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House committee approves state budget

Critics say measure will curtail services



Signs of Spring

These farm workers are busy planting onion sets on a farm west of town, a sure sign that spring is approaching. Mid March is the ideal time to plant sugarbeets and a variety of vegetables

in the area. The agricultural community is busy preparing for the 1995 crop. Many agricultural operations are fertilizing, planting, and irrigating in great anticipation of a bumper year.

State senate passes amendment that would close state Treasury

By MICHAEL HOLMES
Associated Press Writer
AUSTIN (AP) - State Treasurer Martha Whitehead says she's glad the Texas Senate has voted to fire her. Senators on Thursday approved, 23-7, a proposed constitutional amendment to abolish the Treasury. Backers said saying it would eliminate needless bureaucracy and save tax dollars. "The taxpayers of Texas are demanding a 'fat-free' state

government. This is a critical first step in reducing excess," said Mrs. Whitehead, a Democrat who was elected in November after promising to work to eliminate her post. The proposal still needs two-thirds approval by the House and ratification in a statewide election. If voters agree, the Treasury's functions would be merged into the state comptroller's office. Sen. Rodney Ellis, D-Houston, said abolishing the office would save

an estimated \$22 million over five years and eliminate 164 state jobs. "It is not every day that you have a statewide elected official asking the Legislature to eliminate his or her job," Ellis said. "The ratio of bureaucrat-to-taxpayer began to shrink today," Comptroller John Sharp said. "This was a vote for government efficiency at its finest." Opponents said the treasurer, whose office was created by the Texas Constitution, serves a valuable function - managing the state's money. It also provides needed checks and balances on the state's finances, they argued. "I think we should take very seriously what we're trying to do to the state Constitution," said Sen. John Leedom, R-Dallas. Leedom said that if the agency isn't running efficiently, there's a better remedy. "If in the treasurer's office they have people they don't need, let's get rid of them," he said. The post has served as a stepping stone for two high-profile officials in recent years - former Gov. Ann Richards, a Democrat, and Republican U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison.

The Senate's vote came amid charges that politics were being played in hopes of saving the office. "They're dealing with spending millions of dollars here. And they're letting party politics and personal politics and self-interest override what's good for our state," said Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock, a Democrat, who presides over the Senate. "We could use that money in education. When the person who's holding the office says 'abolish me, I'm for doing just that,'" he said. Bullock pointed to a letter that argued eliminating the Treasury wouldn't really save money. It was signed by Glenna Rhea Hastings, an aide to state Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry, a Republican. Gary Foster, Perry's spokesman, said the letter was written on private time and equipment and Perry "had absolutely nothing to do with it." "He has not, at least recently, even expressed an opinion about it (abolishing the Treasury)," Foster said. He said any suggestion that Perry might be behind a move to block the legislation "couldn't be further from the truth."

By PAULINE ARRILLAGA
Associated Press Writer
AUSTIN (AP) - Medicaid recipients, low-income children and the elderly will lose services under a proposed \$77.6 billion budget endorsed by House budget writers, social services advocates say. The House Appropriations Committee on Thursday approved the proposed state budget for 1996-97 and sent the measure to the full House on a 26-0 vote. The bill increases spending on public education, juvenile justice and health and human services. But it does not go far enough, critics say. "If this represents the best we can do for people in Texas, it should make us question our priorities," said Dianne Stewart, director of the Center for Public Policy, a think tank that follows the budget process. "People have to be at the top of our list as a state if we want to maintain our economic prosperity into the next century."

open and operate new state prison beds. Another \$56 million would go into Texas Youth Commission operations toward new juvenile lockups. The measure also would increase Medicaid spending by nearly \$1 billion. The proposal represents a "reasonable spending plan," said Karen Hughes, spokeswoman for Gov. George W. Bush. "The bill closely tracks many of the governor's priorities by providing the lion's share of new state money to our schools and by funding criminal justice and juvenile justice priorities," Ms. Hughes said.

Despite a 7.9 percent increase in spending on health and human services, the proposed budget is \$950 million short of the funding necessary to continue serving those in need, Ms. Stewart said. Appropriations Committee Chairman Robert Junell, D-San Angelo, said the bill makes "education No. 1, which I think is important that that was our No. 1 goal ... and there's not going to be a need for any tax increase."

Junell acknowledged that the plan falls short of matching state agency requests for funds in human services, education and criminal justice. He said an additional \$300 million may be needed to operate public schools because of enrollment increases; spending on Medicaid falls short \$270 million to \$311 million; and spending on juvenile justice is short another \$20 million to \$40 million. Higher education officials also have estimated that they need an additional \$250 million to \$300 million to meet budget demands. Under the proposed budget, the state still has \$200 million in available revenue that will be fought over, along with any additional dollars that can be scraped up. But public and higher education, juvenile justice and Medicaid have priority, Junell said. "In those four items would be where first dollars are going to go."

The proposed budget is an increase of 3.7 percent over current spending. The plan recommends a \$1.8 billion boost in state spending on public education, including \$170 million to help school districts with construction needs. It also would fully fund public schools as required by the state finance law. While schoolchildren are protected, teachers would not see a boost in their salaries under the proposal. Spending on public safety and criminal justice would increase by nearly \$1 billion under the plan, with about 75 percent of that needed to

Of the 1996-97 total budget, \$43.9 billion would come from the state's general revenue fund, which includes the sales and corporate franchise taxes. The federal government would provide another \$23 billion, with the remaining coming from other sources. Junell said he believes a special legislative session may be needed to address any changes Congress makes in federal money coming to Texas.

Mississippi abolishes slavery

JACKSON, Miss. (AP) - Mississippi on Thursday accomplished what the rest of the nation did 130 years ago: It ratified the constitutional amendment abolishing slavery. Without debate, the state House of Representatives approved a resolution ratifying the 13th Amendment. The state Senate had acted earlier. Clerks of the two chambers will notify Congress of the action and it will be noted in congressional records. No action by Gov. Kirk Fordice is required. The union comprised 36 states

at the time slavery was abolished in 1865. Only Mississippi hadn't ratified the amendment. At the time, state lawmakers were angry they had not been reimbursed for the value of freed slaves. Most current members of the Legislature were unaware that Mississippi had never ratified the amendment. Sen. Hillman Frazier, a Democrat from Jackson, learned of the shortcoming while searching historical records earlier this year and convinced lawmakers it was time to put the matter to rest.

Bullock calls for fast action on gambling

AUSTIN (AP) - Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock has said he hopes a Senate committee will take quick action on casino gambling, then move on to other things. "Either vote it down or vote it up and we'll be on our way," Bullock said Thursday. "I don't want it (the casino issue) to interfere with schools" and other issues facing the 1995 Legislature. The chief Senate sponsor of casino gambling, Sen. Rodney Ellis, D-Houston, said Thursday he would press only for a proposed constitutional amendment that, if approved by two-thirds of the Legislature and ratified by voters, would make casino gaming legal. He said a second measure, spelling out details of casino regulation, would come later. "I'm trying to come up with the

best way of getting enough votes in the Texas Legislature to get it on the ballot so the people of Texas can decide," Ellis said. "I haven't seen any evidence that I can get the votes for the enabling legislation and the constitutional amendment, so I decided to run with the constitutional amendment," he said. Their comments came after the Senate State Affairs Committee heard testimony that Fort Worth's tourism industry is faltering because people are leaving the state to gamble. "(Tourism) is vital to the state of Texas. It is vital to the city of Fort Worth," said Holt Hickman, representing the Fort Worth Stockyards. "The tourism is going to Louisiana."

Coming in Sunday's Brand

Construction has begun on a new building in East Hereford that will give members of San Jose Catholic Church and residents of the area a place to work and play. The church addition is the latest in a series of improvements made over the years by Father Darryl Birkenfeld, the church pastor, who leaves Hereford this summer, en route to a new assignment. On Sunday, meet Birkenfeld and see what impact he has had on the church and the community. Also Sunday, the city's Animal Control department works to make sure health and safety laws are enforced by keeping Hereford streets clear of stray and dangerous dogs and cats. See how the department works on Sunday, and learn how interested residents can adopt stray dogs as pets.

St. Patrick's parade held with prospect of peace in Ireland

By BETH J. HARPAZ
Associated Press Writer
NEW YORK (AP) - St. Patrick's Day parade stepped off today against a poignant backdrop of the tentative peace in Northern Ireland, although the celebration of Irish pride again was divided by discord at home. About 300 members of the Irish Lesbian and Gay Organization, denied the right to march under their own banner, demonstrated on a sidewalk in morning traffic two hours before the city's parade. Dozens locked arms. After they ignored a warning to get out of the street, police locked off people for disorderly conduct, resisting arrest or both. "People hate us for nothing," said Annette Belmont, who was carried away on a stretcher because she refused to walk. The St. Patrick's Day parade is the nation's oldest - 234 years - and sometimes draws up to 2 million spectators. This year, New York's Irish community is buoyed by the ceasefire between the Irish Republican Army and pro-British

Protestant militants in Northern Ireland. Today's march also marked the 150th anniversary of the potato famine that ravaged Ireland in 1845, triggering the massive flow of immigrants to America. Cardinal John J. O'Connor became the first archbishop of New York to serve as honorary parade marshal. Irish Prime Minister John Bruton and Gerry Adams, the president of the IRA political wing Sinn Fein, were in Washington as guests of President Clinton. The homosexual protest was the group's fourth. In 1993, more than 200 people were arrested. Last year, 102 were arrested. All the charges were later dismissed. A federal appeals court Thursday upheld a judicial decision denying a protest permit to group for safety and traffic reasons. "I believe that people shouldn't have to choose between their sexual orientation and their heritage," said professor Lisa Fane.

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Local Roundup

Chance of thunderstorms

Partly sunny and warm will mark Saturday's weather although a 20 percent chance of thunderstorms is on the menu for the day. The forecast high is 75 to 80 degrees, after a Friday night low in the mid-40s. Winds will be 5-15 mph from the south Friday night and 5-15 mph from the southwest to west on Saturday. Hereford enjoyed a 69-degree high temperature Thursday and the low Friday morning was a mild 43 degrees.

News Digest

World/Nation

WASHINGTON - House Republicans say their proposed package of \$100 billion in budget cuts lets them whittle away more bureaucratic waste, drive the deficit lower and slash taxes deeper than President Clinton has proposed.

WASHINGTON - From accusing Republicans of wanting to snatch school lunches from hungry kids to implying a GOP raid on Social Security, President Clinton is doing to his foes what they did to him for two years.

WASHINGTON - It's been a steady diet of the four R's this spring at schools inside and around the Beltway - reading, writing, 'rithmetic and rhetoric. Political rhetoric, that is. Democrats and Republicans alike are using school cafeterias, computer labs, cute kids and the counselor's office as a battleground in their fight over federal spending cuts.

LOS ANGELES - The Mark Fuhrman cross-examination fizzled to an end after six allegation-filled days - and the only one who lost his cool was defense attorney F. Lee Bailey.

WASHINGTON - The House committee that oversees the nation's capital was marked for extinction soon after Republicans swept into power last November. That gave its Democratic chairman enough time to dole out extra pay for departing staffers.

State

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AUSTIN - The debate over carrying concealed weapons now moves to the Texas House. Senators on Thursday voted 23-7 to allow Texans to obtain licenses to carry concealed weapons.

AUSTIN - The no-pass, no-play rule would be eased, state control over schools would be loosened and parents would have more choices of where to educate their children under a bill passed by the Senate Education Committee.

BAYOU VISTA - Half the police department goes on trial next week for a killing, although prosecutors have no body. Call it a doggone whodunit. Or maybe a canine killing caper. Prosecutors say Greg Trantham, 27, and John Overstreet, 32, used a dog for target practice, shooting off parts of the animal's body before killing it.

Police, Emergency Reports

Friday's emergency services reports contained the following information:

HEREFORD POLICE

-- A 17-year-old male was arrested in the 600 block of Texas on DPS warrants.

-- A 19-year-old male was arrested in the 200 block of North Lee on a district court warrant for burglary of a motor vehicle.

-- A 36-year-old female was arrested on west U.S. 60 on a county warrant for theft by check.

-- A 26-year-old female was arrested in the 200 block of North Lee on outstanding DPS warrants.

-- A 16-year-old runaway was reported in the 100 block of Bradley.

-- A car was reported stolen from a business located on east U.S. 60. The car was later recovered by the Amarillo Police Department.

-- A purse was reported stolen from a vehicle in the 200 block of East Third.

-- Furnishing alcohol to minors was reported in the 500 block of Avenue H.

-- Police reported a door at Hereford High School was discovered open. After checking the building for possible burglary suspects, it was determined the building had not been entered and the door was then secured.

-- Gas theft was reported in the 100 block of South 25 Mile Avenue.

-- Two adult females were cited for shoplifting in the 500 block of North 25 Mile Avenue.

-- Thirteen traffic pylons were taken from the area of U.S. 385 and 13th Street. They are valued at \$25 each.

-- Domestic disturbance was reported in the 700 block of Avenue G. No arrests were made.

-- Criminal mischief was reported in the 100 block of Campbell Street, where a glass window and small desk chair were damaged in the amount of \$85.

-- Officers issued five traffic citations.

DEAF SMITH SHERIFF

-- Report not available.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

-- No calls on Thursday.

EMS

-- Ambulances on Thursday ran on one medical run, one transfer to Amarillo and one motor vehicle accident (nobody was transported).

PATIENTS IN HOSPITAL

Audrey Allen, Melissa R. Arriaga, Richard Barrett, Donald D. Henslee, Maria Ines Jaime, Infant boy Kapka, Jaymi Nadine Kapka, Margaret D. McIlvaine, A.N. McRight, Eulalia L. Quiroz, Infant boy Reed, Shala Dion Reed, Marshall Lee Riley, Eliseo S. Ruiz, Infant girl Silva, Nancy Silva, Bessie Tice and Elizabeth M. Trevino.

Lottery

AUSTIN (AP) - Vanessa Gilpin, a Waco truck stop waitress, won nearly \$19 million but kept working - at least until her shift was over.

Ms. Gilpin, 36, Thursday claimed half of the \$37.9 million Texas Lotto jackpot in Wednesday night's drawing. She will receive \$947,500 in annual payments for 20 years.

"I was on the job when I found out I had won," Ms. Gilpin said after claiming her prize.

"So I just tucked the ticket back in my purse, called my boss to tell her and continued serving my customers until my shift ended at 11 o'clock," she said.

Her share of the jackpot totals \$18.95 million.

AUSTIN (AP) - The Pick 3 winning numbers drawn Thursday by the Texas Lottery, in order:

8-8-0 (eight, eight, zero)



Playground presentation

Members of the Tojours Amis Study Club on Thursday presented a \$750 donation from the club to City Manager Chester Nolen for use at the new Aquatic Center. The gift will be used toward the purchase of playground equipment at a play area being constructed just west of the newly-expanded parking lot at the center. Making the presentation to Nolen are Sarah Lawson, left, and Marsha Winget, who is joined by her daughter, Jennifer, 8.

Economists say Mexican banks facing three-month-long crisis

By KAREN GULLO
AP Business Writer

NEW YORK (AP) - The next three months will be the toughest for Mexican banks, but most will pull through their country's economic crisis, Mexican banking leaders said Thursday.

The government's bank stabilization plan will keep most afloat despite an inevitable surge in bad loans and lack of liquidity following the peso's devaluation and subsequent high interest rates and raging inflation.

"The next 90 days will be the toughest," Manuel Medina Mora, deputy president of Banco Nacional de Mexico, told a press briefing.

Banco de Mexico, Bancomer and Banca Serfin are Mexico's three largest banks and hold 60 percent of total Mexican banking assets.

Several foreign and a few U.S. banks, meanwhile, have been talking with the Mexican government about acquiring banks that may flounder

during the crisis, said bankers attending the briefing.

Under new government rules, foreign banks may own up to 100 percent of Mexican banks that control less than 6 percent of the market.

NationsBank Corp., based in Charlotte, N.C., and BankAmerica Corp., based in San Francisco, have been involved in the talks, said Mora. Both banks have subsidiaries in Texas.

Both banks refused to comment. NationsBank has applied for a banking license in Mexico and BankAmerica recently received one, officials said.

The Mexican government has already bailed out three moderate-sized banks, and officials said they expect more banks, particularly smaller ones, to require rescue. Deposits are insured through a government fund similar to Federal Deposit Insurance Corp.

"Most will pull through," said

Hector Rangel, deputy chief executive of Bancomer S.A.

Key to their survival is a segment of the Mexican government's economic rescue plan that allows banks to restructure commercial loans for constrained borrowers and convert them to loans indexed to inflation. Such a plan will reduce interest payments. The loans will have maturities ranging from 5 to 12 years.

The government has set aside \$86 billion pesos for the restructurings, which is enough to cover 15 percent of all bank loans. About 7.5 percent of all bank loans were past due at Dec. 31, and Rangel said he expects the level to increase to at least 8.5 percent by March 31.

The program should provide a cushion for borrowers - mostly small and medium-sized companies - faced with interest rates hovering at 100 percent, thus preserving the quality of bank loans, said Rangel.

The government is also expected to announce soon that inflation-index loans will be available for mortgage loans and some foreign currency domestic debts.

"If companies can meet their obligations we have a better chance of coping with the crisis," said Rangel, adding that if rates remain at current levels for another quarter "we're in trouble."

To head off more problems, the Mexican government is requiring all banks to maintain an 8 percent capital level and will provide recapitalization loans to those in need.

The loans are convertible to equity stakes in the banks in the event of non-repayment, and the government would likely sell the stakes to foreign or domestic financial companies waiting in the wings, officials said.

Nebraska senator decides to retire

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) - In another blow to Democratic hopes of taking back control of the U.S. Senate, Sen. Jim Exon announced today he won't seek a fourth term. He cited "the ever-increasing vicious polarization of the electorate."

He's the third Democrat to announce he is retiring in 1996. The others are Paul Simon of Illinois and Bennett Johnston of Louisiana. One Republican, Hank Brown of Colorado, has also announced he won't run again next year.

The Republicans now hold a 54-46 edge in the Senate after Colorado Sen. Ben Nighthorse Campbell's recent party switch.

Senate Minority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D., said he was disappointed at the news of Exon's retirement. He added, "Given Bob Kerrey's knowledge of Nebraska and network ... we'll find a very viable candidate" to run in 1996.

Kerrey, Nebraska's other senator and chairman of the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee, did not immediately return calls seeking comment.

The 73-year-old Nebraska Democrat, who served two terms as governor before making three successful bids for the Senate, said the decision to leave public life was difficult. Republicans outnumber Democrats in the Senate 54-46.

"First, the old fire horse within me wanted to answer the bell for another race," he told a crowd of nearly 100 friends and family.

The ranking Democrat on the Senate Budget Committee, Exon expressed gratitude to voters who had sent him into public office with resounding victories in five statewide elections. But he expressed concern about the future and the nature of American politics.

"The ever-increasing vicious polarization of the electorate, the us and against-them mentality. This has all but swept aside the former preponderance of reasonable discussions of the pros and cons of the many legitimate issues," Exon said.

He said the ability to reach reasonable compromise has been eroded.

"The hate level fed by attack ads had unfortunately become the measurement of a successful campaign," Exon said. "As long as money and plenty of it continues to pour in, absent campaign spending limits, the deterioration will continue."

Exon said he remained concerned about the future of agriculture's fortunes in the new Congress and the nation's need to maintain its military strength.

He also expressed regret over the failure of the balanced-budget amendment to the U.S. Constitution.

Exon swept into the Senate in 1978 with a landslide victory in one of the nation's most Republican states. He attributed his success to his ability to gain support from Democrats and Republicans alike and to his strong conservative credentials.

He defeated Republican Nancy Hoch in 1984 to win re-election in a race that was his closest shave. Exon said he erred by ignoring attacks against him in the campaign.

When he launched his bid for a third term in 1990, Exon said he expected a negative campaign but said he would be prepared and would respond promptly to the first negative attack.

Obituaries

MARJORIE PERRY LASITER
March 16, 1995

Marjorie Sarah Perry Lasiter, 71, of Ozark, Ark., formerly of Hereford, died Thursday in Dallas.

Services were set for 2 p.m. Friday in Howell-Doran Funeral Home Chapel in San Saba, with burial in Kuykendall Cemetery at Cherokee.

Mrs. Lasiter was born in Cherokee and married Robert James Lasiter in 1943 in San Antonio. She was a retired teacher and had served as director of special education for Hereford Independent School District. She belonged to Delta Kappa Gamma, Ozark Study Club and Belles and Beaus Square Dance Club, also in Ozark. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Ozark.

Survivors are her husband; two daughters, Cheryl Roy and Melinda Keeton, both of Ozark; a brother, Charles Perry of Cherokee; two sisters, Dawn Mayers of Taylor and Joycelyn Perry of Cherokee, five grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

TRUETT JOHNSON
March 15, 1995

Truett Johnson, 71, of Lubbock, a former Hereford resident, died Wednesday.

Services will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday in Resthaven Funeral Home Memorial Chapel in Lubbock. Burial, with military honors, will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in Friona Cemetery.

Mr. Johnson was born in Wheeler and was graduated from Friona High School. He attended the University of Texas at Arlington prior to entering the U.S. Army during World War II. He served in Italy where he earned the Purple Heart, Bronze Star with two clusters, Victory Medal and Good Conduct Medal. After the war, he was associated with his father in a dairy business in Hereford. He

married Thelma Boggess in 1946 in Friona. She died in 1977. He later married Janette Horton.

Survivors are his wife; three sons, Larry Johnson of Las Cruces, N.M., Rick Johnson of Thousand Oaks, Cal., and Tony Johnson of Wimberley; a daughter, Shirley Womble of Wichita, Kan.; two stepsons, Bill Watson of Lubbock and Rusty Watson of Arlington; a stepdaughter, Georgette McPherson of Ransom Canyon; a sister, Mary Haite of Corona, Cal., and 17 grandchildren.

Doctors react to drug study report

By PAUL RAEBURN
AP Science Editor

NEW YORK (AP) - Doctors reacting to a study that suggests some blood pressure drugs might increase the risk of a heart attack are urging patients to continue taking the medication until more is known.

The study, presented March 10 at an American Heart Association meeting, found that the drugs, called calcium channel blockers, were associated with a 60 percent increase in heart attack risk.

While the risk to any individual in the short term is small, the overall risk to the estimated 6 million Americans taking the drugs for an extended period is significant, said the author of the study, Dr. Bruce Psaty, an epidemiologist and internist at the University of Washington in Seattle.

Some doctors said the report's conclusions were overstated. Others said the study was important and underscored the need for further research. One drug maker said it believes newer forms of the drugs, which weren't in the study, are safe.

"It's not going to change my prescribing pattern for calcium blockers," said Dr. Michael Marmulstein, a cardiologist in private practice in Albany. "I'm not saying, 'The heck with this study and I'm going to use them anyway.' The decision has to be made on an individual basis, taking into account any one person's health."

The study "raises some interesting questions," but does not necessarily mean that calcium blockers are dangerous, he said.

Many other doctors interviewed this week agreed. They said that many factors contribute to the decision to prescribe a particular drug, and the study, while interesting, is not enough by itself to change treatment patterns.

Doctors reported that some patients had stopped taking calcium blockers after hearing about the study. The doctors agreed that patients should continue to take their medication until they consult with their doctors.

"The frustration that all of us in the practice of medicine are encountering right now is that patients are alarmed," said Dr. Vincent W. Dennis, chairman of the department of nephrology and hypertension at the Cleveland Clinic Foundation.

"If you have been put on these drugs, presumably for good reason, don't panic," said Dr. Norman Kaplan, a hypertension specialist and endocrinologist at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical School in Dallas.

Said Psaty, the study's author, "We acknowledge that it's not possible to make definitive statements about cause based on a case-control study" like this one, he said. "We never attempted to do that."

Dr. John Laragh, director of the hypertension and cardiovascular center at Cornell Medical Center in New York, said the study couldn't be dismissed. "This study says to me that we certainly need a closer look at the calcium antagonists," he said. "It may not be as bad as it sounds, but they seem different than the other drugs."

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Lifestyles

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Actions speak louder than words

DEAR ANN LANDERS: "If there is anything I can do, just let me know" is without a doubt the most empty, insincere statement ever uttered.

When there is a death in the home of friends, don't expect them to tell you what to do. ASK if you can go to the bank, the post office or the grocery store. Use your head. Everybody has to eat. Please don't bring a cake. Someone else is sure to bring one. How about a plate of little sandwiches, a milk jug filled with tea or a six-pack of cola?

With all the telephone calls, funeral arrangements and decisions to make, there's not much time to cook. Please don't bring a pie. Bring a casserole. Don't bring fruit salad. Bring a pot of soup.

A visit from a neighbor means a lot. Instead of mailing a condolence card, BRING it. And sit down and visit for a few minutes. People who are grieving may need to talk. Don't go into an endless recital about sickness and death in your family or about sick friends they don't even know. They are focusing on their own grief. They don't care about anyone else's.

If the pastor comes, leave within a few minutes. The pastor didn't come to see you. If another neighbor or friend drops by, make your exit promptly. A change of face is always refreshing.

Don't try to lay a guilt trip on the bereaved during the weeks following the death by telling them you dropped by several times but nobody was at home. And don't make up excuses for not attending the funeral. No one is interested in excuses. Showing up is the only thing that counts. -- No

Name, No Initials, Just Jacksonville, Fla.

DEAR JACKSONVILLE: Your advice, though harsh, rings true. Sounds as if you've been there. Thanks for the input.

DEAR ANN LANDERS: For years, I have laughed and cried with your column, but on Valentine's Day of 1992, you gave me the biggest gift of my life. I'm sorry it took so long to let you know.

I am a Vietnam veteran. In 1992, I was in the Indianapolis VA hospital, undergoing my third leg surgery in two years. While lying in that hospital bed, a woman came by, passing out letters from schoolchildren. I received five or six and was touched very deeply by these letters. I had a smile on my face for hours.

I was told that the schools had gotten their idea from Ann Landers' Valentines for Vets column, so I'm writing to say you deserve a big hug. Please know you have made a lot of men and women feel very special. I want to say "thank you" for all of them. -- Proud to Have Served (Indiana)

DEAR INDIANA: How good of you to write. Actually, it's the

thousands of school teachers in my reading audience who should be thanked. They are the ones who made Valentines for Vets a classroom assignment and boxed and shipped the valentines to the hospitals. Bless them, one and all.

Gem of the Day: Happy St. Patrick's Day. Here's an old Irish blessing:

May the road rise to meet you. May the wind be always at your back. May the sun shine warm upon your face, the rains fall soft upon your fields. And until we meet again, may God hold you in the palm of his hand.

Is that Ann Landers column you clipped years ago yellow with age? For a copy of her most frequently requested poems and essays, send a self-addressed, long, business-size envelope and a check or money order for \$5.25 (this includes postage and handling) to: Gems, c/o Ann Landers, P.O. Box 11562, Chicago, Ill. 60611-0562. (In Canada, send \$6.25.)

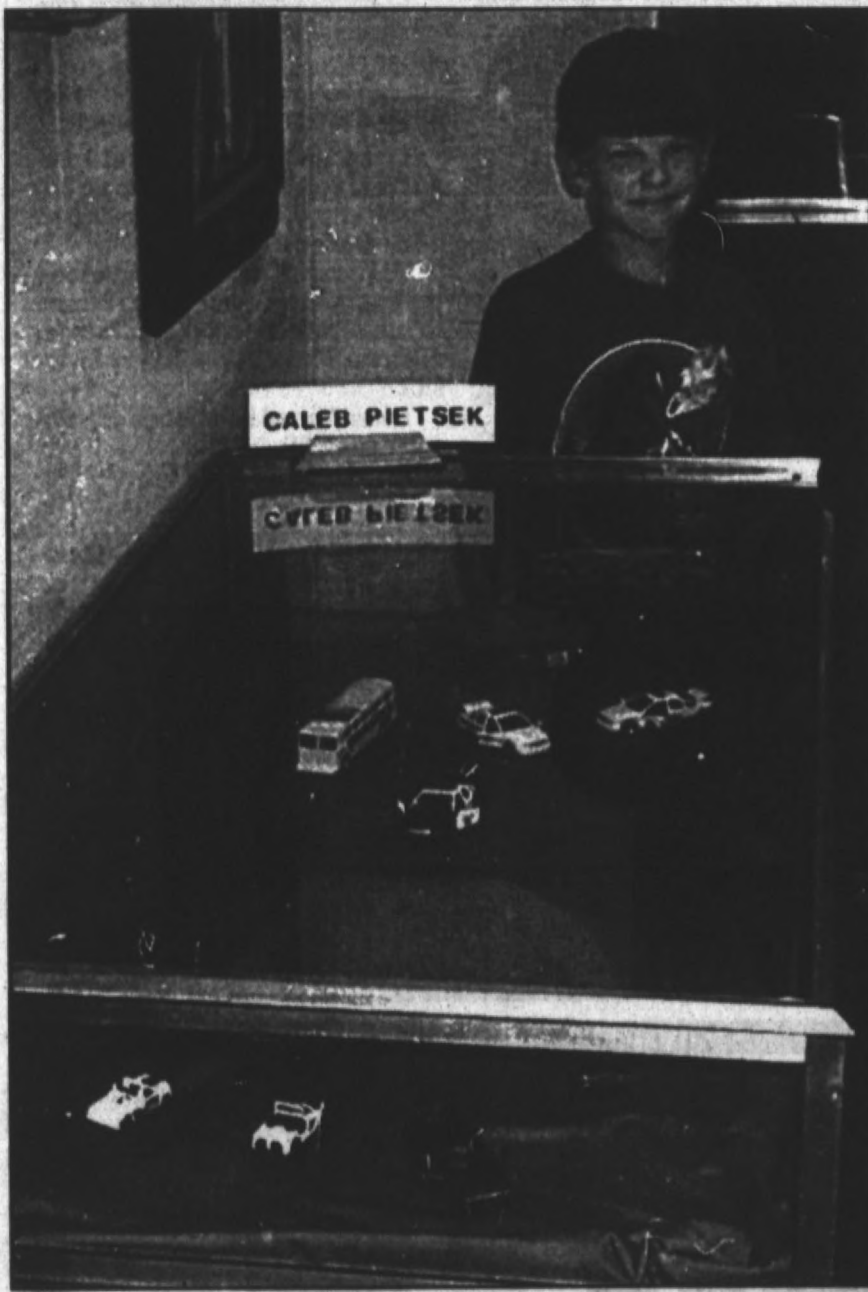
The art of being wise is the art of knowing what to overlook.

—William James



New exhibitors

Two new exhibits are on display at the Deaf Smith County Library through March. Giles Boone (above) stands beside original artwork he completed while in college. Stored until recently, Boone's "rap" art is not for sale. The display of police cars and other vehicles (right) belongs to Caleb Pietsek. He has been collecting for about four years.



St. Patrick's Day Sale
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The program is designed to help individuals become informed health care consumers before needing to use their medical benefits.

The topics that will be discussed are safeguards assuring quality medical care for Medicare patients, Medicare coverage and claims, and eligibility/enrollment for other medical benefits assistance programs.

The meeting is open to the public.

For more information, or to arrange services for persons who have sensory impairments, please write or call before March 23: Terese Meyer, Texas Medical Foundation, 901 Mopac Expressway South, Suite 200, Austin, Texas 78746-5799, 1-800-725-8315.

Names in the News

AMBLER, Pa. (AP) - This is one Brooks who's a little bit country, and a whole lot of other stuff.

Betsy Brooks is leaving her famous baby brother's band to promote her own debut album.

"Garth and I work well in the show together, but my favorite music is not his favorite music," the elder Brooks says in CountryBeat magazine's June edition.

"I love his stuff, don't get me wrong. I would rather play with him than a lot of country artists... but I've also done Janis Joplin, Bonnie Raitt, Aretha Franklin, you know, I'm kind of like a Woodstock baby."

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Church News

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The Reverend Lanny Wheeler, Chaplain at King's Manor, will be our guest preacher for the Sunday morning worship service. His sermon will be based on the scripture Matthew 18:1-5. The service begins at 10:30 a.m.

Sunday School for all ages begins at 9:30 a.m. Between services, come to Fellowship Time 10:10-10:30 a.m. Enjoy a little refreshment and fellowship.

Monday, 9:30 a.m., will be the Women's Bible Study led by Helen Rose.

Following the worship service March 26 we will have the monthly church fellowship dinner. A - H are asked to bring desserts, and those with names starting from M - Z are asked to bring lettuce, tomatoes, onions, sour cream, avocados, shredded cheese, coconut, and pecans.

CHRIST'S CHURCH FELLOWSHIP

BLESS THE LORD, O MY SOUL. AND ALL THAT IS WITHIN ME BLESS HIS HOLY NAME! BLESS THE LORD, O MY SOUL, AND FORGET NOT ALL HIS BENEFITS! God has many benefits for you in a fellowship of praise and worship next Sunday.

Christ's Church Fellowship will have Bible classes at 9:30 a.m. and morning worship and KIDS CHURCH 10:45. KIDS CHURCH has begun an awesome new program called BOOMBOX.

Teens will meet at 6 p.m. on Sunday. Wednesday PRAYER TIME will be at 7 p.m.

Women's PRECEPTS Bible studies will meet Monday at 7 p.m. and Wednesday at 9:45 a.m.

Pastor Otto Schaufele will preach the fourth in the series of "Asking For the Holy Spirit," from Luke 11:8-13.

WESLEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday school is at 10 a.m. Worship at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. There will be a special children's sermon during the morning worship hour. There will be a covered dish dinner Sunday at noon. Choir practice is on Thursdays at 7 p.m.

John Westman, pastor, invites the public to visit Wesley Church at 410 Irving. The sermons each Sunday come

from the Old and New Testaments. Holy Communion is observed the First Sunday of each month.

The Wesley United Methodist Men have a breakfast the first Sunday at 9 a.m. and the Wesley United Methodist Women (WUMW) meet the second Wednesday nights at 7 p.m. with a covered dish supper, business and program. Also a quilt is being quilted at that time.

The Girl Scouts meet Tuesday at 5 p.m. and the Brownies meet Tuesday at 7 p.m. at the church.

ST. THOMAS' EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Ms. Diana Martindale, Clinical Director of the Samaritan Pastoral Counseling Center in Amarillo, will be the preacher on the Third Sunday in Lent. The Holy Eucharist is celebrated at 11 a.m. beginning the Penitential Order I. There is a coffee hour after the service.

Our Wednesday Lenten worship and program will be as Passover Seder Meal beginning at 7 p.m. To make reservations, call St. Thomas' by March 19 at 364-0146 and leave your name and the number that will be attending. Claudia McBrayer is the chair of this all-parish fellowship event. Guests are welcome.

Intercessory prayer requests from the community are most welcome. To have them included in the Prayers of the People at all services, please call 364-0146 and leave a message. In case of emergency or to make appointments for personal conferences, please call Father Wilson in Amarillo at 353-1734.

There is Christian Education each Sunday at 9:30 a.m. The Adult Class continues a series of videos/discussions called "Great Figures of the Bible" from the VISN Network on the Faith and Values channel. "Abraham and Isaac" is the topic Sunday. The Sunday Church School continues a six week mission study on the Church in West Africa.

TEMPLE BAPTIST CHURCH

The Temple Baptist Men's Brotherhood will meet at 7:30 a.m. Sunday in the Fellowship Hall. All men and boys are invited to come have breakfast and fellowship with the Brotherhood of the Church. The food will be good and the program will be good also.

The congregation and the pastor, H. Wyatt Bartlett, of the Temple

Baptist Church invite everyone to come to our services on Sunday. The Sunday School and Bible Study begins at 9:45 a.m. with the worship service at 11 a.m.

The Masterlife study will be at 6 p.m. and evening worship service at 7. The pastor will be preaching at both morning and evening services. Brother Jim Bozeman will be the instructor for our Masterlife Study. The mid-week prayer meeting and Bible Study will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

A warm welcome awaits you at First UMC Hereford. The following schedule is set for Sunday:

9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:45 a.m. Morning Worship-McMurry Sunday
3:00 p.m. "The Last Supper-The Living Picture" rehearsal
4:00 p.m. Confirmation Class
4:30 p.m. United Methodist Youth Fellowship
6:00 p.m. Evening Worship

First Church will be honoring McMurry University Sunday as one of its Methodist schools of higher learning and a school that many of our members proudly graduated from or attended. Dr. Rob Sledge, professor of history from McMurry, will speak about the university during morning worship. "Seek Ye the Lord" will be sung as the anthem by the Sanctuary Choir with Bobby Boyd singing the tenor part. The offertory entitled, "This Thorn" by Twila Paris will be sung by soprano Margaret Williams.

A card shower is being asked for Mr. Howard Hershey, who will be celebrating his 90th birthday on March 23. Cards may be sent or taken to him at his address at the Hereford Care Center, 231 N. Kingwood-Room 507.

FELLOWSHIP OF BELIEVERS

If you do not have a church home or if you are looking for a unique worship experience, you are invited to visit the Fellowship of Believers. Open forum study class is led by Doug Manning at 9:30 a.m. and worship service is at 10:30 a.m. Doug Manning will speak this Sunday at the worship service.

Nursery facilities are available. Free taxi service is available on request by calling 364-0359.

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

Pastor Ted Taylor and congregation offer a cordial invitation for you to join us in Morning Worship this Sunday at 10:30 a.m., as the children and parents sit together for a Family Service.

N.K.K.: Only a few more days till Golf Day, so get your practice swings in before we meet again on Wednesday for a day on the "Green". On Friday we'll learn all about baby animals for Movie Day. Look forward to seeing you.

TEENS: Hey Teens! Don't miss a "Curt DuBose Concert" Wednesday at 7 p.m. in the Gym. You know what an exciting concert Curt does, so come and enjoy an evening of fellowship, good music and song. Bring a friend and have a great time.

ADULT: W.O.W.'s topic this month is "Domestic Violence". Come March 27 at 7 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of the Nazarene Church and learn the true facts as Melba Goforth, of Hereford Outreach of Domestic Violence Services, shares her knowledge on this subject. The chances are it will touch your life in some way.

SUNDAY SCHOOL FEATURE: "Preparing Your Teen for Sexuality". All parents of teenagers need to see this important video series. This class, for parents of teens, is led by Mike and Amy Schumacher and meets in Jacob's Well, upstairs in N.C.A. building.

Ladies Exercise Class is going great. If you want to have fun and still get rid of a lot of stress along with a little weight, come and join us on Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 5:15 p.m. in the Nazarene gym. For more information contact Cathy Bunch at 364-5852.

COMMUNITY CHURCH

Pastor Dorman Duggan and the church congregation would like to extend a warm welcome to everyone to come and worship with them Sunday morning.

Sunday school for all ages begins at 9:30 a.m. and the morning worship service starts at 10:30. A nursery is provided.

The Ladies Prayer Group meets on Tuesday at 9:30 a.m.

The Wednesday schedule includes children's church, youth groups, and prayer time, all beginning at 7 p.m.

For more information or if you need prayer, call 364-8866 or 364-2423.

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN

Sunday School is at 10 a.m. at Immanuel Lutheran Church. We have classes for all ages. If you need a ride, you may contact us at 364-1667 or 364-1668. Our adult Bible class will start a study of the pastoral epistles. Morning worship is at 11 a.m. "Our Cries for Help and God's Open Ear" will be the topic for the day, and this comes from the text in Exodus 3:1-8.

Our Mid-week Lenten Wednesdays service will be on Wednesday evening at 7:30. "A Little is All Right" is the title of the sermon, and the text is Matthew 16:7-2. Second Year Confirmation review will follow the Vespers service.

COUNTRY ROAD CHURCH OF GOD 401 Country Club Drive

Pastor Woody Wiggins and the church congregation invite the public to attend all services and activities at the church.

Sunday school begins at 10 a.m. and the Sunday worship services are held at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Bible study is conducted at 7 p.m. each Thursday.

A nursery is available. Pastor Wiggins said, "If you are needing a place to worship, come be with us. We are here for those who are hurting."

Our 24 hour information and prayer line is 364-5390.

CHRISTIAN ASSEMBLY CHURCH

Pastor Don Cherry and the church congregation invite the public to attend all services at the church located on S. Main St.

We have dismissed Sunday school for the time being and changed our Sunday morning worship service time to 10:30. The Sunday evening service will remain the same (6 p.m.) as will the Wednesday night service at 7.

For additional information, call 364-5874.

ST. ANTHONY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Enrollment for the 95-96 school year will be held from March 20-April 3. Call the school office at 364-1952 for more information.

Homeland Easter ham bucks are being collected for the parish party. Put them in the collection basket to help the needy.

Wheat basket project: Put aside money you save by fasting from meals and at the end of Lent turn it in for support of the Diocesan Rural Life Ministry.

Amarillo Diocesan Council of Catholic Women, 13th Annual Hereford Deanery Spring Meeting. "Our Parish Church: Our Family of Families". St. Teresa's Catholic Church, Friona, April 2.

KARNIVAL: KRAZY: Country store craft items are being sought and collected by Jan Reeve, 364-7200 or Laurie Patzold, 364-1961.

Brisket donations are being sought as well. Please call Dennis or Shelly at 364-5432, Gerald or Wanda at 364-9406 or Colby Kriegshauser at 364-3484.

GOOD NEWS CHURCH 909 Union St.

Pastor David Alvarado and the Good News congregation invite you to join us in worship of our Lord Jesus Christ on Sunday morning.

Our early service begins at 9 a.m. and is in Spanish and our late service begins at 10:40 a.m. and it is in English. Everyone is welcome!

A special invitation is made to those needing healing in their bodies to come to our Healing School on Tuesday nights at 8 where we will pray for the sick.

For additional information or prayer call 364-5239.

(See CHURCH, Page 11)

The Class of '85

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NCAA women's tournament

Wisconsin shocks KU; Raiders get by Tulane

By JEAN PAGEL
Associated Press Writer
LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) - Sharon Johnson's shooting percentage wasn't so hot as she popped in the game-winning shot for Wisconsin 2.8 seconds before the squawk of the final buzzer. But so what? Johnson, who finished 2-of-8, sealed the Badgers' dizzying 73-72 upset of No. 23 Kansas on Thursday in the first round of the NCAA Tournament.

"I can't say what was going through my mind when it went in," Johnson said. "I always watched ESPN and wished I could hit a shot to win a game and I guess I got my wish tonight."

Wisconsin advances to play No. 5 Texas Tech at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Lubbock Municipal Coliseum.

Tech escaped Tulane, 87-72, in a game much tighter than the score indicates.

Tech (31-3) had to come from behind Thursday to beat the Green Wave in front of 8,174 fans in Lubbock.

"We had every reason to fear the crowd and the ranking," said Tulane coach Lisa Stockton. "But they played with the most guts they've shown all year."

The Lady Raiders, seeded second in the Midwest Regional, trailed 15th-seeded Tulane 51-49 midway through the second half.

Tulane (19-10) was making its NCAA Tournament debut against a team two years removed from the national championship.

Christy Thomaskutty hit seven 3-pointers en route to 23 points for Tulane. Mary Ann Marino scored 18 while Barbara Farris had 17.

"I don't think it was being concerned," said Noel Johnson,

who scored 20 for Tech. "It was stepping up and meeting the challenge. Tulane has a great ball club. They played with a lot of heart and intensity and we had to match that."

Tabitha Truesdale hit 17 points and made a game-high 15 assists for the Lady Raiders. Connie Robinson and Michi Atkins each contributed 16.

Tulane had pulled to 35-33 at halftime.

Coach Marsha Sharp thought back to what she said during the break to spark Tech's 6-0 run to start the second half.

"I got after them pretty good," she said. "I challenged them pretty hard. I don't think our intensity was what it should have been."

Tenth-seeded Wisconsin, meanwhile, lagged behind No. 7-seed Kansas most of the game.

The Lady Jayhawks (20-11) built their lead as high as 56-40 with 12:50 remaining.

But Kansas lost momentum when second-team All-America Angela Aycock hurt her right ankle just after the break and sat out 12:01 minutes.

Aycock scored 14 first-half points but could add just 2 after she returned. Tamecka Dixon and Charisse Sampson both scored 17 for Kansas.

Keisha Anderson, wily and quick, paced Wisconsin (20-8) with three steals and 22 points. Barb Franke and Katie Voigt finished with 16 points each.

"Things happen for a reason," Aycock said of Wisconsin's game-winning shot. "They were obviously trying to run the clock down. It was just bad luck of the draw for us that (Johnson) hit the final shot."

Spurs spike 76ers without Rodman

By The Associated Press
Dennis Rodman took a nap and missed the San Antonio Spurs' game. Charles Barkley nearly took one courtesy of Alonzo Mourning, but came back at the end to turn out the lights on the Charlotte Hornets.

Rodman, adding another chapter to his wacky season, said he overslept. But it didn't matter because David Robinson scored 26 points and pulled down 11 rebounds in three quarters as San Antonio beat the Philadelphia 76ers 112-86 Thursday night.

J.R. Reid, starting for Rodman, added 16 points and grabbed seven rebounds.

"It's good to see guys step in and take responsibility (in Rodman's place)," Robinson said. "Everyone was very concerned something had happened to him. We were relieved to hear that he just overslept."

General manager Gregg Popovich said the Spurs had not decided if they would fine Rodman, who showed up late at the Alamodome.

"Good people oversleep once in awhile," he said.

After taking a blow from Mourning midway through the fourth quarter, Barkley came back with a shot of his own.

He scored 29 points and hit a 3-pointer over Mourning with 5.3 seconds to play as the Phoenix held off Charlotte 108-105 in a battle of NBA division leaders.

Earlier in the quarter, Barkley was sent to the bench, courtesy of an unintentional elbow from Mourning. The 6-foot-10 center immediately followed Barkley to the bench to tap him on the head.

"We've got a lot of money invested together in Nike," Barkley said. "He came over to apologize."

Barkley didn't sit long. With the game tied at 105, Mourning missed a hook shot that would have given the Hornets the lead with less than 20 seconds remaining.

Barkley immediately went one-on-one with Mourning and

swished a 3-pointer from the left wing.

"There was a difference of opinion on whether he had had his bell rung too much," Suns coach Paul Westphal said. "I decided he could play."

Elsewhere, it was Cleveland 93, Utah 85; Houston 104, Minnesota 97; Denver 123, Sacramento 101; Portland 113, Boston 98, and Seattle 103, Miami 78.

Spurs 112, 76ers 86

San Antonio's Sean Elliott scored 20 points, going 6-for-8 from 3-point range and setting a Spurs' franchise record for 3s in a half with five.

Rodman didn't show up until the beginning of the second quarter. He never emerged from the locker room.

"I wished he had come at the beginning of the game and played," Popovich said. "We decided not to suit him up. It would have been a circus."

Rodman was suspended from the team for the first three games this season when he threw an ice bag on the floor during the preseason. He took a leave of absence on Nov. 12.

Rodman was again suspended on Dec. 7 when he failed to return from his leave of absence for meetings with Hill. The Spurs activated Rodman from the suspended list on Dec. 10, and are 35-9 since.

Suns 108, Hornets 105

After Barkley's basket over

Mourning, Hersey Hawkins missed a 3-point attempt that would have tied the game for the Hornets. They lost their third straight game.

Larry Johnson had 21 points for Charlotte, while Muggsy Bogues had 19 points and 12 assists. Kevin Johnson added 17 points for Phoenix.

Rockets 104, Timberwolves 97

Kenny Smith scored 23 points and hit two free throws with 8.7 seconds left to help brunt Minnesota's fourth-quarter rally.

After trailing by 24 points early in the fourth quarter, visiting Minnesota cut the lead to six with 10.4 seconds to go on Chris Smith's 3-point basket.

But Kenny Smith's two free throws and another by Carl Herrera kept the Timberwolves at bay. Sean Rooks led Minnesota with 21 points.

Hakeem Olajuwon added 19 points for the Rockets.

Cavaliers 93, Jazz 85

Cleveland, getting a big lift from the return of Mark Price, stopped Utah's nine-game winning streak.

Bobby Phills scored 24 points and Terrell Brandon, who will soon lose his starting job back to Price, had 18 for Cleveland. Karl Malone led the visiting Jazz with 21 points.

Price played for the first time since January and had 10 points and five assists in 14 minutes off the bench. He did most of his damage as Cleveland built a 10-point lead early in the fourth quarter.

Price, who had a screw implanted in his broken right wrist in January, returned after missing 27 games. He contributed on Cleveland's first five baskets of the fourth quarter, scoring five points and getting three assists.

Nuggets 123, Kings 101

Mahmoud Abdul-Rauf and Dale Ellis scored 19 points apiece as hot-shooting Denver defeated Sacramento.

The Nuggets, winners of six of eight games, shot 61.3 percent against the NBA's leading team in field-goal defense.

Visiting Sacramento got 17 points from Mitch Richmond.

Trail Blazers 113, Celtics 98

Rod Strickland, Buck Williams and Otis Thorpe scored 19 points apiece as Portland handed Boston its sixth straight loss.

Boston's Dominique Wilkins had 25 points, 18 of those in the first half on 7-of-11 shooting. Sherman Douglas and Dec Brown added 18 points apiece.

Clifford Robinson added 18 points before picking up his fourth foul midway through the third period, and Terry Porter had 16 for Portland.

SuperSonics 103, Heat 78

Detlef Schrempf scored 20 points and Ervin Johnson had a career-high 15 as Seattle held visiting Miami to a season-low point total.

Shawn Kemp had 12 points and 16 rebounds for the Sonics. Kevin Gamble led the Heat with 16 points.

DuRoss' hit lifts Tech over UT

HOUSTON (AP) - Randy DuRoss's RBI single with no outs in the ninth inning gave Texas Tech a 4-3 win over Texas in the opener of the Southwest Conference First Pitch Tournament on Thursday.

The Tech first baseman's one-run game-winner extended DuRoss' hitting streak to a school-record 22 games.

The win was the Red Raiders' 12th in a row, three shy of the 1988 school record.

Texas (24-5, 0-1 SWC) had come back from 2-0 deficit to take a 3-2 lead on Danny Peoples' one-run pinch single in the top of the seventh.

But Tech (22-3, 1-0) countered in the bottom of the eighth with an RBI double from Marcus McCain to tie the score, setting the stage for

DuRoss' game winner in the ninth.

Tech sophomore left-hander Matt Miller had eight strikeouts against one walk as he went the distance, scattering 10 hits while elevating his record to 5-1.

Texas reliever Rad Weaver absorbed the loss, falling to 0-1. J.D. Smart, the 1994 SWC strikeout champ, rang up just one strikeout in his 7-1/3 inning start for UT.

The tournament opens the Southwest Conference baseball season.

In the other game, Baylor's Ron Patterson doubled twice in a 3-hit day and drove in two runs, leading the Bears to a 6-4 victory over Texas A&M Freshman Matthew Marcom (3-0) got the victory for Baylor (14-6, 1-0). He retired the Texas A&M

(14-10-1, 0-1) on one hit over the final 1-2/3 innings in relief of Kris Lambert and Brett Bergman.

The loss went to Aggies senior Brian Parker, who relieved starter Justin Atchley two batters after a 66-minute rain delay and surrendered six hits and two runs in two innings. Chad Allen had three singles to pace the Aggie attack.

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Sports

Tascosa ace shuts out Herd in CISD tourney

Tascosa's Jason Garcia limited Hereford to one hit and shut out the Herd 3-0 Thursday at Randall High School.

Hereford (3-6) went into the loser's bracket of the Canyon Independent School District Classic III. The Herd was to take on Caprock early Friday morning at Randall. Caprock (5-6) lost to Dumas 4-3 in the first round. Tascosa improved to 5-3.

Garcia, a left-hander, recorded 12 strikeouts and had a no-hitter with two outs in the seventh, but Tanner Murphey cracked a clean single up the middle. Homer Hamilton, who was on second after a walk and stolen base, was thrown out at the plate on the play for the final out.

"He's probably one of the top pitchers in the Panhandle," Herd coach Pete Rodriguez said, adding that Garcia was throwing the ball 86 miles per hour. "Anytime you throw in the high 80s and throw strikes, you'll be tough to hit."

Garcia overshadowed a good performance by three Hereford pitchers. Eric Ambold started and pitched three innings. He gave up all three runs—one in the second and two in the third. Hereford committed only two errors in the game, but each came with a Tascosa runner on third.

Gregg Kalka pitched three scoreless innings for Hereford, and Jacob Lopez shut out the Rebels in the seventh.

The Hereford pitchers only allowed four hits combined, Rodriguez said.

"We played solid baseball other than those two little errors that let in runs," Rodriguez said. "We stranded some people on base. When we needed a hit, we didn't get it. We didn't get that crucial hit to bring in those guys."

Hereford was to play twice today whether it won or lost to Caprock. A loss puts Hereford in a guarantee game at 1 p.m. at Randall; a win means a 4 p.m. game at Randall. Two wins today would put Hereford into the consolation final at 11:30 a.m. Saturday at Canyon High School.

Pitman closed to golfers 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Pitman Municipal Golf Course will be closed to the public from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday as the course hosts a high school golf tournament. This applies to golfers; spectators are welcome.

The tournament started today and concludes Saturday. The tourney includes such boys' and girls' teams as Hereford, Borger and Pampa, as well as Tulia's Class 3A state champion boys' team.

Longhorns run past Ducks for NCAA win

By STEVE WILSTEIN
AP Sports Writer
SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - Texas let loose its rip 'n' run brand of basketball, going from ugly to awesome as it wore down Oregon 90-73 Thursday night in the NCAA West Regional.

Terrence Rencher, who scored 19 points, and Roderick Anderson, who added 15 points and seven assists, led the Texas attack from the backcourt with their speed and penetration.

Texas (23-7) kept up a relentless ball-swinging, fast-breaking style from start to finish, but made a critical tactical shift in the second half, going inside more and using its superior size and muscle to break open the game. The Longhorns shot 61 percent from the field in the second half, after hitting on only 36 percent in the first half.

Oregon (19-9) was led by guard Orlando Williams' 23 points, but it was his 5-for-15 3-point shooting and the even poorer outside shooting by the rest of the Ducks that hurt them

throughout. Oregon hit on just 7 of 33 3-point attempts, and shot 38 percent overall from the field.

Texas, making its sixth NCAA appearance in seven years, took only a 39-37 advantage into the second half after the teams exchanged the lead seven times in a sloppy first half that featured 10 turnovers by Oregon, seven by Texas, and 25 fouls between them.

Instead of working the ball inside or looking for good open shots, both teams took turns flinging shots from 3-point range with little success. Texas shot 4-for-15 on 3-pointers in the half, Oregon 3-for-17.

Texas took a 14-7 lead at the start when Anderson finally hit the first 3-pointer, but Oregon scored the next eight points to go ahead 15-14.

Oregon hadn't played in the NCAA tournament in 34 years and hadn't won a game in it since 1960. But getting this far was still an achievement that complemented the school's visit to the Rose Bowl in January.

NCAA tourney starts Madly Oklahoma, Arizona are victims of early upsets

By The Associated Press
Three overtime games, two big upsets and a bunch of star performances, all in one day. Already, it's March Madness.

The NCAA tournament started in its usual, crazy style Thursday. In the afternoon, Miami of Ohio surprised Arizona 71-62 while Manhattan upended Oklahoma 77-67.

Early in the evening, Antonio McDyeess had 39 points and 19 rebounds as Alabama held off Penn 91-85 in overtime.

Later at night, Western Kentucky finished off Michigan's Fab Five era with an 82-76 win in overtime.

"It was a classic game," Western Kentucky first-year coach Matt Kilcullen said.

Another 16 games were scheduled for today. Among them was a matchup between top-ranked UCLA and Florida International, the only team in the tournament with a losing record, and the first-ever meeting of coach Bob Knight's Indiana Hoosiers and Norm Stewart's Missouri Tigers.

"He and I have been good friends for a long time. I've really enjoyed the friendship I have had with him," Knight said.

In other results Thursday:
- Wake Forest beat North Carolina A&T 79-47, Saint Louis defeated Minnesota 64-61 in overtime and Oklahoma State downed Drexel 73-49 in the East Regional in Baltimore.

- Kentucky routed Mount St. Mary's 113-67, Arizona State beat Ball State 81-66 and Tulane topped Brigham Young 76-70 in the Southeast in Memphis.

- Kansas held off Colgate 82-68 and Virginia defeated Nicholls State 96-72 in the Midwest in Dayton, Ohio.

- Connecticut trounced Tennessee-Chattanooga 100-71, Cincinnati tripped Temple 77-71, Maryland beat Gonzaga 87-63 and Texas trimmed Oregon 90-73 in the West in Salt Lake City.

EAST
Wake Forest 79,
North Carolina A&T 47

Tim Duncan scored 21 points and Randolph Childress had 15 as the top-seeded Deamon Deacons advanced to play Saint Louis. Wake Forest (25-5) won its 11th straight game. John Floyd had 18 points for the Aggies (15-15), now 0-9 in NCAA tournament games.

Saint Louis 64, Minnesota 61, OT
Saint Louis (23-7) won in the NCAA tournament for the first time in 43 years. The ninth-seeded Billikens blew a 17-point lead in regulation, then held on as Minnesota (19-12) missed four 3-pointers in the last 30 seconds of overtime.

Scott Highmark scored 18 points and Erwin Claggett had 16 for Saint Louis. Voshon Lenard had 18 points for Minnesota.

Alabama 91, Penn 85, OT
Antonio McDyeess scored a career-high 39 points, setting a school record for an NCAA tournament game. The Crimson Tide (23-9) began the overtime with an 11-0 run.

The teams combined for a tournament-record 42 points in one overtime, breaking the mark of 37 set by Utah and Missouri in 1978. Jerome Allen scored 30 points for the Quakers (22-6).

Oklahoma State 73, Drexel 49
Bryant Reeves had 21 points and 11 rebounds despite being guarded by two and three defenders at a time. The Cowboys (24-9), 13-1 in the first round of the tournament, next play Alabama. Drexel (22-8) was held without a basket for the first 8 1/2 minutes.

SOUTHEAST
Manhattan 77, Oklahoma 67

The 13th-seeded Jaspers, criticized by some for making the field, showed they could play with the Sooners. Jeronimo Buccero, who averaged only 5 points per game this season, scored all 14 of his points in the second half for Manhattan (26-4). Ryan Minor, the Big Eight player of the year, scored 24 for Oklahoma (23-9).

"(Chairman) Bob Frederick and the tournament selection committee are not quite as dumb as people think," Manhattan coach Fran Fraschilla said.

Arizona St. 81, Ball St. 66
Sun Devils coach Bill Frieder improved to 6-0 in first-round games. Ron Riley scored 24 points and Mario Bennett had 21 as Arizona State (23-8) advanced to play Manhattan. Ball State (19-11) missed six of its first eight shots and turned the ball over seven times in the opening eight minutes.

Kentucky 113,
Mount St. Mary's 67
Kentucky had its highest-scoring game in 97 NCAA tournament appearances. The top-seeded Wildcats (26-4) also set a school record for their most-lopsided win in the tournament. Tony Delk led the way with 20 points. Coach Jim Phelan, making his tournament debut after 41 years at Mount St. Mary's (17-13), saw his team take a 5-2 lead in the first 90 seconds.

NIT results

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First Round, Thursday
Ohio University 83, George Washington 71
South Florida 74, St. John's 67
Providence 72, College of Charleston 67
St. Bonaventure 75, Southern Mississippi 70
Nebraska 69, Georgia 61
Bradley 86, Eastern Michigan 85, 2OT
Illinois State 93, Utah State 87, OT

Tulane 76, Brigham Young 70

Kim Lewis scored 22 points and Tulane moved into the second round against Kentucky. BYU (22-10) got 20 points from both Kenneth Roberts and Russell Larson, but lost the ball 14 times on steals.

MIDWEST
Miami, Ohio 71, Arizona 62

Devin Davis had 24 points and 15 rebounds as 12th-seeded Miami sent Arizona to its third opening-round loss in the last four years. Miami (23-6) won an NCAA tournament game for the first time since 1978.

Arizona (23-8), a Final Four team last year, got 18 points from Damon Stoudamire, reinstated after a one-game suspension for an NCAA rules violation. The Wildcats played without backup center Ben Davis; suspended for a separate rules violation.

Virginia 96, Nicholls St. 72
Harold Deane scored 21 points for the Cavaliers (23-8), who next play Miami on Saturday. Nicholls State (24-6) lost in its first tournament appearance.

Kansas 82, Colgate 68
The Jayhawks, leading by only four points early in the second half, pulled away to their 12th straight opening-round victory. Billy Thomas scored 19 points for top-seeded Kansas (24-5). Colgate (17-14) lost their first tournament game.

Western Kentucky 82,
Michigan 76, OT

Michael Fralix made a 3-pointer with 9.1 seconds left in regulation that tied it, then Western Kentucky (27-3) started the overtime with a 10-0 run. The Hilltoppers now play Kansas.

The loss closed out the Fab Five days at Michigan (17-14). Ray Jackson scored 28 points and Jimmy King had 23 points and 17 rebounds; they were the last two members left from the star recruiting class that reached two NCAA title games and a regional final.

WEST
Connecticut 100,
Tennessee-Chattanooga 71

The top-seeded Huskies (26-4) scored the game's first 15 points and never were threatened in advancing to play Cincinnati. Donny Marshall had 22 points and Ray Allen 18. Mauro Hanson had 28 for the Moccasins (19-11).

Cincinnati 77, Temple 71
LaZelle Durden had six 3-pointers and finished with 24 points as Cincinnati beat Temple for the second time this season.

The Bearcats (22-11) and Owls (19-11) combined for 26 3-pointers, one shy of the tournament record. Johnny Miller had 30 points for Temple.

Texas 90, Oregon 73
Terrence Rencher scored 19 points and Texas (23-7) used its pressure defense to slow down the Ducks. See separate story on this page.

Maryland 87, Gonzaga 63

The Terrapins set an NCAA record by winning its 12th straight first-round game without a loss. They won despite getting only nine points from foul-plagued All-American Joe Smith. Duane Simpkins scored 21 points for Maryland (25-7), which advanced to take on Texas. Gonzaga (21-12) lost its first NCAA tournament game.

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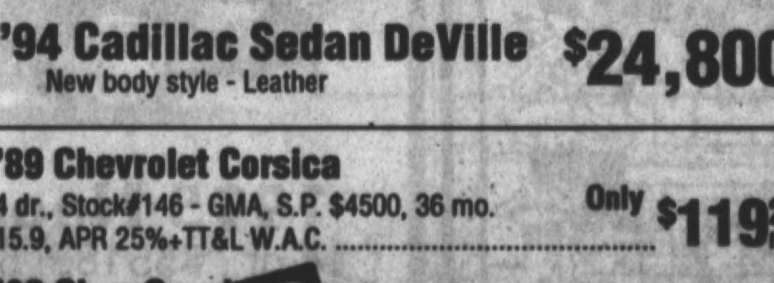
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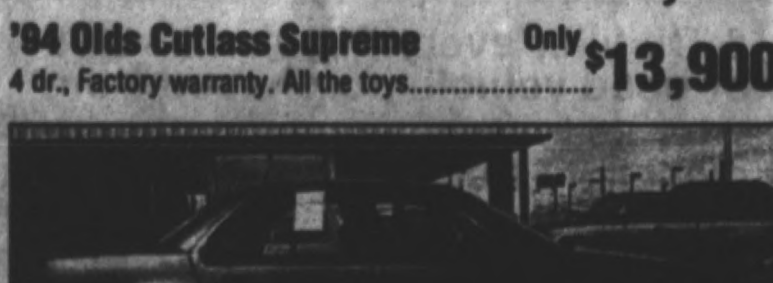
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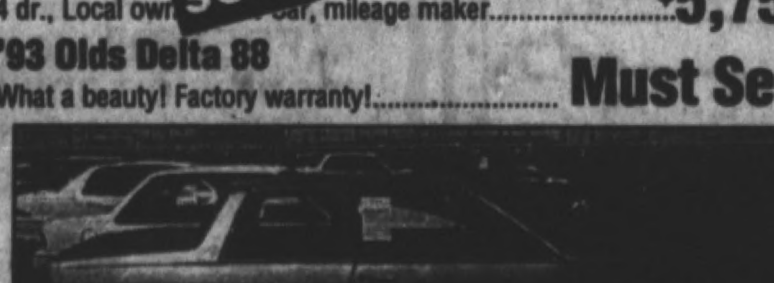
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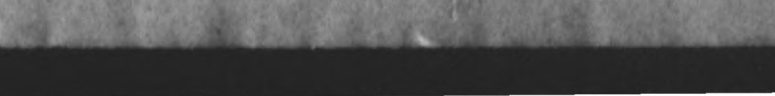
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Program helps Amarillo families get off welfare

By ERIC VAUGHAN
Amarillo Globe-News
AMARILLO, Texas - As the war over welfare reform rages in Washington, another battle is under way in Amarillo to help 16 families end their dependence on government aid.

Phyllis Davenport, a single mother with three children, is part of the new Family Self Sufficiency program, which is operated by the city's Community Development Department.

"Being a single parent, I don't know if I'll get married or what, but I want to make it on my own," Ms. Davenport said.

She does not fit the stereotypical image of a welfare recipient. She graduated from high school and works full-time as a program supervisor for the Children's Cottage. But she still can't make ends meet without some help.

Through the program, she wants to go to college and earn a degree that will help further her career. And she wants to end her partial reliance on welfare.

"I want to get off government assistance and be able to provide some kind of financial security for my kids," she said.

The families in the program have signed five-year contracts of participation, which outline the responsibilities of the family and the agency.

As part of the contract, the family must be free from all welfare assistance during the last year of the program, said Marie Albino, the city's supportive housing coordinator.

"They have a lot of barriers that they face in their situations, from not having child care to not having transportation," Ms. Albino said.

These are some of the problems that the comprehensive program will help families solve. Other agencies

will provide participants with services such as child care, financial aid for school, mental and dental assistance and transportation and educational services.

"You can't just provide housing," Ms. Albino said. "That's just enabling them to stay where they're at. I think it's more in-tune with the welfare reform that's coming."

Republicans in Congress have proposed welfare reforms that would cut spending on public assistance programs by at least \$50 billion over five years. The reform plan is expected to go to the House floor for a vote in less than two weeks.

But if the 16 Amarillo families in the self-sufficiency program are successful, they will no longer have to worry about cuts in welfare programs.

Tonja Vandagriff is a single mother with five sons. Although she is participating in the program, she already is well down the road to self-sufficiency.

Ms. Vandagriff began taking classes at Amarillo College in the spring of 1992. She will graduate this summer with an associate degree in word processing and plans to earn a real estate license.

"It did not take the program to motivate me to get myself on my feet to try to support my family," she said. "The program has just been an extra benefit for that."

And Ms. Vandagriff hopes her five sons will learn from her example. "I hope they will see in me the value of going to school, finishing school and getting a good education."

From single mothers to single fathers, there are a variety of people involved in the Family Self Sufficiency program in Amarillo. Most have high school educations or GEDs, and one has a bachelor's degree. Some have been receiving welfare for a decade. Others have been on government aid for a short time. But

all are receiving some type of government assistance, and they are determined to get off.

The program, which is partially funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, can be completed in less than five years if participants reach all of their goals.

"It's very individualized and that's another unique factor of the program," Ms. Albino said. "There's very intense follow-up ... to make sure they're not slipping through the cracks."

Through the self-sufficiency program, the families will find help in cutting through the red tape that often hinders them from receiving aid. They will get help in applying for and filling out financial aid and scholarship applications. And the program will help them overcome common barriers, such as finding child care while they work or go to school.

"We do know that having education is the key to being self-sufficient - that education is important to their success," Ms. Albino said.

Another incentive is an escrow for each participant based on increases in their earned income throughout the contract. When participants earn money, they are required to pay a certain amount of their rent, and money will be put into the escrow.

"It will be available when they complete their contract," Ms. Albino said. "If they quit, they won't get the escrow money."

The program is still in its early stages, but Ms. Albino said she expects to see a lot of progress for the families during the next few years.

"Some of them just need that support and know that you can succeed and you deserve to succeed," she said.

"The success is going to depend on their commitment ... but we'll sure give them all the guidance and support they need to be successful."

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MARCH 17

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News	Wh. Fortune	Fam. Mat.	Boy-World	Step	On Our Own	20/20	News	(35) Cheers	Cap. News	Lawson Liv
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Pony Tales	Care Bears	C. Brown	Marsupilami	Movie: Felix the Cat ++½ NF	Movie: Bingo Cindy Williams. ++ PG	Danger Day				
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Government	Government	Wash. Week	Wall St.	Quitting '90s	Sewing	Griiling	Garden	Gourmet		
(05) Bonanza	(05) Bonanza	(05) WCW Pro Wrestling	(05) National Geographic Explorer							
Sonic	Free Willy	Cryptseper	Reboot	Bump	Fudge	Bugs & T.	Bugs & T.	Cro	Weekend	Emer. Call
Peppermint	Storyburn	Rocking Chair Rebellion	Sunshine	Gerbert	Just Kids	Kingdom	Pet Care	Plant Groom	Lifestyle	
Farm Report	Business	News	MotorWeek	Fishing	Gold Show	Tower	Soul Train	Baseball		
Mermald	Beethoven	Aladdin	Turtles	Garfield	Garfield	WildC.A.T.S.	Warriors	College Basketball		
Animaniacs	Rangers	Esk!	Batman	Spider-Man	Tick	X-Men	Sardiego	Saved-Bell	Off. World	
Fishin' Hole	Outdoors	Fly Fishing	Salt Water	WalkerCay	Auto Racing	Sportstr.	NASCAR	Formula 1	Auto Racing	
Madeline	Wish Kid	Mario	Max. Drive	Masters	Bly Dog	Big Jake	RaceWeek	Bonanza	Chaparral	
Paddington	Paddington	Movie: The Air Up There Kevin Bacon	Bacon	Ready-Not	Degrass J.	Movie: Dad Jack Lemmon. +++ PG				
Smogglie!	Encyclopd.	Movie: So I Married an Axe Murderer	Movie: Ordinary Magic Glenn Headly. 'NR'	Movie: Krull Kim Marshall. ++ PG						
Movie: Rudy (1993) Sean Astin, Ned Beatty. +++ PG	Movie: 36 Hours (1994) James Garner, Eva Marie Saint.									
(Off Air)	Auto Racing NASCAR Busch Series -- Goodwrench 200	Outdoors	Fishing	In-Fish	Fishin'	Bill Dance				
Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	In the Wild	Nature W.	Pet Con.	Animals	Santarcusa	Himalayas	America Coast to Coast	Nature	
Wildlife Mysteries	In Search Of	In Search Of	Civil War Journal	David L. Wolper Presents	20th Century	Investigat.				
Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Baby Knows	Your Baby	Our Home	Love	
On the Line	Fishing	Paid Prog.	Jim Gilligan	Fame	Collector	Rugby	Hockey			
Hondo	How the West Was Won	Wild, Wild West	Wild, Wild West	Wild, Wild West	Movie: The Good Old Boys (1995)					
Doug	Rugrats	Muppets	Muppets	Beetlejuice	Gumby	Alvin Show	Kabooey	Bing, Sound	My Brother	Looney
Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	World Wrestling Mania	Knight Rider	Knight Rider	Two Dads	Major Dad	Movie: Hider		
Lente Loco	Cantinflas	La Hora de los Tigritos	El Club de Gaby	Johnny Canales	Super Sabado Sensacional	Gardening	Gardening	Peasant		
Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Cookbook	Kitchen	Southern	Carto Cooks	Burger	Caprials	Gardening	Peasant	
Tom and Jerry	Moxy Pirate	Fly Fishing	Auto Dog	Boomerang						

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By Tom Armstrong



BLONDIE

by Dean Young & Stan Drake



BETLE BAILEY

By Mort Walker



Barney Google and Snuffy Smith

By Fred Lasswell



SUNDAY

MARCH 19

7 AM	7:30	8 AM	8:30	9 AM	9:30	10 AM	10:30	11 AM	11:30	12 PM
Pony Tales	Care Bears	Charlie B.	Marsupilami	Movie: The Rescuers Down Under 'G'	Rel. Dragon	Baby-Sitters	Kids Incorp.	Movie		
Paid Prog.	Greg	Robison	Larry Jones	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Baptist Church	NBA Basketball			
Perspective	Perspective	Mr Rogers	Sammy	Jazz-West	Utah	Arts	Tradition	Tradition	Decisions	Think Tank
Bugs Bunny	Planet	Flintstones	Flintstones	Boos?	(35) Movie: Troop Beverly Hills (1995) +++					
Edson	Animal	Good Morning America	Newsworthy	Haven	Target	Reparar	Reparar	Wash-David	Brinkley	News
Worship	Views	Mass	Worship	Ths. Hope	Power Point	Paachtime	Discovery	Winning Walk		
Menace	Flintstones	Boo				Sar Search		Litachyes	Movie:	
Hour of Power	Church	First Baptist Church	Sunday Morning					College Basketball		
Lonesome Dove-Series	Gumshots	Movie: The McMasters (1970) Buf. Hrb. ++½						Bonanza	Gritts	
Speed Golf	Str. PGA	Inside PGA	Sportstr.	Sportstr.	Sportstr.	Sportstr.	Sportstr.	Sportstr.	Sportstr.	Outside the Lines
Popsie	Healthat	Madeline	Wish Kid	Mario	Max. Drive	Masters	Bly Dog	Purly B.	Movie: Captain January	
Movie: Son of the Pink Panther ++ PG	(45) Movie: Always (1989) Richard Dreyfuss, Holly Hunter. ++½ PG	Movie: In the Line of Duty: Who	Movie: Blue Chips (1994)							
(Off Air)	(45) Movie: Warlords of Atlantis Doug McClure. PG	Movie: Wayne's World 2 Mike Myers.	Movie: Butch Cassidy-Sundance Kid							
Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Deal Meads	Home	Start	Cutline	Great Chads	Cushman K.	Carlier - Perivas	at Best	
Home Again	Home Again	Smothered With the Arts								
Race Report	English Sector	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Commath	Commath	Movie: He's Not Your Son (1994) ++		
Scoby Doo	Scoby Doo	Bugs Bunny	Gilliam	In a Heat of the Night	Movie: Outspying (1993) Tom Berenger, Martin Sheen. ++½					
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(0:00) Carleen Espinoza	Carleen Espinoza									
Johnny Canales	Tommy-Do	Lee Pagan	Aravanna	Chapitls	Ordn Max	Control	Drawings	Depictive		
Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Bestman's	Bestman's	Dancing	Handshakes	Parfills	Plano	Houston	Teacher TV	Planet
Aaron Ant	B. Squared	Casper	Casper	Dev Coyote	Young R.R.	Parfills	Compartno	New Bonny Doo	Movie	Phony

Tips for preparing '94 returns

IRS changes rules on electronic tax filing, refunding

By DAVE SKIDMORE
Associated Press Writer
WASHINGTON (AP) - Worried about fraud, the Internal Revenue Service is making it more difficult to obtain an "instant refund" by filing your return electronically.

Electronic filing - offered through tax preparation services - still will be available, even encouraged by the IRS. But one of the prime motivators for using the service will be less common.

In the past, after a taxpayer filed an electronic return claiming a refund, the IRS would spit back a notice within 24 hours saying the refund wasn't encumbered by a delinquent student loan or other past-due debt to the federal government.

With that assurance, banks - working with tax preparers - would issue a loan for the amount of the

refund, deducting a fee averaging around \$30.

But the IRS believes such quickie loans encourage fast-buck artists to take the money and run. It will no longer issue the notices.

Banks still will make some loans, but to fewer taxpayers, and they likely will reduce their loan limit and double their fees to cover an increased risk of delinquencies, predicted John Hewitt, president of the Jackson Hewitt Tax Service in Virginia Beach, Va.

"I expect 20 percent to 40 percent of the people who received loans last year to be turned down. That's going to create a lot of angry taxpayers," he said.

But even without an instant-refund loan, you may want to consider filing electronically, especially if you already are having your return done by a professional preparer. Some will

transmit a return at no additional cost. If you do the return yourself and bring it in for transmission, the usual charge is around \$35.

The IRS promises your refund within 21 days, if there aren't any problems, compared with 40 days for a paper return.

Electronic filing cuts down on paperwork and errors. And the IRS will deposit your refund directly into your bank account. In some states, you can file your state return electronically at the same time.

The electronic return originator must follow up your electronic return by mailing Form 8453 with your signature and your W-2 forms.

Late last year, the IRS tightened the requirements for tax preparers who participate in the electronic filing program, so some may drop

out. But for the first time, it will allow some big corporations to file electronically for their employees.

The agency is projecting 15.5 million electronic returns this year, up from 13.5 million last year, of which about 32,000 were fraudulent.

It expects an additional 726,000 people, up from 519,000 last year, to file by calling a toll-free number, available nearly round the clock, and punching in their tax information on their telephone.

The program has been expanded to all or part of 10 states and is now available in Colorado, southern Texas and northern California. As before, TeleFile also will be available in Florida, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio, South Carolina and West Virginia.

People in those states can participate if they are single, would otherwise use Form 1040EZ, do not

qualify for the earned income credit and have the same address as last year.

The IRS sends a special package to prospective telephone filers. The whole call takes about five minutes and taxpayers must follow up by mailing in a Form 1040-TEL and their W-2 forms after they finish the call. If they owe taxes, they can send the check any time up until the filing deadline - April 17 this year.

Last year, according to the General Accounting Office, IRS lines devoted to TeleFile were swamped. Only about 13 percent of calls were answered. But the IRS plans to

double the number of lines this year.

There's also a third alternative to paper returns - Form 1040PC. It's a computer program that allows taxpayers to figure their taxes on their home computer and then print out a return with only the lines the taxpayers need, reducing paperwork and errors.

Last year, 4.2 million taxpayers used Form 1040PC, down from 4.8 million in 1993. The IRS is working with computer software firms to make this option more popular.

And it hopes about 30,000 taxpayers will use either CompuServe or America Online to file their returns from their personal computers.

Social security beneficiaries for first time must grapple with alterations in tax liability

By DAVE SKIDMORE
Associated Press Writer
WASHINGTON (AP) - In August 1993, Congress raised taxes for 13 percent of Social Security recipients. Now, more than a year later, those affected will have to grapple with the changes for the first time when they fill out their tax returns.

As before, about 22 percent of the 42 million Social Security recipients - the 9.4 million with the highest incomes - will have to pay taxes on a portion of their benefits.

What's new is that 5.5 million of those will have to pay tax on a bigger proportion of their benefits.

If you received Social Security

benefits you should receive Form SSA-1099 in the mail by Jan. 31. IRS Notice 703, included with the form, has a worksheet to help you figure if you owe tax, and Publication 915 has more information.

As before, up to 50 percent of your benefits will be subject to tax if your other income plus half your Social Security benefits totaled between \$32,000 and \$44,000 (married filing jointly) or between \$25,000 and \$34,000 (single).

But now, in addition, up to 85 percent of your benefits will be subject to tax if your income - including half your benefits - was more than \$44,000 (married filing jointly) or more than \$34,000 (single).

Here is how to determine whether some of your benefits will be taxed:

1. Add all the taxable income items you listed on the front of your tax return, except Social Security.

Subtract any adjustments, such as IRA contributions, alimony paid and half your self-employment tax. Add any tax-exempt interest and half your 1994 Social Security benefits.

2. Compare this new total with the lowest of your two "base amounts." For a married couple filing a joint return, the two base amounts are \$32,000 and \$44,000. If you are a married person filing separately who lived with your spouse at any time in 1994, you have one base amount - zero. For all other filers, the two base amounts are \$25,000 and \$34,000.

If the total in Step 1 is less than the lowest base amount, none of your Social Security benefits is taxable.

If Step 1 is between the two base amounts, then you pay tax on the smaller of:

- Half your Social Security, or
- Half the difference between Step 1 and your smallest base amount.

If Step 1 is bigger than the largest

base amount, then go to Step 3.

3. Add 85 percent of the difference between Step 1 and your largest base amount plus the smaller of:

- Half your Social Security, or
- Half the difference between Step 1 and your smallest base amount, or
- Half the difference between your two base amounts.

4. You pay tax on the smaller of:

- Step 3, or
- 85 percent of your Social Security.

The taxable amount is entered on Line 20b of Form 1040 or on Line 13b of 1040A. If any part of your Social Security is taxable, you may not use Form 1040EZ.

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Garage Sale: Fri. 8 to 6, Sat. 8 to 3. Clothing for all ages. Lots of misc. 238 Hickory. 28906

Garage Sale: 318 Star. Fri. & Sat. 8 to 5. refrigerator, stove, dryer, lawnmower & clothes & miscellaneous items. 28907

Garage Sale: 142 Kingwood, 8 til 7. Sat. only. TV, misc. furniture, clothes, all sizes. 28909

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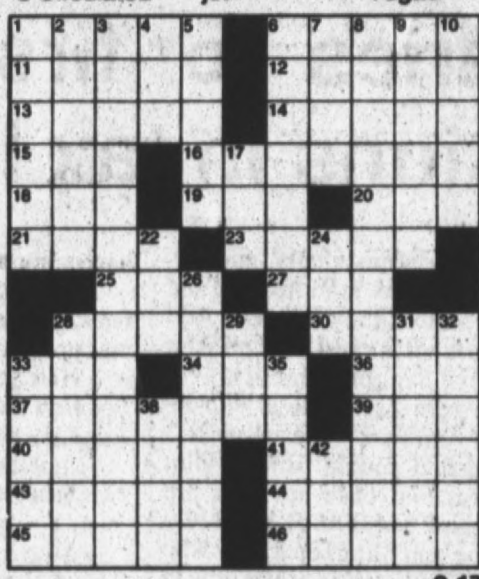
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NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF VIRGIL F. MARSH

On March 13, 1995, original letters testamentary were issued to me by the Probate Court of Deaf Smith County, Texas, acting in Cause No. PR 4160, styled IN RE: ESTATE OF VIRGIL F. MARSH, DECEASED, IN THE COUNTY COURT OF DEAF SMITH COUNTY, TEXAS, SITTING IN PROBATE, and in which court the matter is pending. I now hold those letters testamentary, and administration of the estate of VIRGIL F. MARSH has commenced.

All persons having claims against the estate of VIRGIL F. MARSH are required to present those claims to me at the address shown below prior to the expiration of the limitations period on the claims, before the estate is closed, and within the time prescribed by law.

Dated: March 16, 1995.

SHERRI MARSH SARGENT
EXECUTRIX OF THE ESTATE OF VIRGIL F. MARSH
105 Oak Street
Hereford, Texas 79045
(806) 364-4028

Hereford Regional Medical Center is now taking bids for electrical work to be done in preparation for the installation of the CAT scanner. The bids will be opened March 28, 1995 and the bid will be awarded March 31, 1995. For bid specifications contact Claudia Smith, Radiology Department of the hospital. Send bids to Rodney Bailey, CFO, 801 East Third Street, Hereford, Texas 79045.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of **BILLY FRANK WALL**, Deceased, were issued on March 13, 1995, in Docket No. 4158, pending in the County Court of Deaf Smith County, Texas, to: **ROSE MARIE WALL**.

The residence of the Independent Executor is in Deaf Smith County, Texas; the post office address is:

Rose Marie Wall
519 Avenue J
Hereford, Texas 79045

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

DATED the 13th day of March, 1995.

Rex W. Easterwood, P.C.
Attorney for the Estate

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) is initiating planning studies to identify possible freeway routes between Lubbock, beginning at the terminus point of Interstate Highway 27, and terminating at points along Interstate Highway 40 between Fort Stockton and Junction. The study will also identify possible freeway routes located north of Interstate Highway 40 to the Texas state line commencing at Interstate Highway 27 in Amarillo.

TxDOT will conduct a public meeting on March 27, 1995 starting at 7:00 p.m. with public input beginning at 7:30 p.m., Amarillo City Commission Chambers, 3rd floor of City Hall at 509 E. 7th, Amarillo, for the purpose of discussing the route study and soliciting input from citizens and other concerned groups. TxDOT will conduct an open house at the same location from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

All interested citizens are invited to attend the open house to provide input. TxDOT will have personnel available to answer questions and provide assistance. Persons interested in attending the hearing who have special communication or accommodation needs are encouraged to contact the District Public Information Officer at (806) 356-3256. Requests should be made no later than two days prior to the public hearing. TxDOT will make every reasonable effort to accommodate these needs.

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Church News

(Continued from Page 4)

SAN JOSE CATHOLIC CHURCH

The San Jose Total Youth Ministry will be presenting their 8th Annual Talent Show on Friday, March 17 at 7 p.m. in San Jose Church Hall. Fee is \$3 per person and \$1 under 11. Please come and support our youth.

On April 8, San Jose Catholic Church will hold its 2nd Annual Parish Auction. The event is a further effort to raise the funds needed to receive a \$50,000 challenge grant from the Mabee Foundation in Tulsa for the new education/community center. Parishioners, businesses or any interested residents are invited to donate items of good quality for the auction. Of particular interest will be the sale of the church pews from the San Jose Mission Church: 22 pews that are 14 feet 6 inches in length and 24 pews that are 5 feet long. Several other items from the mission church to be auctioned include a bookcase, an old organ, a large dresser hutch from the sacristy that contains 12 drawers and a glass display case. For more information, contact Lydia Villanueva at 364-1094.

Help enliven our church for Easter. We need two dozen lilies, two bouquets of fresh flowers for each Sunday of Easter. We are constructing a new baptismal font in the shape of a cross to remain in the church all year.

Anyone is invited to attend Sunday liturgies at San Jose, Saturday at 7 p.m. (Spanish), Sunday 9 a.m. (Spanish), 11:30 a.m. (English).

UNITED PENTECOSTAL CHURCH

Our "Spring Freshet" Christian Ladies Fellowship will be held at 401 W. Park on April 8 from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Registration fee is \$5 per lady; \$7 after April 1 and at the door.

For detailed brochure and registration form call 364-6578 or write P.O. Box 1265, Hereford, Tex. 79045. All denominations welcome.

WESTWAY BAPTIST CHURCH

Maybe you heard that Westway Baptist Church closed? No, we have a group of excited people, growing in number every week.

If you are already members of a local church, congratulations! If not, then we invite you to come and be a part of what is happening in our community for God. Sunday School starts at 9:45 a.m. and worship is at 11 a.m., with a nursery provided.

Ray Sanders is our new pastor. John Curtis will be directing the music during the month of March, and Ronny Sanders will serve in April.

We are still located 7 miles west of Hereford on the Harrison Highway.

TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday school begins at 10 a.m. and the Sunday worship services are held at 11 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Pastor Ed Warren and the church congregation invite the public to all services at the church located on S. Hwy. 385 and Columbia St.

For additional information, call 364-3487.

SUMMERFIELD BAPTIST CHURCH

The public is invited to attend all of the church services. Sunday school is held at 10 a.m. and the Sunday worship services are held at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. The Wednesday service is held at 7 p.m.

For more information, call 357-2535.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Revival services will be held Sunday through Wednesday at First Baptist Church with Rev. David Burk of San Angelo as guest evangelist. Kerry Wood of Childress will lead the music services.

Rev. Burk served as a mission pastor in Willow, Alaska. He formed the Total Surrender Evangelistic Association as a ministry of the Hillcrest Baptist Church of San Angelo.

Wood graduated from Texas Tech in 1976 and attended Southwestern Seminary. He is in his 14th year of ministry, the last four being at First Baptist of Childress as minister of music and senior adults.

The revival schedule includes a Men's Prayer Breakfast at 8 a.m. Sunday, morning worship services at

11 a.m., and evening worship at 6:30 p.m.

Noon and evening services are scheduled Monday and Tuesday. An Olde Tyme Gospel Meeting will be held at the Senior Citizen Center at 12:30 p.m. Monday, and the evening service will be at the church at 7. A noon meal and service will be held in Fellowship Hall Tuesday, and a youth supper will be held at 6 p.m.

Wednesday's schedule includes a Giant Banana Split party for children, grades 1-6, at 6 p.m. in Fellowship Hall, and evening worship services at 7.

CALVARY WORSHIP CENTER

Pastor Vincent Sandlin and congregant would like to extend a friendly welcome to everyone to come and worship with us this Sunday.

We have two services on Sunday. The morning worship is at 10 and evening fellowship at 6. A nursery is provided.

Bible study on Wednesday evening at 7 is led by Brother Vince.

For additional information or prayer call 364-1757.

SAN PABLO UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

San Pablo United Methodist Church invites all to their Lenten Series being held each Wednesday evening at 6:30. The series program lasts approximately 45 minutes and is followed by a meal. A love offering may be given. The topic for March 22 is "Water-Clear and Clean" and "The Parable of the Samaritan Woman". Accompanying scripture is taken from Jeremiah 2:12; Ephesians 5:26 and John 4:7-30.

Keeping an eye on Texas

2.8 million Texans receive food stamps

The average number of food stamp recipients in Texas increased from 1.2 million per month in 1980 to 2.8 million per month in 1994. With monthly benefits at \$70.57 per person, benefits totaled an average of \$199.1 million each month in Texas in 1994.

Number of food stamp recipients in Texas, in millions



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SOURCES: John Sharp, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts and Texas Department of Human Services.

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Apr	88.00	0.00	88.00	Apr	1.60	0.00	1.60
May	87.00	0.00	87.00	May	1.55	0.00	1.55
Jun	86.00	0.00	86.00	Jun	1.50	0.00	1.50
Jul	85.00	0.00	85.00	Jul	1.45	0.00	1.45
Aug	84.00	0.00	84.00	Aug	1.40	0.00	1.40
Sep	83.00	0.00	83.00	Sep	1.35	0.00	1.35
Oct	82.00	0.00	82.00	Oct	1.30	0.00	1.30
Nov	81.00	0.00	81.00	Nov	1.25	0.00	1.25
Dec	80.00	0.00	80.00	Dec	1.20	0.00	1.20

METAL FUTURES			
Month	Price	Change	High
Mar	1.25	0.00	1.25
Apr	1.20	0.00	1.20
May	1.15	0.00	1.15
Jun	1.10	0.00	1.10
Jul	1.05	0.00	1.05
Aug	1.00	0.00	1.00
Sep	0.95	0.00	0.95
Oct	0.90	0.00	0.90
Nov	0.85	0.00	0.85
Dec	0.80	0.00	0.80

FUTURES OPTIONS			
Month	Price	Change	High
Mar	0.50	0.00	0.50
Apr	0.45	0.00	0.45
May	0.40	0.00	0.40
Jun	0.35	0.00	0.35
Jul	0.30	0.00	0.30
Aug	0.25	0.00	0.25
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Moving grave turned up artifacts of Civil War

Burial site of Confederate veteran changed because of river encroachment

By CINDY HORSWELL
Houston Chronicle
MOSS HILL, Texas - Major Joseph N. Dark was buried in full Confederate uniform with a double-barreled shotgun by his side in north Liberty County nearly a century ago. When his remains were recently unearthed, a remnant of his gray uniform with a leather buckle was also found, as were the rusty barrels, shrimp claw hammers and frame of the stock from the 54-inch weapon. The shotgun is the same one which Dark used to shoot an angry bear whose orphaned cubs he trained to plow, carry corn, and do other chores. It is also the gun he used to kill a would-be robber who participated in an infamous attack on Dark's family. But Liberty County Historical Commission officials did not disturb the major's grave simply to locate such artifacts. They moved the grave - which had been in an isolated clearing in a cedar grove on County Clerk Wanda Barker's homestead - to save it from encroaching river waters.

The Trinity River, which once flowed a half-mile from the site, has steadily gnawed into the river bank because of record flooding over the last five years. The muddy currents were within five feet of the grave, threatening to claim it in the next heavy rain.

Lawyer vs. detective: edge to investigator, say legal analysts

By MICHAEL FLEEMAN
Associated Press Writer
LOS ANGELES (AP) - The Mark Fuhrman cross-examination fizzled to an end after six tense, allegation-filled days, and the consensus among legal analysts was that the detective got the better of defense attorney F. Lee Bailey. In fact, Bailey was the one who lost his cool, although it was outside the presence of the jury. Fuhrman, accused by the defense of being a racist who tried to frame O.J. Simpson, kept his answers short and remained unemotional. "I think (Fuhrman) held up amazingly well," said law professor Erwin Chemerinsky of the University of Southern California. "Despite a constantly aggressive cross-examination, he never lost his composure. He was never caught in other than the most minor of inconsistencies." Bailey finished questioning Fuhrman on Thursday with a few flat queries that went nowhere. Then prosecutor Marcia Clark asked Fuhrman seven crisp questions, which suggested Fuhrman lacked the necessary information to devise an instant frame-up. Unaware of O.J. Simpson's whereabouts or details of the killings, Fuhrman had no reason to take a bloody glove from the murder scene and plant it at Simpson's estate. Clark's questions indicated. Bailey passed on his opportunity to re-question Fuhrman, but may call him again later in the trial. The cross-examination failed to live up to Bailey's public pronouncements that he would demolish Fuhrman on the stand, said Loyola University law Professor Laurie Levenson. "I don't think he delivered," she said. "It didn't show him to be a racist. It didn't show him to be a hothead. It didn't show him to have planted a glove. It didn't show him to be a mastermind of a conspiracy." "At most," she said, "it raised some innuendoes." At one point during the cross-examination - but outside the presence of the jury - Bailey erupted in anger after Clark called him a liar

Historical commission members say that visitors regularly came to the grave. A pithy epitaph on the four-foot stone grave marker reminds: "As you are now so once was I, As I am now so you must be, Prepare for death and follow me." Among descendants who agreed to the exhumation was Dark's great-granddaughter, O.D. Allen from Liberty, who attended the unearthing. "You could almost see his entire uniform when they got down to it. The dyed fabric had stained the dirt and left an imprint, which turned to powder when it was touched," said Allen. Deer Park homemaker Mary Dark, 50, called the major "one of the unsung heroes of Southeast Texas history." Her husband, Stephen, is the major's great-grandson.

Major Dark, who lived from 1829 to 1905, was a steamboat pilot on the Trinity River, forming one of the area's first companies to fight for the Confederacy, was a county surveyor who charted the countryside for a decade, and, as one of the area's first doctors, battled several fever epidemics.

Besides the shotgun and uniform scrap, weathered bones were recovered as well as unusual pewter decorations from the coffin, said J.R. "Jay" Tankersley III, director of

Sterling Funeral Home in Dayton. He was in charge of moving the remains. Tankersley said that the bones indicate Dark was unusually tall, 6-foot-6. "Out of all the exhumations that I've done on old graves like this, I've never found this much left before," said Tankersley. "His casket was very ornate for the period and had a large glass window in the top of it." A pewter Calla lily and anchor which decorated it would be considered art objects today, he said. In the major's will, he requested burial in his uniform with his shotgun. All relics taken from the grave were to be reburied with him in a concrete box in Moss Bluff Community Cemetery, Tankersley said.

A search was also made for the remains of the major's second son, Thomas, who died at age 3, and for his second wife, Miriam Paige, who died not long after they married in 1875.

"They were supposed to be buried there. But only some soil with unusual calcium deposits was found," said Tankersley.

However, Mary Dark has located the major's old surveys, pinpointing the family's cemetery and where the wife's body should be. "I'm going to have a trained surveyor check the area once more," she said.

The major's descendants as well as Daughters of the Confederacy representatives are planning a ceremony for the new grave site. They hope to place a bronze plaque there commemorating his role in the Civil War.

Joseph N. Dark was born to the wealthy owners of the Engleside

plantation near Henson, La. Both parents died while he was young and his stepmother took over the estate. She gained fame as a Confederate spy, who helped hide Confederate soldiers, Mary Dark said. In his early 20s, Dark sold his share of the plantation. He took the money and two steamboats which he had chummed up and down the Mississippi to Texas to seek his fortune, according to historical documents. He and his first wife, Pernilla Wylds, settled in Batson in Hardin County, but after the Civil War they moved to Tanner's Bluff near the Trinity River in Liberty County, where he lived until his death. The infamous attack on his family - on Sept. 16, 1861 at his Batson home - was documented by a confession.

G.H. Willis, Thomas Magness and Austin Chessher plotted to steal \$30,000 believed stored at his house, according to Willis' admission.

Pretending to be friendly visitors, the trio arrived about midnight at Dark's home. A servant greeted them, and as Dark (then a rancher) appeared in the doorway, Chessher fired two shots at him, missing both times. One shot, however, did hit Mrs. Dark in the foot. Magness also killed one of Dark's slaves.

"Dark then rushed to get his gun and fired, killing Chessher instantly," one report said. The other two fled "but when the horrible affair became known, a large number from Liberty and Hardin counties turned out en masse to pursue."

Mary Dark said, "They were caught in two nearby counties and one was drug home behind a horse. It was really shocking at that time."

Willis was writing his confession when he overheard the crowd on the courthouse floor below sentence him and Magness to be hanged at once. A note at the end of the confession said that "completely unnerved him, and he fainted," unable to finish the confession. The two were hanged at the edge of the town of Hardin.

Eight months later, on May 8, 1862, Joseph Dark formed a cavalry company, entering the war as a captain. He was quickly elevated to major and was third in command after his company joined the 25th Texas regiment posted in Arkansas. He worked there as a medic.

Although records are sketchy, at one point, he was a prisoner of war

and was involved in a prisoner exchange in 1863.

Shortly before the war's end, he was discharged after contracting pneumonia, Mary Dark said.

His obituary in Liberty County noted that he was respected as a county surveyor, rancher and doctor who helped the widowed, orphaned and the needy.

"Peace to his ashes," the obituary ended.

"If the grave had been lost, this area's history might have been washed away with it," said Tankersley.

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