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Stern is ready for her '18th' birthday

By JOHN BROOKS
Managing Editor

About 15 years ago, George Burns had a hit song with "I Wish I Was 18 Again."

For Barbara Stern, she's glad she's finally 18.

On Saturday, she gets to celebrate her 18th.

Most residents of King's Manor Methodist Home celebrated their 18th birthday many years ago. Last month, the home had a 100th birthday party.

Barbara Stern is now 71 in "regular" years. For a leap year baby, born Feb. 29, 1920, there are very few "regular" years.

"I've usually celebrated my birthday on March 1," Stern said as she made plans with Bea Noland, activity director for King's Manor, for a Saturday party. "You can't celebrate on the 28th. You haven't had your birthday yet."

Stern's birthday is so unique that King's Manor is helping her throw the party.

"Usually we have one 'birthday Sunday' where the families throw the parties," Noland said. "We figure that for a Leap Year birthday or for someone turning 100, we can afford to do that."

Stern wants to be the one responsible for the party.

"I want to give my friends a treat by serving them," she said. "These are the people that I know, that I'm around. I haven't been here long, but everyone has been so good and kind to me that I want this to be their treat."

Stern is from the Topeka, Kan., area, although her roots in this region go well back into the 1800's when her



Stern ready for 18th

Barbara Stern, seated, discusses plans for her birthday party with Bea Noland, activity director at King's Manor. Stern will celebrate her "18th" birthday on Saturday at King's Manor.

great-grandmother (also a Feb. 29 baby) filed on 13 sections of land in Carson County. Her family is scattered across the country, so it will be up to her new friends to make the day special.

"Everyone just makes you so welcome and they have such a great concern for you," Stern said. "I haven't had time to be lonesome, so this will be as much for everyone else as it is for me."

Audit shows hospital lost \$1.3 million in 91

Auditors refuse an opinion

BY SPEEDY NIEMAN
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Directors of Deaf Smith County Hospital District reviewed an audit and cost report for the last fiscal year and heard recommendations for improving accounting procedures during a special meeting Tuesday night.

The audit, for the fiscal year ending Sept. 30, 1991, showed the hospital district's net patient service revenue decreased by \$1.3 million over the previous year. The district showed a loss of \$575,023 after

adding in the non-operating income, which included \$643,804 from taxes.

The balance sheet for last year reflected a decrease of \$868,000 in assets and liabilities. Total assets were \$3,401,776. Total current assets were \$715,452 and current liabilities were \$641,877. The hospital's longterm debt was \$1,314,377, a decrease of \$179,429 from a year ago.

The audit was prepared by Durbin & Co. of Lubbock, which suggested a number of operation areas that need improvement, or areas that could be operated more efficiently. The report noted the transition in management and changes in the business office over the past year had caused problems, and the firm suggested a number of training and control mechanisms be put in place to correct problem areas.

The firm's operational summary noted there was a substantial decrease, 29 percent, in days of utilization. The total adult and

pediatric days decreased by 1,881 and discharges decreased by 529. Currently, 60 percent of the hospital's patient volume is from Medicare and Medicaid sources, which is a decrease of 3 percent.

The report examined the expense of routine cost per patient day and determined that the "bed and board" cost had increased from \$279 in the prior year to \$298 per patient day in the current year. The cost per Medicare discharge decreased from \$2,934 to \$2,931.

The accounting firm noted that inadequacies in the hospital's accounting records prevented them from forming an opinion "regarding the statement of revenues, expenses and changes in fund balances, and statement of cash flows for the year."

The firm also recommended that the business office institute and design policies and procedures to insure that claims are promptly filed, and that necessary follow-up is given to denied claims.

Americans smoking less, but eating more

ATLANTA (AP) - Smoking is down, but obesity is up and exercise remains as unpopular as ever, according to a new federal survey of the nation's health risks.

About 23 percent of Americans smoke, according to the federal Behavior Risk Factor Surveillance survey, which questioned adults in 44 states and Washington, D.C. Five years ago, the figure was 27 percent.

But the bad news, researchers said, is that the percentage of Americans classified as overweight was around 23 percent, up 2 points from 1987, the first year obesity was surveyed. The percentage of people who said they get little or no exercise was 59 percent, the same as in 1986.

"When you look at cardiovascular risk factors, we've made progress in smoking, but there has not been progress in physical activity or overweight," said Dr. Paul Siegel of the Centers for Disease Control, which released the study Thursday.

"One of our national objectives needs to be to have more people at a healthy weight," Siegel said.

The survey was not a precise gauge of national behavior. Six states were not included, so the CDC

reported the median - the middle score among participating states - rather than a national average.

The survey does cover about 90 percent of the nation's population and is "an indicator of national trends," the CDC said.

It found that behavior varies widely from state to state. The number of smokers ranged from 17 percent in Utah, for example, to 29 percent in Kentucky and Michigan.

The number of overweight people ranged from 16 percent in Colorado to 27 percent in the District of Columbia. (The CDC defines overweight by a height-weight scale that pinpoints those who would be among the fattest 15 percent of all people in their 20s.)

The District of Columbia also had the most people - 73 percent - getting little or no exercise (fewer than three 20-minute exercise sessions a week). At the low end of the scale was Colorado with 45 percent.

Other findings: -No leisure-time physical activity at all. Median was 29 percent, with Montana the lowest at 18 percent and

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--Dr. Paul Siegel

the District of Columbia the highest at 52 percent.

-Binge drinking (five or more drinks on one occasion in the previous month): Median was 15 percent, with the range from 6 percent in the District of Columbia, to 27 percent in Wisconsin.

-Driving after having too much to drink during the previous month: Median was 3 percent, with the range from 1 percent in Maine to 6 percent in Wisconsin.

-Only occasionally, or never, using seat belts: Median was 26 percent, with the range from 5 percent in Hawaii to 60 percent in North Dakota.

Special voting is Saturday

Early voting for the March 10 party primaries will be open Saturday in Deaf Smith County.

On a request by petition of 15 qualified voters for weekend hours, County Clerk David Ruland set a six-hour period Saturday for voters to mark their ballots in either Democratic or Republican primary election.

Ruland's office in the Deaf Smith County courthouse will be open from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday.

Early voting has been steady since the first day in the Democratic primary. Some 190 persons had voted on Democratic ballots by Friday morning.

The Republican primary has drawn only limited response, through Friday morning, with 20 votes cast.

Both party tickets are headed by candidates for nomination for president. However, local races seem

to be the drawing card for Democratic voters. There are no races in the Republican primary at the county level.

Early voting will continue next week, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day. Last day for early voting before the March 10 primaries is Friday.

Voters are not required to provide an excuse to be eligible to mark ballots before election day.

Truckers may get SBA aid

Area truck drivers who worked in Hale or Lubbock counties during Jan. 1-July 19, 1991 may be eligible for disaster assistance from the Small Business Administration's disaster office.

Joe Soliz Jr., who is helping area truck drivers who have been decimated by ruined crops in 1991, said Wednesday that truckers who can prove they had contract work in Hale or Lubbock counties during the specified time may get help from SBA.

Truckers wishing to apply may call 1-800-527-7735.

Verdict upheld in 1990 heroin trial

A jury's verdict and sentence of a drug defendant in a 1990 trial in 222nd District Court has been upheld by the Seventh Court of Appeals in Amarillo.

Alex Mendiaz was convicted of a charge of delivery of a controlled substance, heroin of less than 28 grams, in November 1990, in the trial in Hereford.

His appeal of the conviction and 45-year prison term was based on contentions that evidence was insufficient, the judge erred by overruling objections to an improper closing jury argument of the

prosecutor and improper admission of extraneous matters.

Rulings by Judge David Wesley Gulley on all three of the issues were upheld by the appellate court.

Alex Mendiaz and a second man, Trinidad Murillo, were defendants in the drug case. Murillo entered a guilty plea in 222nd District Court and was sentenced to 15 years in prison.

The men were accused of selling heroin to a third man, then a patient in a hospital. The "buy" was arranged by the patient with knowledge of a district attorney's investigator.

Mendiaz and Murillo were arrested after leaving the hospital.



Kiwanis contribute \$1,000 to Children's Miracle Network
Bobby Owen, right, of the Hereford Noon Kiwanis, contributes a jar full of quarters to Bill Miller, Texas-Oklahoma District Chairman for the Children's Miracle Network Telethon. The local club contributed \$1,000 in quarters that members had saved for the project, which funds needs for pediatric and children's hospital facilities.

Coming in this Sunday's Brand:

•Deaf Smith County Museum is planning its 25th anniversary
•Hereford public school students fare well compared to state average

Hereford's baseball team meets a tough Amarillo High team today. Get the results in the Sunday Brand!

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Local Roundup

Nine arrested Thursday

Deaf Smith County sheriff's deputies arrested five persons Thursday, including three persons, 17, 18 and 19, for theft; a woman, 23, for theft by check; and a woman, 46, on an assault warrant.

Hereford police arrested four persons Thursday, including a woman, 22, in the 100 block of W. Park for theft; a man, 35, in the 200 block of N. Lee for public intoxication; a man, 20, in the 200 block of Fuller for Class A domestic assault; and a man, 26, in the 900 block of W. Park for driving while intoxicated.

Reports included burglary of \$600 worth of items in the 100 block of Front; theft in the 400 block of Moreman, 100 block of Beach and 400 block of Ave. B; disorderly conduct in the 100 block of Columbus; assault in the 700 block of La Plata; dog bite in the 100 block of W. Fourth; dog running loose in the 200 block of Hereford Calle; criminal mischief in the 200 block of Ironwood; criminal non-support in the 100 block of Bradley; and telephone harassment in the 100 block of Bradley and in the 800 block of N. Schley.

Police issued seven citations Thursday and investigated two non-injury accidents.

Rain forecast by Tuesday

Tonight, clear with a low in the middle 30s. Variable wind 5 to 10 mph. Saturday, sunny and continued warm with a high near 70. South wind 10 to 15 mph.

The extended forecast for Sunday through Tuesday: fair Sunday, increasing cloudiness Monday with a chance for showers and thunderstorms Tuesday. Lows in the mid to upper 30s. Highs in the mid to upper 60s.

This morning's low at KPAN was 36 after a high Thursday of 64.

News Digest

World/National

WASHINGTON - A House-passed tax reduction for wage earners is heading to the Senate, where Democrats have their own ideas of what a "middle-class" cut should look like.

ATLANTA - Smoking is down, but obesity seems to be up and exercise is about as unpopular as ever, according to a new federal survey of the nation's health risks.

SEATTLE - Fish processors worried about new regulations and consumer confusion in the wake of a report that one-fifth of seafood samples tested in four Pacific states violated federal safety standards.

WASHINGTON - Politicians who denounce Japan are fueling bigotry against Asian-Americans, who already face widespread discrimination and even violence, the U.S. Civil Rights Commission said today.

ALEXANDRIA, Va. - William Aramony's resignation as president of United Way of America will not solve all the financial and image problems of the troubled charitable organization, say local United Way officials and a lawyer reviewing its practices.

UNITED NATIONS - Despite the wounding of a U.N. officer in Cambodia this week, the Security Council is finalizing plans to send 22,000 troops to the war-torn country in the United Nations' biggest peacekeeping mission to date.

UNITED NATIONS - New steps by the United States have raised hopes for a treaty to forestall global warming even though they fall short of European demands for specific limits on carbon dioxide limits.

ANAHEIM, Calif. - The violet carpeting and elaborate floral arrangements were all in fun for actress Elizabeth Taylor, who celebrated her 60th birthday by throwing a bash for about 1,000 friends at Disneyland.

Texas

SAN ANTONIO - President Bush and six Latin American leaders have ended a two-day drug summit with a plan to enlist European and Asian nations in the narcotics trafficking battle and with new vows of cooperation in the anti-drug effort. But Bush warned Thursday that "at a time of rather sparse resources" the United States would not be able to give its southern neighbors all the financial help they are seeking.

WASHINGTON - The United States will benefit from a North American Free Trade Agreement, gaining 130,000 new jobs, while Mexico's job growth will hit almost five times that figure, a Washington think tank says.

SAN ANTONIO - Recovering drug addicts told First Lady Barbara Bush how they overcame their drug problems during a visit Mrs. Bush made to a publicly-funded treatment center.

SAN ANTONIO - President Bush, making one last stop before leaving San Antonio, went from pushing for global solutions to the drug problem to encouraging a smaller, but more personal, anti-drug effort.

AUSTIN - Republicans stepped up their charge that Texas Attorney General Dan Morales conducted a partisan investigation into allegations that lawmakers had contacted a federal judge who ordered a controversial state redistricting plan.

DALLAS - Seven-Up has accused Coca-Cola of scheming to make its sales go flat. Seven-Up Co. filed a lawsuit seeking \$500 million in punitive damages from Coca-Cola Co. for misleading bottling companies that sell both sodas.

HUNTSVILLE - Texas death row inmate David Michael Clark was executed early today for killing a man and woman more than five years ago. Clark, 32, received lethal injection for the Feb. 18, 1987, fatal shooting, beating and stabbing of Charles Gears and his girlfriend, Beverly Benninghoff, at Gears' home in Bryan.

SAN ANTONIO - Criminal charges were slapped against officers of one failed San Antonio savings and loan and a giant civil case has been brought against the leaders of another.

BOGATA - In a town as small as this, everyone seems to know his neighbor. Except no one seems to know the area's most visible resident, Dona Spence, the area health worker who alerted residents three months ago that 36 area teens were carrying the HIV virus.

AUSTIN - Republican Party officials say they are trying to reduce the number of counties where no GOP primary may be held this year.

WASHINGTON - The latest documents released in the probe of a commuter plane crash near Eagle Lake, Texas, last year focus on how maintenance crew members failed to reattach 43 screws on a section of the plane's tail.

ANTHONY - If it's been four years since you've had a birthday, the place to be is Anthony, TexasNew Mexico, home of the Worldwide Leap Year Birthday Club. The club is planning a giant birthday party.

AUSTIN - Parents of mentally retarded children say they are disappointed a task force appointed by Gov. Ann Richards to make recommendations about state schools for the retarded switched dates for a meeting.

AUSTIN - Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock says Texas should try an open school enrollment policy that would allow students to transfer between districts as long as there is space available and racial balance isn't thrown off.

GOP still trying for primary elections

Party has until March 6 to get officials in 27 counties

AUSTIN (AP) - Republican Party officials say they are trying to reduce the number of counties where no GOP primary may be held this year.

Karen Hughes, GOP executive director, said that as of Thursday, there were 27 counties which either lack a party chairman to run a primary election or where the current chairman doesn't want to conduct one.

"In those counties where we don't have chairmen, we are still working. It is a priority for us," she said.

A spokesman for presidential candidate Pat Buchanan's Texas campaign said he was concerned about the situation.

"We've had a lot of people calling in... saying 'I went to vote absentee, went to the county courthouse, and they didn't have any ballots,'" said Austin businessman Terry Young.

Under state law, primaries are a political party function.

Ed Martin, executive director of the Texas Democratic Party, said Democrats will hold primaries in all

254 counties. "There will be someplace for every voter in Texas to cast a ballot in the Democratic primary," Martin said.

Ms. Hughes said the state GOP continues to look for officials to conduct some county primaries and has until the end of early voting, March 6, to find them.

"It's a very disturbing situation. Their (potential voters) hands are tied because they cannot vote in their county in the primary election, and we cannot have a primary election if there is an elected county chairman who chooses not to conduct a primary," Ms. Hughes said.

She said GOP officials also were considering changes in party rules to permit primaries when a county chairman doesn't want to run one.

Ms. Hughes said that one of the counties so far without a primary is home to a Republican state House candidate, and "we'd like her to be able to vote for herself."

As of Thursday, she said, counties without GOP primaries were: Brooks,

Camp, Coke, Cottle, Crockett, Culberson, Donley, Duval, Foard, Goliad, Jeff Davis, Karnes, Lipscomb, Oldham, Rains, Reeves, Swisher, Zavala, Collingsworth, King, Loving, Terrell, Throckmorton, Comanche, Montague, Dickens and McMullen.

In other political developments: Democratic presidential candidate Paul Tsongas' campaign opened offices in Austin, Dallas, Houston and San Antonio for the March 10 primary.

"We don't pretend to have the organization that the other candidates who have been here six or seven months have. What we do have is a candidate who comes in without liabilities," said Railroad Commissioner Bob Krueger, head of Texans for Tsongas.

Tsongas, a former Massachusetts senator who has made economic recovery the cornerstone of his bid, won the New Hampshire primary Feb. 18. Krueger said that victory showed the candidate's appeal.

"We are going to be active. We are going to run well in Texas," he said. "We are not looking for just endorsements from supposed political leaders. What we are looking for is an opportunity for people who care about the future of the country to give their energy to a candidate deserving of their support."

Libertarian presidential candidate Andre Marrou campaigned at the Capitol, taking a shot at George Bush's Texas residency and saying the president's adopted home state is one Libertarian's will target.

Although he now lives in Alaska, Marrou is a native of Nixon, Texas, and was graduated from high school in San Marcos. He noted that Bush was criticized in Maine for claiming a Houston hotel suite as his residence and not paying state income taxes in Maine, where he owns a house.

"I am a true son of Texas, unlike George Bush who rents a hotel room and claims that he's a Texan for purposes of evading some state's income tax," Marrou said.



Elks give to Walcott Cub Scout troop

Bob Murray of the Hereford Elks Lodge presents a \$250 check to members of Pack 57, a Cub Scout troop formed at Walcott School. Members of the pack, from left, are Josh Parman, Chance Wade, Will McGowan and Den Leader Debbie Wade.

Evangelist is target of lawsuit

TULSA, Okla. (AP) - An Oklahoma woman is suing Texas evangelist Robert Tilton for alleged fraud over recent letters promising God would heal her husband, who died last year.

Beverly Crowley, whose husband Tom died in September of complications from diabetes, filed a \$40 million lawsuit Thursday in federal court against Tilton's ministries.

According to Ms. Crowley, one letter from Tilton says, "God spoke to me this morning specifically about you, Tom." Another letter she received two weeks ago says, "Tom, He wants to restore your health."

Tilton's attorney, J.C. Joyce of Tulsa, was out of town and not immediately available to comment.

Ms. Crowley said her husband began sending money to television ministries in the fall of 1990 with hopes they could help him fight his illness.

She said letters asking for contributions continue to arrive from several ministries, but none has bothered her as much as those from Tilton.

"At first I just burned them and smashed them," she said. "It's like they were trying to rub it (his death) in my face."

She said she wrote the ministry Jan. 1 saying, "Punch the computer button to cancel the mail that is coming to Tom Crowley. Tom died Sept. 30, but I guess God forgot to tell you that."

Ms. Crowley, who lives 50 miles northwest of Tulsa in Wynona, said the lawsuit was her last resort.

"I want to stop him from lying to people," she said. "It's lies, and people need to know it."

A broadcast report last year alleged Tilton trashed prayer requests and kept the contributions. The Texas attorney general's office is investigating the ministry.

Tilton has refused to discuss the specifics of his legal problems.

Obituaries

AGAPITO P. LISCANO Feb. 26, 1992

Agapito P. Liscano, 78, of Frisco, father of Janie Granado of Hereford, died Wednesday, Feb. 26, in Plano.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday in St. Francis Catholic Church of Frisco with the Rev. Joseph Mitchell officiating. Burial will be in Little Elm Cemetery under direction of Cantrell Funeral Home.

Born in San Diego, Texas, Mr. Liscano was a longtime resident of Frisco. He was married to Refugia Garcia on Sept. 6, 1937, in Falls City. He was retired from Preston Trail Golf Course and was a member of St. Francis Catholic Church.

Survivors are his wife; six sons,

AGAPITO P. LISCANO Feb. 26, 1992

Agapito Liscano of Hackberry, Joe Liscano of Allen, Carlos and Richard Liscano of Frisco and Robert and Frankie Liscano of Carrollton; four other daughters, Lupe Sanchez and Christina Trevino of Frisco, Rosie Gonzales of Lewisville and Bay Henderson of Dallas; two sisters, Anita Vargas of Lamesa and Francisca Castaneda of San Antonio; 31 grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren.

KATIE JULIA POWERS Feb. 26, 1992

Katie Julia Powers, 84, of Amarillo, whose brother, Ted Walker, lives in Hereford, died Wednesday, Feb. 26.

Services will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday in First United Methodist

Church of Ballinger with the Rev. Bobby Baggett officiating. Burial will be in Norton Cemetery, under direction of Rains-Seale Funeral Home.

A longtime resident of Ballinger before moving to Amarillo in 1979, her husband, David Leroy Powers, died in 1936. She had been a member of the First United Methodist Church of Ballinger and the Order of the Eastern Star.

Survivors also include a daughter, Peggy Ann Glascock of Amarillo; a son, W.O. "Cowboy" Powers of Lampasas; three sisters, Hazel Gaston of Sudan and Itha Dismore and Opal Walker of Ballinger; 12 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

East Texas town resents attention

BOGATA, Texas (AP) - In a town as small as this, everyone seems to know his neighbor.

Except no one seems to know the area's most visible resident, Dona Spence, the area health worker who alerted residents three months ago that 36 area teens were carrying the HIV virus.

But now health officials say they can neither verify nor dispute the numbers, and Ms. Spence has quit her job.

"It's going to take a long time for this town to recover from this," Denise Wood, editor of the weekly Bogata News, said Thursday, the day after Ms. Spence unexpectedly resigned from the Ark-Tex Council of Governments.

"Our town is scarred," Ms. Wood said. "Her credibility is zero."

Three weeks ago, the small East Texas town made headlines when the Dallas Morning News reported that area high school basketball teams were refusing to play nearby Rivercrest High School because of Ms. Spence's chilling information.

The resulting publicity, Ms. Wood said, has turned a cheerful, farming community into one hurt and distrustful of outsiders.

"This is a town where you leave

your keys in the car when you go to the store," she said. "The whole town is very anti-Dona right now."

But Rivercrest students continue to direct their anger at the media and few would talk Thursday.

"I don't think they're mad at her because they didn't believe her in the first place," said 18-year-old Tiffany Parish.

And besides, Ms. Parish said, hoax or no, Ms. Spence accomplished her original mission, to educate the area about AIDS.

"Now they know it can happen," Ms. Parish said.

As for Ms. Spence herself, she has changed her telephone number and remained out of sight. There was no one at her home Wednesday night or Thursday.

But she remains the talk of the town.

Down the street from Ms. Wood's office is Bogata's main coffee shop, the Armadillo Store, attached to one of the town's three main gas stations.

Each morning, many of the local men drink coffee here and Roy Morris, a local resident for more than 20 years, said the talk centers around current events: the recession, the presidential race and education - issues that have touched tiny Bogata,

but never engulfed it like the news their local children may be HIV positive.

"It's like the long hair," said Don Roach, 49, whose son is a freshman at Rivercrest. "We didn't think we'd get the long hair and we did. Now the short hair-is back. It all comes down."

About five miles east of Bogata stands Ms. Spence's apparently empty house, decorated with chimes, cow skulls and plants.

Her neighbors say they don't know her very well even though they've lived near her since she returned to Bogata in 1989. Very few remember her husband, Gary, who reportedly died of AIDS six months after they arrived in her native Texas.

"She's always been nice," said Donnie Williams, who lives across the street from Ms. Spence in the community known as Pine Branch. "We've never had any words of any nature. I hope we never will."

Williams says he hasn't seen his neighbor for the past few days. However, cars he didn't recognize have been seen coming and going from the house.

Williams says he thinks they are Ms. Spence's friends checking on the house.

Also frustrated is 74-year-old neighbor Gussie Musick, who lives next door to Ms. Spence.

"I think she should have kept her mouth shut unless she knew what she was talking about," she said. "And from reading the paper I don't think she did."

"The thing that upsets me is that people are pointing at the children, the brunt the children are taking."

The exact effect on the children is little-known. Many of the Rivercrest High School students have expressed more anger at the nation's media than the possibility Ms. Spence's story is a hoax.

For three days, Rivercrest High School principal Ray Miller has searched 25 area schools for just one to play a practice game against his 17-AA district champ Rebel basketball team.

"It's like we have the plague," Miller said. "...We'd like to put ourselves on the map for something other than this."

On Feb. 20, more than 300 residents attended an AIDS information session at the high school. One person who was noticeably absent was Dona Spence.

Miller said Spence was invited but never showed.

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Hospital Notes

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Life!

Davis gives program on astrology Feb. 18

"Astrology and Astronomy" was the program presented by Jessie Ann Davis during the Feb. 18 meeting of Xi Epsilon Alpha Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi Sorority. The women met in the Reddy Room of Southwestern Public Service building.

Mrs. Davis, secretary at Aikman School, made individual zodiac sign charts and presented chapter members with a vocabulary list and a star chart. Following her program, the speaker was given a thank you gift from Susan Cardinal.

The 19 members present recited the opening ritual and President Holly Bixler conducted the business meeting.

Melinda Henson, recording secretary, took roll and read the minutes of the previous meeting which were approved.

Appreciation was heard from Cardinal, Carol Kelley, Marge Bell, Kay Williams, Linda Arellano, Ruby Lee, Denise Hafziger, Connie Matthews, Dona Hendrickson, Gaye Reily, Deann Harris, Ruby Sanders, Susan Shaw, Sharon Bodner, Danell Culp, Henson, Dalene Burns, Bixler and Peggy Hyer. Special thank yous were read from the American Red Cross and Good Shepherd.

Bixler spoke of a recipe contest and told members if they are interested in entering they must do so

by April 10. She also distributed information concerning the state convention in June at McAllen. Also, a report from City Council announced that the Vegas Night had been moved to March 28.

Service oc-chairman, Linda Arellano, reminded members to visit the chapter's adopted sister, Billie Brown. Co-chairman, Peggy Hyer, stated that she and Danell Culp had delivered clothing to Good Shepherd.

Social chairman, Susan Shaw, has planned a bingo party and stuffed potato supper March 13 for members.

It was announced that the scrapbook committee will meet for a work day March 7 in the home of Denise Hafziger. Also, the membership committee announced that there will be a progression party March 24 for AIM members wishing to move up.

Election of officers for 1992-93 will be held April 7. The next meeting will be March 3 with Bixler and Hyer serving as hostesses.

Members adjourned with closing ritual and the Mizpah. Hostesses, Cardinal and Harris, served vegetables, dip and iced tea to those present. They included Arellano, Bell, Bixler, Bodner, Burns, Culp, Hafziger, Hendrickson, Henson, Hyer, Kelley, Lee, Matthews, Reily, Sanders, Shaw and Williams.

Ann Landers

DEAR ANN LANDERS: My brother was killed by a drunk driver. In an effort to cope with the grief, I attended several meetings of MADD (Mothers Against Drunk Driving) and other such groups.

One of the shocking things I have become aware of is the number of victims who have been robbed at the scene of the accident. I am talking about dead people, Ann. It was upsetting to hear dozens of family members recount the same story of missing wallets, purses and jewelry. In my brother's case, not only was his wallet missing, but the back pocket of his pants where he kept his wallet was ripped off and the gold chain he always wore was gone.

Do we have a serious problem with rescue personnel or police officers who are called to the scene of these accidents? What do your readers have to say about this? I wonder how many others have had the same type of experience. Will you ask them?—Longtime Reader on the West Coast

DEAR LONGTIME READER: You've raised a very interesting question, one that I have wondered about myself. But before we jump to any hasty conclusions, let's acknowledge the fact that often passersby arrive at the scene before the police or rescue personnel.

I'd like to hear from friends and family members who have had some experience with this type of mysterious disappearance. How about it, readers?

DEAR ANN LANDERS: My wife and I recently sent a gift to my mother-in-law. We deliberately bought it at a store where it would be convenient for Mom to return it, since that seems to be her pattern. We live in Texas and she lives in New Jersey, so we were very careful about the store we selected.

Well, my mother-in-law returned the gift to us with a note saying she does not shop at that particular store and "would not be caught dead there." Let me say this is one of the largest and most stylish department stores in the country. She ended her message with the following: "Thank you for the thought, but I have no earthly use for this ridiculous looking garment. I would return it, but the store is difficult to get to and accepts only the store charge card, which I wouldn't possess for all the tea in China."

I was disappointed that she didn't like the gift we spent all afternoon shopping for. My wife was livid. Traditionally we have given her a birthday gift and something nice at Christmas. We would like some

guidance on how to deal with this situation—present and future.—Fed Up in Dallas

DEAR FED: By now you know without my telling you that there is no way you are going to please this woman. I suggest that you return the gift to the store, get a credit and then buy something nice for your wife. Skip this occasion completely. No gift, period. And in the future, send Godzilla a check.

DEAR ANN LANDERS: It happened again today. My two sons and I were in a shopping mall and a total stranger felt the need to comment on the fact that my boys don't look anything alike.

Apparently my 6-year-old decided it was time he explained the difference. "I'm adopted," he said. "That's when you have the same family, but not the same face."

I'm thankful that this child doesn't let these rude remarks get to him. Any comment, Ann?—A Mom in Highland Lakes, N.J.

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The "Environmental Grammy Awards" were announced Thursday by the paper recycling committee of the American Paper Institute, a week before the Grammy Awards.

Workshops scheduled

Once a year the Panhandle chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society offers a specially designed series of workshops for people newly diagnosed with MS and for their families and other support people. This year the program will be held on five Saturday mornings from 10 to noon, March 7, 14, 21, 28 and April 11. There will be no program on Saturday, April 4, the day of The Annual Super Cities walk for Multiple Sclerosis.

The workshops are open to all men and women diagnosed since January, 1990. The program will explain what MS is and what it is not, will explain the emotional challenges of the

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FRIDAY—Omelette, toast, juice, chocolate milk.

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TUESDAY—Burrito, seasoned pinto beans, spinach, rice, chilled mix fruit, cowboy bread, chocolate milk.

WEDNESDAY—Pizza or tuna sandwich, corn, lettuce salad, sliced pears, peanut-butter cookie, milk.

THURSDAY—Chicken strips, mashed potatoes with gravy, green peas, strawberry/apple dessert, sugar cookie, hot rolls, butter, milk.

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SPORTS

8-run inning spoils Maroon JV's debut

Hereford's Maroon junior varsity baseball team led for much of its season-opening game Thursday at Plainview, but they gave up eight runs in the bottom of the sixth inning and lost 13-8.

Hereford committed three errors and pitcher Shama Hernandez walked four batters in the disastrous inning. Hernandez replaced starter Ray Hastings, who had pitched well in the first five innings but started the sixth with a walk, a single and a double.

Only three of the inning's eight runs were earned. One was knocked in by a double, the others came in on bases-loaded walks. Two of the errors let in the last four runs. Andrew Tijerina went to the mound and struck out two batters to end the inning.

Hereford committed 11 errors in the game, making only one of the Bulldogs' earlier runs earned. Plainview got two runs in the first and single runs in the third, fourth and fifth.

Hereford scored two runs in the second to tie the game, then four in the third to take the lead.

In the second, Hastings led off with a double, Elias Reyna walked, and both stole bases. Hastings scored on a passed ball, and Reyna scored the shortstop's error.

In the third, Chris Vallejo and Stacey Sanders started with walks. J.J. Rico grounded to the pitcher, who threw to second for one out, but Rico reached when the first baseman couldn't handle the throw from the second baseman. Vallejo scored on the error. Hastings singled home Rico, and went to third when Reyna reached on the right fielder's error. Hastings scored on a passed ball, and Reyna, who moved around on the passed ball and a wild pitch, came home on Russ Watts' sacrifice fly. That made the score 6-2.

Hereford scored two more in the top of the sixth. Hayden Andrews singled and stole second before Hernandez walked (Hernandez played third before relieving Hastings). Both scored on passed balls.

Hastings was the only Hereford player with two hits. Elijah Walker had a double among Hereford's six base hits. Plainview also had six hits.

Success pays off for Dickey

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) - On paper, most of James Dickey's players were committed to be at Texas Tech longer than he was.

Until Thursday. With a groundswell of support reaching a heated climax, Tech's first-year basketball coach was awarded a new four-year contract, replacing a two-year deal he signed upon taking over the program last April.

"The credit and the success needs to go to the young men on the team," Dickey said. "They make it all happen. I love coaching these guys, and I hope our fans and student body and crowd continue to grow. We are going to work very hard."

"I am excited about continuing on as coach at Texas Tech."

Texas Tech president Robert Lawless and athletic director T. Jones said at a news conference Thursday the new deal is worth \$95,000 a year, replacing Dickey's previous two-year contract worth about \$80,000 a year.

Dickey, 37, will earn about \$140,000 with perks from TV, radio shows and camps.

Dickey has helped lead the Red Raiders to a 13-11 record, including crucial victories over Rice, Texas Christian, New Mexico and

then-undefeated and No. 19-ranked Tulane.

The 13 triumphs matches the Raiders' victory total over the past two years. Tech was 5-22 in 1990 and 8-23 in 1991.

A couple of weeks ago, Dickey deferred a new contract and pay raise, saying he didn't want to disrupt the focus of his basketball team.

But then push came to shove, almost literally, and Dickey caved in, accepting the new pact Thursday that will keep him in Lubbock through the 1996 season.

"Dr. Lawless and T. Jones came to me about two weeks ago and said they wanted to iron out a new contract," Dickey said. "But I didn't want the contract talks to be something that might drag out and disrupt basketball. So I suggested we wait until the end of the season."

Everyone agreed.

But then the Red Raiders, who are enjoying their best season in three years, were suddenly being mentioned for a berth in the National Invitation Tournament.

Tech alums, students and the local media couldn't believe how much Dickey had done already.

Fans at Tech's game Tuesday against Houston in Lubbock chanted,

"Sign Dickey, sign Dickey."

And then the breaking point came when a fan nearly challenged the school president to a fight for not having already given Dickey a new deal.

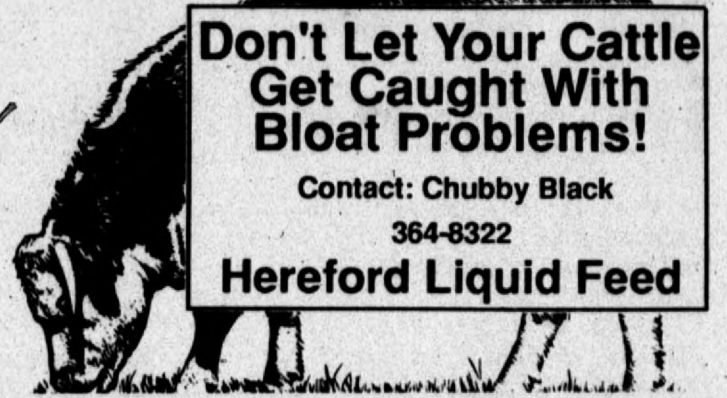
"I appreciate your willingness to speed this up," Lawless said to Dickey during the news conference. "And I guess I finally came to (Jones and Dickey) and said, 'Before I get involved in actual fistcuffs with someone, could we announce what we have done.'"

Dickey was promoted to lead the

Red Raiders April 10, 1991, after one year as an assistant under Gerald Myers, who was forced to step down after 20 years and four consecutive losing seasons.

Lawless said Thursday he overruled Jones' decision to give Dickey a four- or five-year contract last April because he wanted Dickey to prove "he had all the potential and characteristics we thought him to have."

"If I hadn't thought a whole lot of him, we wouldn't have hired him," Lawless said.



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Police break up gambling ring; college cagers may be involved

SOUTH KINGSTOWN, R.I. (AP) - State police have broken up a college gambling ring that had ties to the mob. Unanswered were allegations of possible involvement by University of Rhode Island players.

Police said Thursday they had arrested three people, including two University of Rhode Island students, and broken up a gambling ring tied to the New England mob that had operated on at least two Rhode Island college campuses.

URI President Robert Carothers, in a brief meeting with the media before Thursday night's basketball game against Temple, confirmed that some URI players were under investigation but said "there is no concrete evidence" against any athlete.

He would not say how many players were under investigation, but said no athlete had faced disciplinary action as of yet.

"We're depressed and dismayed at this," Carothers said.

The gambling ring's mastermind has been arrested for an alleged extortion attempt against the brother of URI basketball captain Jeff Kent, state police Capt. Brian Andrews said.

Andrews wouldn't say which athletes were being investigated and emphasized that police had no

evidence of player involvement, saying they only had "information."

State police superintendent Edmond Culhane described the leads investigators were following as "just stuff on the street."

The investigation also included alleged gambling at Bryant College, a small business school in Smithfield, R.I., and at some Massachusetts schools, Andrews said. He would not identify the schools.

A Bryant College spokesman said only that the school was cooperating with police. College president William Trueheart did not return a request for comment.

State police said the alleged ringleader was Bryant college senior Matthew Zimmerman, 21, of Providence. He was released on \$5,000 bond Thursday after pleading innocent to two counts of extortion and one each of bookmaking, possession of marijuana, racketeering, conspiracy and organized criminal gambling.

"It's not a mob operation. It's an operation run by a pretty sharp college kid who is involved with the mob," Andrews said. Police who raided Zimmerman's office allegedly found books on the Mafia and a picture of alleged New York Mafia don John Gotti on the wall, he said. Police believe at least 10

bookmakers, either students or recent graduates, took bets, usually from acquaintances, on professional and college games, Andrews said.

The bookmakers allegedly used a toll-free telephone line to Zimmerman, who had a storefront office in Providence, so he could cover bets they had taken, Andrews said.

Andrews said police had heard rumors of college gambling for five years, but the first breaks didn't come until police recently began investigating reports that young bookmakers at URI and Bryant were being pressured because of outstanding debts.

Jeff Kent's brother, Scott, was one of the alleged bookmakers pressured by Zimmerman for a \$7,000 debt, Andrews said. Scott Kent was cooperating with authorities, but Andrews would not say if Kent would be charged.

Police also arrested Zimmerman's roommate, Dennis Millette, 20. There was no immediate information about whether he was a student.

Millette was charged with organized criminal gambling and conspiracy and was released on \$10,000 personal recognizance after pleading innocent. He allegedly met on Wednesday with an undercover police officer posing as one of Scott Kent's relatives trying to intercede in

the collection of Kent's gambling debt, Andrews said.

Police said they believed a third man arrested Monday in Narragansett on gambling charges also had dealings with Zimmerman. He was identified as Raymond Damaso Jr., a URI student. Police were unable to supply his age or details of the charges against him.

Lefferts switches to starting role

By The Associated Press

Craig Lefferts wants a new start with San Diego, so the Padres' stopper would like to become a starter.

Lefferts was the Padres' closer last season, leading the team with 23 saves. But San Diego traded for relief ace Randy Myers in the off-season and plan to use him in that role.

After the deal that brought Myers from Cincinnati for Bip Roberts, Lefferts called Padres general manager Joe McIlvaine and proposed that he move out of the bullpen.

"I put it to him, like, 'This is probably going to make you laugh,'" Lefferts said Thursday at training camp in Yuma, Ariz. "Then I told him I wanted to be a starter, and he didn't laugh."

Lefferts has pitched in 581 games, all but five in relief, in his nine-year career in the majors. His only starts

came during his rookie season in 1983.

Lefferts was 1-6 with a 3.91 ERA last season. He also blew seven save chances.

"McIlvaine said at the end of the year that his priority was to get a closer, so obviously he didn't feel I was the right guy for that job. That's one of the reasons why I thought there may be an opportunity to go into the rotation," Lefferts said.

In other moves, of sorts, the Pittsburgh Pirates hope Orlando Merced can help fill the void left by Bobby Bonilla's defection to the New York Mets.

Merced, an outfielder in the minors, platooned at first base last season as a rookie with Gary Redus, hit .275 with 10 homers, 50 RBIs and 83 runs scored.

But with Bonilla gone, the Pirates

plan to play Merced full-time in right field.

"I told him, 'This is your home now,'" manager Jim Leyland said. "This is where you are going to be. As long as you are a Pirate, I want you to be a right fielder."

Playing right field is particularly significant to Merced, whose boyhood friends included the three sons of Pirates Hall of Famer Roberto Clemente.

"It means a lot to me," Merced said. "Clemente was my hero. He was my neighbor. I was friends with his family. Now I am playing his position. I never thought this would happen. I never thought I'd be standing in the same position."

Bonilla, meanwhile, arrived at practice in Port St. Lucie, Fla., and predicted the Mets, not the two-time champion Pirates, are the team to beat in the National League East.



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Barkley loses control in fight-marred rout

By The Associated Press

It's hard to say which was worse - Philadelphia's behavior or its play. Charles Barkley and two other 76ers were ejected from Thursday night's game at Charlotte, which featured a bench-clearing brawl in the third quarter. But the game already was out of hand before the fight.

Led by Dell Curry's 22 points, the Hornets routed the 76ers 136-84. It was the worst loss in 76ers' history and the most points ever scored by Charlotte in its four-year history.

"We jumped all over them real bad and that's probably why tempers flared," said Charlotte's J.R. Reid, who was ejected along with Barkley and Philadelphia's Jayson Williams following the fight.

Johnny Dawkins of the 76ers was thrown out earlier in the quarter after

getting two technicals for arguing with officials. The argument occurred after Barkley committed a flagrant foul against Tyrone Bogues.

Barkley also triggered the brawl when he collided with Reid and was called for an offensive foul with 4:28 remaining in the third period and Charlotte leading 90-51.

After Reid and Barkley exchanged words, Barkley threw the ball at the Charlotte forward and both benches cleared. The fight spilled into the stands before order was restored.

"Tonight, Charles sunk real low," Reid said. "What he did isn't called for in this league."

Philadelphia coach Jim Lynam said the brawl was triggered by the lopsided score. The 52-point defeat was the worst in team history, topping

a 48-point loss to the New York Knicks in 1972.

"We were down so much, it was just frustration," Lynam said.

Barkley, who had 10 points and seven rebounds, said he felt Charlotte ran up the score.

"We just didn't play well, but you don't humiliate a team when they are up by 20 or 30 points," he said.

In other games, it was New Jersey 98, Portland 96; Detroit 104, Milwaukee 97; San Antonio 124, Golden State 103; Seattle 130, Utah 124 in overtime; and Sacramento 110, New York 109 in overtime.

Nets 98, Trail Blazers 96 - Terry Mills, getting a rare start,

had 16 points and a career-high 19 rebounds as New Jersey beat visiting Portland.

Trailing 93-83 with 1:56 remaining, the Blazers pulled to 97-96 on a 3-pointer by Clyde Drexler with 43 seconds left. After Chris Morris missed a shot, Portland had a chance to win. But Drexler's high arching shot near the basket was blocked by Mills on a play that could have been called goaltending.

Drexler had 31 points for Portland.

Pistons 104, Bucks 97

Joe Dumars scored 26 points as Detroit extended Milwaukee's road losing streak to 13 games.

John Salley and Orlando Woolridge each added 18 points for

the Pistons, while Dennis Rodman had 16 points and 22 rebounds.

Frank Brickowski had 16 points for Milwaukee.

SuperSonics 130, Jazz 124, OT

Eddie Johnson scored 32 points, including 11 in overtime, as Seattle handed Utah its third home loss of the season.

Johnson made a layup and hit 9 of 10 free throws in the final 1:34 of overtime.

Ricky Pierce scored 29 points for Seattle. Karl Malone led Utah with 35 points.

Spurs 124, Warriors 103

David Robinson scored 37 points and matched his career high with 24 rebounds for San Antonio.

Terry Cummings added 23 points and Donald Royal had a season-high 16 for the Spurs. Chris Mullin led Golden State with 28 points.

Kings 110, Knicks 109

Mitch Richmond scored a season-high 37 points and made a key steal for Sacramento in the closing seconds to hand the Knicks their third road loss in four nights.

Anthony Bonner hit the second of two free throws with 18.8 seconds left to give the Kings a one-point lead. Richmond then knocked the ball away from John Starks near halfcourt as the Knicks worked for a final shot following two timeouts.

Reserve Kiki Vandeweghe scored 25 points for New York.

USC nips UCLA in Miner upset

By The Associated Press

UCLA may be ranked higher than Southern Cal in the national polls. In Los Angeles, though, USC is No. 1.

Harold Miner scored 29 points and grabbed 13 rebounds Thursday night to lead the 13th-ranked Trojans over the No. 4 Bruins 83-79, giving USC a two-game sweep of its crosstown rivals.

Afterwards, Miner savored the win and thought back to the days when UCLA dominated Southern Cal.

"This is so nice," he said with a smile after the Pac-10 Conference victory. "I thought back to my freshman year at UCLA when they chanted 'Transfer' and 'First place, last place' and were mocking us."

Tod Bernard scored 26 points to lead Fresno State (15-13, 6-10).

No. 22 Florida State 110, No. 10 North Carolina 96

Sam Cassell, Chuck Graham and Doug Edwards combined for 72 points to help host Florida State clinch second place in the Atlantic Coast Conference.

The 110 points equalled the most ever scored against North Carolina (18-6, 8-5).

Cassell finished with 25, Graham 24 and Edwards had 23 points and 12 rebounds. In its first year in the ACC, Florida State (19-8, 11-5) swept North Carolina, Wake Forest, Georgia Tech and North Carolina State.

DALLAS (AP) - Roy Tarpley can return to professional basketball whenever he wants.

Tarpley, who was kicked out of the NBA for refusing to take a mandatory drug test Oct. 16, received permission Thursday to play for the Wichita Falls Texans of the Continental Basketball Association.

But the most talented and troubled player in Dallas Mavericks history told the Texans he wasn't quite ready to return to pro basketball and didn't know when he would be prepared.

The Texans left the door open for him to join the team at any time.

"He is more concerned with getting his life back together than with playing basketball right now. And that's the way it should be," said team owner Lanham Lyne.

"Roy Tarpley is accepting responsibility in the direction of his career, which is a big step in his recovery program."

Tarpley, a 7-foot center-forward, and Richard Dumas, whose career at Oklahoma State was cut short by substance abuse, completed treatment programs at the John Lucas Drug

Rehabilitation Center in Houston and were granted immediate permission to play in the CBA, a minor league with an NBA developmental contract.

"Their medical doctors and counselors at the John Lucas Center have assured the league office that both players have made the necessary strides in their personal battles against substance abuse, and thus are ready to resume their professional basketball careers at this time," said CBA Commissioner Terdemia L. Ussery II.

Dumas, who was on the verge of making the Phoenix Suns' roster when he failed an alcohol test the day before the final cut, signed a contract Thursday to play with the Oklahoma City Cavalry. Dumas is on the Suns' injured reserve list.

Texans coach John Treloar on Wednesday met in Houston with Lucas and Tarpley, who applied for CBA admission on Feb. 21. Treloar told Tarpley he was welcome to join the team for Thursday night's game in La Crosse, Wis., or at any time during the season, which ends March 15.

According to league rules, players must suit up for at least eight regular season games to be eligible for the playoffs. The defending champion Texans have seven regular season games remaining.

But Tarpley could still be eligible for the playoffs if he joins the team this season and another player on the roster gets called up to the NBA, said team spokesman Larry Long.

Tarpley and Dumas have been staying in shape by playing pickup games with former NBA players Lucas and Marvin Barnes at Lucas' treatment center.

The CBA, which requires drug tests from players upon admittance into the league and randomly throughout the season, is the only league Tarpley can play in while he is banned from the NBA.

Long said the Texans will give Tarpley all the time he needs.

"He wants to sit back and evaluate everything and make sure that he's completely ready to come in and play basketball," Long said. "He just wasn't 100 percent ready to make that

step. He didn't want to make a quick decision.

"We're going to honor his wishes and leave the door open for him at any time," Long added. "We look at it from the standpoint that he's concerned with getting his life back together."

Tarpley, 27, can apply for reinstatement to the NBA after the start of the 1993-94 season.

The ban last year ended Tarpley's rocky five-year career with the Mavericks, who drafted him seventh overall from Michigan in 1986.

He was frequently brilliant on the court, earning a place on the 1986-87 All-Rookie team and winning the 1987-88 NBA Sixth Man Award. But arrests for drunken driving and brushes with the league's substance abuse policy frequently kept him out of action.

In other games involving Top 25 teams, No. 5 Arizona crushed Oregon 104-56, No. 7 UNLV defeated Fresno State 84-67, No. 22 Florida State upended No. 10 North Carolina 110-96, No. 15 Tulane lost at home to Louisville 87-72 and No. 19 Cincinnati got past Marquette 70-59.

In a Southwestern Athletic Conference tournament game, winless Prairie View lost its 28th game of the season - an NCAA Division I record.

The Trojans (20-4, 12-2) saw a 14-point lead with 15 minutes left cut to 77-75 with 1:55 left on a 3-pointer by Don MacLean.

Rodney Chatman scored Southern Cal's only field goal of the final 5:59 with just under 1:30 remaining to restore the lead to four and the Trojans hung on.

Louisville 87, No. 15 Tulane 72

Despite coach Perry Clark's pregame plea, a shower of Mardi Gras beads hit the court after Matt Popp scored Tulane's first goal. A technical foul was called on the Tulane fans, resulting in a 4-point swing - two free throws and a basket on the continued possession - and Louisville never looked back.

Dwayne Morton scored 23 points and Greg Minor had 14 to lead Louisville (17-8, 6-5). The Cardinals' win prevented the Green Wave (19-5, 7-3) from clinching a tie for the Metro Conference title.

No. 19 Cincinnati 70, Marquette 59

Cincinnati played its final home game of the season without coach Bob Huggins and was able to pull away from the Warriors in the second half.

Huggins was sitting out a one-game suspension for an on-court outburst.

Anthony Buford scored 20 points, including six straight to ignite an 18-0 second-half run gave Cincinnati (21-4, 6-2 Great Midwest Conference) the win. Marquette (13-12, 3-5) went 6 1/2 minutes without a field goal during the Bearcats' rally.

Prairie View cagers finish with 28th loss

BATON ROUGE, La. (AP) - Money isn't everything, but a little for scholarships would sure come in handy at Prairie View A&M, where the men's basketball team ended its season by breaking the NCAA Division I record for most losses in a season.

Prairie View made history Thursday night with a 112-79 loss to Mississippi Valley State and a quick exit from the Southwestern Athletic Conference tournament. It was Prairie View's third loss to Valley this year and dropped the Panthers to a record-breaking 0-28.

"Sure we've lost 28 in a row but I'm still a fighter," coach Elwood Plummer said after Thursday's loss. "I'd like to bring this program back to a winning program. When will we go back to giving scholarships? ... That's the \$64,000 question."

The school's debt-ridden sports program has fielded steadily losing teams since scholarship money dried up two years ago. Athletic director Barbara Jackett's effort to mount an alumni fund raising drive has met with little success.

Prairie View became sole owner of a record that had been shared by four teams - George Washington University in 1989 (1-27), U.S. International in 1985 (1-27), University of the Pacific in 1984 (3-27) and Washington State in 1953 (6-27).

Prairie View A&M's problems extend beyond men's basketball. The women's squad is 0-26 and the Panthers' football team went 0-11 last fall.

Prairie View disbanded all sports but track and field in May 1990. Many athletes transferred before the school decided two months later to continue playing without scholarships.

Jackett, who will serve as head coach of the U.S. Olympic women's track team, resigned as track coach at Prairie View to turn her energies to rebuilding the school's athletic program.

"After 1993, if the alums don't start helping, all of a sudden we won't be competitive in Division I," Jackett said in a recent interview. "We won't drop athletics but we might have to go down a notch."

The school this year honored athletic scholarships that existed in 1990, but most of those athletes have played out their eligibility. Only two were on the men's basketball team.

The final basketball game had its bright spots for Prairie View.

The Panthers actually led several times in the first half, helped by the fact that Al Ford, SWAC's leading scorer with a 28.5 average, was benched for much of the half after two early fouls.

And Mark Hamilton was the game's leading scorer with 40, including eight 3-pointers.

"That No. 25 (Hamilton) shot well against us even though we were in his face all night," Mississippi Valley State coach Lafayette Stirling said. "He was a thorn in our side all night."

No. 5 Arizona 104, Oregon 56

Arizona blew out Oregon for the second time this season and handed the Ducks their worst-ever homecourt loss.

Just last month, the Wildcats beat Oregon by 51 in Tucson.

Chris Mills scored 21 points, including 15 in a 58-point first half, as the Wildcats (21-4, 10-3) moved within one game of Pac-10 co-leaders Southern Cal and UCLA.

Seven Arizona players scored in double figures. Orlando Williams scored 18 for Oregon (6-17, 2-12).

No. 7 UNLV 84, Fresno State 67

J.R. Rider scored 22 points, Dexter Boney had 19 and Evric Gray added 18 as the Runnin' Rebels won their 22nd consecutive game.

Coach Jerry Tarkanian's teams have won seven straight in Fresno and 16 straight overall against their Big West Conference rivals.

UNLV (25-2, 17-0) put the game away in the second half, opening up a 29-point lead in the first 12 minutes.

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BOISE, Idaho (AP) - Patience is rated a major virtue, and sometimes it even turns out that way.

It did for golfer Beau Baugh in the Ben Hogan Boise Open. On the first hole Baugh's drive landed in a tree and remained there. After looking for the ball, which took some time, Baugh returned to the tee and set up another ball for a drive.

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Former WBA leader knew the champs

By CLIFF NEWELL
Kerrville Daily Times
KERRVILLE, Texas (AP) - Over the past half century, if a boxer was any good, Stan Goldberg knew him. If a bout was of any importance, Stan Goldberg was there.

He was the man Joe Louis called "The Commish," and his 47-year association with the highest level of boxing, if not unparalleled, certainly ranks way up there.

"I've loved boxing, even as a kid," says Goldberg. "To me it was so intriguing, every part of it. The referees, the trainers, the corner men, everything."

To take a brief walk into boxing history, just step into Stan Goldberg's closet. There is a picture of Jack Dempsey playfully biting Goldberg's ear. There is Goldberg standing next to Archie Moore as he stands on a scale at a weigh-in. There's a picture of Goldberg and Joe Louis decked out in tuxedos at some formal fistic affair.

If you have some more time, look in his scrapbooks. Stan hasn't gotten around to really organizing them, but they are chock-full of clippings and photos of his marvelous career.

Boxing has been just one aspect of Goldberg's life. To just kind of skim things, he was a successful jeweler in Indiana for over 30 years, director of the U.S. Small Business Administration in Arizona, co-star in a theater production with Nick Nolte, Arizona treasurer for Barry Goldwater in his presidential campaign of 1964, chairman of many worthy organizations, and member of countless clubs and lodges. He and his wife Bette retired to Kerrville 12 years ago.

But boxing has been his love, and for any true boxing fan having a chance to shoot the breeze with Goldberg is like finding a goldmine.

Goldberg got involved in boxing on the commissioner level in 1949, rising to the chairmanship of the Indiana Athletic Commission and eventually becoming president of the World Boxing Association in 1961. (Those were the days when there was only one world boxing organization, not the alphabet soup of today.) Along the way, he saw it all.

"Any time there was a big fight, I was there," Goldberg admits. "I've known all the greats. Fighting is my favorite sport. I live on a golf course, but I don't play golf. I've known so many fighters and I've been close to them."

For instance, there was the time Goldberg first met Ingemar Johansson. Goldberg was introduced to Ingo before he stunned the sports world by defeating Floyd Patterson for the heavyweight championship in 1959. To Goldberg he seemed to be just a Swedish guy who was so big he seemed about to burst out of his blue suit.

However, Goldberg took time out of his busy schedule to help Johansson, and Johansson was grateful. The morning after he defeated Patterson and had the eyes of the world upon him, the man he had breakfast with was Goldberg. While they were eating, a reporter friend phoned Goldberg, pleading for some information on how to contact the new champ. It took a while for Goldberg to convince him that the big Swede was right at the breakfast table.

Goldberg's best story concerns the boxer he idolized above all others, the great Joe Louis.

"Joe Louis was my favorite," said Goldberg. "He was the nicest guy in the world. He was kind to everybody. He was a sucker for any hard luck story. He couldn't do enough for you. Because of that, a lot of people exploited him."

"But in the ring, he was a stalker. He was a howitzer."

Ironically, it was Goldberg who ended Louis' boxing career. But he might have saved his life.

It happened in Indiana in 1954 when Louis was struggling on the comeback trail in order to pay back his million-dollar debt to the Internal Revenue Service. Although he was well past his prime, the Brown Bomber could still punch and he was still a big draw, and there were 8,000 fans there that night in Beverly Shore to watch him. It was a fight that never happened.

Goldberg said, "I got a phone call from the fight doctor telling me that Joe's blood pressure was 240. At the arena we tested him and had him run, but his blood pressure was still way over 200. I just couldn't let him fight with his blood pressure like that. I'm the guy who took away his license. He never boxed again. After that he had to wrestle."

Goldberg's act of reason and compassion didn't go over very well. Thousands of fans left the arena and demanded their money back, and he was raked over the coals by national columnist Arch Ward as a "local yokel commissioner." The real reason for his action finally came out - "in a paragraph about this big," said

Goldberg, holding his forefinger and thumb about an inch apart. But Louis lived for over 20 more years.

Goldberg is inevitably asked to discuss and rate the greatest boxers of all time. He is happy to comply.

"George Foreman is a big, likeable guy, but he is too old and slow to be a genuine challenger. The news and the media have built him up. If Holyfield couldn't have ended their fight in the fourth round, there is no Christmas. That he has gotten so far just goes to show the current state boxing is in. The same goes for Larry Holmes."

"The brash image of Muhammad Ali was not real. He was a very nice young man. The loudmouth image wasn't true. It was a part he took to the very limit. He was one of the nicest guys you'd ever want to meet."

"The best fighter I ever saw was Sugar Ray Robinson. He could do anything. He was terrific. He was unbelievable."

"Mike Tyson was never really tested," Goldberg said. "Dempsey, Louis and Ali could have killed him. There was no way in the world Tyson was great. He came along at a time when there weren't many bonafide

challengers. Over a short span he captured the imagination of the public with his raw power and caveman tactics."

Goldberg was well acquainted with Cus D'Amato, the man who discovered and trained Tyson, and he has some personal impressions of the young man whose trial and conviction on a rape charge has dominated the sports news in recent months.

"Mike Tyson was surly and moody," Goldberg said. "He was a very ungracious type of person, even though he could put on the charm when he wanted to. Had Cus lived, he would never have been in this kind of trouble. Cus could control him."

Goldberg, who had advocated reforms for years, got out of boxing in 1986. But he has strong opinions on how it can restore public esteem.

"What boxing needs is a commissioner to see the overall aspects of the game. Now it's all a mish-mash, a regular smorgasbord. I hope that day comes."

"The reason it's been resisted is the greed and guile of the individuals controlling it. With all the money they have, they do a good job of getting what they want. I hope someday we have some senators with enough guts to create a commission. Boxing needs to be governed. Some people oppose that theory, but having been in it so long, I'm sure that could cure the ills."

A lot of people would like to see boxing just fade away. But not Stan Goldberg.

"I'm still fascinated by it," he says. "I'm still keenly interested in it and enthused about it."



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ST. ANTHONY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

The Friday Lenten Suppers are planned to be held at 6:30 p.m. every Friday during Lent beginning March 6. Soup and sandwiches will be served as the congregation prepares for the Easter celebration.

The Church Women United invites the community to come together for fasting and prayer in observance of World Day of Prayer-planned from 12:15-12:45 p.m. Friday, March 6, at the church. This year's theme is "Caring For All Creation."

A country-style breakfast will be held from 9 a.m. until noon Sunday, March 1, in the school cafeteria. The menu will consist of scrambled eggs,

hash browns, ham, breakfast burritos, cinnamon rolls, coffee and juice. Donations will be accepted. Proceeds will be used for the Parish Center. During the breakfast, a quilt will be given away.

The Lenten Mini-Mission For Youth will be held March 4-6 at San Jose Church with Father Hector Madrigal. Ash Wednesday Liturgy will be followed by Youth Worship with Clown Ministry at 8:30 p.m. in the church hall. On Thursday and Friday, Sister Hilda Rodriguez will lead Teen Church in English at 7:30 p.m. in the church hall.

San Jose's Annual Mexican Comida is planned from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. Sunday, March 8, at the

Hereford Community Center. Tickets are priced at \$4.25 for adults and \$2.75 for children and may be purchased at the door or from church members. Everyone is invited to attend.

The six Franciscan sisters and postulants will begin a home visitation ministry in the Hereford community Saturday. They will be in Hereford every Saturday.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

The Week of Prayer for Home Missions will be held March 1-8 with the theme "Missions: Reaching People, Growing Churches." Special prayer times include 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, followed by a pot luck lunch, and 9:30 a.m. Thursday in Kinsey Parlor.

The Power Source Youth Rally will be held at 7 p.m. Saturday in Amarillo's First Baptist Church auditorium. The youth will leave Hereford at 5:30 p.m. and should return around 11 p.m. There is no cost.

The Student Conference with Dawson McAllister will be held March 13-14. Cost is \$40.

The Amarillo Baptist WMU invites the public to the Annual Dessert Theater at 7 p.m. Friday, March 6, at the Pleasant Valley Baptist Church in Amarillo. A nursery will be provided. "The Company" from Fort Worth will present a Christian drama that will appeal to those of all ages.

The youth will present a musical, "Let's Go to the Rock", at 7 p.m. March 6 and March 8 at the former Stanton Junior High School auditorium.

SAN PABLO UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

The church is joining with United Methodist congregations from across northwest Texas, beginning March 8, for a special worship attendance crusade. The hope is that during this six-week emphasis, which will culminate on Easter Sunday, April 19, persons will experience, through worship, God's love in a new and powerful way.

The Rev. Hilda Cavazos explained, "During the next six weeks, you will be a crucial part of the worship attendance crusade by praying daily for the renewal and deepening of our congregation, pledging your own attendance each Sunday through April 19 and by inviting a person each week to join you for worship here at the church."

San Pablo United Methodist Church is located at 220 Kibbe.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Church School begins each Sunday at 9:30 a.m. and the Sunday morning worship service starts at 10:45 with this week's sermon entitled "Around the Cross: ENVY."

The Women's Bible Study will meet at 7 p.m. Monday and at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday.

Girl Scout Day is planned March 8.

FRIO BAPTIST CHURCH

The family of Frio Baptist Church invites the public to their regular worship services. Sunday school for all ages begins at 10 a.m. with the Sunday morning worship at 11.

Discipleship training will begin at

6 p.m. and the Sunday evening worship at 7. Wednesday evening Bible Study and prayer meetings begin at 7:30.

CENTRAL CHURCH OF CHRIST

Sunday morning Bible classes will meet at 9:30. Classes are planned for the needs of different age groups. The morning worship service, which begins at 10:25, includes The Lord's supper, congregational singing, prayer and meditation. The 6 p.m. Sunday service is a time of encouragement and edification.

On Wednesday night at 7:30, the congregation meets for special study and devotion.

TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH

Trinity Baptist welcomes everyone to their worship services. Sunday school begins at 10 a.m., morning worship at 11, and evening worship at 5.

Bro. Ed Warren says, "If you don't have a church or are not attending church, you are welcome to visit us."

FELLOWSHIP OF BELIEVERS

Doug Manning is leading a series of classes, "A Walk Through the Bible", each Sunday from 9:30-10:15 a.m. Worship services are from 10:30-11:15 a.m.

The public is invited to all services at the church located at 245 Kingwood.

Children Sunday School is offered from 9:30-10:15 a.m. A nursery is provided during Sunday school and the worship service.

Among the congregation's ministries designed to meet various public needs is a "taxi" service. Persons needing transportation to and from any church or have other transportation needs, may call 364-0359 or 364-3869. There is no cost.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

"Do You Believe in Ghosts?" is the question in the title of Dr. James W. Cory's sermon for the 10:30 a.m.

Sunday worship service. The scripture lesson is Luke 9:28-36.

Confirmation class meets from 4:30-6 p.m. Sunday. The youth fellowships meet at 6 p.m. Sunday at the church.

Presbyterian Women's luncheon will be held at noon Wednesday, March 4. Bring a covered dish and share in a program and good fellowship. Working women whose lunch hour permits it are welcome to come and do not need to bring a dish.

Choir practice will be held at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday. New members will be welcome.

ST. THOMAS EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Holy Eucharist will be celebrated Sunday at 11 a.m. by Father Charles A. Wilson. The sermon topic is "Farewell to Alleluias: Having a

Holy Lent."

At 7 p.m. on Ash Wednesday, March 4, the proper liturgy, including the Imposition of Ashes and Holy Communion, will be celebrated. The preceding evening, Shrove Tuesday, will be observed with the Annual St. Thomas Pancake Supper. Serving begins at 5 p.m. and continues until 7:30 p.m. Tickets will be available at the door.

Fr. Wilson will lead a Lenten Study on Sundays at 9:30 a.m. March 8-April 12, with a special session by Bishop Hulseby on March 22. Study topic will be "The Cost of Discipleship", based on the life and thought of Dietrich Bonhoeffer. The public is invited to attend any of the services or the special Lenten Study series.

This Sunday, there will be an opportunity to contribute to a special winter ingathering for the United Thank Offering.

Survey expected to benefit employers

The West Texas State University T. Boone Pickens College of business with \$5,000 start-up assistance from the Amarillo Economic Development Corporation (AEDC), is conducting a Wage and Salary Survey that, when completed, is expected to provide information of significant value to current and prospective area employers.

Primary study facilitators, Dr. Richard W. Nicholson, associate professor of management, and Dr. Suresh Gopain, assistant professor of management, mailed surveys to approximately 450 presidents and chief executive officers on Jan. 21. The mailing list included the Texas

Panhandle's largest companies/organizations, both for- and not-for-profit, based on number of employees.

Results will be tabulated and compiled and will provide information on annual compensation by job for the total market. Frequency, average, median, standard deviation, lowest salary and highest salary will be published for each job classification as determined from the Standard Dictionary of Occupational Titles.

Respondents will also receive statistical data comparing their company's annual compensation by job with the total market.

"A survey of this kind can be very valuable to present employers because it lets you know whether you are being competitive with your wages and salaries," Dr. John E. Dittich, Dean of the T. Boone Pickens College of business, said. "It is important to know where you stand. If you don't pay enough, you lose people and have unhappy employees. If you pay too much, then you drive up costs and run the risk of going out of business. It allows you to determine if your employment practices are compatible with what your company wants to do strategically."

According to Dittich, results of the study will also prove of immense value to prospective area employers.

"The results of this survey will provide some real, hard facts of interest to prospective businesses," Dittich said. "I think the AEDC will find the information very helpful and instrumental in their efforts to effectively market this area."

If all goes as planned, Dittich anticipates that the study will be continued on a two-year cycle.

"This is important, valuable information. Private consultants come high, and a lot of companies are not in a position to pay that kind of money. The AEDC's financial support for the start-up of the survey has made the project possible, and it's a natural for the University. We are pleased that we can provide this kind of a meaningful service to the business community."

The study, which maintains strict confidentiality regarding individual companies and respondents, is expected to be completed by April 1992. Copies of the results will be made available for purchase.

Inquiries regarding the survey should be directed to Wage Survey Project, WTSU Box 275, Canyon, Texas 79016, 806-656-2290.

Council reviews events

The T.E.H.A. Council met Monday afternoon at the Hereford Community Center following the Annual Appreciation Luncheon.

Seven extension homemaker clubs were represented at the council meeting with six having 100 percent attendance.

Several upcoming events were announced during the business session: workshop, 1:30 p.m., March 2, Deaf Smith County Library; Leaders Training, 1:30 p.m., March 30, at the library; training session for Family Community Living, March 12, March 26; training for reading volunteers, March 13, 5-9 p.m., and March 14, 8 a.m. until 5 p.m.

The Estate Management Seminar will be held May 12-13. It will be led by Wayne Hyenga.

The delegates to the district meeting April 7 in Amarillo were named. They are Maudette Smith, Sherri Blackwell and Kate Bradley. Alternates are Jo Lee, Wilma Goetsch and Edna Schulte.

Tickets for the district meeting need to be turned in by March 15 to the T.E.H.A. Chairman Maudette Smith.


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We have developed alternative fuels, such as methanol and ethanol, that have the potential to harm the environment, present major health risks, endanger our national security and would be sold at significant cost and inconvenience to consumers according to a Hudson Institute Report. Among its findings:

* Health and safety risks associated with methanol use are greater than those associated with gasoline or natural gas. Even small doses of methanol ingestion can cause blindness or death. Furthermore, ingestion and skin absorption risks are very high, thus, requiring glove and goggles protection. Such precautionary measures may make self-service refueling impossible for methanol.

* Alternative fuels contribute as much greenhouse gas emissions as gasoline and in some cases, such as methanol made from coal, can contribute even more greenhouse gas emissions than gasoline. Cars powered by methanol (made from natural gas), compressed natural gas, and ethanol (presently made from corn) have about the same, or larger global warming impacts as gasoline and diesel-powered vehicles.

* Neat methanol creates a flammable or explosive mixture in storage tanks.

The Hudson Institute Reports also concluded that alternative fuels endanger our national security because they make us even more dependent on the Middle East and the

Soviet Union, where the most abundant reserves of natural gas are located. These fuels are also more costly for motorists due to low fuel efficiency.

A sensible alternative to alternative fuels, says the Hudson Institute, would be to improve our air quality with affordable, reformulated gasolines and to concentrate on research and development of zero emission vehicles which can give us energy security and efficiency at an affordable cost.

Lapidary club meets for supper

Members of the Deaf Smith County Lapidary Club met Monday for their annual bean supper.

During the business meeting with President Dale Henson presiding, Cecil Lady gave a report on the Plainview Rock Show. Lady also exhibited a sphere made of sodalite.

Bobbie Roberson won the door prize which was furnished by Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Coker.

Those present included Messrs. and Mmes. Jack Nunley, Weldon Roberson, Dale Henson, Bud Cawthon, Floyd Coker, Ezell Sadler, and Ralph Packard. Also, in attendance were Thama Pearson, L.D. Combs, Merle Newell, Joe Williams, Baxter London, Ruth King, Cecil Lady and Ruby Mulkey.

Ask Dr. Lamb

DEAR DR. LAMB: I am writing you concerning my grandchildren. They are 1 and 2 years old and don't get any milk at all. I think they need milk for strong bones and teeth. Can you substitute organic food for wholesome food? They don't give them anything from the meat and dairy basic food groups.

DEAR READER: Your concern is well founded. Milk and milk products are the best food sources for calcium. In fact, milk is the only commonly used food that contains more calcium than phosphorus. Calcium is important at all ages, but particularly in the growth phase. Both of your grandchildren should be getting 800 mg of calcium a day, the recommended daily dietary allowance. There is approximately 300 mg of calcium in an 8-ounce glass of milk. If a child cannot consume milk, an adequate alternative source of calcium must be found. Otherwise, you are right, they may not achieve the bone and teeth development they should. Little girls will be much more likely to have osteoporosis after middle-age because of the calcium deficiency during the growth years.

The dairy group is also an excellent source of complete protein that contains all the amino acids your body cannot manufacture. Mother Nature obviously intended for offspring to have milk. That applies to humans as well as animals. That is what mother's milk is about. It has always seemed strange to me that a natural product, so essential to life at birth, should later be avoided. There are medical reasons why a few children cannot tolerate milk and do need a substitute.

The meat group is also a good source of complete protein. However, you can match different vegetable and cereal groups to provide all the essential amino acids, but I'm concerned

that would often be difficult in a child.

Read Special Report 90, Balance Your Diet for Health, which I'm sending you, and have the parents read it too. This is not my isolated opinion but the recommendations of the leading nutritionists in the country. Others who want this report can send \$3 with a long, stamped (52 cents), self-addressed envelope for it to THE HEALTH LETTER/90, P.O. Box 5537, Riverton, NJ 08077.

Organic food is simply produced without synthetic products and utilizes natural fertilizer and no pesticides. But it contains no more nutrients than regular commercially produced food. It does not replace meat and milk.

DEAR DR. LAMB: Is it true that if you crack your knuckles, your hands will start trembling as you get older? That may seem like a silly question, but it is of interest to me. As a piano player, I find it much easier to play after cracking my knuckles. Since I plan on being a surgeon in the future, I don't want trembly hands.

DEAR READER: The usual story is that if you crack your knuckles you will get arthritis. There is no objective evidence of this and it certainly won't cause "trembly" hands. When you crack your knuckles, you are really stretching the tendons and muscles. The sudden pull on the tendons causes the sound.

I am not surprised that you find it easier to play the piano after stretching the tendons and muscles in your hands. That is no different from athletes stretching before engaging in exercise. You might find other stretching exercises before and after playing are also useful.

DEAR DR. LAMB: I am a 15-year-old girl. I have allergies and have been taking an allergy medication

called Naldecon for several years. It works very well.

My biggest problem is I have very bad breath. I brush and floss my teeth often and go to the dentist twice a year. I have tried many mouthwashes and even breath mints with no success. I have even talked to my dentist about it, but he had no suggestions that I haven't already tried. This is a very embarrassing situation and I really need your help.

DEAR READER: While it is important to have your teeth checked and to be certain that a dental problem is not the cause of bad breath, dental problems are by no means the only cause for it. There are other sources of bad odors in your mouth. The tongue is one. Do you brush your tongue when you brush your teeth? You should. Food deposits and dead cells that are normally shed by the tongue accumulate and bacteria find this a fertile ground to multiply in. The resulting bacteria cause the bad odor. That is a frequent cause of "morning breath."

The throat and sinuses may be the cause. Your history of allergies immediately raises the question of obstructed sinuses as a cause for bad breath. Ask your doctor to refer you to an ear, nose and throat specialist to evaluate this area for you. If you have polyps in the nasal passages, or the sinuses are obstructed, he may be able to help you.

Then there is the source of odors from the entire internal body. Odorous gases are carried by the circulation to your lungs, just as carbon dioxide is. And they are exhaled. That is the cause of the alcoholic bad breath. That is also the cause of the bad breath associated with starvation or eliminating all carbohydrates from the diet. Various foods may be a factor as well.

You should read about the various

causes for bad breath and what can be done in Special Report 109, The Breath Problem. I can't send you a free copy because you didn't include your address on your letter. I don't see the envelopes. Those who want this report can send \$3 with a long, stamped (52 cents), self-addressed envelope for it to THE HEALTH LETTER/109, P.O. Box 5537, Riverton, NJ 08077.

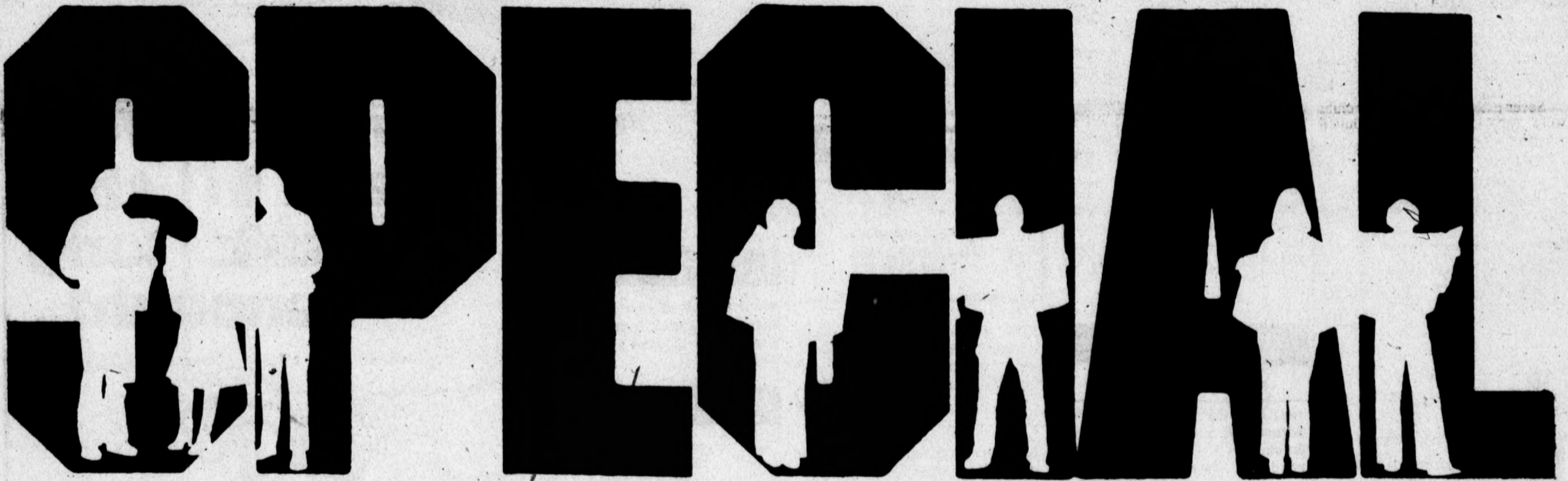
Mouthwashes and breath mints at best provide only a temporary cover-up, because the usual cause for the bad breath is still there.

DEAR DR. LAMB: I am a 50-year-old Hispanic woman. I have a skin discoloration which started a couple of months ago. I have only seen one doctor. He said I would turn completely white. He also said there is no cure for this. I have this on both of my hands already.

DEAR READER: You probably have vitiligo, the name for loss of pigmentation of the skin. Skin color depends on the pigment melanin formed by special cells in your skin. In vitiligo, these cells are damaged. Some think it is an autoimmune disorder with antibodies attacking the pigment cells. It occurs in 1 percent of the population. Of course, it is more noticeable in individuals with a darkly pigmented skin. Other than the cosmetic aspect, it usually has no important medical significance.

It is rare for a person to lose all the pigment in the skin. A dermatologist may advise treatment. Local application of high-potency fluorinated steroids have been used with success. In other instances, medications plus repeated exposure to long wave ultraviolet light may reverse the process. That is a long, time-consuming procedure. See a dermatologist and see what can be done in your case.

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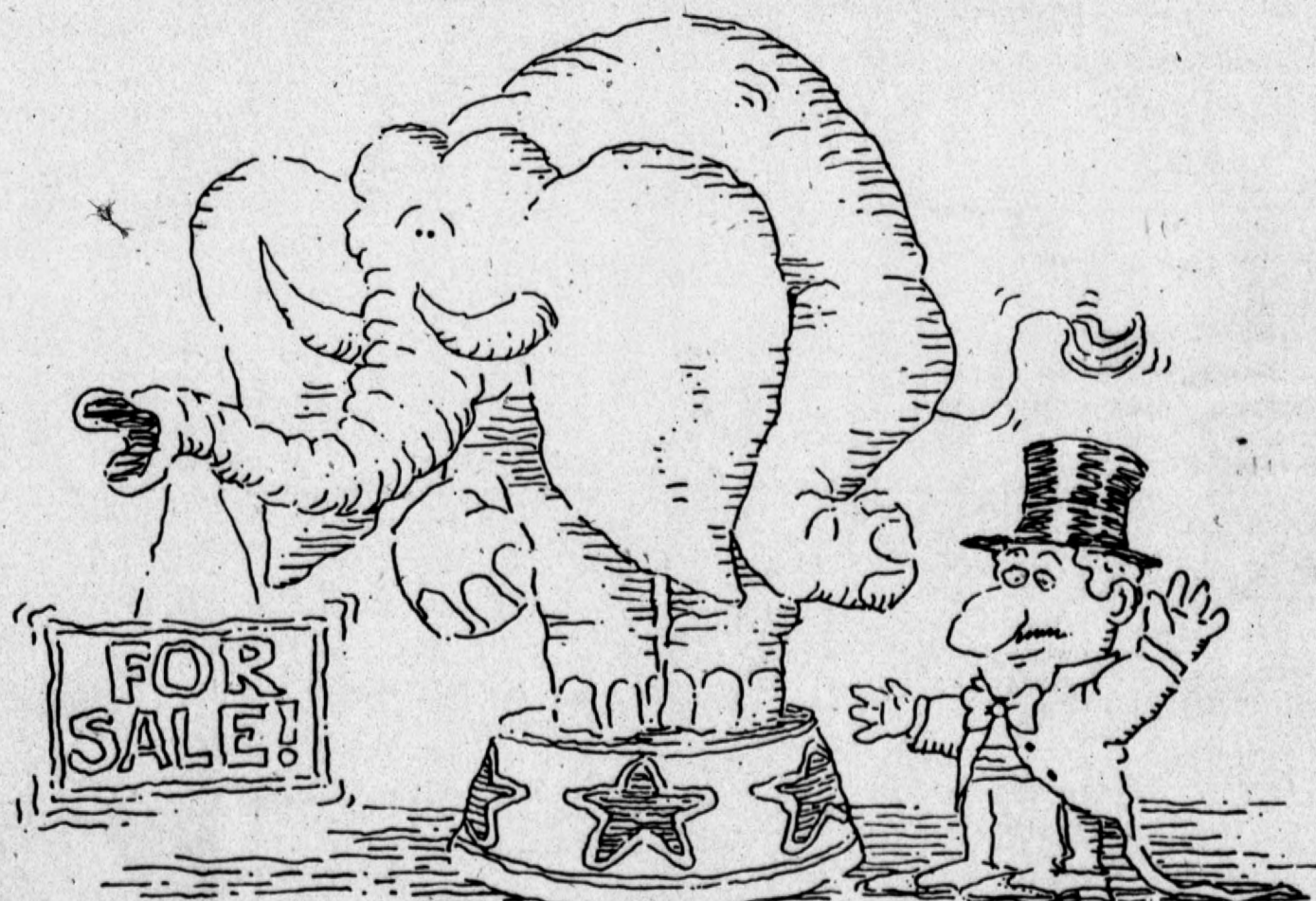
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