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Conaway, Hurd explain votes to release memo

By Abby Livingston
Texas Tribune

WASHINGTON — The U.S. House Intelligence Committee on Friday released a highly controversial memo involving the FBI's surveillance methods of the Trump campaign, capping off a dramatic week within the oversight arm that includes three Texans: U.S. Reps. Mike Conaway, R-Midland, Will Hurd, R-Helotes and Joaquin Castro, D-San Antonio.

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Trump says Russia-probe memo proves bias; Dems say no.

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At its heart, the four-page memo aims to discredit a dossier commissioned in 2016 of then-candidate Donald Trump and the alleged activities of him and his associates

with Russia.

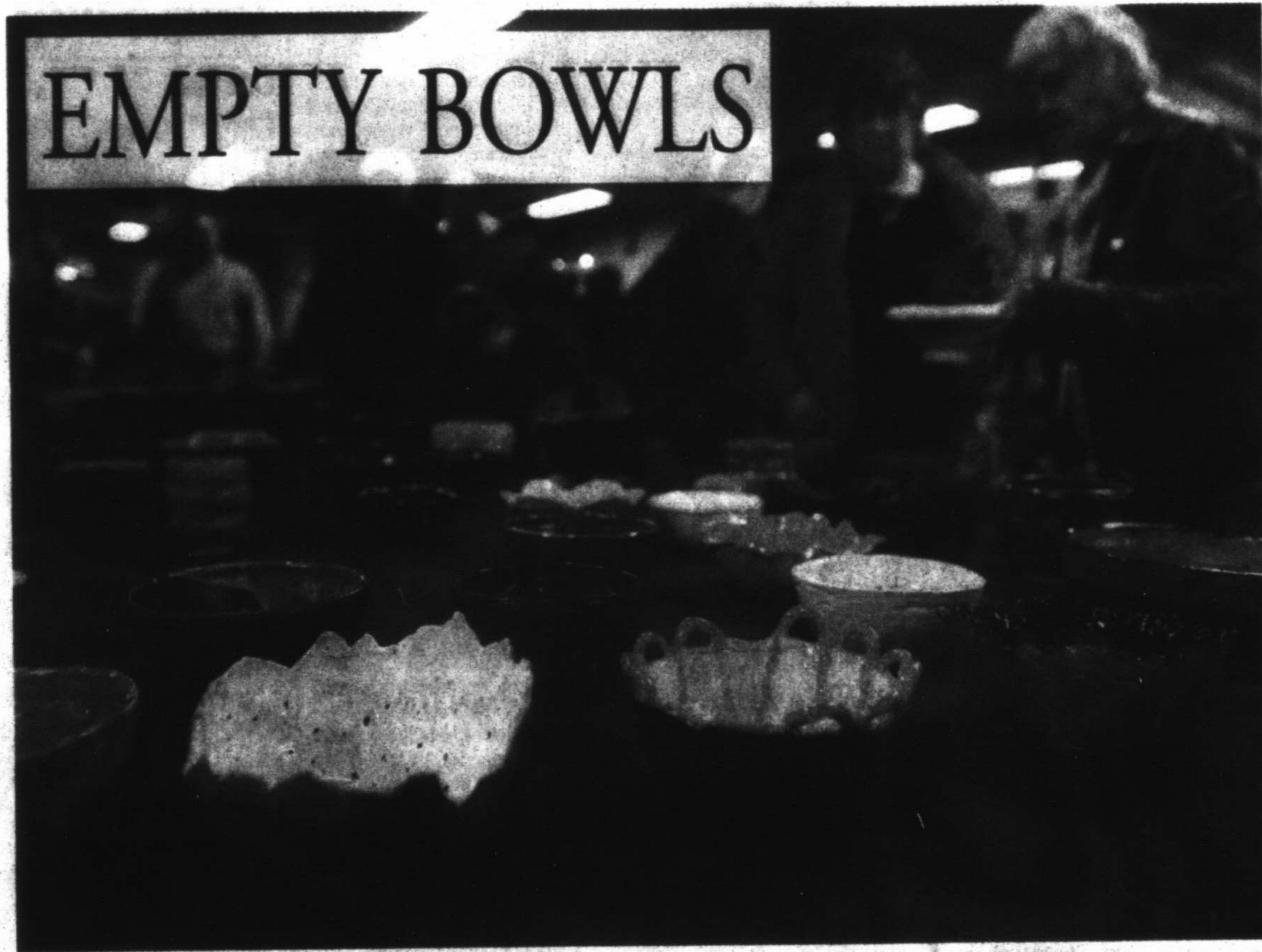
Known in Washington as "the Nunes" memo, named for U.S. House Intelligence Committee Chairman Devin Nunes of California, the document charges that because Democrats in part paid for the dossier, it should not have been used in surveillance court arguments involving a former Trump adviser, Carter Page, in 2016.

Republican leaders said over the course of the week that the memo must be released as a matter of protecting American

citizens' civil liberties and for government transparency.

Democrats, Justice Department officials and leaders of the FBI strongly urged against the memo's release, arguing it would jeopardize the sources in which federal government collects intelligence. Critics have also questioned the memo's accuracy. Furthermore, Democrats argue the main reason for the memo's release was to begin to lay

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ABOVE: West Texans look over hundreds of bowls for sale Friday at Trinity School during the Empty Bowls fundraiser benefiting West Texas Food Bank. **RIGHT:** Odessa High students serve bowls of different types of soup Friday.



Permian rig count remains unchanged at 427

Midland County holds steady at 47; Reeves adds 2 rigs for 66 total

By Trevor Hawes
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The Permian Basin rig count was unchanged this week at 427 after adding 27 rigs since the start of the year.

Reeves County, in the heart of the Delaware Basin, added two rigs for a total of 66. Midland County, in the core of the Permian Basin, held steady at 47.

Other counties with double-digit rig counts were Lea, New Mexico (48); Eddy, New Mexico (36); Loving (31); Martin (30); Howard (27); Glasscock (19); Ward (17); Reagan (16); Winkler (14); Culberson (13); Upton (13); and Pecos (12).

Railroad Commission District 8, which encompasses most of the Permian Basin, fell by one rig to 288. For other areas with activity in the Permian, District 7B stayed at one rig, District 7C was unchanged at 33, District 7C held at 21 and New Mexico grew by one rig to 84.

The Permian Basin had 295 rigs a year ago.

TEXAS & NEW MEXICO

Texas recorded 465 rigs statewide this week, down one. The Eagle Ford in South Texas and Barnett in North Texas were unchanged at 66 and 2, respectively.

Fifteen of the Hayneville's 47 rigs were in East Texas. Eight of the Granite Wash's dozen rigs were in the Panhandle. Texas had one rig offshore.

New Mexico's rig count held at 85. Its lone non-Permian rig was in San Juan County in the northwestern part of the state.

At this time last year, there were 355 in Texas and 46 in New Mexico.

UNITED STATES

At 765 oil rigs and 181 natural gas rigs, the U.S. had a total rig count of 946. Oil rigs rose by six, but natural gas rigs fell by seven. All offshore rigs were in the Gulf of Mexico, which fell by one to 16. There was one rig in inland waters.

By drilling trajectory, there were 808 horizontal rigs and 66 vertical rigs. Directional rigs fell by one to 72.

The U.S. recorded 729 rigs a year ago.

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Man pleads guilty to making 'terrorist' call to Midland International in 2016

The Oregonian/OregonLive

PORTLAND, Ore. — A Clackamas, Oregon, man has pleaded guilty to placing calls to airports in Nevada and Midland, reporting his father and brother as terrorists because they got an invitation to a family wedding and he didn't.

Sonny Donnie Smith, 38, admitted to placing anonymous phone calls to security offices at McCarran International Airport in Las Vegas and Midland International Air & Space Port. The calls were made Sept. 3, 2016, according to Assistant U.S. Attorney Hannah Horsley.

She told the Reporter-Telegram on Friday that she couldn't provide additional information such as whether the father or brother live in Midland.

The calls prompted an FBI investigation, which revealed there weren't any terrorist threats. Smith's father and brother were detained and questioned by investigators, and the brother missed his flight.

Smith faces up to two years in prison, a \$250,000 fine and one year of supervised release at sentencing set for May.

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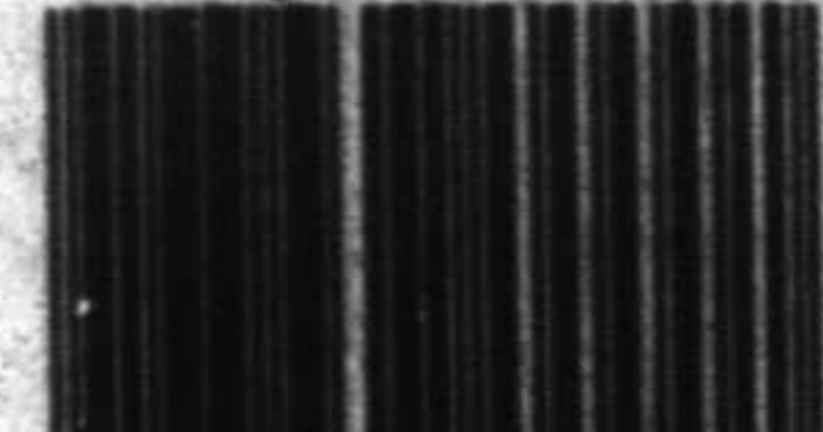
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Oil is down more than 1 percent

■ Despite drop this week, price is still up for the year

By Trevor Hawes
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The price of oil fell more than 1 percent this week. West Texas Intermediate futures contracts for March delivery closed the week at \$65.45 per barrel, down 35 cents (0.53 percent) on the day and down 69 cents (1.04 percent) for the week. Thursday marked the week high at \$65.80; Tuesday's settlement at \$64.50 was the week low. Despite the drop, the price is still up for the year. As of Friday, WTI is up \$5.08 (8.41 percent) over the past 23 trading days. The average price is \$63.83 per barrel. The year high of \$66.14 was reached Jan. 26. The first settlement of the year, \$60.37, is the year low.

The Energy Information Administration on Wednesday reported that average U.S. crude oil production for November 2017 topped 10 million barrels per day for the first time since November 1970.

For the week of Jan. 26, crude production was up by 41,000 barrels per day to 9,919 million barrels per day. The EIA will revise these figures.

Imports tallied 6.665 million barrels per day, up 35,000 barrels per day. Exports rose by 354,000 barrels per day to 1.765 million barrels per day.

Commercial crude inventories rose by 6.8 million barrels to 418.4 million barrels. There were 664.7 million barrels in the Strategic Petroleum Reserve, up 200,000 barrels.

Total motor gasoline stocks fell by 200,000 barrels to 242.1 million barrels. Kerosene-type jet fuel rose by 800,000 barrels to

41.6 million barrels. Distillates fell by 1.9 million barrels to 137.9 million barrels.

Plains Marketing posted prices were down this week. The Reporter-Telegram tracks WTI "all other areas" and West Texas sour.

WTI posted was priced at \$62 per barrel Friday, down 25 cents (0.4 percent) on the day and down 75 cents (1.2 percent) for the week. Sour fetched \$59.85, down a quarter (0.42 percent) on Friday and down 55 cents (0.95 percent) this week.

WTI posted and sour tend to rise and fall in equal increments; however, their price spread narrowed Thursday when WTI posted was raised \$1 and sour was raised \$1.20. The spread between the crude grades is now \$2.15.

The spread between WTI futures and WTI posted was \$3.45 on Friday.

Both WTI posted and sour are up for the year. Sour has an average price of \$58; WTI posted's average is \$60.32.

In other futures trading Friday, April contracts fell by 48 cents to \$65.07, May dropped 60 cents to \$64.61 and May was down by 69 cents to \$64.11.

US oil output best in 48 years

■ Nation could pass Russians, Saudis by end of 2019

By Jordan Blum and Katherine Blunt
Houston Chronicle

U.S. oil production, led by record output in Texas, averaged more than 10 million barrels a day for the first time since 1970 as oil prices rose, drillers became more efficient, and export markets grew. The Energy Department said Thursday that average crude production reached 10.038 million barrels a day in November, just below the record of 10.044 million barrels a day set in November 1970. Energy Department and industry experts expect that record to fall soon; they also expect the United States to overtake Russia and Saudi Arabia as the world's biggest oil producer by the end of next year when U.S. output is forecast to hit 11 million barrels a day.

"American crude oil is a game-changer in international trade, global politics and domestic energy security," said Todd Staples, president of the Texas Oil & Gas Association, a trade group. "Crude oil imports are down 20 percent from 2006 and, today, we are competing with the Middle East in the export market. These outcomes were unthinkable a decade ago."

The surge in production is another milestone in the so-called shale revolution that opened vast reserves of oil and gas that were once trapped in shale rock formations. Just over half of U.S. crude comes from shale fields that include the Permian Basin and the Eagle Ford.

Texas' November production of 3.9 million barrels a day accounted for nearly 40 percent of U.S. output. The Permian Basin alone accounted for about one-fourth of the nation's oil production.

After a two-year oil bust that hit bottom in 2016, U.S. production has increased as prices slowly recovered, and oil companies, adopting better technologies and techniques, make profits at lower prices. U.S. oil prices are hovering near \$66 a barrel, well below the 2014 peak of \$107 a barrel, but more than \$20 a barrel above the \$42 in mid-2017.

That combination of price and efficiency allowed oil to flow faster than anticipated, said Andy Lipow, president of Lipow Oil Associates in Houston. "The

higher prices are encouraging the shale oil producers," he said. "They're looking at these values and asking, 'How much more can we get out of the ground?'"

The growth is good news for Houston's energy-centric economy, which suffered mightily during the oil bust. Energy companies are again reporting solid profits and hiring workers. In other words, Lipow said, so expect Houston traffic to keep getting worse.

While there are fears that U.S. production is growing too quickly and could undermine oil prices by creating a new glut, global oil inventories are still down. That's in part because of geopolitical turmoil in countries like Venezuela where output is plummeting, as well as the ongoing accord between the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries — led by Saudi Arabia — and Russia to maintain production cuts of 1.8 million barrels a day through 2018.

U.S. crude, meanwhile, is flowing into global markets. America's decades-old crude export ban was lifted in late 2015 by Congress and the country is now shipping out about 1.7 million barrels a day to foreign markets, more than triple the 500,000 barrels exported at the end of 2016.

The export boom is another manifestation of the transformation unleashed by hydraulic fracturing. As recently as 2011, the nation only produced about 5.5 million barrels a day.

American production isn't only expanding in onshore shale. Offshore oil projects authorized well before the oil bust began in 2014 are producing more oil from the deepwater Gulf of Mexico. Gulf oil production rose to about 1.7 million barrels in November and it's projected to hit a record of 1.9 million barrels per day this year.

In addition, Chevron, Royal Dutch Shell and French energy giant Total all announced new Gulf discoveries this week.

The Wall Street investment bank Goldman Sachs predicts that oil prices will keep climbing over the next six months, arguing that the oil glut has been drained. Goldman predicts that prices for the international benchmark Brent crude, now trading at about \$70 a barrel, will increase to \$82.50 in six months. That translates to at least \$75 a barrel for the U.S. oil benchmark, West Texas Intermediate.

As a result, U.S. consumers should expect higher gasoline prices. Gas prices are at their highest in months and expected to rise further.

Obituaries



Betty Ann (Crider) Watson

Betty Ann (Crider) Watson, 72 of Midland, Texas peacefully passed away from a short battle of cancer on January 31, 2018. She was surrounded by her family.

Betty Ann was born on July 17, 1945 in Monahans, Texas to Daniel Robert Crider and Juanita Harris Crider. She was the third of five children, and graduated Monahans High School in 1963.

Betty Ann met the love of her life, Wes Watson in Midland, Texas and they married on February 26, 1966 at Monahans Baptist Church. In 1969 they welcomed their son Michael. Betty Ann devoted her life to being a homemaker, dedicated mother and a loving wife. She loved to fish, cook, enjoyed playing computer games, crosswords puzzles, and spending time with her sister.

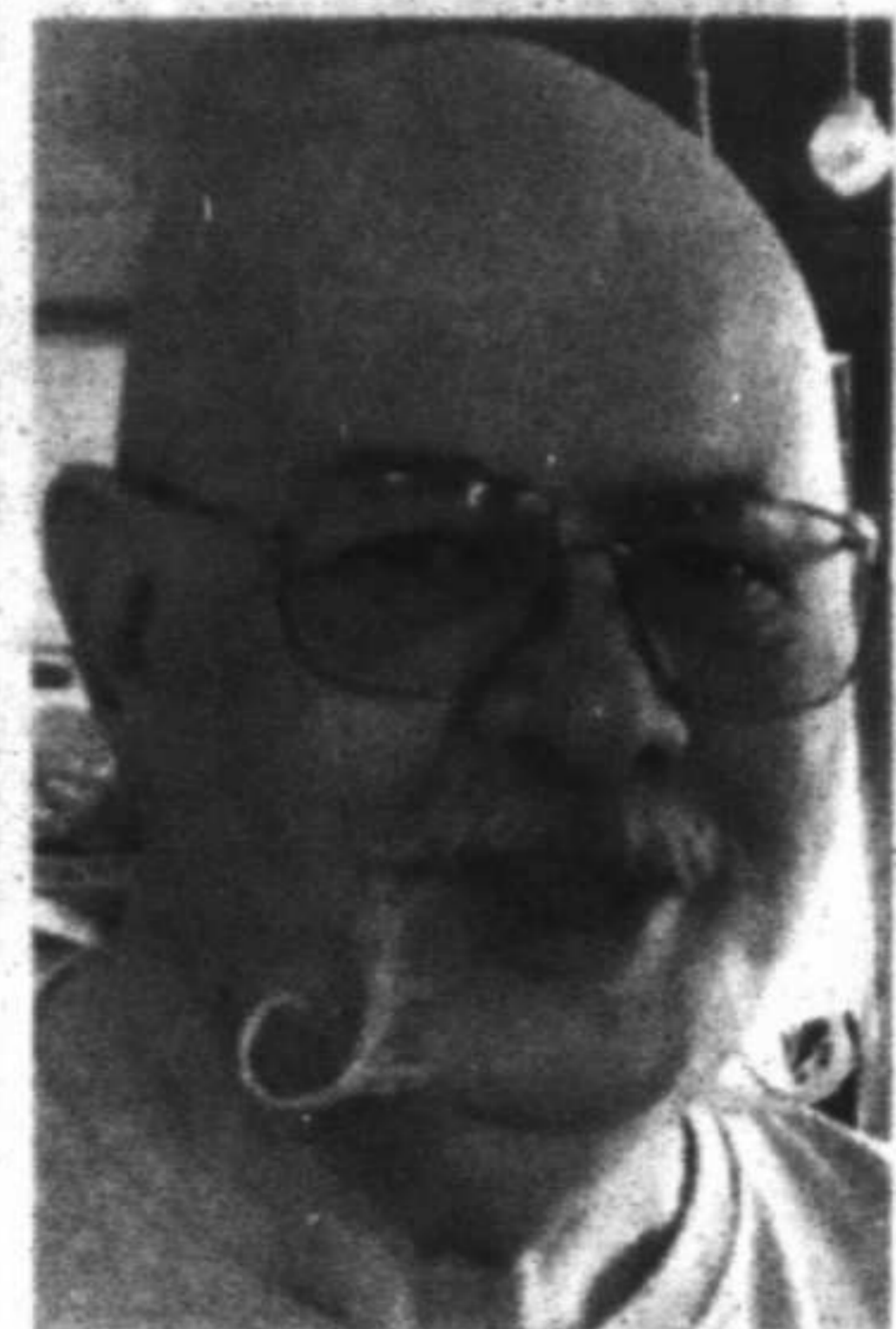
She is survived by her husband of 51 years, Wes Watson her son Michael, brother Bobby Crider and his wife Nancy of Crane, Texas, Sister, Barbara Edmonson of Midland, Texas, Brother Larry Crider and Annell Crider of Southlake, Texas, brother Danny Crider of Abilene, Texas, and many nieces, nephews and cousins. Betty Ann is preceded in death by her mother and father.

The family will receive guests from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm, Sunday, February 4, 2018 at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held at 3:00 pm, Monday, February 5, 2018 at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Chapel. Interment will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park.

The family wishes to give the utmost thanks to the caring professionals at Compass Hospice of Midland. We would also like in lieu of flowers, to please make donations to The American Cancer Society, St. Jude's Children's Hospital or Compass Hospice of Midland. Arrangements are under

the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Midland. Online condolences may be made at www.npwelch.com.

Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory
(432) 550-5800



Donald "Donny" Walker

Donald "Donny" Walker, 71, of Midland, passed away on Tuesday, January 30, 2018.

The family will receive friends on Friday, February 2, 2018, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. Memorial services will be held on Saturday, February 3, 2018, at 4:00 p.m. at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Chapel.

Donny was born on June 1, 1946, to Don and Sheila Walker in Winwick, England. He graduated from Midland Lee in 1965; he then joined the Navy as an aircraft electrician and was stationed in Albuquerque, New Mexico. In 1966, Donny married his high school sweetheart, Alva Jean. Throughout his life, Donny found many hobbies to fill his time. In the early years, he and Alva Jean enjoyed square dancing and bowling competitively. Donny logged thousands of miles riding his Harley Davidson across the United States, including several trips to Sturgis with his wife and friends. He loved anything to do with trucks and heavy machinery. He was also a member of the Masonic Lodge for over 40 years and served as Worshipful Master from 1986-1987 at Lodge 1024 in Andrews, Texas. Donny started working for The Superior Oil Company in 1972 and worked his way up from roustabout to gang pusher and eventually production foreman in 1987 when Superior was bought out by Mobil. He continued with Mobil, which became Exxon-Mobil, until he retired around 1994. After retirement, Donny drove for Benchmark for several years. He enjoyed his years of traveling and seeing the many sites the U.S. had to offer. In 2010, he found him-

self at work again, this time for Clayton Williams as a production foreman, retiring for good in 2014. While Donny had many hobbies, perhaps his favorite pastime was spending time with his grandkids and great grandkids. His love for the Lord was apparent to all who met him.

He is survived by his wife, Alva Jean Walker; son, Stuart Walker and his wife, Kathy; daughter, Heather and her husband, Dennis Simpson; grandchildren, Dusty and Brianna Walker, Blaine and Brittney Walker, Cassidy Jane Walker, Shannon and Rachel Ritchie, Allie Simpson, and Andy Simpson; great grandchildren, Kaylee and Ian Ritchie and Cooper and Sadey Walker; brother, Steven Walker and his wife, Paula; sister, Deborah Rhodes; and several nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Don and Sheila Walker.

In lieu of flowers the family suggests memorials be donated to the American Heart Association or the American Kidney Fund.

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Death Notices

Caesar Christopher Garcia "Chris"

Caesar Christopher Garcia, "Chris", age 37, passed away January 29, 2018 in Midland. He was born on August 21, 1980 in Odessa, Texas.

Chris is survived by his spouse, Myra Garcia; sons, Christopher Garcia, Marcos Garcia and Mario Garcia; father, Cesar Garcia and mother and step father, Natalie and Brian Guthrie.

Chris Garcia was a sweet soul and will be dearly missed.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, February 3, 2018, 12:00 p.m., at Odessa Christian Faith Center, 8860 Andrews Hwy. in Odessa.

Kaye Darlene Kinsey

Kaye Darlene Kinsey, age 57 of Midland, passed away on January 26, 2018. There will be a memorial service in her honor, at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel 801 Andrews Hwy, Midland, Texas 79701 on Saturday, February 3, 2018 at 11:00am.

Youth prison guards allegedly choked teen unconscious

By Paul J. Weber
Associated Press

AUSTIN — Two Texas youth prison guards allegedly choked a teenager in custody until he became unconscious, with one of them asking if he was "ready to go to sleep" while the other put part of his leg across his neck, according to court documents released Friday.

A third guard at the same state-run juvenile lockup is accused of walking up to another teenager and punching him in the face, then tackling the teenager to the ground and using a closed fist to land more punches to the head and body.

All three were arrested Thursday and charged with official oppression as part of a state investigation into the troubled Texas Juvenile Justice Department. Since last year, at least nine Texas juvenile correctional officers have been arrested on abuse or misconduct charges, and a 10th former correctional officer was convicted in July on charges of having sex with youth in custody.

The unfolding crisis has led Texas Gov. Greg Abbott to replace the agency's top leaders and independent ombudsman. He also launched a state investigation into the juvenile system that houses about 1,400 youth offenders — and was drastically down-

sized and overhauled in 2007 following an earlier sex abuse scandal involving guards and teenagers.

"There is no room among us for those who dishonor themselves and violate the public trust. These arrests improve the safety of the youth we serve," said Camille Cain, the new executive director over the Texas juvenile detention system.

Court documents filed in Cooke County accuse correctional officers Shannon Hoaglen, 41, and Derrick Day, 39, of moving to restrain a teenager due to a "rule violation" and holding him to the ground until he could "not talk, breath or move until he became unconscious; waking up dazed, confused." The documents do not spell out what rules the teenager violated or his age. Youths in the Texas system age out at 19.

Another correctional officer allegedly told investigators that Day lay on the teenager and told him "are you ready to go sleep" and counted until "the Youth stopped moving."

"In the surveillance video, it is obvious, based on the sudden stop in movement by the Youth, that the Youth had lost consciousness during this restraint," according to an affidavit signed by Sgt. Jacob Richardson, who works in the agency's inspector general office.

† Cooke County Jail re-

ports on Friday did not list Hoaglen and Day as still in custody, and a court clerk did not know whether they had been arraigned or entered a plea.

It was not clear whether either had attorneys, and no working phone numbers for Hoaglen and Day could be immediately found.

Derrick Goodman, 56, who allegedly punched the other juvenile in custody, said he had no comment when reached by phone Friday.

In 2007, Texas lawmakers shuttered lockups across the state after authorities believed at least 13 boys in custody had been sexually abused. Five juvenile lockups remain today but are spread out in rural areas, which juvenile advocates say has made finding and retaining qualified officers difficult.

Rig count

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MOST ACTIVE

Basins with the highest rig counts were the Permian, the Cana Woodford (68), the Eagle Ford, the Marcellus (55) and the Haynesville.

States with the most activity were Texas, Oklahoma (117), New Mexico, Louisiana (58) and North Dakota (45).

CANADA & NORTH AMERICA

Canada's rig count rose by four to 342, a tally one

shy of last year's count. Oil rigs rose by 14 to 234; natural gas rigs fell by 10 to 108.

The total number of rigs operating in the North America region rose by three to 1,288.

At this time last year, there were 1,072 rigs in the region.

Rig count: county by county

The following are county-by-county Permian Basin rig counts, with changes in parentheses, for the week ending Feb. 2.	
DISTRICT 7B	Midland.....47
Fisher.....1	Pecos.....12
Total.....1	Reeves.....66 (+2)
	Ward.....17
DISTRICT 7C	Winkler.....14
Crockett.....1	Total.....298 (-1)
Irion.....3	
Reagan.....16	DISTRICT 8A
Upton.....13	Borden.....2
Total.....33	Cochran.....2
	Dawson.....1
DISTRICT 8	Gaines.....4
Andrews.....5	Garza.....1
Crane.....13	Hockley.....1
Culberson.....13 (+1)	Kent.....1
Ector.....3	Scurry.....6
Glasscock.....19 (-1)	Yoakum.....3
Howard.....27 (+1)	Total.....21
Jeff Davis.....1	NEW MEXICO
Loving.....31 (-2)	Eddy.....36 (-1)
Marsh.....30 (-2)	Lea.....43 (+2)
	Total.....84 (+1)

WORD OF THE DAY
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Wayward
[wey-ward]
adjective

1. turned or turning away from what is right or proper; willful; disobedient
2. turning or changing irregularly

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Candidate forum

The Liberty Project of Texas candidate forum is 5-7 p.m., today at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch. Confirmed speakers, as of Wednesday, are Paul Myers for U.S. Congress, District 11; Mike Canon for state Senate, District 31; James Beauchamp, Stephen Robertson and Terry Johnson, for Midland County judge, and Carla Pepman for Midland County Commissioners' Court, Precinct 4.

Things to do

- Silver Spur Gun and Blade Show at Horseshoe Pavilion, 2514 Arena Trail. \$7. Silverspurtradeshows.com.
- Alcohol Ink Design class with Kay Smith. For all levels, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., The Palette Club, 907 W. Wadley Ave. \$100 members, \$120 nonmembers. Materials included with cost. paletteclubmidland.com.
- Market at the Gardens will feature a variety of goods from more than 30 local vendors, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Alldredge Gardens, 3300 N. Fairgrounds Road.
- Bridge lessons, 10 a.m., Allison Bridge Center, 913 W. Wadley Ave. \$3. permianbridgeclub.com.
- Bridge game play, 10:30 a.m., Allison Bridge Center, 913 W. Wadley Ave. \$6. For more information call 682-8595.
- Comedy workshop, 11 a.m., MCM Elegante, 5200 E. University Blvd., Odessa. Free. westtexasalent.com.
- Old Miner's Maze interactive adventure features a maze, rock walls, mechanical bull and more, noon-8 p.m., 4305 N. County Road 1140. Oldminersmaze.com.
- Symphony SoundBites pre-concert supper before "Fantare", 6 p.m., Rea-Greathouse Recital Hall, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. \$28. MOSC.org. The dinner event features a talk with maestro Gary Lewis and featured musician Michael Tetreault.
- Harry Potter Book Night. Celebrate the 20th anniversary of "Harry Potter", 6 p.m., Barnes and Noble, 2617 W. Loop 250 N. bn.com.
- Dances from the Islands, 7 p.m., Yucca Theatre, 208 N. Colorado. \$15 advance, \$20 door. alonahulahalau.com.
- MOSC Masterworks: "Fantare" with featured musician timpanist

TODAY IN MIDLAND

Local gallery, Kamiposi, closed



Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Kamiposi owner and founder Scott Lunson announced that he and his wife and co-owner, Kasie Lunson, have closed down the gallery space at 510 S. Big Spring St. In a Facebook post on Jan. 27, he said an abrupt decision led to the closing. "We are undergoing a huge transformation," Lunson said in the Facebook post. "We have abruptly been faced with a huge decision to move from our current location into a new one. ... With this decision, we are changing our vision and will rename our space. We have chosen the name and we know the new location, but we will wait to inform everyone on those details in the future, closer to our grand opening." Lunson opened Kamiposi in summer 2014 with his brother, Elliott. Since then, the venue has hosted monthly art shows with primarily local artists, live music, yoga classes, vendor markets, stand-up comedy and spoken-word events. First Fridays were a draw to kick off new art show and often featured a display of food and drink and live entertainment.

- Michael Tetreault, 7:30 p.m., Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. MOSC.org.
- The 2018 Midway Jazz Festival by the Midland African-American Roots Historical and Cultural Arts Council. Performers include Tom Braxton, Peter White, Pervis Evans, Andrea Wallace, Cory Powell and dancer Maisha Morris, 7:30 p.m., Bowie Fine Arts Academy, 805 Elk Ave. \$25. \$30 VIP, \$15 students with ID and seniors. rootscouncil.com.
- "Winnie the Pooh" by the Kaleidoscope Co., the junior players of Permian Playhouse, 7:30 p.m., Permian Playhouse, 310 W. 42nd St., Odessa. \$10-\$15. permianplayhouse.com.
- "Mamma Mia", 7:30 p.m., Midland Community Theatre, 2000 W. Wadley Ave. \$28. mctmidland.org.
- Raymond Orta and Friends, 8 p.m., La Hacienda Event Center, 12610 State Highway 191. \$25. haciendamidland.com.
- James Cook, 9 p.m., Lone Star Bar, 621 W. Wall St.
- Wade Bowen, Vandoliers, 9 p.m., Dos Amigos, 4700 N. Golder Ave., Odessa. \$15 advance, \$18 door. Dosamigos.com.
- Tim Kreitz Band, 9 p.m., The Bar, 606 W. Missouri Ave.

Lottery

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Pick 3 evening: 9-4-1
Pick 3 night: 4-7-7
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Daily 4 evening: 1-4-5-6
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Cash Five: 12-15-30-34-37
Triple Chance: 4-16-18-19-26-34-42-44-45-54

Mega Millions: 1-4-14-17-40
BB: 4 Megaplier: 3
All or Nothing morning: 4-5-6-7-8-13-14-18-19-21-22-23
All or Nothing day: 1-2-4-7-9-10-14-18-19-21-23-24
All or Nothing evening: 2-3-6-7-8-12-14-15-16-18-22-23
All or Nothing night: 1-5-6-7-10-13-14-15-17-19-20-22

Weather

Friday's temperatures
High: 55
Low: 29
Normal high: 60
Normal low: 32

Feb. 2's records
Record high: 82 set in 2003
Record low: -11 set in 1985

Precipitation
Thursday: 0.00 in.
Friday: 0.00 in.
Month total: 0.00 in.
Year total: 0.01 in.
Normal total (year to date): 0.61 in.

Winds
Average speed: 10.5 mph
Highest speed: 20 mph
Highest gust speed: 25 mph

Today's forecast
High: 77

Forecast for Saturday, February 3, 2018

Forecast for Saturday, February 3, 2018

Conditions: Showers and thunderstorms today/partly cloudy tonight
Winds: 10-20 mph (gusts up to 30 mph) during the day/5-15 mph at night
Chance of rain: None
Sunrise: 7:41 a.m.
Sunset: 6:25 p.m.

Source: National Weather Service

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JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

The stars show the kind of day you'll have: 5-dynamic; 4-positive; 3-average; 2-so-so; 1-difficult

Note: Bigar's Stars is based on the degree of your sun at birth. The sign name is simply a label astrologers put on a set of degrees for convenience. For best results, readers should refer to the dates following each sign.

A baby born today has a Sun in Aquarius and a Moon in Virgo if born before 3:47 p.m. Afterward, the Moon will be in Libra.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Saturday, Feb. 3, 2018:
This year you naturally seem to know what to do in various situations. Others often follow your lead. You could gain financially by slowing down and making solid choices. You might want to increase your knowledge and take a class or two. If you are single, you meet people with ease after summer 2018. In fact, many admirers seem to appear in your life during this time. If you are attached, the two of you spend a lot of time together. You frequently can be seen out and about together, meeting new people or off taking a workshop. LIBRA helps ease your path socially.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
How you feel about a certain person could change radically once you try to see what is going on with him or her. Optimism surrounds a partner and his or her long-term desires. You will do well with matters involving luck. Tonight: Go along with a loved one's suggestion.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
Your creativity seems endless, especially to a like-minded individual. Do not hesitate to tap into this person's imagination as well, even if it's just to create some plans for dinner. The two of you encourage each other to think in new ways. Tonight: Get some much-needed sleep!

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
You are on top of your work. You might feel a need to slow down and stay close to home today. Actually, this idea is excellent, as you are likely to burn out otherwise. A partner or loved one might be much more intense about what is going on than you realize. Tonight: Make it easy.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
Express what is on your mind, even if you feel crunched for time. Sometimes it is important to toss your schedule to the wayside in order to deal with an important issue. You are unusually playful and full of ideas. Check in with a family member. Tonight: Stay close to home.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
Stay centered when pricing out a major expenditure. You might want to get some feedback from others who have made similar purchases. Your mind creates many possibilities that you'll want to explore; check them out sooner rather than later. Tonight: Accept a fun invitation.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
Avoid being testy and difficult with others. You might feel frustrated, especially if someone did not share the whole story or his or her involvement in a particular issue. Claim your power, but be careful not to act out. Examine new possibilities carefully. Tonight: Curb sarcasm.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
Your smile comes through and helps others relax. You can get past a hassle, no matter how hard or challenging it seems. You could be driven by a friend's determination to have a get-together be more to his or her pleasing. Speak your mind. Tonight: Only where you want to be.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
You are particularly lucky when it comes to making the correct decision. Use the morning for any matter that is significant. In the afternoon, you are likely to be distracted, or you might want to take off on an adventure alone or with a loved one. Tonight: Try out a new hot spot.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
You could be overwhelmed by everything that is going on. Listen to your inner voice when making a decision. You might feel as if you can't make a mistake. Consider what is happening, and carefully weigh the pros and cons. Tonight: Take some time for yourself.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
Your friends and loved ones seem to be more assured and happier than you presently are. Your self-confidence might melt away if you are not absolutely positive that you are on the right path. Do not overthink the situation; instead, get into the moment. Tonight: Out with friends.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
Reach out to someone at a distance. You might want to take your time and have a long-overdue conversation. Consider making a trip to visit each other in the near future. Do not get feisty if you feel pressured by a relative who wants to spend more time with you. Tonight: Say "yes."

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
Know when to defer to someone else. You might feel tired or withdrawn, and letting this person call the shots would be the correct choice. You will need to get feedback from others. Refuse to shut down others' suggestions. Take time for a quality talk. Tonight: Catch some zzz's.

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Groundhog Club co-handler Al Dereume holds Punxsutawney Phil, the weather prognosticating groundhog, during the 132nd celebration of Groundhog Day on Friday on Gobbler's Knob in Punxsutawney, Pa. Phil's handlers said that the groundhog has forecast six more weeks of winter weather.

Bounty on groundhogs predates holiday in New Hampshire

By Holly Ramer
Associated Press

CONCORD, N.H. — Four years before a celebrated groundhog began predicting the weather in Pennsylvania, a committee of New Hampshire lawmakers deemed the species "not only a nuisance, but also a bore" and recommended eradicating it from the state.

"In some parts of the state it is found necessary to shovel a path through the woodchucks in order to reach the barns," wrote Rep. Charles Corning in 1883. "This is not right."

Corning's humorous "Report of the Woodchuck Committee" goes on at length detailing the animal's many faults, including its appearance. "Its body is thick and squatty, and its legs so short that its belly seems almost to touch the ground. This is not a pleasing picture," he wrote. Of its behavior, Corning said, "It burrows beneath the soil, and then chuckles to see a mowing machine, man and all, slump into one of these holes and disappear."

The report declares woodchucks, another name for groundhogs, "absolutely destitute of any interesting qualities that is, such qualities as would recommend it to the average inhabitant of New Hampshire."

He concluded that the furry rodents were "one of the worst enemies ever known to the farmer."

Lawmakers responded by establishing a short-lived bounty on groundhogs at 10 cents per pelt, said Josh Elliott, majority policy director for the New Hampshire state Senate. He came across a reference to the study committee in Leon Anderson's 1981 book, "To This Day: The 300 years of the New Hampshire Legislature."

Elliott tracked down the full report and posted excerpts Friday on Twitter, the same day that the handlers of Pennsylvania's Punxsutawney Phil said the groundhog called for six more weeks of winter after seeing his shadow at dawn.

"I can't figure out if the representative who wrote the report just thought it was the stupidest thing on the planet and he was annoyed he'd been assigned to it, or he was just having fun with it," Elliott said in an interview. "It could've been both."

The bounty, according to Anderson's book, was repealed two years later after the state treasurer brought some rather startling statistics to the Legislature. The number of bounty claims paid by the state jumped from 339 for the fiscal year ending in June 1884 to 122,065 by June 1885. In contrast, another document Elliott dug up showed that the \$12,206 the state paid out for woodchucks was nearly five times the amount paid for bounties on all other animals combined (a bushel of grasshoppers was worth \$1, but only 907 claims were filed).

Based on one lawmaker's count of 72 woodchucks within a "short distance," Corning estimated woodchucks numbered in the millions across the state in 1883. The current population is unclear, however.

Lt. Heidi Murphy of the state Fish and Game Department said that residents don't need a hunting or trapping license to kill woodchucks on their own property, but would if they pursued them elsewhere. She also noted that woodchucks are considered a high-risk species for rabies.

"So you don't really want to mess with woodchucks," she said.



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Groundhog Club co-handler John Griffiths co-handler, left front, holds Punxsutawney Phil.



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Jackie and Jimmy Wilson watch a fireworks display Friday during the 132nd Groundhog Day on Gobbler's Knob in Punxsutawney, Pa.



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Groundhog Club President Bill Deeley, right, prepares to get Punxsutawney Phil.



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Groundhog Club handler John Griffiths holds Punxsutawney Phil, the weather prognosticating groundhog, in 2017 on Gobbler's Knob in Punxsutawney, Pa.

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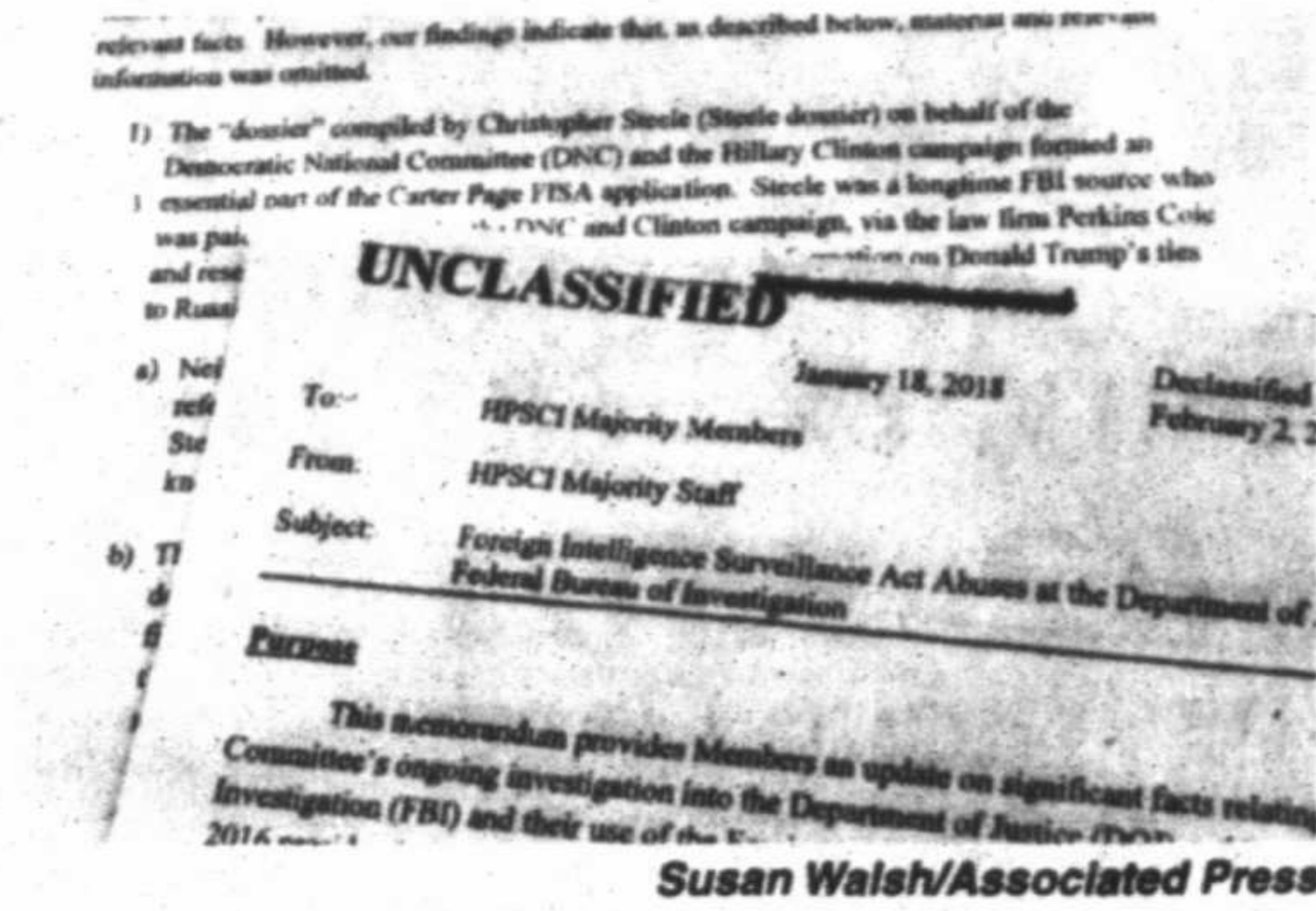
Trump says Russia-probe memo proves bias; Dems say no

By Eric Tucker, Mary Clare Jalonick and Chad Day
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump declassified a top-secret congressional memo Friday and suggested it proved the investigation of his presidential campaign and Russia was fatally flawed from the start. Democrats said the document did nothing to clear him or his campaign, and the FBI called the memo inaccurate and incomplete.

Butting heads just as they had before the memo's release, Trump and his critics stuck to the positions they had staked out in the weeks leading up to the hotly disputed release of the memo prepared by Republicans on the House intelligence committee. The memo makes their case — and Trump's — that politically motivated abuses in the early stages of the FBI's investigation made it worse than worthless.

The Democrats, having none of it, said the four-page memo merely cherry-picks Republican talking points in an effort to smear law enforcement and undercut the current federal investigation by special counsel Robert Mueller. Rep. Adam Schiff, the committee's top Democrat, said the GOP document "mischaracterizes highly sensitive classified information" and its release "will do long-term damage to the intelligence community



An intelligence memo is photographed Friday in Washington. After President Donald Trump declassified the memo, the Republican-led House Intelligence Committee released the memo based on classified information that alleges the FBI abused U.S. government surveillance powers in its investigation into Russian election interference.

and our law enforcement agencies."

The memo's central premise is that the FBI relied excessively on anti-Trump research funded by Democrats in seeking a warrant to monitor the communications of a Trump campaign associate and that federal authorities concealed the full details of who was paying for the information.

The disclosure of the document is extraordinary since it involves details about surveillance of Americans, national security information the government regards as among its most highly classified. Its release is likely to further escalate an intra-government conflict that has divided the White House and Trump's hand-picked law enforcement leaders.

Trump, who lashed out at the FBI and Justice Department Friday morning,

refused to express confidence in Deputy Attorney General Rod Rosenstein, who appointed Mueller and is mentioned by name in the memo.

Asked if he was more likely to fire Rosenstein, and if he still had confidence in him, Trump retorted, "You figure that one out."

A senior White House official said later the administration expects Rosenstein to remain in his job.

Trump has been telling confidants he believed the memo would validate his concerns that the FBI and Justice Department conspired against him. Though the document had been classified since it deals with warrants obtained from the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court, the White House declassified it Friday and sent it to the intelligence committee

chairman, Republican Rep. Devin Nunes, for immediate release.

The development also comes amid an ongoing effort by Trump and congressional Republicans to discredit the investigation by Mueller that focuses not only on whether the Trump campaign coordinated with Russia but also on whether the president sought to obstruct justice. Republicans seized on the memo's allegations to argue that the FBI's investigation was politically biased.

The memo does not address obstruction questions that have led Mueller to express interest in interviewing Trump. But it does reveal the FBI investigation actually began in July 2016, months before the warrant was even sought, based on information involving a separate Trump aide, George Papadopoulos, who has already pleaded guilty to federal charges.

Mueller inherited the probe in May 2017. Four people have so far been charged in his investigation.

Trump said Friday of the information in the memo: "I think it's a disgrace. What's going on in this country, I think it's a disgrace."

Earlier in the day, he tweeted: "The top Leadership and Investigators of the FBI and the Justice Department have politicized the sacred investigative process in favor of Democrats and against Republicans - something which would have been unthinkable just a short time ago. Rank & File are great people."

MEMO

From 1A

the groundwork to upend the ongoing investigation into Russian interference in the 2016 election by giving senior administration officials grounds to fire those overseeing the investigation.

Before President Trump authorized the declassification of the memo on Friday morning, the House Intelligence Committee voted for that outcome on Monday on a party-line vote. The committee is the most secretive arm of Congress but it released a transcript of its deliberations earlier this week that revealed how members came to their decisions.

Conaway is the most prominent Texan on the Russian issue and was tapped last year to lead the House Intelligence Committee's investigation into Russian interference in the 2016 elections.

"I intend to vote in favor of releasing the minority memo to the House under the — subject, of course, that it does not disclose information that would be harmful to national security," said Conaway at the meeting. "It is sight unseen. I would vote for it assuming that — sight unseen — assuming that we could trust our colleagues to not reveal issues that would be harmful to national security."

Castro, the lone Texas Democrat on the committee, had a far different view at the Monday meeting and has appeared on television all week arguing against the memo's release.

He urged against releasing the Republican memo and added that if the committee did so anyway, he hoped

it would be disclosed along with a Democratic rebuttal.

"If the majority is going to move forward and release its memo to the public, I would hope that it would have the courtesy and fairness to either wait for the minority's memo to also be ripe, as you have described it, or to somehow release them at the same time," he said.

"To not do that would be reckless," he added.

Conaway said he would not support the release of a second memo, a Democratic rebuttal, saying such a motion would be "premature."

"I am not sure of the efficacy of waiting on our memo," Conaway said. "It is in fact right I believe to send it to the president. But to ask us to do that with a memo we have just read — or haven't even actually read I think would be irresponsible."

Beyond the members' positions, the transcripts are revelatory in how this secretive committee functions.

Conaway proved over the last year to be something of a peacemaker who calmed tensions between Democrats and Republicans on the committee.

Through the meeting, Conaway stuck with his GOP colleagues in their determination to release the memo, but he frequently interjected with clarifications that appeared to assuage the Democrats on the committee.

"I just want the gentleman to know that I respect his efforts and the extraordinarily complicated position he is in in these endeavors," said U.S. Rep. Mike Quigley, an Illinois Democrat.

But even that personal affection had its limitations.

Later, Quigley invoked his hometown's notorious reputation for bare-knuckled politics.

"I saw the worst of the worst," he said of Chicago politics. "They got nothing on you on this one, folks."

Hurd, the other Texas Republican serving on the committee, has unique insight into the debate as a former CIA agent but was mostly quiet throughout the meeting, according to the transcript.

On Friday morning — just before the memo's release — he penned an op-ed published by the Washington Post explaining his decision.

"My vote to release the memo was not about discrediting the special counsel's investigation into Russian interference in the 2016 election," Hurd wrote. "It was not about debasing the hard-working men and women serving in the FBI. Rather, I supported the release because I do not agree that an American citizen's civil liberties should be violated on the basis of unverified information masquerading as intelligence."

He pointed to the dossier as problematic but maintained that the memo ought not be grounds to obstruct the ongoing special counsel investigation into the 2016 election.

"Let me be clear, special counsel Robert S. Mueller III's investigation must continue to ensure that our democracy was not compromised by Russian interference," Hurd wrote.

Judge admonishes victims' dad who charged at Nassar in court

By David Eggert and Mike Householder
Associated Press

CHARLOTTE, Mich. — A distraught father seething over sexual abuse suffered by three daughters tried to attack former sports doctor Larry Nassar in a Michigan courtroom Friday after a judge rejected his request to confront the "demon" in a locked room, a stunning rush that reflected the anguish felt by parents who trusted him with their children.

Randall Margraves was blocked by an attorney, tackled by sheriff's deputies and hauled out of court. He later apologized, saying he had lost control. Eaton County Judge Janice Cunningham said there was "no way" she would fine him or send him to jail under her contempt-of-court powers.

"I don't know what it would be like to stand there as a father and know that three of your girls were injured physically and emotionally by somebody sitting in a courtroom. I can't imagine that," the judge said.

Nonetheless, she added, it is "not acceptable that we combat assault with assault."

The incident occurred during the third and final sentencing hearing for Nassar, who has admitted to sexually assaulting girls under the guise of medical treatment. This case focuses on his work at Twistars, an elite gymnastics club southwest of Lansing.

Nassar, 54, already will spend the rest of his life in prison. He was sentenced last week to 40 to 175 years in prison for assaults at Michigan State University and his home and was ordered in December to spend 60 years in a federal prison for child pornography crimes.

Nassar pleaded guilty to molesting nine victims in Eaton and Ingham counties, but the courts have been open to anyone who says she was assaulted during his decades of work at Michigan State, Twistars and USA Gymnastics, which trains Olympians. More than 200 accusers so far have spoken or submitted statements in the two counties, and at least 80 percent have agreed to be publicly identified.

Margraves' dramatic move occurred after he listened to two of his daughters speak in court for 10 minutes. Lauren Margraves, a college student, said her parents were "filled with regret" because they took three daughters to see Nassar for sports injuries.

"I see the look in their faces and I know they want to be able to do something but they can't," she told Nassar. "The guilt they have will never go away. All this

is because of you."

Her father then stepped up and asked the judge if she would grant him "five minutes in a locked room with this demon." Cunningham declined and also turned down his request for "one minute." That is when Randall Margraves rushed toward Nassar.

There were gasps and tears in the courtroom. Assistant Attorney General Angela Povilaitis turned to the gallery and told families to "use your words," not violence.

"This is letting him have this power over us," she said. "We cannot behave like this."

During a return to court, Margraves told the judge that he just snapped. He said he had not known what exactly his daughters were going to say about their abuse.

"I look over here and Larry Nassar's shaking his head, no, like it didn't happen. ... I'm embarrassed," Margraves said of his conduct. "I'm not here to upstage my daughters. I'm here to help them heal."

About 30 more people spoke in person, by video or had statements read after the incident. The case will end Monday with final remarks from the prosecutor, defense and Nassar, followed by the judge's sentence. Nassar faces a minimum of 25 to 40 years in prison. At a news conference, Margraves repeated his apology and insisted he's "no hero."

"My daughters are the heroes, and all the victims and the survivors of this terrible atrocity," he said.

Melissa Alexander Vigogne, who traveled from France to speak, said she was surprised that an attack had not been attempted earlier.

"It's not that that's how we should respond. But it's truly understandable — the amount of pain that we've all gone through," Vigogne said outside court.

Sheriff Tom Reich said his officers will investigate what happened in court and send a report to the local prosecutor.

The judge started the day by addressing comments made by a Nassar lawyer who said she had doubts about the large number of women and girls who say they were assaulted by Nassar. Cunningham called Shannon Smith's remarks "unfortunate" and said Nassar did not authorize them.

Smith told Detroit radio station WWJ that it is "really unfortunate" if some people stepped forward only because of all the recent attention. Nassar released a statement saying Smith's comments were a distraction and that his accusers' remarks "have pierced my soul."

uncomfortable. For example, they're always rubbing each other, hanging on each other, or she sits on his lap when we're out for drinks.

I tried to talk to my father about it. He became extremely angry when I asked if they could keep it to a minimum around me. Moreover, they recently let it slip that they started dating before she was 18. I don't feel comfortable with their relationship at all. Am I wrong to feel this way? — UNCOMFORTABLE IN THE WEST

DEAR UNCOMFORTABLE: I don't think so. Your feelings are your feelings, and you are entitled to them. Because being around your father and this young lady makes you uncomfortable, consider seeing him one-on-one, apart from her, if he can manage to separate from her for a half-hour or an hour.

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As dealer, what call would you make?

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What call would you make?

Bride's second wedding plans complicate shower etiquette

DEAR ABBY: My younger sister is planning a destination wedding this summer. Recently she had a courthouse wedding for health insurance purposes because she's going back to school full-time.

I am the matron of honor and she also has a maid of honor (which I am confused about; can you have both?). She is still planning her destination wedding because she won't consider herself "really married" until the formal ceremony. Save-the-date notices were already sent.

I told her I didn't feel comfortable throwing a bachelorette party since she's already married. She was fine with it, and mentioned the maid of honor may have a bonfire with their friends.

I thought a lingerie bridal shower would be nice since they have been living together for some time and

don't need household items. Is a bridal shower appropriate after a wedding? I feel it should be lightheartedly disclosed on the bridal shower invitation that they are already married. Is this OK? — JESSICA, MATRON OF HONOR

DEAR JESSICA: If you wish to throw a lingerie shower, I think it would be sweet, although showers are technically not supposed to be hosted by family members. Her friends would probably enjoy it. But to disclose on the invitation that your sister is already married — lightheartedly or not — would be in poor

DEAR ABBY

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taste.

DEAR ABBY: I have never had a good relationship with my father. He was extremely abusive and controlling when I was growing up. Regardless, I have tried to maintain a relationship with him — albeit a superficial one — now that I'm an adult.

For the past few years, Dad has been seeing a woman my age. I have tried my best to maintain a relationship with her as well. The problem is, they are extremely touchy-feely when they're together, and it makes me very

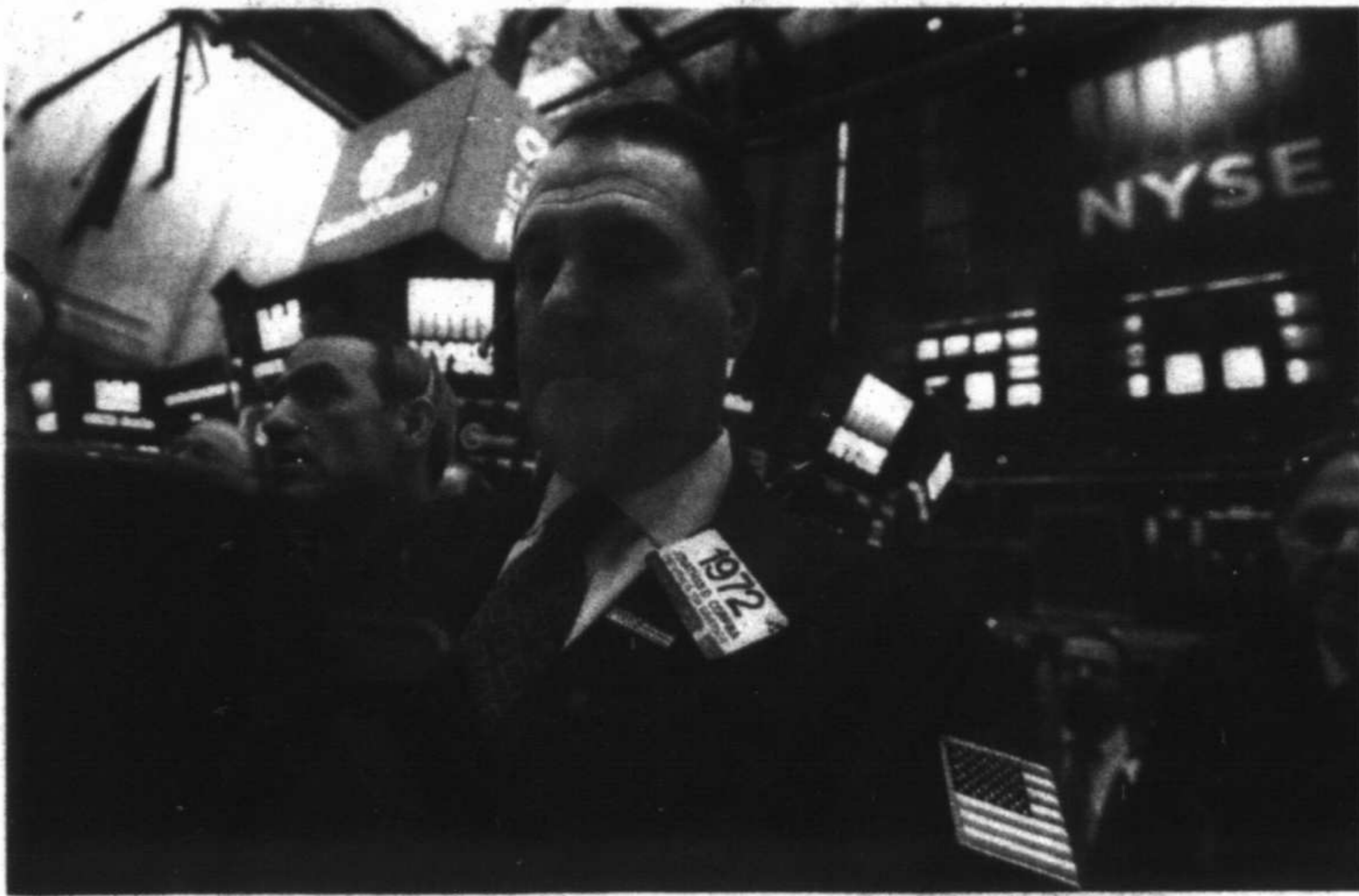
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Trader Jonathan Corpina works on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange on Friday. Technology companies were leading stocks broadly lower in early trading, extending the market's slide into a second day.

US stocks swoon, sending Dow down more than 650 points

By Alex Veiga
Associated Press

U.S. stocks slumped Friday, and the market suffered its worst week in two years, as fears of inflation and disappointing quarterly results from technology and energy giants spooked investors. The Dow Jones industrial average dropped by more than 650 points.

Bond yields rose and contributed to the stock market swoon after the government reported that wages grew last month at the fastest pace in eight years. The Dow had its worst decline since June 2016, while the broader Standard & Poor's 500 index had its biggest one-day percentage drop since September 2016.

"We've enjoyed low interest rates for so long, we're having to deal with a little bit higher rates now, so the market is trying to figure out what that could mean for inflation," said Darrell Cronk, head of the Wells Fargo Investment Institute.

The increase in bond yields hurts stocks in two ways: it makes it more expensive for companies to borrow money, and it also makes bonds more appealing to investors than riskier assets such as stocks.

Several major companies, including Exxon Mobil and Google's parent company, Alphabet, sank after reporting weak earnings. Apple fell on concerns about iPhone sales.

The sharp decline in stocks this week short-circuited a robust start to the year that was spurred by strong global economic growth, solid company earnings and lingering enthusiasm for the GOP tax overhaul. Even with the pullback, the major indexes are still up more than 3 percent this year.

The downturn also follows a long period of unprecedented calm in the market. Stocks haven't had a pullback of 10 percent or more in two years, and hit their latest record highs just one week ago.

The S&P 500 fell 59.85 points, or 2.1 percent, to 2,762.13. The index has lost 3.9 percent since hitting a record high a week ago.

The Dow lost 665.75 points, or 2.5 percent, to 25,520.96. The Nasdaq slid 144.92 points, or 2 percent, to 7,240.95. The Russell 2000 index of smaller-company stocks gave up 32.59 points, or 2.1 percent, to 1,547.27.

While interest rates are still low by historical standards, meaning borrowing is still relatively cheap for businesses and people, they've been rising more swiftly, and that's what has markets on edge.

"The pace of rate increases is more important than the level," said Nate Thooft, senior portfolio manager at Manulife Asset Management.

The increase in rates has been driven by the prospect of stronger economic growth, and higher inflation, in the U.S. and abroad.

Bond prices declined again Friday, pushing yields higher. The yield on the 10-year Treasury note, a benchmark for interest rates on many kinds of loans, including mortgages, climbed to 2.84



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Specialist Meric Greenbaum works on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange on Friday. The stock market closed sharply lower, extending a weeklong slide, as the Dow Jones industrial average plunged more than 600 points.

percent, the highest level in roughly four years. The rate was at 2.41 percent four weeks ago and 2.66 percent on Monday.

"Once we started going north of 2.5 percent, and you put that together with an overbought market, it had the ingredients of a sell-off, especially since January was so strong," said Jeff Zipper, regional investment strategist at U.S. Bank Private Wealth Management.

The S&P 500, which many index funds track, soared 5.6 percent in January, its biggest monthly gain since March 2016.

One concern for investors is that the Federal Reserve will respond to higher inflation by raising its key interest rate more quickly than expected. The government's latest job and wage data stoked those concerns Friday.

U.S. employers added a robust 200,000 jobs in January, slightly above market expectations for an 185,000 increase. Meanwhile wages rose sharply, suggesting employers are competing more fiercely for workers. The figures point to an economy on strong footing even in its ninth year of expansion, fueled by global economic growth and healthy consumer spending at home.

That's good news for Main Street USA, but not for Wall Street.

Some economists were predicting Friday that the central bank will raise its benchmark rate four times this year, rather than the three times most previously expected.

The market slide may have been overdue, particularly after the strong start for stocks this year where the S&P 500 had its best January in two decades. Some investors saw a potential buying opportunity.

The global economy is still strong, corporate profits and sales have been better than expected this reporting season and buyers for stocks still remain, all reasons to be optimistic about stocks, said Nate Thooft, senior portfolio manager at Manulife Asset Management.

"It's appealing, these 2 to 3 percent pullbacks," said Thooft, who had been

trimming some of his stock holdings after the market's big January gains. "We look at this and say, 'Maybe it's your first day to buy a little bit.'"

While earnings overall have been strong, some big companies have posted disappointing results.

Google's parent company Alphabet slumped 5.3 percent after the search giant reported results that missed analysts' forecasts. The stock slid \$62.39 to \$1,119.20.

Exxon Mobil dropped 5.1 percent, while Chevron lost 5.6 percent after the oil companies' latest quarterly results fell short of forecasts. Shares in Exxon shed \$4.54 to \$84.53. Chevron gave up \$6.99 to \$118.58.

Apple declined 4.3 percent after the technology company said it sold 77.3 million iPhones in the last quarter, below the 80 million analysts expected. The stock slid \$7.28 to \$160.50.

Traders welcomed Amazon's latest results. The e-commerce giant rose 2.9 percent after its fourth-quarter profit increased by more than \$1 billion. Amazon shares gained \$39.95 to \$1,429.95.

Oil futures declined. Benchmark U.S. crude slid 35 cents, or 0.5 percent, to settle at \$65.45 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange. Brent crude, used to price international oils, fell \$1.07, or 1.5 percent, to close at \$68.58 a barrel in London.

Wholesale gasoline fell 2 cents to \$1.87 a gallon and heating oil fell 4 cents to \$2.05 a gallon. Natural gas slipped 1 cent to \$2.85 per 1,000 cubic feet.

Gold fell \$10.60 to \$1,337.30 an ounce. Silver dropped 45 cents to \$16.71 an ounce. Copper lost 2 cents to \$3.19 a pound.

The dollar rose to 110.28 yen from 109.42 yen on Thursday. The euro weakened to \$1.2451 from \$1.2502.

Major stock indexes in Europe also declined Friday. Germany's DAX slid 1.7 percent, while France's CAC 40 lost 1.6 percent. The FTSE 100 index of leading British shares gave up 0.6 percent. News Writer Stan Choe in New York contributed to this report.



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Grace Ochoa, of Performance Food Service, right, talks Tuesday with a job applicant at a JobNewUSA job fair in Miami Lakes, Fla. On Friday, the U.S. government issues the January jobs report.

Big pay gains for US workers contribute to Wall St. sell-off

By Christopher Rugaber
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Pay raises, the U.S. economy's Achilles' heel in its long recovery from the Great Recession, finally showed signs of accelerating last month — a trend that fanned inflation fears and sent bond yields rising and stocks sinking.

Wages grew in January from a year ago at the fastest pace in eight years, evidence that low unemployment is forcing some employers to pay more to keep or attract workers. The question is whether the gains will endure and spread throughout the economy.

U.S. employers added a robust 200,000 jobs in January, and the unemployment rate stayed at a low 4.1 percent for the fourth straight month, the Labor Department said Friday. But investors saw the wage growth as cause for concern. Higher pay could help swell inflation and spur the Federal Reserve to quicken its pace of interest rate increases in coming months.

The 10-year Treasury note rose to 2.83 percent from 2.79 percent before the jobs report was released. And the Dow Jones industrial average tumbled 666 points, or 2.5 percent, partly on the prospect of sharply higher rates and partly on poor earnings reports from Google's parent company Alphabet, Exxon Mobil and Chevron.

"Everyone has been rooting for wage growth, but be careful what you wish for," said Josh Wright, chief economist at recruiting software company iCIMS.

Still, the jobs data point to an economy on solid footing, fueled by strong consumer spending and global growth. After nearly eight years of steady hiring, employers are increasingly competing for a narrower pool of workers. Raises stemming from Republican tax cuts and minimum wage increases in 18 states also likely boosted pay last month.

"Labor is becoming scarce, and employers have to work to find, retain and train employees," Diane Swonk, chief economist at Grant Thornton, said. "This is new for many employers."

Many economists credit the Fed's low-rate policies, including the measured pace of rate increases under Chair Janet Yellen, with stimulating enough growth to bolster hiring and wages. Yellen will be succeeded as Fed chair on Monday by Jerome Powell, a former investment banker and Fed governor.

In January, average hourly pay rose 9 cents to \$26.74, up 2.9 percent from a year earlier — the

biggest gain since the recession ended eight years ago.

S.B. Cha, CEO of Kinstrel, a company that makes high-tech windows that can be dimmed to reduce or block sunlight, said he has had to offer higher pay to attract new electrical and software engineers. Cha has ambitious plans to double his 130-person staff within two years.

But it's difficult to find enough workers in San Francisco, where the company is based, so he transferred its cloud computing operations to Salt Lake City. Yet now even Salt Lake City is becoming competitive. As a small company, Kinstrel used to pay roughly 60 percent of what tech giants like Google paid. Now, Cha says, it has to pay closer to 80 percent and in some cases 90 percent.

"Every year, hiring gets tougher and tougher," Cha said.

Unemployment among African-Americans surged back up in January to 7.7 percent after having reached a record low of 6.8 percent in December. President Donald Trump, in his State of the Union and other recent speeches, had boasted of the low rate for African-Americans.

Average hourly pay jumped 3.4 percent in the past year in transportation and warehousing, which has benefited from the explosive growth of e-commerce. That's partly been driven by the online giant Amazon, which went on a hiring rampage last year, expanding its workforce by a breathtaking 66 percent — 225,000 jobs. That's more than the entire manufacturing industry added last year.

Still, factories enjoyed a good year and raised pay an average 3.3 percent. Leisure and hospitality firms, which include restaurants and hotels, increased pay 3.5 percent.

Restaurant cooks received the largest salary increase in the past year among the 84 occupations the company tracks, according to pay data compiled by Glassdoor, a job listing website.

With Americans more

confident and spending more, restaurants are adding jobs and lifting wages. The industry added 31,000 jobs last month.

"We are finally seeing signs of a 'feel good' economy emerging with consumers able to kick up their heels again," Swonk said.

A measure of hourly wages that excludes managers rose 2.4 percent over the past year, more slowly than the broader figure. That suggests that managers and supervisors have received the biggest benefits.

Michael Feroli, an economist at JPMorgan Chase, notes that very cold weather could have temporarily boosted pay last month. Frontline construction workers might have stayed home during the cold spell, cutting into their pay, while salaried supervisors would have been paid either way.

But most economists think wage gains will keep rising. Walmart said in January that it would raise its minimum wage to \$11 an hour, from \$10, starting this month.

Cathy Barrera, chief economist at ZipRecruiter, said the low unemployment rate is bestowing other benefits on workers. Employers are hiring more people on a permanent full-time basis.

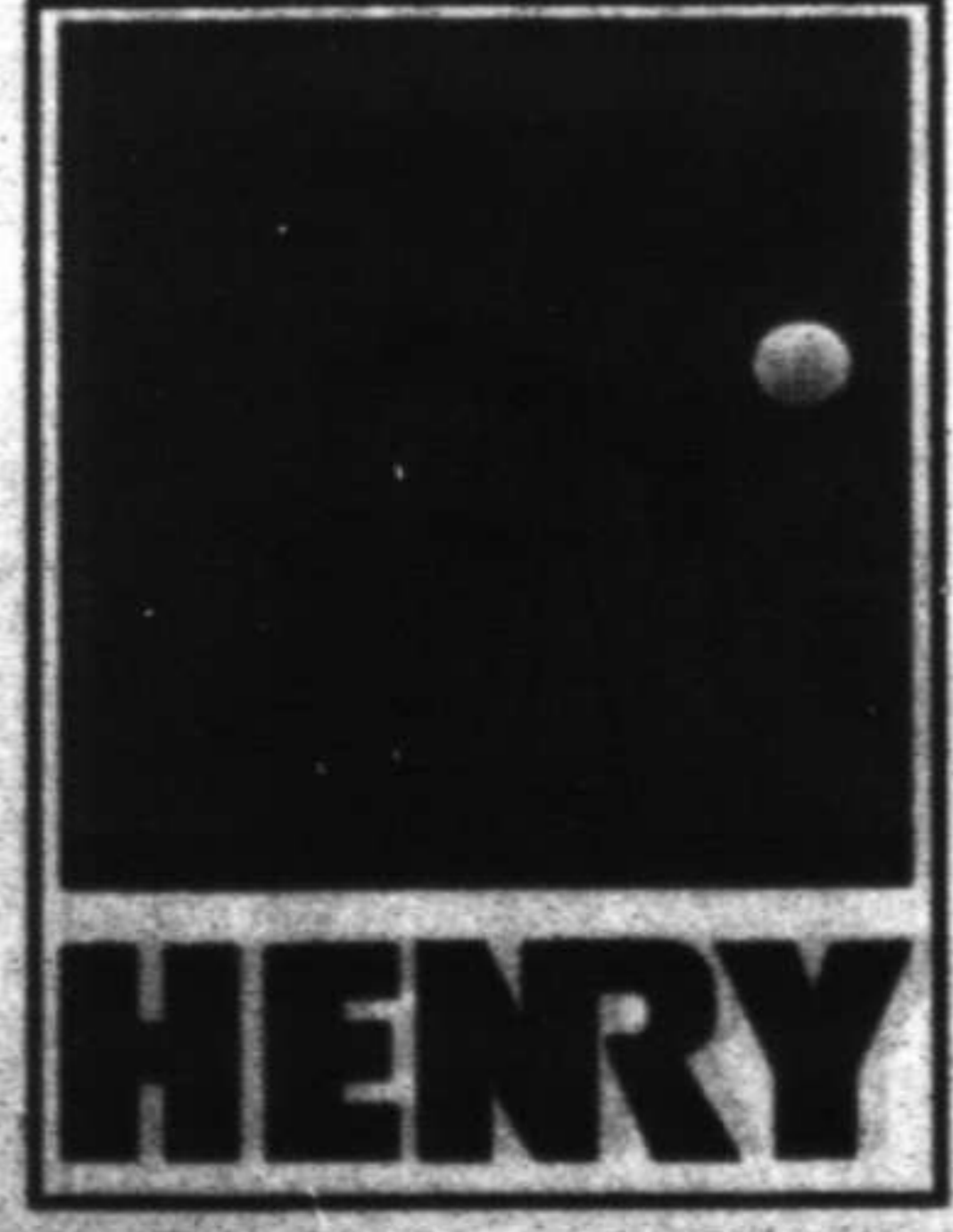
The number of part-time workers who would prefer full-time jobs has fallen nearly 15 percent in the past year. And temporary hiring has been flat for two months.

Jennifer Fitzgerald, CEO of Policygenius, an online insurance marketplace, is so desperate for workers that her New York City-based company is buying advertising on the New York subway and on San Francisco commuter trains.

The ads are intended in part to raise awareness among potential recruits. Policygenius recruiters also look for companies that are moving out of New York, or who have laid off workers and scour LinkedIn for potential hires from those companies.

"These are the kinds of creative strategies you need," Fitzgerald said.

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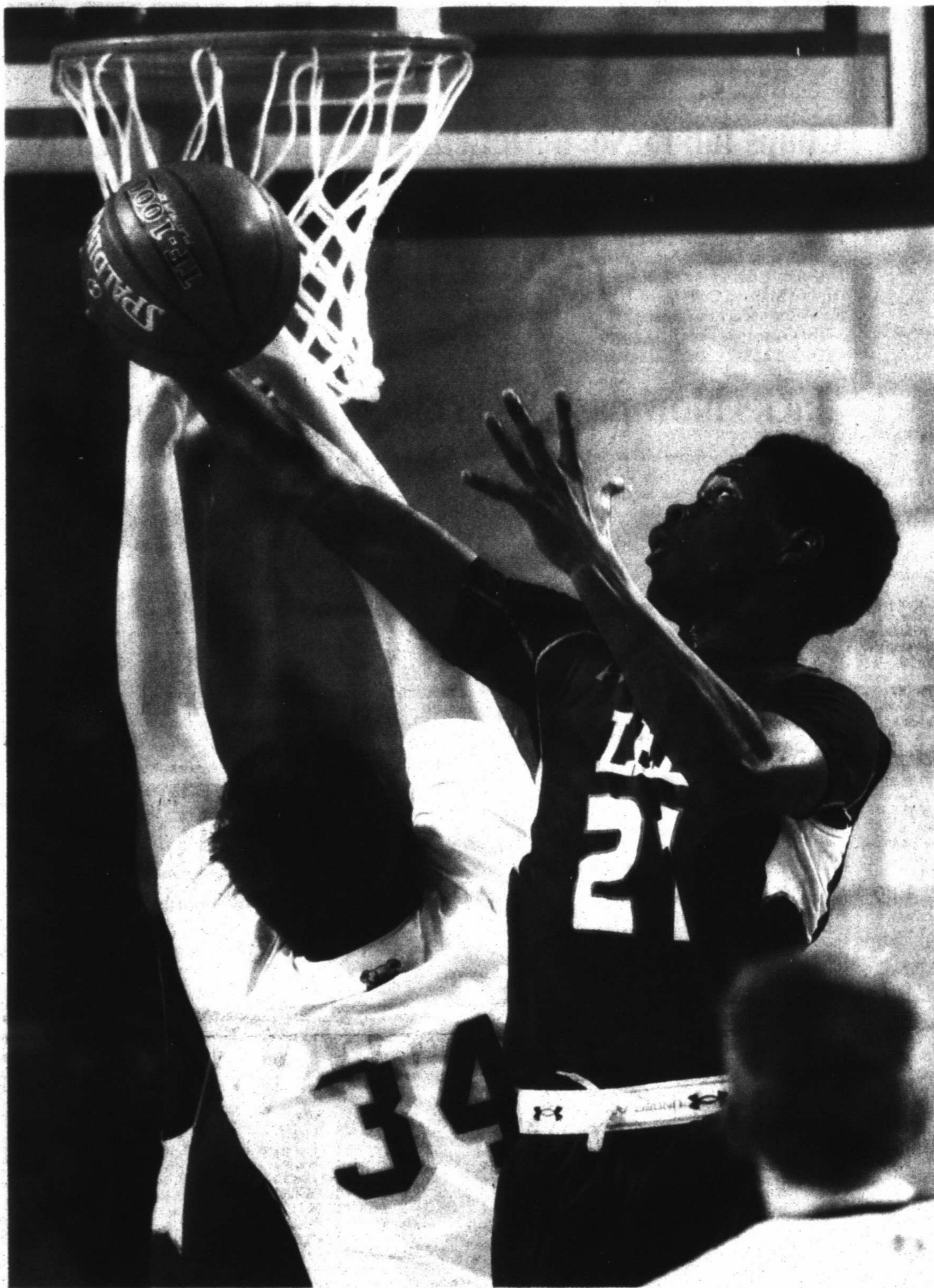
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Still in reach



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Lee's Loic Fouonji (21) grabs a rebound during the game against Midland High on Friday at Chaparral Center.

Defense propels Lady Rebels to victory over MHS

By Christopher Hadorn
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The Lee girls basketball team is starting to put it together at the right time of the season.

The playoff-bound Lady Rebels had been plagued by stretches of inconsistency in District 2-6A games, but Friday night they played a complete game against rival and fellow playoff team Midland High.

The Lee defense stymied the Lady Bulldogs during a 48-34 victory in District 2-6A play at Chaparral Center.

The Lady Rebels (16-15, 5-4), winners of two straight, tied MHS (21-13, 5-4) for third place with one district game remaining, while splitting the season series.

Lee has limited its last two foes to an average of 28 points after holding Odessa High to 18 points and four second-half points in a 47-18 win Tuesday.

"That was really what we talked about, we said, 'We're trending in the right direction,'" Lady Rebels head coach Alfred Acosta said. "We still haven't put a full 32 minutes together and tonight the ladies really bought into it and they really took care of business."

Leading 32-28 through three quarters, Lee went on a convincing 16-6 run in the fourth quarter, spearheaded by sophomore post Paige Low scoring eight of her total 12 points in the period.

Lee shooting guard Braydyn Hill shined with an all-around performance, posting 12 points, six rebounds, seven assists and six steals.

"It feels good, especially since we lost to them the last game," Hill said. "We've never played the full 32 minutes and it just feels good for it to be against Midland High."

The Lady Bulldogs were hampered by scoring only two points in the second quarter, and six points in the fourth quarter.

Lee took the lead for good in the second period when it went on a 9-0 run to take a 22-14 advantage. MHS didn't score its first basket in the second until 48 seconds left when Quay Webster scored on a transition pull up jumper following a mid-court steal.

Midland High's only field goal made in the fourth quarter was an across the court drive to the basket by Sadie Govan.

Otherwise, MHS had difficulty converting shots in its half-court set against Lee's physical defense.

Please see **GIRLS/3B**



James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Lee's Alaysha Green (3) passes against Midland High Friday at Chaparral Center.

Lee keeps slim playoff hopes alive with win over Bulldogs

By Will Korn
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Facing elimination from playoff contention, the Lee boys basketball team had little margin for error against crosstown rival Midland High Friday night.

In a sloppy game that often lacked rhythm, it was the Rebels' young guard tandem of sophomore Jaythan Jones and freshman Zhuric Phelps who placed their stamps on the evening and lifted Lee to a 56-49 victory over the Bulldogs at Chaparral Center.

Phelps led all scorers with 18 points, including 12 of Lee's 21 points in the first half. Jones added 17 for the Rebels (8-21, 1-6 in District 2-6A), who snapped an 11-game losing streak dating back to Dec. 29 and avenged a 68-48 loss to MHS on Jan. 16.

Junior forward Duce Warren netted a team-high 14 points, while Jordan pitched in with 10 for MHS (11-17, 2-5), which was shorthanded after a three varsity players were suspended earlier in the day.

Lee head coach Justin Boswell said

the win — which kept his team alive in the playoff race with three district games to play — was an uplifting result after a difficult last five weeks. For the Rebels, it was all about applying success in practice to the court when it counts.

"For us right now, any win is big with what we've been going through," Boswell said. "I'm just excited for the boys and extremely happy for them. We had a good week of practice, we shot the ball well this week in practice and before the game

Please see **BOYS/3B**

Moss, Owens, Bruce: quite the wideout collection

By Barry Wilner
Associated Press

BLOOMINGTON, Minn. — Randy Moss on one side, Terrell Owens on the other. Isaac Bruce in the slot.

A defensive coordinator's dilemma.

On Saturday, the 48 voters for the Pro Football Hall of Fame face a similar complexity. Is Moss, in his first year of eligibility for the Canton, Ohio, shrine, worthy of induction? And what about T.O., in his third year on the ballot? Or Bruce, in his fourth year.

How about all of them? The two dynamic and sometimes controversial wide receivers and the always-reliable and

often spectacular Bruce are among 15 modern-era candidates. From that group, no more than five will be selected.

Also being considered are first-year eligibles linebackers Ray Lewis and Brian Urlacher, and guard Steve Hutchinson. Other finalists are running back Edgerin James; center Kevin Mawae; safeties John Lynch and Brian Dawkins; guard Alan Faneca; tackles Joe Jacoby and Tony Boselli; and cornerbacks Ty Law and Everson Walls.

The senior nominees are linebacker Robert Brazile and guard Jerry Kramer. In the contributor's committee it is Bobby Beathard.

Much of the attention will be paid to the guys who caught the ball extremely well. Moss and

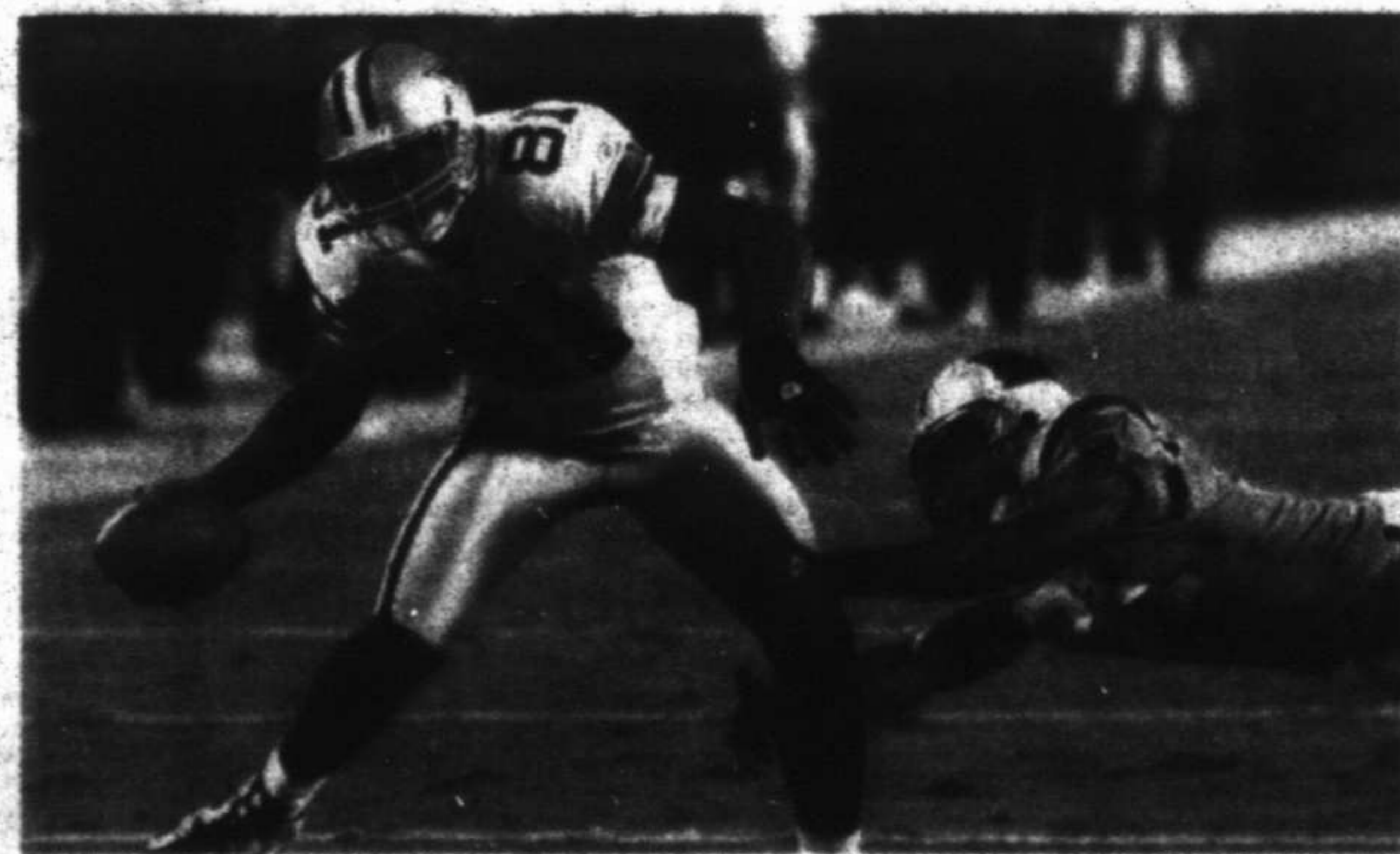
Owens made the Team of the Decade for the 2000s. Bruce's TD reception won the 2000 Super Bowl for the Rams against the Titans.

Owens has been a lightning rod because despite impressive career numbers, he's failed twice to get the necessary 80 percent for induction.

"I think it diminishes the reputation and the credibility the Hall of Fame is really revered for," Owens says of not being elected for what he believes are "character" reasons.

"I have kind of just moved on from it. Me not getting in first time — and everybody else said at the same time, I should have

Please see **HALL/4B**



Chuck Burton/AP file photo

Dallas Cowboys' Terrell Owens (81) pulls away from Carolina Panthers' Richard Marshall (31) as Owens runs for a touchdown after a reception in 2007 in Charlotte, N.C. Owens, Rappy Moss and Isaac Bruce, among others, are on the ballot in voting today, for the Pro Football Hall of Fame.

DAILY RUNDOWN

FROM STAFF AND WIRE REPORTS

ON THE AIR

- Baseball: Dominican Republic vs. Venezuela, 2 p.m., ESPNDEP. Tomateros de Cuicacan vs. Alazanes de Granma, 8 p.m., ESPNDEP. Boxing: Habib Ahmed vs. Gilberto Ramirez, 8 p.m., ESPNNews. Bull Riding: PBR: Anaheim Invitational, 9 p.m., CBSN. Golf: PGA: Waste Management Phoenix Open, 3rd Round, 1 p.m., GOLF. Men's College Basketball: Duke at St. John's, 11 a.m., FOX. Mixed Martial Arts: UFC: Machida vs. Anders, Prelims, 7 p.m., FS2, FXDEP. National Basketball Association: Houston at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m., ABC. National Hockey League: Toronto at Boston, 6 p.m., NHL. Rugby: Six Nations: Wales vs. Scotland, 11:30 a.m., NBCSN. Tennis: Davis Cup: USA vs. Serbia, 8 a.m., TENNIS. Women's College Basketball: Ohio State at Wisconsin, Noon, BTN. Radio: Men's College Basketball: Texas Tech at TCU, 1 p.m., KCRS 95.5 FM/97.5 FM/550 AM, KPET 105.1 FM/690 AM (Lamesa). NAHL Hockey: Amarillo at Odessa, 7 p.m., KFZX 102.1 FM. National Basketball Association: Utah at San Antonio, 8 p.m., KBYG 1106.1 FM/1400 AM (Big Spring). Dallas at Sacramento, 9 p.m., KBST 1490 AM (Big Spring).

Kistner, Lady Chaps go 2-1 at Cowtown Classic

From staff reports

FORT WORTH - Midland College softball pitcher Cristine Kistner provided the highlight of the day as she struck out 18 batters in a win over Seward County Community College at the Cowtown Classic. Kistner also did not walk...



Kistner

A batter and scattered four hits as the Lady Chaparrals defeated Seward County 1-0 in eight innings. She finished with 29 strikeouts on the day. The win capped a 2-1 day for the Lady Chaps (4-4) as they also defeated Cowley Community College (9-8) but lost to North Central Texas College (8-3). In the win over Cowley, Bianca Cerda, Elizabeth Chastain and Mercedes Beltran each had two hits for MC, which responded to a five-run bottom of the...

North Central Texas College scored seven runs in the fourth inning to beat MC, which also had six errors in the game. Rayla Jacobs-Kea, who started in the circle, had two hits, Shannon Pascua-Stanton added two hits and Yvonne Hernandez was 2-for-4 with a home run and three RBI for the Lady Chaps.

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Chaps fall to No. 6 McLennan CC in season opener

From staff reports

WACO - The No. 6-ranked McLennan Community College baseball team had a 10-run sixth inning and 18 hits as the Highlanders crushed Midland College, 18-1, in the season opener on Friday. The Chaparrals were held to one...

run on five hits. Dylan Neuse led McLennan by going 3-for-5 with a home, run, double and four RBI, while Josh Breaux added two hits and a home run. Logan McCrummen took the loss for MC after allowing four runs (three earned) on five hits, with a walk and four strikeouts.

The teams will next play a double-header beginning at noon today. NO. 6 MCLENNAN CC 18, MIDLAND COLLEGE 1. Midland College 000 010 000 -1 5 1. McLennan CC 120111010 03x -18 18 0. Logan McCrummen, Huton Frazier (4), Chandler Eaton (7), Cade Bullinger (7) and Cameron Melcher, Logan Freeman, Nick Urbankie (5), Max Mize (8), W. Freeman, L. - McCrummen, 2B - MC. Jordan Bilgus, Blake Perdue, McLennan; Dylan Neuse, Thomas Santos, George Cahill 2, Chase Sotter, 3B - McLennan; Keaton Milford, HR - McLennan; Josh Breux, Neuse. Records: Midland College 0-1, McLennan 1-0. Next: Midland College at McLennan CC (DH), noon today.

Jacks blow past Amarillo with scoring barrage

From staff reports

ODESSA - The Odessa Jackalopes cruised to an 8-1 victory over the Amarillo Bulls at the Ector County Coliseum on Friday. Eric Huss, Peyton Frantti and Ricky Carballo each scored two goals for the Jacks. Frantti and Huss added assists. Also scoring for Odessa were Blake Bride and Alex...

Borowiec as the Jacks bounced back from a 4-3 loss to the Bulls the night before. Odessa, which only had a 37-34 shot advantage, scored three goals in the second period and four in the third. Amarillo scored its only goal in third as Brett Epp had 30 saves for the Jacks. The two teams meet again at 7:11 p.m. today at Ector County County Coliseum.

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NBA ROUNDUP

Associated Press

NBA GLANCE

RAPTORS 130, BLAZERS 105. TORONTO - DeMar DeRozan scored 35 points, Jonas Valanciunas had 18 and the Toronto Raptors beat Portland 130-105 on Friday night, their sixth straight win over the Trail Blazers. Fred VanVleet scored 16 points, Kyle Lowry had 15 and Pascal Siakam 13 as the Raptors improved their home record to 20-4, the best mark in the NBA. DeRozan made 11 of 22 shots and matched his career-high by making six 3-pointers. He finished 6 for 10 from long range. The Raptors made a season high 19 3-pointers. Toronto shot 19 for 40 from behind the arc, with nine players making at least one 3-pointer. Damian Lillard scored 32 points, becoming the fastest player in franchise history to reach 10,000 for his career, but Portland's four-game winning streak was snapped. The Blazers have lost five of their past seven on the road.

11 rebounds and 10 assists in Wednesday's blowout of the Knicks. Irving missed his second straight game with a right quad contusion that he suffered in Monday's win at Denver and was one of four Boston players who sat with injuries on Friday. Jaylen Brown scored 19 points and Al Horford had 17 with seven assists to help lead Boston to its fourth win in five tries. Tarueen Prince had a career-high 31 points and eight rebounds to lead the Hawks, who have lost five of six. Dennis Schroder added 25 points and Marco Belinelli had 15.

Table with NBA scores for Eastern Conference (Atlantic, Southeast, Central, Western) and Western Conference (Southwest, Northwest) divisions, including team names, wins/losses, and percentages.

WHAT'S ON DECK

- HS Golf: Lee at San Angelo Tournament. HS Swimming & Diving: Region I-6A Regional Meet, Lubbock.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL: American League. BALTIMORE ORIOLES - Acquired C Andrew Susac from Milwaukee for a player to be named or cash considerations. NEW YORK YANKEES - Agreed to terms with C Francisco Diaz, INF Danny Espinosa, RHP David Hale, C Erik Kratz, LHP Wade LeBlanc, C Chase Numa and INF/OF Jace Peterson on minor league contracts. NATIONAL LEAGUE. ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS - Promoted Burke Badenhop to special assistant to the general manager; Peter Wardell to assistant director, international scouting; Ian Reuban to coordinator, amateur scouting and Cory Sarpore to coordinator, minor league video; named Jason Park director, professional scouting; Robert Van Scoyoc hitting strategist; Max Phillips analyst, baseball operations research & development and Alex Lorenzo diversity pipeline fellow. TEXAS LEAGUE. FRISCO RANGERS - Named Bernadette Miller chief financial officer and Tim Ansenius vice president, ballpark operations. CAN-AM LEAGUE. TROIS-RIVERS AIGLES - Released C Kyle LaFrazz. BASKETBALL: Women's National Basketball Association. WASHINGTON MYSTICS - Re-signed Fs Tanna Hawkin and LaToya Sanders and G Allison Highower. FOOTBALL: National Football League. BUFFALO BILLS - Announced the retirement of director of training operations Bud Carpenter. Canadian Football League. EDMONTON SKINKOS - Acquired DL Jake Carera from Ottawa for DL Orest Williams. GYMNASTICS: USA GYMNASTICS - Announced the resignation of women's national team coordinator...

NHL GLANCE

Table with NHL scores for Eastern Conference (Atlantic, Metropolitan, Western) and Western Conference (Central, Pacific) divisions, including team names, wins/losses, and percentages.

NFL PLAYOFF GLANCE

Table with NFL playoff information, including Wild-card Playoffs, Conference Championships, and Divisional Playoffs for AFC and NFC.

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Lee boys soccer crushes Estacado

From staff reports

LUBBOCK -- The Lee boys soccer team demolished Lubbock Estacado, 11-0, at Lowrey Field on Friday in the last non-district soccer match before District 2-6A play begins.

The Rebels (8-4-1), who were coming off a 7-0 win over Brownwood at home on Tuesday, took a 7-0 lead at the half against the Matadors.

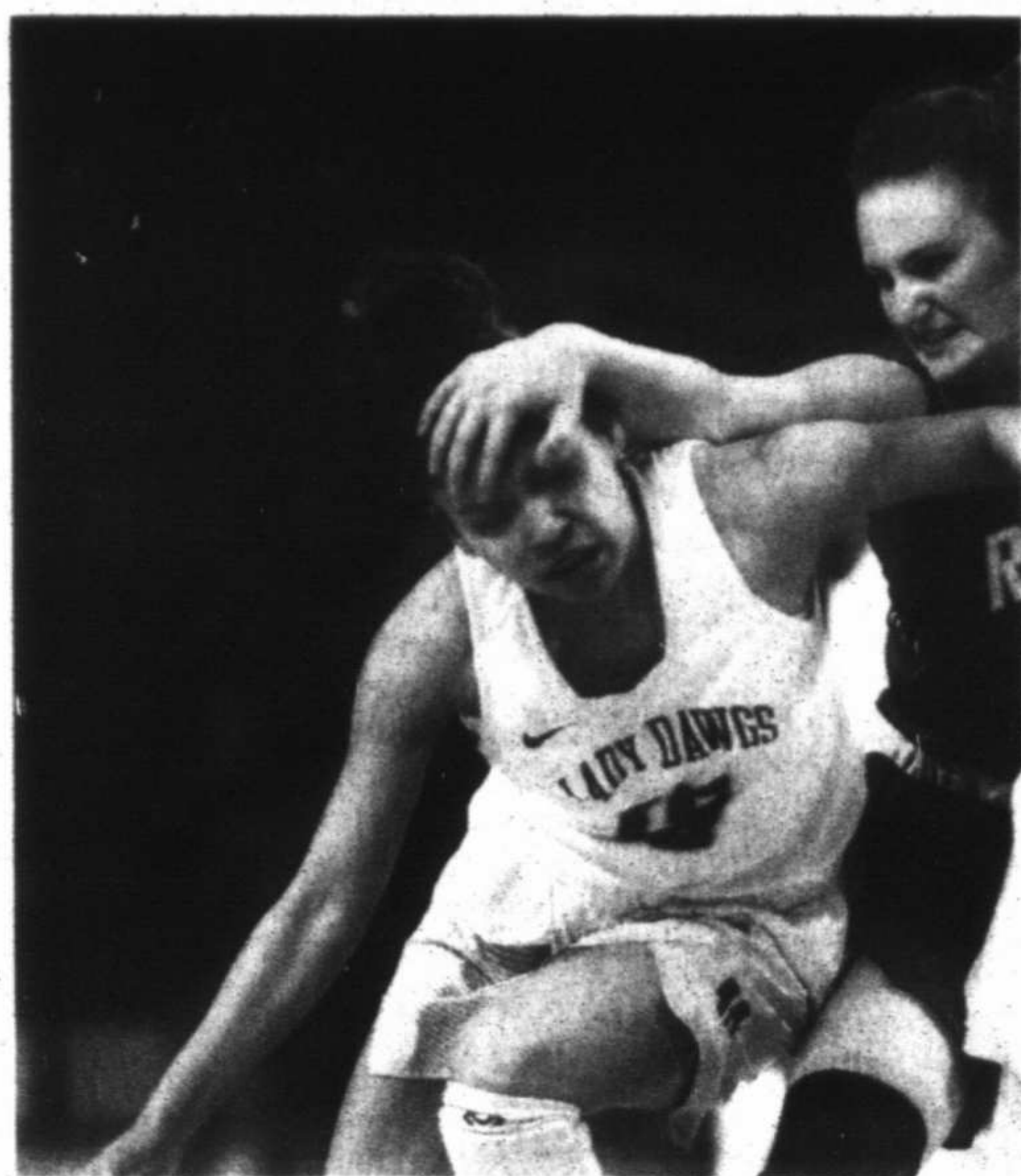
"It was a game similar to Tuesday," Lee coach Scott Hicks said. "(Estacado) had trouble with the wind and we kept the ball on their end of the

field in the first half and we just kept getting attempt after attempt. In the second half, (the Matadors) didn't play too inspired and we just kept putting the pressure on them. Now we need to turn our focus and get ready to begin district play at Tascosa next Saturday."

Scoring for the Rebels are as follows: Esau Soto scored an unassisted assist in the sixth minute, Luis Aranda followed 30 seconds later with an unassisted goal. Soto scored off an assist by Dillon Crabtree in the seventh minute, Johnny Tang scored an unassisted goal in the 10th minute, Daniel Santos

scored off an assist by John Thompson in the 16th minute, Tyler Erwin scored an unassisted goal in the 25th minute, Dakota McCord scored off an assist by Esteban Balinas in the 34th minute, Aranda scored off an assist by Erwin in the 41st minute, Marco Jurado scored off an assist by Aranda in the 45th minute, Crabtree scores off assist by Balinas in the 59th minute, and Santos scored off an assist by Isael Ramirez in the 64th minute.

Lee next travels to Amarillo Tascosa at 4 p.m. Feb. 10 to begin District 2-6A play.



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Lee's Karigan Edwards (2) gets physical with Midland High's Sadie Govan (15) Friday, at Chaparral Center.

HS BASKETBALL ROUNDUP

Girls
MCA 78
AMARILLO ASCENSION 33
AMARILLO -- No. 3-ranked Midland Classical Academy improved to 3-0 in TAPPS 3-A play with a blowout road win over Amarillo Ascension. Lea Beattie had a game-high 24 points, Jenny Coco had 19 and Makenna Beattie added 15 to lead the Lady Knights (17-8 overall).

MCA 78, AMARILLO ASCENSION 33
MCA (17-8, 3-0) -- Kori Kirk 8, Hilary Sunderland 4, Lea Beattie 24, Karina Bayley 6, Jenny Coco 19, Kacy Miller 1, Makenna Beattie 15. Ascension -- Winchester 3, Payama S. Hudson 6, Pounds 2, Moran 2, Childs 15.

MCS 24
FORT WORTH CHRISTIAN 22
FORT WORTH -- The Midland Christian Lady Mustangs clinched a TAPPS 1-5A playoff spot in buzzer beating fashion against Fort Worth Christian Friday.

Kelsi Moore hit the game winning shot for the MCS (20-10, 4-3). Blaire Neatherlin led the team in scoring with seven points and added 11 rebounds.

MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 24, FORT WORTH CHRISTIAN 22
MCS (20-10, 4-3) -- Faith Trux 5, Brooklyn Johnson 6, Blaire Neatherlin 7, Kelsi Moore 6. Fort Worth Christian (5-1 in district) -- Kipstein 4, Urbanski 4, Stever 4, Hopper 10.

LUB. CHRISTIAN 54
TRINITY 25
Lubbock Christian defeated Trinity at Beal Gymnasium to finish TAPPS 1-4A undefeated at 6-0. Reagan Long had 11 points to lead the Lady Chargers (12-12, 2-4), who completed their season.

LUBBOCK CHRISTIAN 54, TRINITY 25
Lubbock Christian (6-0 in TAPPS 1-4A) -- Preston Lee 12, Avery Mitchell 8, Preston Lee 16, Ally McCallister 2, Macy Crockett 13, Kayla Hays 3, Trinity (12-12, 2-4) -- Brooke Widner 3, Caitlin DeCompligne 2, Reagan Long 11, Rebecca Young 4.

FORSAN 57
ELDORADO 12
FORSAN -- The Forsan girls basketball team captured the District 7-2A title with a dominating win over Eldorado. After starting the season 2-3, the Lady Buffaloes (22-5,

11-1) have won 20 of their last 22 games heading into the postseason. Chasidy Grantham led Forsan with a game-high 19 points.

FORSAN 57, EL DORADO 12
Eldorado -- Myatt 4, Whitten 4, Lindsey 2, Martinez 2. Forsan (22-5, 11-1) -- Chasidy Grantham 19, Jenna Evans 6, Mikaela Willard 7, Haley Patterson 6, Madison Smith 5, Ryke Evans 4, Mikaela Arzate 3, Katelyn Colvin 3, Macey Evans 2.

GARDEN CITY 58
STERLING CITY 22
GARDEN CITY -- No. 2-ranked Garden City defeated Sterling City Friday to clinch their seventh District 14-1A title in a row.

Payton Hastings led the Lady Kats in scoring with 11 points, while Lyndee Walker, Jordan Driver, and Madison Hastings added nine each. This is the 12th district title in 13 years for Garden City (29-1, 0-0).

NO. 2 GARDEN CITY 58, STERLING CITY 22
Sterling City -- D. Coulter 15, M. Garcia 3, M. Meade 5, Williams 2. Garden City (29-1, 0-0) -- Payton Hastings 11, Lyndee Walker 9, Jordan Driver 9, Madison Hastings 9, Angelica Munguia 8, Allison Hallmann 6, Ally Burnett 4, Ixchel Sotelo 2.

PERMIAN 51
ODESSA HIGH 42
Permian used a 19-7 run in the fourth quarter to defeat Odessa High in a District 2-6A game at the Odessa High Fieldhouse.

Klarrisa Cruz had 12 points, Ashton Garner had 11 and Alena Madero added 10 for Permian (12-15, 2-7). Odessa High (5-23, 0-9) was led by Skylar Herrera with 15 points and Abigail Rodriguez with 12.

ODESSA PERMIAN 51, ODESSA HIGH 42
Permian (12-15, 2-7 District 2-6A) -- Klarrisa Cruz 12, Ashton Garner 11, Alena Madero 10, Taylor Alexander 7, Lex Contee 5, Reyna Rojas 3, Jazmin Gaddis 2. Odessa High (5-23, 0-9) -- Skylar Herrera 15, Abigail Rodriguez 12, Aneth Jimenez 5, Kheesara Lide 3, Itzay Sanchez 5, Rosana Jimenez 2.

KERMIT 47
CRANE 19
Crane -- Kermit cruised to a 28-point rout over District 3-3A foe Crane behind a 22-5 fourth quarter.

KERMIT 47, CRANE 19
Crane (12-3, 0-7 in District 3-3A) -- Savannah Garcia 5, Dianna Perez 2, Layla Ybems 3, Ester

Boys
NO. 8 MCS 47
FORT WORTH CHRISTIAN 38
FORT WORTH -- No. 8-ranked Midland Christian clinched a share of first place of the TAPPS 1-5A title with a win over Fort Worth Christian Friday.

Joseph Venzant scored a game high 12 points, while Mitch McCann added 10 for the Mustangs (23-11, 6-1). MCS (23-11, 6-1) -- Coy Stewart 4, Mitch McCann 10, Silas Crews 3, Gunnar Griffin 9, Joseph Venzant 12, Tommy Beebe 9.

NO. 8 MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 47, FORT WORTH CHRISTIAN 38
MCS (23-11, 6-1) -- Coy Stewart 4, Mitch McCann 10, Silas Crews 3, Gunnar Griffin 9, Joseph Venzant 12, Tommy Beebe 9. Fort Worth Christian (14-8, 2-2 in district) -- Knoop 2, Snyder 6, Bowers 10, Bayer 6, Felker 6, Taylor 2, Marshall 6.

FORT STOCKTON 58
ANDREWS 43
Andrews picked up a key District 4-4A victory over Andrews (20-9, 3-3) Friday.

Casey Nolen scored a game high 18 in the win for Fort Stockton. Fort Stockton (4-2 in district) -- Nick Johnson 2, Jovanni Walar 6, Andrick Herrera 19, Casey Nolen 18, Eric Biesler 9, Cole Daggett 3, Luis Guevara 2.

FORSAN 83
ELDORADO 25
FORSAN -- The Forsan boys basketball team clinched the District 7-2A title for the second straight year with a blowout win over Eldorado. Forsan (23-3, 10-0), which has won 23 straight at home, was led by Kobe Richardson with a game high 22 points.

FORSAN 83, EL DORADO 25
Eldorado (2-8 in district 7-2A) -- Farmer 2, Cadena 2, Villanueva 3, Griffin 9, Davis 9. Forsan (23-3, 10-0) -- Jordan Enriquez 4, Garrett Evans 18, Bryce Hergert 21, Kobe Richardson 22, Ehren Hillger 9, Nate Vidal 2, Jaedon Cesar 2, Caden Williams 2.

4, Hillger, Total fouls -- Eldorado 17, Forsan 6. Fouled out -- None.

GARDEN CITY 53
STERLING CITY 31
GARDEN CITY -- Hagan Haifmann scored a game-high 13 points and Scott Miller provided 12 to lead Garden City to a 22-point win over rival Sterling City in District 14-1A play.

The Bearcats (14-8, 7-2 District 14-1A) were in control from the start after outscoring Sterling City 17-5 in the first quarter.

GARDEN CITY 53, STERLING CITY 31
Sterling City -- Carson Mackie 2, Cross Knittel 7, Taverin Raynor 7, Wyatt Sisco 8, Quinton McMillan 4, AJ Mitchell 3. Garden City (14-8, 7-2 in District 14-1A) -- Hagan Haifmann 13, Parker Koenig 6, Scott Miller 12, Hagan Haifmann 13, Cesar Chavez 8, Armando Alegria 5, John Michael Alegria 8.

NO. 10 SEMINOLE 66
LAMESA 54
Seminole -- Jalen Brattain had 22 points, Carter Johnson added 13 and Reese Moore provided 11 to propel No. 10-ranked Seminole to a win over Lamesa in District 2-4A play.

Jordan Derington had 21 points and Jackson Napper scored 18 for the Golden Tornadoes (18-12, 2-5 in District 2-4A).

SEMINOLE 66, LAMESA 54
Lamesa (18-12, 2-5 in District 2-4A) -- Buddy Williams 5, Jordan Derington 21, Zakari Quintrilla 2, Kaleb Contreras 3, James Rodriguez 4, Jackson Napper 18. Seminole (6-1 in District 2-4A) -- Jalen Brattain 22, Carter Johnson 13, Clayton Medlin 7, Daniel Grado 2, Parker Freeman 3, Anthony Moncayo 2, Reese Moore 11.

CRANE 65
KERMIT 50
Crane -- Crane improved to 5-1 in District 3-3A with a victory over Kermit. Tye Heard had 12 points to lead the Golden Cranes (19-4, 5-1).

CRANE 65, KERMIT 50
Kermit (2-4 in District 3-3A) -- Muniz 3, McNew 4, Gray 3, Cook 2, Johnson 4, Williams 8, Gonzalez 2, Aubrey 2. Crane (19-4, 5-1) -- Brandon Cerna 8, Tye Heard 12, Thomas Riley 2, Ivan Esparza 6, Carlos Contreras 4, Carlos Montero 27.

GIRLS

From 1B

out-rebounded the Lady Dawgs by a 38-21 margin. "We had a hard time scoring," Lady Bulldogs head coach Wes Torres said. "We missed a ton of shots, a ton. We couldn't get into any rhythm offensively, and they had a lot to do with it with their pressure. And they were ready to go. I told the girls, 'I can't fault you for the ball not going into the hole. Sometimes that happens.' I was proud of the girls' effort tonight."

Low and Quinci Strambler each grabbed a game-high 10 rebounds for Lee. Led by Hill, the Lady Rebels also applied pressure on MHS by trapping the ball handler constantly on the in-bounds pass. Despite Lee's admirable defensive effort, Taysha Rushton posted team highs with 10 points and seven rebounds for Midland High.

"We really wanted to take Taysha out of the game as we much as we could, which is a tough task and hard to do," Acosta said. "Everybody bought in. All the five girls on the basketball floor and the four girls on the bench gave us energy. For the most part we did a pretty good job of that tonight." Senior point guard Alysha Green had 10 points to give the Lady Rebels three players in double figures.

District 2-6A Girls Basketball Standings

	District		Overall
	W	L	
yx-Frenship	6	1	26
x-Tascosa	7	2	20
x-Midland High	5	4	21
x-Lee	5	4	18
Permian	2	7	12
Odeesa High	0	9	5

Friday's scores
Lee 48, Midland High 34, Odessa Permian 51, Odessa High 42, Wolfforth Frenship 56, Amarillo Tascosa 53.

Quay Webster had nine points for MHS.
Lee hosts District 2-6A champion Wolfforth Frenship (28-6, 8-1) at 6 p.m. Tuesday in its district finale at Chaparral Center. Meanwhile, the Lady Bulldogs, who have dropped three of their last four, will try to get back into the win column when they visit Odessa High (5-23, 0-9) at 6 p.m. Tuesday.

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Boys

From 1B

I was stressing 'You've been doing good things in practice, so let's put it out there on the floor.' Some guys stepped up (Friday) in big ways."

The two teams scampered through a forgettable first quarter that produced a combined 13 turnovers to just 18 points.

But Lee made its first run early in the second, as the Rebels began to find their transition game and some extra effort on the boards as a spark. Phelps led the charge with a trio of finishes that put Lee ahead 16-12 midway through the quarter.

MHS closed the gap thanks to four quick points, including buzzer-beating dunk by Riley. But the Bulldogs trailed 21-16 at the break after misfiring on 25 of their 31 shot attempts.

"Nobody really wanted to take control of the game," Boswell said. "We did at the end of the first quarter and early second quarter, then we made some bonehead plays and let them back in it."

Lee shot just 9 for 25 in the first half, but caught fire in the third quarter thanks to sweet stroke from Jones. The shifty 5-foot-5 guard knocked down three 3-pointers in the frame, benefiting from alert ball movement.

Jones' third try beat the buzzer and provided a lift in his team's 23-point quarter.

"It feels good," Jones said. "The team got a big win and we just did what we did in practice. If it wasn't for my team, those shots wouldn't fall. All we did was just listen to coach and what he had to tell us so we could win. We needed it."

Said Boswell of Jones' performance: "Jaythan

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	W	L	
x-Odeesa Permian	7	0	25
Odeesa High	5	2	21
Amarillo Tascosa	4	3	18
MHS	2	5	11
Frenship	2	5	14
Lee	1	6	8

Friday's scores
Lee 56, MHS 42, Wolfforth Frenship 44, Amarillo Tascosa 43, Odessa Permian 56 at Odessa High 46.

brought a lot of energy. He was able to handle the ball and take some pressure off of Zhuric, he made some great shots and made some little jumpers inside."

MHS, which missed 13 of its 17 free throw attempts in the game, trailed by as many as 13 in the final quarter. The Bulldogs, without key juniors Nat Rodriguez and Rakhim Petterson and Gage Warren, were also playing with a pair of freshman in Brett Canis and Camden Taylor, who were called up to varsity at the last minute due to the suspensions.

"They kept fighting, kept fighting and that's what is impressive about them," said MHS head coach Shan Hooker. "They battled to the end and were able to get some defensive stops. We converted a few shots there at the end but it was a little too late."

MHS out-rebounded Lee 33-21 in the loss.

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COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Men
SOUTH
Rhode Island 81, VCU 68.
FAR WEST
Colorado 67, Utah 55.
MIDWEST
Detroit 74, IUPUI 80.
EAST
Buffalo 92, W. Michigan 86.
Clemson 73, Marist 67.
Columbia 83, Harvard 78.
Cornell 88, Dartmouth 85.
Fairfield 73, Morehead (Ky.) 78.
Iowa 87, Quinnipiac 82, ZOT.
Marshall 51, Siena 47.
Penn 86, Brown 90, OT.
Pittsburgh 76, Yale 73, OT.
St. Peter's 58, Niagara 52.

UTSA 70, North Texas 58
SOUTH
Charlotte 67, Marshall 61.
Eton 77, Col. of Charleston 55.
James Madison 86, William & Mary 41.
Old Dominion 66, FIU 62.
FAR WEST
Stanford 60, Oregon 57.
Washington St. 78, Arizona 60.
MIDWEST
Bradley 68, Valparaiso 57.
DePaul 77, Creighton 57.
Drexel 84, S. Illinois 73.
Illinois St. 57, Loyola of Chicago 49.
Indiana St. 66, Evansville 57.
Marquette 94, Providence 61.
Missouri St. 57, N. Iowa 52.
EAST
Dartmouth 55, Cornell 40.
Drexel 78, Towson 53.
Harvard 85, Columbia 67.
Northwestern 58, UNC-Wilmington 39.
Penn 86, Brown 55.
Quinnipiac 58, Fairfield 39.
Seton Hall 58, Xavier 53.
St. John's 78, Butler 38.
Yale 73, Princeton 59.

Men's Schedule
SOUTHWEST
Texas Tech at TCU, 1 p.m.
South Carolina at Texas A&M, 1 p.m.
Texas A&M-CC at Incarnate Word, 3 p.m.
W. Kentucky at UTSA, 3 p.m.
Coastal Carolina at Texas-Arlington, 4:15 p.m.
Stephen F. Austin at Lamar, 4:30 p.m.
Appalachian St. at Texas State, 4:30 p.m.
Rice at North Texas, 5 p.m.
Georgia St. at UALR, 5 p.m.
Texas Southern at Prairie View, 5 p.m.
Oklahoma at Texas, 5:15 p.m.
Alabama Christian at Sam Houston St., 6:15 p.m.
SOUTH
Notre Dame at NC State, 11 a.m.
Houston at UCF, 11 a.m.
Furman at The Citadel, noon.
Memphis at East Carolina, 1 p.m.
Miami at Virginia Tech, 1 p.m.
Radford at West Virginia, 1 p.m.
Liberty at Longwood, 1 p.m.
Clemson at Wake Forest, 1 p.m.
Charleston Southern at Gardner-Webb, 2 p.m.
Louisiana-Lafayette at Louisiana-Monroe, 2 p.m.
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Arkansas at LSU, 2:30 p.m.
Florida A&M at Howard, 3 p.m.
Belmont at Morehead St., 3 p.m.
Alabama at Florida, 3 p.m.
Towson at James Madison, 3 p.m.
Southern Ill. at Jacksonville, 3 p.m.
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Delaware at UNC Central, 3 p.m.
Chattanooga at ETSU, 3 p.m.
Drexel at William & Mary, 3 p.m.
Coppin St. at Bethune-Cookman, 3 p.m.
Presbyterian at UNC-Ashville, 3:30 p.m.
McNeese St. at Northwestern St., 3:30 p.m.
SC-Union at Kennesaw St., 3:30 p.m.
George Mason at Richmond, 3:30 p.m.
Weber at Mercer, 3:30 p.m.
Hofstra at LIU, 4 p.m.
Alabama St. at MWSU, 4 p.m.
South Alabama at Troy, 4:15 p.m.
Nicholls at New Orleans, 4:15 p.m.
SC State at Savannah St., 5 p.m.
Cant. Arkansas at SE Louisiana, 5 p.m.
North Carolina A&T, 5 p.m.
Florida at Mississippi St., 5 p.m.
Mississippi at Tennessee, 5 p.m.
Alcorn St. at Jackson St., 5:30 p.m.
Mississippi St. at Norfolk St., 5:30 p.m.
Southern Ill. at Grand Canyon, 5:30 p.m.
Purdue at Rutgers, 5 p.m.
Louisiana Tech at FIU, 6 p.m.
Tennessee St. at E. Kentucky, 6 p.m.
Middle Tennessee at Charlotte, 6 p.m.
Murray St. at UT Martin, 6 p.m.
Clemson at North Florida, 6 p.m.
Campbell at High Point, 6 p.m.
LIU Brooklyn at Bryant, 6 p.m.
Brown at Princeton, 5 p.m.
Iowa at Penn St., 5 p.m.
Harvard at Cornell, 5 p.m.
St. Bonaventure at Duquesne, 5:30 p.m.
Yale at Penn, 6 p.m.
New Hampshire at Albany (N.Y.), 6 p.m.
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Hartford at Holy Cross, 6 p.m.
Dartmouth at Columbia, 6 p.m.

Top 25 fared
1. Villanova (21-1) did not play. Next: vs. Seton Hall, Sunday.
2. Virginia (21-1) did not play. Next: at Syracuse, Saturday.
3. Purdue (22-2) did not play. Next: at Rutgers, Saturday.
4. Duke (19-3) did not play. Next: at St. John's, Saturday.
5. Michigan State (21-3) did not play. Next: at Rutgers, Saturday.
6. Xavier (20-3) did not play. Next: vs. Georgetown, Saturday.
7. Kansas (17-4) did not play. Next: vs. Oklahoma State, Saturday.
8. Cincinnati (20-5) did not play. Next: at UConn, Saturday.
9. Arizona (19-4) did not play. Next: at Washington, Saturday.
10. Texas Tech (18-4) did not play. Next: at TCU, Saturday.
11. Auburn (20-5) did not play. Next: vs. Vanderbilt, Saturday.
12. Oklahoma (16-5) did not play. Next: at Texas, Saturday.
13. Saint Mary's (22-2) beat San Francisco 79-63. Next: at Gonz. Sunday.
14. Gonzaga (20-4) did not play. Next: vs. BYU, Saturday.
15. West Virginia (16-6) did not play. Next: vs. Kansas State, Saturday.
16. Wichita State (17-5) lost to Temple 91-79, OT. Next: at Memphis, Sunday.
17. Ohio State (19-5) did not play. Next: vs. Illinois, Sunday.
18. Tennessee (16-6) did not play. Next: vs. Mississippi, Saturday.
19. North Carolina (16-7) did not play. Next: vs. Pittsburgh, Saturday.
20. Clemson (19-4) did not play. Next: at Wake Forest, Saturday.
21. Kentucky (17-5) did not play. Next: at Missouri, Saturday.
22. Rhode Island (19-3) beat VCU 81-68. Next: vs. Davidson, Friday.
23. Florida (17-7) did not play. Next: vs. Alabama, Saturday.
24. Michigan (16-6) did not play. Next: vs. Mississippi, Saturday.
25. Arizona State (16-6) did not play. Next: at Washington State, Sunday.

Top 25 fared
1. UConn (21-0) did not play. Next: vs. Cincinnati, Sunday.
2. Mississippi State (23-0) did not play. Next: vs. No. 7 South Carolina, Monday.
3. Baylor (20-1) did not play. Next: at Texas Tech, Saturday.
4. Louisville (23-1) did not play. Next: at Syracuse, Sunday.
5. Notre Dame (21-2) did not play. Next: at No. 19 Duke, Sunday.
6. Oregon (20-3) vs. No. 25 California. Next: vs. No. 24 Stanford, Sunday.
7. South Carolina (18-4) did not play. Next: at No. 2 Mississippi State, Monday.
8. Texas (17-4) did not play. Next: vs. No. 22 TCU, Saturday.
9. UCLA (17-4) vs. Southern Cal. Next: at Southern Cal. Monday.
10. Florida State (18-4) did not play. Next: at Florida, Sunday.
11. Maryland (19-3) did not play. Next: at Nebraska, Sunday.
12. Tennessee (18-4) did not play. Next: at Vanderbilt, Sunday.
13. Michigan (19-5) did not play. Next: at Rutgers, Sunday.
14. Texas A&M (17-4) did not play. Next: vs. Auburn, Sunday.
15. Missouri (17-5) did not play. Next: vs. Florida, Monday.
16. Oregon State (16-6) lost to No. 24 Stanford 60-57. Next: vs. No. 25 California, Sunday.
17. Georgia (19-3) did not play. Next: vs. Mississippi, Sunday.
18. Ohio State (16-6) did not play. Next: at Wisconsin, Saturday.
19. Duke (19-4) did not play. Next: vs. No. 5 Notre Dame, Sunday.
20. Green Bay (20-2) did not play. Next: vs. Wright State, Saturday.
21. West Virginia (17-5) did not play. Next: at Oklahoma, Saturday.
22. TCU (15-6) did not play. Next: at No. 6 Texas, Saturday.
23. Oklahoma State (15-6) did not play. Next: vs. Kansas, Saturday.
24. Stanford (16-6) beat No. 19 Oregon State 60-57. Next: at No. 5 Oregon, Sunday.
25. California (16-6) vs. No. 8 Oregon. Next: at No. 18 Oregon State, Sunday.

Men's Schedule
SOUTHWEST
Texas Tech at TCU, 1 p.m.
South Carolina at Texas A&M, 1 p.m.
Texas A&M-CC at Incarnate Word, 3 p.m.
W. Kentucky at UTSA, 3 p.m.
Coastal Carolina at Texas-Arlington, 4:15 p.m.
Stephen F. Austin at Lamar, 4:30 p.m.
Appalachian St. at Texas State, 4:30 p.m.
Rice at North Texas, 5 p.m.
Georgia St. at UALR, 5 p.m.
Texas Southern at Prairie View, 5 p.m.
Oklahoma at Texas, 5:15 p.m.
Alabama Christian at Sam Houston St., 6:15 p.m.
SOUTH
Notre Dame at NC State, 11 a.m.
Houston at UCF, 11 a.m.
Furman at The Citadel, noon.
Memphis at East Carolina, 1 p.m.
Miami at Virginia

Black athletes have long history of not sticking to sports

By Errin Haines Whack
Associated Press

This year's NFL season featured two of America's pastimes: football and race, with pre-game protests dividing fans along color lines and making Sunday afternoons among the most segregated hours in the country.

While some fans would prefer players stick to sports, many black athletes have chosen a different path by protesting, making people uncomfortable.

"The whole purpose of the demonstrations is to get (fans') attention," Kareem Abdul-Jabbar said in an interview with The Associated Press. "These are the people that ignore the fact that people are being shot dead in the street. They've found ways to ignore it."

For weeks, some NFL players, most of them African-American, knelt silently on the sidelines as the national anthem played before kickoff. Their goal: to raise awareness about disparities in policing in communities of color, and about persistent, systemic racism in America.

It was a new approach to an age-old problem.

For generations, black athletes from heavyweight boxer Jack Johnson to tennis champions Venus and Serena Williams to former NFL quarterback Colin Kaepernick have protested in ways large and small to highlight injustice, galvanize support and move the country forward. Often met with backlash from fans uninterested in mixing sports and social issues, many have taken stances that have cost them their careers.

The roots of black athlete activism can be traced to the dawn of black freedom. Even after slavery ended, black Americans were barred from full participation in the public sphere: denied the right to vote, access to mass media, or equal housing and schools.

Because they were blocked from entry in most civic institutions for much of the 20th century, black people found public visibility and expression in other arenas — often cultural ones, like music and sports.

Johnson fought — and beat — white boxers at the height of Jim Crow, when blacks were presumed to be inferior, and dated white women, upending the social norms of the day.

When he finally lost, it would be a generation before another black boxer would be allowed to compete at such a level, and the message had been sent to black athletes that disrupting society came with consequences.

"It's because of what happens to him that others know they have to toe the line," said New York University historian Jeffrey Sammons. "They can't be seen as defiant or opponents of the system. They know they can't succeed without living up to expectations and being humble, unassuming and supportive of the established

order." Then came along Muhammad Ali, who was not one to toe the line.

Ali was the most visible and influential athlete of his generation when he protested the Vietnam War as racially unjust by refusing to be drafted in 1967, a move that cost him his livelihood, derailing his fighting career for years.

Ali's actions influenced others. Basketball player Abdul-Jabbar boycotted the 1968 Summer Olympics. At the same games, held in Mexico City, American track athletes Tommie Smith and John Carlos held raised fists covered in black leather gloves as the national anthem played after winning gold and bronze medals in the 200-meter race.

Abdul-Jabbar, who at 70 represents a bridge between Ali and Kaepernick, went on to a storied NBA career, but Smith and Carlos returned home to the threat of having their medals taken, and faced difficulty finding coaching jobs.

"It was an international stage that was being used to promote how unified and wonderful the world is, but black Americans at that point were still in a very tough struggle to obtain their rights, both human and political," Abdul-Jabbar said of the 1968 games.

"The fact that (Smith and Carlos) used an international platform to speak for people who usually don't have any power to be heard made it all the more significant."

Carlos said Mexico City was the only place he could've made such a statement.

"At that time, for me, there was no other vehicle than the Olympic Games," he recalled. "I felt like the humanitarian issues at that time, as well as the humanitarian issues of today, are more compelling to me than an Olympic medal. I love the Olympics and I love sports, but I love a just cause for humanity even greater."

It is a sentiment shared by NFL players.

The killing of mostly unarmed black men by mostly white police officers sparked the Black Lives Matter movement, which has again drawn black athletes into the national conversation on race. The sideline protests in the NFL — started in August 2016 by Kaepernick — have been the most prominent display of players' engagement, though black athletes in baseball and basketball have also had smaller displays of activism. Because sports are such a prominent aspect of American life, they remain an effective way to bring attention to issues of racial injustice.

"This is our inheritance," said Howard Bryant, senior writer at ESPN and author of the forthcoming book "The Heritage: Black Athletes, A Divided America, and the Politics of Patriotism."

"You're not allowed to check out," Bryant said. "This is going to continue until the United States respects the black brain more than the black body. Then



Extending gloved hands skyward in racial protest, U.S. athletes Tommie Smith, center, and John Carlos stare downward during the playing of national anthem after Smith received the gold and Carlos the bronze for the 200 meter run at the Summer Olympic Games in 1968 in Mexico City. Australian silver medalist Peter Norman is at left.

sports can go back to what it was supposed to be — just a game."

Media — and social media in particular — has helped in recruiting athletes to the cause, explained Color of Change Executive Director Rashad Robinson, whose online civil rights organization has joined with athletes in addressing systemic racism and mobilized its membership to boycott the NFL and its corporate sponsors.

Such stands have often come at a cost, even for today's players, who are far more prominent and wealthy than their predecessors. Like players who spoke out before them, they have been met with violence and vitriol, described as unpatriotic, ungrateful and disrespectful.

"The public is used to black guys selling sneakers and making jump shots," said Bryant. "Do white people want to hear what black people have to say? No, they don't. Does it need to be said? Yes."

Abdul-Jabbar agreed, tying Ali's fate to Kaepernick's as two athletes who sacrificed their livelihoods

at the height of their careers for a greater cause.

"Anybody that knows anything about football will tell you that he is a talented athlete and should be on

somebody's team," Abdul-Jabbar, author of "Becoming Kareem: Growing Up On and Off the Court," said of Kaepernick. "I think he's being blackballed."

But with the cost are also benefits. Using the universal language of sports as a platform to discuss race reveals racism and galvanizes support to end it, Robinson said.

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Ravens GM Newsome to step down after 2018 season

By David Ginsburg
Associated Press

OWINGS MILLS, Md. — Ozzie Newsome's reign as the only general manager in Baltimore Ravens history will come to an end after the 2018 season. Newsome signed a five-year extension in 2014 with the understanding that he surrenders the post to assistant GM Eric DeCosta at the end of the contract, Ravens owner Steve Bisciotti said Friday. "Ozzie will step down as GM and has assured me that he's not going anywhere," Bisciotti said. "He will work with me and work with Eric for a smooth transition and he'll be the highest paid scout in America when Eric takes over next year." Newsome, 61, has been in charge of filling out the roster since the Ravens arrived in Baltimore in 1996. His first two draft picks were Jonathan Ogden — who became a Hall of Fame offensive lineman — and Ray Lewis, who is expected to enter the Hall this year.

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been in — and even the second time, I have been in (contention) — I am very fortunate and blessed to have played the game as long as I did considering I thought I would never play beyond the college level." Owens played for five teams in 15 pro seasons, having the most success with San Francisco and Dallas, losing a Super Bowl with Philadelphia. Each of his stints in those cities — he also was with Buffalo and Cincinnati — didn't end well. "Early in my career when I was an adolescent and teenager, I had self-esteem issues," he explains. "I had to get out of that. You have to believe in yourself in order to progress in order to do anything in your life. No matter what, I am not going to look at the Hall of Fame as a platform to kind of validate what I did in my career." Nor does Moss, who spent 14 NFL seasons with five clubs, having his best years with Minnesota and New England. He was the 1998 Offensive Rookie of the Year with the Vikings, and in 2007 helped the Patriots go undefeated until they fell to the Giants in the Super Bowl. Like Owens, Moss also had some run-ins with teammates, opponents, coaches and executives. "Whether that affects him as Owens believes it has impacted him for Hall of Fame consideration remains to be seen. "Going through college and my first couple years in the league, I never looked at the Hall of Fame or at the (gold) jackets," Moss says. "I loved and enjoyed the game. As I retired, now on my fifth year and up as a finalist, now is the time I really looked at, 'Am I Hall of Fame worthy? Will I get the nod?' "Through my playing career, the Hall of Fame was not in my equation. I just enjoyed coming to the stadium and being around my teammates and just competing." Moss admits there might be some nerves Saturday. "It's kind of like you going into court and being in front of a jury, the fate is in their hands," he says. "I don't have a vote. "What I will do is be around close family and friends and just wait it out. ... I guess your overall final accomplishment for playing in the NFL is the gold jacket. Some nervousness will come in. "I think I am worthy of getting in on the first ballot, but if not, you win some, you lose some. If the Hall of Fame is my final stop, I am definitely honored to be part of it."

No cure for Patriot Fatigue, so savor the greatness

By Paul Newberry
Associated Press

Patriot Fatigue is a national affliction. Outside of New England, we've all become a bit nauseated at the sight of these guys in the Super Bowl year after monotonous year, a numbing, inevitable exercise that's transformed America's greatest sporting event into nothing more than a quaint backyard game hosted by Bill Belichick and Tom Brady. Since there is no known cure, the hardcore football faithful might want to mimic those who tune in Sunday for nothing more than the commercials and Justin Timberlake's halftime show — and tune out before the end of the game, thereby avoiding any chance of coming down with another Patriots' celebration. At this point, it would probably be more appropriate to award the NFL champion a bronzed hoodie rather than the Vince Lombardi Trophy.

But true fans, please — if only for a moment — appreciate what is happening here. This is undoubtedly the greatest dynasty in NFL history, a team that long ago raced past Lombardi's Packers and Pittsburgh's Steel Curtain and Montana's 49ers. No one has come close to maintaining such a level of excellence for the better part of two decades, so it seems downright reasonable to proclaim, without a hint of hesitation, that we'll never see their likes again. Don't limit it to football, either. The Patriots very well could be the greatest dynasty of them all, in any sport. Sure, we'll get objections from the New York Yankees and the Boston Celtics and the Montreal Canadiens, but many of their titles came in a totally different era, before expansion and free-agency and salary caps and longer playoff grinds, all of which were supposed to ensure more parity. Those rules apply to everyone else.



Mark Humphrey/Associated Press

New England Patriots quarterback Tom Brady throws during a practice on Friday in Minneapolis.

Not the Patriots. "I think everyone in the league sort of envies their success to some extent, and rightfully so," said Philadelphia Eagles coach Doug Pederson, whose team will try to take down the Patriots this time around. "They've been there, done that many times, and that's something that every other team would love to have." Those who focus solely on this Groundhog Day-like moment miss the bigger picture. It all began way back in 2001, just days after the horror of 9/11, when Brady took over as quarterback for longtime starter Drew Bledsoe, who went down with an injury after signing a 10-year contract extension. With their unheralded, sixth-round draft pick leading the way, the Patriots went on to capture the first of what has grown to five Super Bowl titles. But, in a sense, those crowns are merely the top-pers on an enormous cake. More impressive in our

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eyes are the 17 straight winning seasons, only one with fewer than 10 victories. More impressive are the 15 AFC East championships, including the current run of nine in a row. More impressive are the 12 appearances — and eight triumphs — in the AFC championship game. More impressive is staying on top with an ever-changing cast of characters, accumulated through all manner of signings, trades and late-round draft picks. Ever changing, that is, except for Belichick's singularly focused coaching genius and the 40-year-old Brady's age-defying excellence on the field. For those looking for a respite, don't count on it anytime soon. Even that scathing ESPN article, which alleged a major rift between Belichick and Brady (and was quickly

denied by all), sounded a bit like wishful thinking. Asked if he's thought about how long he wants to coach, Belichick gave a typical response. "My focus is on Sunday," the 65-year-old droned. "That's my window right now." Brady was downright defiant about his desire to keep playing. "Why does everyone want me to retire so bad?" he said. "I don't get it. I'm having fun. The team's doing good. I know I'm a little bit older than most of the other guys, but I'm really enjoying it." Of course, there are those that will say the Patriots cheated their way to the top, and there's no denying they claimed a virtual monopoly on "gates" with accusations of spying on opponents and deflating footballs.

And, sure, they've carried themselves with all the smugness of a team that knows it's better than everyone else. For instance, their most recent championship rings came with 283 diamonds, a karated commemoration of New England's historic comeback from a 28-3 deficit in last year's Super Bowl. Atlanta Falcons owner Arthur Blank, whose team was on the wrong end of that comeback, was not amused by the not-so-subtle jab. In August, he confronted his New England counterpart, Robert Kraft. "I said to Robert, 'You didn't have to do the 28-3 in the ring,'" Blank said in a New York Times Magazine article chronicling the 2016 season. "It kind of (ticked) me off." The Falcons won't get a chance at revenge. Not this year, at least. They were eliminated on the second weekend of the playoffs by the Eagles. The Patriots, to no one's surprise, are back again.

Super Bowl 52 might come down to Gronk or Ertz

By Arnie Stapleton
Associated Press

BLOOMINGTON, Minn. — Rob Gronkowski gets to play in this year's Super Bowl after missing last year's game with a bad back. Zach Ertz gets the chance to match his wife, Julie, a soccer star who's already won a world championship. Super Bowl 52 could come down to which of these terrific tight ends shines brighter. The two had similar statistics and impact on their team's fortunes this season. Gronkowski led the New England Patriots with 69 catches for 1,084 yards and eight touchdowns. Ertz led the Philadelphia Eagles with 74 catches for 824 yards and eight TDs — double his previous career best. Ertz also has 11 grabs for 125 yards in the playoffs and Gronkowski has seven catches for 102 yards and a touchdown in the playoffs despite missing most of the AFC championship against Jacksonville after taking a helmet-to-helmet hit from Barry Church before halftime. That led to concerns Gronkowski might miss his second straight Super Bowl. He was sidelined for last year's 34-28 overtime win against Atlanta after undergoing back surgery. Gronk, however, returned to practice Thursday and said he is "ready to roll" after clearing the concussion protocol. He said he never doubted he'd get to play Sunday. "There was no reason to get frustrated," Gronkowski said. "We had that extra week, which was awesome." The return of the All-Pro tight end gives Tom Brady another key option against a punishing Eagles defense that ranked fourth in the league. "He's a dynamic player"

He means a ton to our offense. He really has since he got to our team. It's always great when he's out there," Brady said. "I've played with him a long time, I've thrown him a lot of footballs. He knows exactly what to do, he knows where to expect the ball, when to expect it. He's just a tremendous player for our team." Ertz is just as important to Nick Foles and the Eagles' offense. The fifth-year pro made his first Pro Bowl this season, leading all NFC tight ends in receptions. He added eight catches for 93 yards in the NFC championship game against Minnesota. Despite his breakout season and postseason, Ertz knows he won't be the best tight end on the field Sunday. Gronkowski led all NFL tight ends in receiving yards for the fourth time. Gronk is the gold standard. "He's a beast after the catch, I think that kind of separates him from all the other tight ends," Ertz said. "And he's also able to be open even when he's not open because he's got such a big frame and extremely good ball skills. And obviously Tom Brady is a phenomenal quarterback, too, but even without Tom, I think he would still be doing the same type of things regardless of where he was." Ertz knows the numbers off the top of his head, too. "He has all the (single season) tight end records in the league," Ertz said. He's got the yards — 1,327 — and he's got the touchdowns — 17 — he's just a phenomenal player." With a pair of Super Bowl rings. That's what Ertz really covets, a world championship like the one his wife won in 2015 as a midfielder for the World

Cup-winning U.S. national soccer team. "Julie won a World Cup two years ago," Ertz said, "so I need to hold up my end of the bargain." The "It" couple in the NFL was married last March after a romance that started when Julie, then Julie Johnston, was an emerging soccer star at Santa Clara and Zach was playing at Stanford. The two were apart when the Eagles clinched their spot in the Super Bowl with a 38-7 victory over the Minnesota Vikings. Julie was in San Diego for a national team match against Denmark. She was among the players who scored in the 5-1 victory. Afterward, when she was told Zach was going to the Super Bowl, she burst into tears. "Zach knew I was there obviously in spirit and I was praying for him and I was excited for him and cheering him from miles away," she said. "It's a part of our job and we sacrifice a lot, and time's the biggest thing. But to find out that they are going to the Super Bowl was amazing, exciting, emotional. It's really cool to see your loved one's hard work pay off." Ertz said it was hard for him watching other players' celebrate with their wives "but seeing that video kind of showed me that she was struggling not being there, too. "And it was extremely difficult for us not being together like it is anytime we're not together. But she's here now, I'm lucky she's here. I'm blessed that she's here and I'm excited hopefully to be able to experience that again."

Nick Foles plans to become a pastor after football

By Rob Maaddi
Associated Press

BLOOMINGTON, Minn. — Nick Foles has a calling far greater than throwing touchdown passes. If Foles leads the Philadelphia Eagles to a Super Bowl victory over the New England Patriots, he'll become a folk hero in a city that has desperately waited for a championship since 1960. But that won't define Foles in the big picture. He has more important plans for his future. "I want to be a pastor in a high school," Foles said Thursday. "It's on my heart. I took a leap of faith last year and signed up to take classes at seminary. I wanted to continue to learn and challenge my faith. It's a challenge because you are writing papers that are biblically correct. You want to impact people's hearts." Foles is part of a team that has a strong Christian brotherhood. MVP contender Carson Wentz has been outspoken about his faith and many players spend a lot of time together in prayer, studying the Bible and sharing devotionals. Foles was one of the study leaders during his first stint in Philadelphia and has become a go-to source for younger guys. Left guard Stefen Wisniewski also plans to become a pastor after his career ends. "Guys like Nick and Wis can spit out scripture all day and it's awesome to take in that knowledge," said special teams ace Kamu Grugier-Hill. Foles is passionate about helping students find their way and plans to use his experiences to inspire and encourage them. "When I speak to (students), that's such a time of young men and young women's lives that there's a lot of things that are thrown at them. So much temptation in this world, so much going on with social media and the internet that you want

to talk to them and address it and share all the weaknesses I have because I've fallen many times," Foles said. "It's something I want to do. I can't play football forever. I've been blessed with an amazing platform and it's just a door God has opened, but I still have a lot of school left and a long journey." Foles, who was offensive MVP of the Pro Bowl following the 2013 season, contemplated retirement after he asked the Rams to release him last year. He ended up going to Kansas City and reuniting with Andy Reid, who drafted him in the third round in Philadelphia in 2012. He says prayer helped him decide to stay in the NFL, and he returned to the Eagles to be Wentz's backup. When Wentz tore his left ACL in Week 14, Foles stepped in and led Philadelphia. He was spectacular against Minnesota in the NFC championship, tossing four touchdown passes in a 38-7 win. Foles — not Tom Brady — has the highest passer rating in postseason history for quarterbacks who've thrown at least 75 passes. Foles has completed 72 of 96 passes for 793 yards, with five touchdowns and no interceptions in three games for a 116.4 passer rating. "It took a lot more faith to come back and play than it would've to go in the other direction," Foles said. "Either way would've been fine. Either way, I would've trusted in God. I would've done something else and glorified God in that instance." "The reason I decided to come back is I've loved the game of football since I was a kid, I loved playing sports, I loved being part of a team, and I knew as a person that the more growth I've had and the more opportunity I would have to glorify God and trust in him would be to go back and play football."

Bib campaign against sex abuse captures US skiers' attention

By Andrew Dampf
Associated Press

CORTINA D'AMPEZZO, Italy — The message in red capital letters — "STOP VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND GIRLS" — was printed on the bottom of skiers' bibs for a recent women's World Cup downhill in Cortina.

It was so small, though, that initially many racers did not even notice it.

In the hours and days afterward, and simultaneously with the sex abuse trial against disgraced former USA Gymnastics doctor Larry Nassar, the Cortina organizers' campaign prompted some serious reflection from the most successful athletes on the U.S. Ski Team.

"This is the time for women to stand up and this is an opportunity for us to change our system and how women are treated in the world — not just the workplace," said Lindsey Vonn, the most successful female skier of all time with 79 World Cup wins.

"Thankfully I haven't experienced any of that in ski racing," Vonn added, referring to the Nassar case. "I find that extremely disturbing and I hope that now we can all stand together and make things better."

Julia Mancuso, who announced her retirement two weeks ago in Cortina after nearly two decades with the U.S. team, shared Vonn's view that she never heard of sexual abuse on the team during her tenure.

"There has never been anything that I know of — and I would be surprised if there was something that hasn't come up, because I think now is the time," Mancuso told The Associated Press.

Not that there haven't been cases of sexual abuse in skiing.

Bertrand Charest, a former coach with Canada's

national development team, was convicted of 37 charges related to the sexual assault of young athletes and sentenced in December to 12 years in prison. His crimes took place more than 20 years ago.

In Austria, 1976 Olympian Nicola Werdenigg told the daily Der Standard in November that she was sexually assaulted when she was 16 by a male teammate and alluded to other, similar incidents.

The powerful Austrian ski federation said that it can't investigate the case, however, as long as Werdenigg — who competed under her maiden name, Spiess — refrains from providing names and more details.

"It's a good thing that there is now an open discussion and women are in a place where they can speak up," said Tina Weirather, a World Cup super-G champion from Liechtenstein.

The bib campaign in Cortina was promoted by an Italian women's association, D.i.Re, an acronym which when spelled out translates to "Women united against violence."

"It's great to bring awareness and to race with that on the bib here," Mancuso said. "It's a pretty cool thing to say."

While the number of races and prizes for men and women has not really been an issue since the World Cup circuit started in 1966, the women's circuit is dominated by male coaches and the gender divide can sometimes lead to communication problems.

"I've always been one to speak my mind. And it always bothered me when I wasn't listened to," Mancuso said. "Especially when you're a young girl and you're in a sport and you're told to compete with the best in the world and win races."

Prominent baseball agent suggests spring training boycott

By Ronald Blum
Associated Press

NEW YORK — A prominent baseball agent said players are angered over the slow free-agent market and suggested they consider boycotting spring training.

Brodie Van Wagenen, co-head of CAA Baseball, floated the idea in a statement released Friday, less than two weeks before spring training workouts are to start in Florida and Arizona. He also raised the possibility of a collusion grievance, as did another agent, Seth Levinson of Aces.

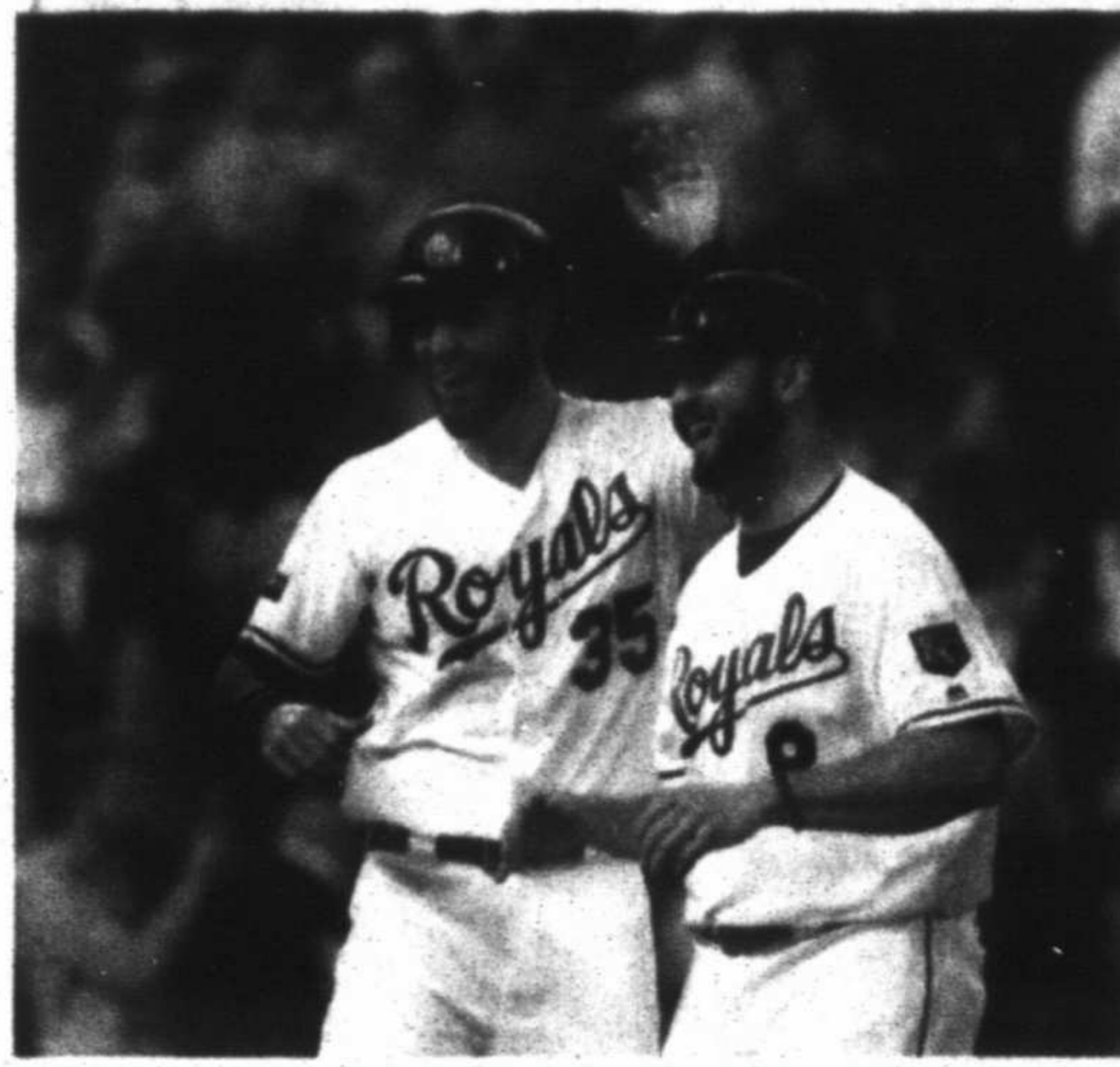
"The players are upset. No, they are outraged. Players in the midst of long-term contracts are as frustrated as those still seeking employment," Van Wagenen said. "I would suggest that testing the will of 1,200 alpha males at the pinnacle of their profession is not a good strategy for 30 men who are bound by a much smaller fraternity."

J.D. Martinez, Eric Hosmer, Mike Moustakas, Jake Arrieta, Yu Darvish, Alex Cobb, Greg Holland and Lance Lynn remain among the dozens of unsigned free agents.

"A boycott of spring training may be a starting point, if behavior doesn't change. Players don't receive their paychecks until the second week of April. Fine them? OK, for how much? Sue them? OK, they'll see you in court two years from now."

CAA represents more than 150 baseball players, including Robinson Cano, Yoenis Cespedes, Buster Posey, Shohei Ohtani, Adam Jones, Jacob deGrom and Noah Syndergaard.

Van Wagenen's free agents this offseason include Todd Frazier. Van Wagenen said he chose to speak out now because



Charlie Riedel/AP file photo

Kansas City Royals' Eric Hosmer (35) and Mike Moustakas (8) celebrate after they scored on a double by Alcides Escobar during the eighth inning of a baseball game against the Detroit Tigers in 2017 in Kansas City, Mo.

spring training was approaching.

"The sentiment that I'm hearing from players is that something radical may be necessary to show the other side there is unity and strength in their frustration," he said in a telephone interview.

Spring training workouts begin Feb. 14, but participation is voluntary until the mandatory reporting date on Feb. 24 — the day after major league spring training games are to start.

Levinson praised Van Wagenen and agreed with his conclusions.

"It is disconcerting, and disheartening for clubs that are awash in revenue and or are fully capable of improving its product to choose to do otherwise," he said. "Further, it is deeply troubling to encounter that almost all clubs are operating in a strangely similar fashion. There are no coincidences in a monopoly."

Large-market teams, including the Los Angeles Dodgers and New York Yankees, are cutting payrolls to get under the

\$197 million threshold for luxury tax payrolls.

"Every market's different. There's different players, different quality of players, different GMs, different decisions, new basic agreement, different agents who have particular prominence in a particular market in terms of who they represent," Commissioner Rob Manfred said Thursday. "Those factors and probably others that I can't tick off the top of my head have combined to produce a particular market this year. Just like there's been some markets where the lid got blown off in terms of player salary growth, I think I can honestly suggest that occasionally you're going to have some that are a little different, not quite as robust."

New York Mets general manager Sandy Alderson, speaking to fans at Citi Field on Thursday, said analytics contributed to the slow pace of negotiations.

"Big data is the reason we've seen so little movement in the free-agent

market, because as data becomes more pervasive in the game, as it has, it tends to narrow the range of different evaluations," he said. "The evaluations become much more uniform."

The average salary, according to the players' association, rose 3.3 percent last year to nearly \$4.1 million following an increase of just 0.35 percent in 2016, the lowest rise since 2004. The new collective bargaining agreement, the first since Tony Clark succeeded Michael Weiner as union head, added surtaxes to the competitive-balance tax and additional penalties for high payrolls, including lesser choices in the amateur draft.

"The CBT is designed to be a restraint on the spending of high-payroll clubs," Manfred said. "I think that the system, without singling out the CBT, actually is working pretty well in the sense that the standard deviation of our payrolls that are being projected next year has actually gone down significantly, suggesting that our payrolls are more compressed, top-down, the bottom-up, which we feel is important in terms of preserving the competitive balance in the game." Clark issued a statement that did not address a boycott or a grievance. "For decades free agency has been the cornerstone of baseball's economic system and has benefited players and the game alike," he said. "Each time it has been attacked, players, their representatives and the association have united to defend it. That will never change."

Baseball has enjoyed labor peace since a 7½-month strike in 1994-95 led to the first cancellation of the World Series in 90 years, and the labor contract runs through the 2021 season.



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EAGLES

13-3 • 2-0

OFFENSE

Total yards (avg.)
Regular season: 365.8
233.6 132.2
Passing Rushing
Postseason: 395.0
292.0 103.0

First downs
Regular season: 338
108 193 37
Rushing Passing Penalty
Postseason: 49
15 3 31

DEFENSE

Yards allowed (avg.)
Regular season: 306.5
227.3 79.2
Passing Rushing
Postseason: 307.0
229.0 78.0

SCORING (PPG)

Regular season
28.6 Points for
18.4 Points allowed
Postseason
26.5 Points for
8.5 Points allowed

PLAY SELECTION (PCT.)

Regular season		Postseason	
PASS	RUSH	PASS	RUSH
54.4	45.6	50.4	49.6

COACHES CORNER

Doug Pederson

Philly was in attack mode from the outset against the Vikings, and that's a good reflection of Pederson and his staff. Pederson knows he can't back off against the Pats, and defensive coordinator Jim Schwartz is known for being aggressive.

Career record: 22-12 .647
Reg. season Postseason
W L PCT W L PCT
20 12 .625 2 0 1.000

All aboard the Jay Train

Acquired from Miami at the trade deadline. Became first player in NFL history to produce at least 400 rushing yards with two teams (465 yards, Miami, 408 yards, Philadelphia) in the same season.

RUSHING
Regular season (Mia./Phi.)
ATT YDS AVG LONG TD
33 127 3.8 18 0
Postseason
3 12 4.0 18 0



Made ● Missed ○
Regular season
FGA 31
FGM 26
PCT 83.9
LNG 61

Nick has the knack

FOLES STATS
Pass yds: 537 (reg.) • 596 (postseason)
TDs: 5 (reg.) • 3 (postseason)

Win Loss
WEEK TDs YARDS

1	—
2	—
3	—
4	—
5	—
6	—
7	—
8	—
9	35
10	BYE
11	—
12	21
13	—
14	42
15	237
16	163
17	39
WC	—
DIV	246
CONF	352

Eagles look to thwart Patriots shot at a record sixth championship in a ...

Super showdown

Tom Brady and the New England Patriots will try to match the Pittsburgh Steelers' six Super Bowl trophies when they face the Eagles in Minneapolis. They'll face a Philadelphia Eagles team looking for their first Lombardi Trophy.

Nick Foles, the backup QB who was thrust into the starting role when Carson Wentz blew out his left knee last month, led the Eagles to a 38-7 rout of the Minnesota Vikings in the NFC championship game.

The Eagles, who last won an NFL title in 1960, several years before the first Super Bowl, met the Patriots in the Super Bowl after the 2004 season with New England prevailing 24-21. It's the eighth Super Bowl appearance for Brady and coach Bill Belichick, who have won five times — including last year's 34-28 overtime rally against the Atlanta Falcons.

The Patriots clearly have the edge when it comes to experience — 32 players have a combined 60 games in the title game. The Eagles have just seven players on the active roster who've won a Super Bowl. The Patriots believe what's important is this: Philadelphia is playing its best football.

U.S. Bank Stadium, Minneapolis • Sunday • 6:30 p.m. EST (NBC)

PROJECTED STARTERS

PATRIOTS

OFFENSE

D. Lewis 33 • RB
T. Brady 12 • QB
J. White 28 • RB
R. Gronkowski 87 • TE

C. Hogan 15 • WR
C. Fleming 71 • RT
S. Mason 69 • RG
D. Andrews 60 • C
J. Thuney 62 • LG
N. Solder 77 • LT
V. Curry 75 • DE

T. Jernigan 93 • DT
F. Cox 91 • DT
B. Graham 55 • DE

J. Mills 31 • CB
M. Kendrick 95 • LB
D. Ellerbe 57 • LB
N. Bradham 53 • LB
R. Darby 41 • CB

R. McLeod 23 • S
M. Jenkins 27 • S

SPECIAL TEAMS

S. Gostkowski 3 • K
R. Allen 6 • P
D. Amendola 80 • PR
D. Lewis 33 • KR

PROJECTED STARTERS

EAGLES

OFFENSE

N. Agholor 13 • WR
N. Foles 9 • QB
J. Ajayi 36 • RB
Z. Ertz 86 • TE

A. Jeffery 17 • WR
L. Johnson 66 • RT
B. Brooks 79 • RG
J. Keice 62 • C
S. Wisniewski 61 • LG
H. Vaitai 72 • LT
T. Smith 82 • WR

E. Lee 55 • LDE
L. Guy 95 • DT
M. Brown 90 • DT
S. Gilmore 24 • RCB

M. Butler 21 • LCB
E. Roberts 52 • LB
K. Van Noy 53 • LB
J. Harrison 92 • LB

P. Chung 29 • S
D. McCourty 32 • S

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D. Jones 8 • P
K. Barner 38 • PR/KR

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NEW ENGLAND



PATRIOTS

13-3 • 2-0

OFFENSE

Total yards (avg.)
Regular season: 394.2
276.1 118.1
Passing Rushing
Postseason: 391.0
317.5 73.5

First downs
Regular season: 389
107 232 50
Rushing Passing Penalty
Postseason: 53
11 6 36

DEFENSE

Yards allowed (avg.)
Regular season: 366.0
251.2 114.8
Passing Rushing
Postseason: 320.5
237.5 83.0

SCORING (PPG)

Regular season
28.6 Points for
18.5 Points allowed
Postseason
29.5 Points for
17.0 Points allowed

PLAY SELECTION (PCT.)

Regular season		Postseason	
PASS	RUSH	PASS	RUSH
56.7	43.3	66.7	33.3

COACHES CORNER

Bill Belichick

One win away from a sixth Super Bowl title with the Patriots. Has shaped the roster in New England to build the strongest dynasty in the history of the NFL.

Career record: 278-128 .685
Reg. season Postseason
W L PCT W L PCT
250 118 .679 28 10 .737

Carrying the load

Emerged as one of the most reliable playmakers in the league over the back half of the season, carving out his role as New England's backfield leader. Also, the only player in this game to have returned a kickoff for a TD this season. Ranked fourth in the NFL with 24.8 yards per return.

RUSHING
Regular season
ATT YDS AVG LONG TD
180 896 5.0 44 6
Postseason
24 98 4.0 18 0



Made ● Missed ○
Regular season
FGA 40
FGM 37
PCT 92.5
LNG 62

Battle tested

BRADY'S STATS
Pass yds: 4,577 (reg.) • 627 (post)
TDs: 32 (reg.) • 5 (post)

Win Loss
WEEK TDs YARDS

1	267
2	447
3	378
4	307
5	303
6	257
7	249
8	333
9	BYE
10	266
11	340
12	227
13	258
14	233
15	298
16	224
17	190
WC	—
DIV	337
CONF	290

Passes by field position

REGULAR SEASON

FOLES	ATT			Yard line	BRADY		
	Pct	Comp	Att		Pct	Comp	Pct
60.0	15	15	15	OPP 19-1	107	66	64.7
74.0	37	37	37	OPP 49-20	104	131	67.5
57.1	8	8	8	OWN 1-20	103	59	60.0
61.3	46	46	46	OWN 21-50	193	65.4	

Foles about Foles backup, his post-performance, early in the NFC game, have been

Tom Brady Has won five Super Bowls; four times as game MVP. Led the NFL with 4,577 passing yards. Will be making his 37th postseason start.

Super Bowl ads shy from politics and mind their manners

By Mae Anderson
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Peyton Manning takes a family to Universal Parks & Resorts. Chris Pratt works out to get in shape to tout Michelob Ultra. Bill Hader takes a break on set to snack on some Pringles.

This year's Super Bowl advertisers are minding their manners. They're trying hard to steer clear of everything from politics to the #MeToo movement with lightly humorous ads that don't offend.

The goal is to capture the attention of the 111 million-plus viewers expected to tune in Sunday when the Philadelphia Eagles take on the New England Patriots. Thirty-second slots are going for more than \$5 million for airtime alone.

Last year, ads that tackled political issues fell flat, like an 84 Lumber ad about immigration. And some thought the recent Grammy Awards' low ratings were because the show contained too many political moments, such as Hillary Clinton reading from the Trump biography "Fire and Fury."

People are in the mood for "political-free entertainment," said Kim Whitley, a marketing professor at the University of Virginia.

Several ads will be taking a light-humor approach with mostly male celebrities. PepsiCo brands Doritos Blaze and Mountain Dew Ice are showcased in two 30-second linked spots showing Morgan Freeman and Peter Dinklage in a lip-sync rap battle.

In a Pringles ad, Bill Hader has a snack on set and introduces a made-up practice dubbed "flavor stacking," in which he mixes and matches different Pringles varieties. M&Ms enlisted Danny DeVito to embody what happens when a red M&M becomes a person after wishing on a lucky penny.

Keanu Reeves surfs on his motorcycle through the desert in an ad for Squarespace. Chris Elliott lives in a bio dome to tout avocados from Mexico, while "Stranger Things" star David Harbour shows up in Tide's commercial.

"They're light hearted and good natured," Whitley said. "That's on target with the mood of the country."

"We're exposed to so much constant negativity," said Andy Goeler, a marketing executive at Bud Light. "Delivering something just light hearted and fun is the root at what beer is all about." The brand's two spots showcase a mythical kingdom a la "Game of Thrones" centered on Bud Light and the catchphrase "Dilly Dilly."

Amazon's 90-second fourth-quarter ad stars a bevy of celebrities who sub for the voice of Amazon's Alexa voice assistant: singer Cardi B, actress Rebel Wilson, star chef Gordon Ramsey and even actor Anthony Hopkins putting a Hannibal Lector spin on things. Leading up to the halftime show, Pepsi's ad references past celebrities who have appeared in Pepsi Super Bowl ads: Britney Spears, Michael Jackson, Cindy Crawford and others.

Nonetheless, two Super Bowl ads are bucking the trend and sidling up to political issues, however obliquely.

Coca-Cola's anthemic 60-second ad features varieties of Coke, from Coke Zero to the stevia-flavored Coke Life, quaffed by women, men and a person who uses the "they" pronoun.

"There's a Coke for he, and she and her and me and them," a voiceover states.

Coca-Cola executives say the ad highlights the diversity the company has always used in its advertising, adding that they consulted African-American and LGBTQ groups among its own employees. A biracial couple and a person in a wheelchair also appear in the spot.

"We want to celebrate all the people that make up the world," Coca-Cola executive Brynne Bardacke said. "We don't want to exclude anyone."

On the other hand, WeatherTech, which makes car mats and other interior car products, has a staunchly pro-American approach in its ad, which shows the construction of a factory that opened late last year.

"At WeatherTech, we built our factory right here in America," the ad's text reads. "Isn't that the way it is supposed to be?"

It's the fifth year WeatherTech has advertised in the Super Bowl touting its all-American operations.

SUPER BOWL 52
Sunday Feb. 7 4:30 p.m. ET NBC

QUICK FACTS

- THE TEAMS: New England Patriots vs Philadelphia Eagles
- THE VENUE: U.S. Bank Stadium Minneapolis
- SEATS: 66,200
- SUITES: 131
- HD flat screens: 2,000
- Price range for single ticket: \$3,725 to \$7,999
- 7.76 Billion 97% illegally
- COIN TOSS: 51 prior Super Bowls Heads 24, Tails 27
- 120 Footballs used during Super Bowl
- 11.3 million last year
- \$5.05 million 30-second commercial
- \$62m Avocados
- \$80m Chicken wings
- \$198m Frozen pizza
- \$1.3b Beer consumed
- \$86m Popcorn

Sources: Ticketmaster, NFL.com, Nielsen, superbowlbets.com, wilson.com, nationalchickencouncil.org, usbankstadium.com, Graphic: Staff, Tribune News Service

Founder and CEO David MacNeil said his ad doesn't have typical Super Bowl accoutrements — "no ponies, no puppies, no pretty girls" — but said it's straight to the point about its message. "Isn't it just logical to build your own factory in your own country so your own fellow citizens can have jobs?" he said. He said he doesn't believe the ad might be divisive. "It wouldn't occur to me that I could offend anyone by supporting my own country," he said. While the majority of

advertisers release their ads ahead of time to try to drum up publicity, there are some holdouts. Fiat Chrysler usually appears during the game without advance warning. Other advertisers that have remained mum about their plans so far include E-Trade and Monster Products. "It may be that advertisers with risky ads are waiting for the game, hoping to protect the surprise and break through the clutter," said Tim Calkins, a marketing professor at Northwestern University.

Ten ads that stand out during Super Bowl 52

Associated Press

NEW YORK — It's Super Bowl ad time again. Advertisers of all stripes are vying for the attention of the 111 million viewers expected to tune in. The goal is to be the most-talked-about ad over the water cooler — or Slack chatroom — come Monday morning. From Steven Tyler degrading for Kia to Amazon's imagining of different voices for Alexa, here are 10 ads that are likely to be talked about. And if you're not interested in tuning it to watch the big game on Sunday, you can stream all of these ads ahead of time.

Amazon

The internet giant's founder, Jeff Bezos, stars in this 90-second comedic ad showing different celebrities including chef Gordon Ramsay, actress Rebel Wilson, singer Cardi B and actor Anthony Hopkins subbing in for the voice of Amazon's voice assistant Alexa.

Budweiser

Anheuser-Busch dispenses with its usual Clydesdales and puppies and instead goes with a 60-second ad that depicts, to the tune of "Stand By Me," the company's program to provide water to areas in need.

Bud Light

The beer brand's recent ads have centered on a Game of Thrones-like universe that uses the meaningless-but-catchy phrase "Dilly Dilly." Now, in a 60-second ad running in the second quarter, the brand introduces "Bud Knight," a heroic character who is ambivalent about helping out in a battle.

Coca-Cola

The soda maker strives to include everyone in its 60-second ad: people of different ethnicities, someone in a wheelchair and a person who uses the they/ them pronoun are all shot at various locations in Mexico clutching or drinking different varieties of Coke.

Doritos & Mountain Dew

The two PepsiCo brands have linked spots that show a lip-sync battle between Peter Dinklage, who lip syncs a Busta Rhymes song as a representative for

Doritos Blaze, and Morgan Freeman, who lip syncs a song by Missy Elliott for Mountain Dew Ice.

Febreze

Procter & Gamble's air freshener tackles toilet humor with a 30-second ad airing in the second quarter. It purports to be a documentary about Dave, whose "bleep don't stink." The kicker: Since your Super Bowl party guests are a bunch of not-Daves, you might want to take other precautions against bathroom odor.

Kia

The automaker has enlisted Aerosmith lead singer Steven Tyler (who last popped up in a Skittles Super Bowl ad two years ago) to promote its Stringer sports car. In the ad, he drives backward so fast that he gets younger thanks to computer-generated magic. In a nod to advertising tropes, the ad also contains a subliminal message if you watch it backward: Kia helpfully provides this version online.

Michelob Ultra

The Anheuser-Busch light beer brand has 30-second ads in the second and fourth quarters starring Chris Pratt. In one he runs and does yoga while singing along to "I Like Beer," a remake of a country song from the 1970s.

Pepsi

The soda maker calls back to its past Super Bowl advertising efforts with Britney Spears, Michael Jackson, Celtics basketball player Kyrie Irving and Cindy Crawford in a 30-second ad airing right before the Justin Timberlake halftime show.

WeatherTech

The maker of car floor mats shows footage of its new factory being built in a 30-second ad in the first half of the game. On-screen text reads: "At WeatherTech, we built our new factory right here in America. Isn't that the way it's supposed to be?" It's the fifth consecutive year WeatherTech has advertised during the Super Bowl that all of its operations are in the United States.

Watching the Super Bowl online gets easier this year

By Anick Jesdanun
Associated Press

NEW YORK — It'll be much easier to watch the Super Bowl online for free this year.

NBC won't require proof of a cable or satellite TV subscription, meaning that anyone in the U.S. can watch the game online. Plus, you'll be able to watch the game on a phone even if you aren't a Verizon customer, as was a requirement before.

Here's your online guide to the matchup between the Philadelphia Eagles and the New England Patriots in Minneapolis. Kick-off is at 5:30 p.m. Sunday on NBC.

The big game

The best experience will be on a big

screen TV. If you don't have a cable subscription or a good signal with an antenna, you can fire up the NBC Sports app on a number of streaming TV devices, including Apple TV, Roku and Amazon's Fire TV.

Normally, TV networks require viewers to sign in with a cable or satellite subscription. That's being waived starting with the pregame coverage at 11 a.m. The free viewing will conclude with a postgame episode of "This Is Us," expected to run until about 11 p.m.

On personal computers, the same coverage will be available through NBCSports.com and NBC.com, again without any sign-in requirements.

Last year's broadcaster, Fox, also waived the sign-in requirements. What's new is a lifting of restrictions on phones.

In the past, you had to be a Verizon customer to watch on a phone. A new rights

deal means that customers of Verizon's rivals will be able to watch, too. On Apple and Android mobile devices, you can turn to apps from the NFL and Yahoo Sports (Verizon now owns the latter). You won't be able to watch on a phone with the NBC app, but you can use it on a tablet. The NFL and Yahoo streams will include pre- and postgame coverage, but not "This Is Us."

All about the ads

The Super Bowl is the rare event where viewers do pay attention to ads. A 30-second spot goes for about \$5 million. NBC says local ads sold by individual stations will also appear in the online streams, depending on the viewer's location.

NBC will post the national ads at NBCSports.com as they air. An ad analytics company, iSpot.tv, will also track, record

and post ads online soon after they air. YouTube's AdBlitz will also have ads, but only the ones that brands choose to share there. You don't have to wait until Sunday, as many of the ads are already available online.

Beyond NBC

Although NBC has the television rights this year, other outlets are planning features around the Super Bowl.

Without rights to video, ESPN is planning to showcase "the best photos throughout the game" on its website and app. The sports network will also feature analyses of big plays and controversial calls.

The NFL also plans Super Bowl podcasts leading up to the game, along with a special edition of its daily Twitter show, #NFLBlitz, on Sunday at 1 p.m. ET.

The Puppy Bowl and the history of Super Bowl counterprogramming

By Patrick Cooley
Advance Ohio Media

CLEVELAND — The Super Bowl draws such an astonishingly large share of the television audience that most stations don't bother trying to compete with it. The halftime show in the middle of the game, however, is a different story. For decades, opposing stations have tried to pry viewers away from the big game's intermission with counterprogramming that's ranged from unapologetically adorable to mildly pornographic.

With the Super Bowl coming on Sunday, we

decided to take a look at the history of alternate halftime shows, which date back to the early '90s and have long offered a refuge for anyone uninterested in an all-too-brief and often watered-down performance from modern pop acts.

Some have been so popular they've forced the NFL to step up its halftime show game, but most are largely forgotten. They've waxed and waned through the years, but remain in vogue in 2018. This year's Super Bowl will feature no less than two alternate halftime shows.

The Puppy Bowl and the Fish Bowl — which are

exactly what they sound like — will provide this year's alternative to the halftime performance. But counterprogramming has taken many forms over the years, from new episodes of fictional shows to comedy specials.

Fox was the first to offer an alternative to the halftime show in 1992 when they aired a live halftime party starring the cast the long-running comedy show "In Living Color." It was seen as a stunt prior to the game but proved a runaway success, drawing 22 million viewers.

The NFL responded by booking superstar performer

Michael Jackson for the Super Bowl halftime show the next year, and networks balked at trying to compete with the King of Pop. But the idea wasn't completely dead.

(Since then, only the 2001 Super Bowl lacked halftime counterprogramming. That year rock legends Aerosmith teamed up with Mary J. Blige and pop stars Britney Spears and N'Sync at the height of their post-grunge popularity.)

MTV followed in Fox's footsteps by running an original episode of its famously controversial series "Beavis and Butt-Head" at halftime of the 1994 Super Bowl — it

was dubbed the "Butt Bowl." Their alternative proved so popular they did it again for the next four years.

However it took time before other networks caught on.

"Beavis and Butt-Head" ended its 10-year run in 1997 along with the "Butt Bowl," but the music television station decided to air an episode of "Celebrity Deathmatch" at the halftime of the 1998 Super Bowl in place of the popular series.

Perhaps sensing an opening, USA aired a special World Wrestling Federation match between Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson and

Mick Foley — better known as "Mankind" — in 1998, which set a trend of live programming that has yet to be reversed.

NBC incorporated sex into its halftime counterprogramming a few years later when it aired a special episode of its pseudo game show "Fear Factor" starring Playboy playmates. It garnered 11 million viewers and started a trend that inspired other networks to follow suit (although NBC curiously never tried it again, instead opting for a special edition of "Saturday Night Live's" "Weekend Update" news program the next year).



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Channel	Time	Program	Channel	Time	Program	
KMID ABC	3:30	WildA. House	GMA Saturday	Wild C.	Ocean	
KOSA CBS	7:00	CBS This Morning Saturday (H)	Lucky D.	Dr. Chris	Innovate	
KWWT CW	8:00	Hillbillies	Track	Have Gun	Have Gun	
KPEP FOX	8:00	Paid	Wild Kidz	Outdoors	Weekend Marketplace	
KMLM IND	11:00	Light of Southwest	Creation	Consumed	Mani E	
KWES NBC	9:00	U.S. Farm Report	Saturday Today (N)	Champ	Voyager	
KPBT PBS	13:00	Bob Build D.Tiger	D.Tiger	SplashB.	C.George	
KUPB UNI	4:00	Pagado	Pagado	Niños	Niños	
KOSA MNT	16:00	Jewelry TV	Dr. Pol	Dr. Pol	Ocean M.	
FLUX	3:40	Jimmy Neus	The Cookout Ja Rule	Death Becomes Her Meryl Streep	American Outlaws	
HBO	3:00	Movie	Storks (16, Ani) Andy Samberg	Sesame	Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The	
HBO2	3:02	Movie	The Shack (17, Dra) Sam Worthington	Assassin's Creed Michael Fassbender	Everything, Everything	
HBO5	3:04	Movie	The Aviator (04, Bio) Leonardo DiCaprio	Duplicity (09, Rom) Clive Owen	Good Will Hunting	
MAX	3:00	Movie	Steel Dawn (78, Act) Clint Eastwood	Owning Mahowny	EuroTrip	
MAX2	3:02	Movie	Antitrust Ryan Reynolds	Winchester '73 (1967, Westem)	Avenging Angel	
PLEX	3:00	Movie	Armour of... Inside the NFL	Lincoln (12, Bio) Sally Field	Daniel Day-Lewis	
SHOW	3:20	Movie	High Fidelity (00, Dra) John Cusack	Return to Me David Duchovny	In the Bedroom Sissy Spacek	
TMC	3:36	Movie	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	
A&E	27	58	28	35	47	To Be Announced
AMC	40	74	23	42	51	Rifleman
BET	58	-	40	-	-	Stop Suffering
BRAVO	65	76	41	-	-	Million Dollar List
CNBC	46	52	39	72	-	Paid Program
CNN	43	50	51	30	56	New Day Saturday
DISC	50	60	31	24	42	Fishing Bayou
DISNEY	56	64	36	25	36	Puppy Mickey
ESPN	32	35	48	31	30	SportsCenter (N)
ESPN2	34	36	49	32	31	NFL Live
FNC	45	48	53	23	55	FOX & Friends Saturday
FOOD	64	70	27	68	54	The Kitchen
FREEFORM	53	63	34	42	33	Prince of Persia: The Sands of Time
FSSW	37	38	50	45	29	H.S. Football Classics 2017 UI State Championship
FX	31	56	59	64	69	Mother
HALLMARK	54	71	58	34	-	F.House
HGTV	63	69	26	48	44	FleaFlip
HISTORY	71	59	29	50	43	Mountain Men
LIFETIME	28	30	25	28	48	Paid
MSNBC	47	53	49	73	-	News (N)
NBCSN	38	43	-	-	-	Live
NICK	55	-	39	34	37	Loud H.
SPIKE	30	-	55	53	58	Paid Program
SYFY	66	82	41	57	67	Paid
TBS	25	33	44	66	41	Married
TCM	41	75	24	63	66	Movie
TELE	20	-	10	20	-	Pagado
TLC	51	61	32	38	52	Four Weddings
TNT	24	34	40	26	50	LawOrder
TVLAND	49	-	35	54	35	Roseanne
USA	26	55	42	27	49	Paid Program
WGN	19	85	-	-	-	Paid

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Channel	Time	Program	Channel	Time	Program	
KMID ABC	12:00	NFL Football	Winter X Games Aspen 2018	Paid	Paid	
KOSA CBS	7:00	NCAA Basketball Kentucky at Missouri (L)	PGA Golf Phoenix Open Site: TPC Scottsdale - Scottsdale, Ariz. (L)	Paid	Big Game (News (N))	
KWWT CW	5:14	Gunsmoke Reprisal	Bonanza	Rawhide	Wanted	
KPEP FOX	8:00	NCAA Basketball Bonanza	NCAA Basketball Minnesota at Michigan (L)	Hoops Ex	NCAA Basketball Oregon at Stanford (L)	
KMLM IND	11:12	News Essentials	Hebrew Shabbat	Light of Southwest	Light of Southwest	
KWES NBC	9:00	News	USATF Track & Field Millrose Games (L)	USAATF Track & Field Millrose Games (L)	Good T. News (N)	
KPBT PBS	13:13	Texas	Old House	House	Motor.	
KUPB UNI	4:00	Access Weekend	Wondrama	Wondrama	50Plus	
KOSA MNT	16:16	Access Weekend	Wondrama	Wondrama	50Plus	
FLUX	3:40	Movie	Red Dragon Sir Anthony Hopkins	Glengarry Glen Ross	Gangs of New York	
HBO	3:00	Movie	Gone with the Wind (1939)	Real Sports	Deepwater Horizon	
HBO2	3:02	Movie	May It Last: A Portrait...	Snatched Amy Poehler	Crashing	
HBO5	3:04	Movie	The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks (16, Bio) Joel Edgerton	Loving (16, Bio) Joel Edgerton	Defiant Ones	
MAX	3:00	Movie	Empire John Leguizamo	15 Minutes Robert De Niro	The Hunted	
MAX2	3:02	Movie	CHIPS (17, Act) Dax Shepard	The Blair Witch Project	Black Sea (14, Thril) Jude Law	
PLEX	3:00	Movie	The Hulk	The Girl on the Train Emily Blunt	Sign O' the Times Prince	
SHOW	3:20	Movie	Transporter 3 Jason Statham	Seraphim Falls Liam Neeson	Sign O' the Times Prince	
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BRAVO	65	76	41	-	-	Summer House
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CNN	43	50	51	30	56	CNN Newsroom
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KOSA CBS	7:00	CBS 7 News (N)	In Depth	Bull "Dressed to Kill"	48 Hours	
KWWT CW	5:14	Going, Going, Gone!	Big Bang Theory	Wings of Truth	Mission: M25	
KPEP FOX	8:00	Going, Going, Gone!	Big Bang Theory	Wings of Truth	Mission: M25	
KMLM IND	11:12	News	County Reporter	History Detectives	100 Mexicanos	
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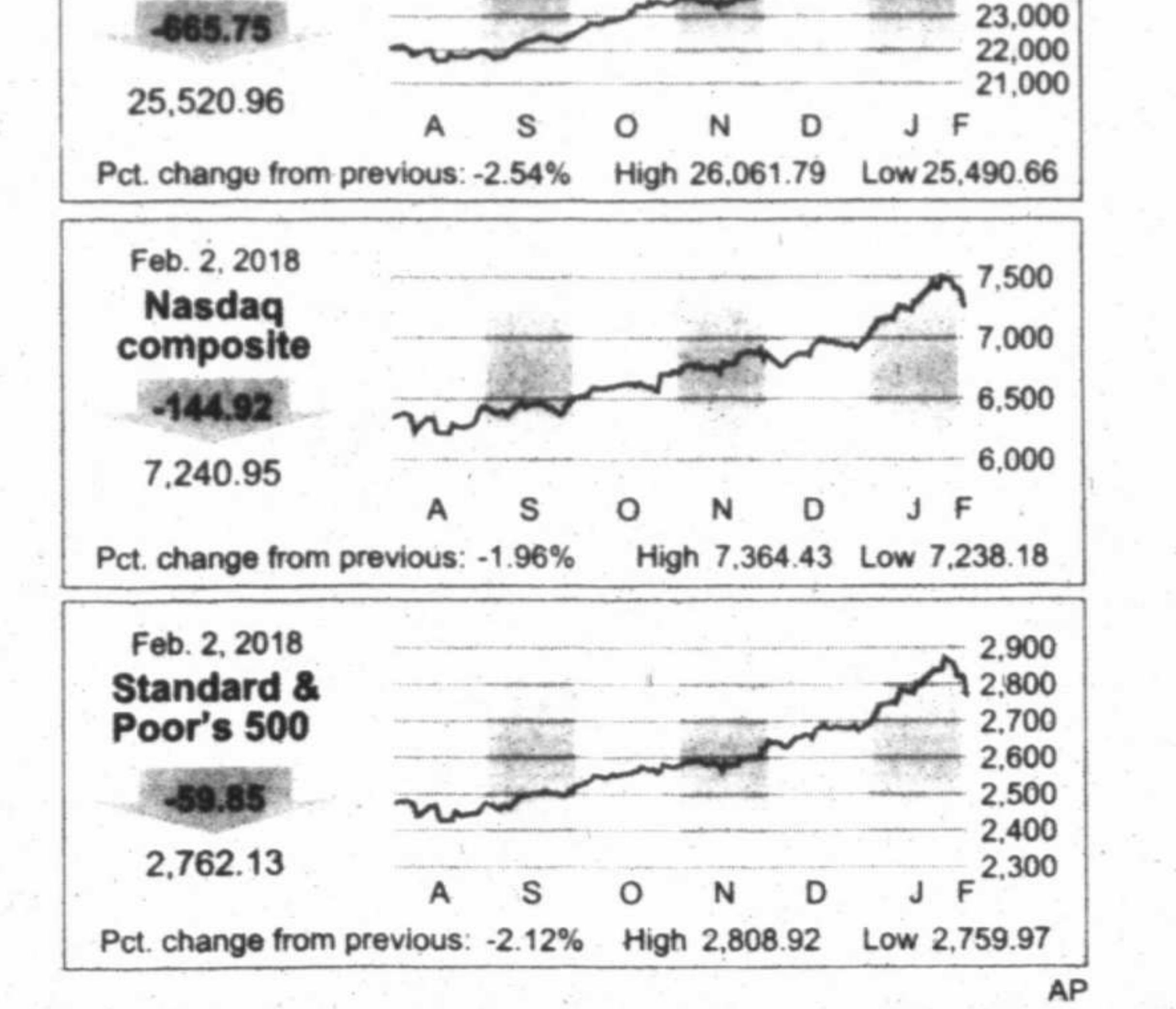
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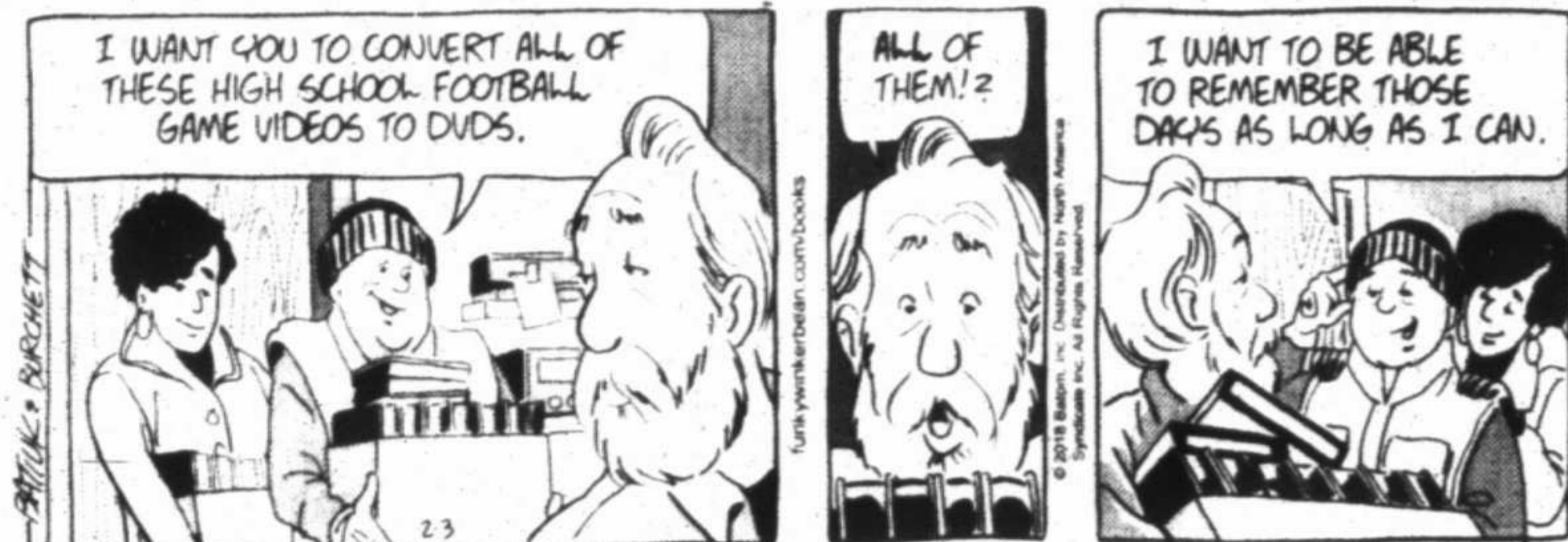
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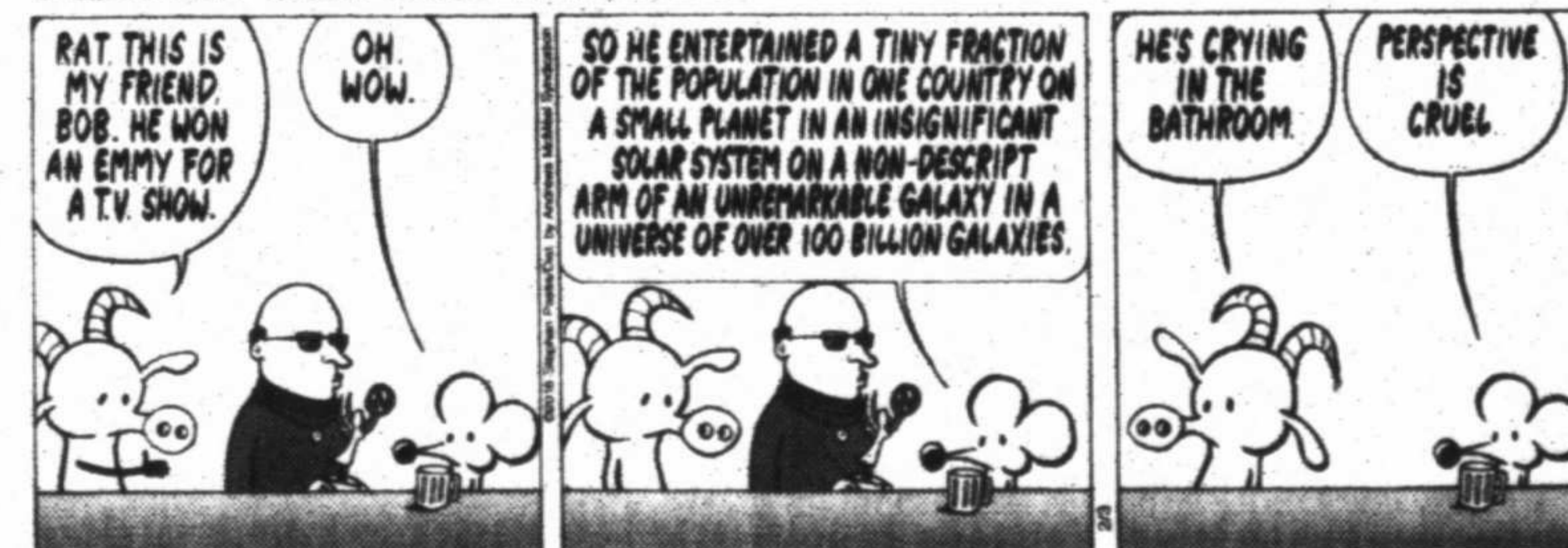
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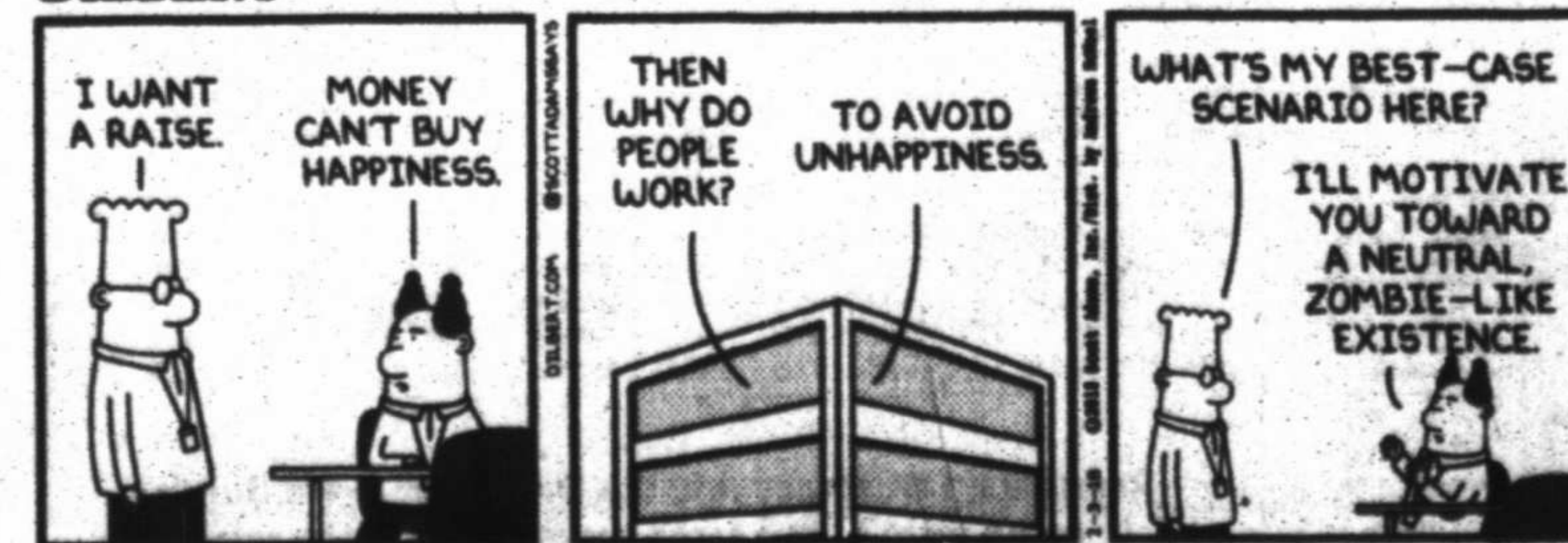
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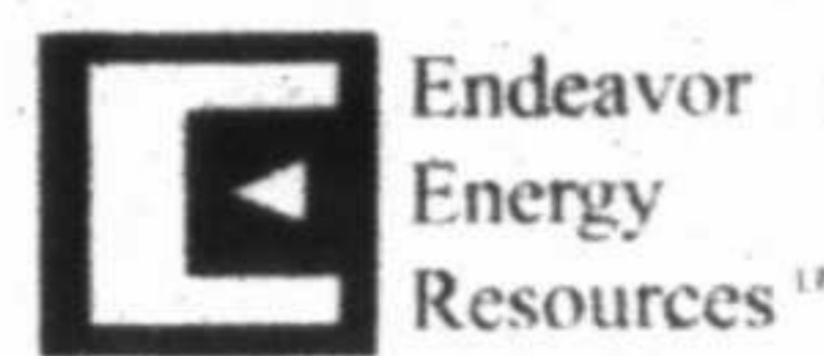
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Minimum Requirements:

- High school diploma or GED required, must be at least 18 years of age
- Ability to read, write and communicate effectively required
- Computer proficiency is required
- Valid Texas Driver's license is required
- Class A CDL and Haz Mat is preferred but not required
- Must be able to pass background screening including MVR and criminal
- Must be able to work nights, weekends, and an extended workweek
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Physical Demands:

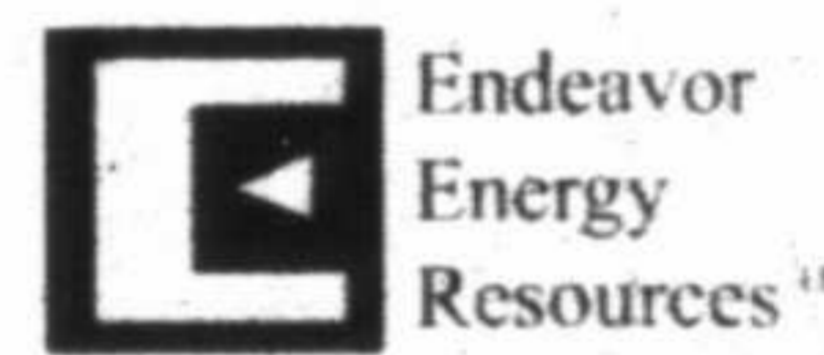
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- All other duties as assigned

Minimum Qualifications:

- Ability to work in a fast-paced environment
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- High school diploma or GED required, must be at least 18 years of age
- Ability to read, write and communicate effectively required
- Computer proficiency is required
- Valid Texas Driver's License is required
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Work Environment:

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Physical Demands:

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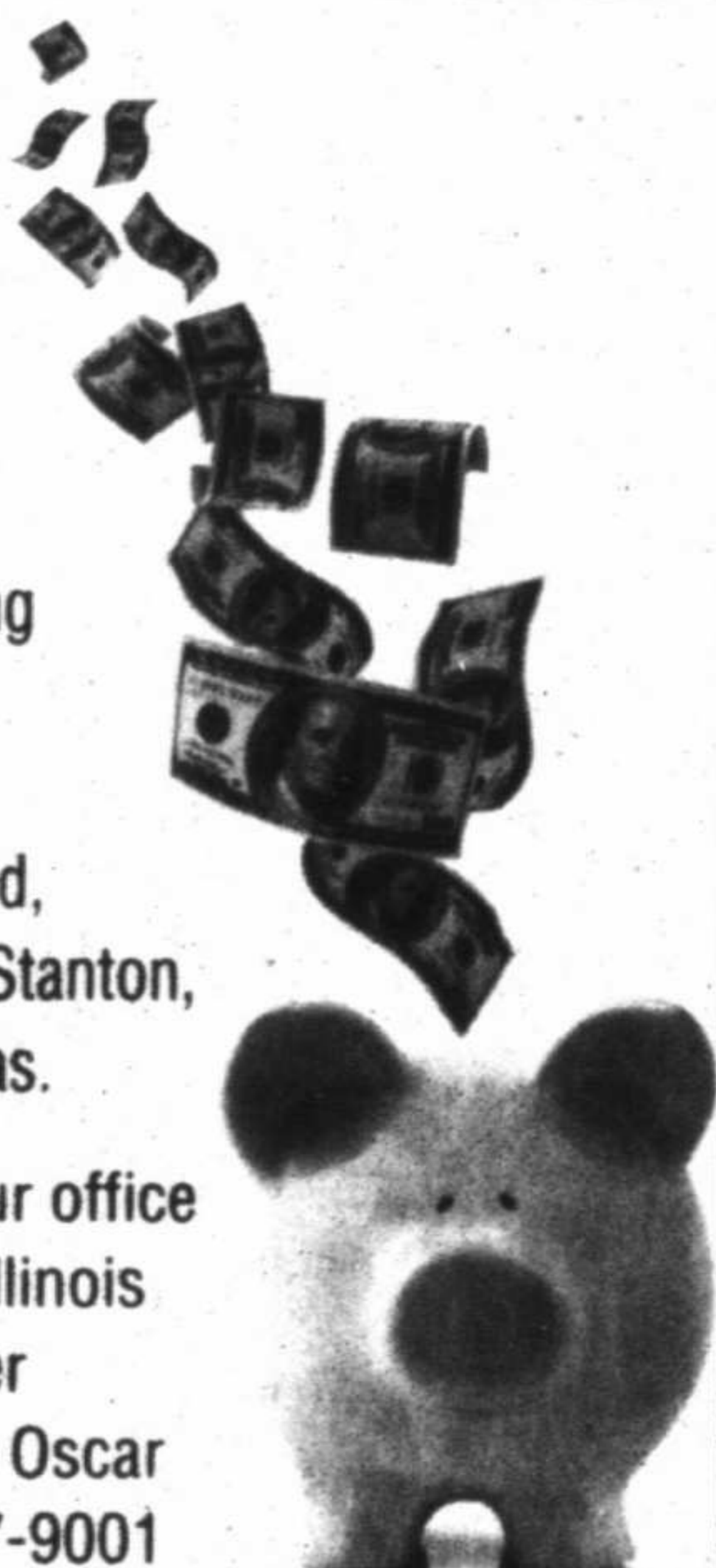
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Seasonal Drivers/Phone Help needed, must have good customer relations and phone etiquette and good driving record. Computer experience preferred. Fax resume to 432-682-6949, apply in person at 413 Andrews Hwy Midland, TX, or email resume to chriscolum@flowerlandmidland.com, no phone calls please.

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Legal and Public Notices

Public Auction of Items Left by Tenant:
Wednesday, February 27, 2018 at 2:00pm
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Legal and Public Notices

All known and unknown HEIRS OR POTENTIAL HEIRS, TAKE NOTICE that a hearing will be held at Marion County Courthouse, 219 Adams Street, Fairmont, WV 26554 on February 15, 2018 at 11:00 am to approve the disbursement of settlement funds from a wrongful death lawsuit pending in West Virginia for the death of Jose Aguilar that was brought by the Estate of Jose Aguilar. The Court previously approved the settlement on December 15, 2017, following a hearing on December 12, 2017. HEIRS OR POTENTIAL HEIRS may attend this hearing or alternatively must petition the Court in Marion County West Virginia before February 15, 2018 to protect any interest they may have in the distribution of the settlement. Failure to do so will forever bar them from making a claim to the settlement proceeds. The Administratrix of the estate is Lorena Aguilar of 6419 Provident Green Drive, Katy, Texas 77449.
The attorneys representing the estate is Chaffin Luhana LLP of 615 Iron City Drive, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15205, www.ChaffinLuhana.com.

Legal and Public Notices

Notice of Application for Fluid Injection Well Permit

Parsley Energy Operations, LLC, 303 Colorado, Suite 3000, Austin, Texas 78701 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil or gas. The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the Devonian, Fusselman, Montoya, and Ellenberger formation, Waddell 12 lease, and Well Number: 1D. The proposed injection well is located 9.5 miles North of Stanton, Texas, in the Spraberry (Trend Area) field in Martin County, TX. Fluid will be disposed into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 11,000 feet to 13,000 feet.

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

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512.463.6792).

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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The Zoning Board of Adjustment of the City of Midland, Texas, will hold a public hearing at 2:00 P.M., Thursday, February 15, 2018, in the Council Chamber, City Hall, 300 N. Loraine, to consider proposed RRP Permian LLC, and Parsley Energy Operations LLC Variance Applications to the City Code concerning height limitation requirements in close proximity to Midland International Airport on the following properties:

RSP PERMIAN, LLC:

CASE ZBA 18-001: T&P RR CO Survey, 2464'FNL & 1428'FWL, Section 2 BLK 40 T2-S, MIDLAND TX (Spanish Trail Well #2191H).

CASE ZBA 18-002: T&P RR CO Survey, 2464'FNL & 1468'FWL, Section 2 BLK 40 T2-S, MIDLAND TX (Spanish Trail Well #2222H).

CASE ZBA 18-003: T&P RR CO Survey, 1977'FSL & 922'FEL, Section 3 BLK 40 T2-S, MIDLAND TX (Spanish Trail 3-10HZ UNIT WELL 3571H).

CASE ZBA 18-004: T&P RR CO Survey, 1977'FSL & 880'FEL, Section 3 BLK 40 T2-S, MIDLAND TX (Spanish Trail 3-10 HZ UNIT WELL #3572H).

CASE ZBA 18-005: T&P RR CO Survey, 2464'FNL & 1948'FWL, Section 2 BLK 40 T2-S, MIDLAND TX (Spanish Trail Well #2211H).

CASE ZBA 18-006: T&P RR CO Survey, 2464'FNL & 2468'FWL, Section 2 BLK 40 T2-S, MIDLAND TX (Spanish Trail Well #2231H).

CASE ZBA 18-007: T&P RR CO Survey, 2643.9'FNL & 2507'FWL, Section 2 BLK 40 T2-S, MIDLAND TX (Spanish Trail Well #2232H).

CASE ZBA 18-008: T&P RR CO Survey, 2464'FNL & 1988'FWL, Section 2 BLK 40 T2-S, MIDLAND TX (Spanish Trail Well #2212H).

PARSLEY ENERGY OPERATIONS LLC:

CASE ZBA 18-009: H.P Hilliard Survey, 2311'FSL & 209'FEL, Section 1, A-11 BLK X, MIDLAND TX (Hogan 1-24 4215H).

CASE ZBA 18-010: H.P Hilliard Survey, 2341'FSL & 209'FEL, Section 1, A-11 BLK X, MIDLAND TX (Hogan 1-24 4319H).

CASE ZBA 18-011: H.P Hilliard Survey, 2281'FSL & 209'FEL, Section 1, A-11 BLK X, MIDLAND TX (Hogan 1-24 2815H).

VARIANCE: To the City Code concerning the height limitations for temporary Oil Well Drilling Equipment.

If any further information is desired, please feel free to contact the Building Official at (432) 685-7388.

Steve Thorpe
Building Official
City of Midland
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Note:

The meeting facility is accessible to disabled persons. A wheelchair ramp is located at the southeast entrance to City Hall. A parking space designated for use by disabled persons is available near the southeast entrance doors. Any disabled person needing special accommodations or hearing impaired person wishing to have an interpreter should request services through the Administrative Services Department at least 48 hours prior to the scheduled meeting by contacting Human Resources, at (432) 685-7250. If communication via TDD is required, please call 1-800-735-2989.

Legal and Public Notices

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary for the Estate of HENRY J. DREW, Deceased, were issued on January 30, 2018, in Docket Number P-19,273, pending in the County Court of Midland County, Texas to ELIZABETH DREW Independent Executor.

The address of record for ELIZABETH DREW is 1200 W. Tennessee Ave., Midland, Midland County, Texas 79701.

All persons having claims against this Estate are required to present their claims within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

DATED the 31st day of January, 2018.

Respectfully Submitted,

LAW OFFICE OF J. BRIAN MARTIN

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Midland, Texas 79705
Ph. 432-684-0402
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ATTORNEY FOR THE ESTATE OF HENRY J. DREW

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary for the Estate of LONDON HARVEN TURNBOW, Deceased, were issued on January 30, 2018, in Docket Number P-19,294, pending in the County Court of Midland County, Texas to BYRON RAY TURNBOW, Independent Executor.

The address of record for BYRON RAY TURNBOW is 1001 Shaddy Oaks, Brownfield, Terry County, Texas 79316.

All persons having claims against this Estate are required to present their claims within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

DATED the 31st day of January, 2018.

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LEGAL NOTICE

Sealed Bid(s) will be received until 2:00 P.M., February 28, 2018 to be opened at 2:00 P.M., in the City Secretary's Office, City Hall, 300 N. Loraine, Midland, Texas for the following Bid(s):

Bid No. 18001156

For: Console Furniture for 911 Dispatch Center Bid Request

If the Contract is awarded, it will be awarded to either the lowest responsible bidder, or to the bidder who provides goods or services at the best value for the City of Midland. In determining the best value for the City of Midland, the City of Midland may consider the criteria enumerated in Section 252.043 of the Texas Local Government Code. Information for Bidders, Proposal Forms, Specifications and General conditions for bidding may be obtained from the office of the Purchasing Agent, City Hall, 300 N. Loraine, Midland, Texas.

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Notice of Application for Surface Commingling

OXY USA INC is applying to the Railroad Commission to commingle production from the following leases: Turner A Connally Unit and Turner 'A'. Production is from Spraberry (Trend Area) field. Production will be commingled at the Turner A Battery located in RRC District 08 in Howard County.

Pursuant to Statewide Rules 26 and 27, interested parties must file objections or requests for hearing in writing to the Railroad Commission office within 21 days after publication, or the Commission may approve the application.

For questions pertaining to the application, please contact Sandra Musallam at (713) 366-5106.

Legal and Public Notices

Notice of Application for Surface Commingling

OXY USA INC is applying to the Railroad Commission to commingle production from the following leases: Graves and Graves 203. Production is from Spraberry (Trend Area) field. Production will be commingled at the Graves 203 Battery located in RRC District 08 in Glasscock County.

Pursuant to Statewide Rules 26 and 27, interested parties must file objections or requests for hearing in writing to the Railroad Commission office within 21 days after publication, or the Commission may approve the application.

For questions pertaining to the application, please contact Sandra Musallam at (713) 366-5106.

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OXY USA INC is applying to the Railroad Commission to commingle production from the following leases: Guthrie West and Guthrie West Waldron Unit. Production is from Spraberry (Trend Area) field. Production will be commingled at the Guthrie West Battery located in RRC District 08 in Howard County.

Pursuant to Statewide Rules 26 and 27, interested parties must file objections or requests for hearing in writing to the Railroad Commission office within 21 days after publication, or the Commission may approve the application.

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OXY USA INC is applying to the Railroad Commission to commingle production from the following leases: McMorries 1 and McMorries 107. Production is from Spraberry (Trend Area) field. Production will be commingled at the McMorries 1 Battery located in RRC District 08 in Glasscock County.

Pursuant to Statewide Rules 26 and 27, interested parties must file objections or requests for hearing in writing to the Railroad Commission office within 21 days after publication, or the Commission may approve the application.

For questions pertaining to the application, please contact Sandra Musallam at (713) 366-5106.

Legal and Public Notices

LEGAL NOTICE

Eureka Prospecting Company, 230 Southriver, Wimberley, Texas 78676 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil and gas. The applicant proposes to inject fluid in the Cisco, Canyon, Strawn, Alcoa Carbonate, Mississippi, Devonian, Fusselman, McKee and Ellenberger Formations, Ratliff Ranch 'A' Lease Well No. 5A. The proposed injection well is located 28 miles North of Odessa, Texas in the Ratliff (Ellenburger) Field, in Ector County, Texas. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 9,750 to 13,750 feet.

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

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT

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

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

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

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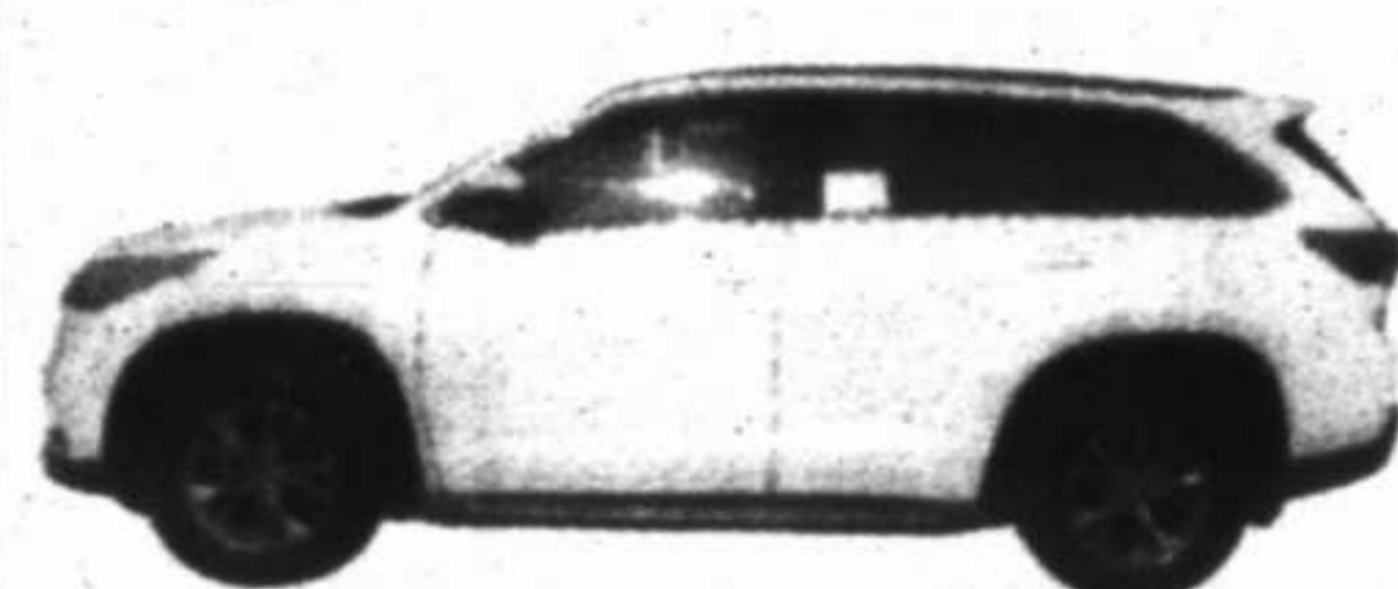
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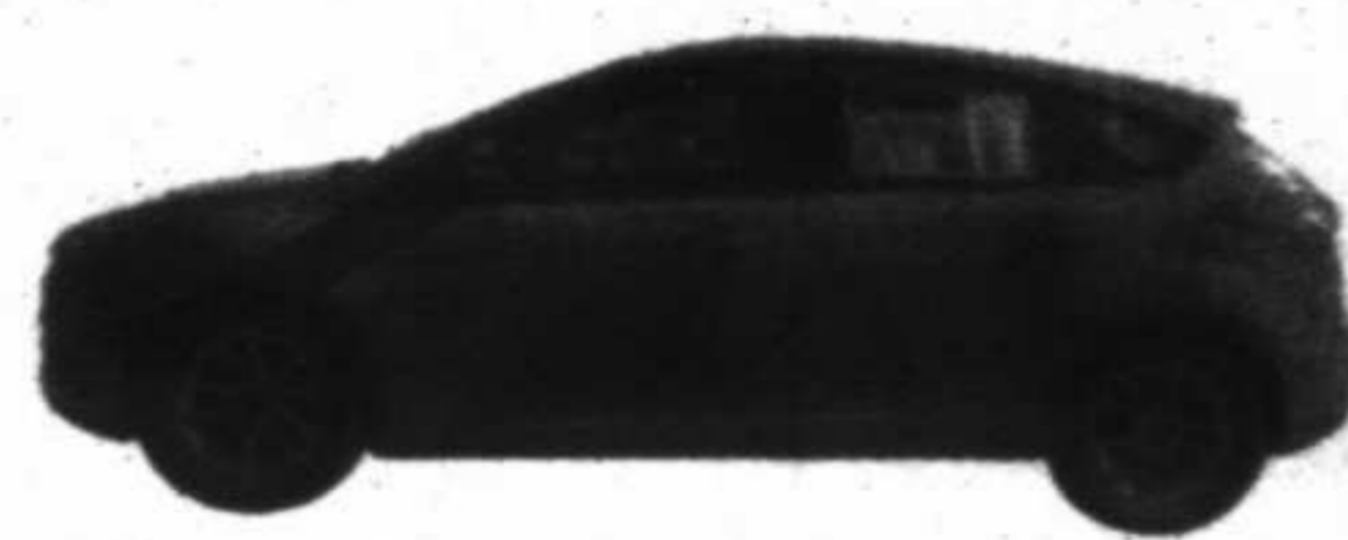
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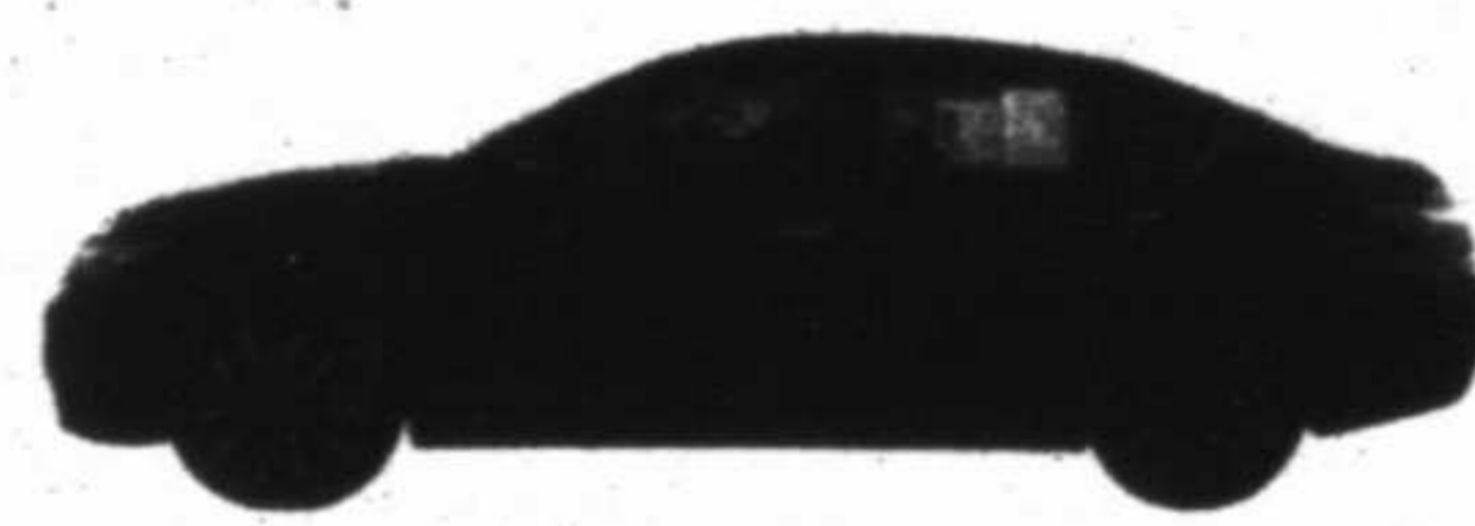
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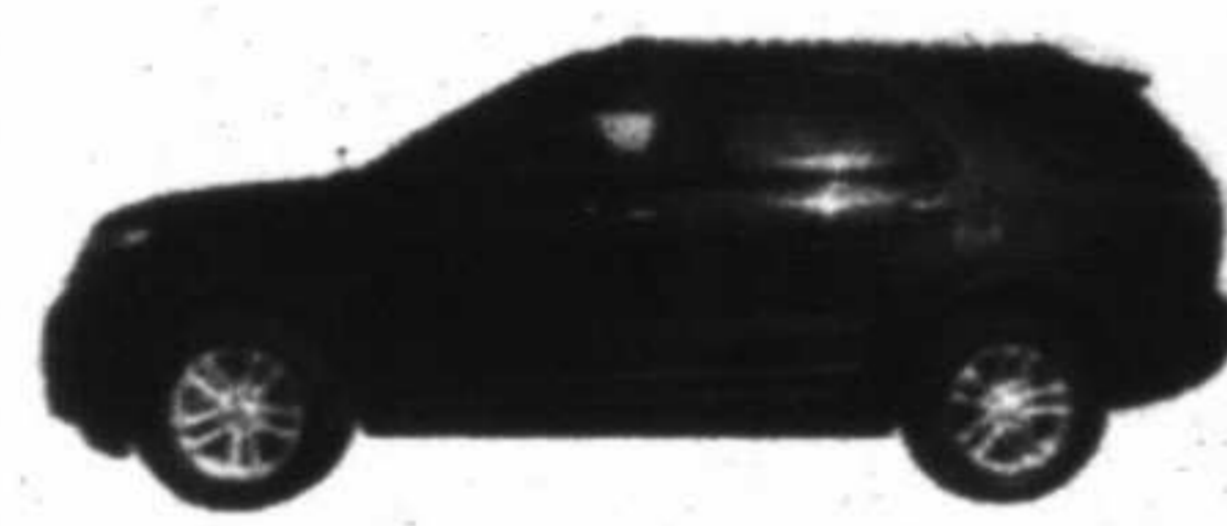
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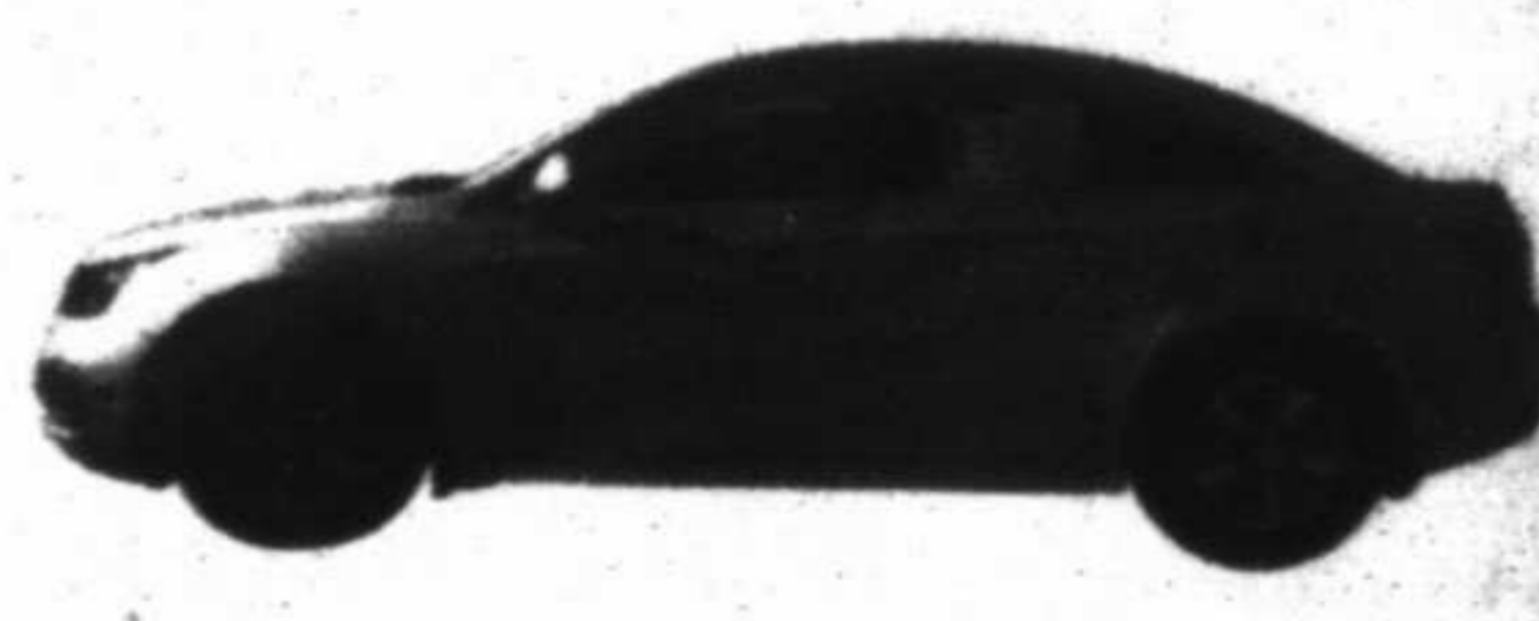
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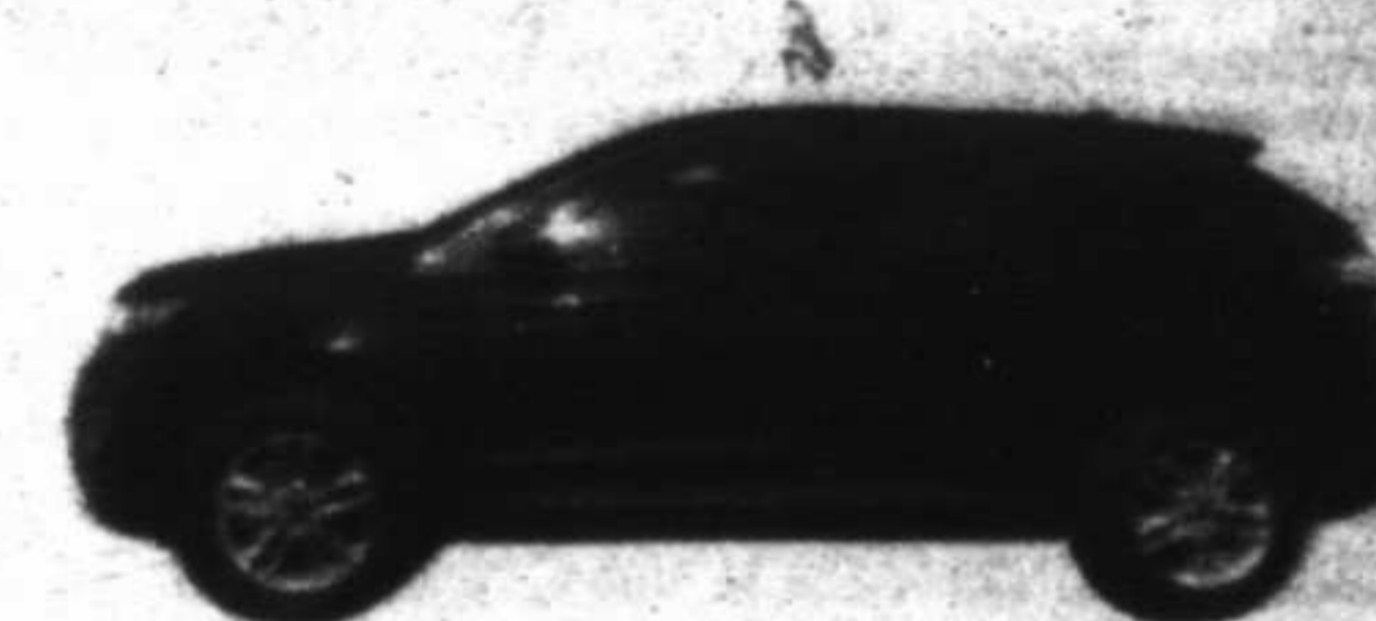
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3101 DOUGLAS - \$285,000
Well-built home with all the older perks everyone looks for, great neighborhood, large rooms on a large lot w/ship! 3bed/2bath with updated baths. New floors and interior paint. Open concept with a large kitchen overlooking the large den. 1-car garage in the 24x24 shop in the backyard. This house is built on cinder block and bricks with plaster walls. Plenty of storage inside & out! Contact The Lanier Team @ Keller Williams Realty for more information 432-842-1144!

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Welcome to this beautiful 4 Bedroom/3.1 Bath room home with hardwood floors. The Open Floor Plan home features a gorgeous Lime Stone fireplace and kitchen with granite and Stainless Steel appliances. For more information, call Cindi Castle 214-991-2990.

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1804 N MAIN - \$295,000
What a fantastic find at this price! 3 Bedrooms (master is hugeee!) 2 Baths/oversized great room/breakfast room off kitchen + utility room! Excellent covered extra-high carport w/concrete pad in back + workshop/storage! Lot extends beyond brick/wood fence! Very nice large covered patio off house! Commercial drink cooler stays w/home!

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Beautiful 4/3/3 with a bonus workout room located in Woodland Park. This one has it all... Upscale amenities at EVERY TURN. Media Room with surround sound, paver and wood tile throughout. Amazing gourmet kitchen w/ granite and stainless steel appliances. Built by a builder for his family! For more info contact Michelle Haggerty, REALTOR 432-567-8646.

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OPEN SAT. 1-2



2510 COLONIAL OAKS CT. - \$915,000
Remarkable Mike Jackson build, 4 bed 4.5 Bath in cul-de-sac! Each bedroom amazing private bath w/ tons of cabinet space! Beautiful granite countertops! Stunning wood flooring & stone tile throughout! High ceilings! Cooks dream kitchen w/2 islands, upgraded appliances & walk in pantry! Wall to wall cabinets! Master suite is to die for, dbl vanities, dbl restrooms & outstanding walk in closet! Come see! Shown by Mark Philliber 432-222-5871. Listed by DeLaure Gammage.

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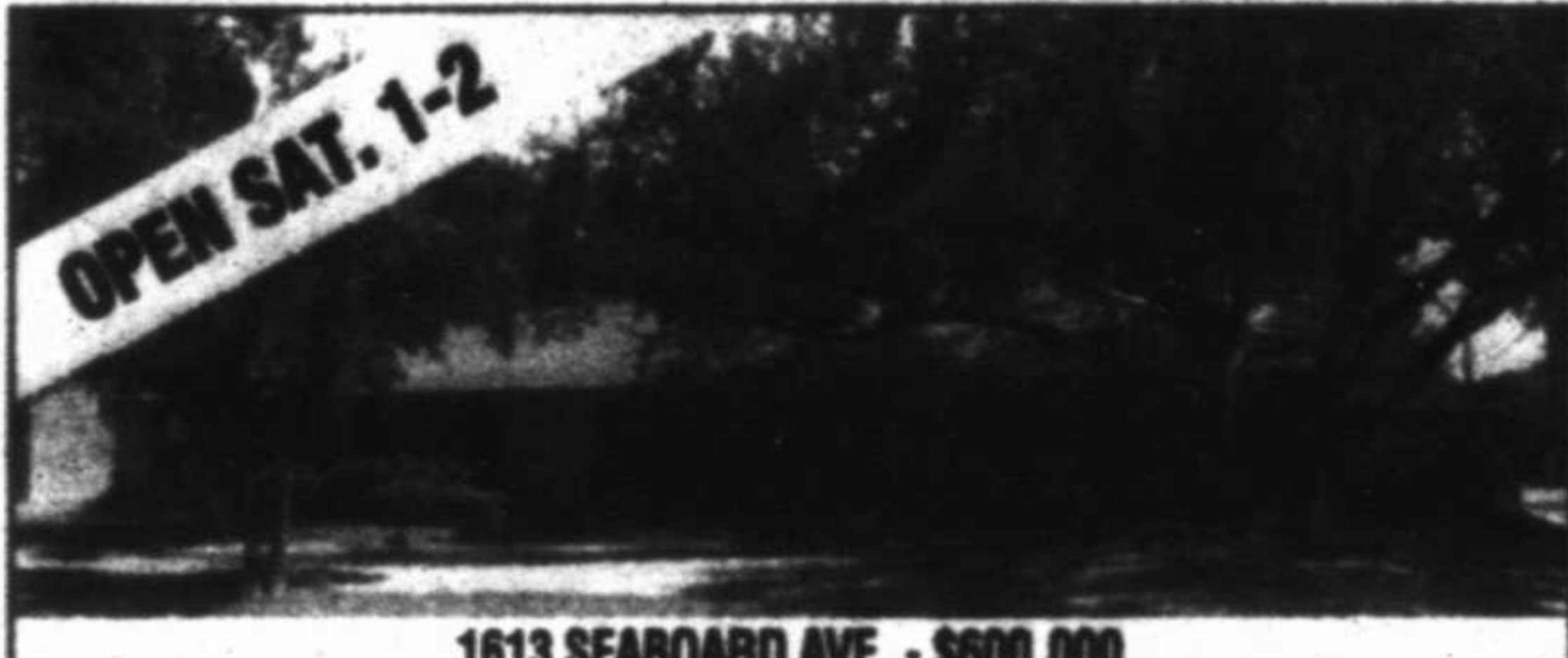
OPEN SAT. 1-2



10201 E. COUNTY RD. 105 - \$500,000
Simply stunning 4 bed 2.5 Bath! 3 Car garage on fenced acreage w/barn! Cul-de-sac! Open & flowing floor plan! Tray ceilings! Custom alder wood cabinets! Circulation pump for instant hot water! Granite countertops! Double ovens. Split floor plan! Elegant master suite offers double vanities, huge his/her closets & jetted tub! Walk-in shower! Spacious bedrooms w/walk in closets and tons of storage thruout! Shown by DeLaure Gammage 432-268-3880. Listed by DeLaure Gammage.

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OPEN SAT. 1-2



1613 SEABOARD AVE. - \$600,000
Immaculate home in old Midland w/beautiful mature trees! 4 Bed 2.5 Bath 2 living & one of a kind kitchen! Stunning granite countertops, built in fridge, double ovens are just some of the amazing features in the kitchen! 2 Dining areas! Spacious master suite has his & her closets, dbl sinks in vanity & beautiful walk in shower! Amazing inside utility room! Great backyard for entertainment! Shown by Lauren Smith 432-291-9575. Listed by DeLaure Gammage.

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OPEN SAT. 3-4



5713 HILLCREST PL. - \$950,000
Fabulous on cul-de-sac! 5000 many updates! Window decor, beautiful flooring, granite, Chicago brick backsplash, faux painting! Downstairs: formal dining, office, in-law plant! Living room w/great views! Kitchen! Breakfast nook! Media room! Large utility! Upstairs: 2 roomy bedrooms each w/private baths! Gigantic master w/walking bath plus balcony & views! Bonus space (home gym, second office, living)! Lovely pool/spa/yard! Shown by Mark Philliber 432-222-5871. Listed by DeLaure Gammage.

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5701 GRASSLAND BLVD. - \$439,999 - MOVE-IN READY!
This beautiful 4 bd/3.5 bath home has a great floor plan with high ceilings, stunning tile floors, granite throughout and beautiful gourmet kitchen. Large master bedroom & lovely bathroom with Jacuzzi tub, separate shower and his/her vanities and large walk-in closet. Guest bedrooms are large and have wonderful closets. Located in a quiet subdivision with easy access to Loop 250. This home has been well maintained and is ready for a new owner. Has RV pad. Built in 1997 approx. 2,779 sq. ft. Don't miss this one!! Call Corlie Helms 432-567-7911.

FOR SALE BY OWNER 432-557-7511

OPEN SAT. 2-4



4600 SE COUNTY ROAD 2700 - \$525,000 - ANDREWS, TX 79714
Beautiful home will welcome you in and provide a feeling of home and family. Each bedroom has it's own bathroom. The house is wired for surround sound and security system. The soaring ceilings and open living, dining and kitchen make for great entertaining. The kitchen is a baker's dream equipped with 2 convection ovens, 5 burner gas stove/stop with downdraft vent, farmhouse sink and granite counter. Hosted by Laura Williams 432-948-3283.

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