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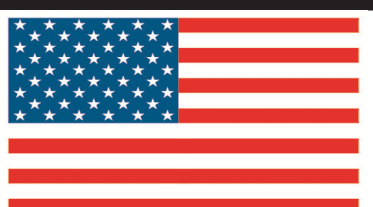
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Today in History

On May 9

1754: First American political cartoon is published: Ben Franklin's "Join or Die" snake cartoon.
1914: President Woodrow Wilson proclaims the second Sunday in May as Mother's Day.
1941: British intelligence at Bletchley Park breaks German spy codes after capturing Enigma machines aboard the weather ship Muenchen.

Daily Quotes

"Heaven wheels above you, displaying to you her eternal glories, and still your eyes are on the ground."
 — **Dante Alighieri**

"The same eye cannot both look up to heaven and down to earth."
 — **John Brown**

"The life of every man is a diary in which he means to write one story, and writes another; and his humblest hour is when he compares the volume as it is with what he vowed to make it."
 — **J.M. Barrie**

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Forsan ISD school board to meet twice this week

By **ROGER CLINE**
 Herald Staff Writer

The Forsan ISD school board will hold two meetings this week. The first, a regular meeting, will be at 6 p.m. this evening; while the start time for the second, a called special meeting to canvass the votes from this past weekend's election, is listed as "7:01 p.m." on Tuesday. Both meetings will be held in the Board Room at 411 W. Fourth St. At the start of tonight's meeting, following the invocation and Pledge, the meeting will be called to order and a quorum established. A time will be provided for public comment, and then the board will hold a public hearing on the board's proposed

District of Innovation status. After the hearing ends, the board will recognize visitors, including bestowing accolades for the district's Tennis, Track, Golf, Baseball, Softball and UIL Academics teams. Next, the board will consider items for discussion or cation, including administrator's reports from the principals of the Junior High/High School and of the Elementary School, and the Superintendent. The superintendent will report on enrollment, future agenda items and the district's upcoming graduation festivities. The meeting's Consent Agenda includes approval of the April 11 meeting minutes, and monthly financials including a revenue and expense report, in-

vestment report, activity report, and list of bills. Other items up for discussion or action include the 2022-23 budget and the District of Innovation proposal. The board will also discuss personnel, including hiring and resignations; and board training before the meeting adjourns. Tuesday's meeting will also begin with an invocation and pledge, the Call to Order and establishment of quorum. A time will be made available for public comment, followed by recognition of visitors. The only item of business on the agenda reads simply "Canvass the Election Results." When that item is concluded, the meeting will be adjourned.

Check it out at the Library this week

Howard County Library is open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday; the computer room closes at 5:30 p.m. You may reach us at (432) 264-2260 and our fax number is (432) 264-2263. Please visit our website at <http://howard-county-ploud.net> and our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/HowardCoLibrary for more information about our services and any updates.



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HC Library announcement

Howard College has issued the following statement:
 "As Howard College begins to prepare for the much anticipated remodel of the Anthony Hunt Library on the Big Spring campus, we wanted to share the schedule for closure and moving forward.
 "May 11 - May 31: Library closed. The library's outdoor book return will not be available during this time so we encourage library users to return checked out items no later than May 10th or return those items after we re-open the library in the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum East Room. Items will NOT accrue late fees during this time.
 "June 1: The library will re-open in the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum East Room. The library will remain in this location until the remodel is complete - currently estimating this to last throughout the '22-'23 academic year.
 "Summer Hours will be in place from June 1 - July 28. Summer Hours: 7:30 a.m. - 5 p.m., Monday-Thursday. Closed Friday-Sunday.
 "The library is currently still open to students as we move through our finals week."

A Moment in History

Deats Home - 708 Main



At left, Mr. and Mrs. L.T. Deats are surrounded by five of their children. At right, the Deats home, located at 708 Main, was filled with children and happiness.

By **TAMMY SCHRECENGOST**
 Heritage Museum of Big Spring

Lewis Theodore (L.T.) Deitz was the third of 11 children born to Johannes and Mary Ann Deitz, in 1858, in Danville, Ill. He left school when he was 13 to help support the family as so many did during those turbulent times. He worked hard and proudly handed over his earnings to his parents to help raise the family. In 1877, he married Sarah Elizabeth Ryan, his first sweet-

heart. He was 19 and she 16. The couple made their way west, arriving in Big Spring in 1907. Mr. Dietz's brother George changed the last name to "Deats" because there was already a George Dietz family in Big Spring, and they were getting their mail mixed. Deats was an engineer for the T & P Railroad. During his 23 years with the railroad, he helped organize the first Railroad Union and helped establish the right of the working men.



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- Alcoholics Anonymous, As Bill Sees It, 615 Settles, 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

TUESDAY

- Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; newcomers meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.
- A six-week course in Wellness and Quality of Life with Chronic Pain will be held at Spring Creek Fellowship at the Spring Town Plaza, 1801 E. FM 700. There is no charge for the course, and a workbook will be provided. Contact Steve Purdy at 432-517-4840 for more information.
- Caregivers Support Group, sponsored by the Area Agency on Aging, meets the second Tuesday of every month at 10:30 a.m. The meetings are held at the Senior Citizens Center located at 100 Whipkey Drive. These meetings are open for any caregiver, whether medical professional or family member. For more information, please call Becky Letz at 267-1628.
- Al-anon family group meets at 8 p.m. at 615 Settles.
- DivorceCare is a biblical support group for those facing divorce or separation. Each DVD session features nationally respected experts, such as Christian Counselors and Pastors. Small group discussions and workbook exercises help participants apply the information to their own situations. We cover pertinent issues like: • Will I survive? • How to get out of debt. • How do you know when you are ready for a new relationship? • How to lessen the impact of divorce on your children. • Is reconciliation possible? There is no charge for attendance. 13-week seminars are held two times per year on Tuesday evenings from 6 to 8 p.m. at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Visit the DivorceCare Ministry of TBC Facebook page for information. You can also call Donna Burcham at 267-6344 for information on seminar dates and how you can register to attend.

WEDNESDAY

- Celebrate Recovery meets at First United Methodist Church Youth Hall, 400 Scurry, from 6-8 p.m. Hurts, habits and hang-ups. Leave message for Joyce Webb at 325-212-8600.

THURSDAY

- Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, open discussion noon to 1 p.m.; women's meeting 6:30 until 7:30 p.m. Newcomers' meeting 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.
- Weight Watchers meets at 6 p.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church. Weigh-in is at 5:30 p.m. Weigh-in is confidential and you don't have to talk if you don't want to. Flexible payment options.
- Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder support group meeting is at 6:30 p.m. at the VA Medical Center Veteran's Healing Center.
- Bring Everyone Into The Zone, or BEITZ Support Group, is a veteran-based peer group. The purpose of the group is to provide peer-to-peer support to service members, veterans and families, especially those suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), traumatic brain injury (TBI), military sexual trauma (MST) and other traumatic events in their lives. BEITZ meets every Thursday at 6 p.m. at 501 Birdwell Lane. For more information, email francisco.garza@wtcmhmr.org, or call 432-268-3003.
- GriefShare is a biblical support group that focuses on helping people who are dealing with a loved one's death. Each DVD session features nationally respected grief experts and real-life stories, followed by small group discussion about the topics presented (with workbook support); there is no charge for attendance. 13-week seminars are held three times per year on Thursday evenings, 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Visit the GriefShare Ministry of TBC Facebook page. You can also call Vivian Gordon at 432-466-3583 for information on seminar dates and how you can register to attend.

FRIDAY

- Reformers Unanimous International is a faith-based addictions program helping people find freedom from addiction. Meetings begin at 7 p.m. Fridays at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Enter at the main entrance of the church.
- AA open discussion meeting from noon until 1 p.m. at 605 Settles. Open Big Book study meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

SATURDAY

- Alcoholics Anonymous open discussion meeting, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. Open podium/speakers meeting 8 p.m. until 9 p.m. Open birthday night, no smoking meeting the last Saturday of each month at 8 p.m. Covered dish supper at 7 p.m.

SUNDAY

- Alcoholics Anonymous closed meeting from 11 a.m. to noon at 615 Settles. Open meeting 7 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Submit your Support Group information to be included or updated. Email information to editor@BigSpringHerald.com or call 432-263-7331.

Obituaries

Jonell Howell

Jonell Howell, 78, died Thursday, May 5, 2022. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Take Note

• The Borden County All-School Reunion will be held Saturday, June 11, in Gail, Texas. All former students, faculty, and friends are invited to attend. No fee is charged for attending and visiting.

A meal will be served at the Event Center but pre-paid reservations are required. Deadline to order a meal is May 25. An adult meal ticket is \$18 and \$10 for children 8 years and older. Contact Lisa Dennis Mahler at bordenexes@gmail.com for additional information and a reservation form.

• Food distribution at Three Angels Food Pantry is held every third Tuesday of the month at the Big Spring Seventh-Day Adventist Church, located at 4319 Parkway Rd. Food is provided by the West Texas Food Bank. People will need to bring ID and plastic bags or a box, and answer a few questions - such as how many people live in the household - to pick up food. This month's distribution is scheduled April 19 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The food pantry also has a Facebook page where they will post any updates. <https://www.facebook.com/healthynuggetsofgold44>.

• Everyone welcome! Western swing by Michael Leonard. New Life mature adult dance at the Dora Roberts Community Center, 100 Whipkey Drive, every month on the third Friday from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Entry fee is \$5. Bring snacks to share. Refreshments are provided. The next dance is May 20, sponsored by Park place retirement center. For more information call 432 517-9097

• The Big Spring Art Association is looking for community businesses to display pieces of their artwork. In an effort to build awareness for the importance of the arts and highlight local talent, the Big Spring Art Association displays different art pieces across the community. If you would like a piece of art work displayed in your business lobby contact any member of the Big Spring Art Association.

• Drive-through COVID-19 Vaccine Clinics are held from 3-6 p.m. each Thursday afternoon at Whatley Plaza, located on the northwest part of the Scenic Mountain Medical Center campus, 1601 W. Martin Luther King Boulevard, also known as 1601 W. 11th Place. The vaccination is free. For more information, visit www.scenicmountainmedical.org/vaccine.

• The Big Spring Art Association meets the third Saturday of the month, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon, in the basement of the Howard County Library. Come join us, we would love to have you. For more information, call 432-263-4155; Michelle Worthan at 325-227-3911; Kay Smith at 432-213-1153; or Ruby Bruns at 432-664-1943.

• The Great Courses history video lecture series is taking place each Wednesday in the Theater Room in the First Presbyterian Church, located at 701 Runnels Street. No charge for the lectures.

• Howard County Community Health Center is offering the Moderna - a two dose and Janseen - a single dose, Covid-19 vaccine to those over the age of 18.

Businesses, churches, groups or organizations of 10 members or more who would like the vaccine can schedule a time to have a mobile vaccine clinic. The staff will to the business, church, or organization to administer the vaccine. For ore information, call 806-894-7842 ext 178 or 124 or e-mail Covid19@sprhs.org

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Bob Dylan museum opening in Tulsa

By DAVID BAUDER

AP Media Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Elvis Costello, Patti Smith and Mavis Staples will be among the dignitaries expected in Tulsa, Oklahoma, this weekend for the opening of the Bob Dylan Center, the museum and archive celebrating the Nobel laureate's work.

Dylan himself won't be among them, unless he surprises everyone.

The center's subject and namesake has an open invitation to come anytime, although his absence seems perfectly in character, said Steven Jenkins, the center's director. Oddly, Dylan was just in Tulsa three weeks ago for a date on his concert tour, sandwiched in between Oklahoma City and Little Rock, Arkansas. He didn't ask for a look around.

"I don't want to put words in his mouth," Jenkins said. "I can only guess at his reasoning. Maybe he would find it embarrassing."

It's certainly unusual for a living figure — Dylan is due to turn 81 on May 24 — to have a museum devoted to him, but such is the shadow he has cast over popular music since his emergence in the early 1960s. He's still working, performing onstage in a show devoted primarily to his most recent material.

And he's still pushing the envelope. "Murder Most Foul," Dylan's nearly 17-minute rumination on the Kennedy assassination and celebrity, is as quietly stunning as "Like a Rolling Stone" was nearly a half-century ago, even if he's no longer at the center of popular culture.

The center offers an immersive film experience, performance space, a studio where visitors can play producer and "mix" different elements of instrumentation in Dylan's songs and a curated tour where people can take a musical journey through the stages of his career.

The archive has more than 100,000 items, many accessed only by scholars through appointment.

Museum creators said they wanted to build an experience both for casual visitors who might not know much of Dylan's work and for the truly fanatical — the skimmers, the swimmers and the divers, said designer Alan Maskin of the firm Olson Kundig.

The museum hopes to celebrate the creative process in general, and at opening will have an exhibit of the work of photographer Jerry Schatzberg, whose 1965 image of Dylan is emblazoned on the building's three-story facade.

Since Dylan's still creating, "we're going to continue to play catch-up" with him, Jenkins said.

So for a figure who was born and raised in Minnesota, came of musical age in New York and now lives in California, how does a museum devoted to his life's work end up in Oklahoma?

He's never seemed the nostalgic type, but Dylan recognized early that his work could have historical interest and value,

Jenkins said. Together with his team, he put aside boxes full of artifacts, including photos, rare recordings and handwritten lyrics that show how his songs went through revisions and rewrites.

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died. Everything has changed. How will he take care of everyone all by himself? Grandma June is good at telling stories and keeping secrets. But she can't hide that her mind is going much longer. If she doesn't tell the truth about her past before her memories fade away, someone she loves will suffer. But if she does, the lives of three generations of the Jensen family will never be the same.

While her humanitarian husband Liam has been digging wells in Africa, Mara Jacobs has been struggling in *Facing the Dawn* (F RUC C) by Cynthia Ruchti. She knows she's supposed to feel a warm glow that her husband is nine time zones away, caring for widows and orphans. But the reality is that she is exhausted, working a demanding yet unrewarding job, trying to manage their three detention-prone kids, failing at her to-repair list, and fading like a garment left too long in the sun.

Then Liam's three-year absence turns into something more, changing everything and plunging her into a sunless grief. As Mara struggles to find her footing, she discovers that even when hope is tenuous, faith is fragile, and the future is unknown, we can be sure we are not forgotten or unloved.

Just as Homeland Security Agent Addison Leigh reaches the pinnacle of her cyber investigation into a firearms smuggling ring, she's attacked and left for dead in *Hours to Kill*—Homeland Heroes series Bk 3 (F SLE S) by Susan Sleeman. Her estranged husband, ICE Agent Mack Jordan, is notified that she's at the hospital in a coma. He may have let his past military trauma ruin their short marriage, but she never gave up on their relationship, and he remains her next of kin. Mack rushes to her bedside, where he promises to hunt down the man who attacked her. Mack failed her once when he bailed on their marriage, and he's not about to let her down again. But when she wakes up in the hospital, she remembers neither the attack nor ever being mar-

ried to Mack. And when a second attempt to take her life is made, it's clear something very sinister is going on, and Mack and Addison are in for the ride of their lives.

In her eventful lifetime, Miriam was many things to many people: protective older sister, song leader, prophetess, and leper. But between the highs and the lows, she was a girl who dreamed of freedom, a woman who longed for love, a leader who made mistakes, and a friend who valued connection in *Miriam's Song* (F SMI J) by Jill Eileen Smith. Miriam navigates the challenges of holding on to hope, building a family in the midst of incredible hardship, and serving as a leader of a difficult people, all while living in her brother's shadow. Miriam's journey from childhood to motherhood, obscurity to notoriety, and yearning to fulfillment helps her learn that what God promises he provides in his own perfect timing.

"We read to know we're not alone." William Nicholson, *Shadowlands*

HISTORY

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Also, while an engineer, he made investments in cattle and land in Howard County. In 1907 he sold out, disposing of 400 head of cattle and the rangeland for a large sum of money, when he invested in the families dream home built in 1907 at 708 Main. Charley Willis built the large golden yellow home. Daughter Martha was only 4 years old but always remembered the day they moved into the new house. She said she and her sister Ethel arrived in a buggy and their "mama" was cooking steak and potatoes. Martha said "Mama was an excellent cook and especially good at

making bread. The children dubbed her bread "Deats House Rolls." The Deats believed in the family tradition of hard work, honesty and helping their fellow man.

Mr. Deats was an organizer of the First State Bank was vice president and later President of that institution. Mr. Deats was active in civic affairs of the community and served as school trustee from the beginning of the Independent School District until his death in 1924. In 1920, L.T. Deats was elected second Mayor of Big Spring succeeding George D. Lee and served two terms.

Martha recalled when the plum trees bloomed, her little brother Alfred Walter exclaimed "Oh, Mother, could that be Popcorn trees!"

L.T. Deats died January 4, 1924, and Mrs. Deats died March 5, 1938. Martha said there had been a prophesy that the end of the world would come in 1935. Granddaughter Elizabeth stayed close to her grandmother Deats as she knew she would go to Heaven and would take Elizabeth with her.

In the 1980's two young lawyers, Moore-Burgess Law Offices purchased the family home and made it their law offices. Later it became home to Sun Country Realtor and today it is occupied by Jimmy Newsom with Edward Jones Investment.

Mrs. Deats made her prized Nut Cake each Christmas. She included her recipe in the Methodist cookbook where the family were life members.

Nut Cake

- 1 C. Butter
 - 2 C. Sugar
 - 3 C. Flour
 - 7 Egg Whites
 - 2 Egg Yolks
 - 1 Tsp. Baking Soda
 - 2 Tsp. Cream of Tartar
 - 1 C. Milk
 - 1 Pt. Pecans (dredged in flour)
- Cream butter and sugar; add egg yolks one at a time beating till mixed. Then add flour alternately with the liquid ingredients—soda, cream of tartar, and milk mixture—beginning and ending with flour. Finally fold in the egg whites and chopped pecans. Bake at 350 degrees in preheated oven in greased floured loaf pan. After 1 hour, test for doneness. Mrs. L.T. Deats

Take Note (cont.)

• Scenic Mountain Medical Center Auxiliary is looking for new members. If you have a heart for serving people, have at least four hours a week to spare, SMMC Auxiliary might be the fit for you.

Duties include working in the gift shop, delivering newspapers to inpatients, hospitality services, popcorn and more. To find out more about opportunities available with the SMMC Auxiliary, contact Amy Miramontes at 268-4809 or April Arms at 268-4907.

• St. Vincent de Paul food distribution will take place the second Thursday of each month from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and other assistance will take place the third Thursday of each month from 9:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. Both distributions will take place at 1009 Hearn at SVDP Building.

• Interim HealthCare is looking for volunteers. Those who would like to find out more about becoming a volunteer can call 432-263-5999.

• VFW Post 2013 meets the first Tuesday of every month at 7 p.m. New members are being sought. The Post is located at 500 Driver Rd. Qualified veterans, those who have served in a foreign war, who are interested in joining the VFW are encouraged to attend a meeting to find out more information.

• DivorceCare is a biblical support group for those facing divorce or separation. Each DVD session features nationally respected experts, such as Christian Counselors and Pastors. Small group discussions and workbook exercises help participants apply the information to their own situations. We cover pertinent issues like: • Will I survive? • How to get out of debt. • How do you know when you

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• O'Neal-Kunkle, Chapter #47 of the Disabled American Vets (D.A.V.), meets the third Monday of every month at 6:30 p.m. at 2204 Runnels Street. For more information, please contact Mike Tarpley at 432-556-2227.

• Home Hospice is looking for volunteers (18+) and junior volunteers (9-16 years old). Applications can be picked up at the Home Hospice office, located at 111 E. Seventh Street, Suite A between 8 a.m and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Adult volunteers will need to complete a training and must be able to pass a background check. Volunteer duties will include home visits; junior volunteers will be helping with office work, community events and holiday activities. More information can be obtained by calling 264-7599 or 432-967-0901.

• Keep Big Spring Beautiful meets at noon the first Monday of every month at Howard College in the Cactus Room. Our vision is that every Big Spring citizen will take individual responsibility for making Big Spring the most beautiful city in Texas. Visitors are always welcome. For more information call Tammy at 432-935-0057.

• Big Spring and surrounding counties are in need of foster families. Foster parents are the caretakers for the children in the community who have been abused or neglected. For more information on becoming foster parents or adoptive families, call the Children's Protective Services office at 432-263-9669.

• Victim Services is a non-profit independent community-based program serving victims of all violent crime, including, but not limited to, assault, sexual assault and domestic violence. Victim Services advocates are available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, to provide crisis intervention or accompaniment to the hospital and law enforcement agencies, as needed. If you can commit to 30-hour training, an interview process and a background check, we need you. For more information, call Lynn Creswell or Chavonna Parker at 432-263-3312.

• The Howard County Democrats meet every Monday at 5:30 p.m. at the Cactus Room at Howard College in the Student Union Building. For more information, e-mail howardcountytxdems@gmail.com.

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Robert Lang, 67, died Thursday, April 28, 2022. Visitation will be 9 AM until 9 PM at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral service will Saturday 2 PM at Myers & Smith

Jonell Howell, 78, died Thursday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

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Teams get creative crossing US-Canada border in NHL playoffs

By **STEPHEN WHYNO**

AP Hockey Writer

NHL teams are taking different approaches to crossing the U.S.-Canada border during the first round of the playoffs with the U.S. still requiring a negative COVID-19 test for all passengers arriving on international flights.

The Edmonton Oilers flew to Vancouver and took buses into Washington state before flying to Los Angeles to avoid U.S. virus testing requirements, and the Toronto Maple Leafs took buses to Buffalo, New York, before flying to Florida for the same reason. The Tampa Bay Lightning, Dallas Stars, Los Angeles Kings and Calgary Flames all opted to test and fly direct when their respective series shifted from Canada to the U.S. late this week.

Choose your own travel adventure has become the latest pandemic wrinkle to the fight for the Stanley Cup. Deputy Commissioner Bill Daly said the NHL did not make any particular recommendations but has no problem with the creative arrangements.

"We have no objection or issue with them utilizing the rules and policies that have been put in place by the applicable health authorities to their maximum advantage," Daly said in an email Friday.

The situation is nothing like the past two years when cross-border travel was a major headache for the NHL. In 2020, the league held a 24-team postseason in Toronto and Edmonton with strict quarantines in place and no fans. Last year, facing uncertainty over border restrictions, the league temporarily

realigned its divisions for a shortened season, with all seven Canadian teams playing only each other through the first two rounds of the playoffs.

Oilers coach Jay Woodcroft said players were involved in choosing the itinerary for what amounted to a longer trip. The Oilers spent a night in a Vancouver hotel before crossing the border and flying from Bellingham, Washington, to California on Thursday ahead of Game 3 against the Kings on Friday night.

"I think what you want to do is you want to make the best decision possible for your group and was one that we gave a lot of thought to," Woodcroft said. "The players are energized by how we traveled and being in the California sunshine."

The Oilers have the only unvaccinated player in the NHL playoffs: Josh Archibald, whose cardiologist was able to secure a medical exemption for the 29-year-old forward because of a heart condition known as myocarditis. Archibald played in only eight games during the regular season but is available in the playoffs on either side of the border and was in the lineup for Game 2 when Edmonton evened its series against the Kings.

The Maple Leafs' trip to Buffalo took only a couple of hours before flying to Florida. It's the same path the NBA's Toronto Raptors took during their first-round series against Philadelphia.

The Lightning, Kings, Stars, and Flames all chose COVID-19 testing and a direct flight to enter the U.S.

"We didn't cross the border by bus," Tampa Bay coach Jon Cooper said Friday before Game 3 against Toronto. "Everybody passed the tests."

Formula One star Lewis Hamilton blasts piercings crackdown

By **JENNA FRYER**

AP Auto Racing Writer

MIAMI GARDENS, Fla. (AP) — Seven-time Formula One champion Lewis Hamilton protested the FIA's crackdown on body piercings Friday by showing up at the Miami Grand Prix wearing every piece of jewelry he could fit on his body and suggesting he was willing to sit out races over the issue.

Hamilton arrived in the paddock wearing an all-denim outfit with several open buttons on his long-sleeved shirt that showed at least four stacked necklaces. Hamilton was later seen wearing at least three watches and with four rings on each hand. He also has earrings and a nose ring.

"I couldn't get any more jewelry on today," he said.

The FIA on Thursday tightened its ban on non-regulatory underwear and body piercings when new race director Niels Wittich issued a bulletin that makes the rule part of official scrutineering, meaning such choices are subject to review by race officials.

Four-time champion Sebastian Vettel

said he thought FIA was being petty and wondered if the rule was aimed at Hamilton, the 37-year-old Mercedes driver from Britain. Vettel also appeared to take exception to the underwear policing and walked through the paddock with a pair of briefs on over his firesuit.

"I think it is a bit unnecessary to blow this topic up and probably at this stage is more of a personal thing, I feel a particular way targeted to Lewis," Vettel said. "In a way, there's a concern for safety, obviously if you have stuff and the car does catch fire. To some degrees, there is personal freedom and we are old enough to make our own choices."

Hamilton said when he is in the car "I only have my earrings and my nose ring, which I can't remove."

Hamilton said he sent new FIA President Mohammed Ben Sulayem a message before arriving at the track noting the jewelry fight seemed silly and that "I don't want to fight with you guys, ever."

But also sounded prepared to hold his ground.

"If they stop me, then so be it,"

Hamilton said. "We've got spare drivers ready and prepped for weekends. There's lots of things going on in the city, anyway, so I'll be good either way."

Not long after that, Hamilton was seen in Mercedes' hospitality area wearing only one watch and one ring on his arm. By the time he took to the track for first practice, Mercedes had submitted the required document to FIA that declared Hamilton had removed all the jewelry he could. He's been given a temporary exemption on his piercings.

The governing body for Formula One said the primary issue is safety. It said drivers may be subjected to checks before competition because "the wearing of jewelry underneath the required flameproof clothing can reduce the protection afforded by this equipment."

"Metallic objects, such as jewelry in contact with the skin can reduce heat transmission protection and thus may increase the risk of burn injuries in the event of a fire," the FIA wrote. "The wearing of jewelry during the competition can hinder both medical

interventions as well as subsequent diagnosis and treatment should it be required following an accident."

The FIA said jewelry can snag during emergency removal from a car, and can also complicate or delay medical imaging.

"In the worst case, the presence of jewelry during imaging may cause further injury," the FIA wrote. "Jewelry in and/or around the airway can pose specific additional risks should it become dislodged during an accident and either ingested or inhaled."

Hamilton has been pushing back since the FIA first announced a potential clampdown and said Friday he would sign a waiver assuming all responsibility.

He said he has worn his bling while competing for 16 years in F1 without an issue, and also undergone numerous medical imaging sessions also while wearing his jewelry.

"It's platinum that I have, so it's not magnetic. It's never been a safety issue in the past," Hamilton said. "In 16 years, I've had so many MRI scans and not had to take out the platinum because it's not been an easy."

Column: Spring football league's time has come ... and gone

By **PAUL NEWBERRY**

AP Sports Columnist

Pro football in the springtime.

An idea that once had so much promise.

Now, no matter how many of these leagues keep popping up, there's little chance of carving out even a tiny niche on the American sports scene.

Give it up, USFL.

Ditto for you, XFL.

This isn't the 1980s anymore.

A revived United States Football League — borrowing the moniker and team nicknames from a league that went out of business 36 years ago — launched last month with all regular-season games being played in Birmingham, Alabama.

USFL, The Sequel is following a familiar formula for spring football in recent years: a bunch of unknown players, sloppy play and games played in front of mostly empty seats.

Sadly, this watered-down version of the USFL has done little more than rekindle memories (at least for those of us old enough to remember) of the last upstart league in a major American sport that actually had a chance to make it.

The original USFL, which played for three seasons beginning in 1983, was a concept that made a whole lot of sense, only to be undone by the hubris of owners such as future President Donald Trump, who saw the fledgling organization mainly as a conduit to the NFL.

The league might still be around today if it had stuck to the plan laid out by New Orleans businessman David Dixon, who believed there was a market for pro football in the spring and early summer.

His vision led to a promising setup with plenty of NFL-caliber players.

"I would say that four teams in our group could have competed on an NFL level," recalled Tom Banks, a longtime NFL center who played the first two seasons with the original Birmingham Stallions. "We had a lot of good players and a lot of good coaches."

Dixon envisioned a league with teams in major U.S. markets, playing in NFL-caliber stadiums, boosted by a national television contract but keep-

ing costs under control with a salary cap-style mechanism.

The Stallions were a team that largely stuck to that philosophy, assembling a roster that included Banks, running back Joe Cribbs, quarterback Cliff Stoudt and receiver Jim Smith.

The USFL wasn't intended to be a direct challenger to the NFL like those that came before it, such as the American Football League (which forced a merger with the NFL) and the World Football League (which failed miserably).

But it could've worked — especially given the state of American sports when the USFL debuted:

—The NFL, while enormously popular, had not yet become the year-round behemoth it is today

—Major League Baseball had yet to expand to Phoenix, Denver or Tampa Bay, which all landed teams in the original USFL.

—Michael Jordan's NBA debut was still a year away, and nearly half of the league's 23 teams failed to average even 10,000 fans a game in 1982-83.

—The NHL was largely a regional operation, basically unknown outside the Northeast and Midwest and lacking a major TV deal.

—The North American Soccer League was on its last legs and would fold in 1984. Major League Soccer didn't come along until 1996.

In that setting, there was room for another football league.

Not anymore.

Spring football has no chance of succeeding in a timeframe now ruled by the NBA and NHL playoffs, the start of baseball season, college basketball's NCAA tournaments and an NFL that never really takes an offseason.

Throw in Major League Soccer, which will grow to 29 teams next year, and the increasing popularity in the U.S. of England's Premier League and Europe's Champions League.

If the USFL had stuck to Dixon's plan, there's a chance it would still be around to this day, perhaps stifling the growth of basketball, hockey and soccer.

Instead, the league expanded too quickly, took in dubious owners and basically sealed its fate with an ill-fated plan pushed by Trump and others to

move to the fall and compete directly against the NFL.

That led to an anti-trust suit won by the USFL in 1986, but it was a hollow victory to say the least. The jury awarded a single dollar in damages, which was automatically tripled to \$3 under federal law.

The USFL quietly went out of business. Apparently, it never even cashed the check the NFL dutifully sent along to cover the judgment.

Since then, none of the myriad efforts to start a spring football league has been as bold as the original USFL.

The World League of American Football lasted only two seasons with U.S. teams. The original XFL folded after one year. The Alliance of American Football went out of business after just eight weeks. The relaunch of the XFL was short-circuited by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Now, we have this new version of the USFL, with a third attempt at the XFL supposedly on tap for 2023 (we're not holding our breath for that one).

The Fox-owned USFL is holding down costs by playing in a single city. But that has created the embarrassing spectacle of games not involving the hometown Stallions being played largely before family and friends.

"You've got to draw more people to the games," Banks said. "It's got to be depressing for the guys trying to play. You feed off the energy of the crowds."

Like every other spring league since the original USFL, there is no pretense about landing big-time players. These are the leftovers, pure and simple.

"They really haven't emphasized the players," Banks said. "I don't know very much about these guys individually, and I still follow the game pretty well."

Fox, NBC and their affiliated networks have been jamming four games a weekend down our throats, pumped up by over-the-top announcers trying to con us into believing this is actually a worthwhile pursuit. But the ratings through the first three weeks have been largely abysmal.

Thanks to the court decision that finished off the original USFL, it will forever be known as "The \$3 League."

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CAUSE NO. 55354

CITY OF BIG SPRING, TEXAS, Plaintiff,

vs.

GEORGE WILMAS NEILL, III, RALPH JAMES NEILL, JR., THEDA JOANNE NEILL, TERRY DEAN NEILL, WILLIAM REID WHEELER, MARY LYNN CAYLOR, BRYAN ALLEN WHEELER, KRISTINA JOY NEILL SHUGART, AND ALL

UNKNOWN PERSONS WITH AN INTEREST OR CLAIM AGAINST THE SUBJECT PROPERTY IN THIS PROCEEDING, Defendants.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS 118TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

NOTICE OF HEARING BEFORE SPECIAL COMMISSIONERS FOR PUBLICATION

Pursuant to Rule 21.016(d)(3), Texas Property Code, the Special Commissioners hereby issue this Notice of Hearing in connection with their Order Setting Hearing entered this same day.

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TO: THEDA JOANNE NEILL, AND ALL UNKNOWN PERSONS WITH AN INTEREST OR CLAIM AGAINST THE SUBJECT PROPERTY IN THIS PROCEEDING, to be served by publication pursuant to § 21.016(d)(3) of the Texas Property Code and

You are hereby notified that on the **29th day of June, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. in the Grand Jury Room of the Howard County Courthouse, located at 312 Scurry Street Big Spring, Texas, 79720** the undersigned Special Commissioners appointed by the Judge of the 118th District Court of Howard County, Texas, will convene a hearing to assess the damages occasioned by the condemnation by the City of Big Spring, as Condemnor, to acquire the subject property described below in fee simple for the construction, operation, and maintenance of a sewer lift station to be installed, operated, and maintained upon and across the property identified as a 1.417 acre tract of land, out of the Northeast Quarter of Section 44, Block 32, T-I-N, T. & P. Railroad Company Surveys, Abstract No. 631, City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, and being out of a tract of land described in a deed from J.G. Amett et ux to G.W. Neill, dated January 28, 1924, and recorded in Volume 54, Page 215, Deed Records of Howard County, Texas, said tract having a municipal address of 1505 East 2nd Street Big Spring, Texas 79720.

These are proceedings in eminent domain in a case styled: *CITY OF BIG SPRING, TEXAS v. GEORGE WILMAS NEILL, III, RALPH JAMES NEILL, JR., THEDA JOANNE NEILL, TERRY DEAN NEILL, WILLIAM REID WHEELER, MARY LYNN CAYLOR, BRYAN ALLEN WHEELER, KRISTINA JOY NEILL SHUGART, AND ALL UNKNOWN PERSONS WITH AN INTEREST OR CLAIM AGAINST THE SUBJECT PROPERTY IN THIS PROCEEDING*, Cause Number 55354, filed in the 118th District Court of Howard County, Texas. The undersigned, having heretofore duly selected such time and place for hearing as required by law, will proceed to hear said parties and receive evidence on damages and to act thereon in the manner directed by law.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS AND PROVISIONS OF THE TEXAS ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CODE THAT, HOTEL SETTLES COMPANY, LLC., HAS FILED FOR A MIXED BEVERAGE PERMIT AND A MIXED BEVERAGE LATE HOURS PERMIT ISSUED TO HOTEL SETTLES COMPANY, LLC LOCATED AT 200 E. 3RD STREET, BIG SPRING, HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS 79720. GEORGE RYAN, MANAGER; KRIS RYAN, MANAGER.

Notice of Application for Oil and Gas Waste Disposal Well Permit

HighPeak Energy Holdings, LLC. Is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to dispose of produced saltwater or other oil and gas waste by well injection into a porous formation which is not productive of oil or gas. The Applicant proposes to dispose of oil and gas waste into the Clearfork Formation in the Signal Peak (Wolfcamp) Field of the Martin SWD #2 well, surface location at 244' FSL & 325' FEL of Section 30, Block 31, T & P RR Co. Survey, Abstract 669, Howard County, Texas. The surface location of the proposed disposal well is located approximately 8 miles southeast of Big Spring, Texas. The wastewater will be injected into strata in the subsurface true vertical depth interval from 2900 feet TVD to 4300 feet TVD.

LEGAL AUTHORITY:
Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services, Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P. O. Box 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512-463-6792)

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 08 Rule 37
Case No. 0334790
DATE OF ISSUANCE:
May 6, 2022
Status/Permit No. 879325
NOTICE OF PROTEST
DEADLINE: 5:00 PM,
May 27, 2022
Address: Railroad
Commission of Texas
ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit
P. O. Box 12967
Austin, Texas 78711-2967
Fax: (512) 463-6780
Email:
SWR37@RRC.TEXAS.GOV

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the HIGHPEAK ENERGY HOLDINGS, LLC, [RRC Operator No. 385826] has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.37). Applicant seeks exception to the lease line distance requirement because the Applicant is less than the required Rule 37 lease line distance to an unleased or non-pooled interest within the subject unit for the AMENDED NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 24, Bk. 31 T1S, T&P RR CO / RATCLIFF, P C Survey, A-1325, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Field, HOWARD County, being 7.3 miles NE direction from FORSAN, Texas.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted **WITHOUT A HEARING** if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease

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line spacing distance. If you have questions which are specific to the Application or the information set forth in this Notice, please contact the Commission's Drilling Permit Unit at (512)463-6751. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission's Docket Services Department at (512)463-6848.

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE AT THE ADDRESS, FAX NUMBER, OR E-MAIL ADDRESS SET OUT ABOVE BY MAY 27, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME, YOU WILL LOSE YOUR RIGHT TO PROTEST AND THE REQUESTED PERMIT MAY BE GRANTED ADMINISTRATIVELY.

THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

The location and identity of the well is as shown below:
FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name : POWELL 27-15 B UNIT D
Lease/Unit Well No. : D 7H
Lease/Unit Acres : 961.5
Nearest Lease Line (ft) : null

Lease Lines : 236.0 F SOUTH L, 530.0 F WEST L
Survey Lines : 236.0 F SOUTH L, 530.0 F WEST L

Wellbore Profile(s) : Horizontal
Lateral: TH1
Penetration Point Location
Lease Lines: 400.0 F NORTH L
350.0 F EAST L

Terminus Location
BH County: HOWARD
Section: 15 Block: 31 T1S
Abstract: 111
Survey: T&P RR CO
Lease Lines: 100.0 F NORTH

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350.0 F EAST L
Survey Lines: 100.0 F NORTH L
350.0 F EAST L

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:

SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) : Special Rules 330/0, 80.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 6200 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Mary Crosswell, at (817)3128504.

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 08 Rule 37
Case No. 0334735
DATE OF ISSUANCE:
May 5, 2022
Status/Permit No. 878962
NOTICE OF PROTEST
DEADLINE: 5:00 PM,
May 26, 2022
Address: Railroad
Commission of Texas
ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit
P. O. Box 12967
Austin, Texas 78711-2967
Fax: (512) 463-6780
Email:
SWR37@RRC.TEXAS.GOV

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PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regu-

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lations, this application may be granted **WITHOUT A HEARING** if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If you have questions which are specific to the Application or the information set forth in this Notice, please contact the Commission's Drilling Permit Unit at (512)463-6751. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission's Docket Services Department at (512)463-6848.

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THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

The location and identity of the well is as shown below:
FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name : WHITE 24-36 A UNIT
Lease/Unit Well No. : L 1H
Lease/Unit Acres : 969.24
Nearest Lease Line (ft) : null
Nearest Well on Lease (ft) : 350.0

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Lease Lines : 300.0 F SOUTH L, 1075.0 F WEST L
Survey Lines : 300.0 F SOUTH L, 1075.0 F WEST L

Wellbore Profile(s) : Horizontal

Lateral: TH1
Penetration Point Location
Lease Lines: 200.0 F NORTH L
350.0 F WEST L

Terminus Location
BH County: BORDEN
Section: 36 Block: 25 Abstract: 642
Survey: H&TC RR CO / SPEIRS, N E
Lease Lines: 100.0 F NORTH L
350.0 F WEST L
Survey Lines: 100.0 F NORTH L
350.0 F WEST L

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♥ 7
♦ A K Q 10 8
♣ J 8 4 3 2

WEST
♠ 10 6 2
♥ 10 5 3
♦ 5
♣ A Q 10 9 6 5

EAST
♠ A Q 9 8 7 3
♥ Q 2
♦ 9 7 6 3
♣ 7

SOUTH
♠ J 5
♥ A K J 9 8 6 4
♦ J 4 2
♣ K

The bidding:
North East South West
1♦ 1♠ 2♥ 2♠
3♣ Pass 4♥

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At the first table, South reached four hearts as shown, and West led a spade. East cashed two spade tricks and shifted to his singleton club, West taking declarer's king with the ace.
West saw that the contract could be defeated if his partner had the king, queen or jack of trump and

could be induced to ruff a club continuation with one of those cards. Accordingly, West returned a low club at trick four, and his partner did not let him down, ruffing with the queen to promote West's ten as the setting trick.
At the second table, East wound up in four spades after a competitive auction, and South won the first two tricks with the K-A of hearts. South was now faced with a situation similar to the one West had faced at the first table. He realized that his J-x of trump could be promoted into a trick if his partner held the queen or king of spades and could be induced to ruff a heart continuation with either honor.
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