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Furr's slates groundbreaking for new cafeteria for Wednesday

By JOHN H. WALKER
Managing Editor

After an absence from the community for almost 2 1/2 years, Furr's Cafeterias takes the first step in its return to Big Spring Wednesday when city and company officials break ground on the site of the company's first new facility in a decade.

Ground-breaking ceremonies are scheduled for 10:30 Wednesday morning in the area just to

WHAT: Furr's Cafeteria ground-breaking
WHEN: 10:30 a.m. Wednesday
WHERE: 2503 South Gregg, between Pizza Hut and convenience store on west side of Wal-Mart parking lot

the east of South Gregg and between Pizza Hut and the con-

venience store.

"We're really, genuinely excited about coming back to Big Spring ... the new concepts ... the new store ... this is pretty much all ground-breaking stuff for us," said Danny Meisenheimer, Furr's vice president of marketing.

Donna Luna, marketing coordinator for Furr's, said the company would have representatives from Midland, Odessa and Abilene as well as chartering a bus to bring corporate officials from Lubbock.

"We'll probably have 30 people from our corporate offices there," she said. "There's a lot of excitement here about the new facility."

The new facility, which will cost just slightly less than \$1 million, will be what Furr's officials are calling "the cafeteria of the 21st Century."

According to Meisenheimer, it will be a "state of the art facility."

Among the features at the new facility will be a "carry-out market," and "open" food-service

line, a bakery and an outdoor dining patio.

"People will be able to go into the market and order from the menu and take their food with them. It's what people in the food industry are calling 'home meal replacement,'" Meisenheimer said.

He added that the carry-out market would have an abbreviated menu that will include the most popular items from the main cafeteria menu.

The open serving line will allow patrons to look into the

kitchen area and see food being prepared as they follow the serving line.

"You'll get to watch food being prepared ... it will be a lot more interactive than the traditional cafeteria line," he said, adding that company officials also think the bakery, where patrons will again be able to watch food being prepared, will be popular.

"This will be the first cafeteria we've had with these features, so Big Spring will find

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Ray closes year as president of county clerks' organization

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

The recent 101st Annual Conference of the County & District Clerk's Association of Texas marked the end of Howard County Clerk Margaret Ray's tenure as association president, a job she says was very demanding but well worth the commitment.

The conference began in San Antonio June 30 and continued through July 4.

Ray said there are 183 county clerks, 183 district clerks and 71 combination county/district clerks in Texas, most of whom attended the conference.

Ray said a total of 600 people attended the conference and she is still receiving calls commending her for a job well done.

"It's one of the oldest associations in the state. We tried to stick to education type issues and give information that would be helpful to clerks in their home counties. There were 93 new clerks in the association in 1995, so we tried to cover a large area," Ray said.

Ray will now serve the association for the next year as immediate past president and is still a board member.

She added the phone is ringing already and she continued to receive calls.

"As immediate past president I'm in more of an advisory position, but I don't mind sharing



MARGARET RAY

"I feel like I've let the state of Texas know where Howard County is and I hope I've represented my community well. This was a difficult but rewarding job and anywhere I go in Texas I know I have a friend."

what I know. I feel like it's good to stay visible.

"My year as president of the association is complete, but my work is not done," Ray said.

Ray was also joined at the conference by Howard County Attorney Hardy Wilkerson who addressed the conference on the subject of mental health and Big Spring resident Johnnie Lou Avery who served as keynote speaker.

At the conclusion of the conference, Ray said she tried to encourage clerks to take what they learned at the conference back to their home counties and make good use of the information.

"I feel like I've let the state of Texas know where Howard County is and I hope I've represented my community well. This was a difficult but rewarding job and anywhere I go in Texas I know I have a friend," Ray said.

She also tried to make the theme for the 101st conference something for other clerks to take to heart, "God Bless America and You." Ray added she also told clerks that attitude is everything and they should strive to make their worth catching.

Ray has been Howard County Clerk since 1975, but has worked in the county clerk's office since she was 18-years-old.

"There is never a dull day and that's why I like what I do. I've tried never to be away from my job when I'm needed so I've appointed committees to act on my behalf in the past when I've had to be away and will probably have to do it again in the next year," Ray said.

Ray recently received a letter from the Harris County Clerk thanking her for putting on the "best conference ever."

JUST RIGHT!



Will Draper picks out a hot pepper from daughter Kelee Welborn while making a pot of chili during the inaugural Coahoma Cookoff Saturday. Though Draper competed in the chili division, there were also divisions for brisket, chicken and ribs.

Police say STEP was successful

HERALD Staff Report

At a glance, the Big Spring Police Department's (BSPD) increased traffic enforcement program last week was a success.

Funded by a \$5,000 Safe and Sober Wave Grant from the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), BSPD was able to put extra officers on the street for the 5-day period from July 2-7.

The officers, working 10-hour shifts, were looking specifically for seat belt violations under what is known as a STEP (Selected Traffic Enforcement Program).

As a result of the concentrated effort, 14 arrests were made and 205 tickets were issued.

"We feel it was a success," said Lt. Pam Jordan. "Based on a survey we did before the program, we feel there are more people wearing their seatbelts today than last week."

Jordan said the department will be conducting a similar program during the Labor Day holiday.

"We'll do it for another five-day period," she explained. "We're continuing to work to try and reduce the number of accidents."

Jordan said that as long as funding is available for programs such as this, the department will continue to participate.

KIDS' ZONE DONATION



Dr. Jay Warren and employees of Warren Chiropractic Clinic present a \$1,500 check to Doug Horton and Glenn Fillingim for the upkeep of the Kids Zone. The money was raised during a children's patient appreciation day.

Kennemur named 911 administrator

HERALD Staff Report

Kay Kennemur, who served six years as secretary to County Judges John Richard Coffee and Ben Lockhart, was named Monday as the new Howard County 911 Emergency Telephone System administrator.

Kennemur replaces Carl Dorton, who resigned to accept a similar position in Waco.

A native of Howard County, Kennemur



KAY KENNEMUR

is a 1974 graduate of Big Spring High School. She was one of more than 20 applicants for the job and one of six finalists who were interviewed.

"It's exciting, but it's also a little nerve-wracking," she admitted in a telephone interview today.

"I think my first priority will be the continuation of what Carl Dorton has done and to learn about the system and what I need to do."

Kennemur, who assumes her new job on July 22, said there will be many changes made in the system, but that the big task at hand is to maintain communications between all agencies.

"Communications is the big key in 911 being able to do what

it is supposed to do," she said.

Dorton had served as 911 administrator since June 1988. A Big Spring city employee for 19 years, Dorton was with the fire department from 1973 until 1988 and became fire chief in 1984.

The 911 system was approved by Howard County voters by a three-to-one margin on Nov. 3, 1987 with voters in 23 of the county's then-25 precincts voting in favor of the system.

Most recent discussion regarding the system centered around the consolidation of the system.

In May 1994, city and county officials met for an hour to discuss the system before deciding

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County collecting delinquent account from Odessa attorney

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

Howard County is in the process of collecting \$850 from a delinquent civil service account of Odessa attorney Cindy Weir-Ervin for 17 subpoenas that were received by the civil department of the Howard County Sheriff's office from Weir-Ervin's office early last year.

The subpoenas were issued by Weir-Ervin's office when she represented former Howard County Sheriff's deputy Jimmy

To date no payment has been received by the county from Weir-Ervin's office and a second notice to her office, which was sent by certified mail on June 6, 1995, has also not been answered.

Wallace in his lawsuit against the county.

The county's service fee for each subpoena is \$50.

According to the Howard County Sheriff's office, the 17

subpoenas were delivered by Weir-Ervin's office on Feb. 27, 1995, and her office then received a notice dated Feb. 28, 1995, that she would be billed the \$850 for the subpoenas.

To date no payment has been received by the county from Weir-Ervin's office and a second notice to her office, which was sent by certified mail on June 6, 1995, has also not been answered.

The matter has been referred to County Attorney Hardy Wilkerson by the sheriff's office.

Weir-Ervin's office was contacted about the matter Monday afternoon and she returned a call to the Herald after office hours. No further contact could be made before press time today.

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TODAY'S WEATHER

93 ▲ Highs 72
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Tonight, partly cloudy with a chance of showers. Low in lower 70s. Wednesday, partly cloudy with a high in the lower 90s.



OBITUARIES

Sudie Yates

Service for Sudie Rebecca Yates, 93, Flomaton, Ala., formerly of Stanton, will be 3 p.m. Wednesday, July 10, 1996, in the First United Methodist Church in Stanton with Hoot Leonard, of Midland, and Rev. Skip Hodges, of Stanton, officiating. Burial will be in the Evergreen Cemetery.

Mrs. Yates died Saturday, July 6, in Brewton, Ala., after a lengthy illness.

She was born on Sept. 23, 1902 in Taylor County. She married P.C. Yates on Feb. 6, 1921, in Taylor County. He preceded her in death on Feb. 28, 1985. She moved to Stanton in 1935. She had been living in Flomaton, Ala. for the past eight years.

Survivors include two sons: Marshall Yates, Lamesa, and Sammy Yates, Tarzan; two daughters: Peggy Latty, Flomaton, Ala., and Hazel Lawdermilk, Peoria, Ill.; 10 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; and nine great-great-grandchildren.

Arrangements under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home, Stanton.

Richard Leslie Raymond

Memorial service for Richard Leslie Raymond, 67, Amarillo, will be 10 a.m. Wednesday, July 10, 1996, at the Chaparral Hills Baptist Church with Rev. Alan Burkhalter, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in the Llano Cemetery.

Mr. Raymond died Monday, July 8, in Amarillo.

He was born in Amarillo on Jan. 28, 1929. He married Joyce Marie Christy in 1946, in Amarillo. He retired from Pantex in 1977 and was an ordained deacon at Sanborn Baptist Church in Amarillo in 1956.

Survivors include his wife: Joyce M. Christy Raymond, Amarillo; two daughters: Chris Cooper, Amarillo, and Nancy Jean Jones, Big Spring; two sons: Richard L. Raymond Jr., Amarillo, and David Allen, Odessa; three brothers: Neal Raymond, Shamrock, Vincent Raymond and Bobby Raymond, both of Watson, Okla.; 11 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the Lion's Hi-Plains Eye Bank, 1600 S. Coulter B-219, Amarillo, Texas, 79106.

Arrangements under the direction of Holley Funeral Home, Inc., Canyon.

Frances Marie Lebkowsky

Big Spring native and longtime resident Frances Marie "Bobby" Taylor Lebkowsky passed away at 10:15 a.m. on Monday, July 8, 1996, after a prolonged illness. She is survived by sons, Robert of Springfield, Ore., and Jon of Austin, Texas; their wives, Karen and Marsha, grandchildren, Stephen, Quentin II, Benjamin, Robert, and Tauna, four great-grandchildren and one sister, Winona Edwards of San Angelo. She was married to her beloved husband, Quentin Vance Lebkowsky on June 2, 1940, and they lived together with their sons in Big

Spring until 1967, when they moved to Odessa. They then moved to Midland, where they spent the remainder of their days together. They were married for 50 years and he preceded her in death on July 28, 1990. She had been living in Midland, Texas for several years prior to her death.

Bobby Lebkowsky was born on Jan. 19, 1920, in Big Spring and was the sixth of six daughters born to Big Spring pioneers, Mr. and Mrs. Horace F. Taylor. She graduated from Big Spring High School in 1938, and was selected as Miss Big Spring later that same year.

She enjoyed playing golf, and was an amateur tournament player in earlier years. Her hobbies included oil painting, sewing, and needlework. She delighted in making doll clothing, curtains and stuffed animals for friends and family.

Graveside services will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, July 10, 1996, at Trinity Memorial Park with Father Nick Marziana, of St. Nicholas Episcopal Church in Midland, officiating. The family will receive friends Wednesday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home from 9 a.m. until service time.

Family suggests donations in her memory be made to the United Scleroderma Foundation; P.O. Box 399; Watsonville, Calif.; 95077-0399 (1-800-722-HOPE).

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

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Furr's

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out about them just as we find out about them," Meisenheimer said.

Furr's was in the local market for 27 1/2 years — from Aug. 25, 1966 until the store closed in conjunction with the closing of Highland Mall on Feb. 13, 1994.

The 10,000-square-foot facility will seat approximately 300 persons inside, 70 on the outdoor patio, and employ approximately 50 persons.

Meisenheimer said the number of employees would "depend on sales and the cafeteria's reception within the community."

At the time it closed, the Highland Mall facility employed approximately 30 persons.

Company officials expect the restaurant to be open in time for the holiday shopping season.

911

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that all 911 dispatching would be centralized in the basement of the courthouse and that 911 would be the dispatching authority.

That decision was the result of confusion about jurisdiction and questions about which agency should respond to emergency calls.

Communications problems between the county and city have been the topic of public meetings since 911's inception and the system has had its share of problems.

Most critical among them was a May 1994 incident in which a call originally placed to the 911 system, handled by the Big Spring Police Department, was disconnected when a jailer with the Howard County Sheriff's Department hung up.

The call had been made by a female caller attempting to make a report concerning the death of 1-year-old Daphne Nicole Gutierrez.

It was that incident that caused Sheriff A.N. Standard to approach Howard County Commissioners about centralizing the 911 system.

IN BRIEF

BILL GOSSETT, FORMER longtime Big Spring resident, has been diagnosed with a brain tumor. His birthday is July 23 and all friends are encouraged to send him a card to the hospital he is staying at: Cancer Treatment Center; c/o Bill Gossett; 2408 East 81st Street; Tulsa, Okla.; 74137-4210.

THE BIG SPRING GOSPEL OPRY is Friday at 7 p.m. in the Comanche Trail Amphitheatre. There will be comedy, music, fun and concessions.

A FUND FOR JOHNNY FIERRO has been established at the Big Spring Education Employees Federal Credit Union. Donations from the

fund will help with expenses while he recuperates in a Lubbock hospital. Fierro was injured when a roof collapsed in downtown Big Spring June 14. Contact the credit union's special funds department for more information.

THE 63RD ANNUAL MARTIN COUNTY Old Settlers Reunion is Saturday. Here's a schedule of Events:

9 a.m. — Registration at community center
10 a.m. — Museum open, downtown parade, dedication of downtown trees (immediately after parade), and downtown games (after dedication of trees)

11 a.m. — Old jail open for touring
1 p.m. — Connell house open for touring

2 p.m. — Entertainment at community center, and reception at museum honoring W.H. Cox Family

6 p.m. — Johnny's Barbecue at community center
7:30 p.m. — Program at community center.

In conjunction with the Old Settlers Reunion, there will be a dance outside at the community center. The dance is sponsored by the Martin County Chamber of Commerce.

THE FORSAN ALL-CLASS REUNION is scheduled for Aug. 3 starting at 9 a.m. at the Forsan High School cafeteria. All ex-students, spouses, teachers and friends are invited for morning refreshments and lunch. Preregistration is suggested at a cost of \$10 per person or \$6 for those under 17 years of age.

Donations are also welcome so the group can continue their ex-student newsletter.

Contact Boyce Hale; HC 76 Box 157-F; Big Spring; 79720 or at 263-6957 or Leon Calley; 9635 Oak Thicket; Houston; 77040; (713) 466-5083.

ENTRY FORMS FOR THE 1996 HIGH PLAINS JR. Rodeo Assn. are available this week only from the Texas Agricultural Extension Office or the first floor of the Howard County Courthouse. Entries are open to contestants up to the age of 19 as of Jan. 1, 1996. You do not need to be a member of the High Plains Jr. Rodeo Association to compete. All entry forms MUST BE MAILED BY THURSDAY, JULY 11 to the Rodeo secretary in Lubbock to ensure she receives them by Saturday, July 13. Please call the extension office at 264-2236 or come by the courthouse to pick up the forms. This rodeo is sponsored by the Howard County 4H Clubs and is their major fund raising event for the year.

THERE WILL BE A SANDS PTO meeting for all members 7:30 p.m., July 12, in the school auditorium to discuss this year's cook book fundraiser.

WEST TEXAS OPPORTUNITIES, INC. will distribute commodities at the Commodity Distribution Center, 1607 E. Third Street, on Thursday from 8:15 a.m. to 2 p.m. All recipients that were certified through June 30 may pick up their food. Please bring someone with you to carry your commodities, you will be receiving about 13 pounds of food. For more information contact West Texas Opportunities, Inc. at 267-9536.

ANGELO STATE UNIVERSITY will have Preview ASU 1996 orientation sessions for new students July 26-27 and Aug. 2-3. The two-day program will acquaint new students and parents with the campus and programs.

THERE WILL BE A WOMEN'S RETREAT sponsored by Wesley Methodist Church on Aug. 30 and 31. There will be a free meal served at 5:30 p.m. The retreat costs \$10 and will feature Sharon Sandhop of God's Windows. For information call 263-3326 or 264-0734.

THE RSVP VOLUNTEERS at Malone & Hogan Clinic will be doing free blood pressure checks from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. and from 2 to 4 p.m.

Saturday Morning EXTENDED HOURS CLINIC 9 A.M. to 12 NOON. Located on the 2nd floor of the Clinic. NO APPOINTMENTS NECESSARY. Non-emergency medical service.

MALONE and HOGAN CLINIC 1501 W. 11th Place 267-5361

LOST At Wal-Mart Super Center, a large Male Australian Shepherd Cow dog named Jake. The dog is gray with black & white, has long hair and was wearing a flea collar. A reward of \$100.00 is offered. No questions asked. Call or leave a message. 915-338-0495

Big Spring ON THE RUN

SPRINGBOARD

IF YOU HAVE ANY CHANGES IN A SPRINGBOARD ITEM OR FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT GINA GARZA, 263-7331, BETWEEN 8 A.M. AND 2 P.M. All Springboard items must be submitted in writing. Mail to: Springboard, Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, Texas 79720; bring it by the office at 710 Scurry; or fax it to 264-7205.

TODAY
•Comanche Lake Duplicate, 1 p.m., Dora Roberts Civic Center.

•Most Excellent Way, a chemical dependency support group, 7 p.m., Living Water Church, 1008 Birdwell Lane. Call 267-1424 after 5 p.m. or 263-3168 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

•Narcotics Anonymous, 6:30 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 6:15 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting and 8 to 9 p.m. closed meeting at the VA Medical Center on fourth floor.

•MS group, 6:30 p.m., Canterbury South. Call Diane at 263-0148.

WEDNESDAY
•Line dance lessons are taught after lunch (12:45 p.m.) at the Senior Citizens Center. If you are interested call 267-1628.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 6:15 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting and 8 to 9 p.m. 12&12 Study.

THURSDAY
•Good Shepherd Fellowship Church, 610 Abrams, has services 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.

•Spring Tabernacle Church, 1209 Wright, has free food for area needy, 10 a.m. to noon.
•Big Spring Senior Citizens Center art classed, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., 55 and older.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting, 615 Settles, 8 to 9 p.m. closed meeting at Scenic Mountain Medical Center cafeteria.

•American Legion & Auxiliary Post 506, 7 p.m. Call 263-2084.

•Christmas in April, noon, 1607 E. Third. Call Theresa Hodnett, 263-0147.

•West Texas Republican Women's Club, noon, Big Spring Country Club.

•Masonic Lodge #598, 7:30 p.m., 219 Main.

FRIDAY
•Spring City Senior Citizens country/western dance, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. Music by CW & Co. Area seniors invited.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 6:15 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting and 8 to 9 p.m. Big Book Study.

•Signal Mountain Quilting Guild, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Call 267-1037 or 267-7281. Bring a lunch.

•Big Spring Gospel Opry, 7 p.m., Comanche Trail Amphitheatre. There will be comedy, music, fun and concessions.

SATURDAY
•Alcoholics Anonymous, 6:15 Settles, open meetings at noon, 8 p.m. and 10 p.m.
•Nature Walk and Sunset Tales 8 to 10 p.m., Big Spring State Park. Call 263-4931 for more information.

•Howard County Scottish Rite Club, 7:30 a.m., Masonic Lodge, 21st and Lancaster. Breakfast served (\$4). All Scottish Rite Masons welcome.

SUNDAY
•Good Shepherd Fellowship Church, 610 Abrams, has services 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 6:15 Settles, 11 a.m. closed meeting and 7 p.m. open meeting.

MONDAY
•Big Spring Evening Lion's Club, 6:30 p.m., 1607 E. Third. Call Jan Noyes, 267-5811.
•Project Freedom, Christian support group, 7 p.m. Call 263-5140 or 263-2241.

TEXAS LOTTERY

PICK 3: 8, 3, 7

POLICE

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity for the 24-hour period ending at 8 a.m. today:

• **CHERI, COLLINS DORTON**, 50, 1405 Stanford, Big Spring, arrested on local warrants.

• **PATSY JEAN BARNETT**, 35, 1800 Main, Big Spring, arrested on local warrants.

• **VALLEJO REFUGIO ORTIZ**, 26, Ent Street, Big Spring, arrested for consuming alcohol on an unlicensed premises.

• **ASCENSION RIOS JR.**, 43, 1600 Oriole, Big Spring, arrested for driving with suspended license.

• **BLAKE E. LANCE**, 25, 1104 E. 11th, Big Spring, arrested on DPS warrants.

• **EDWARD GUERRERO**, 18, 403 Valley, Big Spring, arrested on local warrants.

• **COREY DEWAYNE DYER**, 18, 1102 Lancaster, Big Spring, arrested on local warrants.

• **DANIEL RAY HECKLER**, 43, 2904 Stonehaven, Big Spring, arrested for disorderly conduct-language.

• **THEFTS** reported in the following blocks: 200 Young, 1100 N. Lamesa.

• **BURGLARY OF A BUILDING** reported in the following blocks: 400 S. Gregg.

• **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** reported in the following blocks: 1000 S. Nolan.

• **CRIMINAL TRESPASS WARNING** given in the following blocks: 400 Trades.

• **JUVENILE PROBLEMS** reported in the following blocks: 2100 Morrison, 900 East 13th.

• **JUVENILE ARRESTED** in the following blocks: 900 East 13th.

• **LOUD PARTY** reported in the following blocks: 800 Douglas, 900 East 13th.

• **DRAG RACING/RECKLESS DRIVING** reported in the following blocks: 900 East 13th.

• **MINOR ACCIDENTS** reported in the following locations: West 5th and Bell.

• **NEIGHBOR DISPUTE** reported in the following blocks: 800 Douglas.

• **ASSAULTS** reported in the following blocks: 400 Ryan, 500 NW 7th, 300 NW 3rd.

• **DISTURBANCE/FIGHT** reported in the following blocks: 1500 E. 11th.

• **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** reported in the following blocks: 1600 Runnels, 1500 E. 11th, 700 W. 13th, 700 Bell, 1100 E. 6th.

• **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** reported in the following blocks: 1000 N. Main.

• **GAS THEFT** reported in the following blocks: 2300 Wasson.

• **SUSPICIOUS INVESTIGATIONS** reported in the following blocks: 18th and Gregg, 2300 Gregg, 600 Gregg, 3rd and Lancaster, 700 W. 14th, 400 E. 4th, 2900 Parkway.

SHERIFF

The Howard County Sheriff's Department reported the following activity for the 24-hour period ending at 8 a.m. today:

• **JAMES H. LEONARD**, 45, HC 69, Box 17, Big Spring, arrested July 7 for assault/family violence and released on \$1,500 bond.

• **LARRY BOYD WREN II**, 22, 718 Beckley, Midland, released to Midland County on warrant for theft over \$50.

• **ROBERT COSBY, JR.**, 48, 100 Hughes St., Westbrook, arrested July 2, 1996 and released on \$400 bond.

MARKETS

July cotton futures 71.50 cents a pound, up 90 points; Aug. crude oil 21.13, down 14 points; Cash hog steady at 61 cents even; slaughter steers steady at 64 cents even; June live hog futures 58.95, down 70 points; June live cattle futures 66.67, down 15 points. Courtesy: Delta Corporation.

Noon quotes provided by Edward D. Jones & Co.

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ATT 59% +

Amoco 68% +

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Atmos Energy 26% +

Boston Chicken 29% +

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Euro Pacific 24.40-25.89

I.C.A. 22.53-23.90

New Economy 17.05-18.09

New Perspective 17.15-18.20

Van Kampen 14.09-14.79

Prime Rate 8.25%

Gold 383.10-383.60

Silver 5.06-5.09

RECORDS

Monday's high 103

Monday's low 78

Average high 95

Average low 70

Record high 103 in 1939

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Month to date 0.00

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Hurricane Bertha heads for Bahamas after lashing eastern Caribbean

CHARLOTTE AMALIE, U.S. Virgin Islands (AP) — With winds building to 115 mph, Hurricane Bertha picked up speed today and took aim at the Bahamas and Turks and Caicos Islands.

Bertha, the first hurricane of the Atlantic season, has claimed four lives. Forecasters gave it a 30 percent chance of hitting Florida later this week and warned southeastern coastal cities to keep close track of the storm.

Hurricane warnings were in

effect for islands between Puerto Rico and the U.S. mainland — including the Dominican Republic, Turks and Caicos and the Bahamas.

Early today, Bertha was upgraded to a Category Three storm, far more dangerous than Category One or Two storms because of its heightened wind speed. Its sheer size — 460 miles around — makes it formidable, said Jerry Jarrell, deputy director of the U.S. Hurricane Center in Miami.

"This is a huge storm — it's

more like Hugo in '89 or Gilbert in '88," said Jarrell, whose office early today described the storm as "dangerous."

On Monday, Bertha pushed through a string of northeastern Caribbean islands with winds of about 100 mph. The damage was less than anticipated and far less than the devastation wrought by hurricanes Luis and Marilyn last year.

But Bertha did claim four victims, two surfers who challenged nature's fury and drowned and two men killed in

a car accident in Puerto Rico. This morning the Coast Guard was searching for a boat with as many as 42 people aboard.

"The final transmission from the vessel said it was in the eye of the hurricane and people were jumping into the water," said Dennis Uhlenhopp, the Coast Guard spokesman in San Juan.

By 5 a.m. EDT today, Bertha was 180 miles east-southeast of Turks Island and moving west-northwest at a rapid 18 mph, with little further strengthening

forecast over the next 24 hours. Puerto Rico got lucky Monday as the eye of the storm passed just to the north, within 45 miles of the island.

"The eye didn't miss the edge of the coast by much," said Mike Hopkins, a meteorologist at the Hurricane Center. "It could just as well as turned out the other way."

But the hurricane landed a direct hit on the Virgin Islands earlier in the day.

On St. Thomas, the main U.S. Virgin Island, Bertha ripped

roofs and doors off homes and littered streets with tree limbs and power lines. Plastic tarps were torn off houses left roofless by Marilyn last season.

But torrential rains did the most damage, flooding many homes and buildings.

"There's not a lot of damage, but I've been wet for 12 hours and every footstep I take makes a squishy sound on my carpet," said Jeff McCarey, a 26-year-old liquor salesman, as he surveyed the damage to his one-bedroom home overlooking Charlotte.

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Military closes hearing in Heidi Seeman slaying
SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A U.S. Air Force officer has ordered a hearing involving a murder charge filed in the Heidi Seeman slaying case closed to the public.

The action was taken Monday in the Article 32 proceeding involving the charge against Major Robert Eric Duncan. Major Dixie Morrow, the investigating officer in the military proceeding that is similar to a civilian grand jury ordered that the hearing be closed.

Defense lawyers sought to have the proceedings open to the public and the news media.

"We're terribly disappointed," defense attorney Gerald Goldstein said after the first day of what is expected to be day-and-night sessions through Wednesday.

"We hope to open it to the public to see the lack of evidence," Goldstein said.

Lindale ISD bans 32 books, including many classics
LINDALE (AP) — The school board in a small East Texas town has banned 32 books on an advanced placement English reading list because a trustee said the books "conflicted with the values of the community."

The Lindale Independent School District board voted Monday unanimously to ban the books, including many classics such as "The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn," "To Kill a Mockingbird," "The Scarlet Letter" and "Moby Dick."

The board also directed school administrators to assemble a "suitable" reading list to replace the banned books. A recently formed book committee will then approve the new list.

The committee, which consists of parents and teachers, was created in June after concerns were raised about the appropriateness of the books which had already been approved by a teacher in charge of the English department.

Some of the books offended many school board members and parents because they contained profanity and described explicit sex acts, according to board president John Offutt, a Baptist minister.

Experts say wheat harvest could have been worse
VERNON (AP) — There's a silver lining to the dark but rainless cloud that has hovered over this year's Texas wheat production: As bad as the 1996 harvest was, it wasn't as awful as first thought.

"Basically, the Rolling Plains and southern (East Texas) blacklands got more than they expected this year," said Bill Nelson, executive vice president of the Texas Wheat Producers Board in Amarillo. "Where they expected 10 bushels per acre, they got 15; where they expected 20, they got 25."

The optimism doesn't do much for High Plains producers whose crops were virtually "nonexistent," Nelson said. A third year of drought in the region wreaked havoc upon dryland and irrigated crops alike.

"Even irrigated wheat needs supplemental rainfall, and they didn't even get that," Nelson said. Irrigated fields that normally produce 80 to 100 bushels yielded about half that, he said.

The devastation in the plains of northwest Texas will result in an estimated harvest of 62 million bushels, about half of normal and the third straight subpar crop.

Judge rules deaths undetermined in oxygen case
TEMPLE (AP) — Four veterans exposed to tainted oxygen at the Olin E. Teague Veterans Center died of undetermined causes, Bell County Justice of the Peace Eddy Lange has ruled.

Two other veterans exposed to the oxygen died of natural causes, Lange said Monday.

"I feel for the families because they were looking to me to answer their questions about their loved ones' deaths," Lange said. "In four situations, I was unable to answer those questions."

Lange ordered autopsies on five of the men who died after exposure to a standard cleaning chemical through the hospital's oxygen system. The families of two other veterans also requested autopsies.

A total of 10 men died after 89 were exposed to the chemical in March. A Houston company that supplied the gas was cited for violating safety standards while connecting its oxygen tank to the hospital's system.

Schiavo, outspoken FAA critic, resigns

'Unfortunately most accidents are preventable. Planes don't fall out of the sky unless something is wrong.'

Mary Schiavo
Congressional testimony

comment, aides said.

"She wants to speak and write, and probably work as an attorney again," said Mary Helen Rice, a staff assistant.

Her husband, Alexander Schiavo, told The Washington Post that Schiavo was six months pregnant and leaving for personal reasons, including her desire to spend time with their 2-year-old daughter. "She wants to have some private time with the family. That's essentially what it is," he was quoted as saying in today's editions.

Her departure follows the announcements that two top FAA officials would resign, but

apparently is unrelated. They resigned under pressure for reform at the agency; Business Week reported in its current issue that Schiavo would leave her \$115,700-a-year job if she could secure a lucrative book advance.

Since ValuJet Flight 592 crashed into the Everglades on May 11, killing 110 people, Schiavo has appeared on television and has testified before congressional panels looking into airline safety and the FAA's performance. The FAA is part of the Transportation Department.

Schiavo, 40, was appointed Transportation's inspector gen-

eral by President Bush in 1990. As a former assistant U.S. attorney, she brought a prosecutor's investigative background to the job and, as a licensed pilot, aviation expertise as well.

Late last month, she told a House panel that she had complained regularly to the FAA about what she considered its lax inspection practices and the problems they created in effectively monitoring rapidly growing airlines such as ValuJet.

"Unfortunately most accidents are preventable. Planes don't fall out of the sky unless something is wrong," Schiavo told the House Transportation panel.

But she also acknowledged that she had not written the FAA about her concerns — prompting congressional criticism.

"If you make a comment like that, those words have consequences," said Rep. James Oberstar, D-Minn.

San Antonio among cities in gun tracking program

WASHINGTON (AP) — San Antonio law enforcement officials will take part in a Clinton administration initiative to trace guns confiscated from teen-agers back to their original sellers.

The Texas city is one of 17 nationwide joining the pilot program announced Monday by President Clinton. The program's intent is to trace the guns by computer so that local police and prosecutors can find — and prosecute — the dealers who illegally sold them to teen-agers.

Laws on the books federally and in most states already ban

the sale of handguns to juveniles, making Clinton's program easier to implement because it does not require new legislation that could lead to a contentious debate on gun control.

"Today, if a gang member is caught committing a crime with a smoking gun in his hand, often as not, the gun is simply put in the police locker with little further investigation," Clinton said at a White House news conference attended by law enforcement officials from the 17 cities.

"Yet we know that gangs often buy in bulk from a single shad-

ow supplier, a criminal network that channels an arsenal of weapons to young criminals or would-be criminals."

Republican Bob Dole's presidential campaign charged that Monday's announcement is a rehash of an administration proposal from November 1993. "Leave it to Bill Clinton to wait until four months before the election to embrace the idea," said campaign spokesman Nelson Warfield.

The National Rifle Association also branded the event politics. "The answer to youth crime is prosecutions, not press conferences," said NRA lobbyist

Tanya Metaksa.

Under the pilot program, information on confiscated weapons "will be entered into the federal computer system run by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, and traced back to the original seller through documents and serial numbers."

One of San Antonio's representatives in town for the announcement said the program should help curb juvenile crime.

"Right now, quite frankly, we don't know where they are getting their guns," Bexar County First Assistant District Attorney Bernardo Martinez said.

Tarrant, Lubbock counties dispute Medicaid pilot program

AUSTIN (AP) — The hospital districts in Tarrant and Lubbock counties say indigent care would be crippled by a state pilot program that changes the way Texas Medicaid patients are referred to doctors.

The Tarrant and Lubbock county hospital districts are seeking a temporary injunction that would block the state from implementing a pilot project the districts claim fails to comply with state law.

If the programs are put into place, county hospitals would be burdened with additional expenses, suffer dropoffs in primary care education and likely have to rely on tax increases to

maintain services, attorneys for the county hospital districts argue.

Attorneys for the state say Texas welfare officials are still trying to negotiate the details of the pilot program with the federal government and that the hospital districts have sued because they want to help dictate the final outcome.

"The plaintiffs are asking to interfere with the way the (Texas Health and Human Services) Commission has designed the program," Toni Hunter, an assistant attorney general, told Visiting Judge Jim Meyers on Monday.

"They are trying to put a halt

to any change to the way they profit from the Medicaid system by asking the court to interpret the law in some convoluted way."

At issue in the hearing, which is expected to last at least two days, is the role the hospital districts will play in the proposed restructuring of Medicaid to a managed care system in Texas.

Under the pilot program, which is scheduled to take effect Sept. 1 in Bexar, Lubbock and Tarrant counties, Medicaid patients could choose doctors from a roster of approved physicians. Bexar County hasn't objected to the program.

However, historically, about

60 percent of the patients don't complete the necessary forms and are assigned to a doctor, according to the hospital districts.

The districts contend that the state would unfairly tilt the assignments to doctors participating in health maintenance organizations (HMOs), even though the patients may have had a prior relationship with a hospital district doctor.

Additionally, the districts claim that those patients would be returned to the hospital districts after their Medicaid eligibility expires, forcing the district to pick up the cost of uninsured patients.

American consultants led Yeltsin in American-style campaign tactics

WASHINGTON (AP) — Boris Yeltsin's successful re-election campaign was given a secret boost by three American consultants who preached the American-style campaign tactics of smiling, getting out to the sticks and blasting the communists.

The three veteran Republican Party operatives, hired last February when Yeltsin's support rate had fallen to single digits in opinion polls, schooled Yeltsin's Russian staff in the art of the photo op, the purpose of a focus group and the effects of negative ads.

When they arrived, said George Gorton, Yeltsin's staff was organized like communist cells with no one talking to anyone else. A main campaign ploy was to contact factory managers under the assumption they would tell their workers how to vote.

Gorton, polling expert Dick Dresner, and political analyst Joe Shumate have all worked on the political campaigns of California Gov. Pete Wilson. Gorton was campaign manager for

Wilson's short-lived presidential bid last year. They declined to say how much they were paid by the Yeltsin campaign, although Time Magazine said they received \$250,000 plus expenses.

They talked to The Associated Press Monday upon their return from Moscow, where they pretended they were selling thin-screen TVs and tried assiduously to avoid exposure of their real work.

Yeltsin's opponents would certainly have attacked him for using American consultants. News of their presence leaked out at the end of the campaign, but "if it had been earlier we probably would have had to pack up and go" because of the damage it would have caused Yeltsin, Dresner said.

The three occupied rooms on the 11th floor of the President Hotel, Yeltsin's campaign headquarters, where they were protected by armed bodyguards and discouraged from going out. But they were also next to the office of Yeltsin's daughter and chief adviser, Tatyana Yeltsin

Dyachenko. She served as a direct conduit to the president for their memos and advice. Her presence "was the thing that saved the campaign, the single most important thing was having Tatyana," Gorton said. "Everybody else was either terrified of Boris ... or they were infighting."

Their advice to the campaign was to get Yeltsin out of Moscow more, a risky business when his negative ratings were worse than those of Stalin.

They pressed the campaign to stay on an anti-communism, pro-stability message, appealing to the fears many Russians held about Yeltsin's main rival, Communist Party candidate Gennady Zyuganov.

They also urged Yeltsin's people to make early overtures to nationalist candidate Alexander Lebed, heading off a proposed coalition among Lebed and other third-party candidates that could have sunk Yeltsin. If that coalition had been formed, Gorton said, "Lebed would probably be the president of Russia now."

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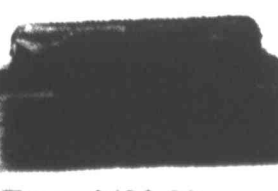
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OTHER VIEWS

Economic reports contain uncertainties

The truth is that no one knows the truth about where the economy is headed. Or, to be more precise, no one can say for sure that some new, favorable numbers represent anything more enduring or meaningful than at least a momentary political plus for President Clinton.

Even Robert Reich, Clinton's secretary of labor, observed that monthly reports — such as the ones released for June on unemployment, job creation and hourly wages — are "notoriously volatile and often revised."

Of course, Reich's comments might have been intended to dissuade the Federal Reserve from raising short-term interest rates in the coming months, an act that would slow economic growth, cause pandemonium on Wall Street and perhaps place a bump in Clinton's path to re-election. The June unemployment rate, put at 5.3 percent, is the lowest in six years and was accompanied by the creation of 239,000 service-sector jobs. If the trend continues, traditional theory holds, increased labor costs will fuel inflation, something the Fed dreads and usually moves quickly to quash.

Another of the numbers reported — a 3.4 percent year increase in the average hourly wage, up to \$11.82 — would seem to buttress the case that competition for labor is increasing costs. Yet there could be other reasons for the increase, and the argument is now frequently heard that declines in unemployment don't necessarily trigger higher inflation. The structure of the economy has changed enormously over the past decade and more, it's pointed out. Low unemployment and low inflation have been co-existing happily in much of the country, it's noted.

But Alan Greenspan, the Fed's highly respected chairman, may not be persuaded. Wedded to conventional ideas that have served the nation reasonably well during most of his tenure, he seems as likely to change his economic faith as one of those presidential faces on Mount Rushmore is to wink at a tourist.

President Clinton has said no American economy has been more "solid" in a generation. If the new numbers hold up — itself a huge uncertainty — he certainly has reason to be pleased with the way things stand. But the word "solid" might prove to be ill-chosen, especially if Greenspan gets a whiff of inflation. The reports for June are hopeful, but they are not necessarily a harbinger of more good things to come.

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The undoing of citizen Dole, teller of tough truths

By MARTIN SCHRAM

Scrpps Howard News Service

We saw the news being made: Citizen Bob Dole dashes blindly down Tobacco Road but discovers it's a dead-end and he's left himself nowhere to turn — so he turns against the news media. Just like in the bad old days.

Suddenly, again, he is all panic and no panache, blaming liberal bias as the reason journalists are asking him the questions he all but compelled them to ask.

But wait — the news cycle spins anew. And now we see the pundits and partisan polls flailing. They are all over Dole about his noggin-numbing insistence that tobacco isn't addictive, and the \$477,550 in tobacco contributions he received during his career, and, of course, his mindless media-bashing. Yet, they have missed the real point about the impact of the controversy.

It isn't just about Big Tobacco and its beaucoup bucks. It's about Big Truth — and Dole's self-destruction of his own best strategy for defeating President Clinton come November.

Dole has severely damaged his chance to campaign as the candidate who has the courage to tell tough truths to the

American people. That was the one over-arching advantage Dole had all over Clinton. Every poll tells us Americans may prefer Clinton on the issues; but they don't believe their president's explanations of public policy or personal conduct.

So Dole had a chance to close his double-digit deficit in the polls by campaigning as Citizen Dole, Truth-Teller.

But never more. Think about what Americans have just seen for days on the non-stop TV news. They heard Citizen Dole saying things that every viewer/voter knows is untrue — and even worse, they know that Dole knows he was speaking untruths every time he repeated his mulish mantra: Tobacco isn't proven to be addictive ... medical science just doesn't know if tobacco is addictive ... tobacco may be harmful, but hey, too much milk can hurt humans, too.

Rewind and review what the voter/viewers saw on the July 2nd NBC "Today Show": They witnessed a neo-classic reversal of the Old Dole when co-anchor Katie Couric asked about the controversy about tobacco and addiction which Dole had initiated last month in Kentucky, no doubt thinking it was a swell way to line up

tobacco state votes. Dole looked surprised by Couric's questions, even though his staff had given him talking points on the issue, which he ignored. Elizabeth Dole, seeing the dark cloud gather over her husband's head, tried to change the subject; he ignored her, too.

Voter/viewers saw Dole lose his cool, lose his good humor he reveals in private chats with reporters — and attack his polite, ever-perky interviewer. It evoked memories of Dole's dark side, his 1976 vice-presidential debate blurtation that all our modern-day military efforts were "Democrat wars."

When Couric said she was only trying to give Dole an opportunity to respond to recent news stories, Dole shot back: "You can't respond, because the media's already made up their mind. I've said I don't know whether it's addictive. I'm not a doctor. I'm not a scientist."

And when Couric noted that President Reagan's surgeon general, Dr. C. Everett Koop, was among the nearly unanimous authorities who say tobacco is addictive, Dole said: "Dr. Koop, you know, he watches the liberal media and he probably got carried away ..."

"He's brainwashed?" asked Couric.

Dole bit: "Probably a little bit."

Now this: In this age of negative political ads, the Clinton-Gore '96 campaign is already out with an attack ad that asks: "Bob Dole or Bill Clinton — who's really protecting our children?" Never mind that Dole says children shouldn't smoke. Leave it to today's polls to stretch so far that they rip the credibility seam in their strong suit.

Come to think of it, the Clinton-Gore gang had a much tougher negative ad ready to air. Just buy the TV time and re-run that "Today Show" interview — uncut, unfiltered. The unadulterated Dole would be the undoing of Citizen Dole, Teller of Tough Truths — and the ultimate in video-attack verite.

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By ANN McFEATTERS

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WASHINGTON — New national polls show that President Clinton's lead over Bob Dole is narrowing in the face of questions about the Clinton White House.

Polls are showing that the substantial lead Clinton has enjoyed for weeks is down anywhere from four to eight points, depending on the poll. The CNN-USA Today poll reported Tuesday that its survey shows Clinton now leading Dole by 15 percent, down from

19 percent last month. The Washington Post-ABC News poll reported that Clinton's lead among registered voters has fallen from 22 points in mid-May to 14 points.

Most analysts say the polls reflect the recent barrage of negative stories about the FBI files being improperly stored at the White House, the convictions of the president's former Whitewater friends, Hillary Clinton's meetings with a New Age psychologist and concerns that Clinton may not be telling the truth when he says he knew nothing about his aides reviewing background files of top Republicans.

While the White House clearly is still elated to be in double-digit territory as summer begins, it must now watch the trend more closely. The polls mean that Clinton will attack Dole more sharply and personally, as, in fact, he did Tuesday in Chicago.



Ann McFeatters
Washington Watch

There he blasted Dole for seeming to suggest on NBC's Today show that former Surgeon General C. Everett Koop had been brainwashed by the "liberal media" in his persistent warning against tobacco. Dole backed off that suggestion later Tuesday, but Clinton said the issue is protecting children from smoking and said Dole should stop playing politics with the issue.

The uproar, which could hurt Dole in polls later this month, began when Dole argued against more government regulation of tobacco by saying tobacco's danger may have been overstated because some people are addicted to tobacco and others are not.

The basis for the sudden emergence of tobacco as an election-year issue is campaign finance reporting that Republicans have taken in \$2.8 million from the tobacco industry so far this election cycle compared with \$417,000 for Democrats, according to the Center for Responsive Politics. On the other hand, although Clinton has begun an anti-smoking crusade for children and his administration is considering regulating tobacco as a drug, he has not turned down tobacco money and went to the home of a tobacco lobbyist for a private fundraising event.

Most Americans have not started to focus on the Nov. 5 election yet and probably won't until after the Olympics this month in Atlanta and Republicans convene in San

Diego and Democrats then meet in Chicago late in August. But the new movement in the polls, which had held steady for weeks, enlivens the race.

Pollsters had expected to see a narrowing sooner after Dole left the Senate June 11 and began campaigning full time. The fact that there was no movement became a story in itself.

But prospective voters are starting to focus more on Dole as an alternative to Clinton. In an effort to soften Dole's somewhat harsh, king-of-Capitol-Hill image, he now is seen more often campaigning with his wife Elizabeth Dole, who served four presidents and is a strong and popular Republican in her own right.

Concerned about Clinton's continuing lead despite his legal troubles, Republicans are urging Dole to sharpen his message, lay out the differences between him and Clinton more clearly and explain better why he wants to be president. They were not pleased by his comment a few days ago in New York that he should be president because "I know a little about life. I know a little about America. I'm worried about our future — not my future, your future."

Clinton has been quoted as saying privately he won't start worrying unless Dole is ahead of him after the GOP convention in mid-August.

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Mallard Fillmore
by **BRUCE TINSLEY**

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Texas teams at the break

Is there just cause for anxiety in Arlington?

ARLINGTON (AP) — The crowds are sellouts. The team is leading the division at the All-Star break. And the offense is one of the most productive in the American League.

So why are Texas Rangers fans so anxious?

July has arrived with its usual 100-degree-plus heat. Historically, the Rangers go into their summer meltdown.

Cracks are appearing in the pitching staff, especially the bullpen. Closer Mike Henneman, among the league leaders with 21 saves, has blown his last two save opportunities.

And the Seattle Mariners, the Rangers No. 1 nemesis and West Division rival, came to town and took the first three games of a four-game series before the break. That at a time when the Rangers had, by far, the best home record of any American League team with a 31-12 mark going into the series.

Seattle is 6-3 against Texas this year and 28-7 against the Rangers since Sept. 21, 1993.

The combination of factors is leading to nervous tics in fans who have yet to see a Rangers team reach the playoffs in 24 years.

The public anxiety does not set well with Rangers manager Johnny Oates.

"There are a lot of people around here panicking," Oates said. "But they're not in uniform."

Until last week, the season had been a thing of joy. Going into Saturday's game, Texas had the highest team batting average in the league with a .295 mark, two points higher than Seattle's, and a pitching

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staff with a 4.75 earned-run average, fourth-best in the league.

A defensive swap between Juan Gonzalez and Rusty Greer worked well, with Gonzalez installed in the cozy right field at The Ballpark in Arlington with the speedier Greer covering the more spacious left field.

Offensively, Gonzalez has been on a home run tear with 21 — including a club-record-tying 11 in June — despite missing 25 games with various injuries.

Darryl Hamilton has kept center field secure and batted .313 from the leadoff spot with a team-high 105 hits.

All-Star catcher Ivan Rodriguez has established himself as a dependable No. 2 batter with a .308 average and 26 doubles, third-most in the league. And he still has the most feared throwing arm of any catcher in the league.

Career utility man Mark McLemore has found a home at second base and leads the team with 14 stolen bases. Kevin Elster is having a career year in home runs (13) and RBI (58).

Recovered from last year's season-ending ruptured left biceps, third baseman Dean Palmer has 20 home runs and 65 RBI.

But a bruised rib cage has first baseman Will Clark on the 15-day disabled list for the second time this season, along with his .299 batting average with 43 RBI.

Roger Pavlik, selected for the American League All-Star pitching staff, leads the Rangers with an 11-2 record.

Houston looking to break from the NL Central pack

HOUSTON (AP) — About the only consistency with the Houston Astros this season is that they either have been in or near first place in the National League Central Division all year.

The search for stability is what you hear the most among the Astros as they try to separate themselves from the mediocrity of their division, where merely a .500 record has been enough to keep Houston ahead of Cincinnati, Chicago and Pittsburgh.

Houston (47-42) and St. Louis are even at the All-Star break.

"There's been games we've played well, there's been games we've haven't played very good," manager Terry Collins says. "What we need to do is get our games where our pitching and our hitting are on the same track."

"We have not played up to our capabilities," adds Gerry Hunsicker, the team's general manager. "Up to this point, I think this team has underachieved. Because of that, I think we're capable of a lot more, and we have reason to expect that this team will get a lot better."

Heading into the season, the Astros offense — led by All-Stars Craig Biggio and Jeff Bagwell — was expected to be potent.

First baseman Bagwell is having a season like two years ago when he was the NL's Most Valuable Player. And Biggio, who spurned more lucrative offers in the off-season to remain in Houston, has been pushing his average to near .300 and has become a perennial All-Star second-base choice of the fans nationwide.

Outfielder Derek Bell, having another near-.300 season at the plate, and the batting punch of

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third baseman Sean Berry, who's in double-digits in home runs, round out the Astros' "killer B's" lineup.

After that, left field and catcher have been problems offensively.

But where they've really fallen short is pitching and defense.

"You know we're second-to-last in defense and that's surprising," Collins says. "I thought that would be one of our strengths. But you just keep working at it."

Berry has been playing despite a bad shoulder and it shows. He leads the league in errors by third basemen.

The pitching woes finally may be resolving themselves.

In the last home stand before the break, Houston got three consecutive complete games from starting pitchers — the first time that's happened in a decade.

Donne Wall, a 28-year-old rookie summoned from AAA Tucson after the start of the season, has been terrific. The Astros won the first 10 games he started, six of the victories going to Wall.

"He's been a very, very pleasant surprise," says Collins. "And Billy Wagner has done an outstanding job for us out of the bullpen."

Wall and Wagner are opposites. Wall doesn't have the big fastball or curve but throws strikes. Wagner throws heat and is averaging 1 1/2 strikeouts per inning.

"Pitching — starting pitching — is the key," Collins says. "If we get the starting pitching we've got in the last month and a half, we'll be in good shape."

Local all-stars bow out

By STEVE REAGAN
Sports Editor

The District 3 Little League Tournament is now a strictly out-of-town affair.

The tournament is now down to its final eight teams, and none of the contestants are from Howard County. The final area team, the Big Spring National League all-stars, bowed out Monday, dropping an 8-5 decision to El Paso Socorro.

Of the eight teams remaining, five are from Midland, two from Odessa and one from El Paso.

The National-Socorro game started as a slugfest, but ended as a pitching duel. After both teams gave up a combined 11 runs in the first three innings, National pitcher Derrick Wilson and Socorro hurler Carlos Sanchez figuratively turned off the tap, allowing only a combined one hit until Socorro put the game to bed with two runs in the sixth inning.



National League manager Jim Clements (left, in glasses) leads an impromptu cheer between innings of his team's game with El Paso Socorro Monday afternoon.

National scored a run in the first when Nathan Clements came home on an error, but Socorro answered with a three-run second inning to claim the lead.

It didn't last long.

The Nationals rapped out five hits in their half of the second, including doubles from Jon McKinnon and Robert Garza.

Wilson started the rally with a single to right, moved to second on an error, then came home on Casey Conner's single.

McKinnon then doubled to bring Conner home and tie the game at 3-3. National then jumped into the lead when McKinnon scored on another

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Tower vs. Socorro, 8, NL
Mid. Mid-City vs. Mid. Northern, 6, AL
W. Odessa vs. Mid. Western, 8, AL

Socorro error.

But, like Socorro's earlier advantage, National's lead didn't last very long. In the next at-bat, El Paso put together four singles, threw in a Big Spring National error for good measure and scored three runs to take a 6-4 lead.

Jason Thomas narrowed the deficit to one run when he scored for Big Spring in the bottom of the third, but that's when both pitchers decided enough was enough and shut off the hit parade.

The drought lasted until the sixth, when Sanchez scored on a single by J.R. Ontiveros.

Will interleague play take luster away from baseball All-Star Game?

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Randy Johnson vs. John Kruk in 1993 at Camden Yards. Greg Maddux vs. Cal Ripken in 1994 at Pittsburgh. Hideo Nomo vs. Albert Belle last summer at The Ballpark in Arlington.

Think of the most intriguing at-bats in recent All-Star games, and then think about why they're so special: All fans love a good pitcher-hitter matchup, and those are the ones they don't ordinarily see.

Same goes for Tuesday night's game. How will NL starter John Smoltz fare against Wade Boggs? How will AL starter Charles Nagy do against Barry Larkin?

By next summer, though, no one will have to wonder.

Interleague play is supposed to start in June, meaning Smoltz and the Atlanta Braves might have already played Boggs and the New York Yankees. Nagy and the Cleveland Indians might have already faced Larkin and the Cincinnati Reds.

That means no more mystery for many All-Star matchups. And that, six-time NL batting champion Tony Gwynn contends, is not a good thing.

"From the National League fan's standpoint, they want to see the American League stars play," Gwynn said. "And probably, we should feel the same way."

"But this game is a special occasion and a special time that a lot of guys don't have the opportunity to enjoy," he said. "My feeling is interleague play may take away from this event."

NL manager Bobby Cox of Atlanta agrees.

"I'm not an advocate of interleague play, OK?" he said. "I like it the way it is. There are franchises, obviously, in trouble and this will increase attendance. Eventually, I think it will take a little luster off the World Series and All-Star game."

Certainly, the introduction of interleague play — the plan still needs approval from the players union — will change elements of the All-Star game.

As in, rather than just sitting back in the dugout and appreciating the talents of opponents such as Barry Bonds, Kenny Lofton and Mike Piazza, players might be paying more attention to details.

"You will be more apt to try to get some scouting in," Kansas City Royals reliever Jeff Montgomery said.

The question of whether interleague play will hurt the All-Star game is still a year away. In the meantime, this year's game has another problem — injuries.

Gwynn and Ken Griffey Jr. and Matt Williams were out even before Monday's workouts began. Now, there's also a chance Roberto Alomar and Frank Thomas might not be able to play, either.

Gwynn, elected to start in the outfield, is sidelined with heel trouble. His spot in the lineup will be taken by Lance Johnson, who will lead off and play center field.

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"The general managers didn't get to do anything last summer because of the lockout, and they've waited all this time to get their jollies," Miller said Monday.

"It's going to be interesting, probably the biggest free agent market the league will ever see," he said. "It'll be something to see teams maneuver and shift."

A possible snag in today's noon EDT starting time arose Monday night. Player and owner representatives were still working on a final draft of the agreement, and the NBA has insisted that the agreement be signed before the market will be allowed to open.

The free agent market was supposed to open July 1, but an eight-day moratorium was put in place until the six-year collective bargaining agreement was finalized. Players had until Monday to vote, and overwhelming approval was expected.

World catching up to U.S. in track and field

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. (AP) — The U.S. track and field team is coming off highly successful trials on the same Atlanta track where the Olympics will be held — including Michael Johnson's world record in the 200 meters.

But men's track and field coach Erv Hunt believes foreign competition has gotten much better in the 1990s, resembling the rise of European basketball in the '80s, prompting the addition of U.S. pros for the first time in 1992.

"We have a very strong team, but let's face it, the rest of the world has caught up," Hunt said Monday as team members began arriving at the University of North Carolina training site. "We are going to win a lot of medals, but whether we're going to do what everyone expects us to do, only time will tell."

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When asked what events other countries are starting to excel in, Hunt said: "I think you can go right across the board."

Hunt said the U.S. men's team will be strong once again in the sprint events, along with the hurdles, long and triple jump, and several field events.

"When you look around the world and you look at some of these athletes, there are some awfully good athletes we are going up against," Hunt said. "We ran great times down at the trials, but once some of these other athletes get on the track, they are going to do the same thing."

Hunt said American athletes must now begin to focus on the Olympics following several

meets in Europe.

"We are fortunate that the trials are about a month from the Olympics," he said. "Some of these people are coming off that emotional high of the trials. Now, they have to get back and get rested and get their minds right and get back into this thing and get serious."

"What this really boils down to is what do you people expect? Do our people think we're going to win 35 medals, 25 medals?" Hunt asked.

Hunt and women's head coach Deanne Vochatzer did concede that running on home turf could be a solid advantage for his team.

"The fact that we're at home will be some added pressure on us," Hunt said. "But we'll be up to it. You always tend to compete better at home in front of your friends, family and your country."

At the trials, "we saw the most extreme circumstances where sometimes it was 118 degrees on the track," Vochatzer said. "They have certainly seen the worst, and that's going to be a marvelous advantage for our athletes because they know exactly what to expect, they've been through the scenario."

Hunt and Vochatzer have yet to finalize their relay teams, which may come following a Saturday meet in Durham.

"We are expected to win the relays and there is nothing better than something at the end of the Olympics or any meet than to win the relays," Hunt said. "There is a lot of pressure there because not only do most Americans expect us to win (the relays), but they also expect us to set the world record."

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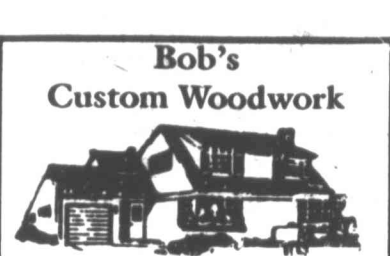
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9669 July 9, 1996

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
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Golf Supplies
Boys Track Supplies
Girls Track Supplies
Specifications and bid documents may be secured from the school district's Business Office, 708 Eleventh Place, Big Spring, Texas 79720-4610, phone number: (915) 264-3620. Bids will be publicly open and read immediately following the deadline for receiving the bids in the Business Office of the Big Spring Independent School District. Bidders are invited to be present at the bid opening. Bids received after the opening date and time will be returned unopened. Bids will be presented for consideration to the Board of Trustees on August 8, 1996, at 5:15 p.m. at their regularly scheduled board meeting. The Big Spring Independent School District reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.
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son. TAURUS is a security blanket.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You bounce through the day, somewhat blasé. Stay targeted on priorities. A family member requires additional care and attention. Invest more time and possibly cash into your home. Altogether, your position is strong. Tonight: Do some mid-summer shopping. ****

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You are in the prime of circumstances. You feel as if you are in control and ready for anything. Imagination is elevated. It is easy to understand precisely where others are coming from. Allow another's input, even if you want it your way. Tonight: Reach for your wish- ing star. ****

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Keep your own counsel. Be honest with yourself about your desires and expectations. Evaluation indicates there are possibilities other than the course you set upon. Get feedback, and use your intuition to make a strong money decision. Tonight: Make it an early night. ****

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Expand friendships, and put more "punch" into getting what you want. You are full of energy. Others find you nearly contagious as you improve situations. Partnerships could be exciting, but be realistic about your beliefs. Tonight: Go with the maddening crowds. ****

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Accept

responsibilities, even if you have enough to do. It is your personal touch that will make the difference between success and failure. Intuition is right on with change and a boss. Be empathetic, yet do not let too many details go undefined. Tonight: Work into the wee hours. ****

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) News from a distance is exciting. It could involve an exotic stranger who makes a big difference in your life. Examine what is required to make your life work. It is not a question of whether you can have it but of setting the right course. Tonight: Go for what you want. ****

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Closeness marks this period. Someone inspires you. You have reason to follow through on a partner's suggestion if it affects your career. You are starred for professional success. Go for the bottom line. Tonight: Let others indulge you; don't lift a finger. ****

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) You have a strong intuitive sense about current issues. You know your limits and what works for you. Timing is important. Reach out to others, and dig up information. Another perspective helps you make positive decisions. Tonight: Sort through invitations. ****

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Find out more of what makes another tick. Key observations are important with funds. Evaluate the direction a partnership is taking. A weighty sense of judgment

helps you know which way to go. Gather pertinent data before you leap to action. Tonight: Work late. ***

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Your laughter is infectious and helps others gain a perspective about events. Keep communications open. You might have a feeling that someone isn't saying something. Honor your intuition. Deal with a loved one before things go to extremes. Tonight: It's time for midweek romping! ****

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Emphasize your personal life. You wonder why you are doing what you are. Consider a home office or a reorganization of

work that better suits you. Knowing your pace will help you maximize your productivity. Tonight: Swap secrets with a family member. ***

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Conversation proves provocative and interesting. There are unusual solutions heading your way. Come to terms with a friend who may be a bit wacky. Appreciate his ideas yet be willing to express yourself. Your imagination goes wild. Tonight: Let it happen. ****

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Construction cacophony is no music

DEAR ABBY: Could you tell me why construction workers feel it is their privilege to have



Abigail Van Buren
Columnist

their radios and boom boxes blaring while they work on residential property? What would happen if we all felt we had this privi-

lege? For instance, imagine what it would be like if gardeners, tellers in the bank or checkers in the markets all played their radios at high volume while they worked. I live next door to a house that has been undergoing remodeling for four months. (The owners moved out and won't return until the work is completed, and who knows when that will be?) One day I was subjected to the noise of three radios - from three different construction crews.

Time and time again I have appealed to the workers, the contractor and the owners to

alleviate the stress of having to listen to this unnecessary noise pollution six and sometimes seven days a week - often starting before 7 a.m. Nothing has changed.

I have no objection to the noise made by various tools they use, nor to the shouting, banging and dust attendant with the work. It contributes to the betterment of my neighbors' property and to the employment of people. But being forced to endure blaring radios is something else.

I have asked the workers why they can't use headsets, but have received no satisfactory answer. - BOB PROUDLOCK, LOS ANGELES

DEAR BOB: Headsets could pose a danger to the workers. They would be unable to hear a cry for help or a warning of impending danger. Also, orders from the boss would be blocked.

Since your appeals have fallen on deaf ears, perhaps you should report the noise pollution to the police. Many cities have laws on disturbing the peace.

DEAR ABBY: In reference to "Sonia in Spring Lakes," who wrote complaining about "Jake," her 50-plus-year-old boyfriend who got too chummy with the hostess of a party that he took Sonia to:

You compared Jake to a bum-blebee in the garden of life: entertaining to watch at a distance, but guaranteed to deliver a nasty sting if you got too close.

You advised Sonia to tell Jake to buzz off, which reminded me of the following poem:

"This is the story of the little bee

"Whose sex is very hard to see.

"You cannot tell the he from she

"But she can tell, and so can he.

"The busy bee is never still

"And has no time to take the pill.

"And that is why, in times like these,

"There are so many sons of bees."

- SIDNEY ROSEN, BRANDON, VT.

DEAR SIDNEY: At the risk of appearing "waspy," that poem appeared in my column in 1988, submitted by Jim Harvel, an Arizona beekeeper. But thanks for the reminder. You're a honey!

DEAR ABBY: Here's one more letter about grandmas catching bridal bouquets. I caught the bouquet at my grandson's wedding and didn't shove anyone to get it. I am 86 and not so spry. We all had a good laugh. Another grandson caught the garter.

The ladies at church have my wedding all planned. There's only one hitch - they haven't found a groom yet. -HAPPY GRANDMA

Marlins name Boles as newest manager

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — John Boles, who left a budding managerial career 10 years ago, is leaving the front office to get back in uniform again.

The change was drastic enough that it took Boles the better part of the weekend before he decided to accept general manager Dave Dombrowski's offer to become manager of the Florida Marlins.

"Initially, it was something I needed more time to think about," Boles said Monday after being introduced as the second manager in the three-year-old franchise's history.

The more he thought about it, and the more he talked with other baseball people he respected, Boles warmed to the idea of leaving his job as the Marlins' vice president of player development.

In replacing Rene Lachemann, who was fired Sunday morning, Boles, 47, is charged with motivating the underachieving Marlins, although he said there's only so much a manager can do.

"People talk about the modern, big-league player," he said. "Everybody has pride, everybody wants to win. We have to get that going. There's been some frustration and we need to get over that and get on the right track."

Dombrowski's choice of Boles was unexpected, if only because Boles has never managed at the major-league level and last managed at the minor-league level 10 years ago.

In fact, two of the three Marlins who remained in Philadelphia to participate in the All-Star game offered no comment on the choice because they said they really didn't know Boles, who has been with the Marlins since the team's inception in 1991.

"I can't say I'm familiar with him," said pitcher Kevin Brown, a free agent signee this season. "I don't even know him."

Pitcher Al Leiter said he, too, didn't know Boles "other than seeing him in the minor-league camp during spring training" and exchanging greetings.

Boles, who will leave his position as vice president of player development, said that he's not worried about being rusty.

"I haven't managed since 1986 in uniform, but I'm on the field every day," he said. "I've seen 200 games a year from the stands and I've managed every night from the stands. And I've been undefeated for 10 years. I'm going into it 2,000-0."

Ten years ago, Boles was considered one of the minor league's up-and-coming managerial prospects.

His minor-league managing career began in 1981 with the Chicago White Sox' Class A team in Sarasota, Fla. He guided them to second-place finishes in 1981 and 1982, compiling a 81-46 record.

In 1983, he won the first of two straight manager of the year awards when he guided Class A Appleton to first place with an 87-50 record. The next year, at Class AA Glens Falls, he's team finished in second

place with a 75-63 mark. Overall, including subsequent stints with Class AAA teams in Buffalo and Omaha, Boles' minor-league managing record was 349-271.

But his choice by the Marlins even surprised one of the men who moved Boles from the field to the front office in 1986, Atlanta Braves general manager John Schuerholz.

Schuerholz was the general manager in Kansas City when, in 1986, he asked Boles to leave his post as manager of the Royals' Class AAA farm team in Omaha and become the Royals' director of player development.

"I thought he was going to be a general manager," Schuerholz said. "He was a very bright guy who had good thought processes. I thought he was heading to the GM's chair, and I wanted to get him started on the way."

Boles left the Royals in 1989 to go to Montreal, where he worked with Dombrowski. When Dombrowski left to take over the job of building the expansion Marlins in 1991, Boles came with him.

The Marlins, 14 games out of first place in the NL East with a 40-47 record, have enough talent to contend for a playoff berth, Boles said.

"We have a lineup that can compete against anyone," he said. "We've got a great pitching staff. We've got the ingredients to be successful, and that's the reason why there's been this disappointment. We have not achieved, but the talent is there."

It starts with hitting. The Marlins have the NL's fourth-worst average and have produced the fewest runs. Boles said new hitting coach Jeff Pentland, who will replace the fired Jose Morales, will be a key part of any turnaround.

"He's as fine a hitting coach as I've been around," Boles said of Pentland, hitting coach at the Marlins' Class AA farm team in Portland, Maine.

"It's not any mystical formula as to how you win ball games," Boles said. "You prevent the big inning on defense, and you advance runners on offense. We have to do that."

Dombrowski said he chose Boles in part because of the difficulty of going outside the organization in the middle of the season.

"You'd have to go through an extensive interview process in the middle of the season with other people working for other organizations," he said. "That wouldn't be possible."

Dombrowski said Boles, signed through 1997, can be a teacher and disciplinarian.

"I've always been somewhat amazed with the rapport that he can keep with the people that he deals with, and yet be tough," Dombrowski said. "It really comes down to that he's honest with them."

Dombrowski also said director of international relations and former major leaguer Tony Perez would have increased duties with the Marlins, having more say in the team's day-to-day operations.

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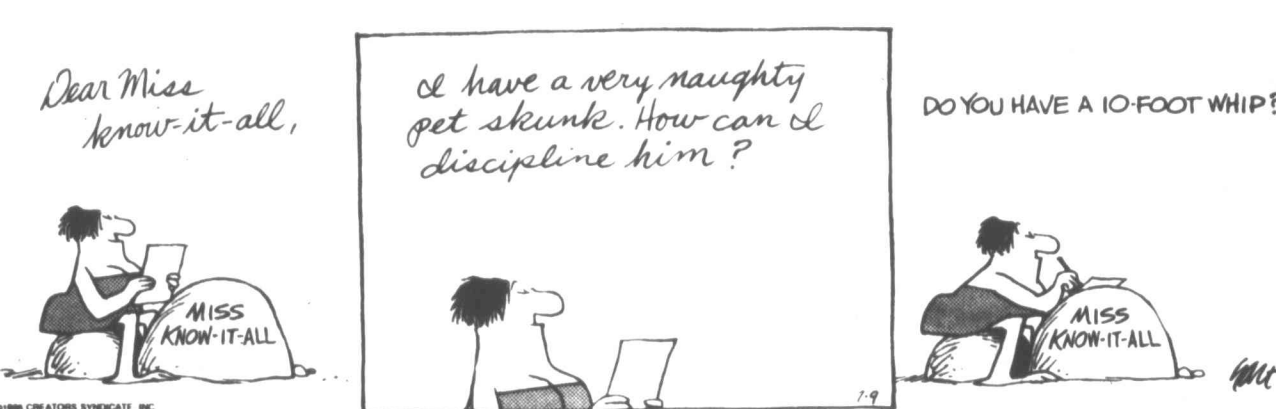
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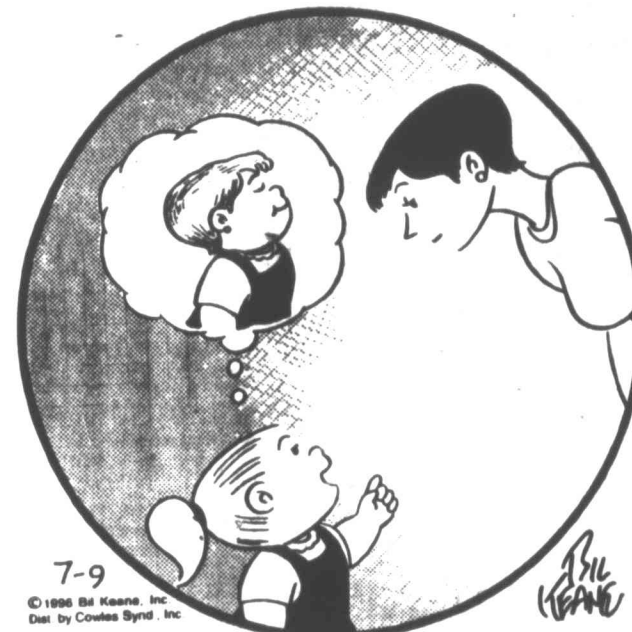
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Today is Tuesday, July 9, the 191st day of 1996. There are 175

days left in the year.
Today's Highlight in History:
One hundred years ago, on July 9, 1896, William Jennings Bryan caused a sensation at the Democratic National Convention in Chicago with his speech denouncing supporters of the gold standard. Said Bryan: "You shall not press down upon the brow of labor

this crown of thorns, you shall not crucify mankind on a cross of gold." (Bryan went on to win the party's nomination.)

On this date:
In 1540, England's King Henry VIII had his six-month-old marriage to his fourth wife, Anne of Cleves, annulled.

In 1755, British Gen. Edward Braddock was mortally wounded as his troops suffered a massive defeat during the French and Indian War.

In 1776, the Declaration of Independence was read aloud to Gen. George Washington's troops in New York.

In 1816, Argentina declared independence from Spain.

In 1850, the 12th president of the United States, Zachary Taylor, died after serving only 16 months.

In 1918, 101 people were killed as an inbound local train collided with an outbound express in Nashville, Tenn.

In 1947, the engagement of Britain's Princess Elizabeth to Lt. Philip Mountbatten was announced.

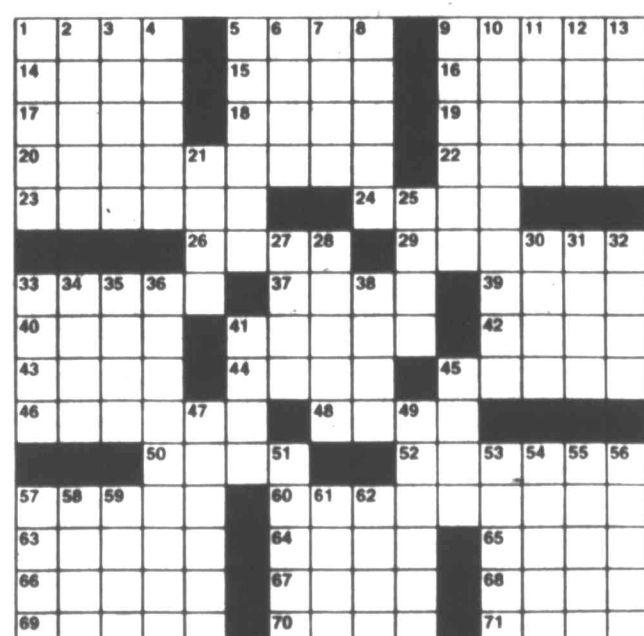
In 1951, President Truman asked Congress to formally end the state of war between the United States and Germany.

In 1982, a Pan Am Boeing 727 crashed in Kenner, La., killing all 146 people aboard and eight people on the ground.

Ten years ago: The Attorney General's Commission on Pornography released the final draft of its 2,000-page report, which linked hard-core porn to sex crimes.

THE Daily Crossword by Eugene Puffenberger

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5 CA law enforcers: abbr.
9 Use a rink
14 Goddess of youth
15 Nastase of tennis
16 Forty— (Gold Rush man)
17 Actor Richard
18 To — (exactly)
19 Playful marine carnivore
20 Cager Larry's parrot?
22 Cleans a pipe
23 Fall upon
24 Defeats in bridge
26 Unheeding
29 Inuit
31 Siltus
37 Spin a floating log
39 Roman road
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42 Mountain lake
43 Sweet sandwich
44 Lager or pillener
45 Free-for-all
46 Lineman
48 Bandage
50 Poses
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63 Lingo
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65 Adams or McClurg
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67 A Guthrie
68 Greek community
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