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SUNDAY

High Flying Gymnasts

A one-time world class gymnast himself, Coach Wayne Young of Odessa College helped put Permian Basin athletics on the national map. Look for Bruce Partain's story with photographs in Sunday's West Texas Life.

They'd Rather Switch

Are you a fuel switcher...a user of leaded fuel although your car and the law require the use of unleaded gasoline? If so, you're not alone. Staff writer Bill Modisett writes about fuel switchers in Sunday's Reporter-Telegram.

Back-to-School Fashions

With school days fast approaching, it's time to plan students' wardrobes. Find out if Midland's youngsters once again will don blue jeans. Or will the fashion change? Read about it in Sunday's Lifestyle section.

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Oil slick expected to arrive on Texas coast Tuesday

By KEN HERMAN

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas (AP) — Government scientists preparing for a long and costly battle against a Mexican oil slick are now predicting the runaway crude will spill into U.S. waters Sunday.

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration official John Robinson also predicted Thursday that the first traces of the oil may hit the South Texas coast Tuesday.

"We expect to be here a long time," Robinson, who is in charge of the scientific team here, said.

It took about two months for the oil from the blown-out Bay of Campeche well to make the trek to near U.S. waters. The latest flights over the spill area showed the oil to be about 40 to 50 miles south of Brownsville. It has already spewed globs of tarry oil onto several Mexican beaches.

The leading edge of the slick is expected to drift within 10 to 15 miles east of the South Texas coast this weekend. About 150 scientists, engineers and Coast Guardsmen are now heading U.S. efforts against the spill.

None of the officials at a Thursday press conference would estimate how much the effort is costing.

Robinson said the oil nearest the United States probably came out of the well shortly after the June 3 blowout. The scientist said oil may be

flowing north two months after the well is capped. Capt. Jose Orozco of the Mexico Navy said Thursday that the well may be capped by Sept. 16.

The Coast Guard is sending men and equipment, at the request of the Mexican government, to the well site to help contain and collect the spewing crude, said a Coast Guard official in Washington.

Orozco said the flow of oil from the well is now down to 20,000 barrels a day — reduced from an original flow of 50,000 barrels.

Coast Guard Capt. Roger Madson, head of the combined U.S. effort, said he will soon decide when to activate massive oil containment gear mobilized to battle the world's largest oil spill. The boom and skimmer equipment is now ready for use here and in Brownsville. The "floating fences" will be the first line of defense against the potentially damaging oil.

"We will not attempt to recover all the oil floating in the Gulf of Mexico," Madson said. "That would be a physical impossibility."

The captain said the top priority is to protect the Laguna Madre. The bay separates South Padre Island from the mainland and is environmentally vulnerable.

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service teams are standing by to perform bird cleaning operations if needed.

Madson said Coast Guard planes would today continue their tracking efforts. He indicated the barriers may be set up east of Brownsville Saturday.

Construction delay caused lay-off

Hospital official points to reduced patient load

By SUSAN TOTH Staff Writer

The lay-off of 22 Midland Memorial Hospital employees this week was an "internal adjustment needed to strike a balance" in the number of employees to the number of patients in the hospital, according to Tevis Herd, president of the hospital's board of trustees.

The action was taken after the contractor for a \$10 million renovation and expansion program under way at the hospital told members of the board's building committee construction would be delayed some three to

four months beyond the scheduled completion date.

Both Herd and Ed Magruder, president of the board of directors of the Midland County Hospital District, the hospital's taxing agency, were at the meeting, Herd said.

The delay will result in a net loss of about 30 available beds during traditionally high-occupancy months of February and March, hospital administrator Wayne Ulrich said Thursday.

In addition to the 22 let go this week, another 80 to 90 employees will be lost through attrition over the next few months, Ulrich noted.

No professional nursing staff members were laid off, Herd stressed, although future vacancies in the nursing staff will be reviewed carefully before they are filled.

The over-staffing problem, Herd said today, primarily was caused by the construction and renovation program under way at the hospital.

"We've been expanding the hospital and trying to make sure we're not understaffed," Herd said, but fewer patients than expected have come to the hospital during the construction.

Hospital officials expected about 120 to 125 patients in June, Herd noted, while actual patient load was only about 106.

"It's not something you can put your finger on, but a certain number have not come here" because of the on-going construction program, Herd said.

"We expect, once the hospital is finished, it will attract more patients, so we will be looking at adding staff within six to nine months," he said.

No public announcement of the staffing change was made, Herd said, because "it was just an adjustment needed to be taken internally to strike the right balance," he noted.

Most of the staff cuts were made in dietary, housekeeping, medical records and purchasing departments.

Carter admits plan may hurt environment

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Carter is acknowledging that his proposals to cure the country's energy ills may threaten the environment.

"I do not pretend that all new replacement sources of energy will be environmentally innocuous," Carter said in a message on the environment sent to Congress Thursday. "Some of the new technologies we will need to develop pose environmental risks, not all of which are yet fully understood."

But the president declared: "When trade-offs must be made, they will be made fairly, equitably and in the light of informed public scrutiny."

The message spelled out few details of the criteria that will be used to balance energy needs against environmental concerns.

However, he specifically promised to examine "the longer term implications of increasing carbon dioxide concentration in the atmosphere." Such carbon dioxide buildups have been cited as a possible danger in a large synthetic fuels program.

The president also:

- Promised to announce soon a national nuclear waste management policy "that will be designed to deal effectively with nuclear wastes from all sources."
-Vowed to reshape urban transportation programs "to meet environmental, energy and urban revitalization goals."
-Declared 1980 the "Year of the Coast" and proposed what he termed a new coastal protection policy.
-Asked Congress to declare four new wild and scenic river systems in Oregon, Idaho and Colorado.
-Ordered the U.S. Forest Service to establish 145 new hiking trails by 1980.
-Told the Department of Interior to develop long-range plans for use of the 417 million acres of federal land it manages.
-Said he was establishing a 10-year program to study the threat of rain-borne chemicals to the environment.

New feature coming

Midland is a city of newcomers and one of them is especially delighted with the Tall City, its people and all the things that make Midland an unusual place to live.

A Midlander since April, Marilyn Dyer and her husband have a good basis for comparison. They have lived near Chicago and in St. Louis, Mo.; Burlington, Iowa; St. Paul, Minn.; Jacksonville, Fla. and Columbus, Ohio, and they have traveled in Mexico, Canada and Europe.

She'll be writing about Midland, from the vantage point of a newcomer, in a new weekly column to begin in The Reporter-Telegram this Sunday.

Be watching for "Newcomers Corner" by Marilyn Dyer...this Sunday and each Sunday in the Lifestyle Section.

Big Spring investigation continues into theft of \$96,000 in checks

BIG SPRING — Investigation into the theft of a suitcase containing about \$96,000 in payroll checks was continuing here today, but with few results.

The complicated series of incidents began late last month.

On July 25, a suitcase containing payroll checks en route to Midland from the F.W.A. Drilling Co. in Wichita Falls apparently was taken from a bus depot here.

When company personnel arrived at the depot to claim the suitcase, it was discovered to be missing, said Big Spring Police Department officials today.

According to reports, a Midlander then contacted the Midland Police Department and Texas Rangers to report that the informant's friend, a Big Spring resident, had been told by a third man that he had stolen some checks from a bus depot and was

going to pass them. The man with the suitcase wanted to sell the suitcase and its contents for a couple of dollars — until he discovered its contents, reports indicated.

The payroll checks reportedly total \$96,876.69, a police spokesman said today.

To date, two checks have been cashed in Big Spring, police indicated.

One check valued at \$254.90 was cashed at a Safeway store and another one of unknown value turned up in the till of a Furr's Supermarket, officers said.

Police said they think both checks were cashed on July 25, day of the discovered robbery.

Big Spring police have arrested one

man in connection with the incident, officials reported. Roy Roger Lusk of Big Spring allegedly tried to establish credit at a convenience store here by showing three of the missing checks, said officers.

Police arrested Lusk Wednesday, and he reportedly told officers he had since returned the three checks to the man he obtained them from.

Police said Lusk has identified the man from police photographs.

Lusk, charged with theft, subsequently was released from jail on a \$5,000 personal recognizance bond.

Texas Rangers and the Big Spring Police Task Force — formed to pursue alleged major offenses — still were probing the matter today.

He advertises for president

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Lionel Kunst concedes a \$600 return on \$4,683 isn't the best of investments, but when you're advertising to find a new president folks tend to be a little skeptical.

Kunst, who paid for a full-page ad in Tuesday's Kansas City Times asking for contributions to finance a talent hunt for the next president, received 55 letters Thursday containing \$500. Another \$100 came in Wednesday.

"I've had experience in politics," he said. "I know there is always just a small minority of doers and givers. You can't tell me, that out of 220 million people, we can't find someone better."

The "someone" includes all of the candidates, announced or otherwise, who are pointing toward the 1980 White House.

New hours, phone number

To improve our weekend service to readers, The Midland Reporter-Telegram has established a separate telephone number for classified advertisers and has set hours during which weekend circulation calls will be received.

The classified want ad department is open from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. Saturdays. Want ads may be corrected and cancelled only during those hours by calling 682-6222.

Circulation department hours for service complaints and other calls on weekends are from 6 to 11 a.m. Saturdays and from 7 to 11 a.m. Sundays. Subscribers should call 682-5311 for that service.

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TODAY'S QUOTE: "We had to weigh symbolism against practicality." — Sen. Bennett Johnson, D-La., describing the failure of House and Senate conferees to compromise on a standby gasoline rationing plan.

Table with 2 columns: Section Name and Page Number. Includes Around Town, Bridge, Classified, Comics, Crossword, Dear Abby, Editorial, Entertainment, Lifestyle, Markets, Obituaries, Oil & Gas, Solomon, Sports, TV schedule.

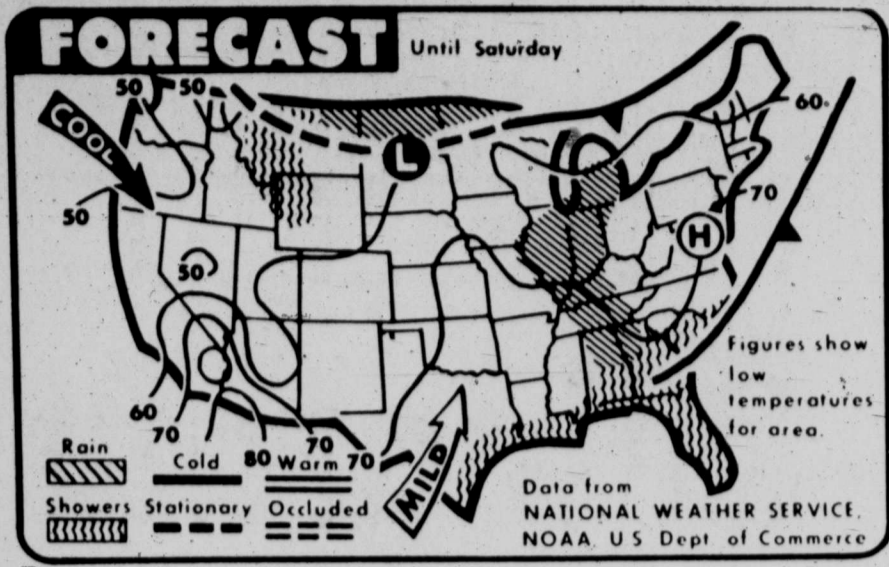
Weather

Partly cloudy through Saturday with a chance of showers tonight. Details on Page 2A.

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WEATHER SUMMARY



Showers are expected in the forecast period, Friday until Saturday morning, for the Gulf and south Atlantic coasts. Rain is forecast from northern Georgia-Alabama to the Midwest.

Midland statistics

Table with 2 columns: Time and Temperature. Includes local temperatures for various times of day and southwest temperatures for various cities.

The weather elsewhere

Table listing weather forecasts for various cities across the United States, including Albany, Albuquerque, Anchorage, etc.

Texas thermometer

Table showing high, low, and precipitation (H/L/Prp) for various Texas cities like Abilene, Alice, Alpine, etc.

Texas area forecasts

West Texas: Partly cloudy to clear through Saturday with widely scattered late afternoon and nighttime thunderstorms mainly south. Continued warm afternoons. Highs 86 to 98. Lows 62 to 72 except upper 50s mountains. Highs Saturday 92 to 102.

Investigators probing nuclear drama say it didn't have to happen

WASHINGTON (AP) — Investigators probing the nuclear accident at Three Mile Island say there's plenty of blame to go around. Yet a key question remains: Was human or mechanical error the chief villain in the nation's most frightening atomic drama?

The NRC also attributed some of the operator actions to false training and noted that if equipment had been designed differently, "that too could have prevented or reduced the consequences" of the accident.



Mary Fleming, an animal handler at Marine World/Africa U.S.A. in Redwood City, Calif. provides the power as five of the seven tiger cubs which were born on Easter Sunday at the amusement park get a ride in a shopping cart.

Son of Teamsters union president in indictment

DETROIT (AP) — Richard Fitzsimmons, son of Teamsters union president Frank Fitzsimmons, and two other men have been named in an 88-count federal indictment charging them with labor racketeering.

Forecast calls for possibility of rain later

There's a chance of rain for Midland tonight and Saturday, but the weatherman said it isn't much of a chance.

Manual's instruction to slow plane caused DC-10 crash

ROSEMONT, Ill. (AP) — A DC-10 manual instructing pilots to slow down if they lose an engine contributed to the May 25 Chicago crash that killed 273 people, says a spokesman for the Airline Pilots Association.

Three Odessans, Reisel man sentenced in cavern take over

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) — Three Odessans and a man from Reisel, Texas, accused in connection with a July 10 takeover of Carlsbad Caverns were sentenced Thursday to one year imprisonment each on their pleas of guilty to a misdemeanor charge of damaging government property.

Odessa man jailed in robbery

ODESSA — A 20-year-old Odessa man, Victor Olivas, charged in connection with the alleged knife-point robbery of a 7-Eleven Store clerk here about 5:30 a.m., Thursday remained in Odessa City Jail early today in lieu of posting a \$20,000 bond.

Border states forecasts

Oklahoma: Fair to partly cloudy and warmer through Saturday. Widely scattered mainly late afternoon and nighttime showers and thunderstorms through tonight.

Extended forecast

Monday Through Tuesday: West Texas: Chance of thunderstorms mainly panhandle and mountains first of the week.

Columbus schools to open under new desegregation plan

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — School officials say they will open Columbus schools without delay this fall under the systemwide desegregation plan ordered by federal Judge Robert M. Duncan.

State workers don't get paid until they pay

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Mexican-American to be put up for federal judgeship

SAN ANTONIO, Texas (AP) — Only one Mexican-American will be among those U.S. Sen. Lloyd Bentsen will recommend to fill four federal judgeships in the heavily-Hispanic Western District of Texas, the San Antonio Express said today.

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Today's opening stock market New York Exchange

Table with columns: NEW YORK (AP) - Today's selected national prices for American Stock Exchange issues. Includes sub-sections for Sales, PE, and various stock listings with prices and changes.

Stock market loses

NEW YORK (AP) - The stock market slipped lower in late trading on Thursday on news of a worsening recession and a larger trade deficit.

Social Security beneficial, but it can be unfair

By JOHN CUNIFF AP Business Analyst NEW YORK (AP) - Social Security is complex, beneficial and costly, among other things. And among the other things, according to Bill Gowan, it might also be unfair, inflationary and thieving.

Additional listings

Quotations from the NASD are representative of interdealer prices as of approximately 11 a.m. Interdealer markups change through the day. Prices do not include retail markups, markdown or commission.

Grain

NEW YORK (AP) - Wheat futures Thursday on the Kansas City Board of Trade.

Mutual funds

Table listing various mutual funds with columns for fund name, balance, and percentage change.

Over the counter

Representative interdealer prices as of approximately 11 a.m. Interdealer markups change through the day.

Market index

Table showing market index data including Dow Jones, S&P 500, and other indices with their respective values and changes.

Gold futures

London morning fixing \$292.85, up 22.75; afternoon fixing \$291.50, up 11.40.

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COM swimmers are participating in the Texas Aged Group Swimming Championship Long Course State Meet at the University of Texas-Permian Basin in Odessa. The meet runs through Sunday. Pictured on top row from left: Suzi Simpson, Gretchen Koch, Carrie Mayes, Clay Spears, Emily Murrah, Andrea Freeman, Andy Williams and Alex LeForge. Middle row from left:

Mike Seay, Caroline Reed, Jana Horseman, Beth Murrah, Andrew Jordan, Trent Holtkort, Leslie Dunbar, Pat Rhamey and Karl Schmidt. Front row from left: Jason Stone, Allan Reed, Al Reid, Laura Morse, Tracy Delaney, Michaela Hasek, Becky Simpson and Sam Perry. (Staff Photo by Brian Hendershot).

# Oilers, Hawks capture wins in exhibitions

By The Associated Press  
It'll be just like old times tonight in Miami for Larry Csonka. At least he hopes so.  
"I'm looking forward to it," said Csonka, who is reappearing at his old stomping grounds as the Miami Dolphins host the New Orleans Saints in a National Football League exhibition game. "This is an important time for me. I think I'm getting more and more effective every day."  
A Dolphins' spokesman said that some 45,000 fans are expected at the Orange Bowl, and that Csonka's presence has meant an additional 5,000 or 10,000 spectators.  
"We didn't bring him in just to be a third-and-one runner," said Dolphins Coach Don Shula, who signed his one-time star fullback as a free agent this

past spring after Csonka was released by the New York Giants at age 32.  
Csonka's rushing figure of 311 yards in 1978 paled by comparison with his prime at Miami, where he had three straight 1,000-yard seasons that carried the Dolphins to three consecutive Super Bowls beginning in 1971.  
Csonka left the Dolphins to sign a hefty contract in the World Football League, but was soon back in the NFL, playing for the Giants, when the WFL folded.  
Realistically, the Dolphins don't expect Csonka to return to his old-time form, but he is expected to add balance to an offense built around Bob Griese's passing and Delvin Williams' breakthrough running. It will be remembered that Griese was in the same backfield with Csonka on those championship Dolphin teams of the early 1970s.  
In the only other NFL exhibition game tonight, the Philadelphia Eagles will visit the Baltimore Colts.  
In two games played Thursday night, the Houston Oilers defeated the St. Louis Cardinals 9-7 and the Seattle Seahawks whipped the Minnesota Vikings 12-9 in overtime.

Mark Barber scored on a 33-yard pass play and Toni Fritsch kicked a 29-yard field goal with 10:32 left in the game to rally the Oilers past the Cardinals in the preseason opener for both teams.

Efren Herrera booted a 21-yard field goal with 4:29 gone in overtime to give the Seahawks their victory over Minnesota. Jim Zorn, the Seahawks' exciting fourth-year quarterback, who directed Seattle to a 9-0 lead in its first two possessions, came off the bench to ignite his team's overtime field goal drive.

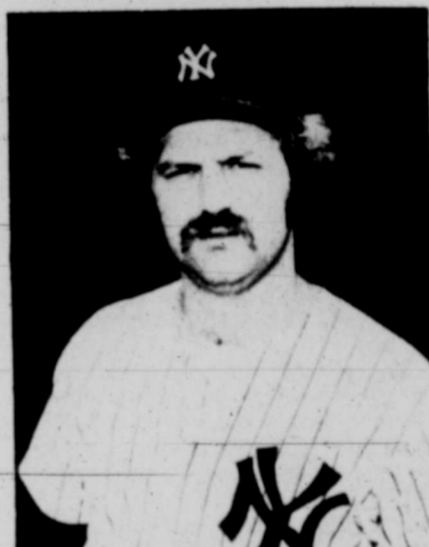
MINNESOTA SEAHAWKS... INDIVIDUAL LEADERS... Cards Oilers

St. Louis Cardinals... INDIVIDUAL LEADERS... Houston, Banks 3-16, Rucker 3-96

# Yankees' Munson killed in crash

AKRON, Ohio (AP) — It was a rare day off for Thurman Munson, one of those special, private times he could spend with his family in the midst of a long and exhausting baseball season.  
The New York Yankee star came back to Ohio to see his wife and three children and to spend a relaxing afternoon Thursday flying his private jet.  
Then it happened, the plane plunging into the ground, flames lighting up the airfield — and Munson dead.  
"I saw an aircraft totally involved in flames," said Jeff Kashburn, a sheriff's deputy who rushed to the grim scene at the Canton-Akron airport. "I tried, but couldn't come closer than 30 feet because of the intensity of the flames. The body was burned beyond recognition."  
Officials said the 32-year-old Yankee captain and team leader was killed at 4:02 p.m. EDT while practicing take-offs and landings in his Cessna Citation, a twin-engine jet.

Two other men aboard the plane, David Hall, 32, and Jerry D. Anderson, 31, were injured, but neither was seriously hurt.  
A spokesman at Children's Hospital in Akron said Hall, Munson's flight instructor from Canton, was in fair condition with burns on his hands. Anderson, of Canton, a close friend of the 31-year-old Yankee catcher, was in fair condition at Canton Timken Mercy Hospital with burns on his face, neck and forearms.  
"He was flying home on an off-day, which he does," said Yankee publicist Mickey Morabito of Munson. "Thurman is a very good family man, he loves to be with his family. It's one of the reasons he got the plane, to get home and spend some more time with them. Unfortunately, that's what he was doing, going home to be with the family, and it's a tragedy."  
An employee for the Federal Aeronautics Administration at the Akron-Canton airport said of the tragedy: "There is an embankment at the end



Thurman Munson killed in crash

of the runway, and he (Munson) was at least 40 feet low there."  
According to an FAA spokesman in the Chicago office, which covers the Canton-Akron area, Munson's jet had been engaged in some touch-and-go practice, takeoffs and landings when the crash occurred.  
The spokesman, Neal Callahan, said the cause of the crash was not immediately known, and would be investigated by the National Transportation Safety Board, but added: "weather does not appear to be a factor." The plane — with the number 15NY (Munson's Yankee number) on it — was coming in for a landing and crashed about 1,000 feet short of Runway 19, officials said.  
Green Township Fire Chief Mike Calderone elaborated further: "The plane peeled three trees, hit a stump and spun around. It touched down approximately 300 feet north of where it (finally) came to rest." He said Munson's body was found in the left seat, slumped over to the right.

# Paul respected Thurman Munson

By The Associated Press

Thurman Munson was eulogized today as baseball player with a leather-tough cover that hid a different man inside.  
"He was one of those guys who worked hard at refusing to let people think he was a nice fellow," said Gabe Paul, the president of the Cleveland Indians who was a longtime associate of Munson's with the New York Yankees.  
"But, under all that toughness, he was a very nice guy. If you were his friend, he'd go to the limit for you. If someone knocked a friend of his in any way, Munson would stand up ready to fight."  
Paul was among the many who paid tribute to the Yankees catcher, who died Thursday in a fiery plane crash in Ohio.  
"Munson was as tough as they come," said Paul, underscoring the generally-accepted image of the Yankee captain. "He was fearless. He played hurt. Oh, my, how he played hurt! People don't know how much he suffered from injuries. But he refused to get out of the lineup. He was absolutely unafraid of anything. In a way, that's what killed him. Those private planes should be left to the professionals."  
Added Paul: "He didn't get the press his ability and leadership deserved. The papers didn't like him much because he was outspoken. But he was always honest. He leveled with the writers he felt were on the level. The others he didn't care about."  
To the day of his death, Paul said,

most respect for him as a person."  
Fisk went on: "It was made out that there was a confrontation between us, but that wasn't justified in his eyes or mine. That was pure selfishness on the part of the owners and the press to try to put more people in the ballpark."  
"I think this shows you the vulnerabilities and frailties of this life we lead as ballplayers. This puts a dent in the fantasy that a major-league player is important because some people think he leads a glamorous life. Baseball players are just human beings, as vulnerable to the fates and twists of life as anyone."  
"I hope and pray the Lord looks down on his family and takes care of them."  
"Baseball will be poorer for his loss," said pitcher Dock Ellis of the New York Mets, who had been a teammate of Munson's. "He took control of me and made me a sinkerball pitcher when I came into the American League. He was gruff, sometimes moody, but he was a great catcher and the Yankees are going to miss him."  
"He might have been one of the best hitting catchers in baseball. He didn't have time for the writers and believed in keeping his personal life to himself. He didn't let too many guys get close to him, but he would speak up for the guys when it was needed."  
Baseball Commissioner Bowie Kuhn called Munson's death "an almost indescribable loss. He was a wonderful, enormously likable guy and a truly great ballplayer. As tough a competitor as he was on the field, he was a warm friend of baseball people

and a loving family man. Baseball sends its heartfelt sympathy to his wife and children."  
Cloyd Boyer, pitching coach of the Atlanta Braves and former Yankees pitching coach who managed Munson at Binghamton, N.Y., in Munson's first year in pro ball in 1968, called Munson "about the greatest competitor I ever saw, and he was like a son to me."  
**Elcor takes two tournament wins**  
TYLER — The Midland Elcor Chems played superbly Thursday enroute to a pair of losers' bracket victories in the Texas Teen-Age Senior State Baseball Tournament here.  
Kelly Lilly twisted a six-hitter in the Chems' first victory, a 7-4 verdict over Waco.  
Elcor's John White provided the only extra-base hit of the game, a double.  
In the nightcap, Doug Schmidt's two-hit pitching prevailed as Elcor trimmed Tyler, 3-0, advancing the Chems into tonight's (6:30) championship game against Victoria.  
The Chems, however, must defeat Victoria twice to gain the title.  
White provided the big defensive play in the win over Tyler. With bases loaded in the top of the seventh and one out, the batter fled to White in center. The runner on third broke for the plate but was out after White's fine throw to catcher Tommy Morrison.

# Cubs open home stand with Dodgers tonight

The San Antonio Dodgers and the Midland Cubs begin a short five-game stand at Cubs Stadium today at 7:30 p.m., but it could be a very crucial set.  
San Antonio, the first half champion in the Texas League West, comes into the Tall City looking to overtake the lead owned by El Paso in the second half race, and the Cubs would like to put some distance between them and the Dodgers as the race is down to the last month of play.  
**THE SERIES RUNS** through Tuesday before the Cubs move on to another long road trip. This series marks the final appearance of the first half champions here in 1979. The Cubs own a 13-9 edge in the season series and are 6-5 against the Dodgers in Cubs Stadium.  
The Cubs continue to lead the Texas League in several offensive categories despite the loss of shortstop Jesus Alfaro to a broken leg and the promotion of first baseman Jim Tracy to Wichita, the Cubs' AAA farm. Centerfielder Carlos Lezcano is back in the lineup, but has been slowed with a broken toe.  
As a club, the Cubs lead the Texas League in hits (944), runs (582), triples (27), RBI (501), bases on balls (413), stolen bases (134) and average (.317).  
The Dodgers too own some impressive statistics from several individuals as is expected from the first half champions. Outfielder Tack Wilson carries a .340 batting average with 37 stolen bases while All-Star shortstop Gary Weiss is hitting at a .331 clip. All-Star outfielder Ron Roenicke, brother of Baltimore's Gary Roenicke, is carrying a .309 average. Catcher Ed Santos is also hitting at a lofty .323 clip.  
**THE SAN ANTONIO** pitching staff features Mark Nipp, 8-5; Rusty McDonald, 6-2 and top reliever Mickey Lashley, who has eight saves.  
The series also features some big promotion nights. Tonight's game is Two-Bit Beer Night while Saturday's contest is Campbell Soup Night. Kids, ages 14 and under, may enter the game free Saturday with five red and white Campbell Soup labels. The Campbell Soup Company, in conjunction with the National Association, is conducting a nation-wide promotion in every minor league ballpark in the country.  
Tuesday's game is Reporter-Telegram Family Night. The entire family will be admitted to the game for \$3 with a coupon from the newspaper. All of the games have a 7:30 p.m. starting time, with the exception of Sunday's 6:30 p.m. starter.

# Watson captures lead in PGA play

BIRMINGHAM, Mich. (AP) — Tom Watson says a golfer's swing is a fleeting thing.  
The golfer gets in the groove one day, he says, and slips out of it the next.  
"You can't repeat the swing forever, and it does change," said Watson, who says he's found a new swing for the 61st PGA Championship, the last major golf tournament of the year. "Sometimes it can change when you take some time off. You've got to grab it, and hold on to it as long as you can."  
Watson, who said he changed his swing Tuesday, shot a 33-33-66 over the 7,014-yard, par 70 Oakland Hills Country Club course Thursday to take a 1-stroke lead into today's second round.  
"When you're playing well, it's exciting," he said. "When you're playing badly and fighting it, it's drudgery. It's exciting now."  
Watson, winner of four tournaments, and \$387,386 thus far this year, leads by a stroke over Rex Caldwell, who disqualified himself for a faulty scorecard in last year's championship. He is 2 strokes in front of Ron Streeck, who had not seen the course before playing it Wednesday, and Jay Haas, whose only tour victory in three years was in San Diego last year.  
Fifteen players broke par 70 over the demanding course, which has not succumbed in a four-day major tournament that includes four U.S. Opens and the 1972 PGA Championship.  
Among those with a 69 are Lou Graham, Gibby Gilbert, Jim Masserio, Hubie Green, Don January, Jerry Pate, Graham Marsh, Bruce Lietzke, David Graham, Ben Crenshaw and Arbie McNickle.  
Frank Conner, who had an ace on the 225-yard, par 3 No. 9, was among the 11 players who had a 70 over the majestic course that played long because of rain in recent days, although a warming sun began to dry out the

# Shamrocks gain tourney finals

FREEMONT — Alan Koonce struck out 10 Thursday night in pitching the Midland J. I. O'Neill Shamrocks past Waco, 4-2, in the Texas Teen-Age State Hi-Junior Baseball Tournament.  
The victory assures the Shamrocks, the only remaining undefeated team in the tourney, a spot in tonight's championship game, set for 6 against the winner of the Waco-Victoria game.  
The Shamrocks' seven-hit attack was paced by Frankie Garomone who homered, Clay Bateman who tripled, Koonce who doubled and Russell Hays who went two for three.  
In the first, Midland scored when Hays singled and came in on Bateman's triple. Then Bateman tallied on Jerry Zachery's sacrifice fly.

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rolling landscape.  
Among the other par shooters were Masters champion Fuzzy Zoeller, Lee Trevino, Lee Elder, Howard Twitty, Bill Rogers, Dave Stockton and Larry Nelson.  
Gary Player, who won the PGA title here in 1972, had a 73, the same as old pro Sam Snead, who birdied the tough No. 18, a 459-yard par 4 that yielded only 11 birdies, 59 pars, 67 bogeys, 12 double bogeys and one triple bogey.  
Defending champion John Mahafey shot a 2-over 72.  
Arnold Palmer, who will turn 50 next month, came home with a 41-40-81, among the high scores in the field of 150.

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City Champions in the National League in the City Slow Pitch Softball Tournament completed Thursday night is the Golden Spa team which won five straight games in the tourney to win the first place trophy. Back row from left: Gene Madison, Bobby Watson, John Wolfinger, Danny Smith,

Buck Rogers, Mike Timmons and Bruce Madison. Front row from left: John Cervantez, Galberston Zachery, Putty Zachery, Leroy Green, Pete Grace and Jeff Wright. Not pictured is Joe Ceballos. Golden Spa defeated Alcar, 9-3 in the finals.

### Eight Slow Pitch city champions crowned

Champions were crowned Thursday in the eight City Slow Pitch Softball Leagues as the City Tournament came to a close on the five Hogan Park diamonds. More than 1,500 men participated in the summer program which includes 80 teams in the Tall City. West Engineering won the Midland League with a perfect 27-0 record with Grace Lutheran runnerup with a 20-7 reading. Next came Drlico (17-10) and Parker Drilling (15-12). In the National League, D.L. Dorland won the championship with a 26-2 mark followed by Colonial Cabinet (20-8), Alcar Armadillos (19-9) and Chemical Weed Control (14-13). First National Bank (22-6) walked off with top honors in the American League followed by Stardust-Graham and Assoc. (21-9), Stadium Sports (20-10) and Chemex with a 19-11 mark. The Pioneer League champions are Ceballos Painting with a 23-4 mark. Runnerup was Martin Tire Service with a 19-8 reading followed by Dowco (18-9) and Midwest Glass (18-10). First Christian Men won the Continental League with a 23-4 record. Next came Poly Bearing (21-8), Midwest Electrical (20-9) and Blakely Construction with a 19-10 mark. Henley Building won the Texas League with a 25-2 record while the runnerup was Dan Fender Tire with 19-9. Next came HBF Corporation (18-10) and Dalton Construction (16-10). In the biggest league with 14 teams, Underwood Plumbing (24-3) won the Longhorn League crown followed by Southwestern Bell (23-4), First Christian Youth (20-6) and Crestview Baptist Men with an 18-8 mark. Pena Backhoe won the Ranger League with a 23-4 record. In second place was Levi Strauss (22-5), Weaver Wiring (20-7) and Marathon Oil with a 16-11 finish. Trophies were given to the top four teams in each league by the Midland Softball Association during award ceremonies Thursday night.

### Kessinger regains post

CHICAGO (AP) — Less than 24 hours after he said he didn't know how to stop his team's slide, Don Kessinger resigned in his first season as player-manager of the Chicago White Sox. The job held until Thursday by the former All-Star shortstop was turned over to Tony LaRussa, a fringe major-league infielder who appeared in just 132 games with four teams over six seasons. LaRussa had been managing the White Sox' top farm club, the Iowa Oaks of the American Association, and was to be at the helm when Chicago opened a three-game series tonight in Toronto. "I think the Sox fans would love for me to say I have a miracle with me that I brought from Iowa but I know that's not going to be the case. I think

sometimes a change of faces is helpful," said LaRussa, a more fiery personality than Kessinger. White Sox President Bill Veeck said Kessinger, in his 15th major-league season, shocked him during lunch Thursday by suggesting the resignation. "I just wanted to sit down with him for a good heart-to-heart talk and share my feelings," said Kessinger. "When he sort of agreed a change would be a good move, I had no alternative. "I asked a question and said I'm willing to do this if it would be best. And the consensus of opinion was that it wasn't a bad idea." Kessinger, 37, also was removed from the team's player roster and planned to go home to Memphis, Tenn.

### Major league boxes

Table with multiple columns for baseball games including Boston, Milwaukee, Philadelphia, New York, St. Louis, Pittsburgh, San Diego, Atlanta, Philadelphia, New York, Chicago, Montreal, San Diego, Atlanta, Philadelphia, New York, Chicago, Montreal. Includes scores and player statistics.

### Sports shorts

CORVALLIS, Ore. (AP) — The coach of the women's gymnastics team at Washington State University, Al Sanders, is resting in the coronary care unit of a hospital here. Sanders, 32, was admitted Monday after complaining of chest pains. He was here to teach at a gymnastics camp at Oregon State University when stricken. WSU officials said Sanders is undergoing tests and is listed in satisfactory condition. ATLANTA (AP) — Atlanta Braves first baseman Dale Murphy was sidelined Thursday night after fluid was drained from his knee but he is in the lineup for tonight's National League baseball game in Houston, Manager Bobby Cox said. Murphy bumped his knee Wednesday night during a sixth-inning incident that had players from both teams swarming onto the field. Murphy went on to hit a three-run homer in the eighth to give the Braves a 5-4 victory over San Diego. Murphy has missed almost two months of play because of knee surgery he underwent earlier this season. ST. LOUIS (AP) — Tim Wallach, who hit .403 as a first baseman for national champion California State-Fullerton, has been named player of the year on a collegiate All-America baseball team selected for the Sporting News, a weekly publication.

### TCU coach to visit Tall City Saturday

TCU head football coach F. A. Dry will come to Midland Saturday to visit with TCU alumni and friends. Dry will speak at 7 p.m. at the Coors Hospitality Room. There will also be a barbecue dinner. For more information, contact Hoy Harrison at his office (683-5401) or home (684-8825).

### Munson had stormy career with Yankees

NEW YORK (AP) — Pitchers weren't the only ones who found Thurman Munson hard to handle. "I'm a little too belligerent," he said at one point in his stormy career with the New York Yankees. "I cuss and swear at people. I yell at umpires and maybe I'm a little too tough at home sometimes. I don't sign as many autographs as I should and I haven't always been very good with the writers." Munson, who died in a plane crash in Ohio, Thursday, left a tough public image, reminiscent of baseball's old-time "battlin' backstops." And he earned it the hard way. While establishing an identity as one of the toughest catchers in the game, Munson literally fought his way to the top. One of his biggest adversaries along the way was Carlton Fisk of the Boston Red Sox, with whom Munson kept up a running feud as well as a race for the best catcher in the American League. The fiery Munson finally established his position as the AL's top backstop when he won the league's Most Valuable Player award in 1976 while leading the Yankees to the pennant. He was also a key figure while the Yankees were winning World Championships in 1977 and 1978. Along the way, Munson received the ultimate tribute when he was named captain, an honor that quite frankly puzzled him. "Maybe they made me captain because I've been here so long," he mused in 1976. "(But) If I'm supposed to be captain by example, then I'll be a terrible captain." Munson became a grim, uncompromising leader on a grim, if successful, team. Easily approachable to interviewers when he was in the minors, Munson soon professed a harsh dislike for the news media. Even after the best of his days, he would leave reporters languishing around his

## Expos down Chicago in marathon contest

By The Associated Press It took six hours and 48 minutes for the Montreal Expos and Chicago Cubs to play a baseball game Thursday. It seemed a lot longer to some of the participants. "Is that all we played, nine innings?" asked Expos Manager Dick Williams after first-place Montreal extended its National League East Division lead to two games by surviving three rain delays and beating the Cubs 6-4. "We tried to end it a couple of times." One of those times was in the first

inning, when thunder boomed and lightning flashed. "I had one heck of a day today," said Expos outfielder Warren Cromartie. "I didn't sleep well last night, I got to the ball park at 11 o'clock, I got everything scared out of me by lightning and I took an 0-for." Cromartie, 0-for-4 at the plate, nervously paced in left field in the top of the first. His mind, he admitted, wasn't where it should have been and his eyes were focused outside Olympic Stadium, where work crews were using two huge cranes to build a

tower. "I kept looking up at those cranes," said Cromartie. "I didn't want no ricochet from those things. All I had in mind was to head for cover." The first rain delay lasted 75 minutes. The second was 38 minutes and the third lasted two hours. "He doesn't like thunder and lightning," Williams said of Cromartie, who was upset enough to commit a fielding error in the first inning. "I guess none of us do, but he doesn't like it more than the rest of us." Montreal got two RBI from Larry Parrish, who knocked in Andre Dawson with a double in the fifth and had a run-scoring single in the sixth. Williams didn't want to talk about the weather but he did mention a former teammate who took a unique approach to such conditions. "We had a pitcher with Baltimore back in 1956 or '57, Connie Johnson," Williams recalled. "He said 'I don't mind them moving the furniture up there, but when they start messing with that electric light switch, I'm leaving.' He used to go inside and sit in his locker." In other NL games, St. Louis rallied to nip Pittsburgh 5-4; the Phillies and Mets split a pair, Philadelphia taking the opener 7-4 and the Mets winning the second game 2-1, and Atlanta beat San Diego 7-2.

## Cowboys to battle Denver on Saturday

By DENNE H. FREEMAN AP Sports Writer IRVING, Texas (AP) — It's not exactly a rematch of Super Bowl XII but the Denver Broncos and the Dallas Cowboys have some important items to settle Saturday night in their National Football League exhibition game in Texas Stadium. For the Cowboys, it's their crowded situation at running back. Denver has to make some harsh quarterback decisions. Rookie running back Ron Springs of Ohio State, a fifth-round choice, has sent Cowboy offensive coordinator Danny Reeves into hand-clapping delight with his performance at the Dallas Thousand Oaks, Calif. training camp. Springs scored a touchdown and ran hard last week as Dallas lost 20-13 to Oakland in the NFL's Hall of Fame game at Canton, Ohio. "Springs is an asset to this team," said Reeves. "He will get a long, hard look. He is making competition in our backfield much tougher." Springs, second-year man Alois Blackwell, and veteran Doug Dennison were expected to play most of the game against the Broncos after Tony Dorsett appears for a quarter or so. Also, there is some sizzling competition at fullback where Scott Laidlaw and Todd Christensen are making a strong run at Robert Newhouse. Yet another veteran, Larry Brinson, must play hard to make the team. Denver has some quarterback questions to answer as the Broncos play their first game of the year. Norris Weese will start at quarterback. Craig Morton is questionable because of a hip strain. Besides the competition for No. 1, the Broncos have a three-man derby for the No. 3 spot on the team featuring veteran Craig Penrose, and rookies Fred Mortensen of Arizona State and Tom Sorley of Nebraska. Denver would like to reverse a Cowboy winning trend in their series. Dallas has beaten Denver four of five times in pre-season and regular play, including the 27-10 Super Bowl victory over the Broncos. The Cowboys were rated five-point favorites for the Salesmanship Club Charity game expected to draw some 55,000 to 60,000 fans for the 8 p.m. CST kickoff.

## Boyer recalls Munson as a chubby catcher

ATLANTA (AP) — Cloyd Boyer was managing the New York Yankees' Binghamton, N.Y., farm team in 1968 when he was told to take a good look at a chubby young catcher named Thurman Munson, the club's No. 1 draft choice. "After a week or so the front office asked me where I thought he ought to be playing," a shocked, stunned and saddened Boyer, now the Atlanta Braves' pitching coach, said Thursday night after hearing of Munson's death in a plane crash. "I told them he ought to be playing in Yankee Stadium," Boyer continued, his voice barely above a whisper. "They thought I was kidding." Boyer, Munson's first professional manager, learned of the catcher's death shortly before the Braves' game with San Diego. It wasn't easy to concentrate on baseball.

"He was like a son to me," said Boyer, who later spent several years as a coach with the Yankees after Munson joined the club. "My own son is probably at home now crying his eyes out. He was the batboy at Binghamton and he thought Thurman was the greatest person in the world." And despite Munson's public image as a gruff, hard-boiled, no-nonsense ball player who had his problems with the media, Boyer said "the catcher was "a great person, too. He had deep feelings and he loved his family. He had a lot of love for a lot of people and a lot of people had the wrong impression of him. Down deep he was as good as gold and on the field he was the greatest competitor I ever saw." Across the way in the San Diego dugout, former Yankee teammate Jay Johnstone remembered Munson as "a leader, and not necessarily by voice."

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