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Mims filing age discrimination suit against county

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

Former Howard County Engineer Bill Mims and his attorney, Cindy Weir-Ervin are in the process of filing a lawsuit with the EEOC concerning Mims' forced early retirement. Mims received a letter informing him that his "separation or retirement" was to become effective on June 7, 1994.

A public hearing, as requested by Mims, was on June 6 in the County Commissioners'

Court where Weir-Ervin stated, "Forcing Bill Mims to retire violated Title VII of the Civil Rights Act as well as the Age Discrimination Employment Act."

Those were the claims put before the court by Weir-Ervin, but no additional action was taken at which time she said, "If the Commissioners stand by their decision, of course we will proceed with formalities and file with the EEOC and take possible legal action in court based on age discrimination."

Weir-Ervin said employees

cannot be put out to pasture and Mims' forced retirement relates directly to his age.

According to the ADEA of 1967, persons 40 years of age or older are protected under its provisions. The law prohibits age discrimination in hiring, firing, pay, promotions and other terms and conditions of employment.

Also, according to the EEOC, retaliation against a person who files a charge of age discrimination, participates in an investigation or opposes an unlawful practice is illegal as well.

The ADEA applies to private employers of 20 or more workers, federal, state and local governments, employment agencies and labor organizations with 25 or more members.

In order for the EEOC to maintain its ability to act on a charge, it has written strict time frames within which all charges of employment discrimination must be filed.

According to Title VII guidelines, charges must be filed within 180 days of the alleged discriminatory act. The EEOC may then file a lawsuit should it find reasonable cause to

believe that discrimination occurred and conciliation efforts fail.

An individual may file a private suit within 90 days of receiving a notice of right-to-sue from the EEOC.

Weir-Ervin said, "We will now file for an expedited right-to-sue and proceed from there. That will probably take two to three months."

Weir-Ervin said Mims only wants what he wanted when he requested a special hearing on the matter, "his original position."

Howard County no longer

has the title of County Engineer. It is now called County Road Administrator.

"It won't make a difference if the county has filled the County Engineer's position," Weir-Ervin said, "We will proceed as planned."

Speculation about Mims' departure stems from comments he made concerning Howard County's affirmative action program as well as some of his own hiring practices, but no comments were made as to any reasons for his departure during the June 6 meeting.

Funding deficit could prompt tax increase

By KELLIE JONES
Staff Writer

A \$21 million price tag is what is needed to run the Big Spring Independent School District for the 1994-95 school year.

The amount may include pay raises for all full time employees of the district if approved by the board of trustees.

During their annual budget workshop, board members are discussing many items along with the pay raises including finding the money to resurface the track at Blankenship Field, replacing lights at the tennis court, graphic calculators for the high school, a central office computer network and a water cannon to water the some of the fields.

The budgeted revenue for the district compared to the expenditures for the 1994-95 school year places the district in a \$404,000 deficit. Board members are looking at ways to cut items from the proposed budget and ways to make more money so

there will not be a deficit.

One consideration being looked at is to raise the current tax rate by 1 to 2 cents. The current property tax rate is \$1.422. If the taxes are raised one penny, the district would gain an additional \$57,095 to help wipe out the deficit.

If it is raised 2 cents, there would be a gain of \$114,190. Board members are just considering the possibility of a tax rate and no decision has been made at this time.

Members are also looking at ways to cut certain items out of the budget for this year to try and come out even.

Requests are made to the board by teachers, principals, administrators and anyone else involved in the school district. The requests total 24 items at a price tag of \$411,800. The administration is recommending that 16 of those items be left in the budget, costing \$339,608.

Among the items are purchasing four glass backboards for the Steer Gym, graphic calculator. Please see BUDGET, page 2

Repairs for Runnels approved

By KELLIE JONES
Staff Writer

Some roofs at Runnels Junior High will be replaced before school starts after Big Spring Independent School District board of trustees approved emergency funding for the project.

Board members met during a special meeting Monday night to discuss the need to replace the roofs as well as resignations, employments and budget transfers.

"We have to declare this an emergency because if they aren't fixed, we might not be able to hold school there," said Ron Logback, assistant business manager for the district.

The price tag for repairing the roofs at the gym, main building and cafeteria runs about \$90,000. This will include a 10 year warranty and repairs to skylights and chimneys. The skylights need work done on them

because of leaks and water getting trapped inside them, causing damage to the ceilings.

Board members also accepted the resignations of Sharon Karch White, Susan Daniel and Pat Daniel. White was the French and English teacher at Big Spring High School, Susan was a seventh grade language arts teacher and Pat Daniel served as the band director at Goliad Middle School.

Members also approved the employment of Brian Weatherman to replace Daniel as the band director at Goliad. Weatherman graduated in May from San Angelo State University.

Budget amendments were approved to cover expenses for additional hardware and supply needs for the servers and computers at the elementary school level as well as additional money needed to finish out this year's salary for the technology coordinator.

MONSTER TIME ALREADY?



Max Jones, dressed as Fred Flintstone, holds the monster head of Corey Ramey, who tries to shoot baskets in his costume as youths at the YMCA Summer Day Camp have been celebrating different holidays this week, this time Halloween.

White fly havoc could benefit Texas farmers

WESLACO, Texas (AP) — The insects that devastated parts of Asia's cotton crop this year could bring higher prices for Texas farmers.

"We will see a benefit because the cotton market is a world market," said Wayne Labar, executive director of the Cotton and Grain Producers Association of the Rio Grande Valley in Harlingen.

The futures market has not yet reflected the losses in Asia, Labar said.

But the U.S. Department of Agriculture expects a 17 percent drop in output from China, which produces one quarter of the world's cotton. Pakistan — producer of 10 percent of the world's cotton — also is suffering serious infestations of white flies and other predators.

Stephen "Tio" Kleberg, vice president for agribusiness of King Ranch Inc., said a one-cent increase in the price of cotton would amount to \$7,000 profit for a grower who planted 1,000 acres. "Every penny fluctuation counts," Kleberg said.

The price of cotton is currently about 68 cents per pound, and most farmers contracted out earlier in the year at around 70 cents per pound, Labar said. Cotton prices generally range from 60 to 85 cents per pound.

John Norman, extension agent with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, said the farmers who gambled and did not enter into early contracts could benefit if prices jump.

Growers are hoping the potential price surge would offset likely drought-induced cotton losses at home.

Last year, farmers in Texas harvested 5.1 million bales of the state's most valuable crop. Texans grow about one third of all cotton in America.

But plant stress and bad weather already have damaged cotton in the Valley and around Lubbock this year.

"In my 20 years of following the cotton crop down here professionally, I don't recall a crop that looked so good early in the season suddenly switch off to be apparently so much worse than it was four weeks earlier," Norman said.

The reversal started in mid-June after showers knocked bolls off at peak bloom time, he said. Conditions were extremely dry before and after the rains.

South Texas farmers can expect to produce about one bale per acre, compared to almost two bales projected earlier in the season, Norman said.

Motor vehicle registration fees stay the same, for now

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

Howard County Commissioners declined to raise motor vehicle registration fees during their regular meeting Monday morning, vetoing the measure unanimously.

Commissioners had to put off

the appointment of election judges until all those recommended for a post could be contacted. The issue will again be brought up at the next meeting.

Also scheduled to appear before the court was Sheriff A.N. Standard to discuss revising and approving the dispatching agreement between the city and county, but commissioners

put the measure aside. According to County Judge Ben Lockhart, both Standard and Police Chief Jerry Edwards were still working on the revisions.

Commissioners also approved the move of a temporary Sheriff's deputy to full-time status with full benefits, and County Treasurer Bonnie

Franklin told the court that Howard County had no outstanding debt for the quarter and had certificates of deposit on hand in the amount of just over four million dollars.

Franklin also told commissioners that the county has \$119,000 in its general fund, \$61,000 in adult probation and \$10,000 in the juvenile fund.

U.S. Trivia
Benedict Arnold found a traitor when?
Sept. 23, 1780
Republican Party formed when?
Feb. 28, 1854 at Ripon, Wis.

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WORLD/NATION
World: The United Nations called on Washington to mount a "military-style operation" to sort out the logistical nightmare that has kept tons of emergency food backed up at Goma's tiny airport as thousands of refugees starve. See page 4.
Nation: A compromise crime bill proposed by top negotiators drops a ban on assault-type weapons that had been approved by the House and Senate. See page 5.

STATE
Roadblocks
Texas Sen. Phil Gramm is promising to throw congressional roadblocks in the path of a wide-ranging interstate banking bill hammered out by House and Senate negotiators. See page 3.
Rebuilt turtle
Myrtle the turtle may soon be heading back to the wildlife after a monthlong ordeal no animal should have to endure. See page 3.

TODAY'S WEATHER
Tonight
100 ▲ Highs 70
Lows ▼
Partly cloudy, low around 70.
Tonight, partly cloudy, low near 70, south winds 5 to 15 mph.
Permian Basin Forecast
Wednesday: Partly cloudy, chance of rain, high near 100, south to southeast winds 10 to 20 mph; partly cloudy night, low near 70.
Thursday: Partly cloudy, high near 100; fair night, low near 70.
Friday: Partly cloudy, high near 100; fair night, low near 70.

ON THE RUN

Big Spring

POLICE

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following incidents during a 24 hour period ending 8 a.m. Tuesday:

•**THEFTS** were reported in the 1100 block of North Lamesa and in the 700 block of West 18th.

•Police responded to a **LOUD PARTY** call in the 3300 block of West Highway 80. A verbal warning was issued to the residents.

•**ASSAULT BY THREATS** was reported in the 1900 block of Wesson.

•**ASSAULT** was reported in the 1500 block of Sycamore and in the 4100 block of Muir.

•**BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE** was reported in the 100 block of West First Street.

•**CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 600 block of West 18th.

•**BURGLARY OF A BUILDING** was reported in the 100 block of South Gregg. A computer, keyboard and four telephones were stolen from the business.

•**FORGERY** was reported in the 1100 block of Benton. The Big Spring Education Employees Federal Credit Union reported an unknown person withdrew \$500 from another customer's savings account without their consent.

SHERIFF

The Howard County Sheriff's Department reported the following incidents during a 24 hour period ending 8 a.m. Tuesday:

•**EURIQUE SEBEDRA JR.**, 24 of 1208 Presido, was arrested for possession of marijuana under two ounces. He was transported from the city jail, posted a \$1,000 bond and released.

•**RICKEY LEE HAGGARD**, 22 of 4117 Muir, was arrested for theft over \$20 and under \$200. He was transferred from the city jail, posted a \$1,500 bond and released.

•**MARIO S. LOPEZ**, 37 of Lamesa, was arrested on an outstanding local warrant.

•**McQUESTER JAMES SOLOMON**, 46 of Bryan, was arrested on outstanding warrants from Collins and Dallas counties for forgery and theft. He was released after posting a \$8,000 bond.

•**ROY G. SOLIS**, 50 of Lubbock, was arrested on outstanding warrants. He was released after posting a \$500 bond.

•**ISABEL SUSTAITA**, 39 of Lamesa, was arrested for public intoxication. She was released after posting a \$200 bond.

•**MARY HERNANDEZ CARBAJAL**, 36 of Lamesa, was arrested for driving while intoxicated and no driver's license. She was released after posting a \$1,200 bond.

Budget

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Calculators for the high school, roof replacements, fire alarm system at some schools, service agreements on the high school chiller maintenance and energy management system, fan coil units at the high school, water cannon to water the fields at different campuses, lab tables and vent for a chemistry lab, computer network for the central office and resurfacing the track at Blankenship.

Calculators are needed at the high school because the state will be requiring students to take an exit exam for Algebra using the graphic calculator.

Another possibility being discussed is pay raises for the district at a cost of \$474,745. The district pays above the state required minimum for teachers as added incentives and recruiting purposes.

Pay raises for coaches range from \$1,500 to \$4,800 a year; \$300 to \$9,500 for vocational teachers, band and choir directors, counselors, librarians and department heads.

An increase of \$1,140 per year is also being looked at for classroom teachers and \$1,254 to \$1,368 more a year for principals.

Pay raises for custodian and maintenance workers as well as administrators are also being considered. Those increments range from \$537 to \$1,688 a year.

No action was taken on any items during the workshop on Monday but board president Donnie Baker anticipates some decisions being made at Tuesday night's meeting.

MARKETS

Dec. cotton futures 73.70 cents per pound, down 10 points; Sept. crude oil 19.36, down 5 points; cash hog steady, at 44 cents, even; slaughter steers steady at 68 cents, even; Aug. live hog futures 45.85, down 25 points; Aug. live cattle futures 68.15; down 10 points; according to Delta Commodities.

Index	Volume	Quote	Change
ATT	54 1/2	54 1/2	+
Amoco	59 1/2	59 1/2	+
Atlantic Richfield	106 1/2	106 1/2	+
Atmos Energy	18 1/2	18 1/2	+
Boston Chicken	38 1/2	38 1/2	+
Cabot	53 1/2	53 1/2	+
Chevron	42 1/2	42 1/2	+
Chrysler	48 1/2	48 1/2	+
Coca-Cola	43 1/2	43 1/2	+
De Beers	24 1/2	24 1/2	+
DuPont	59 1/2	59 1/2	+
Exxon	58 1/2	58 1/2	+
Fina Inc	75 1/2	75 1/2	+
Ford Motors	31 1/2	31 1/2	+
Halliburton	33 1/2	33 1/2	+
IBM	63 1/2	63 1/2	+
J.C. Penney	49 1/2	49 1/2	+
Laser Indus LTD	6 1/2	6 1/2	+
Mesa Ltd. Prt	5 1/2	5 1/2	+
Mobile	83 1/2	83 1/2	+
NUV	10 1/2	10 1/2	+
Pepsi Cola	30 nc	30 nc	+
Phillips Petroleum	32 1/2	32 1/2	+
Sears	47 1/2	47 1/2	+
Southwestern Bell	42 1/2	42 1/2	+
Sun	26 1/2	26 1/2	+
Texaco	62 1/2	62 1/2	+
Texas Instruments	77 1/2	77 1/2	+
Texas Utilities	32 nc	32 nc	+
Unocal Corp	28 1/2	28 1/2	+
Wal-Mart	25 1/2	25 1/2	+

Mutual Funds	Amcap	11.87-12.59
	Euro Pacific	21.76-23.09
	I.C.A.	18.46-19.59
	New Economy	14.58-15.47
	New Perspective	15.17-16.10
	Van Kampen	14.31-15.01
	Gold	386.20-386.70
	Silver	5.28-5.31

Noon quotes courtesy of Edward D. Jones & Co., 219 Main St., Big Spring, 267-2501. Quotes are from today's market, and the change is market activity from 3 p.m. the previous day.

RECORDS

Monday's temp.	101
Monday's low	77
Average high	95
Average low	70
Record high	105 in 1940
Record low	60 in 1933
Rainfall Monday	0.00
Month to date	2.39
Month's normal	1.75
Year to date	13.51
Normal for year	10.50

**Statistics not available.

SPRINGBOARD

To submit an item to Springboard, put it in writing and mail or deliver it to us one week in advance. Mail to: Springboard, Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, 79720; or bring it by the office, 710 Scurry.

TODAY

•The Herald's annual Community Guide edition will be coming soon and we need to update all area churches for the edition.

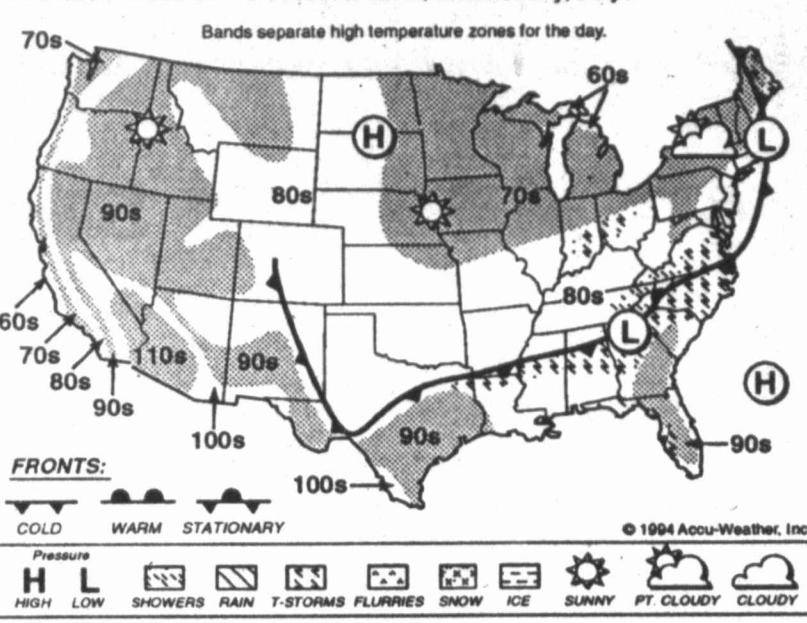
Please call Gina Garza at 263-7331 between 8 a.m. and noon with churches, services and times, pastor and a phone number.

•Salvation Army Back to School Kit applications taken from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. through July 29. Applicants must bring photo ID, proof of expenses, proof of income and Social Security cards for entire family members. Limited supply available. Call 267-8239.

•Spring Tabernacle Church,

NATIONAL Weather

The Accu-Weather® forecast for noon, Wednesday, July 27.



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IN BRIEF

Reunion set for Aug. 13

The Amigos Del Barrio Reunion will be 8 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 13, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 14, at Tres Amigos Club, 1100 W. IH-20. Texas black tie attire. Saturday evening activities will include a dance, presentation, awards and selection of a homecoming queen. Sunday activities will feature a potluck lunch. Contact Libby Holguin Uribe, 267-2781.

Swim lesson registration open

Registration is now open for Youth Swim Lessons for boys and girls ages 6 months - 14 years. The classes are designed to provide fun, teach, swimming skills, water adjustment and safety education.

These classes are free to members and \$25.00 for non-members per session.

Call the Big Spring YMCA for more information at 267-8234.

Veterans names needed for ceremony

In commemoration of the 50th anniversary of World War II, the Big Spring High School Hall of Fame plans to honor all Big Spring High Veterans of World War II in its annual Hall of Fame induction during Homecoming activities this October.

All veterans of Big Spring High and/or next of kin, should contact Craig Fischer at the High School by calling 264-3641.

We need the name of the veteran, branch of service, and

their current address and the year the that they graduated from Big Spring High. Many Big Spring Exes dropped out of school to serve their country and never completed their high school credits. We would still like to honor those that attended Big Spring High and call Big Spring High their alma mater as well as the homecoming ceremonies.

The annual Hall of Fame is conducted during the annual Big Spring High Homecoming ceremonies and activities which will be Oct. 14 and 15.

Donations needed to defend titles

Help send a Big Spring police officer to the International Law Enforcement Olympics in August. Sgt. Lee Everett needs to raise \$1,200 in order to defend his bowling titles at the international event being held in Alabama. If you can help out, please drop off your check at the police department. You can make the check out to the Big Spring Police Association and mark it specifically for the Police Olympics.

Community Guide updates needed

The Herald's annual Community Guide edition will be coming soon and we need to update all area churches for the edition.

Needed are updates on services and times, pastor and a phone number.

Please call Gina Garza at 263-7331 between 8 a.m. and noon with the updates by Aug. 15.

OBITUARIES

John Hyden Jr.

Services for John Davis Hyden, Jr., 40, Lubbock, will be 4 p.m. today, at Myers & Smith Chapel with Rev. Joe McNew, of Carlsbad, N.M., officiating. Burial will be at Trinity Memorial Park under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Mr. Hyden died Saturday, July 23, 1994, in Lubbock.

He was born Aug. 20, 1953, in Big Spring. After spending four years in the Air Force, Mr. Hyden worked in the oil fields until becoming disabled several years ago. He was a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include a son: Joshua Hyden, Big Spring; a daughter: Kristi Michelle Thomas, Austin; his mother and step father: Imogene and Don Jackson, Lubbock; his father and step mother: J.D. and Bonnie Hyden, Big Spring; his grandmother: Ina Ward, Big Spring; four sisters: Brenda Linehan, Round Rock, Texas; China Springs, Linda Hyden and Sandra Wood, both of Lubbock; a brother: Randall Hyden, Pampa; five step brothers: James, Kevin and Kyle Jackson, all of Dallas, and Donny and Bobby Bruson, both of Big Spring; and one granddaughter.

John Pete Harrison

John Pete Harrison, 89, Big Spring, died on Sunday, July 24, 1994, at a local hospital. Graveside services will be 11 a.m. Wednesday, July 27, at

Trinity Memorial Park with Dr. Claude Craven, retired Baptist Minister, and Dr. Randy Cotton, pastor of Trinity Baptist Church, officiating, under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

He was born on April 25, 1905, in Jayton and married Willie Mae Childers on Dec. 24, 1934, in Odessa. She preceded him in death on March 18, 1976.

He came to Big Spring in 1935 from Odessa. He worked for C.W. Guthrie Oil Company, as a superintendent for many years, retiring in 1976.

He was a member of Trinity Baptist Church.

Survivors include one daughter and son-in-law: Georgie and Jimmy Newsom, Big Spring; a granddaughter and her husband: Tammy and Jim DePauw, Big Spring; a grandson and his wife: Jimmy and Regina Newsom, Big Spring; great-granddaughters: Alexandra Newsom and Regan Newsom, both of Big Spring; and a sister and brother-in-law: Coleen and Joe Burch, Rio Vista.

He was also preceded in death by one son, his parents and 12 brothers and sisters.

Pallbearers will be T.C. Stockwell, Elbert Long, Jack Shaffer, Bob Newsom, Wade Cobb and Clay Ingram.

The family suggests memorials to the donors favorite charity.

Paid obituary

Wanda Griffith

Wanda Griffith, 86, Big Spring, died Monday, July 25, 1994, at a local hospital. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL

24th & Johnson 267-8288

R. B. Davidson, 82, died Saturday. Services will be 2:00 P.M., Tuesday at First Baptist Church, with burial in Trinity Memorial Park.

John Davis Hyden, Jr., 40, died Saturday. Services will be 4:00 P.M., Tuesday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home Chapel, with burial in Trinity Memorial Park.

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Turtle deaths since crash

HOUSTON — Deaths in the Gulf of Mexico have dropped when authorities crack down on illegal fishing and federal aid.

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NEWS IN BRIEF

Turtle deaths drop since crackdown

HOUSTON (AP) — Turtle deaths in the Gulf of Mexico have dropped since last week when authorities launched a crackdown on shrimpers, state and federal officials say.

There was a downside to the report from conservationists who noted Monday that three female Kemp's ridleys, roughly 1 percent of the worldwide population of the rare species, died within hours of the announcement of the new enforcement campaign.

One dead turtle was pregnant when found last Thursday near Mustang Island. It had been decapitated and its flippers cut off. Scientists recovered 39 of its eggs, which now are being incubated at Padre Island National Seashore.

Affidavits in lounge slaying released

KILGORE (AP) — A man involved in a fight at the neighborhood bar where four people were fatally shot and a fifth was wounded says he saw the three suspects enter the business after he left, a newspaper reported today.

The witness told police he saw Ray Don Mosley, 31; his nephew, Daroyce Lamont "Jerome" Mosley, 19; and a juvenile entering Katie's Lounge before last Thursday's shooting.

The affidavit, cited in today's editions of the Tyler Morning Telegraph, named Kilgore Police Lt. Maxey Cerlano as the affiant.

"(The witness) said Ray Don Mosley showed him what he believed to be a 9 mm semi-automatic pistol in the waistband of Mosley's pants. Mosley told the witness that he and the other two individuals with him were going to 'bust' Katie's Lounge," according to the affidavit.

The witness told police "bust" meant kill, according to the affidavit.

Songbird relies on Central Texas trees

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — It's almost been lost amid all the debate.

But the small, golden-cheeked warbler is at the center of the current Texas dispute over the federal Endangered Species Act.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service plans to designate parts of 33 Texas counties as critical habitat for the songbird, which nests in the Hill Country.

"It is totally dependent on this ecosystem for its nesting area," said Susan Hughes, president of the Bexar County Audubon Society.

"People say, 'Let it adapt,' but most creatures aren't as quickly adaptable as humans are," she said.

Sessions making a stink over health care

AUSTIN (AP) — Republican congressional candidate Pete Sessions is making a stink over President Clinton's health care plan — literally.

Sessions is campaigning across East Texas with a trailer full of horse manure.

"I know what's in this horse trailer smells awfully bad, but the Clinton-House Ways and Means Committee health care plan smells even worse," Sessions told onlookers Monday in Tyler.

The son of former FBI Director William Sessions today was to continue his 12-city "Manure Tour" with stops in Bryan, Franklin, Groesbeck, Teague, Fairfield and Mesquite.

Sessions is challenging U.S. Rep. John Bryant, D-Dallas, to represent Texas' 5th congressional district, an 11-county region that stretches from Dallas to Bryan.

Homestead exemption war begins

■ Gramm promises roadblocks if Texas exemption included

WASHINGTON (AP) — Texas Sen. Phil Gramm is promising to throw congressional roadblocks in the path of a wide-ranging interstate banking bill hammered out by House and Senate negotiators.

The Republican, who sits on the Senate Banking Committee, favors the bill but wants to strip from it a provision pertaining to Texas' constitutional ban on home equity loans.

Gramm wants to eliminate a measure approved Monday by the banking conferees that would retain the 155-year-old ban despite a recent federal court ruling.

The state homestead provisions ban Texans from getting second mortgages on their homes for most purposes.

The issue has put him at odds with House Banking Committee Chairman Henry B. Gonzalez of San Antonio, who is fighting to keep the Texas restrictions intact.

Gonzalez says the lending ban is needed to protect Texans from losing their homes in bankruptcies or for failing to pay off other loans. Builders, real estate agents, farmers, labor and consumer groups have rallied to his side.

Gramm counters that the restrictions deprive Texans of advantageous interest rates and federal income tax deductions for such loans.

He's supported by bankers and groups as diverse as the Dallas NAACP chapter, the Texas branch of the Association for the Advancement of Retired Persons and the Asian Chamber of Commerce.

"In every state of the Union except Texas, people have the ability to use the equity in their homes as a financial asset," Gramm told the conferees. "For most Americans your equity in your home is the most significant financial asset you own. And, as a result, Americans all over the country have used that equity to borrow money."

Banks and business groups generally support home-equity lending, arguing that it allows people to get loans to fund businesses, pay debts, buy more real estate or pay for cars and medical bills. The Texas Bankers Association estimates the market for expanded home equity loans at \$5 billion annually.

The constitutional ban was thrown into question with a recent 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruling allowing savings associations and consumer finance companies to lend money secured by borrowers' home equity. The state is appealing the ruling to the Supreme Court.

"I think that for us to accept judicial capriciousness and arbitrariness is obnoxious," Gonzalez said, urging support for his amendment.

Gramm argued that the Supreme Court and the Texas Legislature should be given time to solve the matter.

He also cited a Senate rule that the Gonzalez proposal could not be added to the banking bill because neither the House nor Senate previously had voted on the amendment.

Gramm vowed to get a ruling from the Senate parliamentarian throwing out the Gonzalez amendment.

If the parliamentarian sides with Gramm, the banking bill would be returned to the conferees to remove the Gonzalez amendment unless at least 50 senators object.



Derailed engines and cars smolder Monday at the site where two Southern Pacific Railroad trains collided head-on about 15 miles east of Marathon. Four people were killed in the accident.

Investigation begins into train crash which killed 4

■ Key question is why trains were on the same track

MARATHON (AP) — Investigators will conduct a thorough probe of a train crash that killed four Southern Pacific employees to determine how the trains ended up on the same track, a company spokesman says.

"I think it'll take a while to figure that out," said Mike Furtney, a spokesman for San Francisco-based Southern Pacific. "There's a lot of information to go through."

The two freight trains collided head-on Monday morning in a sparsely populated area of Brewster County in West Texas, killing all four crew members and derailling at least seven cars, authorities said.

Killed in the accident were crew members Milby E. Winn, 59; Eddie J. Hanson, 55; F.H. (Rick) Bonnell, 56; and J.M. Davis Sr., 57; all of Sanderson, Texas, Furtney said.

The engines of the two trains caught fire, making it difficult for emergency crews to extract the crew members' bodies, said Department of Public Safety spokeswoman Laureen

Chernow.

One train was traveling east-bound from Long Beach, Calif., to Houston while the other was westbound from Memphis, Tenn., to Long Beach, said Furtney. Two crew members were on each train, he said.

Furtney said both trains were carrying various types of hazardous materials, including paint, peroxide and petroleum distillates.

Those cars did not derail and a DPS aerial review of the site about 5 miles east of Marathon determined there were no leaks of hazardous chemicals, Brewster County Judge Val Beard said.

Investigators from the National Transportation Safety Board and federal and state railroad officials headed to the scene Monday to investigate the crash. Pacific officials did not know how both trains wound up on the same tracks.

The westbound train had five locomotives and 43 cars, including one loaded with paint, Furtney said. The eastbound train had seven locomotives and 25 cars, nine to 10 of which contained various hazardous materials.

Furtney said the hazardous materials were in containers on board regular railroad cars.

Houston crime rate is down, reasons disputed

HOUSTON (AP) — Statistics show that Houstonians are less likely to be crime victims than they were three years ago, but there are differing opinions on what has caused the drop.

Mayor Bob Lanier and Houston Police Chief Sam Nuchia said at least half the decline is because of the addition of more than 650 officers to the department. Lanier wants a tax increase to hire 550 more officers.

Since early 1991, when Lanier took office and shifted resources to the city's police department, a person's chances of becoming a crime victim in Houston have dropped more than 24 percent.

But the crime rate also fell nearly 30 percent in nearby La Marque, which has one fewer officer today than it did three years ago.

Regionally, crime has dropped more than 20 percent on average. And, in six of the state's largest cities, crime has dropped an average of nearly 21 percent.

Rice University political scientist Bob Stein said there is no statistical connection between the hiring of officers and the drop in local, regional or statewide crime.

Stein based his analysis on data from the Uniform Crime Reports, national records of crimes compiled by the FBI.

The analysis included 21 cities

within an hour's drive of Houston and six of the state's largest cities: Dallas, Fort Worth, Austin, San Antonio, Corpus Christi and El Paso.

The crimes examined were murder, rape, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, theft and car theft.

Even Houston Police Department officials agree that the extra officers aren't due all the credit for the declining crime.

"We have never said that that alone is responsible for the whole drop in crime," said Rick Hartley, police spokesman.

The drop could be explained by some combination of economic factors, demographics, state mandates and dumb luck.

Political scientists say crime usually increases when the economy improves because there's more to steal. A declining population usually leads to a decline in crime because there are fewer people to commit offenses.

Increased public attention could help crime fall because neighbors are more watchful. Crime rates are also affected by time.

Crime skyrocketed in the Houston region in 1990-91 to its highest rate since the oil boom years of the early '80s. It hasn't had much room to move anywhere but down.

Vidor integration praised

DALLAS (AP) — Recent efforts to integrate a former all-white housing project in Vidor are winning praise, with federal officials boasting that blacks are now on a waiting list to get in.

"That's never happened before. We never thought we'd see it happen," Soila Nethery of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Beaumont office said Monday.

In 1993, the Orange County Housing Authority moved four black families into the previously all-white complex in Vidor, which has a reputation as a Ku Klux Klan stronghold.

By late summer, all four had left, claiming racial slurs made living in Vidor unbearable. Less than 12 hours after he moved, Bill Simpson was fatally shot in Beaumont. Police said the shooting was not connected with the housing problems.

On Jan. 13, four other black families moved into the 72-apartment Vidor complex under

the protection of Justice Department officials.

Since then, the minority population has increased to nearly 30 percent, with blacks occupying 21 of the apartments.

"It shocked me. You expect at least a few confrontations," said Ida Green, an Orange County Housing Authority official who works with residents at the Vidor site.

"But people here have gotten along very well. The white residents who really had a problem with it moved on," she told The Dallas Morning News. "The ones who are here now are getting on just fine."

Laura Demouchet, a black woman who arrived three months ago with her husband and 4-year-old granddaughter, said she's had "no problems at all."

"The neighbors are nice to me, and I'm nice to them," she said. "Why shouldn't I be?"

Repaired turtle ready to return to the wild

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Myrtle the turtle may soon be heading back to the wildlife after a monthlong ordeal no animal should have to endure.

It all began June 25, when two men likely looking for lunch spotted the 15-pound turtle and began attacking it with a pitchfork trying to decapitate it.

A family having a picnic nearby was horrified and sprang into action. They put the roughly 35-year-old snapping turtle in an ice chest and rushed it to the Castle Hills animal hospital.

A month later, Myrtle has made a miraculous recovery thanks to the staff's quick work (they also were the ones who coined the name).

"It was a sickening situation," said veterinarian Maria Williams, who headed the hour-long operation to repair a 300-

degree neck laceration, fractured bones and brutal leg gashes that severed muscles. "Some of the cuts were all the way to the bone."

Blood was rapidly leaking from the turtle, preventing Ms. Williams from anesthetizing Myrtle.

Veterinarian technician Teri Temple said the turtle seemed to sense they were trying to save its life.

"It never once opened its mouth and tried to snap at us," she said.

As for Myrtle's attackers, they were caught by the Texas Parks

and Wildlife game wardens caught and cited for hunting a non-game animal without a valid hunting license, a Class C misdemeanor.

Ottress Thomas, 67, was fined \$60 earlier this month, a small punishment because he "was very apologetic and didn't realize it was an offense to kill a turtle" without a license, said Justice of the Peace Keith Baker.

The other man, Foster Scallion, 39, failed to appear and a warrant was to be issued, a clerk in Baker's office said.

Texas Parks and Wildlife

Game Warden Lt. Glen Felps said he believes the men planned to eat Myrtle, saying it's not a rare scenario.

Turtles also are often killed by fisherman to be used for bait or because they ruin their tackle and steal bait.

It's legal, Felps said, for anyone with a \$13 hunting license or a \$25 hunting and fishing license.

The thought that what happened to Myrtle could be legal for only a few bucks bothers Ms. Williams.

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VA WANTS VETERANS TO REFINANCE LOANS

The Department of Veterans Affairs is stepping up its campaign to inform veterans with high-interest rate. VA guaranteed home loans of the cost benefits of refinancing their loans.

"We are encouraging veterans to refinance their loans and realize substantial savings, at the same time giving a boost to the economy," said VA Secretary Jesse Brown. The VA has a streamlined program for converting VA guaranteed loans to new ones at lower interest rates at little or no cost. VA's Interest Rate Reduction Refinancing Loan program allows a veteran with an outstanding VA-guaranteed loan to obtain a new loan at a lower interest rate by using the same entitlement the veteran previously used to buy the home.

The program allows veterans to reduce the rate and generally requires no property appraisal or re-qualifying. For example, the effect of reducing a current VA loan with a 10 percent interest rate to 8.5% is to reduce the monthly payment by 98 on a \$90,000 loan balance. "It is easy for the veterans to take advantage of the new VA program," said Brian Thomas, Branch Manager of South Central Mortgage. "It can all be done by mail and usually with no out-of-pocket costs to the veteran."

Veterans interested in information about refinancing their home loans can call Mitchell Skidmore, toll free (800) 533-5626.

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EDITORIAL

Quote of the Day

"The fundamental freedom of a free society is a free press - all other freedoms follow."
Christine Wells

Master plan is necessary

The Big Spring City Council will decide today whether to spring for a comprehensive master plan for the city.

Planning is an important element toward success in anything.

Planning gives you an idea of where to go and possible ways of getting there. It allows you to understand and handle the most pressing needs.

A major tool in city planning is the master plan, often the most important tool a city has. A comprehensive master plan will look at what the city has, what the city needs to do in five, 10 or more years.

This tool then becomes a guideline - not the rule - in helping a city to make best use of its resources, including funding.

Cities use master plans to guide their growth in the best way possible. It is a necessary tool for any city.

It is simply a way to chart the city's future for smooth sailing ahead.

Too many years have lapsed between master plans - the last one was developed in the 1960s. How can

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Managing Editor

the city truly know where to go without a chart to guide it?

The city is looking at expending \$93,000 for the development of this master plan.

One possible objection could be the money will be spent with an out-of-town firm. What needs to be considered here is, unfortunately, Big Spring is not self-contained and cannot offer expertise in every single thing.

Some times, for needed expert help, you have to consider going outside of Big Spring.

The council should vote to authorize the development of a master plan.

It will be money well spent to give the city fathers a clearer picture of what is necessary to make this city grow and prosper.

Simpson case not a matter of race

The O.J. Simpson case has turned into a matinee of the best and worst of human nature and the desire to win at all costs.



Carlton Johnson
Staff Writer

The one forgotten fact in all of this, since the June 12 slayings of Nicole Simpson and Ronald Goldman, is that two people have been brutally murdered.

Police believe they have the right man, Simpson, in custody.

I would no more let a wealthy and famous sports legend get away with murder than I would a drunk driver get away with hit and run.

The sad fact is while money can't buy you love or happiness, it is buying Simpson the best defense team in the country. In case you didn't know, Simpson's lead lawyer, Robert Shapiro, once defended F. Lee Bailey, also a member of the defense team, when he was facing DWI charges.

What money is doing, despite the innocence or guilt of Simpson, is buying him the best of the best when it comes to media and public manipulation.

Why was Nicole Simpson murdered the way she was? Was Ronald Goldman in the wrong place at the wrong time?

So far, there are no answers as to the "why" of the matter nor has a murder weapon been produced, and now two families have to wait and see just what did happen to their loved ones and another family must wait and see if their loved one will be found guilty of two counts of first-degree murder.

I'm not advocating Simpson's presumed guilty or innocence because that's what the courts are for, but what really makes me sick are the tactics that both the prosecution and defense teams have used to jockey for position in the court of public opinion.

The oldest tricks in the book have been revealed by both sides, the only difference being the stakes involved: a superstar athlete people would die to be close to and guaranteed headlines and media coverage, this column included, for as long as the story has life.

It certainly was no accident that 911 tapes of Simpson breaking into his ex-wife's house were released to the public before the pretrial hearing nor was it coincidence that the defense team decided to paint a Los Angeles detective as racist and unstable just before setting up a 1-800 hotline and offering a \$500,000 reward for information leading to the arrest of the "real" killer or killers of Nicole Simpson and Ronald Goldman.

Now the problem seems to be, planned of course, the selection of a fair and impartial jury. At this point, selecting a jury to sit for this case will be like asking a kid if he ate the last bit of ice cream and having him say no, with ice cream dripping from his mouth.

If there are three names in 1994 that people in the U.S. have definitely heard of they would have to be Tonya Harding, Michael Jackson and now O.J. Simpson.

What bothers me even further is now that the foundation has been laid, lawyers are using old medicine to cure new illnesses. By that I mean racism is about to become the playing field on which this battle is fought.

Virtually every news organization in existence has conducted a poll on the Simpson case and the one poll that dis-

turbs me most is one conducted by ABC News.

Sixty-three percent of whites polled believe that Simpson is guilty versus 20 percent who think he's innocent and 65 percent of blacks polled say Simpson is innocent versus 22 percent who answered guilty.

One recent radio poll out of New York said more than 60 percent of blacks believe Simpson is being framed.

The one constant fact that can't be overlooked, despite what the polls say, is that Simpson was given the opportunity to turn himself in and he fled. After he was caught (or after he stopped running) a passport and \$10,000 cash was found in his Bronco. He also left an apparent suicide letter and was holding a revolver to his head during the televised 60-mile chase.

Think about this: if the cat is going to claim he's innocent of eating the bird, he should wipe the feathers off of his mouth before he speaks.

That's not a presumption: That's a fact.

For all of the tabloids, radio hosts, television talk shows and network news shows (and let's not forget the thousands of dollars that are paid to so-called "experts" and eyewitnesses) Rush Limbaugh said it best when he said despite all of the talk and speculation, there really hasn't been anything concrete presented in the form of evidence against Simpson. His own actions have hurt him more than any glove.

Maybe one day the parents of Nicole Simpson and Ronald Goldman will have an answer to the "why" and the media and the general public will have their answer too: did O.J. do it?

But, this isn't a race issue. The bottom line is that someone brutally murdered two people.

Society must find other ways to help needy

The CATO Institute, convinced that welfare cannot be reformed, is asking members of Congress to abolish the entire government welfare system.



Paul Harvey
Columnist

The institute concludes that welfare, as is, breeds an endless cycle of fatherlessness, free-loading and illegitimacy. The United States since 1965 has spent \$3.5 trillion on social welfare, yet all we have achieved is more poverty.

A compassionate society must find other ways to address the problem, but we cannot afford to continue subsidizing a culture of long-term dependence.

The institute recommends that individuals able to work must accept jobs or else fall back on the charitable resources of family, church and private charities.

"To throw people off welfare is less cruel than to put yet another generation of Americans on it."

From Congress, intimidated by the now-organized welfare constituency, I hear no applause.

But once upon a time, an American whose name you know stood up on the floor of the House half of Congress and said:

"Mr. Speaker ... 'Congress has no power to appropriate money as an act of charity. As individuals, Americans have a right to give away as much money as they please, but Congress has no right to take our money from us and give it away, however worthy the recipient.'"

The congressman speaking over 150 years ago was a poor man - the poorest of all the then members of Congress - Davy Crockett.

He offered to dig into his own meager resources if every member of Congress would match his gift as a personal charitable contribution - but he refused to allow Congress to appropriate public money for charity.

It's time to try something else.

WORLD

Israel, Jordan sign agreement

WASHINGTON (AP) — Israel and Jordan, launching a new era of peaceful relations, are making it possible for their citizens to talk by telephone, fly over one another's territory and cooperate on fighting crime.

The declaration the two countries signed Monday was hailed by King Hussein of Jordan as "a moment of commitment and of vision" and by Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin as "the closest thing to a treaty of peace."

Both spoke enthusiastically of prospects for normal relations, even while acknowledging some thorny issues remain, including conflict over Palestinian refugees in Jordan, sharing of scarce water resources and determining a permanent border.

Hussein termed the so-called Washington Declaration a "modest, determined beginning" to end the region's fear, bitterness and suspicion.

Rabin, joining Hussein at a signing ceremony on the White House lawn, said the agreement

to end 46 years of hostility set Israel and Jordan "on a road which still must be completed."

Later, at a black-tie dinner, President Clinton paid tribute to the "two brave leaders ... (who) have crossed much hostile territory so that their children and their children's children need fight no more."

In an emotional reply, Hussein called it "a unique day ... for all those who have yearned to the breaking of a new dawn in our region, when energies and resources and talents can together have an opportunity to flourish, can together build a better future, which is the right of all."

"What we have achieved today, sir, is something that we leave for all our people to protect and to cherish in the times ahead," said the king.

Rabin said one of the biggest obstacles to peace has been the psychological wall "built on prejudices on both sides."

Even when they were at war, Rabin said, "I always respected

Jordan and the king of Jordan, King Hussein, as the most noble, reasonable, unique personality. ... I believe his signature, when he signs, he means it."

In further recognition of their momentous pact, both Rabin and Hussein today were addressing a joint meeting of Congress, the first time two world leaders have addressed the lawmakers at the same time.

Their declaration seeks to remove barriers between Israel and Jordan that would be unheard of for many similarly close neighbors such as the United States and Canada or Mexico.

It provides for direct telephone lines between Israel and Jordan and linkage of electricity grids where now there are none. It will accelerate negotiations to open an international air corridor instead of the current ban by each nation on flights by the other country's airline.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Industry moving ahead by a hair

TOKYO (AP) — Here is the bald truth about Japan's recession: One of the best ways to make money is by selling wigs.

The Toyotas and Toshiba of Japan may be suffering their worst sales in decades, but companies unknown to most non-Japanese are offering hundreds of products from toupees to hair tonics to a public hungry for more.

"The Japanese are terrified of going bald," says Stephen Hill, a Tokyo resident who has appeared in Japanese wig commercials. "As a stockbroker, I think it's a great business."

Hill gives his fees to charity, making him one of the few in the business not racking up huge profits from the hair-products boom.

Questions resurface about Berlusconi

ROME (AP) — A weekend meeting in a country villa between Premier Silvio Berlusconi and several top officials had even his allies asking Monday whether he has truly separated himself from his business empire.

At the meeting were Defense Minister Cesare Previti, who has also served as Berlusconi's lawyer; Cabinet secretary Gianni Letta, a former top executive of Berlusconi's Fininvest business empire; and Fininvest president Fedele Confalonieri.

They met Sunday at Berlusconi's villa in Arcore, outside Milan.

A day earlier, Italy's two-year-old corruption probes reached Salvatore Sciascia, a top executive of Fininvest.

Confalonieri denied an impropriety at the weekend meeting, describing it as a "private Sunday get-together of four old friends."

Berlusconi spokesman Antonio Tajani said it was a private meeting.

Asian nations meet in high security talks

BANGKOK, Thailand (AP) — Saying they were opening a new chapter of peace, the European Union, the United States and 16 other nations agreed Monday to work together to foster stability in Asia.

The ASEAN Regional Forum was the first multilateral, ministerial-level security meeting in Asia. Since World War II, Asian peace has depended not on cooperation among the Asian nations, but primarily on their individual treaties and defense cooperation with the United States.

The end of the Cold War has ended the Soviet threat and Vietnam's military occupation of Cambodia. Now Asia faces North Korea's nuclear threat and renewed worries of fighting in the South China Sea.

Also worrisome are continuing civil war in Cambodia, the military regime in Burma, and an arms build-up in Asia while military spending decreases worldwide.



A dog passes a dead Rwandan soldier in Goma. With the wave of refugees from Rwanda a large number of defeated soldiers also came across the border into Zaire. With people dying of cholera faster than mass graves could be dug, relief workers have been given permission to begin burning bodies to help check the spread of disease. At least 14,000 people have died in Goma's refugee camps since mid-July.

Rwandans dying faster than graves can be dug

GOMA, Zaire (AP) — The United Nations called on Washington to mount a "military-style operation" to sort out the logistical nightmare that has kept tons of emergency food backed up at Goma's tiny airport as thousands of Rwandan refugees starve.

Goma rattled to the roar of aid plane after plane today. A record 36 aircraft landed Monday, and a similar number were expected today, among them a second huge U.S. C-5 Galaxy carrying more soldiers, vehicles and supplies.

But some American planes were forced to circle overhead for hours Monday waiting for the single runway to clear; a few have run low on fuel and gone elsewhere. Even when they can land, a shortage of trucks and workers means little aid actually reaches the 1 million desperate refugees.

A growing stream of refugees was leaving the scene of death and squalor behind and returning home. The number crossing back over the border since it was reopened Sunday was estimated today at 20,000, said Ray Wilkinson, spokesman for the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees.

Undersecretary-General Peter Hansen, in charge of U.N. emergency relief operations in Goma, said the United Nations doesn't have the money or staff to feed and care for the refugees. "It is out of control," he said.

Wilkinson said the United States needs to step forward and impose a "military-style operation" to ease the crisis on the tarmac.

"The Americans could come in and run this airport far more efficiently than it's being run right now," he said. "We hope that will happen."

But he noted today that flights were already nearing the airport's capacity, and transferring responsibility would be touchy considering that French forces have run air traffic control since mid-June.

Zaire's Boy Scouts help clear the dead

GOMA, Zaire (AP) — Like everywhere else, the Boy Scouts of Zaire are prepared, ready to help wherever they can. Here their good deed is to collect bodies by the thousand and dump them into a pit.

From early morning until dark, kids of Little League age struggle to shove gruesome bundles into the back of trucks. Sometimes the bundles are tiny, easily tossed onto the pile. But the killer here is cholera, not the malnutrition of infants, and more often the victims are adults.

"It is only normal, isn't it?" asked Jean Wauters, a retired Belgian importer in a rolled kerchief who supervises 500 young volunteers. "Scouts do their part."

Over 10 days, the kids and older ex-Scouts have collected 7,000 bodies outside Goma, and their work is only beginning. Aid officials say as many as 80,000 could die before the epidemic runs its course. As many as 11,000 had died by Monday.

French soldiers pick up corpses in Goma, where they have scooped out a huge common grave in a banana grove. Some European volunteers help. Mostly, Boy Scouts do the job.

Early on Monday, a crew worked at Mugunga camp near Goma, a patch of hell on earth where the vast swath of laid-out corpses never seems to get smaller, despite regular calls by the body trucks.

Privately, many independent aid workers and some U.S. personnel blamed the air traffic foulups on the French troops, who arrived last month on a humanitarian mission. In addition, Zairian troops have been demanding payments of \$2,000 per landing.

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NEWS IN BRIEF

Administration's ethics are under scrutiny

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Clinton administration's ethics were being placed under scrutiny in Congress today with the opening of Whitewater hearings into how the president's aides gathered information about a politically sensitive federal investigation.

The leadoff witness for the hearings, White House counsel Lloyd Cutler, was expected to argue that contacts between Clinton aides and Treasury Department officials broke no ethics rules.

But Republicans planned to challenge that and also to question whether the administration's explanations have been completely forthcoming.

It's Kali that's gone, not her raggedy doll

PITTSFORD, N.Y. (AP) — Everywhere she went, the raggedy doll went with her, a faithful companion in the sand-box, at day care and on her pillow. Then one day the doll was suddenly nowhere to be found and 4-year-old Kali Poulton, heartbroken, learned a hard lesson about growing up.

"I had wanted to keep it in a bag and show her someday when she got older, take it out and say, 'You loved this doll!'" her mother said. "And she would be, like, 'Ah, I don't believe that, mom.'"

Now, out of the blue, it is Kali who is gone, apparently whisked from in front of her suburban house in upstate New York. She disappeared in the space of a few minutes on May 23, after getting her tricycle out of the shed.

No witnesses have emerged. Hundreds of possible leads and sightings, notably a drawn-out hoax in Illinois, have fizzled. Abduction seems the most likely answer, by someone brazen enough to snatch a little girl from a fenced-in subdivision and then reach back for her pink-and-white Big Wheel.

Awards are a part of crime itself

LOS ANGELES (AP) — From a hand-lettered sign offering \$20 for the return of a lost cat to the \$13.5 million bounty for the capture of drug lord Pablo Escobar, rewards are as much a part of life as crime itself.

So many were not surprised when O.J. Simpson offered \$500,000 for information leading to the conviction of someone else in the slaying of his ex-wife and her friend.

People who study rewards, however, say the money rarely helps catch criminals — and often is put up by the perpetrators. But for those tips that do lead to convictions, legal experts say the promise of a reward is as good as a contract.

Paulette Cooper, coauthor of the book "REWARD" about offers in 60 crimes, said it's common for the accused to offer a reward to project an air of innocence. That's why she and her husband and coauthor, Paul Noble, were surprised it took Simpson more than a month to make his offer.

Landlords collecting well off of HUD

WASHINGTON (AP) — Artie Jackson, his wife and four children needed the federally subsidized apartment. What they didn't need was the roaches in the stove, refrigerator and all the kitchen cabinets.

The family complained about conditions at the Holiday Lakes Apartments in Pompano Beach, Fla., and was moved twice. They traded roaches for rats, water leaks, holes in the walls, drug addicts and prostitutes and a "pervasive, foul stench" from a dead bird sealed in an air duct, Jackson said.

STUCK IN THE CHIMNEY



West Haven, Ct., firefighters struggle to free David Moore from the chimney of the J.R. Petroleum convenience store in West Haven Sunday. Police, who charged Moore with burglary, said he entered the 20-foot chimney and got stuck about eight feet from the top. An anonymous call reported cries for help and police traced the cries to the chimney. Rescuers said they were able to pull Moore out because his hands were above his head in the tight space.

Fresh fires keep weary firefighters very busy

KAH-NEE-TA, Ore. (AP) — A burning barn ignited a wildfire that burned within a mile of an Indian reservation's resort village early today. Two highways were closed and about 200 people evacuated.

A fresh wave of lightning-sparked wildfires kept fire crews busy across the West. About 4,000 firefighters and support personnel were either battling blazes Monday or on their way to the fire lines, said Ralph Satterberg of the Northwest Interagency Coordination Center.

The Oregon fire consumed 3,000 acres and reached the top of a ridge overlooking Kah-Nee-Ta Village on the Warm Springs Indian Reservation, about 85 miles southeast of Portland.

About 200 people were moved to the main lodge, many of them sleeping on the floors in banquet rooms. Both highways out of Kah-Nee-Ta were closed.

"I can see the flames right

now, not just the smoke," said Larry Shoop, a TV reporter who was vacationing with his wife and three children.

The fire also threatened 25 to 30 homes in a subdivision. Residents were urged to evacuate, but several stayed behind.

Elsewhere: — In California, more than 1,900 firefighters fought 75 lightning-sparked blazes in the Klamath National Forest on the California-Oregon line. The biggest had blackened more than 3,500 of brush and timber.

"We're pulling firefighters back away from that fire," U.S. Forest Service spokesman Pat Kaunert said. "It's burning in steep, inaccessible terrain."

Planes and helicopters scouting the fire and dropping flame retardant were careful to avoid the annual Karuk Indian manhood ceremony. The Indians were in no immediate danger, officials said.

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Weapons ban stumbling block to drafting of major crime bill

WASHINGTON (AP) — A compromise crime bill proposed by top negotiators drops a ban on assault-type weapons that had been approved by the House and Senate.

The weapons ban was only one of the major items still in dispute as conferees prepared to resume work on the bill this afternoon after a six-week delay.

President Clinton was meeting this morning with members of the Congressional Black Caucus, looking for common ground on another area of the bill: racial implications of the death penalty.

A provision in the House-passed crime bill would allow use of statistics to prove racial bias in death penalty cases. But even a compromise version that would restrict it to federal cases, among other limits, could not attract enough votes in the Senate to overcome a threatened GOP filibuster.

To mollify the provision's sup-

porters, the White House has offered to impose an executive order implementing part of the compromise and to appoint a commission to study the problem.

The chairmen of the congressional judiciary committees, Rep. Jack Brooks, D-Texas, and Sen. Joseph Biden, D-Del., distributed their proposed compromise crime bill to fellow negotiators Monday. Congressional aides say it left out a lot of major issues because Brooks and Biden could not agree, including the weapons ban and how prison funding will be distributed.

Brooks adamantly opposes the firearms ban, which would affect 19 named types of firearms and scores of copycats and other rifles, shotguns and pistols that the government says meet the characteristics of assault-style weapons. It would limit magazine capacities to 10 rounds. At the same time, it would exempt 650 named firearms and all guns legally

owned when the law took effect. The Senate passed the ban as part of its crime bill, and the House passed it as a separate measure.

Rep. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y., said he would reintroduce a version of his House-passed bill at the conference, saying, "I'm cautiously optimistic that we'll have the votes."

As for prison funding, Senate-passed legislation would require states to implement such rules as requiring all prisoners to serve at least 85 percent of their sentences. House-passed legislation would distribute the money to all states while setting aside a portion as bonuses for those with such rules. The Brooks-Biden agreement takes neither side, sources said.

Another potential issue is federal court funding. The Senate bill authorized \$300 million to cover increased work from the bill's new laws. The House, approved no money, and the Brooks-Biden proposal leaves it out.

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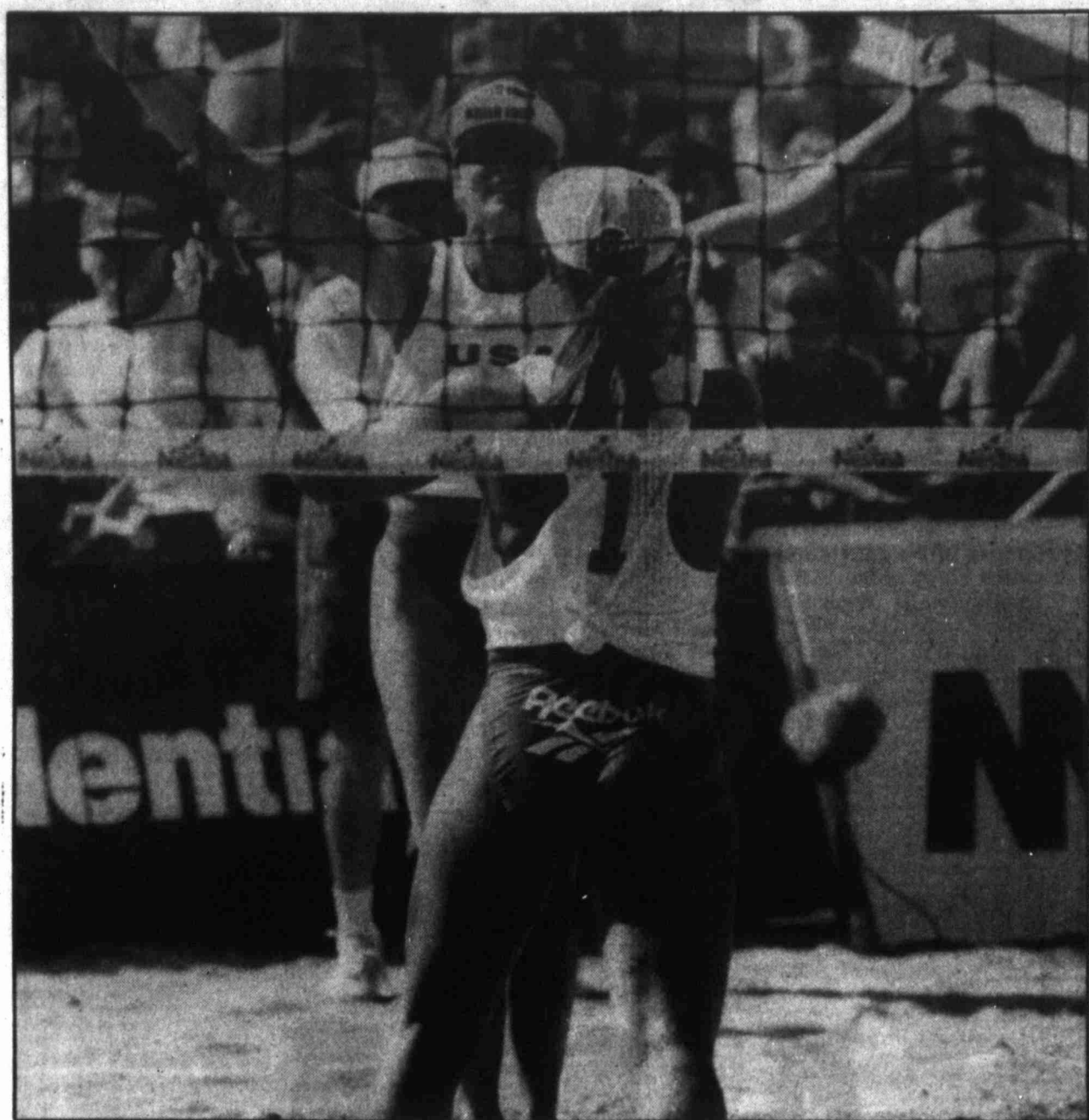
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Do you have an interesting story idea? Call Dave Hargrave, 263-7331, Ext. 116.



U.S. women's beach volleyball players Karolyn Kirby, facing camera and Elizabeth Masakayan celebrate en route to winning a gold medal Tuesday in the Goodwill Games in St. Petersburg, Russia.

Goodwill Games

'Green Machine' wins star-studded 100 dash

ST. PETERSBURG, Russia (AP) — The "Green Machine" felt like a money machine after winning the men's 100 meters at the Goodwill Games. Now, he wants to cash in.

"I feel like a million dollars," Dennis Mitchell said after beating a marquee field that included Leroy Burrell and Carl Lewis. "I wish I had a million dollars."

Mitchell might not collect that right away, but he's certainly in a strong position to demand big money for appearing at lucrative Grand Prix meets in Europe this summer.

"Zurich and Cologne will be bigger races than this," he said. "There is a lot of money walking around in the 100 meters this year, and I want to get a big piece of it."

Mitchell's coach, John Smith, said he will see to it that the 28-year-old sprinter is well rewarded by big meet promoters.

"When an athlete is running well, they want him," Smith said. "Dennis is running extremely well. He's a streak runner, and he's catching fire now."

Originally, Mitchell wasn't even invited by Goodwill

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Games organizers. He was asked to compete only after Britain's Linford Christie, the Olympic and world champion, withdrew because of a hamstring injury.

"They signed everybody but him," Smith said of Mitchell. "He was angry. It was a disgrace. They couldn't run the race without him."

Mitchell, known as the "Green Machine" for his green running outfits and shoes, led from start to finish to win his first major championship race in 10.07 seconds. The relatively slow time was due to a strong

headwind.

Leroy Burrell, who set the world record of 9.85 earlier this month, finished with a surge to take second in 10.11. Jon Drummond was third in 10.12 and Carl Lewis fourth in 10.23.

Mitchell finally shook his third-place tag. He had won plenty of bronze medals, including at the 1992 Olympics and the 1991 and 1993 World Championships.

Now, he can lay a legitimate claim to being the world's best sprinter.

"I want to live up to the tradition of a cocky sprinter and say I am," Mitchell said.

Ukraine's Sergei Bubka may no longer be able to say he's the world's best pole vaulter. In a major upset, the world record-holder finished third behind two Russians.

Gwen Torrence completed a sweep of the women's sprints, winning the 200 meters in a Games' record 22.09, and Jackie Joyner-Kersey, the world record-holder in the heptathlon and seeking her third straight Goodwill title, built a 109-point lead after four events.

The final three heptathlon events — the long jump, javelin and 800 meters — were scheduled for today.

SPORTS IN BRIEF

UGSA names all-tourney team

Several members of the Big Spring Div. III and IV all-star teams were named to the state United Girls Softball Association all-tournament team.

Heather James, who helped lead Big Spring to a title in the Div. IV tournament, was named most valuable player in her division. Others from the Div. IV team earning all-tournament honors were Dolores Garcia, Audra Bingham and Toka Van.

Members from the runner-up Div. III team making the all-tourney team were Jessica Cobos, Melissa Martinez and Mandi Morrow.

Ladies golf group reports results

In Comanche Trail Ladies Golf Association action last week, Betty Auckland scored a 36 to take low gross honors in Monday night nine-hole play. Ramona Harris had the low net score of 29.

In Thursday couple's play, Jerry and Ruth Roach teamed with Paul and Dee Jenkins to tie the foursome of Jim and Georgie Newsom, Carlos Dimidjian and Lisa Hale. Both groups shot a 4-under par in a nine-hole best ball format.

Howard boys' hoops camp starts Aug. 1

The Howard College boys' basketball camp will be Aug. 1-4 at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

The camp is 9 a.m.-4 p.m. each day. It is a day camp only, and the cost is \$95. The fee includes tuition, equipment, noon meals and a T-shirt. A deposit of \$25 is due one week before camp, with the remainder due upon registration.

Campers will be separated according to level of expertise and age. Competitions will be categorized as follows: Advanced, Mid-Level and Little Dribblers.

Attractions include: three-man tournament, trophies (Best Offensive Player, Best Defensive Player, sportsmanship, Hustler Award, free-throw champion, Most Improved and best all-around).

For more information, call the HC athletic department at 264-5040.

Big Spring tennis camp starts Aug. 8

Big Spring tennis professional Bill Willis has announced a second session for his Big Spring Tennis Camp.

The camp, which had its first session in June, is open to boys and girls ages 6-18. The dates are Aug. 8-11, starting at 8 a.m. each day. Each day's schedule will last at least three hours.

USTA professional Jason Ware will join the camp staff for that week. Cost for the camp is \$70.

For more information, call Willis at 267-3924.

Forsan to begin football practice

FORSAN — Preseason practice for all Forsan High School players grades 9-12 begins at 8 a.m. Aug. 3 at the high school.

For more information, call 457-2223 or 457-2365.

Rangers get back on winning track

ARLINGTON (AP) — The Texas Rangers are in first place this deep in the season for the first time in their history. Now, with a possible strike looming, they're trying to hang on to their AL West lead as long as they can.

The Rangers may be only 47-52, but they pushed their lead over the idle Oakland A's to 2 1/2 games Monday night by opening a 10-game homestand with a 7-4 victory over the Minnesota Twins.

"This is a pivotal homestand," Texas manager Kevin Kennedy said. "We may only have two and a half weeks of baseball left. You can't take anything for granted."

Lousy pitching contributed heavily as the Rangers dropped a four-game series to the Toronto Blue Jays over the weekend. Texas began Monday with a two-game lead, its smallest since July 2.

Toronto battered Texas' pitching staff, outscoring the Rangers 25-8 in the series sweep.

On Monday night, the Rangers rolled the dice with spot starter Brian Bohanon.

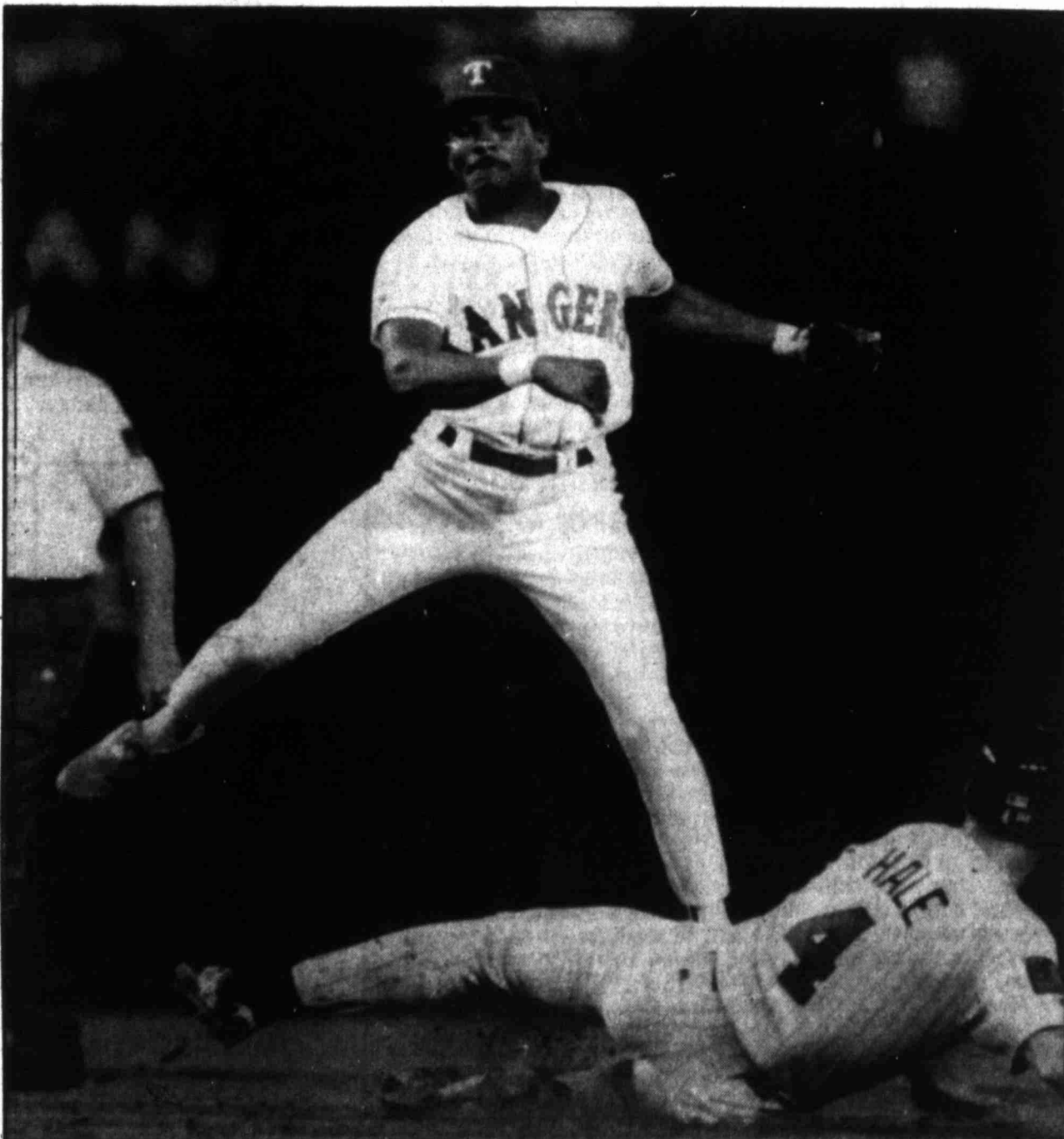
Bohanon responded with his first major-league victory in more than a year.

"I felt real confident tonight," Bohanon said. "I'm going out there, let them put the ball in play. I'm not going to let it (hits) affect me. I just went out there, got some outs and let the offense feed off of that."

Bohanon (1-0) started in place of Kevin Brown, whose scheduled turn in the rotation was pushed back a day because of a stress fracture in his foot.

In his second start of the season, Bohanon pitched well.

Please see RANGERS, page 7



Texas second baseman Manuel Lee turns a double play over Minnesota's Chip Hale (4) during the ninth inning in Arlington Monday night.

SHOT OF THE DAY



Card of thanks

A San Francisco fan yells at the Los Angeles Dodgers while showing a banner thanking that team for trading Darryl Strawberry to San Francisco.

TEXAS SPORTS

Lathon finds a home

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Lamar Lathon no longer is being forced to lead a double life.

During the first week of Houston Oilers training camp, Lathon split time with the linebackers and defensive ends.

But after auditioning at defensive end in Saturday's scrimmage against the Dallas Cowboys, Lathon has found himself in the position full-time.

"I have a new respect for defensive linemen," Lathon said Monday. "I felt really awkward lining up there. I haven't really learned the position, but the advantage I have is, being a linebacker, I know the calls that I need to listen for."

The Oilers have enough depth at linebacker to enable Lathon to move to the sparse defensive end group.

AROUND THE WORLD

Talks to resume

NEW YORK (AP) — Baseball's labor negotiations resume today, two days before the union's executive board is likely to set a strike deadline.

The sides are scheduled to meet in discussion groups, and the full negotiating teams are to get together Wednesday.

Faulk a happy camper

ANDERSON, Ind. (AP) — Marshall Faulk attended his first practice with the Indianapolis Colts, a day after the former San Diego State star signed a seven-year deal for \$17.2 million.

Faulk, who rushed for 4,589 yards and 57 touchdowns in three years at San Diego State, was the second overall pick in the NFL draft.

ON THE AIR

Bowling

PBA Tucson Open, 6:30 p.m., ESPN (Ch. 30).

Boxing

Roberto Duran vs. Vinny Pazienza, super middleweights, 8 p.m., USA (ch. 38).

By STEVE RE
Sportswriter

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New coaches come on board

By STEVE REAGAN
Sports writer

Turnover, usually a fact of life among high school athletic departments, hardly caused a stir this summer at Big Spring High School.

Only three BSISD assistant coaches tendered resignations this summer, and only one of those coached full-time at the high school level.

Angela Garis, who coached both junior varsity volleyball and girls basketball at BSHS, resigned to accept a coaching position in the Austin school system. She will be joined by her husband Troy, who coached junior high track and football, and was an assistant on the high school baseball team.

The only other resignation over the summer came from Steve Hernandez, who coached junior high football and track. He resigned to accept a high school position in the Victoria school system.

All three coaching vacancies have been filled, according to a BSISD spokeswoman, and two of those are already employed by the school system.

Waylon Pierce joins the Runnels athletic staff as a football and track coach, while Cheryl Tannehill will take Angela Garis' place in volleyball and basketball at the high school.

Former Big Spring High School football star Jason Phillips, fresh from receiving a degree at Texas Tech University, has been hired to coach football and track at Goliad Middle School.

The Forsan school district also was fairly untouched by the turnover bug, losing only three coaches.

Girls junior varsity basketball coach Gayla Stone transferred to Elbow Elementary, where she will instruct physical education classes, while Dwayne Draper has transferred to Throckmorton.

New to the district are Steve Park, formerly of Coahoma, who will coach junior high football, basketball and track, Shawna Abregg, who takes Stone's old position, and Darrell Abregg, who will coach football and basketball in the junior high.

Coahoma ISD was not as fortunate in the turnover department. Four coaches resigned from the high school and one other was reassigned within the district.

Leading the list was head football coach/athletic director Steve Park, who resigned after his contract was not renewed. Taking his place is Eddie McHugh, formerly the head football coach at Midland Lee Freshman School.

Other Coahoma coaches who resigned over the summer included R.L. Coates, who was head track coach and an assistant on the football team, Philip Ritchey, head girls' basketball coach and Kyle Andrews.

Mike Conley, an assistant football coach, was reassigned within the district.

New coaches brought in include Terry Baxter, Ray McKinnon, Gary Fox and David Cox. Cox will supervise all girls' athletic programs.

BASEBALL

Standings

American League
All Times EDT
East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	60	36	.625	—
Baltimore	54	41	.568	1 1/2
Boston	47	50	.485	13 1/2
Toronto	47	50	.485	13 1/2
Detroit	43	55	.439	18

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Chicago	59	39	.602	—
Cleveland	56	39	.589	1 1/2
Kansas City	52	47	.525	7 1/2
Minnesota	46	52	.469	13
Milwaukee	45	53	.459	14

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Texas	47	52	.475	—
Oakland	44	54	.449	2 1/2
California	42	58	.420	5 1/2
Seattle	40	56	.417	5 1/2

Monday's Games

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Kansas City 6, Chicago 4, 12				
innings				
Texas 7, Minnesota 4				
Only games scheduled				
Tuesday's Games				
Cleveland (Lopez 0-0) at Baltimore				
(McDonald 11-9), 1:35 p.m.				
Cleveland (Martinez 9-5) at				
Baltimore (Oquist 3-2), 7:35 p.m.				
Boston (Nabholz 2-3) at New York				
(Key 15-2), 7:05 p.m.				
Seattle (Converse 0-2) at Detroit				
(Wells 3-6), 7:05 p.m.				
Milwaukee (Bones 9-7) at Toronto				
(Guzman 10-9), 7:35 p.m.				
Chicago (Alvarez 11-5) at Kansas				
City (Gordon 9-6), 8:05 p.m.				
Minnesota (Deshaies 5-10) at				
Texas (Brown 7-8), 8:35 p.m.				
Oakland (Onizores 5-3) at				
California (Finley 9-7), 10:05 p.m.				
Wednesday's Games				
Oakland (Darling 9-9) at California				
(Lethwick 5-8), 4:05 p.m.				
Seattle (Johnson 11-5) at Detroit				
(Moore 9-9), 7:05 p.m.				
Boston (Sele 7-6) at New York				
(Perez 8-3), 7:35 p.m.				
Cleveland (Morris 9-6) at Baltimore				
(Mussina 14-4), 7:35 p.m.				
Milwaukee (Wegman 7-3) at				
Toronto (Hentgen 12-6), 7:35 p.m.				
Chicago (Bere 10-2) at Kansas				
City (Guback 6-8), 8:05 p.m.				
Minnesota (Mahomes 7-4) at				
Texas (Leary 1-1), 8:35 p.m.				

National League

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	59	40	.596	2 1/2
Philadelphia	48	52	.480	14
New York	46	52	.469	15
Florida	45	54	.455	16 1/2

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cincinnati	58	40	.592	—
Houston	57	43	.570	2
Pittsburgh	47	51	.480	11
St. Louis	46	52	.474	12
Chicago	43	54	.443	14 1/2

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Los Angeles	49	50	.495	—
Colorado	48	53	.475	2
San Francisco	47	53	.470	2 1/2
San Diego	39	62	.386	11

Monday's Games

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Philadelphia 8, Florida 1				
Pittsburgh 6, Chicago 2				
Cincinnati 7, Houston 4				
Montreal 6, Atlanta 4				
New York 7, St. Louis 1				
Los Angeles 10, San Francisco 5				
Colorado 4, San Diego 3				

Tuesday's Games

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Los Angeles (Hershiser 5-4) at San Francisco (VanLandingham 5-1), 4:05 p.m.				
Philadelphia (West 4-8) at Florida (Hough 5-9), 7:35 p.m.				
Chicago (Young 4-6) at Pittsburgh (Z. Smith 9-8), 7:35 p.m.				
Houston (Harris 7-4) at Cincinnati (Rijo 9-4), 7:35 p.m.				
Montreal (Herry 7-2) at Atlanta (Madux 13-5), 7:40 p.m.				
New York (Castillo 0-0) at St. Louis (Palacios 2-7), 8:35 p.m.				
Colorado (Thompson 0-0) at San Diego (Sanders 3-7), 10:05 p.m.				

Wednesday's Games

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Houston (Roper 5-1) at Cincinnati (Drabek 10-6), 12:35 p.m.				
Philadelphia (Hill 14-4) at Atlanta (Mercker 8-3), 12:40 p.m.				
Rapp 6-5), 7:35 p.m.				
Chicago (Morgan 2-9) at Pittsburgh (White 2-5), 7:35 p.m.				
New York (Jacome 4-1) at St. Louis (Urban 2-5), 8:35 p.m.				
Colorado (Painter 3-4) at San Diego (Hamilton 6-5), 10:35 p.m.				
Los Angeles (Candotti 7-5) at San Francisco (Swift 8-6), 10:35 p.m.				

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AMERICAN LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct.	GB
BATTING—Thomas, Chicago, .371; O'Neill, New York, .371; Lofton, Cleveland, .364; Belle, Cleveland, .350; Molitor, Toronto, .346; Boggs, New York, .343; W. Clark, Texas, .338				
RUNS—Thomas, Chicago, 99; Lofton, Cleveland, 92; Canseco, Texas, 82; Griffey Jr., Seattle, 81; Belle, Cleveland, 77; Phillips, Detroit, 77; Baerga, Cleveland, 74				
RBI—Puckett, Minnesota, 92; Belle, Cleveland, 90; Carter, Toronto, 89; Thomas, Chicago, 88; Franco, Chicago, 86; Canseco, Texas, 81				

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct.	GB
BATTING—T. Gwynn, San Diego, .389; Bagwell, Houston, .363; Morris, Cincinnati, .354; Alou, Montreal, .336; Justice, Atlanta, .332; Piazza, Los Angeles, .329; Conine, Florida, .328				
RUNS—Bagwell, Houston, 89; Grissom, Montreal, 80; Biggio, Houston, 78; Lankford, St. Louis, 76; Galaraga, Colorado, 76; Bonds, San Francisco, 74; Alou, Montreal, 70				
RBI—Bagwell, Houston, 99; Bichette, Colorado, 90; Galaraga, Colorado, 84; Piazza, Los Angeles, 81; MaWilliams, San Francisco, 80; Morris, Cincinnati, 75; McGriff, Atlanta, 75				

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HITS—T. Gwynn, San Diego, 139;				

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Morris, Cincinnati, 134; Bichette, Colorado, 133; Galaraga, Colorado, 130; Bagwell, Houston, 127; Conine, Florida, 126; Alou, Montreal, 123				
DOUBLES—L. Walker, Montreal, 38; Biggio, Houston, 37; Bichette, Colorado, 32; Morris, Cincinnati, 29; J. Bell, Pittsburgh, 29; Bagwell, Houston, 28; T. Gwynn, San Diego, 28				
TRIPLES—R. Sanders, Cincinnati, 8; Butler, Los Angeles, 8; Clayton, San Francisco, 6; Lewis, San Francisco, 6; 10 are tied with 5				
HOME RUNS—MaWilliams, San Francisco, 37; Bagwell, Houston, 32; Bonds, San Francisco, 31; Galaraga, Colorado, 31; McGriff, Atlanta, 27; Mitchell, Cincinnati, 26; Sosa, Chicago, 24				
STOLEN BASES—D. Sanders, Cincinnati, 34; Grissom, Montreal, 32; Carr, Florida, 29; Biggio, Houston, 29; D. Lewis, San Francisco, 27; Mouton, Houston, 23; Clayton, San Francisco, 23; Larkin, Cincinnati, 23				
PITCHING (11 Decisions)—Freeman, Colorado, 9-2, 819, 3.01; K. Hill, Montreal, 14-4, 778, 3.18; D. Jackson, Philadelphia, 13-4, 765, 3.26; Sabersagen, New York, 12-4, 750, 2.86; Mercker, Atlanta, 8-3, 727, 3.74; G. Maddux, Atlanta, 13-5, 722, 1.71; Rijo, Cincinnati, 9-4, 692, 3.10				

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STRIKEOUTS—Benes, San Diego, 168; Rijo, Cincinnati, 136; G. Maddux, Atlanta, 133; G. Lincecum, Atlanta, 126; Sabersagen, New York, 125; P. Martinez, Montreal, 124; F. Sosa, Montreal, 119				
SAVES—D. Jones, Philadelphia, 26; Beck, San Francisco, 23; Franco, New York, 23; Myers, Chicago, 20; McMichael, Atlanta, 19; Wetteland, Montreal, 19; Hudek, Houston, 16; B. Ruffin, Colorado, 16				

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GOAT TYING				
1. Jodi Bubel, Center, N.D., 8,865; 2. Pepper Young, Hugo, Okla., 9,787; 3. Hayley Jo Nielson, Central Valley, Utah, 10,544; 4. Jenny Cowart, Seville, Fla., 11,229; 5. Brandi Curtis, Roswell, N.M., 11,826				
POLE BENDING				
1. MaryAnn Barrow, DeQuincy, La., 20,264; 2. Karin Best, Pittsburg, Kan., 20,698; 3. Jamie Fetting, Whitewater, S.D., 20,739; 4. Megan Martiniello, Oakdale, Calif., 20,854; 5. Kristine Nelson, Baldwin, Wis., 20,96				
SADDLE BRONC				
1. Scooter Prince Jr., Sulphur, La., 68; 2. Marc Huver, Nashville, Mich., 67; 3. Mike Outhier, Weatherford, Okla., 66; 4. Rance Bara, Dumas, Texas, 62; 5. Ryan Elshire, Milesville, S.D., 58				
STEER WRESTLING				
1. Sean Mulligan, Valentine, Neb., 3,864; 2. Chad Saunders, Greenbrier, Ariz., 4,549; 3. Brian McGhee, Tifton, Ga., 5,247; 4. C.E. Tall, Lakeville, Ohio, 5,272; 5. Neal Abrams, Artesia, Miss., 6,672				
TEAM ROPING				
1. Steve Cormesser, Fallon, Nev., and Mitch Hibel, Fallon, Nev., 7:269; 2. Corey Nichols, Bethany, Mo., Vic. Roe, King City, Mo., 7:824; 3. James Walker, Florence, Ala., Matt McGee, Florence, Ala., 8:44; 4. Jake Erickson, Lewistown, Idaho, and Hugh Baldwin, Rexburg, Idaho, 8:466; 5. Kurt Kuhnle, Lemitar, N.M., and Brian Sullivan, Las Cruces, N.M., 8:54				

'Awesome Bill from Dawsonville' trying to find victory lane

TALLADEGA, Ala. (AP) — Once again, Bill Elliott watched someone else in Victory Lane.

"Nice race, Bill," a fan shouted as Elliott walked to the garage at Talladega Superspeedway. But it was little consolation — he'll have to wait another week, another race, to end the longest drought of his Winston Cup career.

"It's not bad at all," Elliott insisted, moments after he was edged at the finish line by Jimmy Spencer in Sunday's DieHard 500. "Y'all," he said, motioning to a group of reporters tailing him, "make it worse than I do."

It seems like ages since "Awesome Bill from Dawsonville" was living up to his nickname. In 1985, he posted 11 victories and became the only driver ever to receive a \$1 million bonus for winning three of the "Big Four" races. In 1988, he captured the Winston Cup championship. Even as late as 1992, he won four straight races to tie a modern-era record, finished in the top five on nine other occasions and wound up second in the points.

Little did he know that his season-ending victory at Atlanta in November 1992 would be his last.

In 1993, Elliott failed to win at least one race for the first time since he joined the circuit full time in 1983. This year has been even worse, with only four Top 10 finishes in 17 races coming to Talladega.

He wasn't just failing to win — he wasn't even competitive.

"Things just never seem to get together for us," said Elliott's car owner, Junior Johnson. "You need three things to win in this sport: a good motor, a good car and a

good driver. We've never been able to produce all three of them."

Many of Elliott's supporters have pointed the finger at his crew chief, Mike Beam. He joined the team last year and Elliott hasn't won since. Since 1981, Beam's drivers have won a grand total of one race in 324 starts, while finishing second a galling 13 times.

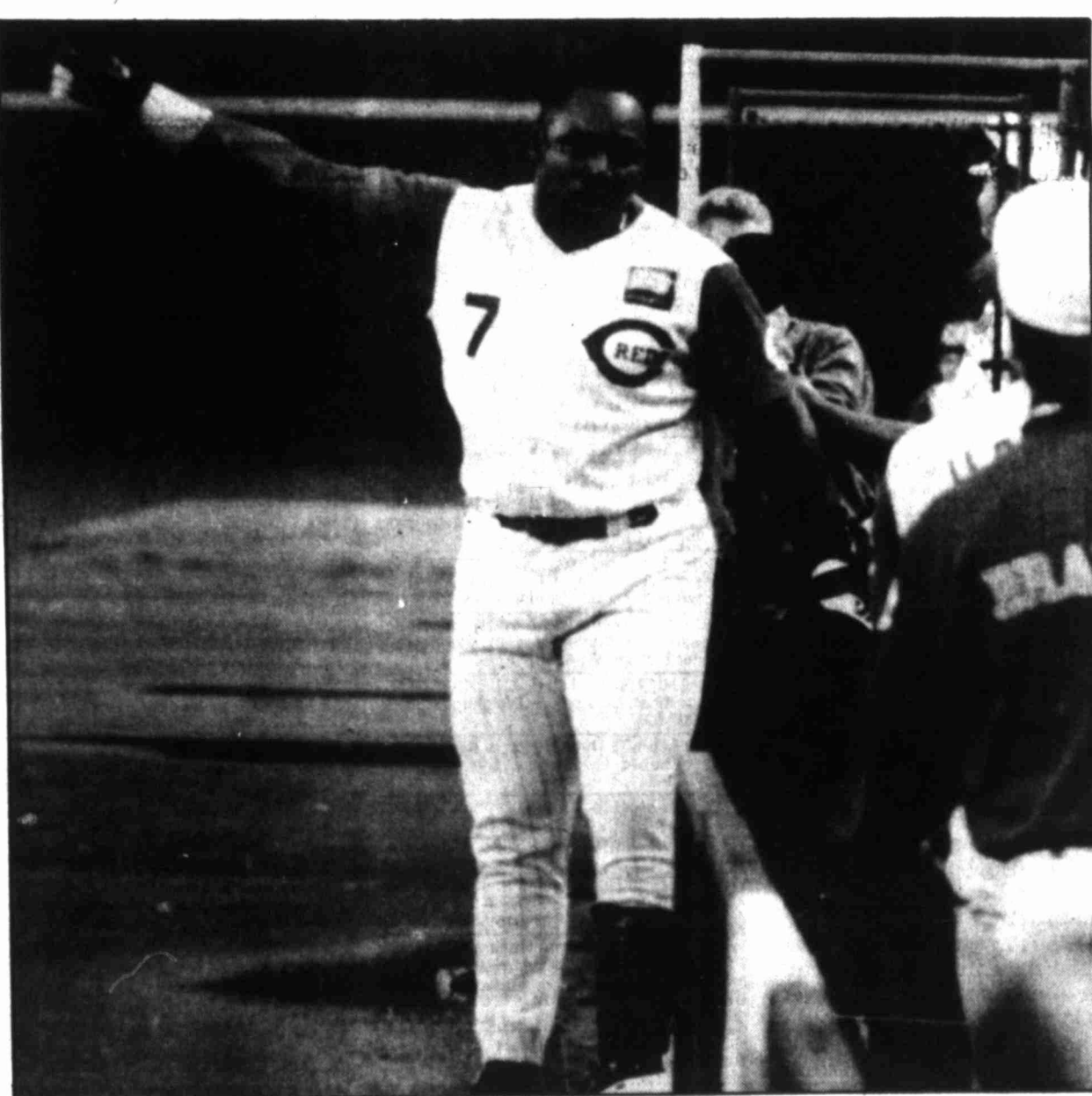
"I've ran second so many times in my career, it's sickening," Beam said after yet another runner-up finish in Sunday's race. "I really wanted to win this one, I really did, just to get people off my back."

It looked like Beam was going to get that elusive win at Talladega, where Elliott set the all-time qualifying record (212.809 mph) in 1987. The red Ford Thunderbird ran among the leaders most of the race, even overcoming a stall in the pits to get back in contention.

When Spencer passed Ernie Irvan with 19 laps to go, Elliott went with him into second. He spent the rest of the race dipping high and low all over the 2.66-mile trioval, trying to find enough room to pass, but Spencer never would let him by.

"I did everything I could do," Elliott said. "When I go home tonight, I'll sleep well. I know there's nothing else I could have done."

IT WENT THAT-A-WAY



Cincinnati's Kevin Mitchell acknowledges fans after hitting his second home run of the game in the third inning against the Houston Astros Monday night in Cincinnati.

Rangers

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HOROSCOPE

FOR WEDNESDAY,
JULY 27, 1994

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Good communications surround you, and you can make your points clearly and effectively. Worry less about what's happening. A relationship grows because of your willingness to integrate. Tonight: Whatever you want. *****

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Your ability to get to the bottom of a situation brings success. Creativity surges, and you feel good. You attain a goal. You're able to have important conversations. Tonight: Have a long-overdue talk with a partner. *****

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You are as happy as a lark. Create better communications. You hear news worth celebrating. You are willing to discuss things and integrate. Listen more carefully to what a loved one says to you. Tonight: Do what makes you happy. *****

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You accomplish much because of your willingness to get feedback and stay ahead. Creative options abound. Honor a boss's request and you gain financially. This period is excellent for you if you stay on top of your work. Tonight: Out and about. *****

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): New insights come to you easily. Grab an opportunity to travel and gain success. You prosper intellectually, emotionally, and financially. Communications are vital. Return all calls. Tonight: Do something exotic. *****

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): One-to-one relating is highlighted. Reveal some of your innermost thoughts. Creativity is high. Create a more sincere connection. Stay ahead. Know what you want and be ready. Tonight: Be aware of what others are asking. *****

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Listen to another. Feedback is powerful and important. Others might not agree with you but they do care. Listen carefully to what another desires, and note your reaction. Opportunities to understand another open you up. Tonight: Let your creativity soar. *****

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Accept responsibility. You get ahead easily today. Another understands much more about you because of your willingness to take responsibility. A boss is watching. Tonight: Get it done. *****

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You are lively today. Your creativity is high. Your willingness to find solutions is equally as high. Mix these two together and you come out a winner. Opportunities for mutuality and financial gain merge. Tonight: Just about anything goes. *****

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Important responsibilities beckon. You can no longer take a back seat. Listen more carefully to another's feedback. Manage powerfully and positively. Know which way you need to go. Success is yours. Tonight: Be more upbeat about what's going on. *****

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You become expressive. You need to stay on top of a situation, and you will. Partners seek you out. Communications are active. Converse. Your insights are critical for another to develop a better understanding. Tonight: Out and about. *****

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Finances flourish because of your willingness to put in long hours. A boss recognizes your superior work. Understanding allows you more options than you thought. A coworker admires your abilities. Tonight: Treat yourself to something special. *****

BIRTHDAY (July 27, 1994 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY): It will be a special year for you. Travel will be highlighted. You'll have excellent communications, and you'll have opportunities for new experiences involving strangers, law and education. If you are attached, consider this an extraordinary year in which your relationship and spiritual development will merge. ARIES adores you.

THE ASTERISKS (*) SHOW THE KIND OF DAY YOU'LL HAVE: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult.

Sweepstakes hobby costs big bucks

DEAR ABBY: My mother is 88, widowed, lives alone, still drives, and she's another person who is hooked on mail sweepstakes. She gets mail from all over the U.S.A., Canada and even Australia. She has won boxes of greeting cards, T-shirts, also cheap-looking costume jewelry — she paid \$20 for a pin that could be bought at Kmart for 19 cents.

Obviously, my mother's name and address have been sold to every scam operation in the country. She received a telephone call advising her that she "won" \$10,000 but, in order to collect it, she had to send \$1,000 via Federal Express immediately. She sent her check for \$1,000, which was promptly cashed. Now we are trying to get her money back.

We've called state's attorneys, police investigators, the Chamber of Commerce — they were all very sympathetic, but they could do nothing to help her. These scam operators hire attorneys for advice on how to stay within the law while bilking the public.

A recent TV program exposed a Las Vegas sweepstakes operation that took in \$400,000 per day — in increments of \$15 to \$20.

Unfortunately, none of us six children has been able to convince Mom that no legitimate sweepstakes requires an "entrance" fee in order to win.

Abby, one cannot simply take checkbooks away from older people — they need to retain some sense of dignity and independence. If anyone has any ideas on how to handle this problem, I would sure like to hear them. — ANOTHER DAUGHTER, MAHOMET, ILL.

DEAR DAUGHTER: I apologize for suggesting that entering a mail sweepstakes could be a "harmless pleasure." I had

no idea it was the International multimillion-dollar rip-off you disclosed in your letter.

DEAR ABBY: I thought your response to "Annoyed in Massachusetts" was right on the money. As parents of a 3-month-old, we would never impose our child on anyone. He's our child, not theirs. If we have a social engagement to attend and can't find a baby sitter, then we stay home.

You may use my name. — ROBERT COOK, OKINAWA, JAPAN

DEAR ROBERT COOK: Thank you. I needed your affirmation. I was severely criticized by some for agreeing with "Annoyed," who wrote in part: "Let's face it, it is difficult even for a parent to be interested in hundreds of graduates and speakers. How on earth do parents of these children expect them to act?"

"This is a wonderful moment for the parents and grandparents of graduates — but never on God's green earth would I do something as stupid as bringing an infant to a graduation ceremony."

DEAR ABBY: Between the ages of 3 to 8, my brother loved to play with Barbie dolls. He and I used to play "Barbies" all the time. We would go to the store and pick out our favorite dolls. He loved Barbies more than GI Joe, trucks, guns and other male-oriented toys.

He is now 15, and there is nothing feminine about him. In fact, I can't keep him away from my female friends. I think his playing with Barbies was just a prelude to his love of women.

If you use this letter, please don't use my real name — my brother would kill me! Sign this ... KEN AND BARBIE, NASHUA, N.H.

Good advice for everyone — teens to seniors — is in "The Anger in All of Us and How to Deal With It." To order, send a business-sized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Anger Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

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THE FAR SIDE

By GARY LARSON



After years of harboring his secret desires, Ned finally hits on the senior librarian.

City Bits

DAILY - 3 p.m. day prior to publication
SUNDAY - 3 p.m. Friday

JODY NIX & THE TEXAS COWBOYS at the Stampedo. Saturday Night, July 30, after the AJRA Rodeo. \$7.00/person. 267-2060.

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MOTOR ROUTE: Old Colorado Rd, Centerpoint Rd area. 113 customers. Potential profit \$425/month. Approximately 1 hour/day. APPLY TODAY!

MOTOR ROUTE: Between Midway & 1-20 West of Moss Lake Rd area. 239 customers. Potential profit \$815/month. Approximately 2 hours/day. APPLY TODAY!

IN TOWN MOTOR ROUTE: Big Spring Mall area. 70 customers. Potential profit \$190/month. Approximately 45 minutes/day. APPLY TODAY!

CARRIER ROUTE: Base housing area. Ideal route for a young person living in base area. 82 customers. Potential profit \$180/month. Approximately 45 minutes/day. APPLY TODAY!

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CARRIER ROUTE: Douglas, Aylestone, Pennsylvania area. 81 customers. Potential profit \$175/month. Approximately 45 minutes/day. APPLY TODAY!

CARRIER ROUTE: Apartments - Wason & FM 700 area. 50 customers. Potential profit \$100/month. Approximately 15 minutes/day. APPLY TODAY!

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2 EXPERIENCED MOTHERS w/good references will babysit from 7:00am-7:00pm. Will provide meals. \$35-40/week. 264-7427, 267-6210.

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Farm Equipment 150

200 Honda three wheeler. Call 267-6463.

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Appliances 299

GUARANTEED USED Refrigerators and new evaporative air conditioners. As always best prices! Branham Furniture, 2004 W. 4th. 263-1469.

Auctions 325

SPRING CITY AUCTION-Robert Pruitt Auctioneer, TXS-079-007759. Call 263-1831/263-0914. We do all types of auctions!

Dogs, Pets, Etc 375

FREE KENNEL CLUB BREEDER REFERRAL SERVICE: Helps you find reputable breeders/quality puppies. Purebred rescue information. 263-3404 daytime.

GERBILS FOR SALE. \$2.50 each. Call 394-4984.

Garage Sale 380

FRIDAY: 7:30-12:00, 2605 CACTUS. Clothes, shoes, porch swing, fishing equipment, air tank, tools, fencing, misc.

INSIDE-Barcelona Apt. #138. Round wooden table-4 chairs, 2 96in. couches, coffee-end tables, 2 livingroom chairs, coat rack, lamps, dressers, books. 267-4613.

STORE CLOSURE

256 Sale 10:00-3:00 Monday-Tuesday-Wednesday. Secret's, 215 Main, Big Spring.

Found Pets 381

FOUND: 2 Chinese Pugs in Kentwood. Call 267-6703.

Lost- Pets 394

LOST!!!
Female Gold stripe cat, near Big Spring State Hospital. If found please call 263-7147.

Miscellaneous 395

1989 KAMATSV Forklift. 5,000lb. Good condition. 1805 Morrison. 267-7186.

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JUST RETURNED FROM 60 HOUR COURSE in Sugar Gum Paste Wedding Cake Flowers, by international teacher from Johannesburg South Africa. Wedding cake decor (all techniques), silk flowers, church decor. Consultation by appointment. ORDER NOW! to secure your date. See wedding display at Big Spring Mall.

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GETZEN SILVER & GOLD Trombone with F attachment, Sear's Camcorder with accessories. Call 267-1735.

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FRESH VEGETABLES for sale. Squash-Blackeye Peas-Okra-Tomatoes-Peppers-Onions. Call 398-5564.

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SPAS- 30% off all '93 models. St. Thomas Model holds 8 people. \$3995. Terms and delivery available. 563-1860.

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ABOVE GROUND POOLS. We still have a good selection. Financing and installation available. 563-1860.

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WE BUY good refrigerators and gas stoves. No Junk! 267-6421.

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15 ACRES SOUTH of Big Spring. Includes 10 acres grassland, 5 acres irrigated pecan trees. Fenced, good water well. Price reduced without mobile home by 1/3 for quick cash sale. Call M.A. Snell, broker, 264-6424.

Buildings For Sale 505

14X32 RED BARN. Ordered wrong, must sell. Heavy duty floor, overhead door. Terms and delivery available. 563-1860.

Business Property 508

FOR SALE: Great Business Location-Hwy. Frontage, Near AirPark. 1+ acres with 600 sq. ft. metal shop building. 240 sq. ft. storage trailer. \$28,000.00. SERIOUS INQUIRIES ONLY. Call 263-8914.

Farms & Ranches 512

200 ACRES stock farm. Some cotton allotment, 6 irrigation wells, 2 bedroom house. 915-367-2303.

HOWARD COUNTY - 77 acres north of Big Spring on 87; 60 acres vegetable, 3 wells, fencing, barn, 30x120 tile building used for convenience store, home.

49 Other Texas Listings
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Houses for Sale 513

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