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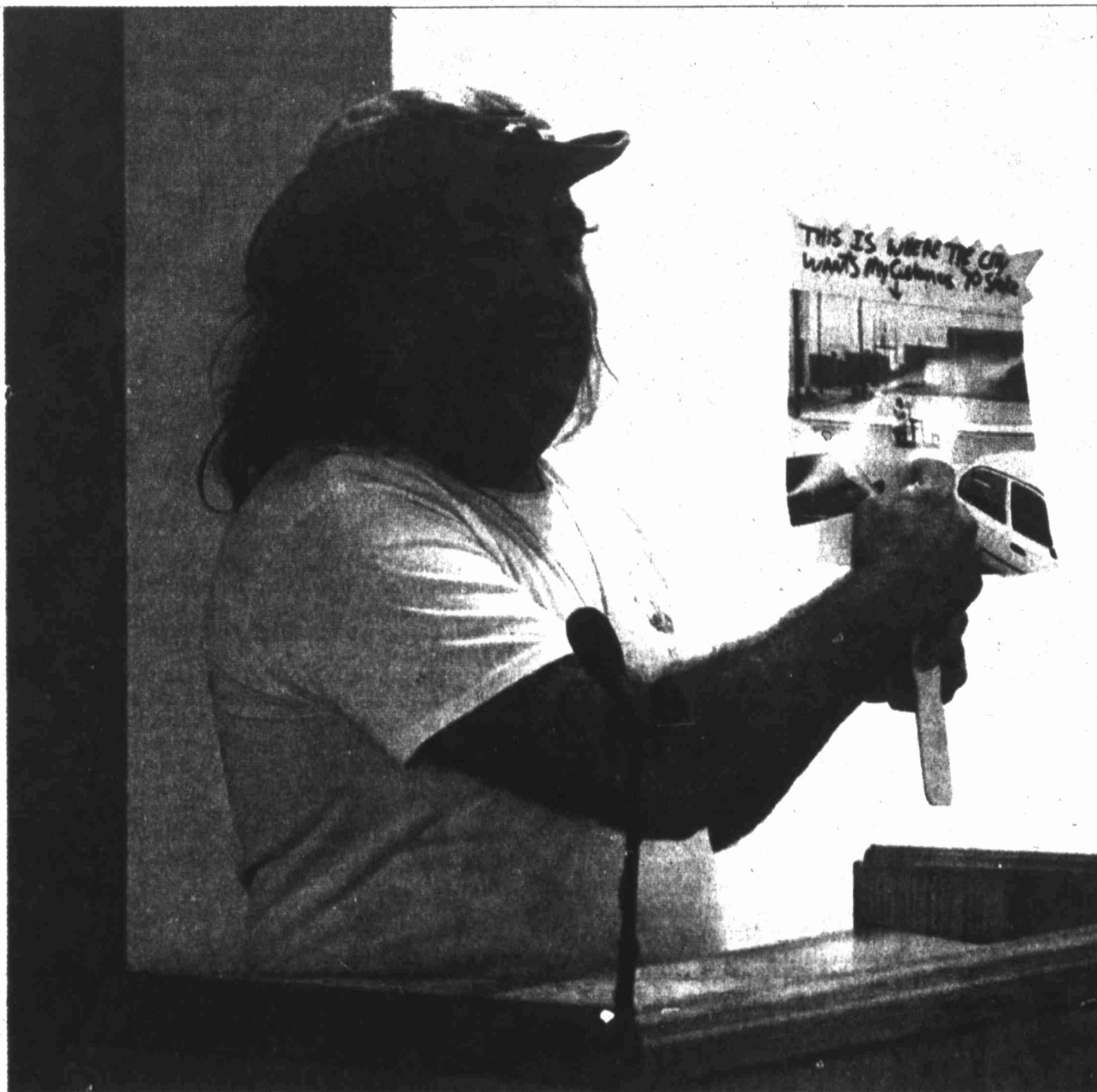
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Council gives smoking ban final OK



Thomas Tafuro, owner of New York's Finest Hot Dogs on Second Street, holds up a picture he says illustrates where the new citywide smoking ordinance will require him to have his outdoor smoking area — in the middle of the street. The new ordinance, which is expected to go into effect in two to three weeks, bans smoking in public places and requires business owners not to allow smoking within 20 feet of the establishment's public entrance.

HERALD photo/Thomas Jenkins

Bid to widen ban falls short though

By THOMAS JENKINS
Staff Writer

Cheers and groans alike burst from the audience Tuesday night as the Big Spring City Council approved final reading an ordinance that effectively bans smoking in public places on a 5-2 vote.

Council members Greg Biddison and Manuel Ramirez Jr. both voted against the measure, while council members Jo Ann Staulcup, Gloria McDonald, Joann Knox, Stephanie Horton and Mayor Russ McEwen voted in favor of the ordinance.

The decision came following outcries from local citizens both for and against the measure.

"You see that right there?" said local restaurant owner Thomas Tafuro, holding up a picture of a picnic table near the middle of Second Street. "That's where my customers can smoke, 50 feet from the building. If you make it 20 feet, then they're stuck right in the other lane of traffic."

Scott Emerson, a local man that owns an auction house and a tobacco store, said the ordinance is frightening because of where he believes it will lead.

"I'm already compliant with this ordinance at my auction," Emerson told

the council. "Not because someone told me to, but because I did it on my own. However, I'm not silly enough to believe this ordinance won't someday be expanded. My private business is still my private property."

Cindy McGuire, owner of Red Mesa Grill, said the ordinance will create an unfair business climate for restaurants that serve alcoholic beverages, but don't sell enough to be considered a bar or lounge.

"Restaurants that also serve alcoholic beverage will be adversely effected by this ordinance," said McGuire firmly. "All I'm asking is that you keep the playing field level. Please make a motion to exempt restaurants that serve alcoholic beverages as well."

The council also heard from several people in favor of the ordinance.

"I'm part of the American Cancer Smoke-Out Committee and have been for 12 years," said local resident Barbara Morris. "I'm very much in favor of this ordinance... and I urge you to pass it."

Barbie Jones, a representative of the American Cancer Society, also expressed her support of the ordinance.

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VMC, Hangar 25 coordinating POW/MIA Recognition Day

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Managing Editor

A special two-part observance has been scheduled for Friday, as the Big Spring Vietnam Memorial Committee and Hangar 25 Air Museum team together for POW-MIA Recognition Day observances.

"This is an extremely important day of a lot of us," explained Jerry Groves, who serves as publicity chairman for the VMC. "Every year we hold a ceremony on National POW/MIA Recognition Day and we're very excited that we've been able to work in cooperation with the people at Hangar 25 of really expand the observance this year."

"After all," Groves added, "this is a day when we take time out to

remember those we should never forget.

"We (members of the committee) feel that it's doubly important to not only remember our POWs and MIAs, but to honor those who lost their lives on Sept. 11 and to recognize the people who put their lives on the line for us here in Big Spring and Howard County every day."

This year, however, the observance has been expanded.

The first part of the program set for 6 p.m. will be held at Hangar 25 and will include opening remarks by master of ceremonies Don Boling, as well as the introduction of William H. King, who was himself a prisoner of war, who is being honored as September's Veteran of the Month.

The second session,

scheduled for around 7:30 p.m., will take place at the Vietnam Memorial. The traditional "Missing Man Table" ceremony will be performed and those in attendance will be provided with and introduction to and explanation of that ceremony. A candle lighting will follow.

Groves noted that the "Missing Man Table" Ceremony includes the reading of "Gone But Not Forgotten."

It reads as follows: "This Table set for one is small — symbolizing the frailty of one prisoner alone against his oppressors — Remember."

"This tablecloth is white — symbolizing the purity of their intentions to respond to their country's call to arms — Remember."

"This single yellow rose — symbolizing remem-

brance, displayed in a vase, reminds us of the families and loved ones of our comrades-in-arms who keep the faith awaiting his return, lest we forget — Remember."

"The red ribbon tied so prominently on the vase is reminiscent of the red ribbon worn upon the lapel and breasts of thousands who bear witness to their unyielding determination to demand proper accounting of our missing — Remember."

"A slice of lemon is on the bread plate to remind us of their bitter fate — Remember."

"There is salt upon the bread plate — symbolic of the families' tears as they wait — Remember."

"The glass is inverted, they cannot toast with us this night — Remember."

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BISD board to look at facilities needs

By STEVE REAGAN
Staff Writer

The Big Spring Independent School District is the latest area taxing entity to take a long, hard look at its infrastructure needs.

The district recently commissioned an evaluation of virtually every campus facility. The results of the evaluation will be heard when the board holds its regular monthly meeting at 5:15 p.m. Thursday in the high school board room.

Dr. Paul Trautman of the Texas

Association of School Administrators Resource Center spent the past few months inspecting the district and he's concluded that almost all campuses are in some need of renovation. And some buildings, he claims, have outlived their usefulness altogether.

Bauer and Washington elementaries draw Trautman's harshest criticism, as he stated both facilities should be taken out of service as soon as possible because of their age (in excess of 50 years in both cases) and other factors.

Other local campuses could stand for some form or renovation, although

Trautman refrained from recommending their closure.

BSISD Superintendent Michael Downes said the study might be the most important one the district has faced in years.

"The majority of instructional facilities in Big Spring ISD were built in the 1950s or earlier," Downes said. "Based on higher expectations for student achievement and the need to integrate special programs and technologies, the study finds many buildings insufficient

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Obituaries

Don Rogers



Don Rogers, 74, of Big Spring died Tuesday, Sept. 12, 2006, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Funeral Services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday at Myers & Smith Chapel with the Rev. Ken McMeans, pastor of College Baptist Church, officiating. Graveside Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday at the Sweetwater Cemetery in Sweetwater with Rev. Bruce Parsons, pastor of Champion Baptist Church, officiating.

The family will receive friends from 6:30 p.m. until 8 p.m. Wednesday at Myers & Smith Chapel.

He was born May 24, 1932, in Clyde to Lota and Floyd Rogers. He married Jane Lindsey, June 20, 1952, in Ft. Worth. They moved to Big Spring in 1989 from Brownwood. She preceded him in death, July 3, 2005. He spent most of his life in Sweetwater and was a mechanic at auto dealerships there. He and his son later owned Rogers Automotive until 1983. He retired from the Big Spring State Hospital in 1999. He was a avid hunter and fisherman, but his main hobby was his grandchildren.

He is survived by his daughter, Debbie Daniel and her husband, Joe of Brownwood; one son, Mickey Rogers and his wife, Joyce of Spur; two brothers, Billy Rogers of Sweetwater and Frank Rogers and his wife, Ruth of Big Spring; one sister, Dean Priest and her husband, Gene of Big Spring; eight grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

In addition to his parents and wife, he was preceded in death by one son, Randy Rogers in 1956.

Pallbearers will be Larry Rogers, Michael Rogers, Richard Magee, Josh Briscoe, Kevin Matthews, and Justin Broadiman.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at www.myersand-smith.com

Winnie Irene Thompson



Winnie Irene Thompson, 83, of Stanton, died Tuesday, Sept. 12, 2006, in a Stanton hospital. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 14, 2006, at the Downtown Church Of Christ of Stanton with Van Pendergrass, minister, officiating. Assisting will be Roddy Hamilton, family friend. Interment will follow at Evergreen Cemetery in Stanton.

The family will receive friends and relatives from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. tonight at the funeral home.

She was born on June 23, 1923, in Roscoe to Albert and Myrl Gregg and married David Thompson on Oct. 11, 1942, in Colorado Springs, Colo.

She enjoyed time with her family and friends. She was also an avid softball and volleyball player.

She was a member of the Church of Christ, and also a member of the Home Demonstration Clubs in Littlefield, a member of the District Champions Team at Woodson High School in 1939 and the National Softball Team of 1951.

Survivors include her husband, David Thompson of Stanton; three sons and two daughters-in-law, Donny D. and Betty Thompson of Midland, Glenn D. Thompson of Midland and Darrell L. and Debbie Thompson of Stanton; one daughter, Di Anna Thompson Anderson of Lindale; two sisters, Ruby Wells of Midland and Dolly Shelton of Tye; one brother, Ted Gardner of Oklahoma; five grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents and two brothers, Ted and Troy Gardner.

Arrangements under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home of Stanton. Online condolences can be made at: www.npwelch.com

Audrey B. Barton

Audrey B. Barton, 85, of Big Spring, died Tuesday, Sept. 12, 2006, in a local nursing home. Her services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

Dorothy Baker

Dorothy Baker, 83, of Big Spring, died Tuesday, Sept. 12, 2006, in a local nursing home. Her services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

Eddie Ward

Eddie Ward, 54, of Big Spring died Tuesday, Sept. 12, 2006, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Support Groups

WEDNESDAY

• RSD (Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy, a chronic pain disease), a new support and informative group meets at 213 Circle. Call Lucy at 264-1213 for more information.

THURSDAY

• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; women's meeting; 6:30 until 7:30 p.m. Non-smoking closed discussion meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity between 7 a.m. Tuesday and 7 a.m. today:

- JAMES BROWN, 40, of 1002 S. Nolan, was arrested Monday on a charge of attempted murder.
- JAMES WILLIAMS SR., 57, of 800 S. Nolan, was arrested Monday on two local warrants.
- JAMES WATSON, 29, of 1901 Scurry, was arrested Monday on a charge of theft.
- THEFT was reported:
 - in the 2600 block of Langley.
 - in the 1400 block of Highway 87.
 - in the 1100 block of Lamesa.
- CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported:
 - in the 2000 block of Gregg Street.
 - in the 800 block of FM 700.
 - in the 2500 block of Dow.
 - in the 3600 block of Connally.
- ASSAULT/CLASS C was reported in the 800 block of FM 700.
- ASSAULT CLASS C/FAMILY VIOLENCE was reported in the 700 block of Interstate Highway 20.
- ASSAULT WITH INTENT TO CAUSE BODILY INJURY was reported in the 1800 block of Laurie.

Sheriff's report

The Howard County Sheriff's Office reported the following activity:

- MANUEL CHAVERA, 31, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a motion to revoke probation for criminal mischief.
- JAMES WELDON WATSON, 29, was transferred to the county jail Tuesday by the BSPD on a charge of theft.
- JAMES CURTIS BROWN, 40, was transferred to the county jail Tuesday by the BSPD on a charge of attempted murder.
- JUDY ANN CASTILLO, 37, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a motion to revoke probation for driving while intoxicated - second offense.
- RANDY ROBLEDO JR., 19, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a motion to revoke probation for resisting arrest, search or transportation.
- WADE ALLEN BRYANT, 44, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a charge of theft by check.
- JASON DEWAYNE ROBERTS, 26, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a motion to revoke probation for driving while intoxicated.

Fire/EMS

The Big Spring Fire Department and Emergency Medical Services reported the following activity:

- MEDICAL was reported in the 500 block of West 11th. One person was transported to SMMC.
- TRAUMA was reported in the 500 block of Douglas. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 100 block of South Main Street. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 3200 block of Parkway. One person was transported to SMMC.
- TRAUMA was reported in the 3200 block of parkway. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 2900 block of West Highway 80. One person was transported to SMMC.

Take Note

• AMERICAN LEGION POST 506 Fish Fry is Saturday from noon until 3 p.m., delivery 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., at 3203 W. Highway 80. Eat in or carry out. Plates are \$8 a piece. For more information, call 263-2084.

• RESERVATIONS ARE BEING ACCEPTED for the Sands/Ackerly Homecoming 2006 which will be held Saturday, Sept. 30. Registration will begin that day at 1:30 p.m. followed by a program and a business meeting at 3:30 p.m. in the auditorium.

Later, there will be a catered meal served in the cafeteria. To make reservations for the meal, notify Sissy Jones at 432-267-7732 or Dorothy Rogers at 432-399-4312. The deadline is September 20. Sands Mustangs will be playing Klondike Cougars at 7:30 p.m. at Mustang Field.

• THE ACKERLY LUNCH BUNCH will meet at 10 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 23, at Gale's Sweet Shoppe, 1200 E. Fourth. Lunch will be served at noon for \$6.25 per person. Lunch will be Mexican food, including dessert and drink

• CHRIST COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP IS COLLECTING INFANT CAR SEATS AND CARRIERS. These are given to new mothers who cannot afford them. To donate your old or new car seats and carriers, call Karen Allen at 263-3517 or leave a message at Christ Community Fellowship, 263-love. All donations are appreciated.

• ROAD TO RECOVERY, sponsored by the American Cancer Society, seeks volunteers to drive cancer patients to treatment in Midland. This requires just a few hours commitment each month. To volunteer, or to request a ride for treatment, call Nancy Koger at 267-7809.

• ODYSSEY HOSPICE NEEDS VOLUNTEERS to work in the office and perform patient services. For more information or to volunteer, call 263-5999.

Bulletin Board

If you have items for the Bulletin board, contact the Herald news room at 263-7331 or email editor@bigspringherald.com

TODAY

• Eagles Lodge Ladies Auxiliary meets at 7 p.m. in the Eagles Lodge, 703 W. Third.

THURSDAY

- Gideon International Big Spring Camp U42060 meets at 7 a.m. in Herman's Restaurant.
- Coffee Club meets at 10 a.m. in Gale's Sweet Shoppe.
- Kiwanis Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane. Call 267-6479.
- Friends of the Library meets at noon in the Howard County Library, 500 S. Main.
- Big Spring Main Street meets at noon in the Railroad Museum located at Second and Main streets.
- American Legion Auxiliary meets at 6 p.m. at 3203 W. Highway 80.
- The Prospector's Club meets at 7:30 p.m. at 606 E. Third St. The public is invited to these meetings. For more information contact Lola Lamb at 263-3340 or Doyle and Virginia McClain at 263-8407.
- Neighbors and Newcomers Club meets. New members are welcome. Call 263-2005 for more information.

Weather

Today — Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 80s. Light and variable winds becoming southeast around 10 mph in the afternoon.

Tonight — Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 60s. Southeast winds around 10 mph.

Thursday — Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 80s. South winds 10 to 15 mph.

Thursday night — Partly cloudy with isolated showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the mid 60s. South winds 10 to 15 mph.

Friday — Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 90s. South winds 10 to 15 mph.

Friday night — Partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 60s.

Saturday — Partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 90s.

Saturday night — Partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 60s.

Sunday — Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 80s.

Sunday night — Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 60s.

Monday — Mostly sunny. Highs in the lower 80s.

Monday night — Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 60s.

Lottery

The jackpot in the multistate Mega Millions lottery drawing grew to \$163 million Wednesday.

None of the tickets sold for Tuesday's \$135 million drawing matched all five lotto numbers and the Mega Ball. The next drawing will be Friday.

The winning numbers from Tuesday's drawing were: 3, 16, 25, 30 and 44. The Mega Ball number was 42.

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Results of the Cash 5 drawing Tuesday night:

Winning numbers drawn: 10-18-23-26-30.

Number matching five of five: 1.

Prize per winner: \$28,710.

Winning tickets sold in: Port Arthur.

Next Cash 5 drawing: Tonight.

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The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Tuesday night, in order: 5-7-4

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The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Tuesday afternoon, in order: 0-8-7

Correction

A story that appeared in the Friday edition of the Herald incorrectly identified the local award winners honored by Keep Big Spring Beautiful during the group's annual banquet. The winners are as follows:

- Outstanding volunteer service awards — Brenda Concienne and Willia Leford
- Education youth beautification award — Washington Elementary
- Education youth volunteer award — Big Spring Junior High Honor Society
- Recycling leadership award — Todd Darden
- Rookie of the year award — Ellen Austin
- Outstanding business volunteer award — Cornell Corrections
- Outstanding business support award — TexaStone Quarries
- Above and beyond volunteer award — Perry Hall

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ALL NEW PATIENTS BEING ACCEPTED

City tax rate, \$32.2 million budget approved

By THOMAS JENKINS
Staff Writer

The Big Spring City Council approved first reading of the proposed tax rate for 2006-2007 by a 6-1 vote Tuesday night, while final approval of the city's \$32.2 million budget drew a 5-2 ballot.

The proposed rate, which is 71.63 cents per \$100 valuation, drew no comments from the council or audience during a public hearing, and passed first reading with Councilwoman Stephanie Horton the lone dissenter.

Horton blasted the fiscal plan during a previous meeting, saying the city should lower taxes and "cut people a break."

The budget, which manages to come in approximately \$346,000 below expected revenues for the fiscal year and provides for a number of improve-

ments to city facilities, including T-hangars at the McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark and an automatic meter reading program for the city water department, failed to get a thumbs-up from Horton and Council member Manuel Ramirez Jr.

Included in the 2006-2007 budget are:

- \$26,000 for playground equipment for Birdwell Park.

- \$326,163 in cost of living and merit pay scale raises.

- \$200,000 for the city's water line replacement program.

- Several expenditures for the Big Spring Fire Department and Emergency Medical Services, including \$28,500 for field data software, a pair of defibrillators at \$22,000 and a new van-style ambulance for \$70,000.

- \$40,000 for the construction of a stone chapel at the municipal cemetery.

- \$23,500 to match a \$211,500 grant from TxDOT for runways and airfield lighting at McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark; \$100,000 to match a \$150,000 grant from TxDOT for the construction of new aircraft hangars.

- \$160,000 for five new police vehicles.

- \$240,000 for repairs and rehabilitation of equipment at water treatment plants.

The council also approved the following items:

- Public hearings concerning renewal of the citywide curfew and a specific use permit for a telecommunications tower.

- Final reading or ordinances allowing the

Mayor to execute a contract with the Howard County Elections Administrator; a resolution authorizing the

mayor to execute an agreement with Howard County for operation of the Spring City Senior Citizens Center; a resolution authorizing the mayor to execute a lease agreement with Cornell Corrections; and acceptance of minutes from several municipal boards.

- Final reading of a ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances to place a ban on smoking in public places.

- Emergency reading of a resolution authorizing the submission of a Texas Community Development Block Grant Application for community development funds.

- First reading of a resolution directing the mayor to execute an

agreement with TxDOT for a Routine Airport Maintenance Program grant.

- First reading of a resolution authorizing the mayor to execute an agreement with Victim Services for lease of a building.

- First reading of an ordinance amending Chapter 14, Article 3 of the City Code entitled "Minors" by adding Section 14-30 entitled "curfew ordinance extended."

Following a public hearing that met with a great deal of opposition, the council denied issuance of a specific use permit for a telecommunications tower for Alltel.

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"The chair — the chair is empty — they are not here — Remember."

Groves added that Vietnam Memorial Committee members and Hangar 25 officials encourage the public to make plans to attend Friday's ceremonies.

"I can't think of a better way to express it than ... 'Lest we forget,'" Groves explained. "We'd like verone in the community to come."

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Deadline to reserve AgExpo booths is Sept. 20

By THOMAS JENKINS
Staff Writer

Area businesses looking to reach producers and ranchers will get a golden opportunity later this month, as the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce prepares for the 2006 Ag Expo and Appreciation Luncheon.

The expo, which is slated for Sept. 28 and is being held in conjunction with the Howard County

Fair, will feature a number of booths for area businesses to show off their wares. According to Nancy Newell, executive assistant for the local Chamber of Commerce.

"This is their opportunity to promote their businesses to the farmers and ranchers who will be participating in the annual expo," said Newell.

"We're really looking forward to working with everyone on this and

making the expo a really good time for everyone."

Newell said booths — approximately 10 feet by 10 feet in size — will be available for \$100, and include two tickets to the ag appreciation luncheon, as well as exhibitor badges.

"If that's not enough, additional tickets can be purchased for \$10 per meal," said Newell. "The expo and luncheon will be a one-day event, starting

at 7:30 a.m. with a special breakfast and class and going until 3 p.m. at the Howard County Fairgrounds, in conjunction with the county fair.

"The luncheon is set for noon under the fair's entertainment tent. Set up for the expo will begin that morning at 7:30 a.m. and continue through 10 a.m., and will be open to the public beginning at 11 a.m."

Newell said the expo

and luncheon will feature a number of annual awards.

"The luncheon always draws a large crowd," said Newell. "We're very excited about it. We will be announcing the ag producer of the year and the ag business of the year."

Booths must be reserved no later than Sept. 20, according to Newell.

For more information, contact the Chamber at 263-7641.

SMOKING

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Biddison, who also voted against the ordinance in its first reading, said it should be left up to the business owner to choose whether to make their establishment smoking or non-smoking.

"The one choice that seems to be left out of this is the business owner's choice," said Biddison, who also owns Greg's Grill. "The business owners should have the right to make that decision. We

just said our Pledge (of Allegiance), and it says, 'liberty and justice for all.' Where's the liberty in business owners not being able to make their own choices. That's all I have to say."

Answering McGuire's claims the ordinance creates an unfair business climate, Councilwoman Joann Knox — who originally brought the idea behind the ordinance to the council — said she was willing to go the extra step to make it fair.

"We do need a level playing field," said Knox.

"I wouldn't be against adding bars and lounges to list of businesses affected by the ordinance."

Despite having initial support to widen the ban to include bars from McDonald, the change to the ordinance failed to gather enough support from the rest of the council to move forward.

"We're faced with a dilemma," Staulcup told the audience. "People have a right to smoke, but people also have a right to breathe. And I feel like that right to smoke ends just as soon as it imposes

on someone else's right to breathe."

The ordinance would effectively ban smoking in all public structures, including offices and office buildings that are open to the public, restaurants and department stores. Bars and lounges would be exempt.

And while lighting up in a public place may be a misdemeanor, City Attorney Jean Shotts said the penalty carries some definite teeth.

"Because this ordinance is health related, the fine can range between \$1 and

\$2,000," Shotts previously told the council.

Shotts said the ordinance is expected to go into effect following publication in approximately two to three weeks.

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to support current day educational programs."

Something as simple as electrical outlets illustrates the problem with trying to adapt older buildings to modern-day education.

Classrooms today need multiple outlets to handle computers and other instructional devices, but many classrooms built before the 1960s might have at most two outlets, Downes said.

Bringing the local campuses up to speed will be the subject of long debate on the part of trustees, Downes predicted.

He said the district has many options in tackling the problem, but simply

closing the older buildings is not one of them.

"We can't do that," he said. "Elementary enrollment is expanding for the second straight year due to a large kindergarten class. We're studying plans right now to handle a surplus of students past

our current capacity."

Downes was also quick to add that the district is far away from taking action based on Trautman's evaluation.

"(Thursday's) meeting is only an initial review," he said. "There's lots of analysis and planning left

before we determine exactly what steps need to be taken."

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OUR VIEWS

Diez y Seis ought to be a lot of fun

It's time for another party. Well, let's make it a fiesta instead, as the Diez y Seis de Septiembre Fiesta is scheduled for Friday in the Heart of the City Park in downtown Big Spring.

The festival will be the perfect chance for area residents to celebrate Mexican independence, according to Kelly Zant, a spokesperson for the committee coordinating the event.

"We want this Fiesta to bring the whole community together as we celebrate the rich heritage, history and culture of the Mexican patriots who fought for their independence from the Spanish government during the early 1800s," Zant explained.

As one might expect, music will be one of the main attractions for the two-day event. The festival will feature a variety of Tejano bands that will bring the extraordinary sound of the genre.

Tejano music, Zant noted, "brings the accordion to life through various levels of rhythms and beats."

"The unique sound of Tejano is developed using different types of stringed, horned and electronic instruments — along with the vocal harmony of these colorful bands," Zant added. "It brings the heart and soul of our Tejano community to life."

According to the festival's schedule, local favorites Grupo Super Bravo, Conjunto Mi Gusto and Hilda Llamas will perform from 6 p.m. until midnight Friday.

On Saturday, starting at 11 a.m. and lasting until midnight, Hacienda Records artists Bronco Norteno, Michelle, Los Papiz, Mingo y Los Mungia Brothers and Jessie Marroquin are scheduled to take the stage.

In addition to all that music, there will plenty of games and contests available for festival-goers to enjoy during the two-day event, that promises to have something for everyone in the family.

Everything from a washer pitching tournament, set for 1 p.m. Saturday, to game booths, face painting, arts and crafts and children's rides.

And of course, a Diez y Seis festival simply has to include good food. And there will be plenty in store for those taking part in the party.

In addition to traditional festival food like hamburgers, barbecue, corn on the cob, hot wings and other delights, there will also be many food booths specializing in festive foods and many different culinary delights from the Tejano and Mexican cultures. Food specialties like gorditas and tacos will be available.

Zant also noted that for the first time at the festival, homemade sausages and chorizo will also be available.

Anyone needing additional information concerning the festival can contact Zant at 816-4540.

Otherwise, we'll see you at the park this weekend.

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

Let's go somewhere new through Your word, Lord.
Amen

Presidente? Nah, sore loser!

Imagine what would have happened if Al Gore had not accepted his loss in the 2000 presidential election.

Consider what would have happened if Gore had spent months encouraging his followers to organize massive demonstrations and engage in civil disobedience that destabilized the country — politically and financially.

We would have called him a sore loser, right?

For putting his personal interests before those of the country — risking our democracy and hurting us in the wallet — he would have been strongly condemned even by many who voted for him, right?

Now, take a look at Mexico.

That's where losing presidential candidate Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador is making Gore look like a class act.

Since he lost the July 2 Mexican presidential election, Lopez Obrador has been pushing back the country he claimed he wanted to move forward.

Claiming there was widespread vote rigging that favored his opponent, Lopez Obrador, a leftist, has been throwing childish tantrums because he lost to conservative President-elect Felipe Calderon.

For the United States, such turmoil in Mexico is quite problematic. While Calderon would be a strong Washington ally, Lopez Obrador would join the growing number of leftist, anti-American leaders that have emerged throughout Latin America recently.

There is no question that Lopez Obrador lost by a slim margin — about 240,000 votes, or less than 1

percent — but he still lost.

Calderon admits that he won by a razor-thin edge, but he argues that the election was free and fair — and international observers agree.

And so do seven electoral court judges who recounted 9 percent of the ballots and dismissed the fraud claims.

Nevertheless, Lopez Obrador, who wanted all the ballots recounted, has conducted a protest campaign that has divided the Mexican people and placed his country's fragile democracy in jeopardy. After all, this comes only six years after outgoing President Vicente Fox defeated a political party that had ruled Mexico for seven decades.

In fact, some observers fear that by refusing to recognize Calderon's victory, crippling the Mexican economy and threatening to proclaim himself president of a parallel "people's government," the sore loser is putting Mexico on the verge of a bloody revolution.

It could happen as early as Sept. 16, which is Mexico's Independence Day and the time when the Mexican army traditionally parades in Mexico City's Zocalo square.

As if asking for trouble, Lopez Obrador, the former mayor of Mexico City, has called on his followers to hold a massive rally at the Zocalo on Sept. 16.

Fearing a clash between army troops and Lopez Obrador's Party of the Democratic Revolution (PDR), Fox tried to defuse the provocation last Monday, noting at a military ceremony that "democracy means that the army should never, ever be used against the people."

In the last two months, Lopez Obrador's followers have blocked highways, shut down portions of Mexico City and disrupted busi-

ness activity at an estimated cost of \$364 million and 5,000 jobs, according to business leaders who support Calderon.

By physically imposing themselves at the podium of the Mexican Congress — quite undemocratically — PDR lawmakers even prevented Fox from delivering his annual state of the nation speech week before last.

Fox was forced to return to his residence and deliver his speech on television.

Lopez Obrador and his followers have proven to be intransigent and alarmingly dictatorial, arguing that the only dialogue they are willing to have with Calderon "would be for him to refuse the gift of the presidency, which he did not earn at the ballot box."

But their radical movement is beginning to lose steam. The Mexican people, even some who voted for Lopez Obrador, are beginning to see that his selfish behavior is hurting their country.

Although Lopez Obrador has called for the election to be annulled, if another election were held tomorrow, Calderon would probably win by a much bigger margin. A recent survey published by El Universal newspaper found that 71 percent of respondents disapprove of Lopez Obrador's recent civil disobedience tactics.

More and more Mexicans are calling on Lopez Obrador and PDR lawmakers to accept defeat and allow a peaceful transfer of the presidential sash on Dec. 1.

But don't count on it. These are people who are proving to be quite undemocratic — willing to struggle for power even if it's by force.

It makes you appreciate Americans' respect for democracy, especially Gore's.

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Big Lake really is a 'twin city'

Debra Riggs is the official keeper of the twin registry in Big Lake, a city of some 2,800 people in Reagan County. The small town needs such a person to handle all the news about its twins, since Big Lake has a number of them. In fact, it is way out of proportion when you compare it to numbers of twins in other communities.

"People move to town and they either have twins after they get here or they bring twins with them or they let us know that they are a twin," says Debra.

Big Lake has 129 sets of twins in the registry that dates back to 1889.

"Currently there are 17 sets of adults with one or both twins living in the community and we have 15 sets of twin children in residence."

The registry is in a huge notebook filled with newspaper arti-

cles, photos, accomplishments and activities of Big Lake twins. It also contains one set of quadruplets and one set of triplets (Debra's backyard neighbors). She keeps the registry up to date.

"Our oldest set of twins in the registry is the Colter twins, who were born in 1889," she said. "Our oldest current residents are the Wilburn sisters who were born in 1925. They married brothers. They're both widowed now, but still active in our community."

At one time, Big Lake had two sets of twins named Hamilton. They were not related. They were, however, next-door neighbors.

The mothers of the Moore twins, the Vetter twins and the Rogers twins were all in preschool together in 1971," Riggs noted. "The Ramirez twins were born on Thanksgiving Day. My twins are the only adopted set of twins in town that we know about. The Anaya twins were named Adam and Eve. The George twins were born on 7-7-77. Five students of the 1953 Future Homemakers Club of Reagan County High

School had twins. I was able to track them all down and get information about them. One or two of them went on to have twins of their own."

It is not unusual to have two or three sets of twins in each grade level in Big Lake schools, which have a total enrollment of less than 1,000 students. One famous mom in Big Lake is Marilyn McReavy Nolen. She gave birth to her twins at the age of 56. Twins are born in Big Lake nearly every year.

"Our new postmaster is a twin," Riggs noted. "One of our coaches' wives came up to me at church one day and said, 'I think someone told me to tell you I'm a twin.'"

Debra started keeping the registry 18 years ago when her twins were born. Sharon Farmer Jones, who now lives in Midland, started the twin registry in 1987. She has twin grandsons born in Greenwood in 2005.

People in Big Lake can't explain why there are so many twins there.

Must be that rare and special Big Lake water.

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The passing of an era has finally been completed. Many lives were changed in Dallas on Nov. 22, 1963, with the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

Nellie Connolly, the last remaining survivor who was riding in President Kennedy's limousine when he was assassinated, has died. You can read of her life in "From Love Field: A Remembrance" (973.922 CON N) and how it changed dramatically in just a few seconds on that fateful day.

For all of the science fictions fans, James Tiptree Jr. was a master story teller. However, Tiptree was the pseudonym for Alice B. Sheldon.

Journalist Julie Phillips has achieved a wonder: an evenhanded, scrupulously document-

ed, objective yet sympathetic portrait of a deliberately elusive personality: Alice Sheldon (1915-1987), who adopted the persona of science fiction writer James Tiptree Jr.

Working from Sheldon's (and Tiptree's) few interviews; Sheldon's professional papers, many of them unpublished; and the papers of Sheldon's writer-explorer-socialite mother, Phillips has crafted an absorbing melange of several disparate lives besides Sheldon's with each life impacting hers like a deadly off-course asteroid.

Sheldon masked her authorship until 1976, and afterward produced little fiction, feeling that a woman writing as a man could not be convincing. Through all the ironic sorrows of a life Sheldon wished she hadn't had to live as a woman, Phillips steadfastly and elegantly allows one star, bright as the Sirius Sheldon loved, to gleam.

Oh yes, I suppose you would like the title: "James Tiptree Jr.: The Double Life of Alice B. Sheldon" (B SHE A) by Julie Phillips.

Have you been to the wax museum? "Madame Tussaud: A Life in Wax" (B TUS M) by Kate Berridge is an absorbing story of a woman who came through the French Revolution with her neck intact. It is an absorbing story.

In a review from The

New York Times, "The Hummingbird's Daughter" by Luis Alberto Urrea has been 20 years in the making. His epic novel recounts the true story of his great-aunt Teresita. In 1873, amid the political turbulence of Gen. Porfirio Diaz's Mexican republic, Teresita is born to a 14-year-old Indian girl, "mounted and forgotten" by her white master.

Don Tomss Urrea later takes his illegitimate daughter into his home, where she learns to bathe every week and read "Las Hermanas Brontë." But Teresita also continues a folk education as a curandera, discovering healing powers and a mystical relationship with God.

Indian pilgrims swarm to the Urrea ranch, where "St. Teresita," a mestiza Joan of Arc, kindles in them a powerful faith in God and a perilous hunger for revolution. The novel brings to life not only the deeply pious figure, whom Diaz himself dubbed "the Most Dangerous Girl in Mexico," but also the blood-soaked landscape of pre-revolutionary Mexico.

In "Around the Next Corner" (F WRE E) by Elizabeth Wrenn, Deena Munger realized that the transformation to under-appreciated housewife was subtle and gradual. Not that she didn't love her family dearly, but Deena was starting to

wonder: When did I disappear? And how come I never even noticed? Then one day she stuns her family by volunteering to raise a puppy for K-9 Eyes for the Blind. Suddenly, Deena's once-stable life is turned upside down. And, it turns out, this rambunctious, impulsive ball of fur could actually be the damage control she needs to save her family, her marriage and herself.

Here are a couple of books for all you CSI or Forensic Files fanatics. The first is "Coroner's Journal: Stalking Death in Louisiana" (614.092 CAT L) by Louis Cataldie. The reviews are mixed; however, Booklist says that few of them have given the reader much of a look at the day-to-day life of someone whose profession is death.

This account does just that. The author, a coroner in Baton Rouge, La., has had a hand in some famous cases (the Beltway sniper shootings and the Derrick Todd Lee serial-murder case, for example), but it is descriptions of cases that didn't grab headlines — the family tragedies, the senseless accidents, the pointless brutalities — that give the book its weight.

Rarely has there been such a detailed picture of what a coroner does and how the job affects his or her private life.

The fact that Cataldie played a crucial role in

the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina will give his book extra publicity; expect plenty of demand.

The second book is "Forensic Detective: How I Cracked the World's Toughest Cases" (614.17 MAN R) by Robert Mann. It is a detailed look at some high-profile cases, but reads rather dully.

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IN BRIEF

Quarterback Club meeting is Monday

Big Spring High School's Quarterback Club will meet at 7 p.m. Mondays at the BSHS Athletic Training Center.

Mark Tissue, the booster club's president, encourages all parents of BSHS football players and fans of the Steers to attend.

For more information, call Tissue at 816-3458.

CGA, Knights to host scramble

The Chicano Golf Association, in conjunction with the Knights of Columbus, will host the 10th Annual Father Delaney Golf Tournament Sunday, Sept. 17 at Comanche Trail Golf Course.

Format is a four-person scramble. Registration deadline is 9:45 a.m. the day of the tournament.

For more information, contact 264-7116.

Lady Steer boosters to meet

The Big Spring High School Lady Steers Booster Club will hold its first meeting of the year at 5:30 p.m. Monday in the Athletic Training Center adjacent to BSHS.

The booster club backs all BSHS girls sports, including basketball and volleyball.

This will be an organizational meeting for the group.

For more information, contact Leslie Whitten at 264-2504 or 816-6764.

Tennis boosters meet Thursday

The Big Spring High School Tennis Boosters will hold their meeting at 7 p.m. Thursday in the BSHS cafeteria.

Junior tennis league offered

A free junior tennis league will be held every Tuesday at the Figure 7 Tennis Center.

The league is open to players ages 8 through 12, according to Ted Olesen, Figure 7 tennis pro.

Participants are urged to bring their own tennis racquet, although a limited supply of racquets are available.

For more information, log onto the center's Internet site at bigspringtennis.com.

Hunter education course Sept. 23

A hunter education course will be offered beginning at 8 a.m. Sept. 23 in the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce building.

Cost for the two-day course is \$15 per person.

If you were born on or after Sept. 2, 1971, you must successfully complete a hunter education course to be licensed in the state of Texas.

Students must be 12 years of age or older to be certified. Those under 17 years of age must have their registration signed by a parent or guardian.

Certification is good in all 50 states.

For more information, or to register, contact Steve Polivinski at 264-7033 during the evening hours.

Longhorns looking for a few good leaders

By JIM VERTUNO
AP Sports Writer

AUSTIN — Mack Brown is looking for a leader. On offense or defense, it doesn't matter which.

There are a few stipulations: The Texas coach needs someone who won't drop passes in the big game on a key third down. He needs one who won't improvise on defense, leading to a costly touchdown.

And he must not be a distraction on the police blotter.

After last week's humbling 24-7 loss to No. 1 Ohio State, it became clear the Longhorns haven't found the right player(s) to duplicate Vince Young's ability to keep things loose in the huddle and make the big play

when the game is on the line.

They've got about three weeks to find one before the annual trip to Dallas to play Oklahoma.

Brown called Vince Young "the pied piper," and as much as the Longhorns miss his touchdown runs and passes, his infectious can't-lose attitude might be the most difficult ingredient for the Longhorns to replace.

In the preseason, Brown sounded like he thought Selvin Young was ready for the role. The senior tailback was Vince Young's roommate and had a close-up view of how the quarterback kept Texas moving on and off the field.

Over the summer, he hosted player barbecues, gathered teammates to go to the movies and

pushed guys through workouts.

But then he dropped a pass.

Fourth quarter, losing 17-7, Texas had driven to the Ohio State 28. Third-and-9 and Colt McCoy fired a pass into the flat that Young dropped.

It's unfair to say the game would have turned on the play or if he even would have made a first down. There were two defenders closing in. And Young was the most consistent offensive threat with 136 total yards.

But leaders make plays.

Young can make tacklers miss, and his drop never even gave him a chance to try for the first down. Texas ended up missing a field goal that would have cut the deficit to seven.

Wide receiver Limas Sweed

may be one of the most talented players on offense. At 6-foot-5, he's a huge coverage problem for any opposing secondary, and he's shown he can make a great catch.

But Sweed also is the quiet type and hardly seems likely to stir up emotions on the sideline or in the huddle. When McCoy threw an interception in the third quarter, Sweed said he kept his distance to gauge McCoy's reaction instead of going over to talk to his young quarterback.

Sweed said a few seniors talked to the team on Sunday after the loss. The players he mentioned were defensive ends Tim Crowder and Brian Robison.

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STEERS QB OUT



Big Spring quarterback Ryan Tannehill, shown in action against San Angelo Central last Friday, will miss this week's game against Hereford, coaches said. Tannehill suffered a shoulder injury against San Angelo.

Friends like these

Lance Armstrong bristled Tuesday at a report that two former teammates admitted using performance-enhancing drugs, calling it "a hatchet job ... to link me to doping through somebody else's admission."

Frankie Andreu and another former Armstrong teammate who requested anonymity because he still works in cycling told *The New York Times* they used the endurance-booster EPO to prepare for the 1999 Tour de France, when Armstrong won the first of his seven titles.

Neither rider has ever tested positive for performance-enhancing drugs and both said they never saw Armstrong take any banned substances.

"I think it's a pretty nasty attempt by *The New York Times* to link me to doping through somebody else's admission. You have to read way down in the article until Frankie says, 'I never saw Lance do anything.'"

"To me, this is a story about Frankie Andreu," Armstrong said during a telephone interview with *The Associated Press* from Los Angeles. "The fact he took drugs has nothing to do with me."

The Times first reported the story on its Web site Monday night. Armstrong could not be reached for comment by the Times because he was attending a meeting of the Presidents Cancer Panel in Minneapolis.

"We feel the story is completely fair. It says in the eighth paragraph his teammates never saw him take drugs, and in next paragraph, that he always denied using performance-enhancing drugs," Times sports editor Tom Jolly said.

"They are two of his former teammates. Obviously, he was the star of that team and that's their claim to fame. The story never accuses him of using drugs."

Andreu admitted taking EPO for only a few

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Late heroics take down Texas teams

Guillen's ninth-inning homer powers Detroit past Rangers

DETROIT (AP) — The Detroit Tigers were jumping around in the rain like Little Leaguers.

Carlos Guillen led off the ninth with a solo home run to give Detroit a 3-2 win over the Texas Rangers on Tuesday night.

"Obviously everybody was pretty pumped up," said Tigers manager Jim Leyland, who joined in the celebration. "I was real happy I know that."

Guillen said he was looking for a fastball and that is what Ron Mahay (1-3) served up.

"Guillen's a good hitter. You make a mistake, he's going to hurt you," Texas catcher Gerald Laird said. "He did tonight twice. It just happens."

Guillen, who also homered in the second inning, was greeted at the plate by his teammates and Leyland.

"It was a very exciting win for us," Guillen said. "I was just trying to get on base, make something happen."

Marcus Thames tied the score with a solo shot in the seventh for the slumping Tigers who won for just the sixth time in 19 games. Detroit, which had a 10-game lead over Chicago and 10 1/2 over Minnesota in the AL Central when play ended

Aug. 7, leads the Twins by only 1 1/2 games.

"Marc came through big time," Leyland said.

Fernando Rodney (7-3) pitched a perfect eighth and ninth to pick up the win.

Texas' Gary Matthews Jr. hit a tiebreaking single in the top seventh, but Thames hit his 26th home run of the season in the bottom half.

"We did tonight what we talked about, we hit the ball out of the ballpark," Leyland said. "There's no defense for the home run."

Tigers starter Kenny Rogers gave up two runs and 10 hits in seven innings for his second straight no-decision after four straight wins.

Vicente Padilla allowed two runs and five hits in seven innings. He got out of a two-on, no out jam in the fourth, with an inning-ending double play. Padilla gave up six earned runs.

"He pitched well enough to win," Rangers manager Buck Showalter said. "It's tough conditions to pitch in and everybody had some tough defensive plays in the tough weather."

Wes Littleton gave up a walk to Craig Monroe in the eighth but he was stranded at first.

Pujols victimizes Lidge again as Cardinals defeat Houston

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Albert Pujols broke his bat on a 1-2 fastball in on the hands from Brad Lidge. All that meant was that the winning hit, which handed the Houston Astros an agonizing loss, lacked a certain solid tone.

Even without good wood Pujols got the best of Lidge again Tuesday night, this time hitting a two-run double with two outs in the ninth inning that gave the St. Louis Cardinals a 6-5 victory.

"Everything went our way," Pujols said. "It's good that we're catching those breaks. I wasn't trying to do too much, just put the ball in play."

Preston Wilson homered for the Cardinals, who have won the first two games of a three-game series against the third-place Astros, knocking them seven games back in the NL Central. St. Louis has a five-game lead over the Reds.

Houston began the day 4 1/2 games behind wild-card leader San Diego.

The Cardinals got to Lidge, who blew his sixth save in 37 chances, for the third time this season. Lidge (1-5) had a blown save and a loss against St. Louis in the last two games before the All-Star break.

Lidge is 0-2 with a 9.00 ERA and four saves against the Cardinals this season, allowing seven runs in seven innings spanning six games.

"It seems like stuff like that has happened this year," Lidge said.

Chris Burke's two-run homer in the sixth put the Astros ahead 5-4, and Mike Lamb also homered for Houston in a game that featured five lead changes. The Astros used seven pitchers — starter Andy Pettitte left in the third inning with an elbow injury.

Pinch-hitter John Rodriguez singled off Lidge to start the ninth and advanced on pinch-hitter Jose Vizcaino's sacrifice. Wilson struck out and Scott Spiezio was hit by a pitch before Pujols doubled down the left-field line to score both runners without a play.

The ball got away from left fielder Jason Lane in the corner.

Last October, with the Astros only one out from their first trip to the World Series, Pujols hit a mammoth, stunning homer off Lidge to stave off elimination for the Cardinals and send the NL championship series back to St. Louis. Houston recovered and clinched the pennant.

Are you ready for some Romo?

By JAIME ARON

AP Sports Writer

IRVING — Tony Romo thinks he's ready to be the starting quarterback of the Dallas Cowboys. And maybe he is.

Thing is, Romo thought he was ready last year.

And the year before. Probably the year before that, too, even though he was lucky to have made the team as an undrafted rookie.

Confidence is certainly one of Romo's strengths, probably his biggest. He believes in himself more than Drew Henson and Chad Hutchinson combined, which might explain why he's still in the league and those guys, who were blessed with more raw ability, aren't.

Yet bravado, popularity and even a new contract don't make him the best option for the Cowboys.

At least, as Bill Parcells so conspicuously put it Monday, "not right now."

Drew Bledsoe wasn't so terrible in the 24-17 loss at Jacksonville that he

deserves getting benched. The bigger factor is that Romo hasn't done enough to prove he deserves to start.

Actually, let's clarify that: He hasn't done anything, period, in the 49 games since he's been on the roster. (Well, he's been the holder a bunch of times, but Parcells hasn't even let him try to throw a pass on a fake field goal.)

Thus, a priority this week should be erasing the bizarre fact that Romo has been around for so long, and is already locked up for next season, without having thrown a pass.

It's time to see what he's got. And Sunday night at home against Washington is as good of a time as any — better than waiting for Bledsoe to get hurt or play so badly the decision becomes obvious.

Parcells needs to come up with a plan for breaking in Romo, then stick with it.

Tell Romo he's going to play, say, the first drive

of the second quarter no matter what. He's got to put him in regardless of whether Bledsoe is 10-for-10 or the Cowboys take over at their 1-yard line. Maybe even script Romo's first few plays and let him get comfortable with them in practice this week.

Have an "exit strategy," too. (Insert your own political joke; this is sports, after all.) Either pick out another series or two that he'll play or tell him that's all he's getting.

Forget Bledsoe's feelings. Forget whatever message it might send the team. Better yet, deal with it all now.

Tell everyone it's coming because this is what's best for Romo, which means it's best for them. Look at Bledsoe and say that includes him. (No need to remind him that his only Super Bowl ring, and last playoff appearance, came after he lost his job to Tom Brady. Save that line in case Romo turns out as good as he thinks.)

If anyone questions the move, remind them you are Bill Freaking Parcells, not Chan Gailey, Dave Campo or some other Jerry Jones-controlled coach. You might also want to tell them again that you are too old to lose because your overall record in Dallas is now 50-50, but that's another story.

There's no down side to easing Romo into action.

If he fouls it up against the Redskins, chalk it up to first-time jitters. If he's good, then maybe there's a quarterback controversy. So? Isn't there one already?

Spend the bye week giving Romo more work with the starters, then follow it with more playing time against Tennessee than he gets against Washington.

Maybe then it will be time to think more seriously about which quarterback is best suited to run this team.

The answer easily could be Bledsoe — and not by default.

TEXAS

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Those two combined for Texas' three sacks on Ohio State quarterback Troy Smith. Robison had two even though he spent much of the week laid up with pneumonia.

On defense, the Longhorns have looked to free safety Michael Griffin to take over the leadership void Michael Huff left in the secondary.

A supremely talented player, Griffin made a crucial mistake in the second quarter when he and his brother Marcus, who plays strong safety, decided on their own to switch positions after Marcus twisted an ankle.

The improvisation ended up hurting Texas when Marcus Griffin was out of position on a deep pass that went for a touchdown 16 seconds before halftime.

Leaders make smart

plays.

They don't take themselves out of a play.

And they don't do things off the field that take them completely out of the game.

Senior cornerback Tarell Brown was arrested on misdemeanor drug and weapon charges six days before the game. Although the drug charge was later dropped and his lawyer is trying to get the gun charge dismissed as well, the incident stirred up embarrassing headlines and forced the Longhorns to make major adjustments in the secondary.

Colt McCoy is the most visible player Texas has because he handles the ball on every snap.

But he's also an unknown commodity. He's got only two games under his belt, and he's many touchdown throws away from being able to assume the leadership role on a team full of veteran talent.

LITKE

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races and said he came forward now because he's worried doping is having a negative effect on the sport.

"There are two levels of guys," he told the paper. "You got the guys that cheat and guys that are just trying to survive."

Armstrong has devoted considerable time and money fighting doping allegations in the past, both during interviews and with lawsuits. He said any implication that he used performance-enhancers was "ludicrous."

"I can't prove a negative. All I can say is what I said a million times: I was tested at races, in my house, in hotel rooms, airports, you name it. I had a lot of pressure on me," he said. "My performances never did anything but get better and stronger amid all the pressure and the improved testing."

This summer's Tour de France winner, Floyd Landis, also tested positive for elevated testosterone and synthetic testosterone after one of the race stages and is appealing the decision to strip his title. Landis was also Armstrong's teammate for two tours; he has denied using performance-enhancing drugs.

The Times report was based on interviews and court documents from a contract dispute between Armstrong and SCA Promotions. The Dallas-based company tried to withhold a \$5 million bonus owed Armstrong for winning a record sixth straight Tour de France, citing allegations of cheating in the book "L.A. Confidential: The Secrets of Lance Armstrong." He responded with a lawsuit.

After three weeks of testimony from dozens of witnesses, including Andreu, his wife, Betsy, and Steve Swartz, another former Armstrong teammate, Armstrong walked away with the bonus, plus \$2.5 million in interest and lawyers costs.

"Three arbitrators listened to everything they

said and decided none of them were credible," Armstrong said.

"Andreu, his wife and Swartz all had their day, and at the end, the arbitrators gave us 50 percent more than the original bonus."

"That was a 'W,'" Armstrong said, meaning a win. "It's been that way time after time. I can't remember if it's 6-0 or 10-0, but we're unbeaten. You don't win those cases if you're that dirty."

Armstrong also acknowledged that his continuing high profile and the string of allegations that have extended into his retirement made him the "800-pound gorilla" for every doping story involving cycling.

"Well," he replied, "the 800-pound gorilla has stood up to every test, every investigation, every interrogation, everything — and never lost."

Pat McQuaid, president of cycling's governing body, UCI, said he didn't understand Andreu's objectives in revealing he used EPO.

"If Andreu wishes to say that, that's up to him to say that," McQuaid said during a telephone interview. "I don't know what he's trying to achieve because he cannot achieve anything by saying this."

McQuaid said neither admission should cast doubt on Armstrong's record or his 1999 Tour victory.

"To take dope is an individual decision by an individual rider," McQuaid said.

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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

Imaginative Defense

North dealer.

North-South vulnerable.

NORTH
♦ Q J 10
♥ A K 9 6
♦ Q J 2
♠ 8 7 4

WEST
♦ 7 5 3 2
♥ Q 10 7 5 4 2
♦ 10
♠ 6 5

EAST
♦ A K 9 8 6
♥ J 8
♦ 9 7 4 3
♠ A 3

SOUTH
♦ 4
♥ 3
♦ A K 8 6 5
♠ K Q J 10 9 2

The bidding:

North East South West
1♥ 1♦ 3♦ 4♠
Dble Pass 5♣ Pass
5♦

Opening lead — two of spades.

The armchair analyst is usually a magnificent cardplayer; he rarely makes the wrong play after seeing all 52 cards. Certainly declarer would have fared better on this deal had he been given the privilege of a peek at the opposing cards. As it was, though, he fell prey to an exceedingly clever trap laid by East.

The deal occurred in a top-flight rubber bridge game. West led the

spade deuce against five diamonds, and East won with the ace! East then returned the six of spades (!), which declarer ruffed.

After South played the Q-J of diamonds and learned of the 4-1 trump division, he shifted his attention to clubs, playing the king. East ducked and won the next club with the ace.

East then returned the king of spades. South ruffed, reducing his own hand and dummy's to one trump while East had two trumps left. Eventually South went down two as a result of East's shrewd defense.

Had South known that East had started with both top spades, he would, of course, have discarded a club at trick two and made the contract. However, ruffing the spade was entirely normal, as West could have had the king, and the 4-1 trump division was as yet undisclosed.

East disguised his hand beautifully with his first two plays. Had he played the A-K of spades instead of the A-6, declarer would have made the contract easily. But East, who knew that the trumps would break poorly for declarer, led back a low spade in the hope that South would take a normal trump break for granted.

Tomorrow: With a little bit of luck.

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Today's Highlight in History:

On Sept. 13, 1788, the Congress of the Confederation authorized the first national election, and declared New York City the temporary national capital.

On this date: In 1759, during the final French and Indian War, the British defeated the French on the Plains of Abraham overlooking Quebec City.

In 1803, Commodore John Barry, considered by many the father of the American Navy, died in Philadelphia.

In 1851, American medical pioneer Walter Reed was born in Gloucester County, Va.

In 1922, the highest shade temperature on the earth's surface was recorded in El Azizia, Libya, which reached 136.4 degrees Fahrenheit.

In 1948, Republican Margaret Chase Smith of Maine was elected to the U.S. Senate, becoming the first woman to serve in both houses of Congress.

In 1971, a four-day inmates' rebellion at the Attica Correctional Facility in upstate New York ended as police and guards stormed the prison; the ordeal and final assault claimed 43 lives.

In 1977, conductor Leopold Stokowski died in Hampshire, England, at age 95.

In 1989, Fay Vincent was named commissioner of Major League Baseball, succeeding the late A. Bartlett Giamatti.

In 1993, at the White House, Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin and PLO chairman Yasser Arafat shook hands after signing an accord granting limited Palestinian autonomy.

In 1998, former Alabama Gov. George C. Wallace died at age 79.

Today's Birthdays: Actress Eileen Fulton ("As the World Turns") is 73. TV producer Fred Silverman is 69.

Former White House spokesman Larry Speakes is 67. Actor Richard Kiel is 67. Rock singer David Clayton-Thomas (Blood, Sweat & Tears) is 65. Actress Jacqueline Bisset is 62. Singer Peter Cetera is 62. Singer Randy Jones (The Village People) is 54. Record producer Don Was is 54. Actress Jean Smart is 47. Country singer Bobbie Cryer is 45. Rock singer-musician Dave Mustaine (Megadeth) is 45. Radio-TV personality Tavis Smiley is 42. Rock musician Zak Starkey is 41. Actor Louis Mandylor is 40. Olympic gold medal runner Michael Johnson is 39. Rock musician Steve Perkins is 39.

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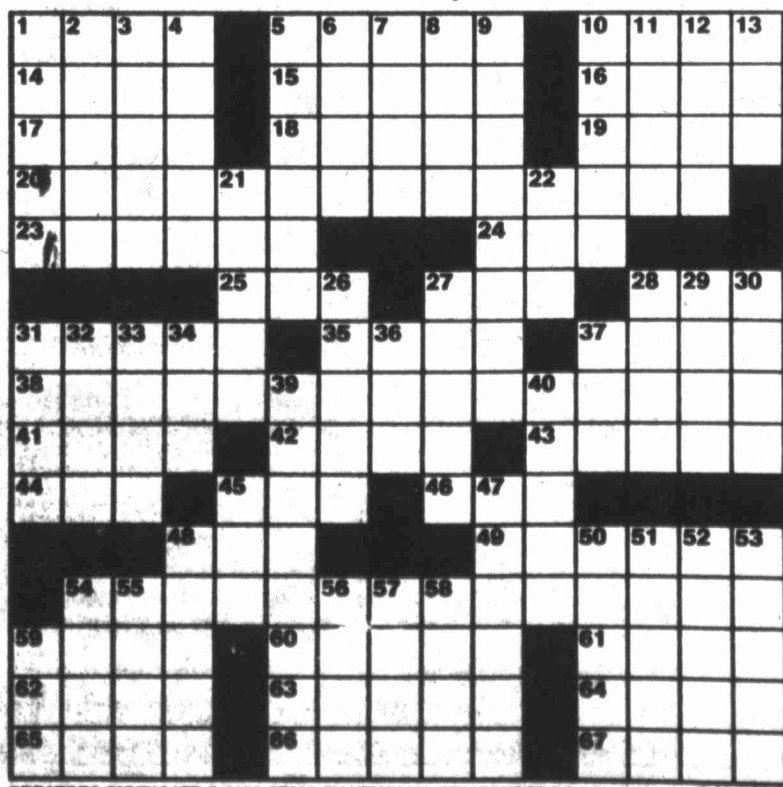


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 - 14 Emcee
 - 15 Trebek
 - 16 Dickens character Heep
 - 17 Mature enough to harvest
 - 18 Wall climber
 - 19 Analyze grammatically
 - 20 Served perfectly, in tennis
 - 21 Sports tiebreaker
 - 22 Gymnast
 - 23 Mary Lou
 - 24 Office seeker, for short
 - 25 Ouija board answer
 - 27 Tack on
 - 28 DJ's stack
 - 31 TV signal component
 - 35 Part of AD
 - 37 The one close by
 - 38 MacLaine/Bancroft film of '77
 - 41 "the word"
 - 42 Author Ferber
 - 43 Has a yearning (for)
 - 44 HBO competitor
 - 45 Fork over
 - 46 Big Apple sch.
 - 48 Hole number
 - 49 Quaking trees
 - 54 Noon exactly
 - 59 Really overcook
- DOWN**
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Full-time position. Some marketing experience preferred. Good computer skills a must.

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THE HOWARD County Sheriff's Office is accepting applications for a part-time dispatcher and jailer. Applications are available in the Sheriff's office, 1st floor of the Howard County Courthouse, 300 South Main Street, M-F, 8-5 EOE.

The Martin County Hospital District of Stanton is seeking personnel for a **FULL MAINTENANCE WORKER AND PRN HOUSEKEEPER.** Please contact Paul McKinney, CEO or Allison Israel, CFO at 610 N. Saint Peter, Stanton, Texas or call (432)756-3345.

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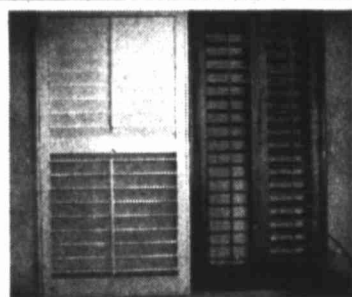
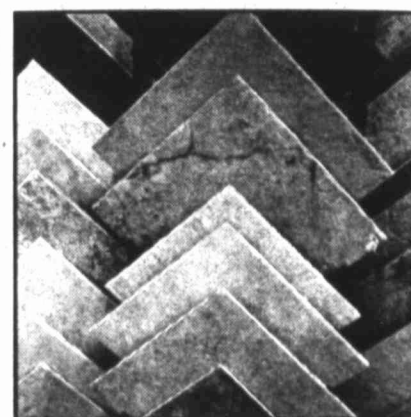
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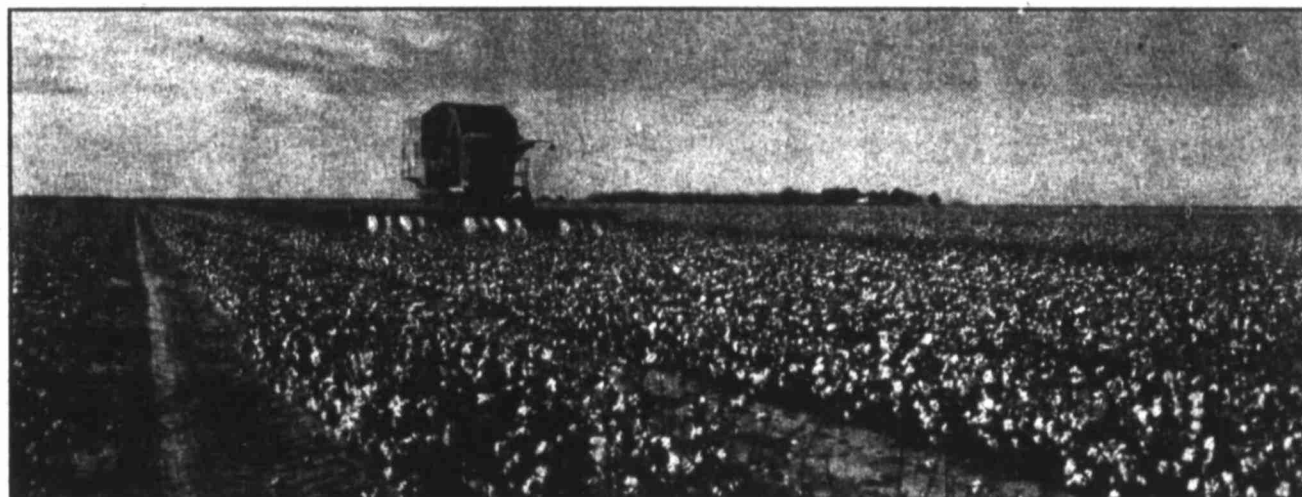
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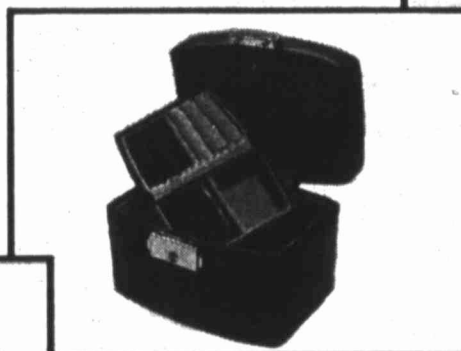
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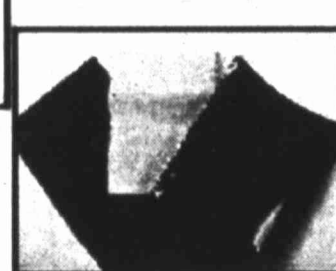
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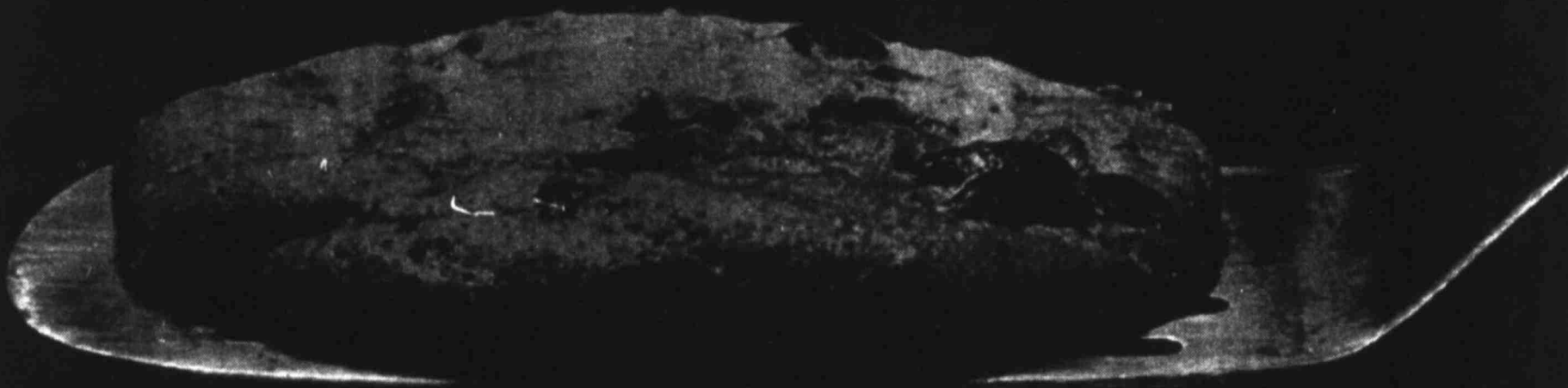
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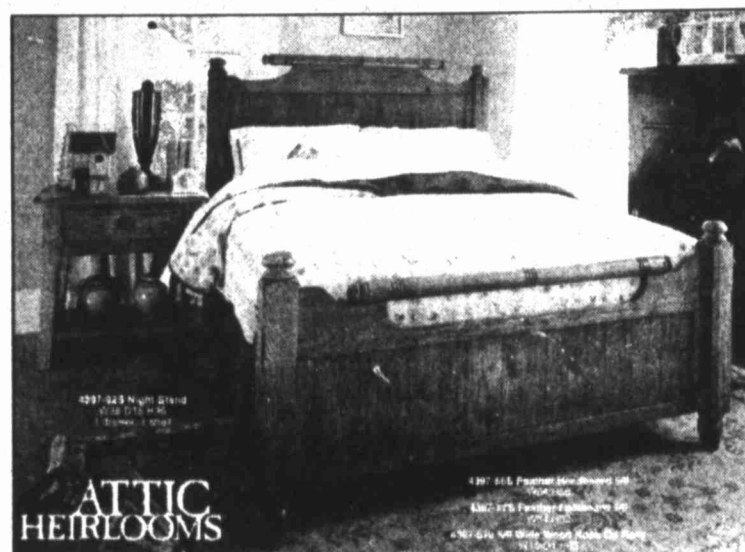
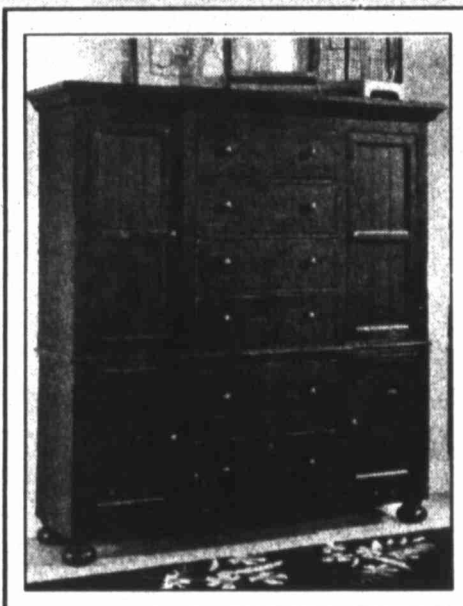
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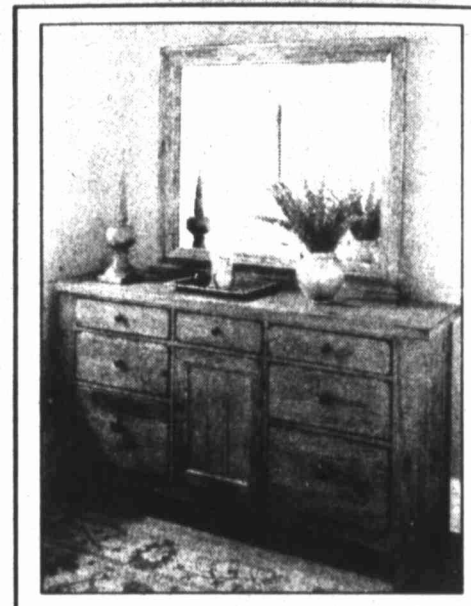
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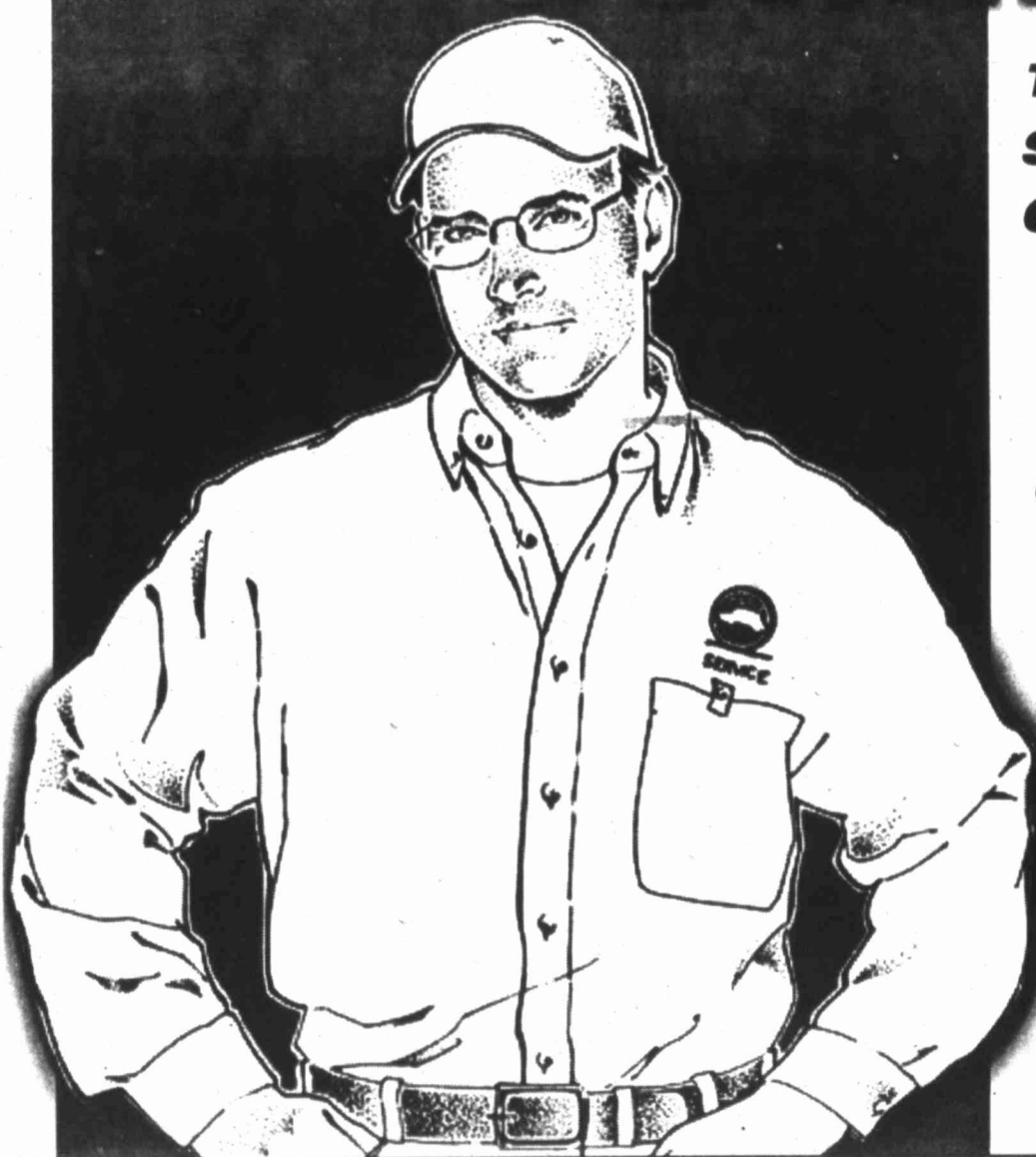


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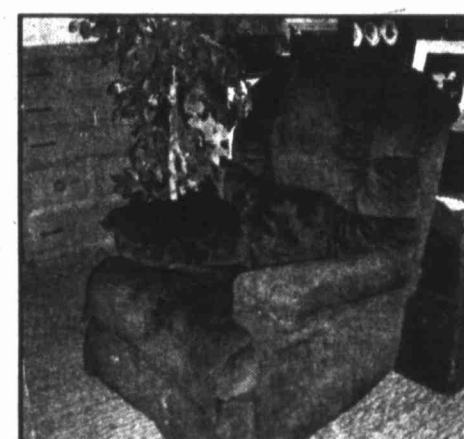
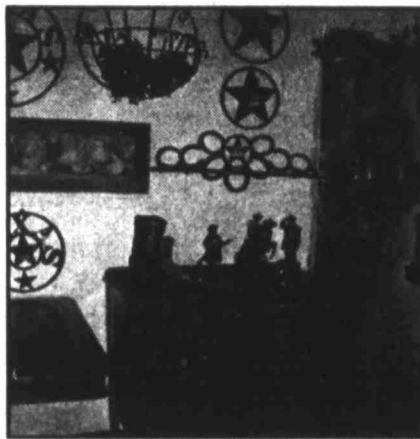
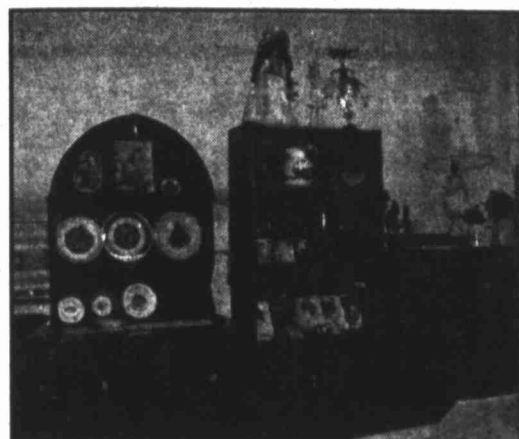
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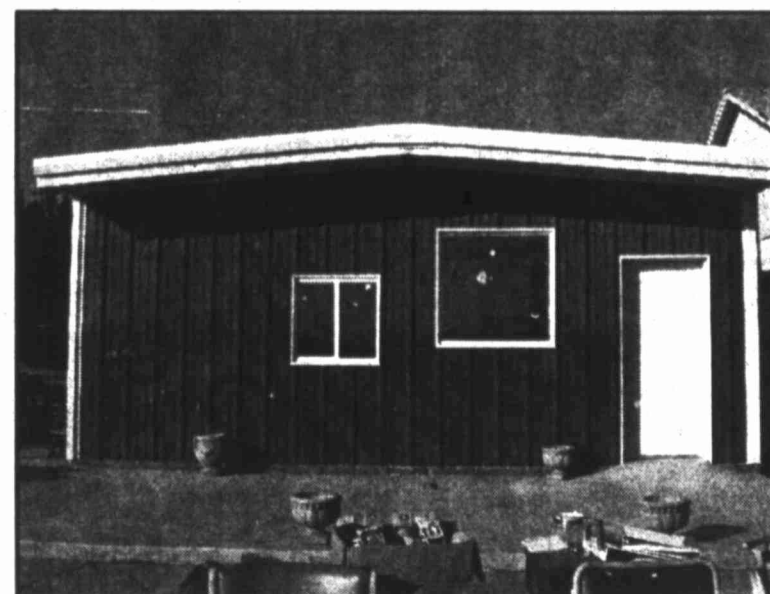
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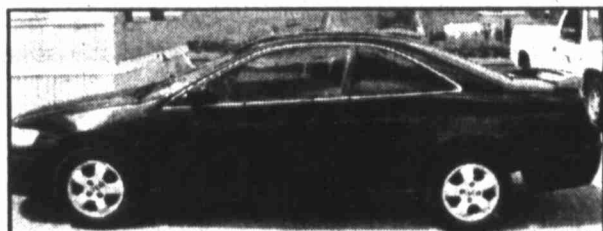
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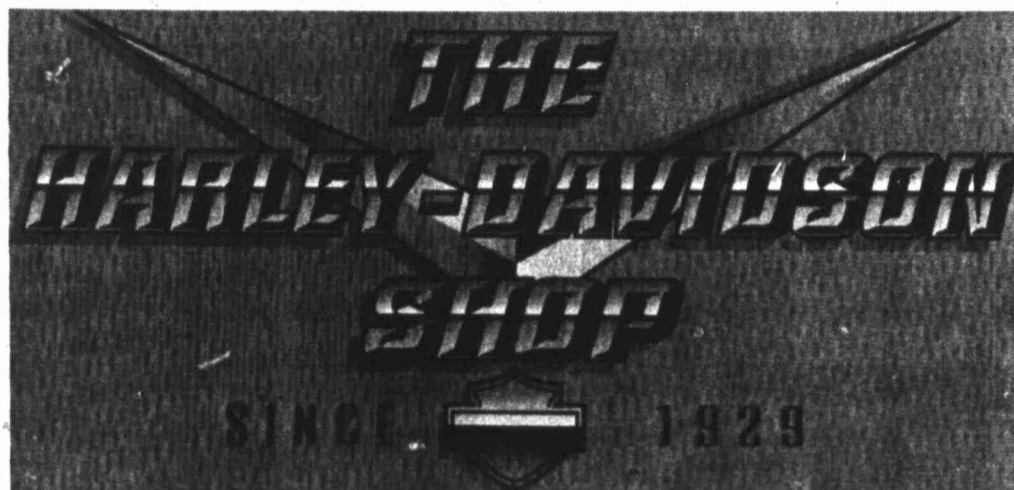
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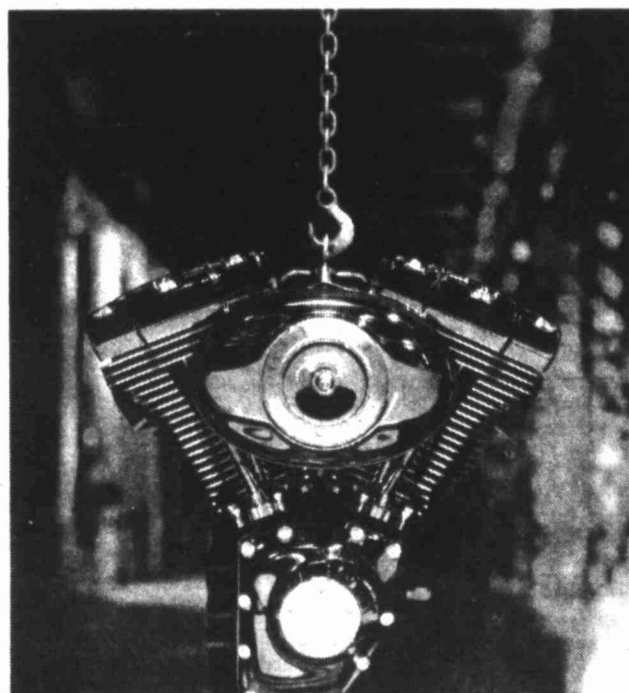
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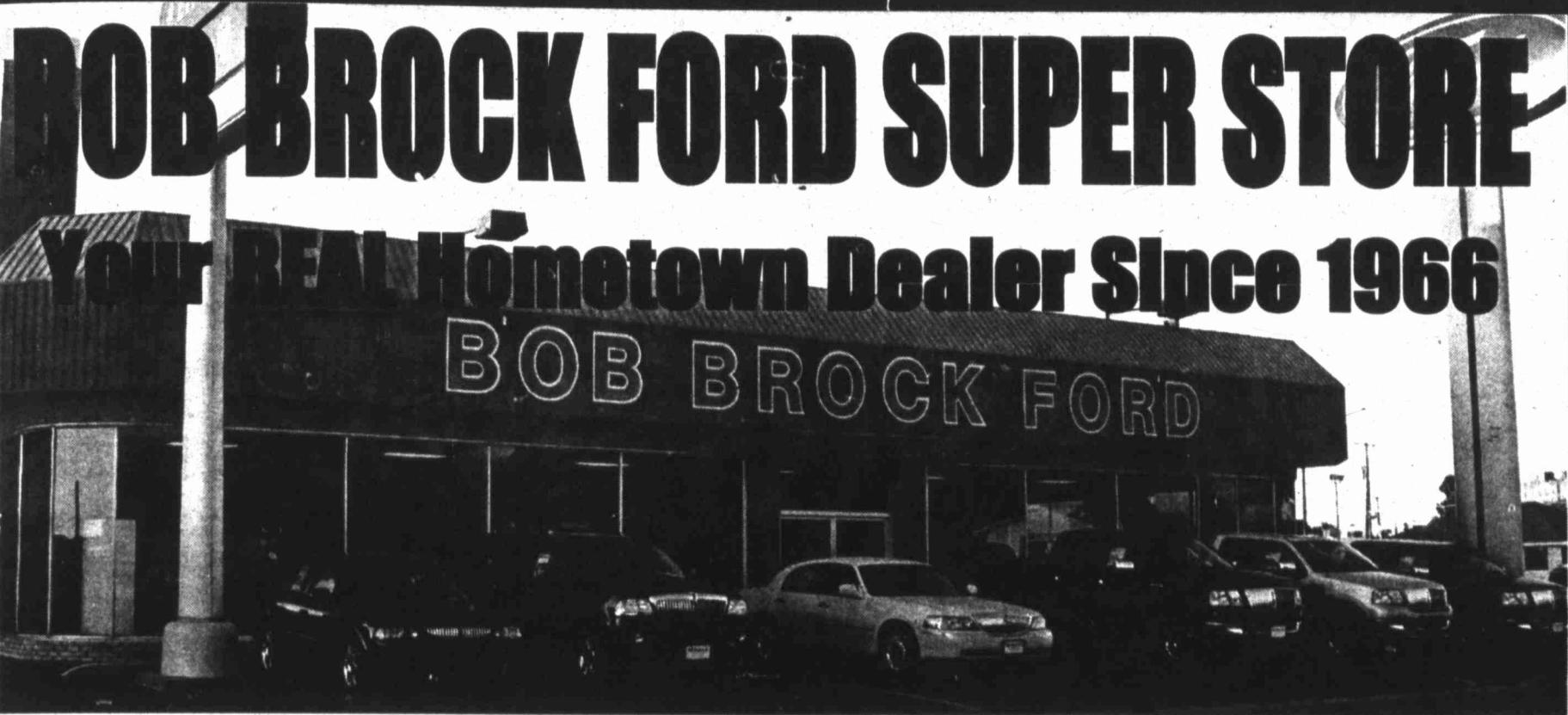


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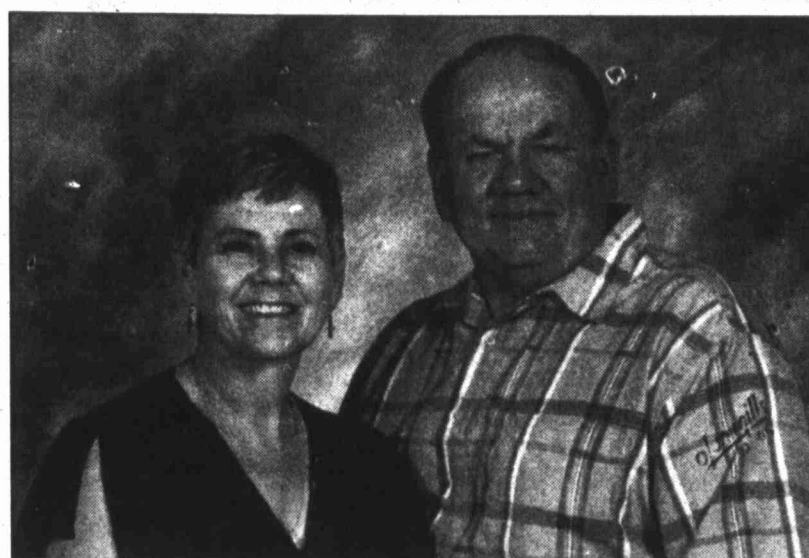
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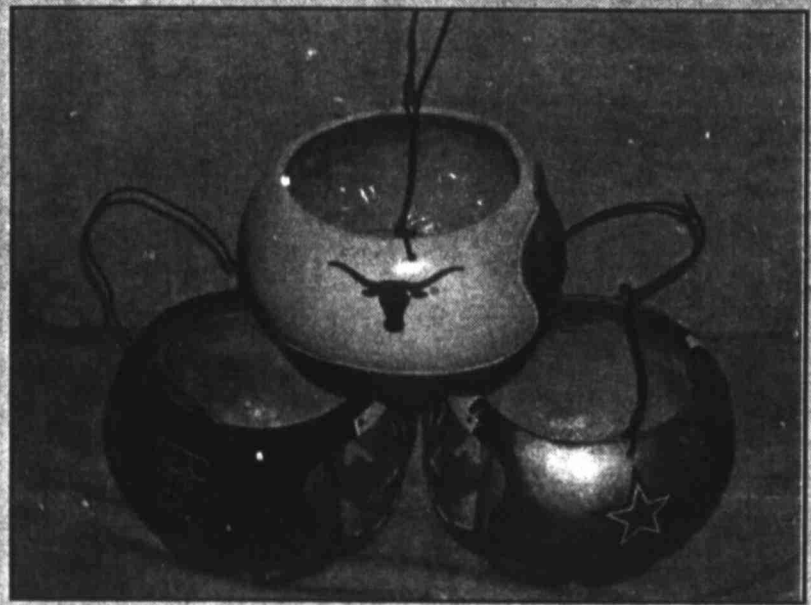
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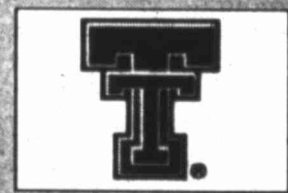
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