

**WEDNESDAY**

June 20, 2001

**WEATHER**

Tonight:



**TONIGHT TOMORROW**  
70°-72° 90°-95°

**Chamber's taking orders for pictures**

Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce is accepting orders for the group photo taken during at Big Spring Day in Austin.

The 8 x 10 photos feature the group of Big Spring citizens in attendance, along with Lt. Gov. Bill Ratliff, Sen. Robert Duncan and Rep. David Counts.

The photos are \$5 each. Orders will be taken through June 25. For more information, call Debbye ValVerde at the chamber, 263-7641.

**WHAT'S UP...**

**TODAY**

□ Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie, 7 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 704 West Third.

**THURSDAY**

□ Gideons International, Big Spring Camp No. U42060, Herman's Restaurant, 7 a.m.

□ The Senior Citizens Center will host an Arts and Crafts session each Thursday from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Call Bobbie Leonard at the Senior Citizens Center for more information.

□ The Coffee Club will meet at Gale's Sweet Shoppe at 10 a.m.

□ Kiwanis Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room. Call Billy Smith.

□ Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association meets at 5:30 p.m. in the RSVP offices, 501 Runnels.

□ Rackley-Swords Chapter 379 Vietnam Vets of America, meet at 7 p.m., 124 Jonesboro Rd.

□ Masonic Lodge 1340 meets at 7:30 p.m., 2101 Lancaster.

**FRIDAY**

□ Signal Mountain Quilting Guild meets from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. at St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Bring a lunch.  
□ The Greater Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room.

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## Natural gas leak caused explosion, investigators say

By **LINDY BARR**  
Staff Writer

A natural gas leak from a pipe connecting to the kitchen stove led to an explosion that took the life of 75-year-old June Carothers of Big Spring early Monday, investigators said.

However, investigators believe Carothers had probably died in her sleep before the devastating explosion, which occurred about 3:18 in the morning at her 1405 Stadium St. residence. The position her body was discovered in indicated that she was in a sleeping state,

they said. "But, we are still waiting on an autopsy to determine if this is a fact or not," Big Spring Fire Marshal Carl Condray said during a press conference Tuesday. "What exactly happened to the stove and why it caused this explosion is unknown, but we know that the combination of gases and the stove caused the house to explode and burst into flames," said Condray. The explosion and subsequent fire also destroyed the adjacent home, occupied by Frances Fleckenstein, and damaged up to 18 area residences. Fleckenstein

escaped with only minor injuries.

"The plumbing inside her (Carothers') home had been tested for any malfunctions and the gas meter has been monitored regularly since the incident had occurred," said Condray. "Energas has been making regular checkups on many of the houses in the area to make sure that all the meters are working properly," said David Gates, vice president of technological services for Energas. "We have verified that all meters are working properly and it

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Big Spring Fire Marshal Carl Condray explains that a natural gas leak led Monday morning's explosion at a local residence. One woman was killed and another received minor injuries.

HERALD photo/Lindy Barr



City manager Gary Fuqua, from left, and Mayor Russ McEwen accept a check from Charles Bell on behalf of the citizens of Big Spring. The funds — in excess of \$10,000 — will be used to install a fountain at Comanche Trail Park Lake. Installation will take place later in the summer.

## Master Composter course to be offered Thursday through Saturday for small fee

HERALD Staff Report

Enhancing the landscape while improving the environment is the goal of the Master Composting course, which will conduct a three-day seminar here beginning Thursday.

The course is being offered by the Big Spring Regional Compost Facility,

Solid Waste Management Department, Texas Agricultural Extension Service and the Howard County Master Gardeners.

Under the direction of Larry Wilhelm, director of Earthworks in Grapevine, the course is modeled after the Master Gardner Program.

The course will be held

from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Thursday and Friday and from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday. It is necessary to attend all three sessions in order to graduate. Cost is \$14 and includes books, thermometers, worms, worm bins and a backyard composting bin.

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## Big Spring ISD redistricting committee agrees on plan

By **LYNDEL MOODY**  
Staff Writer

Redistricting advisory committee members agreed on a plan to redraw the boundaries of the Big Spring Independent School District's single member districts on Tuesday.

The committee will now take its recommendation to the BSISD board for trustee approval.

The approved plan con-

tains one change from the first draft submitted by Leslie Johnston of Johnston and Associates, a demographic and planning service.

The original plan called for a section that runs along Martin Luther King that includes the area of Scenic Mountain Medical Center and the Indian Hills neighborhood to be moved into District 1, represented by trustee Irene Bustamante.

Committee members had asked about the possibility of the section remaining in District 3, the precinct represented by Larry McLellan. A second plan was made to reflect the change.

"The area had more in common in social economic and ethnicity, plus taking the area out does improve the majority strength in District 1 without going over the deviation," said Judy Brown, attorney for

the law firm of Walsh, Anderson, Schulze and Aldrige, P.C.

The new plan will increase the minority voting population from 64.5 percent to 67.4 percent in District 1, the majority-minority precinct, according to figures from Johnston and Associates.

Brown was hired by the school district to help facilitate the redistricting.

By state law, precincts are

required to have roughly the same number in population so that each has equal voting representation.

The deviation of population in the largest, District 2, represented by Terry Wegman, compared to District 1 according to U.S. Census data, was enough to require the BSISD to redistrict.

Brown said the prison

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## Forum

### Group forms committees for parks, neighborhoods and entrances into city

By **BILL MCCLELLAN**  
News Editor

Entrances, neighborhoods and Comanche Trail Park — those are the areas a group of citizens plans to concentrate on first in an effort to enhance the quality of life in Big Spring.

In the latest in a series of town hall forums, the group's members divided into three committees, elected a chairperson for each and pledged to meet again in September to set priorities and begin work.

"This is exciting. I know we can do some special things for our community," said Mayor Russ McEwen during Tuesday's meeting at Dora Roberts Civic Center.

Funding? Not now, said McEwen.

"We do not want to talk about money right now. I have found if we set a goal, we can find the money. We can find the resources to get it done," he said. "Right now, the idea is to decide what we want to do. We've got to start shooting bullets."

Those bullets may well start with clean up of the west entrance to the city, the immediate focus of one of the three committees.



**McEWEN**

**LUSK**

Chaired by Kathy Lusk, members of the entrances committee quickly came up with a plan and had definite ideas.

"How about we complete one project then move on down to the next?" suggested committee member Mike Nieto, Big Spring area TXU manager. "If we decide on one place to start, and finish it, we can build on that."

Nieto's suggestion was to start with the Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT) retaining wall on Business 20, which has fallen into disrepair over the years.

Other discussion included code enforcement, an appeal to owners to clean up their property, demolition of unsightly buildings, mowing and erecting some

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An accident that occurred at the intersection of Birdwell and FM 700 sent at least two people to Scenic Mountain Medical Center this morning. Details were unavailable at press time.

HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody

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OBITUARIES

H. Wayne Johnson

Funeral service for H. Wayne Johnson, 65, of Big Spring, will be 2 p.m., Saturday, June 23, 2001, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with the Rev. Don Snipes, pastor of Baptist Temple Church, officiating. Burial will be at Trinity Memorial Park.

Mr. Johnson died Monday, June 18, near Pecos.

He was born on Jan. 14, 1936, in Dumont and married Joyce Kay Littlejohn on Feb. 13, 1963. He owned and operated his own truck for Lone Star Transportation at the time of his death and had been doing this type of work for over 35 years. He and his wife returned to Big Spring in 1978. They owned and operated a ranch and Lazy J Truck Stop in Jefferson. He was a member of Baptist Temple Church.

Survivors include his wife, Joyce Johnson of Big Spring; two sons, Jeffery Johnson of Alpine and Donald Johnson of Bridgeport; two daughters, Karen Ward of Big Spring and D'Dee Morris of Westbrook; his mother, Beatrice Taylor of Yuba City, Calif.; two sisters, Glenda Wellington and Yvonne Castle both of Yuba City, Calif.; and seven grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials be made to Baptist Temple Church, 400 E. 14th Place, Big Spring 79720.

The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m., Friday, June 22, at the funeral home.

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

Jack Becker

Funeral service for Jack Becker, 70, of Big Spring will be 10 a.m., Friday, June 22, 2001, at Myers & Smith Chapel with

Chaplain Walter McCall of Community Care Hospice, officiating. Burial will be at Trinity Memorial Park.

Mr. Becker died Tuesday, June 18, at his home.

He was born on June 24, 1930, in Pueblo, Colo. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army. He married Blanche McCluskey on Jan. 21, 1956, in Big Spring and had been a truck driver for various trucking companies in and around the Big Spring area. He retired from Chemical Express in 1989. He was a past member of the Civil Air Patrol. He was a Baptist.

Survivors include his wife Blanche Becker of Big Spring; two sons, Curtis Becker of Midland and Chris Becker of Odessa; two daughters, Sharon Clark of Hamlin and Carol Mathis of Big Spring; two sisters, Mable Chute and Margaret Atwell both of Big Spring; three brothers, Ellis Slade of Seattle, Wa., Sam Becker of Snyder and George Becker of Big Spring; seven grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

The family wishes to thank Community Care Hospice for all their assistance and care.

Memorials are suggested in lieu of flowers to Community Care Hospice, 1510 S. Gregg, Big Spring 79720.

Arrangements are under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Grace Peters

Funeral service for Grace Peters, 69, of Big Spring, is pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home, Mrs. Peters died Wednesday, June 20, at her residence.

Olga Reed

Olga Reed, 92, of Big Spring, passed away on Wednesday, June 20, 2001, at a local nursing home following a long illness. Graveside service is 1 p.m. Thursday, June 21, at Mount Olive Memorial Park.



Olga was born on Nov. 19, 1908, in Baird. She married Howard Reed on June 3, 1940, in Midland. He preceded her in death in 1982. After their marriage they lived on a ranch in Midland and later moved to Big Spring. She was a homemaker and a loving mother and grandmother. She was a member of Airport Baptist Church.

She is survived by one son, Don Reed of Big Spring; one daughter, Donna Hoenninger of San Antonio; two brothers, Donald Edwards of Midland and Leston "Hink" Edwards of Hobbs, N.M.; six grandchildren, Johnny Reed and Cindy Guzman both of Big Spring, Corbett Hoenninger of College Station, Joel, Rick and Rob Hoenninger all of San Antonio; three great-grandchildren, Stacia Lofton of Lubbock, Stephanie Guzman and Jarrod Reed both of Big Spring.

She is preceded in death by her parents Claude Edwards and Cora Dixon Edwards; seven brothers and sisters, Vena Fortune, Wilma Woolsey, T.P. Edwards, C.M. Edwards, Mozelle Gotcher, Arnold Edwards and Veston Edwards.

The family suggests memorials to the Howard County Humane Society, P.O. Box 823, Big Spring 79720.

Arrangements are under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Mattie Currie

Graveside service for Mattie Currie, 85, of Carlsbad Texas, was held at 2:30 p.m., today, June 20,

2001, at Evergreen Cemetery in Stanton with the Rev. David Harp, pastor of First Baptist Church of Stanton, officiating.

Mrs. Currie died Sunday, June 17, at her residence.

She was born on May 23, 1916, in Cisco and married Wilford Currie on March 20, 1935, in Big Spring. She moved to Stanton from Cisco in 1927 and lived there until 1950 when she and her husband moved to Carlsbad Texas. She was a Baptist.

Survivors include her husband Wilford Currie of Carlsbad Texas; a son, Ernest Currie of Carlsbad Texas; two brothers, Windel Petree of Lovington, N.M. and Malcom Petree of Albuquerque, N.M.; two step-sisters, Hazel Herrington of Palestine and Helen Morgan of Rankin; three grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

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

June Carothers

Memorial service for June Carothers, 75, of Big Spring, will be at 10 a.m., Thursday, June 21, 2001, at the Peace Chapel at Trinity Memorial Park.

Mrs. Carothers died Monday, June 18, at her residence.

She was born on June 13, 1926, in Clint and married R. O. Carothers on July 29, 1949, in Las Cruces, N.M. He preceded her in death on March 2, 1968. She came to Big Spring in 1949. She was a Methodist and a former member of the Rebekah Lodge and the Big Spring Garden Club.

Survivors include two daughters, Deborah Hanson of Lubbock and Barbara Stewart of Arlington; four grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

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

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is safe for all residents." Gates said that Energas odorizes its gas so that residents will know when there is a leak.

"The gas smells like rotten eggs in your home, and if you or anyone smells this, leave your home immediately. Do not turn on any electrical appliances, and from a safe place, call your gas company," he Gates.

Condray said the fire department has closed its investigation into the tragedy.

"The cooperation in Big Spring has been outstanding. The Big Spring Fire Department, EMS, Big Spring Police Department, Energas and The Texas Railroad Commission have all worked to render this site safe for all the Big Spring residents," said Condray.

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unique signs welcoming motorists.

Pegged for assistance will be TxDOT and the Keep Texas Beautiful Program, the city, garden clubs and others.

"We feel like we're already on our way, and we're the smallest committee," joked Lusk. On Tuesday, the entrances committee was 11 strong while the neighborhoods committee consisted of 18 people and the parks group numbered 21. In all, some 55 people attended the forum.

The parks committee, chaired by local insurance agent Tommy Churchwell, divided into three subcommittees:

- the golf course; and
- amphitheater and

A BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

entrances; • the lake area and a motel at the lake.

Like the entrance committee, the parks committee and subcommittees will be meeting again prior to September to set goals and prioritize projects.

Paul Pryor, executive director of the Crossroads Housing Development Corporation, is chairing the group that has the task of improving the city's neighborhoods.

"We want to create neighborhood committees," said Pryor. "What we want to do is concentrate on one neighborhood, then move to another and another."

Pryor said the committee plans to research the possibility of mailing fliers or postcards to residents of homes whose exteriors are unsightly, as well as determining what help the city can provide.

McEwen suggested forming the three broad committees after it was requested at an earlier meeting that citizens turn in their ideas about how to improve the quality of life in Big Spring.

"Overwhelmingly, entrances, neighborhoods and parks were the areas people wanted to see addressed," he said.

As he began the meeting, McEwen talked about community pride, neighborhood pride, and didn't hold back in taking a poke at two of the city's largest employers.

"If we can engender a great deal of pride in our neighborhoods, it brings a sense of pride throughout our entire community," he said, adding that businesses should not be exempt from the effort. "Two of our largest businesses, Wal-Mart and HEB, those probably have the poorest landscaping of anybody in town."

And he said that Comanche Trail Park could be the major attraction Big Spring has to offer.

"The park is a showplace, not just for our community, but for West Texas."

The committees are open to anyone who would like to participate. For more information, contact Lusk at 267-3853, Churchwell at 267-3857 or Pryor at 263-4093.

The forum's next meeting is set for 7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 18, at the civic center.

COURSE

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To complete their training and receive state certification, Master Composters are required to spend 20 volunteer hours on public education regarding composting.

"This program will have a lasting impact on our environment in Big Spring and across the state," said Wilhelm. "We believe that this course will be of significant value to any individual interested in learning more about the earth and making a personal contribution to a better environment."

The course is open to everyone and no previous experience is necessary.

"Master Composters learn all the methods for backyard composting," said Wilhelm, "including options available for neighborhoods, cities and counties. "Compost is nature's way of recycling and it touches all of our lives. We can reduce our solid waste while creating an organic fertilizer and mulch that's good for all liv-

TEXAS LOTTERY

The Master Composter course will be held at the Dora Roberts Civic Center. Lunch will be provided on Saturday.

To register or for more information, call 264-2383, 264-2480 or 264-2236.

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population is removed from numbers used for redistricting.

District 1 and 4, represented by Frank Long, will expand boundaries while both District 2 and 3 will contract boundaries to roughly equally distribute population.

Once the board gives its approval, Brown expects the plan she will send in for pre-clearance to the U.S. Department of Justice will be on display for the public at the BSISD administration building by mid-August.

Several guidelines had to be followed in redrawing district lines. District have to contain continuous and compact geographic areas, using easily identifiable geographic features as boundaries. They must maintain community interest and attempt to minimize dividing neighborhoods. They must also maintain minority voting strength in terms of voting age population.

Brown said lines should follow county voting precinct boundaries where feasible and consider the residential location of the current incumbents.

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party for those who have read their required 10 books.

Refreshments will be provided by the Women's Club and a puppet show is scheduled as one of the closing event.

Logsheets for those children participating in the program need to be turned into the library by 5 p.m. this Friday, McIntyre said.

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.

THURSDAY

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting.

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

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BP PLC ADR	53.1 +.29
Chevron Corp	96.16 +.66
Compaq	13.5 -1
Cornell	13.86 +.16
Dell	23.27 -4
Du Pont	47.9 +.86
Exxon Mobil	88.99 +.82
Halliburton	43.26 +.68

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NUV	9.25 +.02
Patterson Ener	24.86 +.36
Pepsico Inc	43.91 +.2
Phillips Petro	60.77 +.31
SBC Comms	40.39 -.03
Sears Roebuck	40.1 +.5
Texaco Inc	71.73 +.27
Texas Instrument	29.16 -.44
TXU	47.8 +.44
Total Fina	73.41 +.66
Unocal Corp	36.6 +.3
Wal-Mart	49.55 +.76
Wal-Mart/Mexico	24.65 -.25
AMCAP	17.2 +.03
Europacific	29.2 -.1
Prime Rate	7 %
Gold	269.65 -272.65
Silver	4.34 -4.42

POLICE

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity from 8 a.m. Tuesday to 8 a.m. today

• DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported in the 1600 block of S. Owens, in the 2600 block of Barksdale, in the 1300 block of Harding, in the 800 block of W. 1-20 and in the 2900 block of W. Highway 80.

• INTOXICATED SUBJECT/DRIVER was reported in the 1900 block of S. Gregg.

FIRE/EMS

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

2:28 p.m. — 1400 block of Robin, trauma call, one patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

5:49 p.m. — 900 block of Goliad, medical call, one patient transported to SMMC.

5:51 p.m. — 2000 block of Lancaster, medical call, one patient transported to SMMC.

6:31 p.m. — 1800 block of North Hwy 87, medical call, one patient transported to VA Medical Center.

7:32 p.m. — 2900 block of West, medical call, one patient transported to SMMC.

RECORDS

Tuesday's high 96  
Tuesday's low 69  
Record high 110 in 1951  
Record low 55 in 1973  
Average high 95  
Average low 69  
Precip. Tuesday 0.00  
Month to date 0.04  
Year to date 5.06  
Sunrise Thursday 6:40 a.m.  
Sunset Thursday 8:56 p.m.

CORRECTION

In Tuesday's edition of the Big Spring Herald police report, Rhonda Campbell, 30, of the 1100 block of Lamar, was incorrectly listed as being arrested on a charge of criminal trespass. Campbell had filed a report with the police department about a criminal trespass. Also Johnny Trevino of the 3600 block of Boulder was incorrectly listed as being arrested on a charge of assault by threat. Trevino filed a report to the police department about an assault by threat.

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24th & Johnson 267-8288  
Jack Becker, 70, died Tuesday. Services are 10:00 AM Friday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.  
Olga Reed, 92, died Wednesday. Graveside services are 1:00 PM Thursday at Mt. Olive Cemetery.

**Nalley-Pickle & Welch**  
Funeral Home  
Trinity Memorial Park and Crematory  
908 Gregg St.  
(916) 267-8331  
www.npwelch.com  
June Carothers, 75, died Monday. Memorial services will be at 10:00 AM Thursday at the Peace Chapel at Trinity Memorial Park.  
H. Wayne Johnson, 65, died Monday. Services will be at 2:00 PM Saturday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.  
Grace Peters, 69, died Wednesday. Services are pending.

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# Report: Instructors in deadly training exercise had live ammo

ARLINGTON (AP) — Although safeguards were in place to ensure that police in a training exercise were disarmed, all three instructors continued to carry loaded weapons before an officer's accidental shooting death, according to a published report.

An internal police memo obtained by the Arlington Morning News for Wednesday's editions showed that Officer Blane Shaw, one of the three trainers, accidentally shot fellow trainer Cpl. Joseph Cushman in the head with a live round from a Glock service pistol earlier this month.

Cushman had volunteered for an exercise on June 7 to demonstrate how a plastic safety helmet would deflect a fake bullet. Although Shaw said he thought he was fir-

ing a rubber bullet, live ammunition was in his gun, authorities said.

Officer Johnny Spruiel, the third trainer, also carried live rounds during the exercise at Ousley Junior High School, according to the memo.

"Our investigation has shown that comprehensive safety procedures were in place to ensure that none of the students were in the training environment with a loaded weapon," stated a June 15 memo sent to the Tarrant County medical examiner from the Arlington police sergeant in charge of the criminal investigation.

"However, all of the instructors were armed with fully functional and loaded handguns."

Following a meal break in the 10 trainees' instruction, Cushman had donned a training helmet, face shield and neck protector to show trainees that the simulated ammunition being used would not hurt them. Spruiel fired a fake Simunition round from a shotgun converted for training, but missed.

"Had Spruiel not missed with the 12-gauge round, (Officer) Shaw would not have proceeded with the handgun demonstration," stated the memo. "Because the demonstration failed, (Officer) Shaw decided to complete the demonstration by firing a handgun Simunition round at Officer Cushman."

"Officer's Shaw's statement is that he thought he had a Simunition-converted weapon in

his holster," the memo stated.

Training weapons have blue handles to identify them, according to the memo, but weapons converted to shoot only training rounds are also distinguishable.

Cushman, 27, was pronounced dead at John Peter Smith Hospital in Fort Worth about three hours after he was shot. The officer, who had been with the Arlington department 4 years, had been promoted to corporal only a day earlier.

Sgt. James Hawthorne, an Arlington police spokesman, confirmed that the memo was sent to the medical examiner but would not elaborate.

"We're in the process of wrapping up the criminal investigation," Hawthorne said Tuesday.

"We expect to forward that information from that investigation to the district attorney next week. I still can't speak to the specifics because it is still very much under investigation."

The tactical team training section of the department's Field Operations Manual prohibits live ammunition at training sessions, except at a firing range.

Policies were violated, according to the memo from Sgt. Mark Simpson, head of the department's homicide investigations. But he concurred with the medical examiner's earlier ruling that the shooting was accidental.

"There were a number of errors that led to this tragedy, but none of them rise to the level of criminal negligence," wrote Simpson

## Bilingual education opponents launch initiative

DENVER (AP) — Opponents of bilingual education have launched a ballot initiative in Colorado seeking to end a practice that's already been struck down by voters in two other western states.

English for the Children of Colorado filed its initiative Tuesday, beginning a process that requires about 80,600 signatures of registered voters to put the measure on the 2002 ballot.

The proposal would

require that children not fluent in English be placed in a one-year English immersion program unless their parents specifically request bilingual education, which can take three years or more.

Proponents of bilingual programs argue students would struggle without lessons in their native languages.

Rita Montero, chairwoman of the Colorado group, said Hispanic stu-

dents who are kept in bilingual education suffer when they try to get into college or a job requiring English-language skills.

The group and some parents say Denver Public Schools is forcing children into bilingual programs, and keeping them there to meet the minimum requirement of 75 students per school to keep the program running.

"They violated my rights, my decision for my son to

be in English classes," Denver parent Lupe Martinez said. She said her English-speaking third-grade son reads at first-grade level because he was forced into Spanish classes.

Mark Stevens, spokesman for Denver Public Schools, said no parent is forced to put a child into the program.

Ron Unz, a California software businessman, sponsored successful campaigns in California and Arizona.

## New York company town opts to accept gift-laden school building proposal

CORNING, N.Y. (AP) — Fiber-optics maker Corning Inc., eager to attract high-tech workers to its small-town headquarters, managed to persuade a fractured city to accept a \$60 million gift to revamp its school system.

The unusual bequest will cover the cost of converting the region's two existing high schools into middle schools and replacing them with one 2,000-student high school on the outskirts of town.

Thousands of voters were so unhappy with the corporate-backed school building proposal that they tried to vote it down in a referendum Tuesday, even if it meant losing out on the big employer's benevolence.

In the end, voters approved the plan by a margin of 58 percent to 42 percent, or 6,077 votes in favor to 4,383 against, according to unofficial returns provided by the school district. Fifty-two percent of an electorate of 20,123 cast ballots.

"I'm extremely pleased — it's a mandate from the

community," said school district Superintendent Donald Trombley. "We expect to bring the entire community together when we sit down to begin planning the actual construction."

Opponents said the plan would cause too much disruption and estimated that existing schools could be renovated, largely at state expense, for \$48 million. In addition, an old high school in a nearby town could be reopened for an extra \$10 million.

Critics had hoped Corning would be pushed to endorse a compromise if the \$76 million school district plan was defeated.

"I think it's a very bad thing for my hometown, but the public has spoken and that's the system," said Thomas O'Brien, a company lawyer who was a leading opponent of the plan.

The company maintained the alternative plan was unacceptable because it would swell property taxes, while the district's plan would keep taxes stable.

## House chairman proposes \$6.5 billion in farm aid

WASHINGTON (AP) — Farmers would get \$6.5 billion in special assistance this year, \$1 billion more than the limit set by the White House, under legislation starting to move through Congress.

It would be the fourth multibillion-dollar bailout of the nation's farm economy in as many years.

The bill the House Agriculture Committee was to consider Wednesday would provide \$5.5 billion in payments to grain and cotton growers and an additional \$1 billion divided among producers of everything from prunes to wool to tobacco.

In a letter to the committee last week, White House budget director Mitch Daniels said he would recommend President Bush "not sign a bill providing more than \$5.5 billion in additional assistance" for this year's crops.

But the committee's Republican chairman, Larry Combest of Texas, says the White House budget office is "out of touch with the financial crisis farmers around the country are facing. Their recommendation is based on incomplete and unrealistic eco-

nomics data."

Rep. John Boehner, R-Ohio, is expected to offer an amendment that would cap this year's aid package to \$5.5 billion. But Mary Kay Thatcher, a lobbyist for the American Farm Bureau Federation, expressed confidence Tuesday that Boehner would lose.

"Things are worse in the country this year than last," she said.

Congress has provided \$25 billion in special payments to farmers over the past three years to supplement federal subsidy programs, and farm groups have asked for as much as \$10 billion more this year.

The first \$5.5 billion in this year's bill would sup-

plement the annual "market transition" payments that grain and cotton farmers receive under an existing program.

Growers of soybeans, sunflowers and other oilseeds would receive an additional \$500 million.

The bill also includes:

- \$220 million for the government to buy surplus fruits and vegetables, including apples, apricots, black-eyed peas, cherries, prunes, grapefruit, lentils, onions and potatoes.
- \$129 million for tobacco growers.
- \$57 million for peanut producers.
- \$44 million to suspend an assessment on this year's sugar crop.

—\$40 million to expand eligibility for crop subsidies, known as "loan deficiency payments," on grain and other crops.

Congress started passing the annual bailouts in 1998, after sluggish exports and bumper crops led to a collapse in prices for a wide array of commodities.

The Agriculture Department last month revised its estimate of net farm income for 2001 to \$42.4 billion, up \$1.1 billion from its January forecast, because of higher livestock prices. But farm groups say many producers can't survive financially without additional aid this year to supplement existing subsidy programs.

## Convicted killer extradited to face murder charge

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Convicted murderer Sante Kimes has been returned to California to stand trial with her son for an alleged 1998 killing that could lead to the death penalty.

Kimes, 66, was extradited from a New York prison where she was serving a sentence of up to life for the murder of a Manhattan socialite.

Kimes gave up her extradition battle last week.

She and her son, Kenneth, face trial in Los Angeles in the 1998 murder of businessman David Kazdin.

Kazdin, 63, was found in a trash bin near Los Angeles International Airport. Police believe he was killed after he discovered the Kimeses had forged his name on a loan. They allegedly took \$200,000 from the account.

The Kimeses were convicted last year of murdering 82-year-old Irene Silverman, whose body was never found. The pair conspired to steal her \$7 million Manhattan townhouse and other possessions.

Kenneth Kimes was extradited to California in March.

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## OUR VIEWS

# Burn ban responsible declaration

There was no great shock for most Howard Countians last week when Howard County Judge Ben Lockhart ordered an immediate burn ban for the entire county — it's something we've become accustomed to at this time of year.

As always seems to be the case here in West Texas, summer's "dog days" arrived long before the season's official start. And that, coupled with a lack of significant rain, made Lockhart's order a matter of good sense.

In announcing the ban, Lockhart noted that current conditions, combined with a short-range forecast that calls for continued hot, dry weather makes the threat of "large, dangerous and fast-moving wildfires" a real possibility.

And with the July 4 holiday just around the corner, blazes caused by irresponsible use of fireworks are also a concern.

As a result, the judge also issued an immediate ban on the use of some fireworks — skyrockets that have sticks and missiles with fins — which pose an inordinate risk of creating fires.

Commissioners are expected to endorse the ban during their meeting on Monday.

However, we need to all take the ban seriously now.

Those violating the ban on open burning or caught using banned fireworks could face a Class C misdemeanor charge punishable by a fine of as much as \$500 plus court costs.

To some such punishment may seem excessive, but irresponsibly endangering the lives and property of others — always a possibility when wildfires are ignited — deserves the stiffest penalties allowable by law.

We support the judge's ban and encourage our readers to observe the restriction.

You'll be doing yourselves and all of us a favor.

## YOUR VIEWS

### TO THE EDITOR:

The Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce sponsored its first Senior Leadership Class for senior adults. Fourteen seniors finished the course and will graduate June 27.

We toured many businesses in our town and want to thank everyone involved in handling those tours — the Heritage Museum, Potton House, Chamber of Commerce, Moore Board Development, city of Big Spring, Big Spring Police Department, Hangar 25, the compost facility, water treatment plant, waste water treatment plant, SWCID and Howard College campuses, Western Container, StarTek, Alon Refinery and the wind turbine facility.

Each tour was unique, enjoyable and educational. We were most impressed

by the pride that each employee showed for his or her facility and its contribution to our community.

Thank you to those who provided lunches for us the chamber, Big Spring RSVP and Alon.

Thanks to chamber representatives Terri Davis and Dr. E. W. Stokes for their enthusiasm and support of this project.

Special thanks to Roger Huff and the First Church of the Nazarene for use of a bus and great drivers.

We want to recommend Senior Leadership to everyone! Even if you have lived in Big Spring a long time, you would learn a lot and be impressed with what goes on in our hometown.

JOANNE HYER,  
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# Preferential admissions don't help anyone

The American Medical Association meets this week in Chicago for its annual conference, and there will be plenty of controversial public policy issues on its agenda. But one issue you can bet the AMA won't talk about is what effect the widespread practice of admitting blacks and Hispanics to medical school with lower qualifications than their white and Asian counterparts is having on the medical profession.



LINDA CHAVEZ

By now, most Americans have gotten used to the idea that colleges and universities apply double standards when it comes to admitting black and Hispanic undergraduates — even if they don't like it very much. The assumption has been, however, that these students somehow catch up over the next four years and go on to be just as successful as their white and Asian peers. This notion was given a boost a few years ago when two influential former college presidents, William

Bowen and Derek Bok, published the findings of a study on affirmative action, "The Shape of the River," in which they claimed that minority students who benefited from preferential admissions standards nonetheless went on to perform well, earning graduate degrees at higher numbers than might be expected.

What Bowen and Bok didn't say is that the same degree of racial preference being given to minority students at the undergraduate level applies to graduate schools, too, including medical schools. For the first time ever, we now have the hard numbers to prove that medical schools routinely give preference to less-qualified black (and sometimes Hispanic) applicants than to others.

The Center for Equal Opportunity (CEO), which I head, has been studying the issue of racial preferences in college admissions for the past six years. We've now turned our focus to medical schools and are in the process of gathering information on every public school of medicine in the country. So far, we've analyzed six medical schools, representing every geographic region of the country, and the pattern for medical schools is the same as it was for undergraduate institutions. Black and Hispanic students are being

admitted to medical school with substantially lower college grades and test scores than whites or Asians.

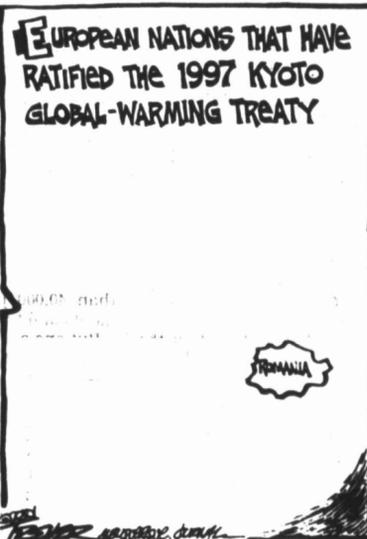
If you're a black or, to a lesser degree, Hispanic applicant, your chances of being admitted to medical school are far greater than whites or Asians with the same college grades and Medical College Admission Test (MCAT) scores. At the University of Washington School of Medicine in 1997, the odds ratio of a black applicant being admitted over a white with the same grades and MCAT scores were nearly 30-to-1. At the State University of New York, Brooklyn, the odds were nearly 23-to-1 in 1996 and were 9-to-1 in 1999. At the University of Maryland in 1999, they were 21-to-1, and at the University of Georgia in 1996, they were 19-to-1. At Michigan State University College of Human Medicine they were 12-to-1 in 1997 and 14-to-1 in 1999.

But more disturbing even than the finding that medical schools seem to be admitting less-qualified students on the basis of race and ethnicity is that many of these students can't pass their licensing exams, despite greater resources directed toward helping them than other students received. At every medical school CEO studied, sub-

stantially larger numbers of black students than whites either did not take or failed their initial licensing exams, and, in most instances, failed their subsequent licensing tests as well.

These higher failure rates don't just mean personal disappointment. Since medical education requires a huge allocation of resources — and at state schools, this usually means tax-payer funding — medical students who do not go on to become doctors are a poor investment. More than 3,500 white and Asian students were not admitted to the schools CEO studied, despite having better grades and test scores than black and Hispanic applicants who were given preferential treatment. Since grades and, in particular, MCAT scores are very good predictors of performance on the licensing exams, we know that a higher percentage of these students would have passed the exams if they had been admitted.

So, who wins? Certainly not the whites and Asians denied the opportunity to study medicine. But neither do the blacks and Hispanics who were admitted to medical school but could not survive there. And all of the rest of us — of all colors — suffer, too, from a shortage of qualified doctors.



# Ward County, the Texas Sahara

I have seen wild asparagus in Barstow, explored the falls at Grandfalls, reported on the Rattlesnake Bomber Base at Pyote and interviewed people in Thorntonville, Royalty and Wickett. I know Ward County. It's one of my favorite places. I especially love Monahans.



TUMBLEWEED SMITH

I left the Permian Basin to attend graduate school in Missouri in 1964 and came back three years later. The first place I visited when I got back to the area was the Monahans Sandhills State Park. I went there with my son and we took a buggy ride through the dunes. It felt good to be back.

The people of Monahans are robust and healthy, and like the skies overhead, open and friendly. I've recently talked with people living in Monahans who left

the city as teenagers and worked all their adult lives to get back to Monahans.

The city has clean air and an excitement that's hard to describe. Perhaps that's one reason why so many recreational vehicle owners are choosing to spend winters in Monahans. They just plain feel good there.

Monahans has some of the best drinking water to be found anywhere. Residents are proud of that good tasting water and serve it ceremoniously to visitors. Water plays a big part in the history of Monahans.

The city is named for John Monahan, who dug the first water well in the area. The place was initially called Monahan's Well. The train arrived in 1881. Oil was discovered in 1926 and the 30s were the boom years: The deepest natural gas wells in the world were drilled south of Monahans.

In 1938, Monahans became the county seat of Ward County, replacing Barstow. Shell oil company built the world's largest oil tank, five football fields big. Today it's used for recreation and entertainment.

People go to Monahans from great distances to see the sand dunes. Nearly 4,000 acres of wind-sculptured sand. The Texas Sahara. The 90-foot dunes can be beautiful and tranquil, but a howling wind can turn them into a fierce sandstorm. This vast area of gleaming sand, once a barrier to pioneer travelers and wagon trains, is now a place for picnics and sand surfing.

Monahans has several civic groups all working together to seek new industries and a new prison. Monahans hosts playoff games for high school sports.

Several golfers from nearby cities play on the Monahans course. The Butterfield Ball and Cancer Gala give residents opportunities to dress up and have fun for good causes. The Overland Stage Coach and Wagon Festival is certainly a special event.

But what best exemplifies the real spirit of Monahans is the phrase I've heard so many times there: "We help each other."

That's beautiful.

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by  
BRUCE TINSLEY

## Setting up doesn't

Setting up a can be an expensive, whether start a home-business or have a special place to pay bills and keep financial records. But there are several cost-cutting tactics you can use.

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## Setting up a home office doesn't have to be costly

Setting up a home office can be an expensive venture, whether you want to start a home-based business or have a special place to pay bills and keep financial records. But there are several cost-cutting tactics you can use.



DANA TARTER

For example, you can start with the materials that you have on hand. If you have an extra table or folding table that is not being used, it will make a good temporary desk until you can afford to purchase a new one. Another alternative would be to stack bricks or cement blocks and planks of wood to make a desk or a bookshelf.

If you have a limited budget, you may want to shop at garage sales, flea markets, thrift stores and other secondhand places for bargains. Be creative and open minded about the potential use of furniture and other items when shopping. Salvage stores often carry used equipment and furniture that can be purchased at a rea-

sonable price. You may also want to shop at auctions or visit local businesses that are liquidating or remodeling (they may be buying new furniture and equipment to match their new look).

It also pays to ask friends or businesses who are moving if they are interested in selling any of their furniture or accessories.

Some people find it easier and most cost effective to sell what they have rather than moving it to a new location.

You may also want to make friends with the second-hand dealers in town. They can help you scout out the items you need to complete your home office and leave you more time to concentrate on other issues.

Another option is to shop online. In addition to the Web sites that allow people to buy and sell like an auction, there are also many companies that sell refurbished equipment and furnishings. In many cases, items bought from manufacturers or other companies will include a warranty.

Overall, the money that you save in office furnishings can be invested in your business, be used to pay other debts or be placed into a savings account for other needs.

## Boost in veterans' education benefits OK'd

WASHINGTON (AP) — Half of the nation's college students were getting help from the GI Bill in the years after World War II. Now lawmakers are hoping to restore some of the popularity of that highly acclaimed program by raising the benefits.

The House unanimously passed legislation Tuesday that would raise education and vocational training benefits under the Montgomery GI Bill by 70 percent, the largest increase ever. When fully phased in, a veteran with three years of service would be eligible for up to \$39,600 in benefits, up from \$23,400 at present.

The maximum benefits under the bill would rise over the next three years from the current \$650 a month to \$1,100. For veterans with two years of service or Reservists who have served four years, the maximum benefit would rise from \$528 to \$894 over three years.

Rep. Chris Smith, R-N.J., chairman of the House Veterans' Affairs Committee, said the legislation would put new life in a program that helped "create what we know as the modern middle class."

The bill passed 416-0 and now goes to the Senate where the Veterans' Affairs Committee is scheduled to hold hearings next week, according to the office of Sen. John D. Rockefeller, D-W.Va., the panel's chairman.

## Report says VA benefit claims system is flawed

WASHINGTON (AP) — Four of every 10 claims for veterans' disability benefits are decided incorrectly, and a government training program designed to improve that record is two years behind schedule, congressional investigators say.

The training problems at the Veterans Benefits Administration could hamper efforts to reduce a backlog of pending claims and improve the system's accuracy, General Accounting Office investigators said.

Veterans groups said they're not surprised. "We had a sense that things were not going very well," said Joe Violante, a lobbyist for the Disabled American Veterans. "This

is not a recent problem. This has been going on for years."

Audits by the Department of Veterans Affairs found that 41 percent of the disability claims processed during 2000 were inaccurate. The audits did not specify whether the errors resulted in too much or too little compensation to veterans.

The Veterans Benefits Administration currently has more than 459,000 claims from veterans and their survivors waiting to be processed, according to research by the House Veterans Affairs Committee.

On average, it takes 205 days to process a claim — and up to three years if it is appealed.

Almost 21 million veterans have used the benefits program since the first GI Bill became law in 1944. That includes some 8 million from World War II, when the influx of veterans-turned-students led to rapid expansion of the nation's university facilities, and another 8 million from the Vietnam War era.

Smith said the program has contributed 450,000 engineers, 238,000 teachers, 91,000 scientists, 67,000 doctors and 22,000 dentists to

the nation's work force.

But while more than half of veterans participated in the program in the past, the number of people taking advantage of the benefit has declined in recent years, partly because the available benefits haven't kept pace with the rising costs of higher education.

Smith said that with the funding increase the number of veterans enrolled in the program should go from 266,000 today to about 375,000 in 10 years. But

some Democrats complained they weren't given a chance to offer a substitute that would have put substantially more money into education benefits.

Smith's bill would cost an estimated \$9 billion over 10 years. The ranking Democrat on the Veterans Affairs Committee, Rep. Lane Evans of Illinois, was blocked in his attempt to get a vote on a 10-year, \$24 billion bill. "I'm forced to conclude the leadership of this Congress is too timid and not willing to take that important step," he said.

Rep. Vic Snyder, D-Ark., said that after he left the Marines in 1969 he used the GI Bill to help finance two years of college and three years of medical school. He said that even with the proposed increase, the \$13,000 in available benefits for a year would still be \$3,000 short of meeting just the tuition fees at an average private college today.

Congress, he said, is missing an opportunity to help both military recruiters and the nation's colleges that benefit from the presence of veterans.

"It could have been so much better."

But the Bush administration, in a statement, said that while it strongly supported the program "because of its great importance to veterans and the nation," it must stay within the budget limits agreed to by the president and Congress.

## After 37 years, case of slain Mississippi civil rights workers plods along

PHILADELPHIA, Miss. (AP) — During the heat of the civil rights movement, three young activists were shot to death and their bodies plowed into an earthen dam outside this central Mississippi town.

It was June 21, 1964, the start of the "Freedom Summer," and hundreds of volunteers were scouring the state registering blacks to vote.

The slayings of the three young activists, whose bodies were found 44 days later, focused the national spotlight on Mississippi and swelled support for the 1965 Voting Rights Act. In 1967, eight men were convicted in federal court of violating the slain men's civil rights, but no one was charged with their deaths.

It's been 37 years, and still no murder indictments have been issued in the deaths of James Earl Chaney, 21, Andrew Goodman, 20, and Michael Schwerner, 24.

Suspects and potential witnesses have died. Memories are fading. Younger generations have learned about the killings through the 1988 movie "Mississippi Burning," a fictional story based on the slayings that also renewed interest in prosecuting the men's killers for murder.

"We didn't start off in the best of shape because the people who knew the facts, who testified in the federal trial in the '60s, were all dead," Neshoba County's longtime district attorney, Ken Turner, said from his office just off Philadelphia's

main street.

"I'm still hopeful, but in all candor, I'm not as optimistic as I was," he said. "That's not a signal of giving up."

"It's just being honest with you." Investigators have interviewed hundreds of people and sifted through more than 40,000 pages of documents and transcripts.

But one of the keys of successfully prosecuting the case will be finding witnesses still living to supplement testimony from those who testified in the 1967 federal conspiracy trial but have since died, Turner said.

Last month, Cecil Price, a former deputy sheriff convicted in the federal trial, died. State Attorney General Mike Moore wouldn't say

what role Price would have had in the prosecution, but he said Price's death "hurt a

whole lot."

"This is a case we ought to try if we can," Moore says.

"The 'if' is a big 'if.' We're not going to do it if we don't have a solid case."

## Jury convicts man for tossing dog into road

SAN JOSE, Calif. (AP) — Sara McBurnett says she doesn't believe in closure, but she breathed a sigh of relief when a man was convicted of tossing her small dog to its death on a busy highway.

"It doesn't bring Leo back, of course, but at least Leo had his day," McBurnett said after the verdict Tuesday. "One cruel person has been (held) accountable for their cruelty."

A jury convicted Andrew Burnett, 27, on felony animal cruelty charges for killing the white bichon frise last year in a fit of road rage. He faces up to three years in prison for the attack.

The defendant sat motionless as the verdict was read, pausing only to wink and say "I love you" to his fiancée, seated in the front row.

Burnett, who never took the stand, is scheduled to be sentenced July 13.

McBurnett and other witnesses testified that after a minor traffic accident in February 2000, Burnett yelled at her, reached through her open car window, grabbed the dog and hurled it into oncoming traffic. The 10-year-old pet was struck seconds later.

"It wasn't just a dog to me," she said. "For me it was my child. He killed my baby right in front of me."

Burnett's attorney, Marc Garcia, said his client instinctively snatched the dog from the car after it bit

him. He said the court of public opinion worked against his client.

"The deck was so stacked against him in this case from day one," Garcia said.

Prosecutor Troy Benson said Burnett was "the only person in the whole world" who would think what he did to Leo was reasonable.

"No ordinary person would have done this," he said.

Authorities released a sketch of a suspect in the case in March 2000, but the investigation stalled after McBurnett failed to pick

Burnett out of two photo lineups.

Police said an anonymous e-mail tipped them to Burnett. He had been jailed since Jan. 4 on charges connected to the disappearance of a repair van from his employer, Pacific Bell. The van was filled with \$68,000 worth of equipment. He also faces four charges of perjury for allegedly lying to authorities to get out of speeding tickets.

Dog lovers and others had donated \$120,000 in reward money for help in finding Leo's killer.

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#### Black Gold tourney set for July 13-15

The Big Spring Black Golf Circuit Tennis Tournament has been scheduled for July 13-15 at the Figure 7 Tennis Center in Comanche Trail Park.

Play will be conducted in boys and girls singles, doubles and mixed doubles in five age divisions.

Fees will be \$15 for one event, \$20 for two and \$25 for three.

Entries must be received no later than July 6.

For more information, call Wendy Justiss at 398-5485.

#### YMCA swim team seeks competitors

The Big Spring YMCA Swim Team is currently competing in long course meets.

Practice sessions are held Monday through Thursday mornings.

To be eligible to compete, youngsters must be able to complete a lap of the YMCA pool.

For more information, call the YMCA at 267-8234.

#### Annual Coahoma ragball tournament

There will be a ragball tournament Friday and Saturday, July 6-7, at the Coahoma Little League park.

For more information contact Rocky New at 394-4041.

#### Senior Class to hold ragball tournament

There will be a ragball tournament sponsored by the Big Spring High School senior class on Friday and Saturday, July 13-14.

The entry fee is \$100 per team.

For more information contact Brittany Bryant at 267-1011.

#### ACS still offering Texas Golf Pass

The American Cancer Society is again offering the Texas Golf Pass that entitles holders to more than 680 rounds of golf at 289 courses throughout the state.

The passes are \$35 each and proceeds from the program benefit the Cancer Society's research, education programs and patient services efforts.

Both the Big Spring Country Club and Comanche Trail Golf Course are participating in the program and order forms are available at the two courses.

For more information, call 1-800-ACS-2345 or check the society's web site at www.acs-tx.org

#### Finley exercises right to become free agent

DALLAS (AP) — Dallas Mavericks All-Star forward Michael Finley said Tuesday he has decided to exercise the option in his contract to become a free agent on July 1.

"We fully expected Michael to exercise the option to terminate his contract," Mavericks head coach and general manager Don Nelson said in a statement. "This is an ordinary procedure, as many players opt out of their contract."

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## Late rally gives Rangers 7-5 win over Anaheim

ARLINGTON (AP) — Rob Bell still hasn't won a game since last September, but the new Texas starter has plenty to be excited about.

"That's the first time I've left a game in the last two years and the team has come back from a deficit," Bell said. "I couldn't thank the Reds more for putting me where I am."

Bell, acquired from Cincinnati in a trade for Ruben Mateo last week, got a no-decision in his AL debut after allowing five runs and seven hits in 4 2-3 innings against Anaheim. The Rangers rallied for a 7-5 victory Tuesday night.

Ivan Rodriguez hit a solo homer and an RBI single in a five-run sixth inning. The catcher, a virtual lock to make a record-tying 10th straight All-Star Game start, also homered in the eighth for the Rangers.

After leading off the sixth with a homer to make it 5-2, Rodriguez came up again with two outs, the bases loaded and the game tied. He beat out an infield chopper, allowing Ricky Ledee to score, and pumped his fists.

"I'm a hard player and love to win," Rodriguez said. "I know we are in last place, but I come to win. I was excited I had put my

team ahead."

Adam Kennedy, the second batter Bell faced, hit a two-run homer after David Eckstein walked. The Angels led 3-0 after Tim Salmon, just 3-for-50 (.060) with runners in scoring position, singled for his first RBI since June 5.

The 24-year-old Bell, 0-5 with the Reds this season, threw 34 pitches in the first inning when he walked two and gave up three hits.

"It was a nervous energy out there for me," Bell said. "It's not like I had the shakes or something. I felt I pitched good after that. I promise things will get bet-

ter." Rodriguez said Bell calmed down as the game progressed.

The Angels didn't score after the first until Garret Anderson's two-run homer in the fifth made it 5-1. Bell came out after walking the next batter.

"Bell's got a good arm, a good fastball. He threw much better after the first," Rangers manager Jerry Narron. "We just want him to come in and get his feet on the ground and be part of our future. He's going to get every opportunity here."

After his 381-foot homer to start the sixth, Rodriguez

put the Rangers ahead on a high-chopper that barely went over the pitcher's mound 60 feet away.

"He led off with something soft to Pudge, then it seemed liked everything got hit and everything found a hole," Angels manager Mike Scioscia said. "Then everything just snow-balled."

After Rodriguez homered, the Rangers loaded the bases; before Ledee hit a two-run single. Mike Lamb, the No. 9 hitter, added an RBI single to tie it.

The outburst gave reliever Juan Moreno (1-0), his first major league victory.

## Ripken plans retirement

BALTIMORE (AP) — Having accomplished everything he set out to do in the game he's always loved, Cal Ripken is ready to try something new.

Eager to spend more time with his children and teach baseball to a new generation, Ripken said Tuesday he will end his 21-year career at the end of this season.

"I don't see this as an ending so much. I'm not stopping something. I'm just moving on," said Ripken, who has played his entire career with the Baltimore Orioles. "The reality is that players can't play forever."

During his lengthy and productive career, Ripken earned a World Series ring, two MVP trophies and the reputation as the most durable player in baseball history.

The announcement came on the 50th anniversary of the birth of the Iron Horse, Lou Gehrig of the New York Yankees, whose seemingly unbreakable record of playing in 2,130 straight games was shattered by the man who became known as the Iron Man.

The timing was ironic, but perhaps not entirely coincidental.

"Don't think that Cal doesn't plan these things," said bullpen coach Elrod Hendricks, who has been with the Orioles throughout Ripken's career. "Isn't today Lou Gehrig's birthday, or close to it? Is it Yankee Stadium where he will finish his career?"

Yes, it is. After nearly 3,000 games and 12,000 at-bats.

Ripken's final game will be at Yankee Stadium on Sept. 30. The Yankees sold nearly 20,000 tickets for the game on Tuesday, making it a sellout.

Ripken's final home game, scheduled for Sept. 23, is also sold out.

His decision to retire came not because of injuries — he missed parts of the previous two seasons with back problems — but because he wants to spend



Cal Ripken Jr., receives congratulations from his wife after breaking Lou Gehrig's record for most consecutive games in September of 1995. Ripken has announced that he will retire at the end of the current major league season

more time with this family. "I'm as healthy now as at any time," he said. "The last couple of years I've been noticing that I miss being away from home. I miss my kids' activities and it seems like the passion ... I was getting into other things."

In his hometown of Aberdeen, Ripken has financed a complex that includes a 5,500-seat minor league stadium, a baseball academy, dormitories, dining halls and six baseball fields modeled after past and present major league stadiums.

"I have a big interest in teaching baseball," Ripken said. "Baseball's in my blood. I see this as a beginning, an opportunity."

When the time comes for

Ripken to tip his cap one final time, he will do so with the knowledge that he got the most out of his talent.

Ripken recalled hearing some players talk about their regrets. Some wished they took better care of themselves, others said they wanted to play more and a few lamented not taking the game more seriously.

"I didn't want to be in position at the end of my career and regret not going about it a certain way," Ripken said. "So when I look back, I don't have those regrets. I accomplished what my skills, ability and determination allowed me to."

Ripken, 40, has always played the national past-

time with a certain child-like exuberance. But this season, reduced to a part-time player on a team geared toward youth, his approach became more businesslike.

"The one thing I noticed missing this year is that little boy," Hendricks said. "There's always been a little boy in Cal. This year, he's not having much fun. ... That's the part I miss in Cal this year."

Ripken holds the major league record for consecutive games, playing in 2,632 from May 30, 1982, to Sept. 20, 1998, when he voluntarily ended the streak. At the time, Ripken said he chose to sit down because he feared his Iron Man run was a distraction to the Orioles.

## National League's 30-30 club: Bonds and Gonzalez

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Three weeks before the All-Star game, the National League already has a 30-30 club — Barry Bonds and Luis Gonzalez.

Bonds matched the major league record for home runs before the All-Star break with No. 37, while Gonzalez homered twice to reach the 30 mark Tuesday night.

Gonzalez also doubled and drove in six runs as the Arizona Diamondbacks beat the Los Angeles Dodgers 9-2. He leads the league in hitting at .361 and has 68 RBIs.

"Obviously, I just want to keep doing what I'm doing," he said. "The homers are nice, but my batting average is up there, so I'm becoming a better hitter."

Bonds tied the record set by Reggie Jackson in 1969 and equaled it by Mark McGwire in 1998.

After connecting in San Francisco's 4-3, 15-inning loss at San Diego, Bonds still has 18 games to break the mark.

In other NL games, Milwaukee beat Cincinnati 10-8, St. Louis

stopped Chicago 3-2, Pittsburgh defeated Philadelphia 8-5, Florida beat Atlanta 12-2, Houston downed Colorado 6-4 and New York defeated Montreal 4-1.

In American League games, it was Boston 5, Tampa Bay 4; Detroit 7, New York 1; Baltimore 5, Toronto 1; Minnesota 10, Cleveland 9 in 12 innings; Seattle 8, Oakland 7; Texas 7, Anaheim 5; and Chicago 5, Kansas City 3.

Bonds did a little bit of lobbying to make sure his solo shot in the fifth inning counted.

Bonds' high drive to right-center field hit off a sign that hangs barely beyond the fence, and the ball bounced back on the field.

Second-base umpire Paul Emmel didn't immediately rule it was a home run. But Bonds, who was standing on second base, signaled that it was gone.

The umpires huddled for a moment before Emmel sent Bonds home.

Giants relief ace Robb Nen blew the save, giving up three runs in the ninth, with Mark Kotsay hitting a

two-run single with two outs to tie it.

San Diego got a lot of help in the 15th to stop the Giants' six-game winning streak.

#### Diamondbacks 9, Dodgers 2

Randy Johnson won his fourth straight decision as Arizona beat Los Angeles at Dodger Stadium.

Gonzalez hit a two-run homer in the fifth off Darren Dreifort and added a three-run shot against Jesse Orosco in the eighth. Gonzalez also hit an RBI double.

#### Brewers 10, Reds 8

Ken Griffey Jr. hit his first home run of the season, yet it was not enough to prevent Cincinnati from losing its eighth straight game.

Griffey has missed most of the season because of a hamstring problem. The Reds lost their ninth in a row at Cinergy Field.

Jeromy Burnitz, Jose Hernandez and Richie Sexson homered for Milwaukee to support winner Ben

Sheets.

#### Cardinals 3, Cubs 2

Fernando Vina drove in the go-ahead run with a drag bunt in the seventh inning as St. Louis beat Chicago for the 13th straight time at Busch Stadium.

The Cardinals have won five in a row overall. Winner Matt Morris singled to help set up Vina's tiebreaking single.

Vina has 22 RBIs this season, with 10 coming in eight games against the Cubs.

#### Pirates 8, Phillies 5

Jason Kendall, playing a day after getting a cortisone shot in his injured left thumb, got three hits and drove in three runs to lead Pittsburgh at PNC Park.

The Pirates had a season-high 17 hits. Derek Bell hit a two-run homer as Pittsburgh won its fourth in a row.

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MISCELLANEOUS

Moving Sale, 3606 Boulder, Sat. Only, 9am POSITIVELY NO EARLY SALES!!

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\$265/mo. \$100/dep.  
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1308 Ridgeroad  
3BR 1 bath  
\$325/mo \$150/dep  
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1505 Owens. 2 bdr., 1bath. No Pets. Call 267-3841 or 270-7309.

1602 East 5th. 3 Bdrm, 1 bath. Call 267-3841 or 270-7309.

2BR. Stove furnished. Evap. A/C, close to schools. HUD accepted. 1302 Ridgeroad. \$375/mo. \$150/dep. 263-6346 or 631-7376

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3BR 1bath. 1410 Harding. New paint and carpet. References required. No indoor pets. \$450/mo. \$200/dep. 267-6667

601 E. 16th  
3BR 1 bath  
C/H/A, carpet  
Water paid  
\$425/mo \$200/dep  
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910 East 6th. 2 bdr., 1bath. No Pets. Call 267-3841 or 270-7309.

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House/Garage  
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2004 Johnson-North  
1 bdr. 1 bth.  
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\$195/mn. \$100/dep.  
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2102 Allendale. 4BR brick split level. 2 den., dining room, 3 baths, AC sunroom, 3,600 sq. ft. Dbl garage & hot tub included. Call Chuck for prices & appt. 263-0844. Nights Cindy 267-2304

2202 Runnels. 3 bdr. 1 bth. Call 267-3841 or 270-7309.

2BR, new carpet. \$300/mo. \$150/dep. No pets. 263-8126

**TOO LATES**  
Yard Sale, Sat. 8-12, 2505 Barksdale. Antique china, lots of misc.

Owner Operators needed. Signing bonus. Haul liquid asphalt in W. Tx area. HazMat/Tanker required. 800-215-2228.

Drivers needed. Haul liquid asphalt in West Texas area. HazMat/Tanker required. 800-215-2228.

Moving Sale, 4046 Vicky. Sat. 8-4. NO EARLY SALES! Lots of misc.

Experienced part-time waiter or waitress. Apply in person Spanish Inn 200 NW 3rd. NO PHONE CALLS!

5 Family Sale! 2104 Morrison, Sat. 8-7. Lots of everything. Also the house is for rent and van for sale. Call 263-3517 for more info.

2 Family Garage Sale, 1504 & 1506 Johnson, Sat. 8-7. Exercise equip., comics, baby items, plants, knick knacks, too much list.

Large 3 Family Sale. FRIDAY ONLY! 8-8, 1313 Oil Mill Rd. Inside Garage Apt.

Friday Only! 8-1:30. 803 W. 15th. Microwave, dryer, desks, computer & accessories, bed, much more.

Garage Sale: Fri. & Sat 8:30-7 in Sand Springs 109 Jalco Rd. 4 Family Sale.

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309 Colorado. Exit 184 & follow signs. Sat. 8-7. Clothes, furn., baby items, washer & dryer, freezer, Misc.

Garage Sale, 807 Baylor, Fri. 1-5, Sat. 9-5. Name brand clothes, shoes, bikes, golf clubs, Bdrm suite, TV, toys, CB drum set & More!

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

THE STATE OF TEXAS  
CITATION BY PUBLICATION  
TO Rolando Espinoza Gonzalez  
YOU (AND EACH OF YOU) ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the 118th Judicial District Court of Glasscock County at the Courthouse being located at 1117 E. Currie in the City of Garden City, Glasscock County, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A.M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, the date for answer being the 16 day of July, A.D. 2001, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 24 day of May, A.D. 2000, in this cause, numbered 1357 on the docket of said court and styled *Marecela Bocanegra, Plaintiff, vs. Rolando Espinoza Gonzalez and in the interest of Rodolfo Espinoza Gonzalez, a Child, Defendant.*

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit:  
Original Petition for Divorce  
The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs.  
Witness, Rebecca Balla, Clerk of the 118th Judicial Dist. Court(s) of Glasscock County, Texas.  
Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at office this 4 day of June, A.D. 2001.  
118TH District Court  
Glasscock County, Texas  
P.O. Box 190  
Garden City, TX 79739  
Notice

You have been sued. You may employ an attorney, if you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 a.m. on the Monday next following the expiration of forty-two days after you were served this citation on the petition, a default judgment may be taken against you.  
C.E. (Mike) Thomas, III  
P.O. Drawer 2117  
Big Spring, TX 79721  
3216 June 6, 13, 20, 27, 2001

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Thursday, June 21, :**

If you feel as if this year will be extraordinary, you're right! You need to think in terms of excitement and the unexpected. You also might, at times, need to sit back and consider what you want. What you opt for ultimately could be very different from what you think you want today. If you are single, your magnetism draws, yet you need to be more conscious of others. Creativity and romance blend during this unusual year. If you are attached, your relationship changes because you change or honor already existing transformations. **CANCER** adores 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)

Today's solar eclipse could unnerve even the best of Rams. Pressure in the next few weeks comes from left field. Prioritize your goals before the tension and demands begin. You will be able to respond spontaneously as a result. Listen to feedback. Tonight: Hide out close to home, and play it low-key.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20)

Conversations energize you and others. Trust that what someone says is the truth as he knows it. Make decisions that involve better communication. Do not close the door on someone

who cares a lot, even if you get fed up. Tonight: Take a walk and calm down.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20)  
Today's solar eclipse functions as a red flag on spending for the next few months. This planetary event doesn't have to be negative. In fact, it could prove to be quite bountiful, and you'll discover that a conservative approach will lead you in the right direction. Tonight: Pay bills first.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22)

You're in an all-or-nothing mood. Careful! By pushing another too hard and too fast, you'll get results you would prefer to avoid. Make decisions for or about yourself, not for others. Claim your own power. Make a long-overdue resolution. Tonight: Use your magnetism!

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22)

You could definitely feel less than your sunny self. Sometimes even the Lion needs to pout here and there. Take some time off if you can, or close your door at work if possible. Consider taking a yoga class or scheduling a vacation in the near future. Tonight: Break time.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

You will get what you want, though it might take as long as a year. Stay on top of meetings right now. Network with friends and business associates. Decide to make a dream a reality rather than putting it off any longer. Ask questions.

Tonight: Don't worry about a change of plans.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)  
Career demands commitment in the next few months. Do your soul-searching, and be sure of what it is you want from your work and public lives. Others might have great ideas, but ultimately, you need to satisfy yourself. Count on change. Refuse to react under pressure. Tonight: A must show.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

Start planning a vacation or special retreat. You might want to open your mind to different possibilities. Understand that everyone filters information. Brainstorming might be the best way to open doors. Consider signing up for a class. Tonight: Hop on the Net.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

Dealings with partners and associates could transform your perspective over the next few months. Right now, avoid making commitments that touch money or emotions. Others might be somewhat weird as the result of today's solar eclipse. Let it be. Tonight: Togetherness works.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

Let others' games play out. Meanwhile, sit back and be an observer. If you aren't comfortable with your immediate circle of friends, consider transforming your relationships. Sometimes a relationship

will change in its significance. Tonight: Go along with plans.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

Listen to others, but know what must be done. Though you might feel sluggish, you can still get your work done. Consider dietary or health changes in the next few months. Be honest with yourself about your work, as well. Is it replenishing you? Tonight: Early to bed.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20)

Allow your imagination to speak, especially with children and loved ones. You are about to greet substantial changes involving your love life, if single. For those who are artistically inclined, your creativity surges in the next six months. Tonight: Just be yourself.

**BORN TODAY**  
England's Prince William (1982), Pakistani Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto (1953), actress Meredith Baxter (1947)

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**Daughter's homecoming proves troublesome**

Dear Ann Landers: Six months ago, my 21-year-old daughter, "Jessica," and her infant son came to live with me and my second husband. I have had nothing but trouble ever since.



ANN LANDERS

Jessica was home only two days before we had our first major blow-up. She "borrowed" my jewelry without permission. When I confronted her, she said it was "no big deal." The next day, I put a lock on my bedroom door. When she used my digital camera to send inappropriate photographs of herself to men she met over the Internet, I locked the camera in a safe. When she ran up a long-distance phone bill, I put an access code on the phone. Her room is a mess, she throws wet bath towels on the floor, leaves leftover food in her bedroom and won't lift a finger to help out.

I supply all the food, as well as formula and diapers for the baby. She lives rent-free because she doesn't have a job yet, although she is looking. She refuses to fill out the necessary paperwork to get child support from the baby's father, so my husband and I have ended up supporting them. I told Jessica I could not

live like this any longer and gave her a list of house rules. She ignores them. I told her to get counseling, but she refuses. Now she says if I don't leave her alone, she will take away my grandson and I'll never see him again.

Believe it or not, Jessica is a wonderful mother and takes excellent care of her son. I can't bring myself to throw them out on the street, although my friends say she deserves it. My husband is a saint for putting up with all of this, and he says whatever I do is OK with him. -- Mother To a Pain in the Rear in New Jersey

Dear Mother: Jessica is behaving like a spoiled brat, and you'd be perfectly justified if you tossed her out. However, doing so would put your grandson in jeopardy, and he needs the stability you and your husband provide.

Family counseling would benefit all of you. Jessica is doing her son no favor with her rotten behavior. Children learn by example. If Jessica refuses to go for counseling, go without her. A good therapist can help you decide the best way to deal with your daughter without losing your sanity. And P.S.: Tell your husband my hat is off to him. He sounds like a real gem.

Dear Ann Landers: I have been married for 17 years, and my husband has never bought me a wedding ring

or an engagement ring. When "Tom" first asked me to marry him, he told me he couldn't afford a ring. I used my grandmother's gold band for our wedding ceremony, even though it was too big. I don't want to resize it because that would destroy the sentimental value. Also, I would like to hand that ring down to my daughters. Consequently, I have not worn it for several years.

Tom has done well financially. I am very proud of him -- he's a real self-made man. Recently, I asked him outright to buy me a wedding ring and even pointed out a few in a store window that I like. One has several diamonds and is reasonably priced. He has done nothing about it.

Should I give up, keep hinting or just buy the ring myself? I'm tired of being -- Ringless in Waco, Texas  
Dear Waco: Tell Tom, nicely, that you want a wedding ring for your 18th wedding anniversary and that you've already seen a few you like. Ask if he will go with you to make the final selection, or if he'd prefer that you do it on your own. In other words, put the ball in his court, and let's hope he lobs it over the net.

Dear Ann Landers: Please tell me if I am making myself crazy over nothing. I am dating the most wonderful woman in the world. However, there's one big problem. "Julia" has led an interesting life and has several photographs of previous boyfriends. She does not display them, but I know she still has them.

I'm afraid these pictures indicate that Julia still has an interest in these men. There is no basis for this fear, but I can't help it. My ex-wife cheated on me, and I am especially sensitive in this area. I also worry that I might not measure up to the men in her past, and this makes me nervous.

Would it be OK if I asked Julia to throw out the photos? I hate being so insecure, but these photos are a thorn in my soul, and they are giving me nightmares.

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**Big Spring Herald**

JUN 20 2001

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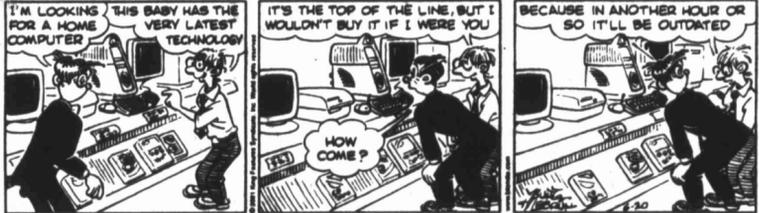


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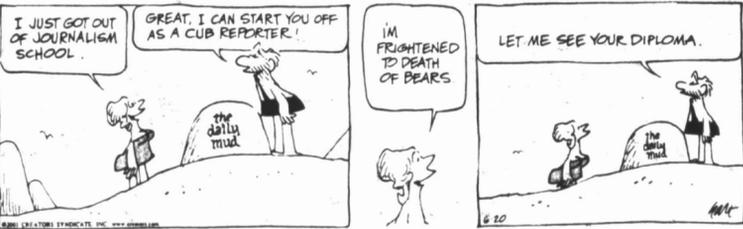
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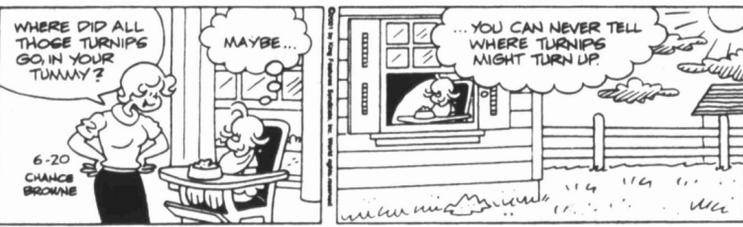
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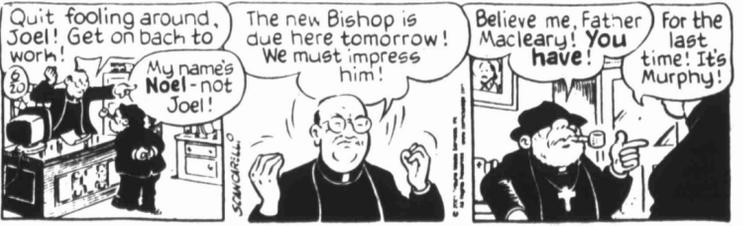
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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

The ASSOCIATED PRESS Today is Wednesday, June 20, the 171st day of 2001. There are 194 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On June 20, 1782, Congress approved the Great Seal of the United States. On this date: In 1756, in India, a group of British soldiers was imprisoned in a suffocating cell that gained notoriety as the "Black Hole of Calcutta"; most died. In 1837, Queen Victoria ascended the British throne following the death of her uncle, King William IV. In 1863, West Virginia became the 35th state. In 1893, a jury in New Bedford, Mass., found Lizzie Borden innocent of the ax murders of her father and stepmother. In 1898, during the

Spanish-American War, the U.S. cruiser Charleston captured the Spanish-ruled island of Guam. In 1943, race-related rioting erupted in Detroit; federal troops were sent in two days later to quell the violence that resulted in more than 30 deaths. In 1947, Benjamin "Bugsy" Siegel was shot dead at the Beverly Hills, Calif., mansion of his girlfriend, Virginia Hill, apparently at the order of mob associates. In 1963, the United States and Soviet Union signed an agreement to set up a "hot line" between the two superpowers. In 1967, boxer Muhammad Ali was convicted in Houston of violating Selective Service laws by refusing to be drafted. (Ali's conviction was ultimately overturned by the Supreme Court.) In 1979, ABC News correspondent Bill Stewart was shot to death in Managua, Nicaragua, by a member of

Somoza's national guard. Ten years ago, Boris Yeltsin, the newly elected president of the Russian republic, was welcomed to the White House by President Bush. German lawmakers voted to move the seat of the national government back to Berlin. Today's Birthdays: Country musician Chet Atkins is 77. Actress Olympia Dukakis is 70. Actor Martin Landau is 70. Actor James Tolkan is 70. Actor Danny Aiello is 68. Rhythm-and-blues singer Billy Guy is 65. Actor John Mahoney is 61. Movie director Stephen Frears is 60.

Answer to previous puzzle grid with words filled in.

Newsday Crossword

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Crossword puzzle grid with numbers 1-71.

Vertical sidebar of advertisements including 'A', 'F', 'AUTOS', 'PICKUPS', 'ANTIQUE MALL', 'HOUSE OF ANTIQUES', 'APPLIANCE REPAIR', 'BOOKKEEP', 'CABINET', 'ALL AMERICAN CABINETS', 'HONEY TA SERVICE', 'COMPUTER DESIGN', 'We Can S...'

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**ACREAGE FOR SALE**

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3 Bdrm. 2 bath, 2 car garage on an acre of land. On Robb St. Water well plus city water. Very nice. Call 267-6803

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4BR 2bth. \$240 mo. 10 yrs 2BR \$220 mo. 10 yrs. 1BR \$200 mo. 10 yrs. 264-0510

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Beautiful home site in compestra estate near country club-owner finance. 4 acres - \$500 dn. \$103.13 a mo., 3.9 acres \$500 dn. \$109.20 a mo., 3.8 acres \$500 dn. \$121.33 a mo all 11.7 acres \$1000 dn. \$333.66 a mo. Ph. 263-3097.

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**ABANDONED TRIPLEWIDE** - 888-981-9595. New 3 bedroom, 2 bath doublewide - \$199/MO! USA homes at the Music City Mall - 888-981-9595. 10% down, 3.25% FIXED apr. 360 months with approved credit.

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**FURNISHED APTS.**

1406 Donley Furnished clean 1BR Water & Gas paid \$300/mo \$150/dep Sony, no pets. 263-4922

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Office for rent. Suites & singles. DSL INCLUDED. 263-7373

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1, 2 & 3BR houses and 2BR apartments. Stove & Frig furnished. 263-4410.

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1505 Owens. 2 bdr., 1bath. No Pets. Call 267-3841 or 270-7309.

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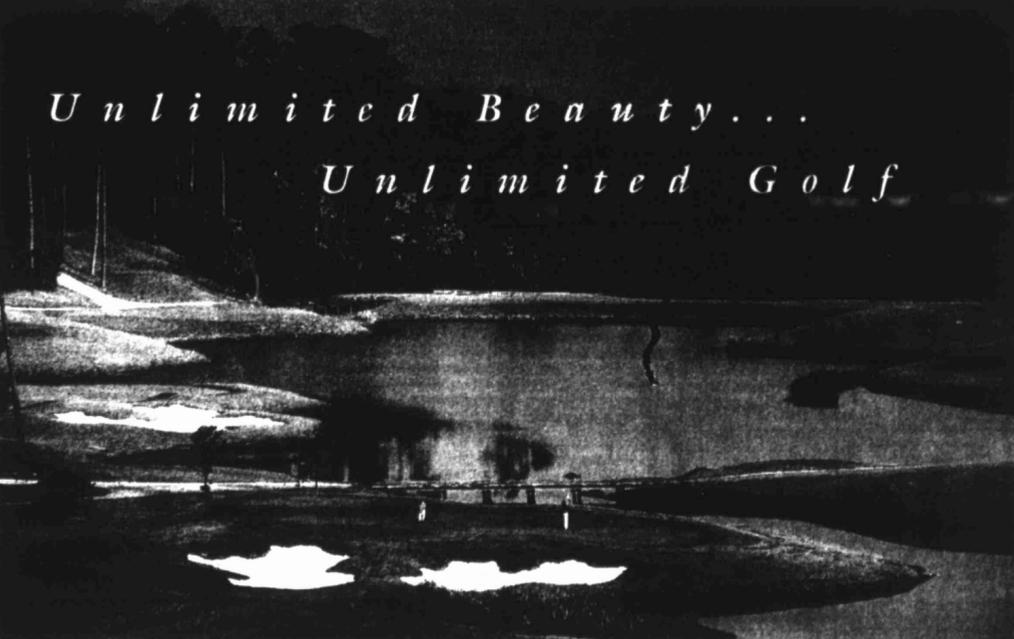
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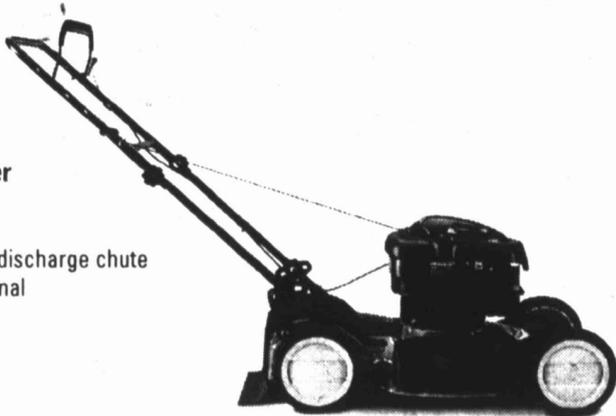
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