had dismissed the case March 6, on the second day of trial, for "want of prosecution" when two assistant district attorneys were 15 minutes late for the 9 a.m. proceedings.

The prosecutors later said they thought court was to begin at 9:30 a.m.

The dismissal prompted public outcry and angered the victim's family.

Tucker's 7-year-old son, Joshua, wrote a letter to Bonner last week.

"I felt sad ... because the man hit my mom and ran. It was no cause to hit my mom and leave her helpless laying in the road," Joshua wrote.

SUPPORT GROUPS

TODAY

*Gamblers Anonymous, 7 p.m., St. Stephen's Catholic Church, room 1, 4601 Neeley, Midland. Call 263-8920.

*Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, 8 p.m. 12 and 12 study.

WEDNESDAY

*Gamblers Anonymous, 7 p.m., St. Stephen's Catholic Church, room 1, 4601 Neeley, Midland. Call 263-8920.

*Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting and 8 p.m. 12 and 12 study.

THURSDAY

*Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting.

BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

BRIEFS

BIG SPRING DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB

meets Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday at 1 p.m. at the Big Spring Country Club. New members are welcome. \$4 fee. Contact Janell Davis at 267-2656 for more information.

THE MOBILE MEALS PROGRAM

which delivers to the elderly and home-bound, needs volunteers to deliver meals.

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

TO ORGANIZE A TEAM

for Relay for Life, the community-wide campaign that is a fund-raising event for the American Cancer Society, call Linda Billington at 399-4408, or Gloria McDonald at 263-1234. Relay is planned May 11-12 at Blankenship Field and 65 teams are expected to participate.

VICTIM SERVICES IS PLANNING

a program, "Empowering the Community: Everyone Has a Role," for April 4 on the Howard County Courthouse lawn. They are asking people who have been victims of violent crime to contact the office if they would be interested in taking part in the event. Among observations planned are a parade with law enforcement.

CALL THE VICTIM SERVICES OFFICE

at 263-3312 for information.

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.

SPRING TABERNAACLE CHURCH

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

MARKETS

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Archer-Daniels	14.12 -21
Atmos Energy	23.4 -3
BP AMOCO	48.95 -26
Chevron Corp	90.45 +1.39

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Dell	25 1/2 +5/8
Du Pont	43.43 -.21
Exxon Mobil	82.3 +1.04
Halliburton	41.7 +1.09
IFCO Systems	31 + 1/4
IBM	91.2 -1.4
Intel Corp	26 3/4 - 1/4
NUV	9.24 - .06
Patterson Ener	34 1/2 + 1/4
Pepsico Inc	41.95 -.73
Phillips Petro	56.11 +.59
SBC Comms	42.18 -.88
Sears Roebuck	37.54 +.09
Texaco Inc	67.9 +.74
Texas Instrument	33.46 +.95
TXU	10 +.36
Total Fina	68.05 +.05
Unocal Corp	36.44 +.89
Wal-Mart	48.77 +1.39
Wal-Mart/Mexico	23 1/2 - 23 1/2
AMCAP	16.57 +.23
Europacific	28.75 -.02
Prime Rate	8.5 %
Gold	258.85-262.25
Silver	4.28-4.34

SHERIFF

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

• **ABEL GUZMAN**, 18, of 1504 Vines, was arrested on a charge of possession of marijuana. (BSPD)

• **JOHNNY OLIVAREZ**, 34, of 1407 Princeton, was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated, 3rd or more, evading arrest and driving while license suspended. (BSPD)

• **TERESA ANN SIMS**, 41, of 200 11th Place, was arrested on a charge of issue bad checks. (HCSO)

• **JUDY ANN GARDNER**, 49, of Coahoma, was arrested on a charge of assault/family violence. (HCSO)

• **JUAN PEREZ PRESAS**, 26, of 2214 Lynn, was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated and failure to stop and render aid. (DPS)

• **JASON ALLEN WATSON**, 17, of 104 Jefferson, was arrested on a charge of evading arrest. (BSPD)

• **JONATHAN ALCANTAR**, 17, of 502 Rannels, was arrested on a charge of evading arrest. (BSPD)

• **LYNDON TRENT FRALEY**, 41, of 1506 Stadium, was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated. (BSPD)

• **JOHN ANTHONY SOLIZ**, 17, of 1319 Stadium, was arrested on a charge of possession of marijuana. (BSPD)

• **SAMMEAL ROY GRAY**, 17, of 1508 Wood, was arrested on a charge of evading arrest. (BSPD)

TESTIMONY

A local woman transported to Medical Center Lubbock has di-

Lula Viola Boyd Metcalf died Friday due to a charge of possession of marijuana.

• **LARRY RAY BOUNDS**, 35, of 500 State, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• **ARTHUR ISLAS JR.**, 33, of 1104 Wood, was arrested on local warrants.

• **BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE** was reported in the 3700 block of Boulder

• **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 1600 block of Martin Luther King.

• **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** was reported in the 700 block of Douglas.

• **CRIMINAL TRESPASS** was reported in the 800 block of E. 18th.

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following weekend report for the week ending Monday, March 19, at 8 a.m.:

• **ASSAULT 1**
• **BURGLARY OF A BUILDING 1**
• **BURGLARY OF A MOTOR VEHICLE 1**
• **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF 5**

• **DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED 5**
• **DRIVING WHILE LICENSE INVALID 1**
• **EVADING ARREST 2**
• **RUNAWAY 1**
• **THEFT 4**

• **CONVENIENCE STORE 2**
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• **INCIDENTS 5**
• **ACCIDENTS 3**

• **MAJOR 1**
• **MINOR 2**
• **ARRESTS 19**

FIRE/EMS

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

9:33 a.m. — 1300 block of State, medical call, one patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

10:46 a.m. — 100 block of West Culp in Coahoma, trauma call, one patient transported to SMCC.

1:35 p.m. — 1000 block of Scurry, traffic accident, one patient transported to VA Medical Center.

9:01 p.m. — 2700 block of Wasson, trauma call, service refused.

9:27 p.m. — 3100 block of Lintner, trauma call, one patient transported to SMCC.

9:35 p.m. — 1500 block of Douglas, automobile fire, extinguished.

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Euljoio DeLeon, 81, died Monday. Services are pending.

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Jose Lopez, 60, died Friday. Rosary will be said at 7:00 PM Tuesday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Services will be 11:00 AM Wednesday at St. Lawrence Catholic Church. Interment will follow at St. Lawrence Cemetery.

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By **LYNDEL MO**
Staff Writer

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Big Spring woman dies from injuries suffered in natural gas fire on March 8

By LYNDEL MOODY
Staff Writer

A local woman burned in a flash fire on March 8 and transported to University Medical Center (UMC) in Lubbock has died.
Lula Viola Metcalf, 87, of Big Spring, died at 8:05 p.m. Friday due to complications from serious burns at UMC, said Kim Davis, UMC public relations officer.
Lula and her husband, Jerry, received burns in a natural gas fire at their place of business, Trailer

and RV Center, located on the Lamesa Highway. Jerry Metcalf was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center and later transferred to UMC.
According to Davis, Jerry Metcalf is in satisfactory condition.
Apparently, the fire began after an excavator performing reconstruction work along U.S. Highway 87 struck a natural gas line. The leaking gas entered into the building.
According to Big Spring Fire Marshal Carl Condray,

the gas apparently ignited when Jerry Metcalf attempted to light a space heater in the office area of the business.
Condray said it was uncertain whether service to the building had been damaged or if the gas entered through the atmosphere.
The fire is under investigation by several agencies, including the fire marshal's office.
Service is pending at Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home in Snyder.

Testimony heard on bill to halt executions

AUSTIN (AP) — Hands and voice quivering, Randall Dale Adams recounted for a panel of sad-faced politicians Monday what it felt like to peel away the pages of a desk calendar from his prison cell, counting down the days until he would die for a murder he didn't commit.
The calendar grew thinner. When there were three pages left, his sentence was commuted to life in prison. Following 13 years in jail, he was released in 1989 after his wrongful conviction of killing a Dallas police officer was revealed by the documentary "The Thin Blue Line."
"By the grace of God, having not been executed, I

have the opportunity to stand before you today," Adams told the House State Affairs Committee.
He used his story to plead with committee members to approve a bill by Rep. Harold Dutton that would halt executions in this state for two years while a committee is created to study the Texas death penalty.
"We are killing innocent people," Adams said. "Cease this railroad train that we've got rolling down the track."
"Just pull it into the station for a little bit."
Texans supporting the moratorium flooded the committee room to tell lawmakers why they should vote for it.

Only one man told lawmakers why they should not.
"You would be denying closure and solace to the victims. You would be denying the belief in due process and you would be denying the application of a mandated justice," said William "Rusty" Hubbard, vice president for legislative affairs for Justice For All, a Houston-based victims advocacy group.
Arguing that there aren't mistakes in the "vast majority of cases," Hubbard said he believes no innocent inmate has been executed in Texas.
The committee was expected to leave the bill pending.

Medicaid funds woefully short

AUSTIN (AP) — House budget writers were warned Monday that escalating Medicaid costs would be even higher than originally thought, putting a squeeze on an already tight budget.

Don Gilbert, Texas Health and Human Services commissioner, told the House Appropriations Committee that updated Medicaid enrollment projections showed the state would need an additional \$600 million to \$650 million to administer the program than what lawmakers allocated in their initial appropriations bill.

In that base 2002-2003 budget, legislators recommended spending \$13.2 billion in state funds on health and human services, most of which would pay for Medicaid.

On Monday, the House committee unanimously approved a proposal that included \$39.3 million more than originally proposed to cover projected case load increases in the Children's Health Insurance Program.

The commission had asked for \$83 million to cover CHIP caseload increases and increased managed care cost.

Rep. Craig Eiland, D-Galveston, said those costs could be addressed other

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ways such as through contract negotiations with insurance companies.

The Medicaid increase was the latest update — \$83 million more than what Gilbert estimated last month — from the commission that has been battling rising prescription drug prices, increased utilization of services and other rising health care costs.

A special Senate-House working group has been working on cutting Medicaid-related costs this session, but Eiland warned lawmakers that the increases could continue.

"The bottom line is we actually may whittle down from some greater number," he said.

The costs, coupled with a \$602 million Medicaid shortfall in the current two-year budget cycle, makes it

especially hard in a session with several expensive ideas, including streamlining Medicaid and funding a statewide teachers' health insurance program, said Rep. Rob Junell, appropriations committee chairman.

"That's our dilemma," said Junell, D-San Angelo. "I suggest that we look at our priorities really, really close."

Lawmakers are strapped with a tight \$108.2 billion budget this legislative session that leaves as little as \$300 million for new spending.

Last week, the Senate Finance Committee approved a \$14 billion health and human services budget for 2002-2003. That's about \$800 million more than what lawmakers originally proposed in the budget bill.

Junell, however, warned that the Senate committee depended on \$800 million in excess school property tax funds that will only be available for use this biennium.

Also, several lawmakers are competing for that money for other programs, including a state-funded teachers' health insurance plan.

"I think we need to keep hope alive on teachers' insurance," Junell said.

Reform panel says Amtrak suffers 'fundamental institutional flaws'

WASHINGTON (AP) — Amtrak, which has lost money every year since its creation in 1971, suffers from "fundamental institutional flaws" and should no longer be expected to balance business and governmental responsibilities, a reform panel says in a new report.

The Amtrak Reform Council proposes dividing Amtrak's responsibilities into a profit-focused company responsible for train operations, a separate government-owned corporation to oversee assets like tracks and stations, and a new government oversight agency.
"Today, public policy is made in many instances by

Amtrak, rather than by an entity whose job it is to protect the public interest," the council wrote in a report released today.

Congress formed the council in 1997 as part of the Amtrak Reform and Accountability Act, which provided billions of dollars in support for Amtrak but gave it five years to prove it can run without annual operating subsidies.

The 11-member council recommends improvements to Amtrak's operations and monitors its progress toward self-sufficiency.

Amtrak has consumed more than \$23 billion in subsidies since 1971. Amtrak officials say the railway is

set to wean itself from operating subsidies by 2003, though they maintain the government will have to continue providing capital funds for projects like construction of high-speed rail corridors.

Government watchdogs have expressed doubts about whether Amtrak will meet the 2003 deadline. The council's report raises similar questions.

Amtrak currently operates the nation's passenger rail system, owns tracks in the Northeast Corridor from Washington to Boston, pursues side businesses including a package-delivery service and lobbies Congress for federal support of the

rail system.
To the reform council, Amtrak is wearing too many hats.

The council proposes five options but immediately rules out one — full privatization of the rail system.

In three other options, a newly created government corporation would own and operate Amtrak's physical assets, including the tracks between Boston and Washington. In the fourth option, the states would assume ownership of the physical assets.

The council says its goal is to "stimulate debate." It already has.

On Friday, four days before the report was pub-

licly released, Amtrak distributed a letter by the railway's president criticizing the idea of creating a new government entity.

"The ARC proposal clearly moves away from the statutory mandate to make Amtrak more businesslike and less reliant on the government," Amtrak President George Warrington wrote to Gilbert Carmichael, chairman of the Amtrak Reform Council.

The council says it intends not to create a new level of government, but to consolidate existing governmental functions now distributed among Amtrak, the Federal Railroad Administration, the Department of

Transportation's inspector general and the General Accounting Office.

Warrington did praise the report for urging a stable source of federal funds for capital projects.

Charles Money, who represents organized labor on the council, dissented from the report.

"While I agree that Amtrak, like any U.S. institution, faces certain political pressures, I do not understand how simply separating Amtrak's functions and creating separate units would address this issue," he wrote.

Nine members of the council supported the report.

Campaign finance debate under way with narrow vote in the Senate

WASHINGTON (AP) — Senate supporters of limiting political donations narrowly overcame their first challenge in their drive to bring about the most significant change in campaign spending law in a quarter-century.

The Senate by a 51-48 vote Monday defeated a proposal to effectually eliminate direct party contribution limits for candidates running against wealthy opponents who put at least \$1 million of their own money into a campaign.

The vote opened two weeks of debate on legislation offered by Sens. John McCain, R-Ariz., and Russell Feingold, D-Wis., that would ban loosely regulated "soft money" donations that corporations, unions and wealthy individuals give political parties.

The millionaire amendment was defeated only after Democrats, in intense discussions on the Senate floor, persuaded three of their members who had voted in favor of the amendment to change their votes.

Democrats publicly promised they would work on a compromise version that would be taken up today.

McCain said the original amendment, offered by Sen. Pete Domenici, R-N.M., would increase rather than decrease campaign spending and was "a meat-ax approach to a problem that requires a scalpel." But he said he thought a compromise could be reached.

Two of the three who switched their votes — Sen. Jon Corzine of New Jersey and Herb Kohl of Wisconsin

— are millionaires who financed their own campaigns. Corzine won his race last fall after spending a record \$60 million of his own money. The third was Sen. Robert Torricelli of New Jersey.

Domenici, the chief proponent of the millionaire amendment, said a compromise he and Sen. Mike DeWine, R-Ohio, were considering would allow a tenfold increase in the \$1,000 individual contribution limit for candidates running against opponents who use

more than \$1 million of their own money.

The larger issue was the future of campaign spending laws, with supporters of McCain-Feingold asserting that the integrity of the nation's election system was at stake. Opponents said First Amendment free speech rights were at risk.

"This is the beginning of two weeks of a wild ride," said Sen. Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., the leading opponent of the various McCain-Feingold bills that have failed to win Senate support

over the past six years.

This year the chances of passage are considered to be the best ever. Democrats, who in large part support the bill, now hold 50 seats in the Senate, and McCain and Feingold say they have enough Republicans on their side to gain the 60 votes needed to overcome an opposition filibuster.

The bill also would put limits on issue ads placed by corporations and unions in the final 60 days of an election and requires greater disclosure.

Californians contemplate dark future as rolling blackouts strike

LOS ANGELES (AP) — After the first day of rolling blackouts in more than two months, energy officials hope cooler temperatures and the availability of additional power will help California avoid another day of outages.

The blackouts struck statewide Monday without warning, coming in two waves that left more than 1.2 million customers in the dark from San Diego to Sacramento.

"It's clearly the worst day we've ever had in California," said Patrick Dorinson, spokesman for the California Independent System Operator, which oversees most of the state's power grid. "All Californians are going to

realize this is a statewide problem."

Intersections in Sacramento jammed, trapped office workers fled through the roof of an elevator in Ventura, and businesses from San Francisco to Silicon Valley hung out "Closed" signs.

"It was quite sudden, with

no warning or nothing," said Nina Prommer of Globe Photos Inc., a Beverly Hills-based photo agency.

The day started with a noontime Stage 3 alert, the highest level of emergency. The shortages were blamed on a transformer fire and a lack of power from idled plants and out-of-state sup-

pliers.
Unseasonably high temperatures — the thermometer soared to 87 degrees in downtown Los Angeles — prompted Californians to crank their air conditioning units, further straining supplies.

Power grid operators responded by ordering the

first round of blackouts to last from noon to 4 p.m., with customers unplugged for about an hour over the

rotating period.

The second wave started around 6 p.m. and lasted through 7:15 p.m. By 9 p.m.,

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Your doctor may have received a letter in your case from Sulzer.

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EDITORIAL

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OUR VIEWS

Great to see local plant's solid growth

We're always encouraged to see growth in our community and Western Container Corporation's announcement that it will invest \$5.6 million this year in the Big Spring plant is nothing short of great news.

It's also great news for Western Container of course, because it means that the demand for its quality products — plastic bottles for soft drinks and water — is growing.

Most of the investment will be in a new blow molding line capable of producing 38,000 bottles an hour. That's a lot of bottles. Even more mind-boggling is the fact that Western Container shipped 700 million bottles last year.

The multi-million dollar project comes on the heels of another important one undertaken by Western Container last year — a new, 8,000-square-foot office complex. Western got financial help from Moore Development for Big Spring with that project.

"If we hadn't been able to do that, we would not be able to invest this year," explained Alf Marsh, general manager of Western's Big Spring plant.

The 2000 project freed up floor space for the new blow molding line, which should come into operation in May.

Western Container employs just under 250 people, and the new machinery will make it possible for the company's workforce to grow by four more positions. The company has been in Big Spring since 1980 and grown steadily.

We salute Western Container, its corporate offices in Midland, employees and Marsh, for their success and for their commitment to Big Spring.

Long may you prosper.

YOUR VIEWS

TO THE EDITOR:

I've been traveling with the Lady Hawks softball team this year. They returned Sunday from a trip to Tuscon, Ariz. where they played in the Pima Tournament. They won five of the six games they played, losing in the final for the championship to the number one team in their classification. The team brought home the beautiful second place trophy.

Coach George, coach Clappett, coach Beophy are doing a wonderful job with the team. Not only in soft-

ball but in teaching them in the things of life.

We are all very proud of the team, not only for their playing, but also for the wonderful sportsmanship they showed all the time they were gone. The spectators at the games were talking about their conduct.

The college and town should be very proud of the team, their coaches and the conduct they are showing.

SINCERELY,
J.R. PUNER
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Upcoming: Some kind of bailout for Japan

Back in the 1970s, anxiety was widespread that Japan was buying the United States and destroying the American auto industry. Because the Japanese made a relatively small investment in Rockefeller Center, cartoonists drew a rising-sun flag waving in front of the buildings. Toyotas, Hondas and Subarus made a strong showing in our markets, while our vehicles seemed to be of lower quality and were also kept out of Japanese domestic markets by various regulations. Japan made every effort to keep foreign goods from competing in its domestic markets. At the same time, the United States, during the Ford-Carter years, suffered from high inflation ("stagflation"), sluggish investment, high tax rates and flat productivity.

In 1980, George Bush Sr. ran for the Republican presidential nomination, deriding Ronald Reagan's economic views as "voodoo economics," meaning by "voodoo" the idea that lowering tax rates would increase federal income. "Voodoo economics" was counter-intuitive. Yet the Kemp-Roth tax cuts did, in

fact, raise federal income because they profoundly affected economic behavior — more investment, more risk-taking, greater flexibility. Federal Reserve Chairman Paul Volcker wrung inflation out of the system, and it remains low. And there was substantial deregulation. All of this was anathema to Reagan's Democratic opposition. In general, Democrats are high-tax people, public sector in their preferences. Even now, they want "targeted" tax cuts so that Washington, not the investor or purchaser, spends the money.

Right now, the American stock market is being depressed by two large factors. The less serious is the collapse in value of the NASDAQ stocks. Many of the high-tech ventures failed to live up to high hopes, or baseless expectations, and the value of their stocks plunged. Too many new investors were treating the stock market like a Las Vegas casino and inflating the value of the NASDAQ stocks. And down they went. This darkened the mood for Dow Jones trading.

All this is much less serious than the banking collapse currently facing Japan, as about 20 of its banks face ruin because of bad loans to failing enterprises. And those enterprises are failing because they are not competitive in the global economy, and this in turn because they have long been protected (regula-

tion) from competition with foreign enterprises.

An American tourist in Japan would see a number of unusual things in daily life. For example, he would find no self-service pumps in the gas stations. A polite attendant would fill his tank.

A woman visiting a Japanese department store would find an unfamiliar plenitude of clerks and salespeople waiting to help her.

This is symbolic. Japan prefers that those gas-station attendants have jobs, even if it means that the enterprise is labor-intensive and less efficient and profitable. The same goes for the department store, which would have twice as many sales employees as its America cousin. And Japanese jobs tend to be permanent.

There is something admirable in the Japanese model, which is highly paternalistic. The structure protects the individual. In return, the structure is more important than the individual and deserves strong loyalty in return. Individuals are pleased and proud to wear clothes that amount to uniforms for their company.

The entire country is organized this way. Solidarity trumps efficiency. The "Japanese Way" has powerful social sanctions. Not surprisingly, the Japanese economy is failing to grow. As the McKinsey Global Institute analysis by Masahiko Aoki

and Paul Romer puts it succinctly, the Japanese economy is in dangerous trouble because "in a misguided effort to protect jobs and maintain stability, the government subsidizes inefficient players and blocks the entry of competitors."

The fear of officials here is that the Japanese economy will tank and draw the international economy down with it. But there is no Japanese Margaret Thatcher to do what she did to the coal miners and other unions, or what Reagan did to the air-traffic controllers, or what Volcker did to the money supply. Politically, the Japanese will be unable to let weak banks and non-competitive enterprises simply fail.

And, indeed, we did not let Boeing or Chrysler go under.

There will be some kind of bailout for Japan. After all, we paid \$100 billion during the 1980s to bail out our savings and loans, which had been lending irresponsibly.

But a Japanese bailout will demand that Japan cease protecting its businesses from international competition and entail tough discussions with free-market Japanese about ways to expand competition and join the global economy.

For traditionalist Japanese, there will be something tragic in this, but they will understand that they have looked into the abyss.



JEFFREY HART



We need Texans to buy from Texans

Thought you'd heard it all? This timeless story of the little guy against powerful forces has a new twist today.

It's the mom and pop farmer or rancher trying to survive against huge, well-funded interests who don't seem to care much about Texas, much about you, or much less about the little guy.

Imagine a dust-county farmer throwing grapes at a big, burly guy with a club in his hand — David and Goliath. That's basically the wine fight brewing in Texas. The farmer against big, powerful restrictive operators who want to control small businesses and therefore the cash. What's at stake is truly a story of epic proportions.

Farmers and ranchers, ravaged by blistering heat

over the last four or five years, depressed commodity prices and uncertain world trade, are taking a long, hard look at the fledgling Texas wine industry as a means of diversifying their incomes.

Grapes can yield about \$1,800 per acre. Compare that with the recent average returns of \$270 an acre for corn, \$221 per acre for cotton and a whopping \$77 per acre for wheat — actually less than what a farmer received 50 years ago.

And consumers in the Lone Star State are buying wine. Texas ranks fifth in total wine consumption with Texans spending more than \$500 million a year on wine. But only about 5 percent of all wine sold in the state is Texas wine. That's far below the 20 percent to 30 percent market share Oregon and Washington wineries garner in their respective states.

So why not let Texas grape growers and our wineries follow in the footsteps of Oregon and Washington? California and New York? And even now New Mexico, Arizona,

Missouri, Vermont, Colorado, Kentucky and Illinois, to name a few.

Because it's all about distribution and who gets the money. The distributors don't seem very excited about a little winery selling its few bottles of wine directly to Texas consumers. They want a farmer or rancher to drive miles and miles to some package store and then ship to you directly in Austin, Houston or Dallas.

It's always about money. The distributor wants to buy the wine at a sharply discounted price from the winery, ramp up the price, then sell it to the consumer and ultimately control all access. When asked what benefit the winery would get from this, the answer is, "We'll make the call to UPS for you."

Get thanks. But these farmers and ranchers could manage to make that call themselves, save the long-distance drive from the vineyard, and also manage not to be forced to see their long-labored-over wine at sharply discounted prices.

But the distributors say they only have your inter-

ests at heart. Hmm. So what does all this distill down to? The big guy wants all the return for virtually none of the labor. Growing grapes is labor intensive. It usually takes anywhere from six to seven years before growers can begin seeing a profit. Getting the wine right is time and experience intensive and definitely not easy.

Marketing isn't easy either, but California has managed it superbly. Napa Valley has more tourists than Disneyland. Wineries have dispersed rural economic development — beds and breakfasts, small inns, small stores with things I can't seem to resist.

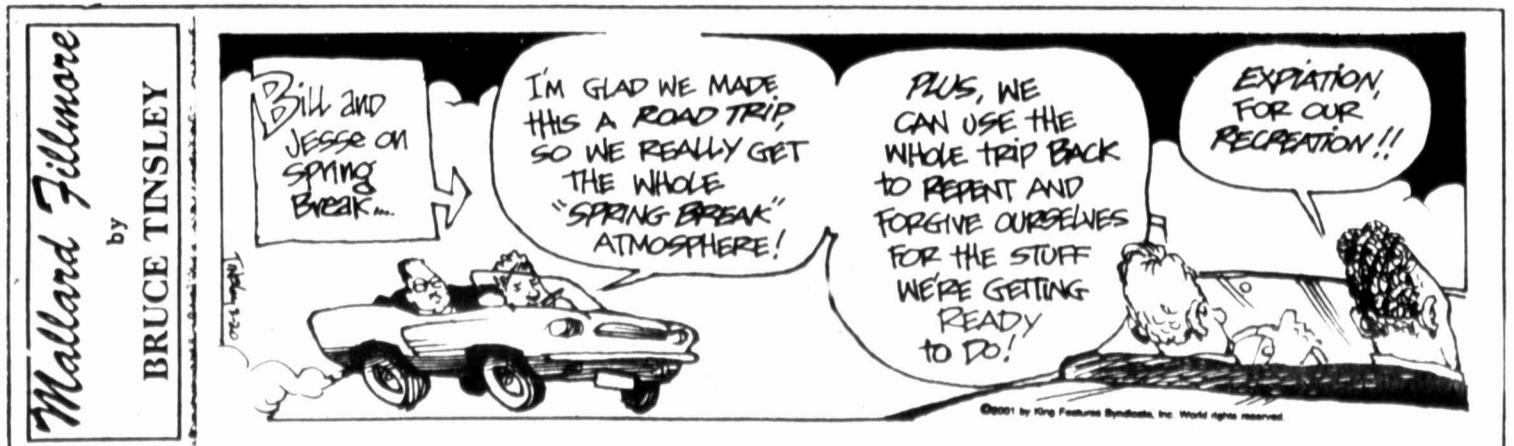
Let's see if we can't find a way for Texans to buy from Texans, to let wineries across the state flourish, to let Texans in a huge state the size of almost 15 states get their wine from far-flung Texas vineyards.

Let's see if we can't find a win for David against Goliath once again.

Susan Combs is commissioner of the Texas Department of Agriculture.



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The Bulldogettes travel to Midland Friday.

Lady Steers' club to meet

The Lady Steer club will meet 1 p.m. at the Training Center. The final of the athletic ban held May 14.

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The Lady Steer club will meet a Thursday at the Training Center. All parents are to attend.

Coahoma UG: registering pl

Registration Coahoma UG will continue t Thursday. Try-outs will Saturday at 1 p.m. for division

Men's industri softball league

Anyone wanting to participate in the league, the sign entry fees due Friday, April 6. The entry fee there is a 20 roster limit. For more info contact Sally Gr 5237 or 263-1211.

Softball sign-up at the Big Sp

There will be softball sign-up Big Spring mall to 4 p.m. Saturday more information John Romer 267

Baseball sign-up to be held Sa

Baseball sign-up players ages 13-15 held at Roy Complex Saturday 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Please bring a tificate as well as sign-up fee. Anyone interested in coaching or return equipment contact Sheri N 263-2917 after 5 p

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IN BRIEF

Bulldogettes thump Ft. Stockton

Coahoma Bulldogettes used a 10-run lead in the sixth inning to post a 13-3 win over Ft. Stockton Monday.

Erin Stovall was the winning pitcher for the Bulldogettes allowing four hits and one walk to go along with her four strikeouts. The team got seven hits on the day and an inside the park homer from Brandie Hart.

Kayla Smith added a triple along with the hits from her teammates Karen Sterling, Kenni Kay Buchanan, Kortney Kemper and Meghan Earhart.

The Bulldogettes will travel to Midland to face Midland Christian Friday.

Lady Steers' booster club to meet today

The Lady Steers booster club will meet today at 6 p.m. at the Athletic Training Center to discuss the final plans for the athletic banquet to be held May 14.

Lady Steers' booster club to meet Thursday

The Lady Steers booster club will meet at 6:30 p.m. Thursday at the Athletic Training Center to finalize ads for the program. All parents are welcome to attend.

Coahoma UGSA now registering players

Registration for the Coahoma UGSA sign-up will continue today and Thursday.

Try-outs will be on Saturday at 1 p.m. for tee ball division 1 and 1A; 3 p.m. for division 2 and 3.

Men's industrial softball league

Anyone wanting to participate in the softball league, the sign-ups and entry fees deadline is Friday, April 6.

The entry fee is \$385 and there is a 20 roster sign-up limit.

For more information contact Sally Grant at 393-5237 or 263-1211.

Softball sign-ups held at the Big Spring mall

There will be extended softball sign-ups at the Big Spring mall at 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday. For more information contact John Romer 267-3861.

Baseball sign-ups to be held Saturday

Baseball sign-ups for players ages 13-16 will be held at Roy Anderson Complex Saturday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Please bring a birth certificate as well as the \$40 sign-up fee.

Anyone interested in coaching or need to return equipment may contact Sheri Nichols at 263-2917 after 5 p.m.

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ON THE AIR

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6:30 p.m. — Big Spring Lady Steers at Lakeview Maidens, KBST 1490 A.M.

Television

NIT Tournament

6 p.m. — Auburn at Purdue, ESF N, Ch. 30

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7 p.m. — Portland at Dallas, FXS, Ch. 29.

Knight could be announced as Tech's new coach Friday

LUBBOCK (AP) — Former Indiana basketball coach Bobby Knight, who could be introduced as Texas Tech's new coach as soon as Friday morning, still faces a couple more hurdles this week.

If Tech president David Schmidly and athletic director Gerald Myers recommend that Knight be hired and Chancellor John Montford gives his approval, Knight could be offered the job, a university spokeswoman said.

The job must remain open for 10 business days, or until 5 p.m. Friday. The position became available when James Dickey was fired March 9 — four days after Schmidly and Myers met with Knight in Florida about the job.

"The university cannot officially extend a job offer or accept that it will be taken until the 10-day process is complete," spokeswoman

Cindy Rugeley told the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal for its Tuesday editions. "They can say that they intend to extend an offer and that coach Knight — if he is their choice — has indicated that he will accept their offer."

She said Schmidly also plans to meet Wednesday with the Faculty Senate in response to concerns about Knight's hiring. Dozens of professors are petitioning against the fired Indiana coach with an infamous temper.

A source told The Dallas Morning News in Tuesday's editions that if that meeting is successful, a news conference would be called Friday to name Knight as the new coach.

Rugeley said Schmidly won't make a hiring decision until the Faculty Senate meeting.

Nearly 90 faculty members have endorsed an e-mail petition oppos-

ing Knight, citing several highly publicized outbursts during his 29 years with the Hoosiers. He is the only candidate interviewed so far to replace Dickey.

Tech philosophy professor Walter Schaller hand-delivered the petition to Schmidly's office Wednesday and requested a meeting between Knight and Tech faculty.

Although Schmidly denied the meeting with Knight, he has said he would consider the faculty's concerns in deciding whether to recommend Knight to Montford.

"I don't expect Dr. Schmidly's thought process to go as far as what he will recommend until he has heard the faculty out," Rugeley said.

Myers has reportedly contacted the coach of one of the state's top high school recruits, 6-foot-9 forward Emeke Okafor, to gauge the

player's interest if Knight gets the head coaching job.

"He said it's not for certain, but it's a pretty good chance coach Knight would get hired at Texas Tech," Bellaire High School coach Dave Hudek told Houston television station KRIV on Monday. "I felt that coach Knight is going to be the coach at Texas Tech in the next few days or early next week."

There is also a slight chance that Tech is considering more candidates.

Red Raiders athletic director Gerald Myers said he developed a list of about 10 potential candidates, though Knight was the only one invited to the campus.

Myers said he can't divulge the names of the other possible candidates because they are employed elsewhere and haven't given their permission.



Big Spring's pitcher Jon McKinnon throws a pitch during the Steers' 5-0 loss to Frenship's Tigers. The Steers lost a hard fought battle against the Tigers Saturday and currently are 1-1 in District 4-4A. They will play host to Snyder's Tigers at 4 p.m. today.

Senate approves bill to allow handful of private schools to participate with UIL

AUSTIN (AP) — A handful of private schools could participate in University Interscholastic League championships under a bill approved Monday by the Texas Senate.

The UIL is the governing body over public school athletic competition and championships.

The bill by Sen. Ken Armbrister, D-Victoria, would allow participation by private schools with an enrollment of 500 students or more that meet certain accreditation and academic standards.

As passed by the Senate, the bill would affect only about five schools that have expressed interest — Dallas Jesuit, Houston Jesuit, St. Agnes and St. Thomas high schools in Houston and El Paso Cathedral — Armbrister said.

Private schools have scheduling problems that allowing them to participate in UIL contests would eliminate, Armbrister said.

Dallas Jesuit must travel to El Paso to play district games, which can be a hardship, he said.

"Once a year in football might be OK, but once you get into other sports like basketball and baseball, it becomes a problem," he said.

Private and public schools already compete during the regular season but the games don't count in UIL standings, he said.

The measure has been proposed in years passed but has failed each time.

UIL Athletics Director Charles Breithaupt, said the UIL's member public schools continue to resist the move.

Breithaupt said he can't lobby a position on the bill but he has talked about it with the UIL's member

schools.

Public schools, which must serve all students in their district, resent the idea of playing schools that can select an exclusive student body, Breithaupt said.

"Public schools have a problem putting those two on the same plane," he said.

Armbrister said he sought to make participation requirements for public and private schools almost identical.

Private schools would have to meet certain academic requirements under Armbrister's bill, such as the public schools' no-pass, no-play rules, and other standards.

"I was not going to carry a bill in which private schools did not have to go through the same requirements as a public school," Armbrister said.

"If you want to play with the big boys, you've got to be a big boy — or girl."

Sen. Royce West, D-Dallas, made it even tougher. An amendment approved Monday would require participating private schools to draw students only from the designated attendance zone of the nearest public high school.

About 48 states allow private and public schools to compete under the same organization with some variations, Armbrister said.

A similar version of the bill passed the Senate last year but died in the House. Armbrister said House sponsors are confident that support for the bill is growing.

That worries public school officials, Breithaupt said.

"Three sessions ago, this didn't stir hardly a breeze," he said. "They are still concerned about it. They're still adamantly opposed."

Henderson works out with Padres

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

A new position could cure Chuck Knoblauch's throwing woes. A new team could help Rickey Henderson reach a few records.

With all seven scheduled games in Florida washed out by rain, the biggest news Monday was the New York Yankees' decision to move Knoblauch from second base to left field and Henderson's minor league deal with the San Diego Padres.

Knoblauch, who made 41 errors the past two seasons, spoke with a psychologist during the offseason and reported to spring training more than a month early trying to rediscover his arm's accuracy.

"It's just not happening now. I've done every possible thing," said Knoblauch, who has had throwing problems since 1999. "My teammates know that. Joe Torre knows that. The coaches know that. And more important, I know that."

He has made six errors in 14 spring training games, five on throws.

"He needs to be comfortable for me to be comfortable, and we're not there yet," said Torre, the Yankees' manager. "Nobody has worked harder than he has. There is nothing more he can do at second base that is going to make him a better second baseman. Maybe getting away from second base will solve second base."

The move, which means Alfonso Soriano will take over at second, won't take place immediately Monday night's game against Detroit was washed out, and more rain was forecast for Tuesday, when the Yankees are scheduled to play a Houston split squad.

If Knoblauch wants to get in a day of fielding practice and advice from outfield coach Lee Mazzilli, he might wait to play left until after Wednesday.

But the move will be made sooner than later.

"It's a lot less stressful here in March than if you do it in June," Torre said.

Henderson, the career steals leader who is closing in on other marks, agreed on a one-year deal that will pay him \$250,000 if he makes the club.

Henderson was at the Padres' complex hitting for about 10 hours on Monday morning, general manager Kevin Towers said. The rest of the team had the day off.

"I know there was a Rickey sighting," Towers said.

Henderson is closing in on two major records.

He is three walks short of breaking Babe Ruth's record of 2,062 and needs to score 68 runs to top Ty Cobb's record of 2,245.

He also is 86 hits shy of 3,000.

Henderson was ignored by teams all spring before the Padres, one of his many former teams, offered him a minor league deal.

In games that were played in Arizona, it was Oakland 10, the Chicago Cubs 4; Seattle 4, Colorado 2; Milwaukee 5, Anaheim 4; and the Chicago White Sox 5, Arizona 1.

Mariners 4, Rockies 2

At Peoria, Jamie Moyer pitched six shutout innings, and Edgar Martinez hit his second homer of the spring. Moyer, recovering from a broken left knee cap, allowed two hits and no walks.

Athletics 10, Cubs 4

At Phoenix, John Jaha, struggling to regain his hitting form after missing most of last season with shoulder problems, had a two-run double as Oakland scored five runs in the first inning. Barry Zito made his third straight strong start for the A's, allowing one earned run in five innings.

White Sox 5, Diamondbacks 1

At Tucson, Ray Durham's grand slam off Randy Johnson capped a five-run second inning for Chicago. Cal Eldred got the win, improving to 3-0 with a 3.00 ERA in four spring starts.

Brewers 5, Angels 4

At Temple, Jimmy Haynes allowed two runs in five innings, and Richie Sexson had three hits and two RBIs for Milwaukee.

Howard College Rodeo

HERALD Staff Reports

Howard College Hawks and Lady Hawks rodeo team competed in the New Mexico Junior College Rodeo Saturday. The Hawks finished in first place.

In bareback riding Ross Ericsson scored 71 points on his first horse which was good enough to place second. He scored 74 points in the short-go to split first and second with a 145 average in two rounds.

In the steer wrestling, Bray Armes posted a time of 4.9 seconds and split third, fourth and fifth in the first round. He posted a time of 4.7 in the short-go for an average of 9.6.

In break away roping, Courtney Bowman posted a time of 3.9 seconds to split ninth through 11th place. She had a time of 4.9 on her short go for an average of 8.8. Melody Seely posted

a time of 3.8 in the first round and 4.3 in the second which was good enough for fifth place in the short-go and an average of 8.1.

For calf roping, Jake Degeer posted a time of 10.8 for first and broke the barrier at 9.3 which put him long in his average.

Seth McFadin posted a time of 10.4 in the first round and won the short-go in a time of 10.3. He split first and second with an average of 20.7.

The lone bull rider for the day was Stewart Duck, who finished with 72 points to place fifth.

"We had a real good rodeo," said head coach Greg Kernick. "It was cold and wet and they performed as they've been able to do."

The teams will compete in Odessa beginning Thursday before returning home March 29-31 for the Howard College rodeo.

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

*** Unexpected developments with a friend take you in a new direction. You might not expect a friend to react in such a different way. You get so many calls and requests that you could become overloaded. Centering on what you must do helps you make decisions. Tonight: Join friends.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

*** Just when you thought everything was under control, information comes out that indicates otherwise. Use your shrewd senses of

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direction and organization. You see many options. Make sure that you want to spend your money a certain way. A little discipline goes a long way. Tonight: Work late.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

*** Others seek you out for answers and feedback. You could easily become overloaded. Remain sure of what you want from a key matter. Curb a tendency to rain on your own parade or create abnormal pressure in a situation. Open doors rather than closing them. Tonight: Try a new restaurant.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

*** Listen carefully to someone who has feedback that could disappoint you. You find others acting strangely or doing something unanticipated. Your sixth sense comes through for you as you sort out obligations and messages. You know what to do. Tonight: Let another talk. Listen.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

*** Someone who carries a lot of weight in your life becomes unusually demanding. You might have had enough. Speak your mind, even if another gets confused. You might need to change your plans to get what you want. A partner acts up. Tonight: Just hang in there.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

*** The focus is on accomplishment, but you could find doors closed. How you see another could change

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because of the confusion he inadvertently triggers. Keep communication going, with an eye to the long term. Concentrate. Tonight: Run errands on your way home.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

*** Deal with someone directly. A co-worker might mess up an important job or instructions. Stay on top of details, but don't get pulled in by another's emotions. Tonight: Let your ingenuity speak.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

*** Deal with basics. Your sense of direction supports another in a financial plan. Avoid a tendency to take risks and push your luck. Understand your limitations and discuss them openly. Be willing to break a long-term pattern. Tonight: You can't change another's bad mood.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

*** Attempt to clear out work and get ahead. You could have unexpected developments that you need to work with. A difficulty involving another leads you in a new direction. Understand what is going on with a co-worker. Others pitch in. Tonight: Forget work when you leave the office.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

*** Recognize where another is coming from. You might want to handle a situation differently when you realize how "stuck" this person is. Relax and know that you have the energy and follow-through that you

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need. Try not to send a mixed message. Be as clear as possible. Tonight: Out and about.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

*** You know what to do, but you could have difficulty getting energized once you start. Someone weighs heavily on your thoughts. Don't get too distracted, or you could make a financial mistake. Curb any wild risks. A child or loved one won't give you good advice today! Tonight: Do only what you want.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

*** You might not mean to confuse another, but you are doing just that! Sort through information carefully and review a decision. You might want to sleep on any precedent-making acts or issues. You could be overly uptight or worried. Tonight: Curl up with some reading material.

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Dear Ann Landers: Thanks for the good advice you've been giving for the last 40-plus years. This is the first time I have ever felt the need to write. I hope you can help me.

My 57-year-old sister hosted a holiday dinner in her new home for 12 adults and her infant grandchildren. She asked her two adult children to please leave their dogs at home. They ignored their mother's request and brought the dogs anyway.

She asked her son to leave his rather large dog in the garage, and he became indignant and refused. This dog dispute escalated to unbelievable intensity. Some harsh words were exchanged, and now, neither one is willing to meet the other halfway.

I should tell you that three dogs ended up in my sister's guest room and urinated on the bedding and the carpet. Do you have any suggestions on how to mediate this dogfight? It could go on for years, and I am sick of it already. -- Sue in San Diego, Calif.

Dear Sue: Some people become irrational when it comes to matters concerning their pets. Yours is an excellent example. When a pet owner is asked not to bring the cat, dog, monkey, rabbit, or pot-bellied pig in the house, the request should be honored.

That son who brought the dogs into his mother's house against her wishes owes her a major apology and possibly a new carpet. Animal urine is virtually impossible to eradicate. That carpet will never be the same.

Dear Ann Landers: I do not agree with your response to "Afterthought in Illinois," whose husband signed a gift card, "Louis, Jane (the daughter), Tabby (the cat) and Martha (his wife)." You said it was no big deal and that she should get her priorities straight. I beg to differ with you, Ann.

It is common courtesy that cards should be signed with the spouses' names first, followed by children. Pets don't conduct any correspondence, and therefore don't belong on the card at all, but some people are very attached to their pets

and want to include them. If so, they should be last. The fact that Louis put Martha's name last means he has no respect for his wife. It is a very "big deal," and I predict that this marriage is headed for trouble. -- Bill in New York

Dear Bill: I received a variety of responses about that letter and was somewhat surprised that so many readers felt the wife had been insulted. I thought it was funny. Keep reading for more.

From Charleston, W. Va.: The reason Louis signed the card the way he did is because it was wired into his brain that way. He always sees cards signed, "Martha, Louis, Jane and Tabby." When it came time for him to sign the card, he started with his own name, repeated his wife's pattern of signing names, and added Martha at the end. It's called a "circular list," and it mimics one method our brains use for organizing information. If Martha wanted to improve her position on the list, she should have asked Tabby to do the signing.

Fairfax, Va.: This may seem like an innocent oversight, but even a deep love can be chipped away little by little. I'll bet he takes her for granted all the time.

Baltimore, Md.: When I read the letter from "Afterthought in Illinois," I roared with laughter. That lady should thank her lucky stars to have such a wonderful husband. He obviously loves his daughter and his cat, but he must truly adore his wife, because he "saved the best for last."

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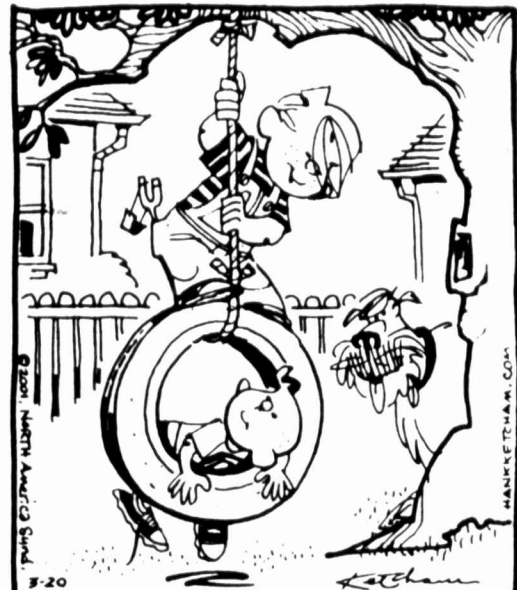
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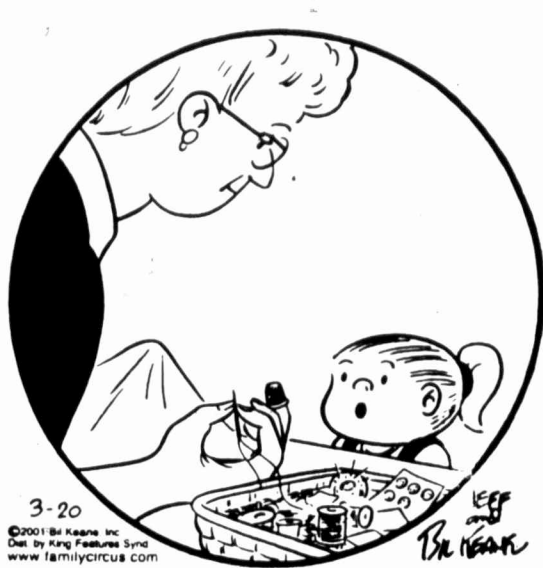
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11:30 PM	Politically Inc. Cheers	Blind Date Suddenly	Creation of	Who's Boss? Who's Boss?	Show (CC) (37) Late Late	Ent. Tonight Politically Inc. (37) Late	Show (CC) (37) Late	Thunderdome	?A Que No Te Atreves?	Zorro (CC)	Miami Vice (CC)	(35) Movie: Cigarettes	Movie: 200 Cigarettes	Dennis Miller Movie: The Promise Church	Promise Church	Biography (CC)	Prosecutors-Justice	Movie: Blink	Labor & Delivery
12:30 AM	Paid Program	Judge-Brown Cops (CC)	the Universe (CC)	Paid Program	Show (CC) Street Smarts	(12:06) Cprah Wrefrey (CC)	Night (CC) Frasier	(12:15) Movie:	Marina	Walt Disney Presents	Starsky and Hutch	Regeneration (CC)	Messenger: The Story of		Faith Pleases God	Investigative Reports (CC)	New Detectives		Weird Worlds: Strange

DENNIS THE MENACE



"When you get as old as me, Joey, you can do whatever you want to... long as your parents say it's okay."

FAMILY CIRCUS



"Shouldn't the rest of your fingers be wearin' safety helmets too?"

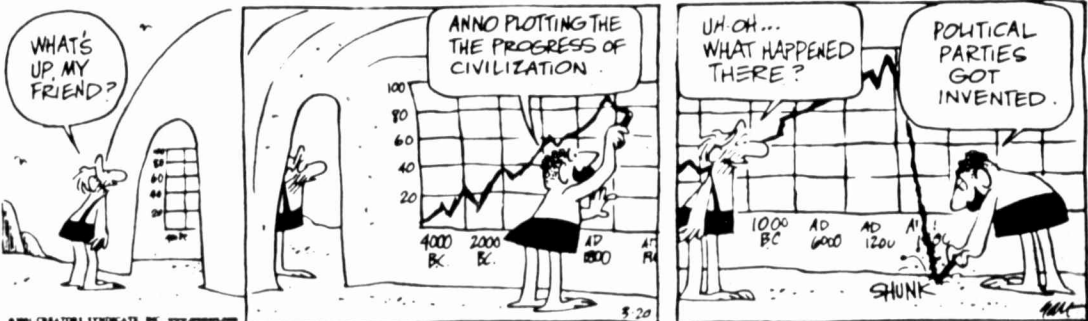
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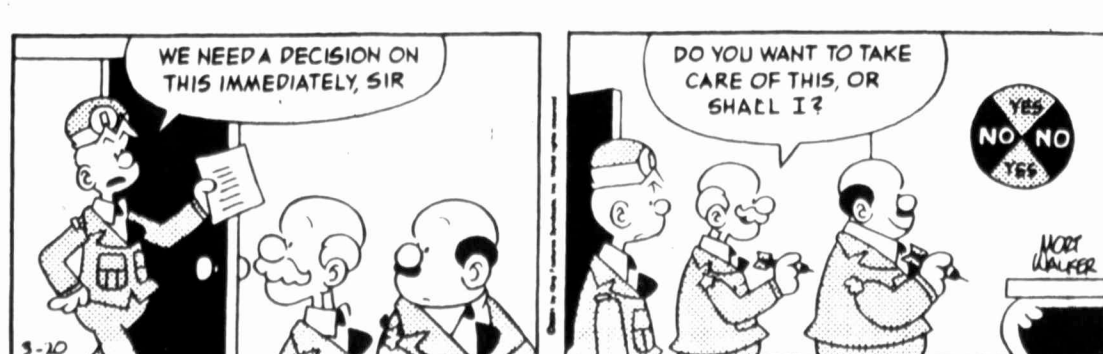
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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

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Today is Tuesday, March 20, the 79th day of 2001. There are 286 days left in the year. Spring arrives at 8:31 a.m. EST.

Today's Highlight in History:

On March 20, 1727, physicist, mathematician and astronomer Sir Isaac Newton died in London.

On this date: In 1413, England's King Henry IV died.

In 1852, Harriet Beecher Stowe's influential novel about slavery, "Uncle Tom's Cabin," was first published.

In 1896, U.S. Marines landed in Nicaragua to protect U.S. citizens in the wake of a revolution.

In 1969, John Lennon married Yoko Ono in Gibraltar.

In 1976, kidnapped newspaper heiress Patricia Hearst was convicted of

armed robbery for her part in a San Francisco bank holdup.

In 1981, former girls' school headmistress Jean Harris was sentenced in White Plains, N.Y., to 15 years to life in prison for slaying "Scarsdale Diet" author Dr. Herman Tarnower. She served almost 12 years.

In 1987, the Food and Drug Administration approved the sale of AZT, a drug shown to prolong the lives of some AIDS patients.

In 1990, Namibia became an independent nation, marking the end of 75 years of South African rule.

In 1995, in Tokyo, 12 people were killed and more than 5,500 others sickened when packages containing sarni, a poisonous gas, were leaked on five subway trains.

In 1999, Bertrand Piccard of Switzerland and Brian Jones of Britain became the first aviators to fly a hot air balloon around the world without stopping.

Ten years ago: A U.S. jet

fighter shot down an Iraqi warplane in the first air attack since the Gulf War cease-fire. April Glaspie, the U.S. ambassador to Iraq, told the Senate Foreign Relations Committee Saddam Hussein had lied to her by denying he would invade Kuwait. The Supreme Court ruled employers could not adopt "fetal protection" policies barring women of child-bearing age from certain hazardous jobs.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Jack Kruschen is 79. Producer-director-comedian Carl Reiner is 79.

Answer to previous puzzle

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ALOE	MARLA	GAPO
COLINT	SEAT	RIAR
HUNTER	ATTENDEE	
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BLEEP	MAS	HBOMB
BOP	ORELSE	BLOT
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LOLL	DECO	PAS
DRESSAGE	OTOOLE	
OOPS	PUNKROCKER	
GLEE	SLIME	HERB
SEWS	ELMS	

Newsday Crossword

FRUIT-FILLED by Lee Weaver
Edited by Stanley Newman

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| ACROSS | DOWN | |
| 1 Bullring cheers | 1 Popeye's sweetie | 11 Had possession of |
| 5 Yellow-fever mosquito | 2 Star Wars princess | 12 Change color again |
| 10 Titled nobleman | 3 OK Corral name | 13 Basement appliance |
| 14 Slangy affirmative | 4 Develop favorably | 21 Come out second best |
| 15 Soak, as tea | 5 Gives in | 22 Pizazz |
| 16 Decorative pitcher | 6 Group beliefs | 25 Ice-cream thickener |
| 17 Capri cash | 7 Unhearing | 26 Sky bear |
| 18 Puppeteer Lewis | 8 Architect Saaninen | 27 Put on weight |
| 19 Place for a race | 9 Piano type | 28 Well-built |
| 20 Someone very dear | 10 Time off | 29 Gossip tidbit |
| 23 Ages on end | | 31 Enjoying good health |
| 24 Dodger | | 33 Zoo enclosure |
| 25 Summer month | | 34 Madeline of Blazing Saddles |
| 28 Long-necked lute | | 35 Jet-set jets |
| 30 Cannon ammo | | 40 Make spic-and-span |
| 32 Bottle parts | | 41 Trumpet or bugle |
| 36 "Just _____ suspected" | | 43 River mouth |
| 37 Pub pint | | 44 Tree-house support |
| 38 Some batteries | | 45 Emerald Isle |
| 39 Spread out west | | 47 King David's creations |
| 42 Center of interest | | 49 Slacken off |
| 46 Swung along | | 50 Twangy, as speech |
| 48 Fire-engine adjuncts | | 51 Tree knot |
| 49 Riles | | 52 Church areas |
| 52 "Don't look _____" | | 54 Actress Perlman |
| 53 Small tropical country | | 55 Truck-stop offering |
| 58 Straight _____ arrow | | 56 Frankenstein's assistant |
| 59 Tibetan capital | | 57 Yield, as property |
| 60 Matured, as wine | | 61 Moisture on the grass |
| 62 Seafarers | | |
| 63 About 39 inches | | |

