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NEWS DIGEST



▲ Comparing hats before competition

Thelma Roberts and Mary Garner compare hats Friday at the Senior Citizens Center prior to the start of competition in the center's Easter hat contest.



◀ New station in the works

George Coleman installs acoustical tile above a door frame in the new fire station at the Airpark. Administration personnel could begin moving into the facility within two weeks.

Recycling crush ▶



Members of the Big Spring High School French Club crush cans as they help out at the monthly recycling drive on the Herald's north parking lot Saturday.



◀ Citizens beware!

Telephone solicitors may be attempting a scam asking for funds for officers injured in the line of duty. Sheriff A.N. Standard is recommending local residents turn down solicitations from the group.

World

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President Clinton met in his first summit with Boris Yeltsin Saturday, offering a $1 billion aid package and unqualified support "for the fight that he's waging." See page 6A.

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•Still waiting:
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The Big Spring Steers baseball team has now played 25 district innings without allowing a run. And if it weren't for the 10-run rule, that streak may be even longer. See page 1B.

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Today, partly cloudy with a high in the middle 60s. Tonight, fair. Low in the 40s. See extended forecast, page 8A.

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Resident majority wants Supercenter

By PATRICK DRISCOLL
Staff Writer

A survey indicates 99 percent of Big Spring residents want a Wal-Mart Stores Inc. Supercenter located in Big Spring.

Three-fourths of 110 people surveyed by Big Spring Herald telemarketers Wednesday through Friday say the controversial proposed site at Wasson and Thorpe streets is a good location.

But opinions were split on whether that's the best site. One-third said they live near the site.

Last week, Wal-Mart tabled a rezoning request on the proposed site for one month after nearby homeowners voiced concerns about traffic, noise, lights and drainage. Wal-Mart officials propose widening Thorpe and Wasson streets, a 75-foot-wide landscaping strip, shields to direct light down and on-site water ponds to prevent runoff."

Four questions were asked in the survey. Results:

• Do you want Wal-Mart to locate a Supercenter in Big Spring? 109 yes and one no.

• Do you think a proposed location at Wasson and Thorpe streets is a good location? 76 yes, 26 no and eight with no opinion expressed.

• Is that the best location? 46 yes, 44 no and 20 with no opinion.

• Do you live near the site? 30 yes, 75 no and five with no opinion.

Comments reported by telemarketers varied.

"If Highland Mall were available it would be a better location," one said.

Others look to different areas.

"Need business on Northside," one said. Another, "FM 700 area better location."

Some say homeowners near Wasson and Thorpe streets should sacrifice some.

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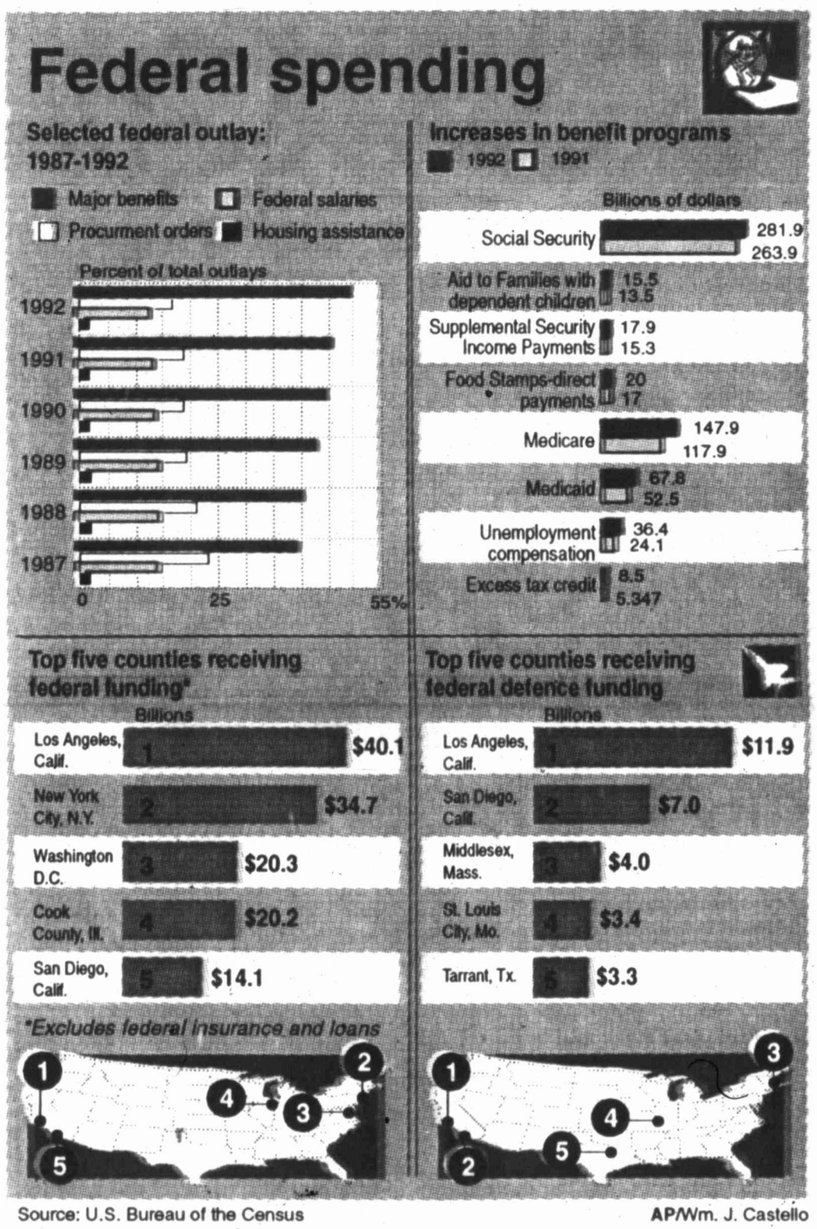
With "Wal-Mart's proposal to pay extra money for traffic control and noise control, the people in the area should be conducive to progressive. The jobs it would create by far offsets the problems it would create. If it's true people want us to shop Big Spring first we need a variety of places to shop."

Conciliation is also hoped for.

"Whatever the city council and citizens of the proposed area decide about the location is all right," one said.

The five-acre store — one-third larger than SAM'S — and 20-acre parking lot would employ 500, 134 more than the current store at FM 700 and U.S. 87, according to Wal-Mart offi-

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Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census

AP/Wm. J. Castello

Hutchison brings U.S. Senate bid to West Texans

By CONNIE SWINNEY
Staff Writer

RELATED STORY — 7A

State Treasurer Kay Bailey Hutchison, campaigning for the U.S. Senate in Big Spring Saturday, said the number one problem facing America today is a national deficit that can be reduced by increasing the number of private sector jobs and cutting federal spending.



HUTCHISON

Hutchison, the first Republican women ever elected to statewide office in Texas, spoke at the West Texas Center for the Arts.

Vying for the seat held by Democratic appointee Bob Krueger, Hutchison introduced her 28-point plan for congressional campaign finance and lobby reform, as well as describing her position as a candidate.

"As an outsider to Washington, I don't want to be a part of the system, I want to change it," she said. "I am a grass roots person who grew up in a small town and the only major candidate to file by petition, gathering 11,000 signatures from across the state."

On reducing the deficit, Hutchison said, "Can it be done? Probably not until we reform the Congress of the United States by changing the way it operates."

Hutchison said her major opponent, Krueger, is a "Washington insider" and part of the "good ole' boy" network who could buck such reform ideas.

"When Sen. Krueger was in Congress, he voted to increase (Congressional) salaries," she said. "He is a part of the system of perks and favors."

On President Bill Clinton's deficit control plan, Hutchison said she will support or criticize the president's plans as they unfold.

"If he is wrong, I will oppose him, and if I think he's right, I will support him," she said, adding she disagrees with Clinton's tax increase efforts.

"The energy tax (on all fuels) is wrong — terrible for Texas," she said. "It is a tax on the middle class, and I don't like his added spending proposals.

"He needs to focus on more budget cuts," she said. "We don't have a deficit in this country because government is taxing too little, but because they are spending too much."

Cindy Breyman, president of West Texas Republican Womens' Club, said as a woman, Hutchison will relate to the needs of Texas women.

"First and foremost, she is a

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College's BDC helping small, minority firms

By MARTHA E. FLORES
Staff Writer

New programs, a local minority business directory and the success of the Minority and Small Business Breakfast are helping Howard College's Business Development Center help local businesses.



TOONE

Established in 1991 by a grant and funded by Moore Development for Big Spring Inc., the center coordinates the breakfast, classes, seminars, consultation and financing.

The most requested form of assistance, according to the center's director, Danette Toone, is help in acquiring financing. Through Small Business Administration loans, such as the SBA 7A loan program and the 504 loan program, the center assists businesses in locating funding sources.

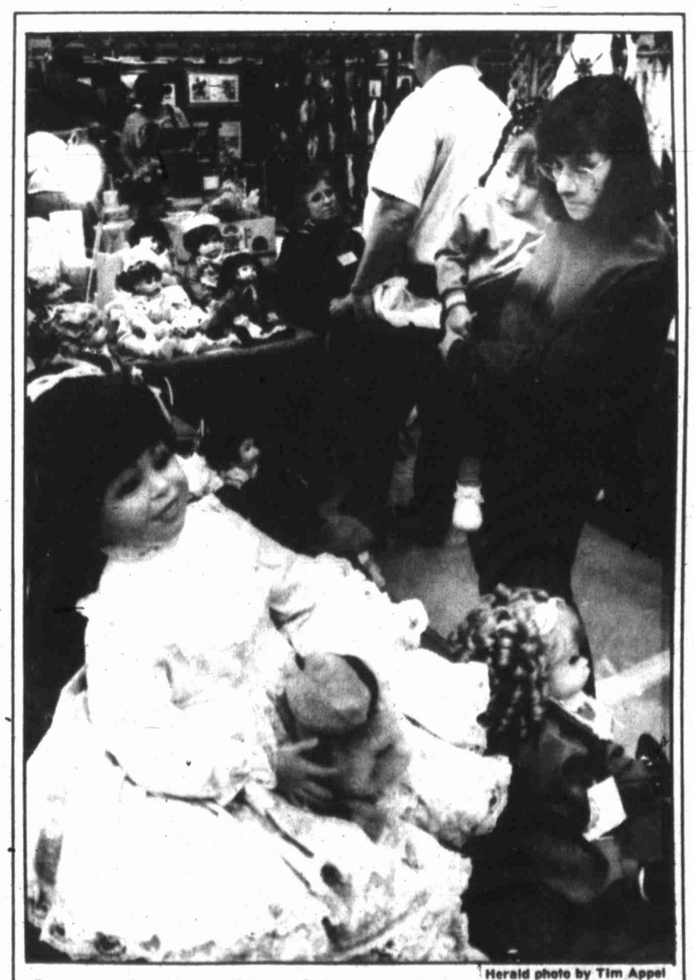
The 504 program was recently made available in this area. It is a fixed asset financing program, offering small businesses fixed interest loans at a below market rate. The program is available to small businesses planning expansion or relocation. It is administered through Capital Certified Development Corporation in conjunction with the Texas Department of Commerce.

Toone can tap into the Texas Capital Network, linking investors and entrepreneurs via computer. The center also has a pool of local investors.

Consultation available through the center to business owners includes marketing, accounting, expense control and expansion planning.

For individuals wishing to start a business, the center can provide help in developing business

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Herald photo by Tim Appel

Arts & Crafts Show

Tina Ruiz holds Stacy Hernandez as the two look at a table covered with dolls being sold at the Arts and Crafts Festival Saturday morning at the Coliseum. The show will open Sunday at noon.

Richards makes local barbecue cookoff official

By GARY SHANKS
Staff Writer

All 55 cooking teams who attended last year's inaugural, official state barbecue cookoff in Big Spring have signed up to cook again this year.

Coordinator Betty Wilcox has received a new proclamation from Gov. Ann Richards, stating the authenticity of the Big Spring event as The Texas State Championship Bar-B-Q Cookoff, the official Texas cookoff in the Kansas City Bar-B-Q Society cookoff series.

"Bar-B-Q is one of Texas' longest and most well-known traditions. In fact, to many people around the world, Texas is known for Bar-B-Q before almost anything else. Cook-offs like this one brings the best chefs in the world together to challenge on another to produce the finest Bar-B-Q in the state that invented it," according to Richards's proclamation.

"Best of luck in your competition. I know that you will all do Texas proud," Richards wrote.

The second annual event is scheduled for July 17-18, on the grounds of the old Webb Air Force Base Golf Course on Perimeter Road.

"I just cannot say enough about the city (of Big Spring). Last year it was so clean. They put in faucets for us — they really did everything within their power to make it go smoothly," Wilcox said. Wilcox

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Mark Voss (right), an ATF supporter, agrues with a group of demonstrators near a road block outside the Branch Davidian compound near Waco Saturday. The group of about 25 people taunted federal agents for their use of force during the raid on the religious cult's headquarters 35 days ago.

Holy week could prove to be wholly uncertain in standoff

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

WACO, Texas — One of the holiest weeks of the year for Jews and Christians also has special significance to doomsday cult leader David Koresh and his followers.

The question is whether Koresh believes any of the holy days are the time to end an armed standoff that is entering its sixth week.

Authorities said the best bet for a break might be Passover, which starts at sunset Monday.

"These are times when either his position within the Branch Davidians has changed or when he gets additional messages from God," FBI agent Bob Ricks said Saturday.

Koresh's Branch Davidian sect has been in a standoff with federal agents since a gun battle Feb. 28 when the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms raided the cult's rural compound in search of weapons. Four ATF agents and at least two cult members died.

Koresh has twice broken promises to end the siege and surrender, saying God told him to wait.

In talks with the FBI, Koresh has repeatedly referred to the celebration of the Exodus of the Israelites from Egypt. In the past, the cult has marked this with three- to eight-day Passover observances, but not necessarily starting on the same day as the Jewish festival, Ricks said.

At one Passover, Koresh told the FBI, God told him "he was supposed to take additional wives. He followed that up with actually taking additional wives at another Passover time," Ricks said.

The FBI and cultists are talking less by telephone than before, and agents said they are unsure what will happen when Passover arrives.

"It could be they'll walk out and surrender," FBI agent Richard Schwein said. "It could be they'll take some action. It could be that they'll do nothing."

Two lawyers who spent hours inside the compound last week talking with Koresh and top lieutenant Steven Schneider said the cultists want to end the standoff soon, but they wouldn't attach any significance to this week's religious holidays.

A year ago, some former cult members complained to police that Koresh had ordered a mass suicide at Passover. Koresh denied that then and has said during the standoff that his group is not considering suicide.

Passover is "a very important day," said Oliver Gyarfas, who left the cult compound on the 13th day of the standoff. "We may receive a blessing out of it."

Another cult member who left the compound, Livingston Fagan, said in an interview from jail that a breakthrough will occur at the end of a "little season" as told in the Bible's Book of Revelation. The Christian calendar changes seasons from Lent to Eastertide on April 11.

Koresh, who has claimed to be Jesus Christ, blends elements of Judaism, Christianity and astrology in his preachings.

Koresh still waiting for word from God

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

WACO, Texas — Cult leader David Koresh apparently made "significant progress" toward ending a standoff with federal agents after meeting with his attorney, but he is still waiting on a sign from God, the FBI said Saturday.

Koresh and Steve Schneider, considered his first lieutenant, met with their attorneys last week at the sect's compound. The two attorneys failed to convince the 97 cult members to leave the armed compound immediately, but both said they had hope the siege would end peacefully.

FBI agent Bob Ricks said Saturday that Schneider told negotiators he and Koresh made good progress during the legal talks.

"Schneider ... advised that Koresh told him that God is still telling Mr. Koresh to wait," Ricks added.

The standoff, which is entering its sixth week, began Feb. 28 when an attempted raid by the U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms exploded into a gun battle that left four ATF agents and at least two cult members dead.

FBI negotiators, who had ceased negotiations during the legal talks, spoke with Schneider three times Friday and once Saturday morning. They also spoke with Koresh on Friday.

Last week, Koresh met several times with his attorney, Dick DeGuerin, and Schneider met once with attorney Jack Zimmermann. Since the last meeting Thursday, Ricks said the FBI also has had some "side-bar" talks with DeGuerin and Zimmermann.

During the FBI's most recent talk with Koresh, Ricks said the FBI negotiators discouraged the cult leader from discussing the gun battle.

"Your attorneys do not want you to discuss those events," Ricks said Koresh was told. "Your attorneys want you to focus on the substantive issues and we do too."

Ricks said Koresh again made references to Passover, which begins at sunset Monday, as a "very important" time to the cult. However, Ricks said authorities are still wary of whether the holiday will bring an end to the stalemate.

"It's a time of transition. Whether this is actually key or not, it's hard for us to speculate," he said. "We have concerns that it may be another delaying tactic."

Ricks said he is still uncertain of what day Koresh celebrates Passover, and how long it could last. However, he said the holiday traditionally has been important to Koresh.

"These are times when either his position within the Branch Davidians has changed or when he gets additional messages from God," Ricks said.

If Passover comes and goes without a surrender, Ricks said the FBI would change its tactics. However, he would not discuss what those changes might include.

Also on Saturday, about 25 protesters carrying signs criticizing the FBI and ATF tried to pass two security checkpoints to the compound.

At one checkpoint, they threatened to walk across a pasture toward the Mount Carmel complex. But they were stopped by a military helicopter that landed in the field they needed to cross. Armed ATF agents also lined up across the pasture.

"We'd like to have some contact with the inside that's not controlled by the gestapo FBI," said a San Antonio man who refused to give his name.

Another group of about 25 people met Saturday in Waco to discuss the constitutional right to bear arms and gun control issues.

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Well fire explosion results in death

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

LA GRANGE, Texas — An oil-well fire near La Grange claimed a life Saturday as firefighters worked for a second day to try to bring the blaze under control.

A drilling company worker was crushed by a piece of pipe about 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Fayette County Sheriff Rick Vandel said. He would not release the man's name pending family notification.

The gas well exploded Friday afternoon, shooting flames more than 200 feet into the air and causing minor injuries, authorities said.

Vandel said flames, visible from the sheriff's department, were shooting some 350 feet into the air Saturday.

"When it blew out, it shook all the windows and rattled the buildings real good," he said. "It's about the biggest one I've seen, and I've seen several of them."

The well is owned by Torch Energy of Houston, a 12-year-old independent company.

Matt Ramsey, Torch Energy senior vice president, said a well-control team from Red Adair's Houston company was building a line to pump water from the Colorado River. The water will be used to cool drilling equipment near the wellhead so the equipment can be cleared away, Ramsey said.

"Before we can make an attempt to put the fire out we have to let them go through the process of getting the equipment away from the well," Ramsey said.

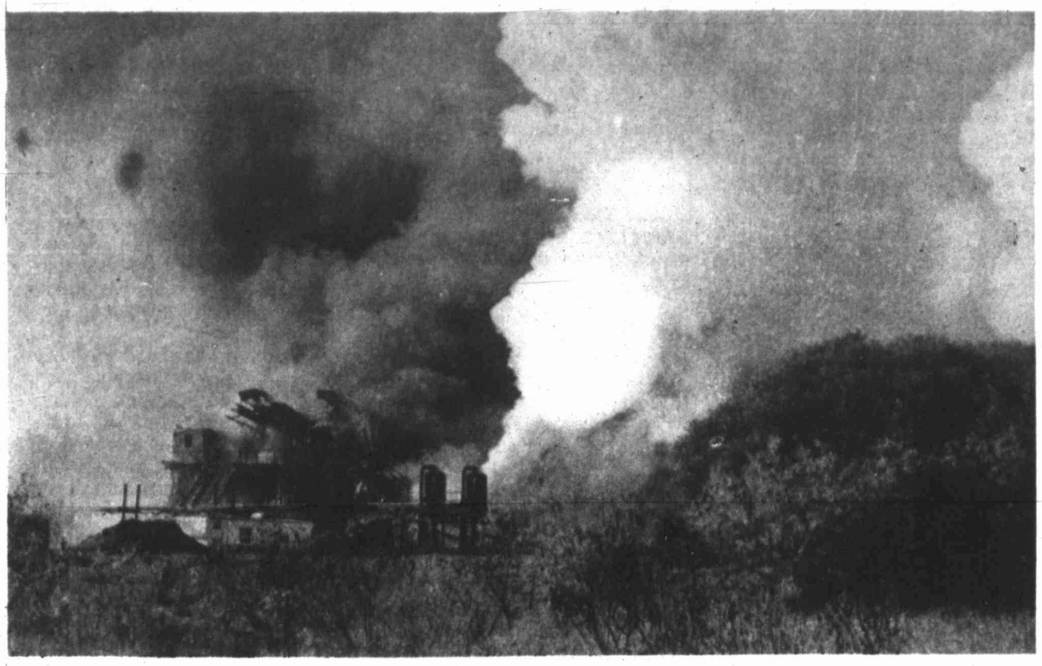
The firefighters eventually intend to cap the well.

No evacuations were called although people one mile north of the site were notified of the fire as a precaution.

Vandel said authorities did not fear another explosion, and believed there was no immediate danger to nearby residents.

"As long as the wind stays coming out of the west, I believe it'll be alright," he said.

La Grange is about 60 miles southeast of Austin.



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An oil well outside of La Grange, exploded Friday, shooting flames more than 200 feet into the air. There were only minor injuries reported, but in the aftermath, one worker was killed. No evacuation was mandated, but people in a one-mile area north of the site were notified of the fire as a precaution.

Railey trial testimony sex to suicide

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

SAN ANTONIO — With testimony ranging from sex to suicide, the state of Texas laid out the heart of its attempted murder case against a former Dallas minister accused of trying to strangle his wife.

It was flawed but fascinating.

The same also could be said about Walker Railey, 45, who prosecutors say tried to kill his wife six years ago and covered his actions with a complex, counterfeit alibi.

Given the elements and intrigue of the case, it is only fitting that Court TV is televising the proceedings nationally.

The trial is a mix of "Matlock," "Dallas," "Knots Landing" and "Night Court."

A jury heard testimony last week about Railey's secret sex life, his bungled suicide attempt, his demons, his suspicious phone calls and six profane, racist, threatening letters he allegedly wrote and sent to himself.

This was 1987, when Railey was the widely known and admired senior pastor of the 6,000-member First United Methodist Church of Dallas.

At 39, his radiant ministry assured his ascension to Methodist bishop.

But on the night of April 21, 1987, Railey's world began to crumble. That was when someone wrapped a ligature around his wife's throat and tried to strangle her.

The attack left Peggy Railey, then 38, permanently brain-damaged and unable to identify her assailant.

Ten days later, with police asking embarrassing questions, Railey locked himself in a hospital suite seven floors above the intensive care unit where his wife lay near death.

And using a pen and yellow legal paper, he wrote:

"There is a demon in my soul. It has always been there. My demon leads me down paths I do not want to follow. At times that demon has lured me into doing things I did not want to do ...

"My demon has finally gotten the upper hand."

In the long, rambling letter, Railey referred to himself as the "weakest of the weak," the "baddest of the bad" and the "lowest of the low."

It ended thusly:

"Pray for Peggy. Take care of my children and forgive me for the pain I inflict on so many. I have finally made the decision to take care of myself. I have grown weak. God has remained strong. Therein lies your hope. I have none."

The letter was signed: "Walker L. Railey."

When police kicked in the door of the suite the next morning, they found Railey sprawled on the bed unconscious, the letter lying between his legs. Tranquilizer containers lay nearby.

A Dallas policeman read the letter in open court Thursday, but the defense succeeded in keeping the officer's photographs from the jury.

Those photos depicted a suite littered with food, clothes and toiletries and containing a table, on which rested two books: "How Can It Be All Right When Everything Is All Wrong" and "When All You Ever Wanted Isn't Enough."

At midweek, prosecutors summoned psychologist Lucy Papillon, 51, the twice-divorced daughter of a Methodist bishop who testified about her global, long-running romance with Railey.

Ms. Papillon said the affair began before and continued after the attack on Peggy Railey but insisted that Railey did not try to kill his wife.

Gephardt questions NAFTA costs to Texas

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — House Majority Leader Richard Gephardt is asking Texas Gov. Ann Richards and her border state counterparts to estimate how much it would cost to implement the North American Free Trade Agreement.

"One of the most important issues that must be addressed is the need for money — to pay for enforcement of labor and environmental laws, to address the various needs along the border, to assist businesses and communities adversely affected by the transition to a more open trading system and to provide for a program of training and retraining for workers," Gephardt wrote in a letter to the governors of Texas, Arizona, New Mexico and California.

"If we are to succeed in the transition process, we must be realistic about the problems that we face and ensure that they are addressed," said Gephardt, who is a key figure in the upcoming congressional battle over whether to ratify the treaty.

The agreement would create the world's largest free trade zone, removing tariffs and other barriers to the free movement of goods, services and investment over a 15-year period.

Gephardt, D-Mo., called on the border state governors to quickly provide him an assessment of what NAFTA's financial impact would be on their states.

Texas officials are close to completing such an assessment, Richards spokesman Chuck McDonald said. "We have already begun working in the governor's office to get that information to Congressman Gephardt," he said.

Richards and the state transportation department commissioned a border infrastructure study from an engineering consulting firm "so we would have some credible numbers we could take to Congress and show what our needs will be," McDonald said.

That study, requested several months ago, should be completed within a few weeks, he said. A preliminary draft shows the trade pact could cost the state some $7 billion over a 10-year period, when most of the agreement's provisions would be phased in.

McDonald said he hadn't seen the study. But, he added, "I think you're looking at in the neighborhood of $3 billion in environmental needs; $2 billion in highways, roads and bridges; and probably a couple billion (dollars) in other areas like health care and job training."

Last year, a study by the Border Trade Alliance estimated that some $5.6 billion is needed to improve the 2,000-mile border's environment, health and infrastructure.

Gephardt, who in the past has threatened roadblocks to the pact if environmental and worker protections aren't included, told the governors he won't support an agreement that doesn't provide a "continuous, guaranteed source of funding" for NAFTA's costs.

Richards is in agreement, McDonald said. "What Gov. Richards has said since she's been elected is we need additional federal funding specifically to prepare for the NAFTA and do the work that's needed."

In the past, Gephardt has floated the idea of a cross-border transaction tax that would be levied by the United States, Mexico and Canada on goods entering their country. Gephardt never specified the amount he wants to raise, but has said he would dedicate the revenue for worker training, infrastructure development and environmental protection.

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Wal-Mart and change, take advantage

Wal-Mart wants to expand its operation in Big Spring by building a Supercenter on Wasson Road and Thorpe Street.

There has been opposition to the proposal based solely on the site selected by Wal-Mart to build the store. It's a mostly residential area and homeowners are nervous about what would happen to their homes.

There is the possibility of a decrease in the value of the homes existing there. They are also concerned about traffic and construction blasting.

Traffic at the site is a major concern. Wal-Mart predicts there will be 951 cars at peak hours. There will also be trucks coming in and out. The intersection of Wasson Road and Highway 700 is dangerous and something needs to be done about it whether Wal-Mart is there or not.

But, Wal-Mart officials have stated they will block off the residential areas and expand the road to ease the problems of traffic. Whether it will work remains to be seen.

But, what does Wal-Mart have to offer our community?

Wal-Mart would add an estimated $1 million in total taxes to the county, city, school coffers. The figure is based on estimated $40 million construction costs. And, the figure would increase once inventory is added. This would mean about $264,360 more for the city of Big Spring; $152,600 for Howard County; $206,000 for Big Spring Independent School District; $77,800 for Howard College; and $362,800 for the County Education District.

In a town hurting for money to do what is necessary for the good of community, added tax base can only help. And, Wal-Mart has not asked for a tax abatement in Big Spring.

It will also provide additional employment for the community. Wal-Mart employees are the largest contributors to United Way. More qualified home buyers will come into Big Spring with the building of the Supercenter.

The store would also employee about 500 people to start, 134 more than Wal-Mart currently employs. This would make the store the largest private employer and the third largest behind Big Spring State Hospital and the school district.

When construction begins, an immediate impact will be felt on the local economy by providing jobs and purchasing supplies locally.

When Wal-Mart opened its first Supercenter in Mount Pleasant, citizens there were afraid of what it might do to the local economy. But, it has proven to be beneficial to that town. Businesses have opened downtown, buses run through downtown to Wal-Mart and back. Wal-Mart has been a draw for Mount Pleasant.

In the first five months the Supercenter was open in Mount Pleasant, September 1992 through January 1993, there was 25 percent increase in sales taxes over the same period in 1991. Prior to the opening, the town growth was slowing, reflected in a 2 percent increase in sales taxes. At 1 percent of total retail sales, $690,000 in sales taxes was generated off of $69 million in sales during the same time period while January 1992 though August 1992 only produced about $550,000 in sales taxes.

What Wal-Mart will do for this community is expand the playing field. And, with the ideas of the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce's Tourism Committee to draw even more people to town, businesses need to find a way to make those people come into their stores.

That might mean rethinking marketing strategies, using unconventional marketing ideas instead of the old, conventional way.

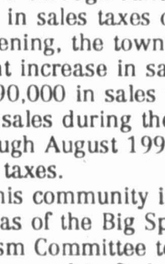
Many businesses across the United States are having to rethink how they do things because of a changing marketplace and a changing economy. That is how local businesses need to see Wal-Mart's Supercenter, as a changing marketplace and be prepared take advantage of those changes.

We asked:

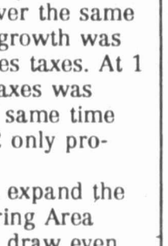
If you had your choice, where would you place the new Wal-Mart Supercenter?

"Anywhere they want to put it, so long as its here. Anywhere. Though Highland Mall would be a good location. So everything in Highland Mall would move to the Big Spring Mall. It would be good for business all around."

Melinda Wilhelm



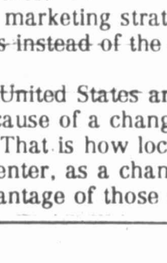
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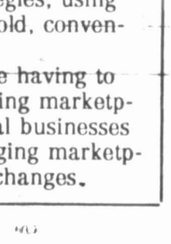
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"I guess on FM 700. Easy access. Really, I think that K-Mart building should be utilized. I wouldn't want it at the Interstate. It's too much out of the way. FM 700 is more centrally located."

Blake Shuttlesworth



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BOB ERICKSON

"I think a good location would be south of town on 87 because I understand there is a lot of vacant area there. However, I don't know why they don't want it on the Interstate. It seems like if they had it on the Interstate, it would be more accessible to those coming from out of town."

Mary Skalicky

"It's hard to say. If you put it near any residential area, you'll always get that problem. They need to put it in a commercial zone. In other words, I wouldn't want it in my back yard."

Bob Erickson

A politically correct military force?



Leonard Larsen

WASHINGTON — President Clinton's boosters in and outside the White House assure us he's still politically correct on the issue of gays in the military and he didn't actually mean what it sounded like he said the other day.

So, it's now said, we should be relieved that the president wasn't backtracking on his vow to totally end the ban on homosexuals in the military and his press conference suggestion to the contrary was just another excursion into fuzzy hyperbole.

What we're advised is that when the president said that, yes, "appropriate distinctions on duty assignments" might be made for gays in the military, he didn't really mean that.

As translated by White House aides, political allies and editorialists who've transported the issue of gays in the military to national importance, Clinton actually meant he'll only listen to recommendations from military leaders.

And then, it's suggested, the president will trash any such recommendations for "appropriate distinctions on duty assignments" and do what gays and lesbians know to be right and fair and politically correct.

Some White House officials took pains to emphasize that the president would "merely review" any Pentagon recommendations for restrictions on gays' service in the military and then he'll go ahead and do what he's been expected to do all along.

That's supposed to be the reassuring thing about all this: That after the presidential order to drop the gay ban, openly gay personnel will be accepted as otherwise fully qualified for all military service, including service in combat units.

As the gay activists are inclined to view it, the result will be another suitable putdown for the "homophobes," most especially leaders of the uniformed services who've soaked up years of abuse that opposition to gays serving in the military is just the same old fiddle-faddle, tiresomely and foolishly macho.

The newer abuse is that any restrictions on that service — such as withholding gays from combat assignments — would be segregation, depriving homosexuals of equal and human rights.

Seemingly overwhelmed by what's now politically correct is any consideration that experienced military officers and enlisted men might have valuable opinions and reliable judgments in discussions of preparing for war and fighting.

Clinton appears to have mastered a snappy military salute to his Marine guards, but, if his aides and consultants are to be believed, he hasn't mastered an understanding that military men know something about their services beyond Washington ceremonies and appearances on Capitol Hill.

What the president may have missed is that while the nation's military leaders must supervise the workings of huge organizations and vast numbers of personnel, they are not just administrators in a vast uniformed culture.

Their most important obligation is to equip and train and discipline men to go to war and conflict short of war, whenever civilian leaders decide that's necessary for the national security.

Clinton, if his aides and advisers are to be believed, seems willing to ignore whatever adverse advice might come from the military and he'll probably direct that openly gay and lesbian recruits no longer be banned from military service, not even from combat units.

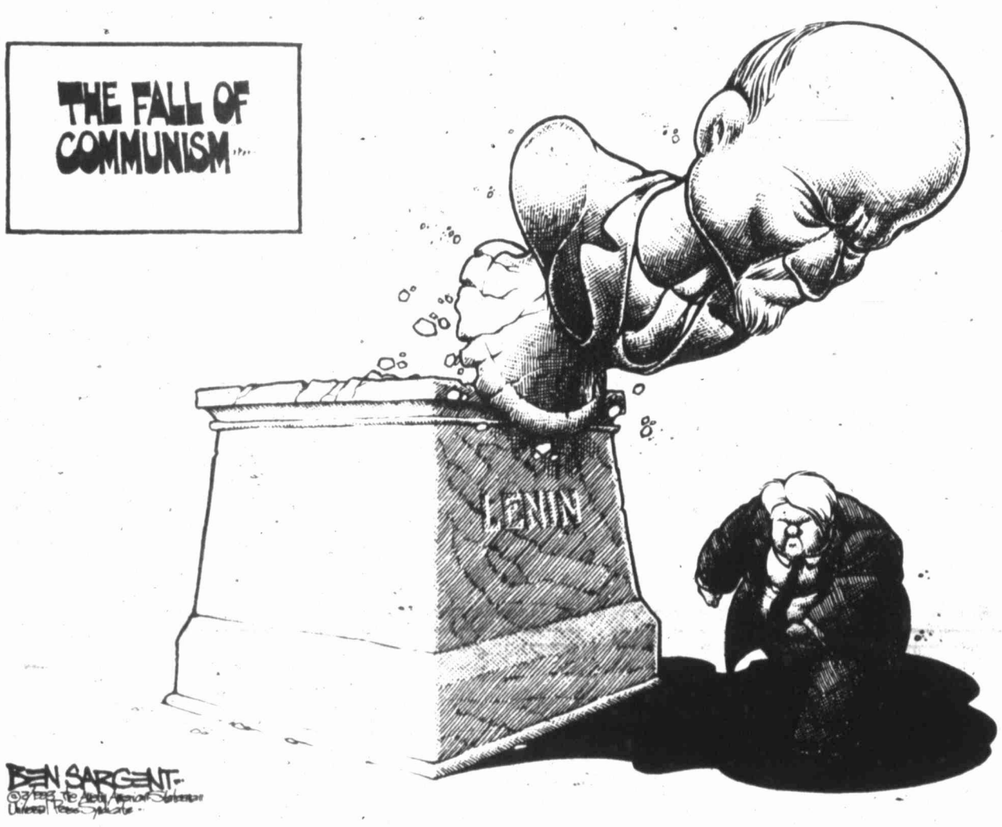
However appropriate it's made to appear, Clinton might still consider that a victory here for homosexual activists will do nothing to improve — or to maintain — the fighting effectiveness of the military.

It may be politically correct and it may redeem the promises Clinton made to gay organizations and fund-raisers when he campaigned for the presidency.

But the president might consider that when the gay activists have finished with their demands on the military, they'll move on to the next of their public issues, more concerned with political victories over "homophobes" than with the future of the American military.

The nation and its future presidents will have the new politically correct military services with which to fight a war.

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Joyous reveries, abiding treasures



Bob Greene

This is the final column of Bob Greene's series answering the question "Name one good thing about America.

Lilacs on Mother's Day.

Marbles on a playground.

Capture the Flag on a summer night.

The person who lets you cut in when you're waiting in traffic.

The Future Farmers of America youth organization.

Today we conclude our series of columns listing some of the good things about life in America that you have found. An angry reader had said he couldn't think of one good thing about America. We asked you if you could. From every part of the United States and from several foreign countries, you came up with more than 50,000 good things.

Finding arrowheads while digging through the rich dirt of river-valley cornfields.

Five-string banjos.

The gratitude of Lillian Ross, 86, of Parkersburg, W. Va., that four generations of the Ross family can be together on a Sunday afternoon.

Cider in the fall.

A 6 a.m. walk on the beach in Clearwater, Fla.

Scrabble.

The wondrous expression of smiling and startled welcome on Roberta Coolidge's grandson's face the first time he recognized her as someone he'd seen before.

Rescue workers.

Ice-making machines.

Freshly cut hay on a cool Nebraska evening.

Barbershop harmony.

The National Basketball Association.

Bowling leagues.

Candy apples on a winter evening.

Decorations hanging from streetlights in small Midwestern towns.

The Frisko Freeze in Tacoma, Wash.

The Dandee Dance Club, providing recreational dancing opportunities for its special patrons, the mentally handicapped citizens of Sioux City, Iowa.

The delight felt by Violet Johnson, of Hot Springs, Ark., as she rakes leaves from a flower bed and sees fresh new tulips starting to emerge out of the ground.

Rivers you can swim in.

Social Security.

"Ben Hur."

The smiles still being provided by the artistry of the late Jack Benny.

The United States Marine Corps' Silent Drill Team.

Open house at an elementary school.

The Little Blue House program for babies who have been abandoned in Washington, D.C., area hospitals.

Sledding down the Harding Memorial Hill in Marion, Ohio, during a good snowfall.

A person's right to say that there are no good things.

Riding a motorcycle along U.S. 41 on Michigan's Keweenaw Peninsula on a splendid June day, and slowing down to 5 mph to follow a deer along the road, right next to Lake Superior -- a moment of quiet beauty.

The thankfulness of Mary Dean of Plainview, Neb., "for having lived in northeastern Nebraska for all of my 80-plus years."

The 5th-grade class at Columbia School in Champaign, Ill.

Medical research.

Doctors who have dedicated their lives to helping the blind to see.

Stories grandparents tell to their grandchildren, and the old songs they sing.

Onion rings and a root beer from the A&W.

The tiny frogs called peepers that live in the forest at any Midwestern summer camp any boy or girl has ever been to.

Corn on the cob.

Crossing state lines and seeing, instead of gates or border patrols, signs bearing messages of welcome from the governor.

Big washers and dryers.

The Arizona desert in spring.

Nick's Barbecue and Catfish in Carlisle, Ark.

The sparkle of morning dew on the grass of the first tee of a golf course in August.

A family's all-time favorite lemon pie recipe.

A flash of understanding on the face of a student.

Mohawk Trail in Massachusetts in the autumn.

Blue sky after a summer rain.

The aquarium in Monterey, Calif.

Sitting on the deck at Round Lake in Hayward, Wis., and listening to a loon.

White Castle hamburgers -- by the bagful -- at 2 a.m.

The appreciation expressed by Lillian Maroney, 83, of Raleigh, N.C., for "the kindness and courtesy shown me by young and middle-aged people, black and white."

The Willard Crimson Flashes boys basketball team in Willard, Ohio.

The people who deliver the newspaper by daybreak each morning of the year.

A good night's sleep.

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This date in history

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Today is Palm Sunday, April 4, the 94th day of 1993. There are 271 days left in the year. Daylight Saving Time is in effect — clocks should have been moved forward one hour.

Today's Highlight in History:

Twenty-five years ago — on April 4, 1968 — civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr. was shot to death in Memphis, Tenn., where he had gone to support a strike by city sanitation workers. He was 39.

Today's Birthdays: Broadcaster John Cameron Swayze is 87. Composer Elmer Bernstein is 71. Author-poet Maya Angelou is 65. Sen. Richard Lugar, R-Ind., is 61. Actress Catherine Spaak is 48. Actress Christine Lahti is 43. Actress Nancy McKeon is 27.



DD Turner

It's not Easter without Cadbury

I don't usually go in for eggs.

I never really developed a taste for them. My Dad likes his over easy, which means a runny center. I can't stand to see that runny yellow stuff, oozing all over the plate and contaminating the other stuff on the plate.

Boiled eggs are ok, but only for the yolk. What I used to do was eat the yolk and feed the other stuff to my brother. Not that he would eat any old thing, he was a fussy eater, but he would eat the white stuff.

Now, scrambled eggs are good, nothing runny and it is all mixed together. I think that makes a better tasting egg.

But there is one type of egg that I won't turn my nose up at — a Cadbury's Chocolate Easter Egg. Yummy, yummy for my tummy.

I have to admit, when my Mom first brought one of those things home, I was appalled. I didn't think I could eat anything, even if it was chocolate, that looked like an egg right down to the yolk.

But, I chocked it down and then another and then another. You got over the fact they looked funny because they tasted so good.

Now, my brother never got over the fact they look like real eggs on the inside. And, this is a kid that eats his eggs over easy also. So, when Mom bought, Dad usually got at least one and the rest went to me and her.

The sad part is the eggs only come once a year, are not sold for a long time and as soon as Easter is come and gone, the eggs are gone.

Not a bad marketing strategy on Cadbury's part, actually. It makes you anticipate the time when they are coming back and then it makes you purchase a bunch of them.

On the other hand, if you had the eggs year around, they probably wouldn't taste as good. I think its the limited amount and time you can have them that really makes them taste so good.

So what I find myself doing is stocking up on the things. You can really only eat one a day because of the sugar content. Talk about a sugar rush, you can get a good one from these eggs.

So I buy a bunch — sometimes a dozen at one time, some times only a few. That way those eggs are always around and you can have one when you want. Of course that depends on how many you buy and how fast you eat them.

Still, it's a fun thing. When I lived near Mom, I always made sure she had a supply. The eggs are fun to share, at least with people who enjoy eating a chocolate egg made to resemble an egg.

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Did King dream die that day?

Three who were with him wonder

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Beneath the Lorraine Motel balcony where Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. was mortally wounded 25 years ago Sunday, a memorial plaque quotes Genesis:

"They said one to another, Behold, here cometh the dreamer ... Let us slay him ... And we shall see what will become of his dreams."

The inscription begs a question, and three civil rights leaders who were there at 6:01 p.m. on April 4, 1968, offer varying replies: The Lorraine balcony was surely a nightmarish ending, they agree, but they differ on whether it was also a new start toward King's dream.

Rev. Samuel Billy Kyles, with whom King planned to dine that night, recalls the necktie torn and twisted by the bullet, but also that a march King was planning as he died went ahead.

Rev. Hosea Williams, one of King's lieutenants, remembers his rage in that moment, his questioning of the non-violence credo. In the end, he says King's team and its focus shattered.

Andrew Young, who served as U.S. ambassador to the United Nations, feared that King's death might end his work, but instead spurred an evolution of the civil rights movement.

Summoning the memory of that cool Memphis evening, Kyles said he entered King's room at the Lorraine around 5 p.m., impatient to get him home for dinner at 6. "I picked out his tie," he said. As King finished dressing, he bantered with Kyles and the Rev. Ralph Abernathy, King's second in command.

"He was in good spirits," Kyles recalled. There were none of the dark tones of a speech the night before in which King dismissed threats.

"It really doesn't matter to me now," King had said. "Because I've been to the mountaintop. ... I've seen the promised land. I may not get there with you, but I want you to know tonight that we, as a people, will get to the promised land."

When the fatal shot came, Kyles was on the balcony and had just turned away from King. "When I looked back, the bullet had knocked him kind of sideways," he said. "And the tie that I had picked out for him — I remember that so vividly — the impact of the shot had severed his tie and turned the knot upside down."

Waiting for an ambulance, he remembered the change in his own father's color as he died. "And I saw that change in Martin," he said.

King's lieutenants were stunned, of course, but Kyles noted they were not paralyzed. Within hours, they had recommitted themselves to the Poor People's Campaign he had been planning, and it went forward.

"It simply does not seem like 25 years," said Kyles, a Baptist pastor who lately has led an effort, which angers some black city officials, to block Memphis' consideration for a National Football League franchise because of what he calls continuing racial divisions here.

While noting America's growing black professional class and greater minority representation in government, he said nonetheless that many of the people King worked for remain far behind.

"We're still, 25 years later, talking about things that we ought to be way past, and standing on common ground," Kyles said. "So much of Martin's dream has been realized. Much has not."

Hosea Williams was in the courtyard below the Lorraine balcony when he heard what sounded like a firecracker, then King's heavy fall.

"Immediately," he recalls, "I ran back up, and when I got to Dr. King, Abernathy was holding his head, Andy (Young) was there, and Abernathy yelled to Andy, 'Get a towel, get a towel!'"

Afterward, Williams could not contain his confusion and rage:

"I was walking around that yard, and — I'm an ex-scientist, I was a research chemist ... plus I fought in World War II — I was wishing I could pull some molecules out of the air and make me a weapon and just wipe out every white person near, because I thought they had shot Dr. King at that time."

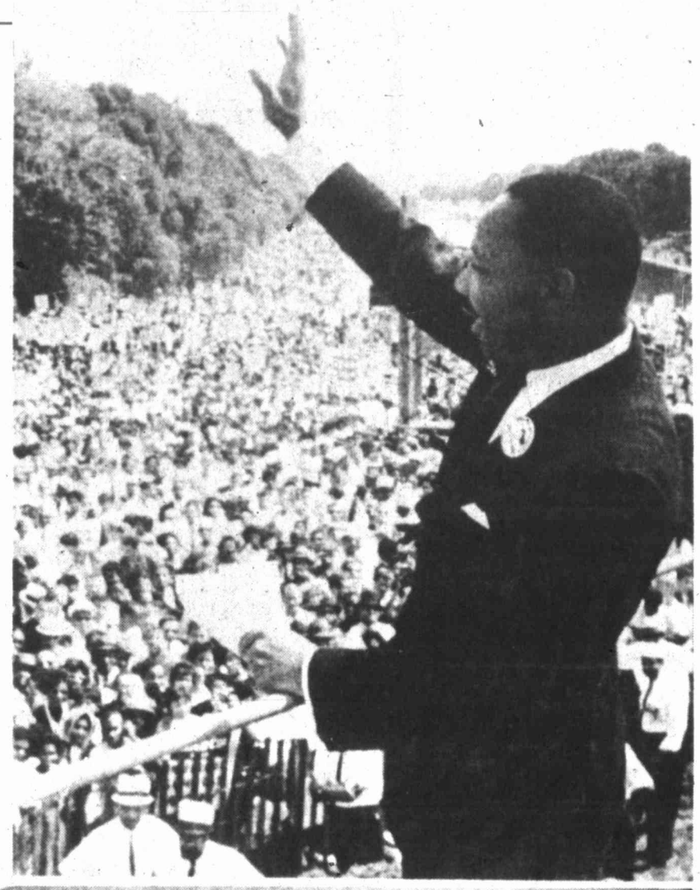
He continued: "I said to myself, 'America, racists, economic exploiters, you sure have messed up now ... because there lies the only one among us, the main one, who has tried to keep us calm. Now you've killed him.' ... I was just so convinced, we are going to set America straight now.'"

Non-violence, King's guiding principle, suddenly seemed impossible. Having grown up orphaned on the streets, Williams had sublimated that violent past to organize peaceful marches across the South for King's Southern Christian Leadership Conference.

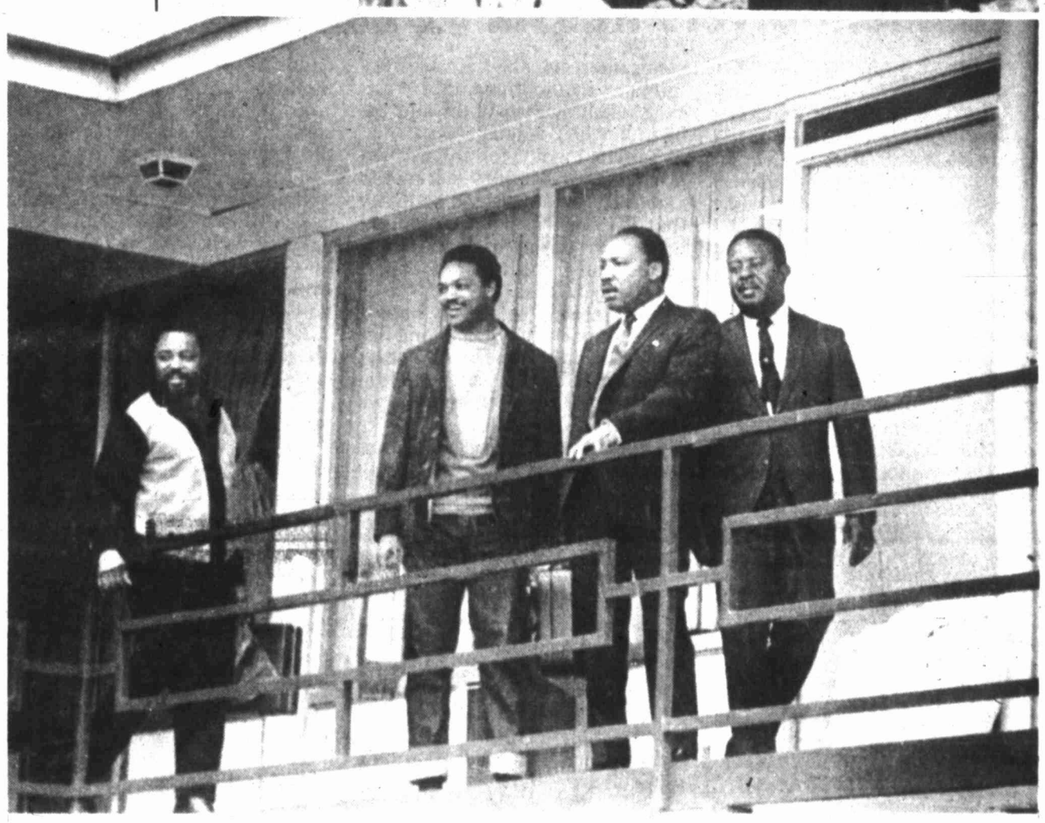
"Then I started thinking, 'If Dr. King was here, what would he say?' I kept going back to that, because I know I'd been so violent all my life."

Remembering King's dream

Martin Luther King Jr. delivers his "I Have a Dream" speech in Washington in August of 1963 (top photo). Four and a half years later, on April 3, 1968, the night before his assassination, he stood on the balcony of the Lorraine Motel in Memphis, Tenn., (bottom photo) with Hosea Williams, the Rev. Jesse Jackson and Ralph Abernathy. Historians and researchers are calling for a new and independent re-investigation of the assassination which took place 25 years ago today.



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Calmly, methodically, LA getting prepared for possible violence

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES — Calmly and methodically, with military precision and business savvy, the city is preparing for the possibility of another round of rioting related to the police beating of Rodney King.

From the police with their new riot gear to the shopkeeper with an extra gun under the counter, everyone seems to have a contingency plan for the day verdicts are announced in the second trial of four police officers.

"We feel that the only way to handle this thing is to be aware, in a mature way, and be prepared," said John Cencak of Jones Lumber Co., which plans to hire more security guards for verdict day.

Jones Lumber is in south-central Los Angeles, the heart of three days of rioting last year that followed the officers' acquittal on most charges in state court. The violence left more than 50 people dead and caused $1 billion in damage.

Police were roundly criticized for being unprepared. The message from the governor down to the police chief is that the city won't be caught flat-footed again.

The jury in the officers' federal civil rights trial could get the case by late this week, though the following week is more likely.

"The public will see a significant increase in uniformed visibility beginning with the time that the jury starts deliberations," said Chief Willie Williams.

"And by the time that the jury actually comes back with the verdict we will have significantly increased our uniformed visibility on the street," he said.

But just talking about the city's preparations raises unsettling issues, with some saying it is important not to inflame tensions.

"If we don't prepare, then we run the risk of being negligent. If we do tool up, then we add to the hysteria," said the Rev. Cecil Murray, pastor of First AME Church, which is coordinating citizen patrols for verdict day. "There must be a fine line somewhere in between."

And there is some indication that the city isn't as calm as some people want to think.

Last week, after the defense unexpectedly rested early — potentially speeding up the timing of the verdict — a dispute erupted in the mayoral campaign over riot preparedness.

City Councilman Joel Wachs, one of about a dozen candidates in the April 20 race, stood in front of a riot-charred building and called for the deployment of the National Guard a few days before the verdict is issued.

Opponents and city officials uniformly condemned Wachs. "He's trying to tap into the people's basic fear, and exploit it to the Nth degree," said another candidate, Richard Katz.

City officials may delay the April 20 municipal election so any possible trouble doesn't interfere with voting.

Like many small business owners, Steve Wintner of Reliable Sash and Door has more confidence in the police under Williams, who replaced Daryl Gates, but he doesn't think the city will go unscathed.

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Serbians reject U.N. peace plan; sanctions eyed

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BILECA, Bosnia-Herzegovina — Bosnian Serbs rejected an international peace plan on Saturday, and at the United Nations, diplomats prepared for tougher sanctions against the rebels' patrons in Yugoslavia.

In New York, the U.N. Security Council met in emergency session and issued a statement condemning the Serbs for blocking U.N. relief convoys bound for embattled towns in eastern Bosnia.

Diplomats, speaking only on condition of anonymity, said the council will impose stiffer sanctions on Serb-dominated Yugoslavia early this week for supporting the rebels in Bosnia.

A harsh U.N. trade embargo imposed in May has failed to break Belgrade's backing of the Serbs, despite the hardship the sanctions have wrought on the people of Yugoslavia.

And a day after NATO agreed to enforce the U.N. Security Council's no-fly zone in Bosnia, Bosnian radio accused the Serbs of violating the ban five times.

Serbs, who made up about a third of Bosnia's population, have seized 70 percent of Bosnia's territory since the former Yugoslav republic's Muslims and Croats voted for independence.

The Muslim-led Bosnian government says at least 134,000 people are dead or missing and 2 million more left homeless. International efforts to end the war through negotiations and penalties have failed to end the bloodshed.

With a single abstention and no votes against, the Bosnian Serbs' self-proclaimed parliament voted Saturday against a U.N.-backed plan that would force Serbs to give up some captured land in order to divide Bosnia into 10 semi-autonomous provinces.

Bosnian Serb leader Radovan Karadzic appeared to endorse the parliament's rejection of the plan, which had been accepted by the Muslim-led government and ethnic Croat leaders.

"The maps, such as they are, directly jeopardize the existence of the Serbian people in these lands," Karadzic told reporters. "The acceptance of the maps would be the suicide of the Serbian people."

The Serb representatives meeting in Bileca formally rejected the peace plan in a seven-point declaration.

"The plan ... is unacceptable in its present form because it unjustly divides the area ... and does not correspond to the ethnic composition of the population," the document said.

The spokesman for the Bosnian presidency, Kemal Mustic, called the Serbs' action a sign of "how unwilling they are to have peace here."

The declaration also urged an extension of the current cease-fire until the signing of a peace treaty. And it called for the peace process to continue through direct negotiations with the Bosnian government.

Karadzic warned that "if within three weeks a substantial progress does not occur (in negotiations with the Bosnian government) we will go our own way."

The reference was to threats from the Bosnian Serb deputies to declare full independence from Bosnia and unite with the Serb-held Krajina region in southern Croatia.

The Bileca declaration also said Bosnian Serb authorities would "continue to allow" movement of humanitarian convoys, but two of three convoys in eastern Bosnia were blocked on Saturday.

A convoy bound for Srebrenica that had been held up by Serbs finally turned back Saturday because of Serb objections, U.N. officials said.

Another convoy bound for the eastern enclave of Zepa returned to Belgrade after Canadian officers refused to let Serbs inspect their weapons. A third convoy was believed to have reached Gorazde.

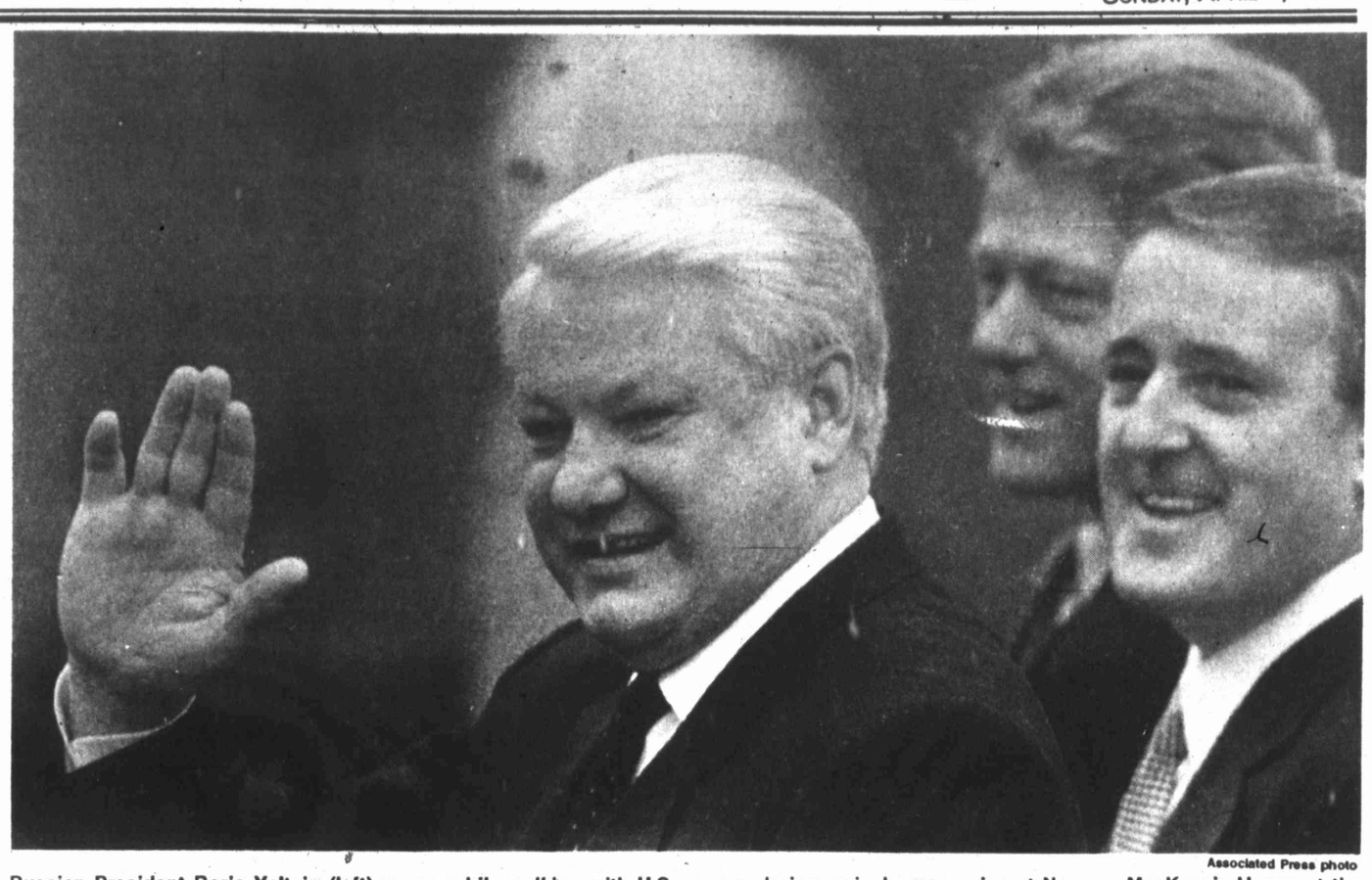
Bosnian radio said three Serb helicopters were spotted near the beseiged eastern town of Srebrenica and two others at Bijeljina to the north on Saturday, in defiance of the U.N. flight ban over Bosnia.

NATO warplanes could begin patrolling Bosnian skies as early as this week with authority to shoot down violators. France said it was ready to send planes immediately.

In Sarajevo, U.N. spokesman Cmdr. Barry Frewer said the United Nations was complaining to both Muslims and Bosnian Serbs about "flagrant" cease-fire violations around Srebrenica on Friday, including shelling, mortar and small-arms fire.

At least eight people were killed and 14 wounded in "incredibly strong attacks," the Bosnian news service B-H Press reported. The reports could not be independently confirmed.

Frewer said there was some fighting Saturday near Sarajevo's airport, and sniper fire near the downtown presidency building.



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Russian President Boris Yeltsin (left) waves while walking with U.S. President Bill Clinton (center) and Canadian Prime Minister Brian Mulroney during arrival ceremonies at Norman MacKenzie House at the University of British Columbia in Vancouver Saturday.

Clinton-Yeltsin summit:

President offers Russia $1 billion aid, unqualified support

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

VANCOUVER, British Columbia — President Clinton met in his first summit with Boris Yeltsin on Saturday, offering the Russian president a $1 billion aid package and unqualified support "for the fight that he's waging" against economic and political upheaval in Moscow.

It was Clinton's first moment on the stage of international diplomacy, and the first time that economics rather than nuclear and military issues highlighted a U.S.-Soviet summit.

Yeltsin said his Communist opponents were looking for a vengeful return to power, and Clinton described the outcome of the struggle as uncertain. "I don't know what's going to happen," Clinton said. "None of us do."

As their weekend summit began, Clinton needed to establish his own political base for the Russian aid package. His regular radio address to the American public provided one forum, and the summit activities another. At every turn, Clinton emphasized the self-interest for the United States to help bolster the Russian economy and the Yeltsin reforms.

"The United States has a great deal to gain from a strong, successful, democratic Russia," Clinton said, Yeltsin at his side. "It is in our interests, and I am very encouraged by the things that President Yeltsin has stood for and the fight that he's waging."

Yeltsin barely fought off impeachment in Moscow last month and freely acknowledged Saturday that Western assistance should help shore up his nation's faltering economy and his own uncertain political base.

"It's always useful to help a friend, especially when friends go through a difficult period," Yeltsin said, with Clinton at his side. "And so we are partners and we are friends."

Clinton and Yeltsin opened their talks after a luncheon with Canadian Prime Minister Brian Mulroney. They met on the campus of the University of British Columbia at MacKenzie House, on a promontory with a dazzling view of the sea.

The two leaders were joined at the opening session only by note takers and translators. During a brief photo opportunity, Clinton said the United States viewed its relationship with Russia as a long-term partnership rather than one dominated by the question of aid.

Yeltsin interjected "and for the world, too" — and Clinton agreed.

For Yeltsin, the summit came as he struggled for survival at home, besieged by antagonism from conservatives and nationalists whose opposition has grown as Russia's economy has collapsed.

Yeltsin sought to frame the summit talks as a referendum on the past vs. the future.

"The Communists want to take revenge, to take us back to the past," Yeltsin said before his first meeting with Clinton. Asked how he could guarantee that Russia would stay its course of reform, Yeltsin replied, "As long as there is President Yeltsin in power in Russia, then definitely my answer is yes: the reforms will continue."

Despite Yeltsin's struggle, Clinton said it was essential to direct U.S. aid to Russia. "I'm not troubled by the fact that I can't control that process or that I don't know the outcome of it," Clinton said, even as he conceded that aid for Russia "might not be well spent" or that "future political events might undermine the impact."

Concerning his $1 billion plan, he said, "I think that the kinds of things we propose to do are likely to have lasting and tangible impact and ... will minimize the chance that the money will be squandered."

Before starting their meetings, the leaders toured the Museum of Anthropology and took a five-minute stroll through the surrounding woods.

The two men stopped briefly at a split-rail fence overlooking the Strait of Georgia and joked about swimming. They greeted several dozen children along the route.

As the summit began, about 75 demonstrators — ranging from environmental activists to those protesting U.N. sanctions — marched nearby, chanting: "Hey, hey, ho, ho. New World Order has got to go."

Trying to rally allies for increased aid for Russia, Clinton called Japanese Prime Minister Kiichi Miyazawa on Friday. The Japanese, hosts for the July summit of wealthy industrialized nations, have been unwilling to give Russia major aid because it refuses to give up four islands seized from Japan at the end of World War II.

Hinting that Japan was easing its stand, Clinton said, "I believe that they will fulfill their leadership role."

The summit provided Clinton an opportunity to establish himself as a skillful world leader and the head of the Western alliance. He was walking a tightrope here, with many analysts looking at events in Moscow and cautioning that it might be a mistake to tie U.S. policy to closely to Yeltsin's survival. Moreover, surveys indicate most Americans oppose massive aid to bolster Yeltsin's position.

U.S. Marine pleads guilty to charges of theft, assault on Somali merchant

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

MOGADISHU, Somalia — A U.S. Marine pleaded guilty Saturday during a court-martial on charges of theft and assault for grabbing a vendor's canes and hitting the man when he gave chase.

An Australian soldier became the 16th fatality for the U.S.-led coalition forces that arrived on Dec. 9 to safeguard food shipments to the starving. Two Somalis were killed in traffic accidents involving military vehicles.

Meanwhile, the coalition prepared for a one-day visit by Gen. Colin Powell, chairman of the U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff. Powell, who was to arrive late Sunday, was to visit the USS Wasp, the coalition headquarters and at least one town outside Mogadishu.

The cease-fire committee set up by a peace agreement signed by 15 of Somalia's warring factions went to Kismayu on Saturday to seek a lasting peace.

The southern port city was the site of clashes between rival clans last week, but was reported quiet on Saturday. A Marine amphibious group has been stationed in Kismayu since March 25.

Somalia's civil war broke out after former dictator Mohammed Siad Barre was ousted in January 1991. The fighting aggravated a famine, and an estimated 350,000 people died last year.

PFC Larry T. Thomas of Maricopa County, Ariz., was sentenced to two months of confinement, a month at hard labor, a fine and a reduction in rank on charges of theft and assault.

He is the first American soldier to be convicted of misconduct since Operation Restore Hope began in December.

Thomas is expected to be shipped back to Camp Pendleton, Calif., to serve his time.

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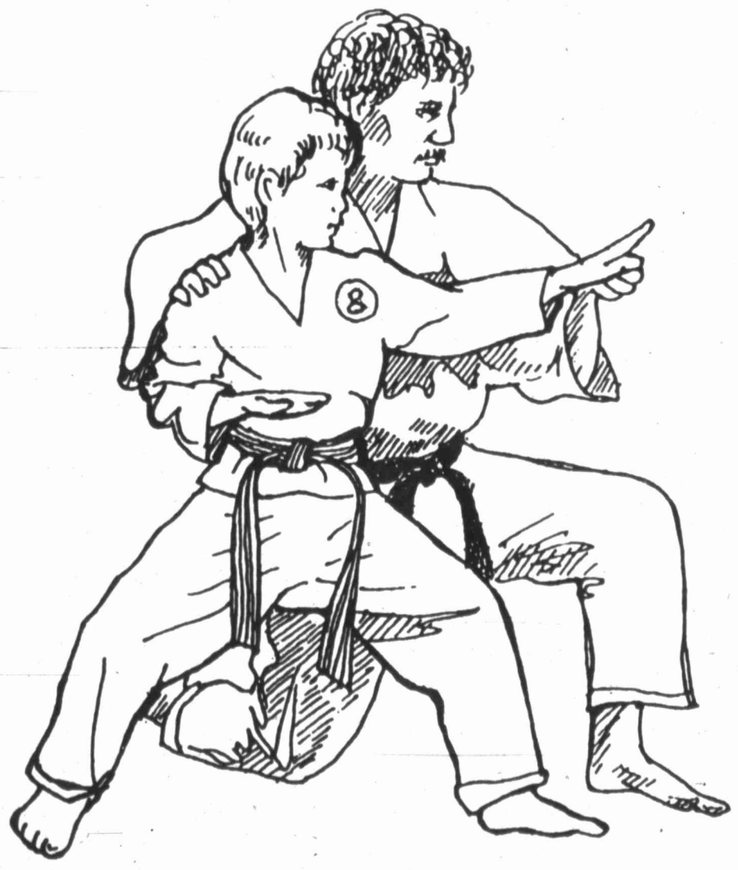
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Hutchison served almost four years in the Texas Legislature in the 1970s, elected representative for Houston in 1972.

In 1976, she was appointed vice-chairperson of the National Transportation Safety Board by President Gerald Ford. After moving to Dallas in 1978, Hutchison was appointed senior vice-president and general counsel of RebublicBank Corp.

She later co-founded Fidelity National Bank of Dallas and owned McCraw Candies Inc., a manufacturing company with national distribution:

Hutchison worked as a political and legal correspondent for KPRC-TV in Houston in the mid 1980s.

She currently chairs the National State Debt Management Network and serves on the national board of directors of Women Executives in State Government.

Raised in La Marque, Hutchison is a graduate of the University of Texas at Austin School of Law. Her husband, Ray, is a Dallas attorney and former member of the Texas House.



Herald photo by Tim Appel

U.S. Senate candidate Kay Bailey Hutchison talks to Linda Fraser during her campaign stop Saturday afternoon at the West Texas Center for the Arts.

Hutchison outlines 28-point reform plan

By CONNIE SWINNEY
Staff Writer

Giving a 28-point reform plan to local residents, State Treasurer Kay Bailey Hutchison proposed changes to congressional, campaign finance and lobby activities, which she says will help reduce wasteful or unneeded government spending and reduce the budget.

"The national deficit is the number one problem facing America today . . . (we must) remove the influence of money that plagues our electoral process," she said.

Her plan included the following proposals:

Reforming the Congress —

• Amending the constitution to require the federal budget be balanced expect in the case of war or national emergency.

• Granting the President the power of line item veto and imposing on the President the political burden to make sure unneeded programs, and wasteful spending are halted and the budget is balanced.

• Limiting the terms of members of Congress to four two-year terms for members of the House of Representatives and to two six-year terms for members of the Senate.

• Prohibiting pay raises for members of Congress, as long as there is a deficit in the federal budget.

• Reducing by at least 25 percent the staff of members of Congress; reducing travel budgets, allowances and expense and office accounts.

• Amending all laws to require Congress be governed by and subject to the same laws that govern citizens.

"We must reduce the impact of money in political campaigns," she said. "I do not support taxpayer financing of political campaigns. I support reforming campaign laws" by doing the following:

• Requiring all political action committees (PACs) be democratically controlled by their members and contributors.

• Limiting contributions from PACs to $1,000 for a federal candidate for each election.

• Prohibiting or significantly limiting campaign contributions from outside the boundaries of state or districts in which the congressional or senatorial election occurs.

• Prohibiting the repayment of campaign debts of earlier campaigns from funds raised in future campaigns for the same or a different office.

On reforming lobby activities, Hutchison said, "Some groups should not be given enormous advantages over others."

She proposed ways to eliminate advantages which included:

• Heightening registration of all lobbying activities, sources of funding, persons contacted and issues and positions advocated.

• Prohibiting indirect contributions from foreign governments by prohibiting contributions in federal elections by their paid lobbyists.

• Closing the "revolving door" of the congressional and executive branches of government that permits members of congress, political appointees in executive offices and their staffs to become paid lobbyist.



Herald photo by Gary Shanks

This new barbecue pit, built by a Big Spring team, the Line Riders, has its own running water and storage system. Coordinators of the of The Texas State Championship Bar-B-Q Cook-off expect many more than the 55 cookers from the event's innaugural years.

Barbecue

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praised the work of Johnny Rutherford, a management official with the Big Spring Correctional Centers.

Wilcox is calling on local merchants to become involved in the event that is sure to grow as the years progress. "We can make this as big — right here in Big Spring — as big as Terlingua or as big as the cookoff in San Marcos," Wilcox said. "They have about 500 cookers down there."

Apart from t e increased revenues to local retailers, barbecue cookers are a very friendly kind of people to attract to the community, she said.

Wilcox is asking local merchants or individuals to sponsor trophies in the event. For $30, a person or business will have their name engraved on the trophy as a supporter of the official cookoff.

Prizes in the event come from the $100 entry fees, and all of the fees are paid back in prizes. Also, a $4,000 barbecue pit will be given away.

The winner of the cook-off will go on to represent Texas in other national barbecue cookoffs.

Last year's grand champion was Richard Batterton of Keller.

Hobbs youth wins regional bee

HERALD STAFF REPORT

During one of the longest regional spelling bee in Lubbock Saturday, a 14-year-old from Hobbs, N.M., was able to wrap up the win after 59 rounds.

Radhika Vemula won the event by correctly spelling the words "foreclosable" and "bruxism." She will advance to the Scripps Howard National Spelling Bee in June in Washington, D.C.

Local bee winner Josna Adusumilli did not place during the event.

Chris Halbert, 13, of Snyder misspelled the word "emphysema" in the 44th round, starting the parlay between the two.

The third-place winner was 12-year-old Rebekah Curry of Tahoka.

Regional bee winners received the following prizes: first place, a set of the Red Regency binding of "The New Encyclopedia Britannica"; second place, "The Random House Dictionary of the English Language"; and third place, "Wordmaster 1055" from Franklin Electronic Publishers Inc.



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Local women encouraged to enter magazine contest

By MARTHA E. FLORES
Staff Writer

Calling all women with an entrepreneurial spirit and innovative business ideas:

Howard College's Business Development Center is encouraging local women to enter the $50,000 New Business Contest by *New Woman* magazine and the National Association for Female Executives. Prizes awarded will be $25,000 for first place; $15,000 for second; and $10,000 for third. The first-place winner will also receive free consultation from the Sol C. Snider Entrepreneurial Center of the University of Pennsylvania.

Contestants must submit a brief 20- to 30-word description of the new business idea; a two- to three-page detailed business plan outline; and resumes of persons running the business.

Entries will be judged on concept originality, plan feasibility and idea presentation.

"I would love to see a Big Spring woman win the contest," said Danette Toone, the center's director. "We can compete with the best. It would be great if *New Woman* was inundated with entries from Big Spring."

Toone said the center is available for anyone interested in submitting an entry.

The deadline for entry submissions is May 1.

For more information contact Toone at 264-5144.

Business

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plans, securing a loan and evaluating the market.

Scheduled for the second Wednesday of each month at 7:30 a.m., the breakfast is an opportunity for small and minority businesses to make contact with larger businesses.

With some corporations scaling down their internal operations, they frequently seek out firms who offer services previously handled on an in-house basis. Such services include vehicle maintenance, janitorial service and carpentry.

In its six-month existence, the breakfast has grown from a handful of participants that were often outnumbered by corporation representatives.

Success stories include Jimmy Marin Exxon which has contracted with TU Electric to provide vehicle maintenance. Fina Oil & Chemical contracted more than $500,000 of work with minority businesses in 1991.

The directory, due out by the May breakfast, will list local businesses owned by women, veterans or ethnic minorities. Delia Barraza, Toone's administrative assistant, compiled the directory by polling all listings in the Big Spring Southwestern Bell Yellow Pages. Identifying and making minority-owned businesses more accessible is the main purpose of the directory, Barraza said.

The center coordinates workshops with the Small Business Administration and area junior colleges. The next such event, the Texas Market Place seminar, is scheduled for April 20 at Midland College's Chaparral Hall. The workshop will introduce the Texas Department of Commerce's new program that helps small businesses advertise their products and services statewide.

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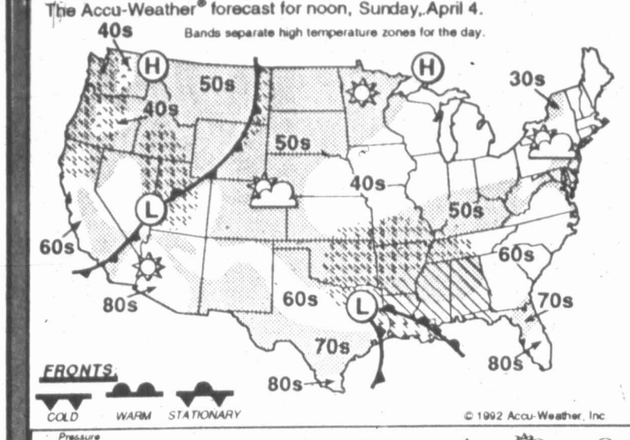
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Monday: Fair. High in the 70s. Low in the mid 50s.

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Wednesday: Decreasing cloudiness and cooler. Low in the 40s. High in the 50s.

Former DA fighting to get job back

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

HOUSTON — Jack Stern, the first Texas district attorney to be thrown out by trial, is now fighting for his job back.

Fort Bend County residents want nothing to do with their 40-year-old former DA, who still retains a law license, although a jury kicked him out of office last year for incompetence. Stern brought down their wrath for releasing secret grand testimony to the media.

"It was abominable," said Sam Dick, the Fort Bend District Attorney beaten by Stern in 1990. "I would have never done that. It betrays the whole system."

Last year, after Stern fired three assistant district attorneys and began what appeared to be a personal campaign against the former sheriff, 350 residents signed a petition asking for a trial to remove Stern, a Dallas native.

The trial prosecuted by the state-selected Houston attorney Rusty Hardin found Stern guilty of negligence and ordered him removed from office.

Stern, who refused to return phone calls to The Associated Press, has yet to file his appeal. His attorney, Keith Hampton says the filing will probably hit the courts sometime in April. "In essence, we're waiting on the transcript to be typed," he said.

Stern's defense has always been that the public had a right to know that another public official had perjured himself.

However, Stern has already lost round one when an appeals court refused to reinstate him until the appeals have been exhausted. That request is now pending before the Texas Supreme Court. John Healey has been named interim district attorney.

Whatever the outcome, the decision will be a landmark in Texas, according to Walter Steele, a Southern Methodist University law professor specializing in ethics, who testified against Stern, his former student.

"This appeal will probably be precedent setting ... because I don't think we have a similar case in Texas," said Steele.

Two actions caused the dispute.

First was Stern's release to the media of grand jury testimony by then-Fort Bend County Sheriff Perry Hillegeist. The testimony detailed an affair Hillegeist had with a topless dancer, who later became an arson defendant. In his testimony, Hillegeist denied a June 22 roadside meeting with two other officers ever occurred.

To prove his point — that Hillegeist had perjured himself — Stern released a secretly recorded tape of the roadside meeting. The release came before the grand jury had a chance to hear it.

Hillegeist said he had simply forgot the meeting.

But the release of both items floored legal experts.

"What he did was unprecedented in the state of Texas," said Hardin, who prosecuted the case. "You should not have a person like that as a DA."

Steele agrees.

"The whole idea (of a grand jury) is to protect people who are under investigation and without it it can't serve any purpose," said Steele.

Described by colleagues as intelligent, but eccentric, Stern's penchant for rash action ran against the grain of almost all who dealt with him.

"He's a very engaging, bright man," said Hardin. "He doesn't really march to a different drummer. He marches to a different orchestra."

Nearly a year after he released the testimony, Stern's colleagues remain mystified why he started a campaign against Hillegeist in the first place.

But the action fits a series of events that began almost immediately after Stern took office following his 1990 election.

Supercenter

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cials. The company would be the county's largest private employer, third largest when government's included.

It's designed to attract regional shoppers, with 951 vehicles per hour expected during peaks. Expected annual sales $54 million equals one-third of retail sales for all of Big Spring last year. Wal-Mart would be the fifth-largest property tax payer in the county, largest in the city, based on a $40 million construction cost.

ArtsFest 1993 set April 17-18

Organizers are seeking participants for ArtsFest 1993 set for April 17-18 at the Comanche Trail Park. Exhibits and events include area arts and crafts, food, entertainment, quilt show, antiques and collectables, a citywide garage sale and the Big spring Symphony's Pops Concert. For more information, call 263-7641.

Police

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following incidents:

- **A forced-entry burglary of a building on the 2300 block of South Scurry Street resulted in losses which including tools, a tool box, ice chest, screw gun, tool apron and overhead garage door, totaling $4,350.**
- **A theft was reported resulting in the loss of a car cellular phone and a smashed window, totaling $780 on the 100 block of northeast 8th Street.**
- **Charles Douglas Littlejohn was arrested and charged with aggravated robbery of the Furr's Supermarket. An undetermined amount of cash was recovered at the scene. Police reported that a man entered the supermarket Saturday morning with the threat of using a gun if cash was not given to him. Police arrested the suspect at the 1000 block of Nolan.**

Sheriff

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

- **Christopher Puga, 19, of Big Spring was arrested and charged with forgery.**
- **Guadalupe Ledezma, 41, of Big Spring was arrested and charged with committing family violence.**
- **Frank Molinar, 24, of Midland was arrested and charged with unlawfully carrying a weapon.**

Lotto

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

AUSTIN, Texas — Here are results of Lotto Texas winning numbers drawn Saturday by the Texas Lottery:

(6-10-22-27-37-49)

Estimated Lotto Texas jackpot: $3 million

Deaths

John Brinner

John Graves Brinner, 43, Carriere, Miss. died Thursday, April 2, 1993 in Picayune, Miss.

Services were 2 p.m. today at McDonald Funeral Home Chapel, Picayuno, Miss. Burial was in Carriere Cemetery under the direction of McDonald Funeral Home, Picayune, Miss.

He was a native of Big Spring.

Survivors include his wife, Sharron Houchin Brinner, Carriere, Miss.; two sons: John Brinner and Dan Brinner, both of Carriere; his mother, Elizabeth Graves Prinner, Snyder; one brother, Dan Brinner, Dallas; three sisters: Sandra Synder, Dallas, Cheryl Collins, Jayton, and Ravella Baker, Snyder; and a number of nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father.

Family suggests memorials be made to the Cancer Association.

Roy Mayer

Roy H. Mayer, 86, Big Spring, died Thursday, April 1, 1993 in a local hospital.

Memorial graveside services with Masonic Rites will be 10 a.m., Monday at Rosehill Cemetery in Odessa. Arrangements by Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

He was born Oct. 6, 1906 in Hico. He married Fannie E. Scarbro in 1928, in McCamey. She preceded him in death in 1982. He was a Baptist. He worked in the construction business as a diesel mechanic all his life. He had lived in Big Spring the last five years. He was a 50 year member of the Odessa Lodge #995 A.F. & A.M.; a member of the Odessa Council #363 R. & S.M. and the Odessa Chapter #445 R.A.M.

Survivors include one son, Wesley Mayer, Angelton; two sisters: Dorothia Hernandez, Santa Rosa, Calif., and Myrtle Pipes, Big Spring; one brother, J.F. (Ike) Mayer, Austin; one grandchild and one great-grandchild.

John Paul Paredez


PAREDEZ

John Paul Paredez, 21, Big Spring, died Friday, April 2, 1993 at his residence.

Rosary will be 7 p.m. tonight at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Services will be 2 p.m., Monday at Sacred Heart Catholic Church with the Rev. James P. Delaney officiating. Burial will be in Mount Olive Memorial Park under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

He was born May 20, 1971 in Big Spring. He was a life long resident of Big Spring. He was a 1990 graduate of Big Spring High and had worked as a cook at Red Mesa Grill for a few months.

Survivors include his mother, Linda Paredez; Big Spring; two sisters: Susan Paredez and Lisa Valencia, both of Big Spring; four brothers: Fred Paredez, Benito Paredez, Jerry Paredez and Joey Herrera, all of Big Spring; his grandmothers: Flora Loya, and Antonlina Paredez, both of Big Spring; his great-grandmother, Pabla Rodriquez, Big Spring; and a number of nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father and one sister.

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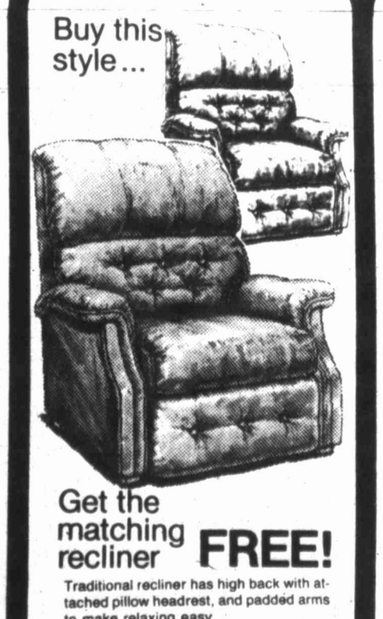
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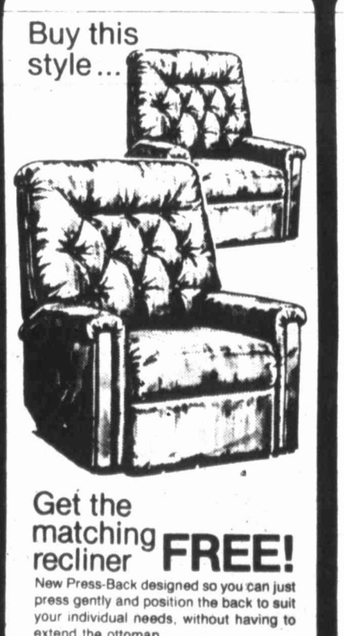
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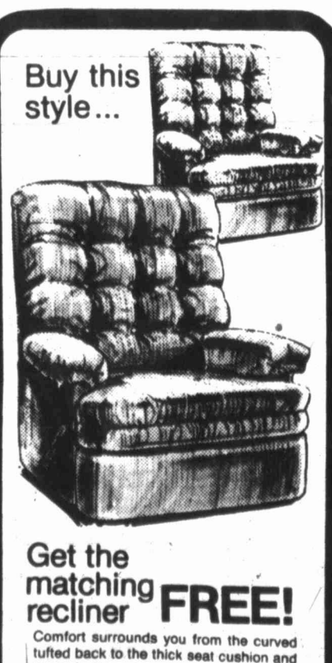
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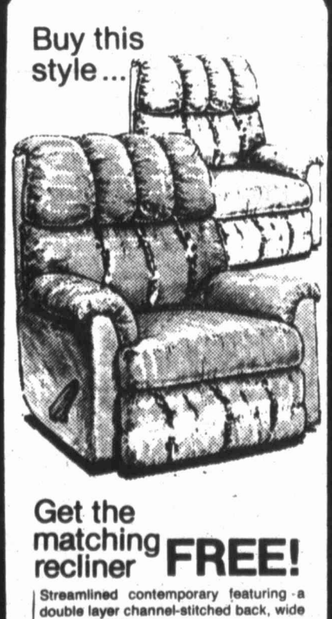
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Mike Butts is sports Big Spring Herald. appears Sundays.

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Section B

Big Spring Herald



Mike Butts

Steers follow the same path

Under the direction of head coach Bobby Doe, the Big Spring Steers baseball team has developed two distinct traits.

Doe's teams have started their seasons with so-so play but played well when they needed to. And they get involved in plenty of thrilling ball games.

In both of Doe's years as head coach the Steers entered district play with losing records — last season at 5-7 and this year at 5-6. At least this year the Steers got their first win in game three of pre-district play. Last season's first victory didn't come until the sixth game of the schedule.

The Steers now lead District 3-4A after winning their first four loop games. Last year they opened district play at 4-1-1. Big Spring hovered around .500 in 1992, entered the postseason at 12-13-1 and played their best ball after the regular season.

Why the slow starts?

"It's hard to say," Doe said. "Early in the year we look at people in different positions and juggle the lineup a lot ... we sacrificed a couple of wins like that (this year)."

Did the Steers play with intensity early?

"We probably didn't in the first few games in pre-district. Myself and too many other people put pressure on this team and it took some of the fun out of it," Doe said.

But the fun has returned. Escpecially for the fans. When the Steers got out of bases-loaded jams in the last two innings Tuesday to beat Andrews 1-0, it was Big Spring's 15th one-run game in Doe's tenure. Overall the Steers are 8-7 in those games. But in playoff and district play they are 5-2.

Add the Andrews game to last season's 1-0 and 6-5 wins over Frenship and Lamesa in the playoffs and you have three games that can be labelled classics without fear of exaggeration. Doe said people came up to him after the Andrews win and said it was the best game they had ever seen.

So have the Steers developed an immunity to choking in close games? Has their playoff and tight game experience made them fearless?

Well, not exactly. Both Doe and second baseman Pat Martinez say they're not too fond of those tension-racked affairs.

"I tell you one thing, (against Andrews) I was scared," Martinez said.

"I don't like it. It gets me nervous," said Doe.

But Martinez isn't entirely overwhelmed by the close games. Tuesday with the bases loaded in the last inning, the Steer senior's nervousness was mixed with confidence.

"I was kind of hoping they would hit one to me," he said.

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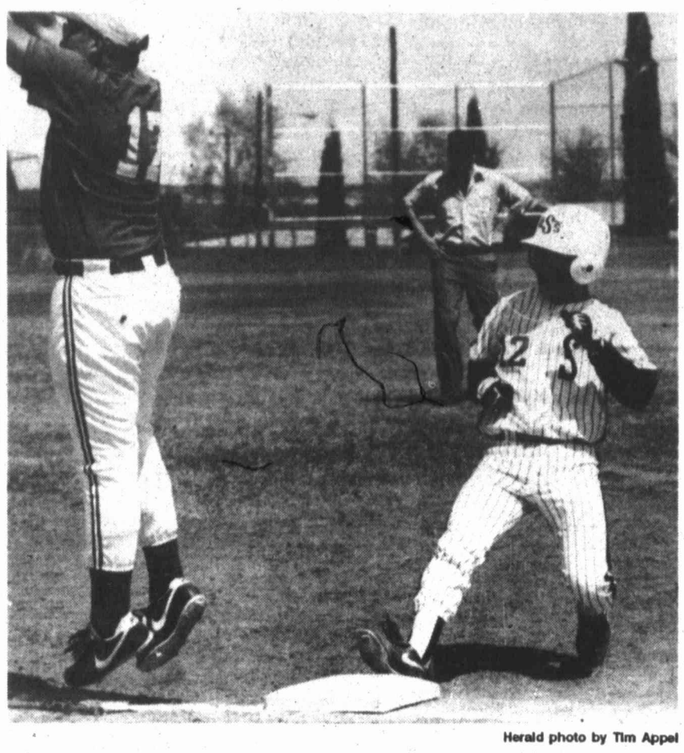
I've covered sports in Big Spring for over a year now. And recently I realized that in that span no varsity high school or college team in town has finished its season with a losing record.

Both the Big Spring and Howard College baseball's teams made the playoffs last year. The Steer football team finished 5-4-1. The Lady Steers volleyball team was 14-14. All four varsity and college basketball teams had winning records. Howard's Lady Hawks and Big Spring's Lady Steers both went undefeated in district/conference play.

Past the halfway point in both the high school and college baseball seasons Big Spring and Howard are having great seasons.

I've always heard it's difficult for reporters to cover losing teams. Sports writers say its because interest in the teams is low and players and coaches don't really enjoy talking to the media. I guess I'll just have to take their word for it.

Mike Butts is sports editor of the Big Spring Herald. His column appears Sundays.



Herald photo by Tim Appel

Big Spring's Mike Ross hurries back to first during the Steers' game with Fort Stockton at Steer Park Saturday afternoon. Big Spring defeated the Panthers to stay unbeaten in District 3-4A action.

Steers keep throwing goose eggs at district

By MIKE BUTTS
Sports Editor

The Big Spring Steer baseball team has now played 25 district innings without allowing a run. And if it weren't for the 10-run rule, that streak may be even longer.

For the second time in four district games Big Spring 10-run ruled its opponent to end a game before the regulation seven innings. Saturday at Steer Park Brandon Rodgers' single scored courtesy runner David Akin in the bottom of the fifth inning to give the Steers a 10-0 win over Fort Stockton. As a result Big Spring stays in first place in Distirct 3-4A with a 4-0 record, 9-6 overall.

Senior righthander John Kennedy won his second 10-run rule game of the year. The Steers beat Lake View with Kennedy on the mound in their first district game 10-0. They have shut out all four district foes.

Kennedy now has a streak of 11 shutout innings. Big Spring backed him up against Fort Stockton (0-3 in district, 6-7 overall) with 13 hits in five innings. The Steer hurler doesn't mind working with the big leads.

"Last year against Fort Stockton I pitched seven innings and they only got me one run," says Kennedy, who contributed with two hits of his own. "If I can get a lot of runs I feel more comfortable out there and I can throw better."

The Steers hammered Fort Stockton starter Benji Gonzales (4-2) for 10 hits and seven runs in three innings. Big Spring scored five in the third to go ahead 7-0. They got two runs in the fourth and one in the fifth to end the game in an hour and 33 minutes.

Second baseman Pat Martinez had three RBIs on a double and a triple and Rodgers had three hits and three RBIs.

The Steers play at Sweetwater Tuesday. In that game, they may need to avoid focusing too much on the shutout streak and not enough on the play at hand.

"The pitchers want shutouts every time we go out," said Kennedy. "(But) we need to be less concerned of that. We don't care (about the shutouts) as long as we do well."

For the third time in the last two games Big Spring had to get out of a bases loaded situation to keep the scoreless streak going.

The Panthers got a walk and two singles off Kennedy in their half of the inning to put three men on with one out. Gonzales hit a screamer to third baseman Mike

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Hawks continue winning ways; sweep NMMI

By STEVE REAGAN
Sports Writer

The Howard College Hawks are proving that the old adage about experience being the best teacher is a lie.

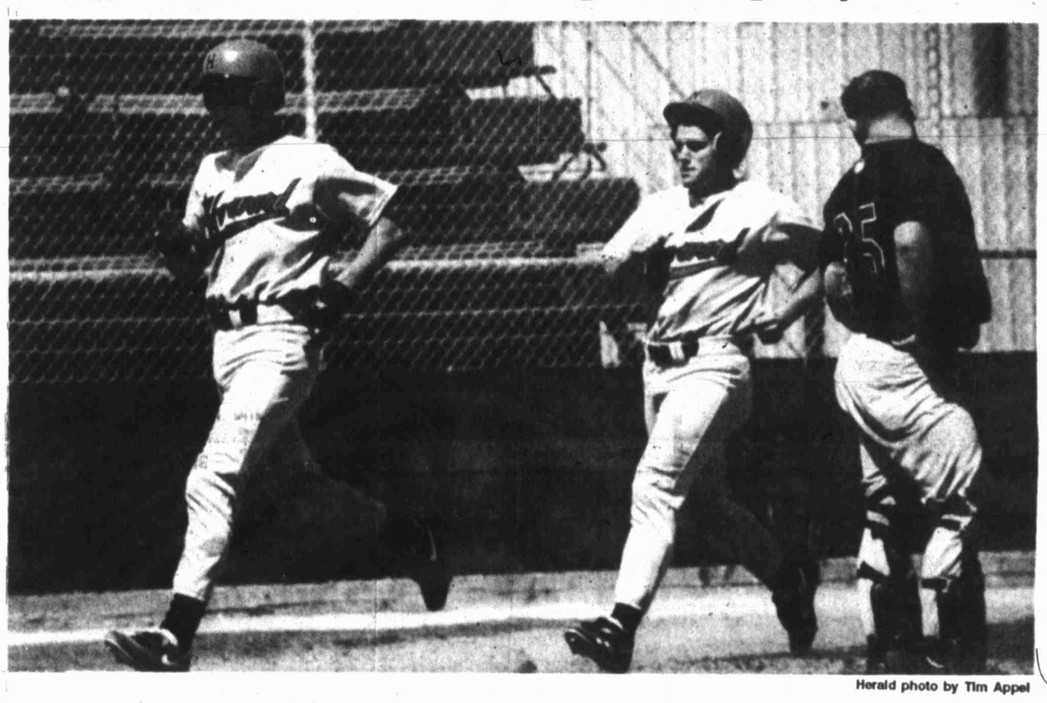
Consider Saturday's doubleheader sweep of the New Mexico Military Institute Broncos:

• After Howard's lone sophomore pitcher Matt Higgs was lifted in the third inning in the first game, freshman Ryan Roberts came in and shut the door on the Broncos.

• In the same game, the Hawks were trailing by three runs in the bottom of the last inning when freshman Sergio Martinez hit a two-run triple, freshman Troy May tied the game with a single and Freddy Rodriguez, a — you guessed it — freshman, hit the game-winning homer for an 11-9 victory.

• In the nightcap, freshman pitcher John Major survived a shaky second inning and — all together now — freshman Jeff Orth batted in five runs to lead the Hawks to a 13-3 victory.

Saturday's sweep, coupled with Howard's 25-4 win over NMMI Friday, improved the Hawks' record to 29-9 overall and 9-3 in Western Junior College Athletic Conference play. The Broncos fall to 16-29 and 3-12.



Herald photo by Tim Appel

Howard College baserunners Andy Ortiz, left, and Chad Dunavon, center, run past New Mexico Military Institute catcher John Gonzales as they score on Sergio Martinez' triple in the bottom of the seventh inning Saturday at Jack Barber Field.

Despite the wins, Howard coach Brian Roper was less than thrilled with his team's effort.

"(They were) very flat and poor defensive games for us," Roper said. "Lately, it's really been a struggle for us defensively. And it seems like there's been some guys who are beat up and sore. We're just not physically healthy.

"Most of these guys have never been through a 60-game season," he added. "It seems like they sometimes have a difficult time getting motivated. As far as the physical elements go, we'll just have to suck it up and work through it ... (but) that last game shows they've got a lot of guts."

Higgs started for the Hawks in game one but didn't get past the third inning before being relieved by Roberts, who got the win.

NMMI kept the Hawks at bay until Howard's final at-bat, leading 9-6 going into the bottom of the seventh.

With one out, catcher Rob Larson walked and moved to second on Chad Dunavon's single. Martinez then tripled to left to make the score 9-8.

May, who homered earlier in the contest, laced a single to left that scored Martinez with the tying run. Rodriguez then followed with his game-winning homer, his third of the season.

The Hawks had a far easier time in the nightcap, scoring five

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Michigan, UNC advance to NCAA championship

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NEW ORLEANS — The inside story for North Carolina was familiar: Eric Montross and George Lynch dominate, the Tar Heels win.

Montross made the strong inside moves, Lynch grabbed nearly every rebound and even Kevin Saldavori contributed off the bench as the Tar Heels shut down Kansas in the middle and beat the Jayhawks 78-68 Saturday in the NCAA tournament semifinals.

"I think it's hard to rate performances," Montross said. "Today's game, I did feel fairly good about it, but there were still a lot of shots I thought should have gone in.

"There are obviously better things on defense that I can do, and hitting the boards harder," he said.

Montross had only four rebounds but was 9 of 14 from the field and scored 23 points. Lynch had 10 rebounds — five at each end of the floor — and scored 14 points.

Salvadori came up with three rebounds, including two in the closing minutes when Kansas tried desperately to mount a charge.

The Tar Heels' game plan was to crowd the lane on defense and use their height advantage at both ends.

"Everybody had talked about it," Salvadori said. "We had the size advantage and that was the main goal. We just wanted to get it inside."

"I was a little surprised me and George were able to get the ball down low wherever we wanted to," Salvadori said. "They fronted Eric, but me and George, they played behind us."

MICHIGAN 81, KENTUCKY 78

Michigan came up with the effort everyone was waiting for, ending Kentucky's domination of the NCAA tournament to reach the championship game for the second straight year.

The 81-78 overtime victory over Kentucky on Saturday was as exciting as expected, but it was played at a much slower pace. Instead of a wild up-and-down transition game, it was one of great defense, with no play better than Chris Webber's with four seconds left.

Webber, who had 27 points and 13 rebounds, gave the Wolverines (31-4) the lead for good on a layup after a spin move with 41 seconds left. Jalen Rose added two free throws for Michigan 20 seconds later.

Rodney Dent tried to inbound the ball for Kentucky's last chance with four seconds left, but Webber jumped, deflected the ball in midair and gave the Wolverines the victory.

They will meet North Carolina for the title on Monday night. The Tar Heels, who are trying to give coach Dean Smith his second championship in nine Final Fours, advanced Saturday with a 78-68 victory over Kansas.

Michigan had the last chance to win in regulation. Travis Ford scored Kentucky's last seven points of regulation and his free throws with 10 seconds left made it 71-71.

The Wolverines inbounded the ball after a timeout and Rose avoided Tony Delk in front of the Kentucky bench and got the ball to midcourt where he called a timeout with three seconds left.



Associated Press photo

Texas Tech's Sheryl Swoopes, left, reacts at the end of the Lady Raiders' 60-46 win over Vanderbilt Saturday during the NCAA Women's Semifinals in Atlanta.

Swoopes leads Tech past Vandy

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ATLANTA — Sheryl Swoopes showed why she was player of the year in women's basketball Saturday.

Swoopes had 31 points, 11 rebounds, three steals and two blocks as fifth-ranked Texas Tech beat No. 1 Vanderbilt 60-46 to reach the NCAA championship game.

"I don't even know if you saw the best of her today," Vanderbilt coach Jim Foster said. "She didn't get any assists."

She did everything else.

Swoopes fell four points short of the single-game Final Four scoring record set by Mary Ostrowski of Tennessee against Cheyney State in 1984.

"I'm pretty pleased," Swoopes said. "As long as we win, I don't care how I play."

The Lady Raiders used their defensive quickness to shut down Vandy's offense.

The 46 points by Vanderbilt tied the Final Four record for fewest points in a game, set by Tennessee against Louisiana Tech in 1982. The Commodores scored only 20 points in the second half, breaking the Final Four low of 21 by Tennessee in that same 1982 game.

Tech, which has won 18 straight, is the first Southwest Conference team to reach the national finals since Texas completed a perfect 34-0 season by winning the 1986 championship.

"When it got to crunch time, we had some kids who stepped for-

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Coahoma rallies to down Colorado City, 5-4

By STEVE REAGAN
Sports Writer

COAHOMA — The Coahoma Bulldogs finally started taking their coach's advice about getting key hits with runners on base. They just waited until their last at-bat to turn theory into practice.

Down to their last out and trailing Colorado City by a run, the Bulldogs (6-5) tied the game on a RBI double by Jeff Phernetton, then Bryan Sledge scooted home on a wild pitch to give Coahoma a 5-4 victory over the Wolves here Friday.

It was somewhat appropriate that the game ended on a wild pitch, because the game certainly had some wild aspects:

• A blustery wind blowing out to left field constantly turned routine popups into adventures, as evidenced by a total of six errors.

• Coahoma's Jay Bingham got his first home run of the season, an inside-the-park job hit off the *head* of Colorado City starting pitcher Daniel Silva.

• Phernetton and Sledge both became heroes only after being goats earlier in the game. Phernetton committed an error on one of those not-so-routine popups to center; and Sledge's throwing error in the fifth allowed the Wolves to score the go-ahead run that stood until the last inning.

In the end, though, it was solid, fundamental baseball that earned the Bulldogs the win. Colorado City fell to 5-5 with the loss.

Brandon McGuire started the Bulldogs' seventh with a walk, then stole second. After Dave Park struck out, Sledge walked to put two runners on. Brian Ruiz popped to first for the second out before Phernetton delivered the game-tying double, scoring McGuire from second and sending Sledge to third.

Coahoma then ended matters when Colorado City reliever Joey Arispe's second pitch to Jason Arguello skipped past catcher Lynn Boyd, allowing Sledge to score.

Sledge came on in the sixth with the bases loaded and one out. He struck out the next two batters, then shut down the Wolves in the seventh to earn his first win of the season.

Coahoma coach Doc Rowell was more relieved than anything else with the win.

"What's killed us this year is not getting hits with runners on base," Rowell said. "We left 17 runners on base the last time we played these guys ... I'm pleased with the results, though."

Coahoma returns to action Tuesday when the Bulldogs host Hermleigh. Colorado City plays at Big Spring Monday against the Steers' junior varsity.

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Silva, Arispe (4) and Boyd; New, Sledge (6) and Sledge, Phernetton (6); W — Sledge; L — Arispe; DP — Coahoma; LOB — C-City 12, Coahoma 8; E — C-City (Conner, Walthall); Coahoma (New, Harmon, Sledge, Phernetton); 2B — Gaona, Conner, Biggers, New, Phernetton; HR — McGuire (2), Bingham (1); SB — Martinez, Conner, New 2, Sledge, Ruiz; HBP — New (by Arispe); INT — Phernetton; Bk — Silva; WP — Arispe.

Briefs

CTGLA to begin Monday tournaments

The Comanche Trail Ladies' Golf Association will hold an evening tournament April 5 at Comanche Trail Golf Course. Play begins at 5:15 p.m.

For more information, contact 263-7271.

Hale to offer safety course

A course in hunter education will be offered from 6-10 p.m. April 14-17 in Big Spring, said Boyce Hale, chief hunter education instructor for this area.

Texas Parks and Wildlife Department regulations require persons born during the period of Sept. 2, 1971 to Aug. 31, 1973 must have successfully completed the course in order to hunt in Texas. By Sept. 1, all persons born on or after Sept. 2, 1971 must have completed the course.

The course is open to all and includes instruction in rifle, shotgun and bowhunting handling and safety; outdoor responsibility and ethics; laws and regulations; conservation; hunting traditions; wildlife identification; field care of game; wilderness first aid and survival; and live-fire exercises, Hale said.

For more information, contact Hale at 267-6957 or Dibrells Gun Shop at 267-7891.

Amarillo to host softball tourney

The Bud Light Amarillo Triple Crown Slow Pitch Softball Tournament will be held May 1-2.

Registration fee is $170 for the tournament, which is open to teams in the following ASA divisions: Men's A, B, C, D and E; Women's A/B and C/D; Mixed; and Mixed Recreational.

Plaques will be awarded to the top three teams and Russell Athletic uniform tops will be awarded to members of the first place team. Various individual awards also will be presented.

For more information on the national qualifier tournament, contact (303) 224-2502.

Teenage league needs coaches

The American Little League's Teenage League needs coaches and coordinators. Call Robby Wegner at 267-1440.

Church league sets meeting

An orginizational meeting for the Slow-pitch Church Softball League will be held at 7 p.m. April 5 at the First Baptist Church Family Life Center.

The league is open to any area church interested in fielding a softball team. For more information, contact Bill Banks at 267-8223.

Tennis camp set to begin

Certified instructors Luis Valdez, Jon Lanier and Mark Slate will conduct a tennis camp at the Figure Seven Tennis Complex beginning in April. A regular schedule will be determined after a free clinic on April 4 at the complex.

The clinic schedule is: advanced 1:30-3 p.m., intermediate 3-4 p.m., beginners (ages seven and up) 4-5 p.m.; ages 5-7, 5-6 p.m.

Call Mark (267-8100) or Luis (683-5360) for more information.

Runnels swimmers place second

The Runnels swim team placed second in a meet conducted at the Big Spring YMCA Saturday. Jason Ball had a first place finish in the meet with a 3:54.99 in the 240-yard freestyle. Sonya Arguello finished first in the 80-yard free style with a time of 1:02.20.

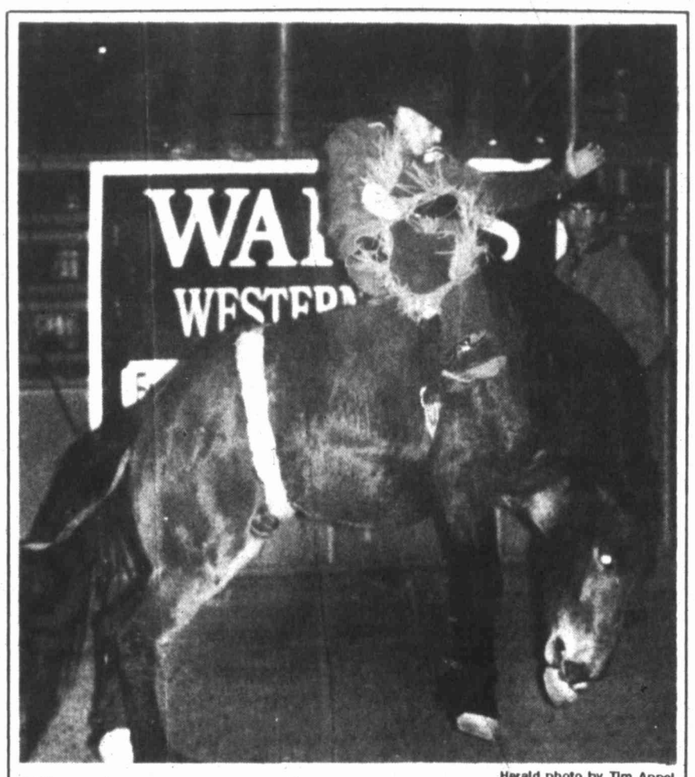
Arguello also joined another schools' relay team for a first place finish in the 160 freestlye relay and a second in the 4X80 freestyle relay.

The other schools in the meet were Lubbock's J.T. Hutchinson and O.L. Slaton.

Here are Runnels other times (place in parenthesis):

160 YARD MEDLEY RELAY — Andy Hyden, Josh Cox, Toby Clanton and Eric Hernandez (2) 1:49.47.
160 FREESTYLE — Lance Acuff (2) 2:04.24, Charlie Rudinger (6) 2:53.51.
80 INDIVIDUAL RELAY — Hyden (3) 1:03.91, Hernandez (5) 1:09.03.
40 FREESTYLE — Cox (2) 23:57, Canton (5) 27:74.
40 FREESTYLE — (girls) Arguello (2) 28:17.
40 BUTTERFLY — Cox (4) 27:62.
80 FREESTYLE — Acuff (3) 56:02, Ball (5) 1:00.85.
240 FREESTYLE — Ball (1) 3:54.99, Rudinger (3) 4:38.13.
40 BACKSTROKE — Hernandez (4) 31:41.
40 BREASTSTROKE — Clanton (3) 32:81, Hyden (5) 33:97.
4X80 RELAY — Ball, Hyden, Hernandez, Cox (2) 3:55.51.

The Lady Steers Booster Club will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the home of Linda Elrod (415 Dallas) to plan an awards banquet set for May 11.



Herald photo by Tim Appel

Hang on, cowboy

Kirby Berry of Vernon Regional Junior College hangs on during the bareback bronc competition at the Howard College NIRA Rodeo Friday night at the Rodeo Bowl. The Rodeo concludes with the short-go today at 1:30 p.m.

Racer suffers concussion

PHOENIX — A hard crash Saturday in practice at Phoenix International Raceway left Nigel Mansell hospitalized with a concussion that will keep the English driver from making his oval racing debut in Sunday's Valvoline 200.

Mansell also suffered a contusion to his right shoulder from the safety harness, but no other injuries were discovered after he was flown by helicopter to Good Samaritan Regional Medical Center in Phoenix. A CAT scan was negative, according to IndyCar officials.

Dr. Stephan Olvey, IndyCar's director of medical affairs, and Dr. Alan Tyroch, the attending trauma surgion, issued a statement saying Mansell would be kept overnight for observation and was expected to be released Sunday morning. Olvey added, however, that under series rules Mansell could not be cleared medically to drive in Sunday's 200-mile race.

Mansell's Ford Cosworth-powered Lola slid sideways at the end of the main straightaway and hit rear-end first in the Turn 1 wall, punching a small hole in the concrete and momentarily knocking the driver unconscious. The car continued into the second-turn wall before stopping in the middle of the track.

The 39-year-old Mansell regained consciousness but remained woozy and somewhat dazed when he was removed from the car about 10 minutes later.

Mansell had been the fastest driver in the earlier practice Saturday, turning laps of up to 173.414 mph — nearly 2 mph faster than any other driver. No other cars were nearby when he crashed.

Mansell made history by becoming the first reigning Formula One champion to switch to the IndyCar PPG Cup series. He was fastest in winter testing on the Phoenix track and opened the IndyCar season two weeks ago with a victory on the street circuit at Surfers Paradise in Australia.

Tech

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ward and made some big shots for us," Tech coach Marsha Sharp said.

"When you have a low-scoring game, I think that becomes important, to take quality shots. On the other end of the floor, our kids scrambled very well and got to their shooters."

Tech (30-3) advanced to Sunday's title game against Ohio State, a 73-72 winner over Iowa.

Heidi Gillingham, Vanderbilt's 6-foot-10 All-American, scored 24 points — almost all on layups over the smaller Raiders. Vanderbilt had its eight-game winning streak snapped and finished the season 30-3.

"I thought we were a little flat," Foster said. "There was no rhyme or reason to what we did on offense today."

"It was Tech's defense," Gillingham said. "They're an awesome team. They were the better team obviously, all through the game."

The Raiders never trailed after Swoopes hit a 3-pointer from the top of the circle for a 7-6 lead with 11:30 left in the first half.

The Commodores managed a 19-19 tie on a 3-pointer by Rhonda Blades with 3:57 left in the half. But Krista Kirkland put Tech ahead for good, 21-19, when she hit a jumper 2:37 before halftime. Kirkland finished with 14 points.

Tech led 28-26 at the half and used a 9-2 run to build a 39-30 lead with 15:57 to play. Swoopes made two driving layups and Kirkland hit a 3-pointer during the spurt.

Vanderbilt cut the lead to three twice down the stretch, but Swoopes made a layup and an 18-foot jumper to give Tech a 51-44 lead with 3:21 left.

Vandy never got closer than five the rest of the way.

Despite a size disadvantage — Tech's tallest player is 6-foot-2 — the Lady Raiders dominated the boards 42-27.

Steers

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Ross for the second out. And Kennedy got designated hitter Isaac Dominquez to miss on three straight pitches to retire the side. The Steer starter finished the game with eight strikeouts.

It was the second game in a row in which Fort Stockton gave up double figures in runs. The Panthers lost to Pecos Tuesday 20-5. Gonzales had been their best pitcher coming into the game.

Fort Stockton had at least one runner in scoring positon in every inning. They left nine on base in the five-inning contest.

Kennedy allowed five hits and walked four. But he struck out batters to end the second, third and fifth innings.

"Everything was working well. The curve ball was breaking like I wanted it to and I finally got my fast ball in the fourth," Kennedy said.

The Steers played Sweetwater twice in district and once in a district playoff game last year and lost two and tied one. They lost to the Mustangs 12-10 March 19 in the Snyder Tournament this year. Big Spring coach Bobby Doe said the Steers have not beaten the Mustangs in two years and beat them only once in three years. Doe said his team needs to get over the Sweetwater hump Tuesday.

"I think psychologically and for the district race it's real important," Doe said. "We need to overcome an obstacle there."

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LOB — Fort Stockton 9, Big Spring 8. Errors — Fort Stockton (Gonzales, Morales), Big Spring (Gonzales). SB — Big Spring (Akin, Terrazas, Sizenbach). 2B — Fort Stockton (Gonzales), Big Spring (P. Martinez, Kennedy). 3B — Big Spring (Martinez).
WP — Kennedy. LP — Gonzales (4-2).

DISTRICT STANDINGS

Big Spring	4-0, 9-6
Lake View	2-1, 3-11
Andrews	1-1, 12-6
Monahans	1-1, 8-3
Sweetwater	1-3, 8-10
Pecos	2-2, 7-8
Fort Stockton	0-3, 6-7

SATURDAY'S GAMES
Big Spring 10, Fort Stockton 0; Pecos 10, Sweetwater 6; Andrews at Monahans, ppd. rain.

Hawks

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runs in each of the first two innings en route to an easy victory in the game, which was called after five innings because of the 10-run rule.

On the mound, Major allowed three runs in the second before blanking the Broncos the rest of the way. For the game, he struck out six and walked three while allowing six hits.

Offensively, Orth led a 14-hit attack by going two-for-two with two doubles and five RBIs. Catcher Chad Morford was three-for-four with three RBIs, while Dunavon, Brian Shaver and Kevin Thompson each had two hits. Dunavon added a home run to left, his 12th of the year, in the third inning.

Leading 5-3, Howard put any doubts about the outcome to rest in the second, scoring five runs on four hits. The big blow of the inning was Orth's three-run double to left that made the score 9-4. Orth then came home on Thompson's single up the middle.

The Hawks return to action Monday when they play a doubleheader with the Texas Tech University junior varsity in Lubbock. Game time is 1 p.m.

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Howard	552	01	—	13	14	1

Hughey, Owens (3) and Woodside; Major and Morford; W — Major; L — Hughey; DP — Howard; LOB — NMMI 7, Howard 8; E — NMMI (Hebert 3), Howard (Almendariz); 2B — Shaver, Orth 2, Brown; HR — Dunavon (12); SB — May; HBP — Woodside (by Major); WP — Owens.

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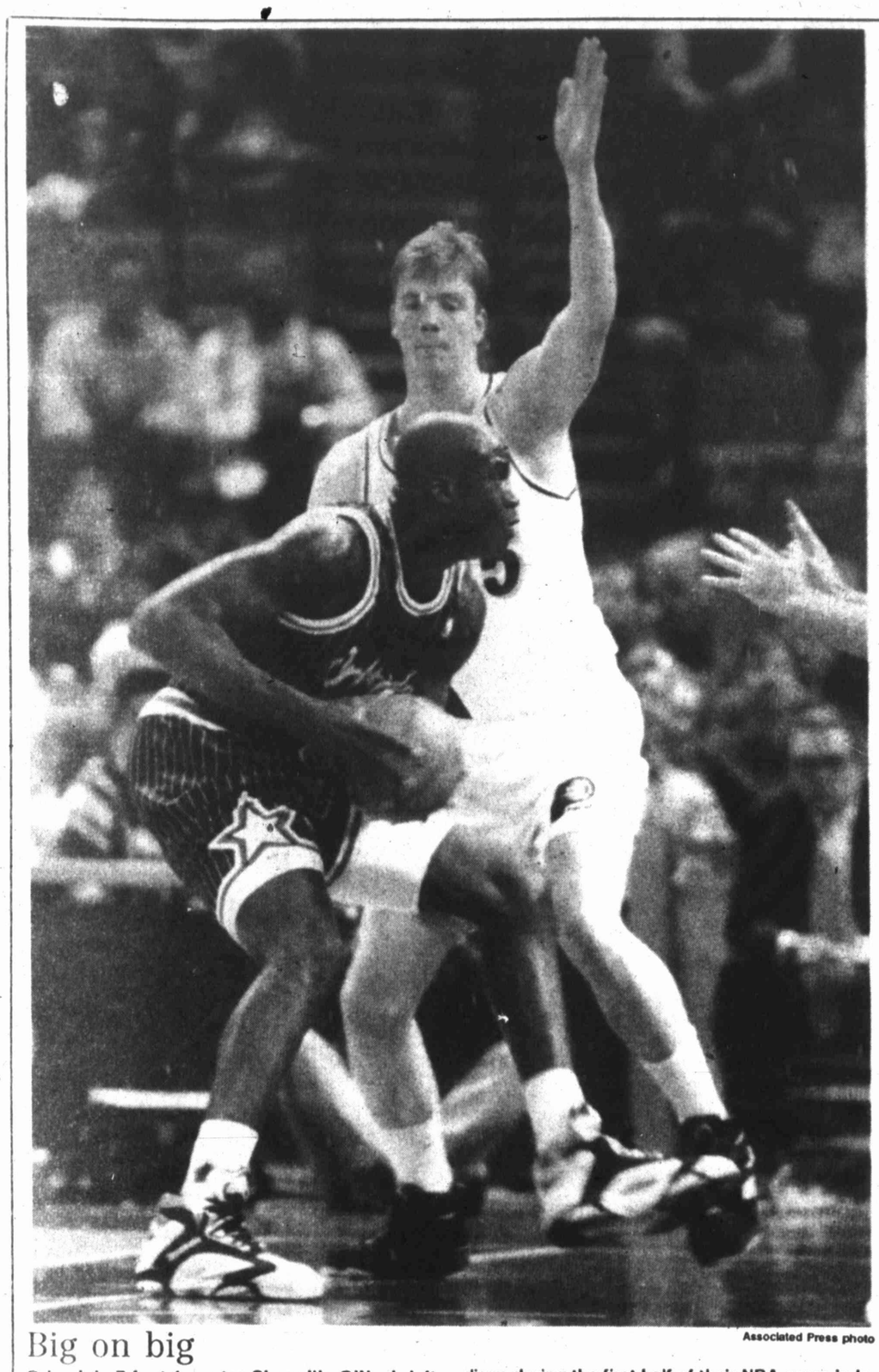
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Orlando's 7-foot-1 center Shaquille O'Neal, left, tries to find a way around 7-foot-2 Rik Smits of Indiana during the first half of their NBA game in Indianapolis Friday night. Indiana won, 118-112.

Kraft leads at New Orleans

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW ORLEANS — Greg Kraft, who's never finished higher than sixth in seven pro seasons, shot a 3-under-par 69 on Saturday and took a one-shot lead after 54 holes in the $1 million Freeport-McMoRan Golf Classic.

Kraft, who had his best pro finish in last year's Kemper Open, was at 4-under 212 and a stroke ahead of Payne Stewart and Russ Cochran. Stewart, who led after 18 and 36 holes, struggled to a 73 Saturday for 213. Cochran had a 70.

"I'm playing really well right now and just trying to keep it simple," Kraft said. "It's not that simple though. To be leading at this point I had to get a lot of breaks, have a lot of luck, and do a lot of hard work."

Kraft, whose 29th birthday is Sunday, had five birdies to overcome bogeys on the first and 17th holes.

"I played good at times, but I got defensive instead of staying aggressive," Stewart said after a round plagued by three straight bogeys on the back nine. "I tried to play it safe and I guess I'm not a very good safe player."

In fact, Stewart needed a birdie on the 18th hole of the 7,116-yard, par-72 course to regain a piece of second place.

"You're going into the wind, into the wind, into the wind," Stewart said. "then all of a sudden the wind is at your back and everything changes. These greens are so firm and so hard that downwind you have to play how do I keep it on the green."

Stewart was 1-under for the day after 11 holes before his putter betrayed him.

"We'll have to see what happens," Stewart said. "I'd like a victory here because it would help me on my goal this year of making the Ryder Cup team."

Mike Standly, who started the day at 2-under, overcame a bogey at No. 3 and a double bogey at No. 4 to shoot an even-par 72 for 214.

"It was a big adventure out there today," Standly said. "I had some middle-of-the-round bad shots, but I regrouped and remade the round after the turn."

Greg Norman, who endured a first-round 77, had a 70 Saturday and headed a group at even-par 216. Also at that figure were Mark Brooks and Neal Lancaster, each with 71s, and Bob Estes and Duffy Waldorf, who shot 72s.

This time, teacher Smith prevails over pupil Williams in semifinals

By HAL BOCK
AP Sports Writer

NEW ORLEANS — This time, the teacher prevailed.

Dean Smith, a vision in coaching cool, took North Carolina back to the NCAA basketball championship game Saturday night with a 78-68 victory over Kansas and his ex-assistant, Roy Williams.

SUNDAY SPECIAL

Two years ago, in the same semifinal pairing, Smith was a flustered loser, beaten in the chess game of offense and defense by his former aide and thrown out in the final few minutes of the game.

That was out of character for Smith, who looks like a businessman on the bench instead of one of those frantic coaches who run up and down exhorting their teams. There is no towel over the shoulder like John Thompson, throwing off of his jacket and loosening of his tie like John Chaney, no pushing a sweater up to the elbows like Bob Knight.

That just would not fit the Carolina cool image of Smith, who works the sideline with a minimum of frenzy and finished Saturday night's game with his breast pocket handkerchief still in place, the points perfectly aligned.

It is an air he imparts to his team.

Carolina's edge was its height underneath and Smith made sure the Tar Heels used it. "Our big people did a great defensive job," he said. "They didn't get inside very easily."

Still, though, Kansas kept hanging around, popping 3-pointers, threatening at any moment to steal the game. Not this time. Not from Carolina's professor of basketball.

Smith had his trapping defense hawking the ball constantly. He switched up frequently, responding to the game situations. He never let the Tar Heels get flustered by the Jayhawks.

When point guard Derrick Phelps went down with an injury, there was no panic. He simply reached down o.. his bench for Scott Cherry and then remembered to compliment the reserve guard later.

"Scott Cherry gave us a lift," he said. "But we need Derrick."

All his players are important to Smith. They are like his flock and each year is brand new. All the tradition, all the ACC championships, the eight previous trips to the Final Four — second only to John Wooden — are all nice, but they don't matter nearly as much to Smith as the team that's playing for him now.

"I'm very pleased for this year's team," he said. "Our goal is not to play in the championship game. It's to win the championship game. And that's the same every year."

He remembered also to compliment Williams for Kansas' season and the challenge the Jayhawks posed to Carolina. "They are a difficult team to play," Smith said. "Roy is such a competitive person. It was an emotional moment for him."

When it was over, the emotion of the game and the night overcame Williams. "You'll ask how it feels to lose to North Carolina," Smith's ex-assistant said, anticipating the question.

Campbell steps down from Waco post

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

WACO — Dave Campbell, the second sports editor in the 101-year history of the Waco Tribune-Herald and a man widely considered the dean of Texas football, will retire April 11, the newspaper announced Saturday.

Campbell, sports editor since 1953, will take a month off and then write for the newspaper "as the spirit moves me," he said. Executive sports editor Kim Gorum was named as his replacement.

Campbell became sports editor upon the death of Jinx Tucker, who had been the newspaper's sports editor since the 1920s. Before that, sports news was handled by different people rather than coming under the umbrella of one department.

Campbell, 68, started work as a newspaper copy boy when he was 17 in 1942. Within a year, he was putting out the sports pages. But soon afterward, he was called to war.

After serving with the 14th Armored Division in France and Germany, Campbell returned to the Tribune-Herald in 1946 and worked on the news and sports desks.

While many of his colleagues eventually left for bigger cities, Campbell stayed in Waco, 100 miles south of Dallas.

"Texas Football kept me here," Campbell said of the magazine he created in 1960.

Campbell turned down numerous offers to write columns for big city dailies over the years, instead creating his Friday column, the Clouded Crystal Ball, in which he predicted football scores.

"I have never claimed to be an expert. I have good sources. Put me out watching the game and I don't see what a Darrell Royal or a Grant Teaff would see."

He said people tell him things they wouldn't tell other people because he tries to be fair and accurate. Even though he graduated from Baylor in 1950 and has been accused of being biased in favor of his alma mater, "I've been accused of being a graduate of every school in the conference — even Arkansas, before they left."

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Baseball '93

Major leagues to feature whole new look this season

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

By mid-afternoon Monday, when the plate umpire tells Tim Wallach, now with the Los Angeles Dodgers, to hurry up and get back into the batter's box to face Charlie Hough, now with the new Florida Marlins, it should be pretty clear.

Baseball 1993 has a whole new look.

The lineups, the teams, the way the game itself is played. It's all changed.

Who's in first? For now, a lot of fans are wondering: Who's on first?

Barry Bonds, Greg Maddux, Dave Winfield, Paul Molitor and Dave Stewart are among the record 250 players who changed teams during the winter. Plus, Bo Jackson, Fernando Valenzuela and Kirk Gibson have returned after long absences.

The only constant seems to be Nolan Ryan. He's back with Texas for his final and record 27th season, which also will be the last year for the Rangers in Arlington Stadium.

If you're in Kansas City, all the swapping and free-agent signings are great. Coming off a 72-90 season, the additions of David Cone, Felix Jose, Jose Lind and Greg Gagne might make the Royals a championship team.

But if you're in Pittsburgh, it's terrible. Without Bonds, Doug Drabek, Lind and several role players, it's hard to imagine the Pirates winning their fourth straight National League East title.

"There is a high turnover, but it's what the fans want," Cone said. "There's a rotisserie mentality out there. Every team has a chance to go from last to first, because teams are doing it."

The Atlanta Braves made such a move and, with the addition of Maddux, are trying to become the first NL team to win three straight pennants since the 1942-44 St. Louis Cardinals.

The Toronto Blue Jays, meanwhile, will try to become the first team since the 1977-78 New York Yankees to repeat as World Series champions, albeit minus Cone, Winfield, Tom Henke, Jimmy Key, Kelly Gruber, Manuel Lee and Candy Maldonado.

That does not mean, however, that the Marlins and Colorado Rockies can expect so much, so soon.

The best record by an expansion team was 70-91 by the Los Angeles Angels in 1961. Even though the Rockies and Marlins got to draft players from both leagues — previous expansion teams could only pick players from their own league — there wasn't a ton of talent out there.

Still, the first new teams since 1977 are sure to make baseball more interesting, at least early in the season.

How far will the ball travel in the thin air at Mile High Stadium? How many rain delays will there be at Joe Robbie Stadium?

Either way, games in the majors will be quicker this season, hopes the commissioner's office — which is still missing a commissioner, and might not have one until 1994.

After the time of games increased for 15 years to nearly three hours each, a set of speedup rules have been put in place.

Now, batters will be urged to stay in the box and pitchers will be encouraged to take less time between pitches. Managers will be asked to make changes more promptly and public-address announcers will be told to introduce players more swiftly.

It is believed that the speedup guidelines will shave 20 minutes of dead time off each game. In turn, that might make the game more attractive to fans, especially important after 18 of the 26 teams lost attendance last season.

One thing that did not drop, of course, was the money paid to players. This year, exactly 100 players will make $3 million or more, with the average salary up to about $1.15 million.

Spiraling salaries, the drop in attendance and TV ratings and the absence of a commissioner are among the things that many fans mention when they say baseball is in turmoil.

Fans will see another sign of dissatisfaction Monday at the first game of the season. Before President Clinton throws out the first ball in Baltimore, the Rev. Jesse Jackson will be outside Camden Yards, leading a demonstration to protest minority hiring practices in the majors.

Those issues came to the forefront again late last year when Cincinnati Reds owner Marge Schott admitted using racial and ethnic slurs. She eventually was banned from baseball for one year. Her dog, Schottzie, will not be allowed on the field, either.

The lineup of owners changed, too, because on the day Schott's penalty began, George Steinbrenner's 2½ -year banishment ended.

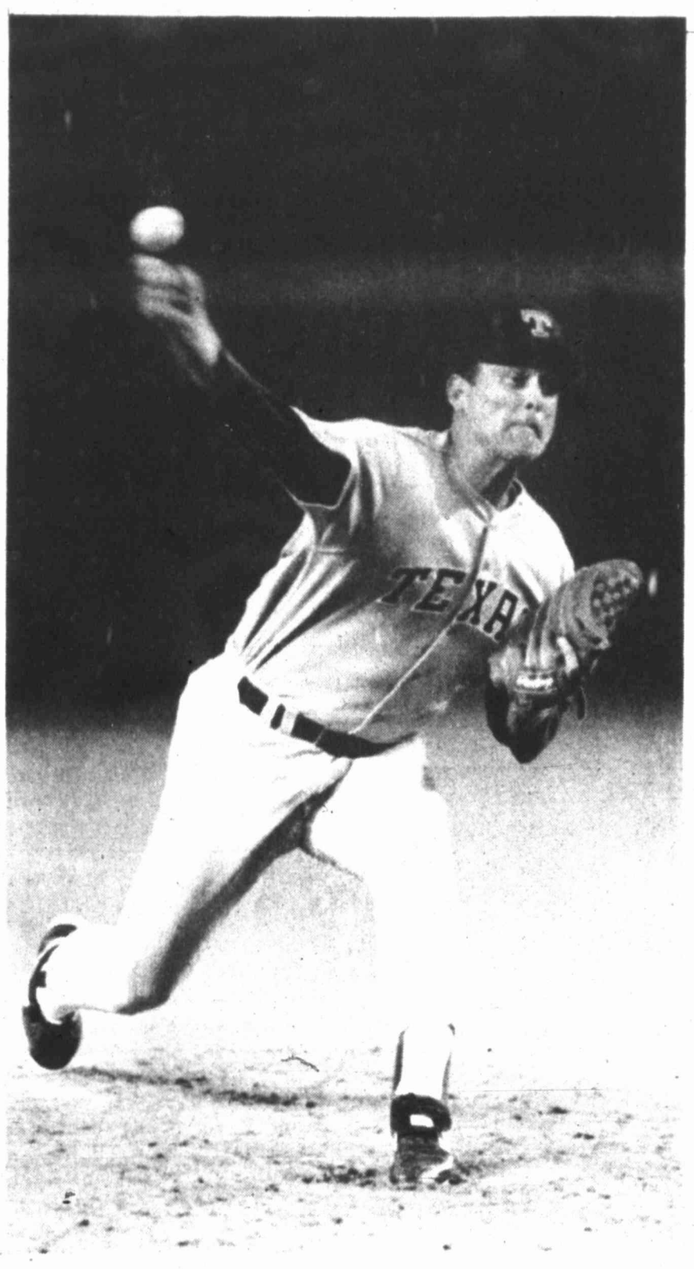
Steinbrenner did not make much noise during spring training. There was plenty of commotion, however, as a series of bench-clearing brawls broke out during the exhibitions.

Ryne Sandberg had his hand broken by an inside pitch and will begin the season on the disabled list. So will Hal Morris, who separated his shoulder while tackling Jose Mesa after a beanball.

Among those out of action at the start include Kevin Brown, one of nine Texas players on the disabled lis;, Shawon Dunston; Bill Gullickson; and Teddy Higuera, again.

Bob Ojeda also is on the disabled list. He was supposed to be part of an Indians team that would bring excitement to the last year of Cleveland Stadium.

But the old ballpark will not be so festive for Monday's game against the Yankees. Ojeda was the sole survivor in a boating accident that killed Cleveland pitchers Steve Olin and Tim Crews in Florida, and black armbands and patches will replace the usual bright banners and bunting in Cleveland on opening day.



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Texas Rangers' pitcher Nolan Ryan delivers a pitch in the first inning against the Houston Astros Friday. This will be the final season for Ryan, who is retiring after 27 seasons in the big leagues.

Masters, like wine, improves with age

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

AUGUSTA, Ga. — The Masters is the championship of nothing at all, except possibly the Augusta National Golf Club, yet it has become perhaps the games' most coveted title.

The tournament started as just another stop on the unorganized amble of touring pros that was the pre-World War II golf circuit. But events conspired to make the Masters at least the equal of the U.S. and British Opens.

There is the early spring date when golfers are craving the sport; the magical name of its founder, Bobby Jones; a course that lends itself to television drama; and a formidable list of champions: Sarazen, Hogan, Nelson and Snead; Palmer, Player and Nicklaus; Watson, Ballesteros and Faldo.

The 1993 Masters is as compelling as ever. It has a Spanish backache, a new born child, the world's most famous shark, a religious holiday, a wanderer who has found a home, and a high-profile divorce.

The latter involves Fred Couples, an engaging, easy-going man who won the Masters last year after his final-round tee shot on the par-3 12th incredible hung in high grass on a steep bank above Rae's Creek.

Money figures running to seven digits and an enormous amount of emotional tension are involved in the legal scrimmaging of his divorce proceedings from his wife of 11 years, Deborah.

Couples, a very private person, generally declines comment about the matter, but has admitted: "I go to sleep thinking about it and I wake up thinking about it."

Couples has won once this year, but he is well off his 1992 pace and the influence of the divorce on his enourmous talent in a Masters defense remains to be seen.

While Couples has been this country's outstanding player for the last two years, Nick Faldo of England has been the best in the world.

The current British Open titleholder is 35 and at the peak of his powers. He won six times around the world last year and, like a younger Jack Nicklaus, now is concentrating his energies solely on the major events, the Masters, U.S. and British Opens and the PGA.

He has five victories in those tournaments and has averaged one a year over the last four seasons. Like the young Nicklaus, he seems to be in title contention every time the world's great players get together.

Any doubt about his priorities was dispelled with the birth of a daughter three weeks ago. She was named Georgia, as in Augusta.

The bad back belongs to Seve Ballesteros, like Faldo a two-time winner of the Masters. The flare-up of an ailment that has troubled him since he was a teen-ager forced Ballesteros out of a recent European event and, at least for a while, threatened his career and placed in doubt his participation in the Masters.

Nick Price, who has found a home on the American tour, is quite possibly the most international of all the 22 foreign players listed in the 89-man field.

His father, an Englishman who served in the Indian army, immigrated to South Africa, where Nick was born. The family moved to Rhodesia where Price grew up, then served in the Rhodesian air force. Price played the South African and European tours before coming to the United States, still lists his homeland as Zimbabwe and carries a British passport.

Price, recently a run-away winner at the Players Championship, has seven world-wide victories in the last 23 months, including the 1992 PGA National Championship.

Wallace pole sitter for somber race

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

BRISTOL, Tenn. — Rusty Wallace, like other drivers still thinking about the loss of Alan Kulwicki, will start from the pole Sunday in the Food City 500 at Bristol International Raceway.

He hopes he'll have more success keeping his mind on his business than he did Friday while qualifying.

"When I was in the car I had to say to myself, 'Hey, let's concentrate on driving.'" Wallace said. "Nobody can get into it. Alan was a friend of all ours."

Kulwicki, the reigning NASCAR Winston Cup champion and winner of this race one year ago, was among four people killed Thursday night when their plane crashed while preparing to land at the nearby airport.

The last time Wallace started first at the .533-mile oval, he won the race, in 1991. His qualfying speed Friday was 120.933, far off the Bristol record Kulwicki set last year.

"We tested here three weeks ago and the car tested really strong," Wallace said. "We learned a lot about the chassis and shock absorbers. We ran fast."

Aside from the death of Kulwicki, the main topic of conversation is the concrete surface, on which drivers will be racing for the second time.

The track was quite rough for the Bud 500 here last fall, but drivers say the surface is much smoother after a winter of work on it.

"Running on the concrete is better than it has ever been," Wallace said.

Apparently, is it no faster.

Kulwicki set the qualifying record of 122.424 last year on the old asphalt surface.

Reggie narrows choices

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Free agent Reggie White has narrowed his list of teams to three — all in the NFC.

A source close to All-Pro defensive end's agent, Jimmy Sexton, told The Milwaukee Journal that White had narrowed his choices to San Francisco, Washington and Green Bay. The 49ers were to be the favorites, followed by the Redskins.

Sexton went to New Orleans on Friday to attend the NCAA Final Four, and could not be reached for comment.

Meanwhile, the New York Giants signed wide receiver Mike Sherrard to a $4.8 million, three-year deal, and the Pittsburgh Steelers kept quarterback Neil O'Donnell by matching the $8 million, three-year offer by the Tampa Bay Buccaneers.

The Washington Post reported Thursday that the Packers had made the highest bid of any team — a four-year contract worth $17.2 million. The Journal source said White probably would decide by Sunday.

But Redskins general manager Charley Casserly said Friday that he spoke briefly with Sexton.

"We had a very brief conversation this morning, but there was no negotiating," Casserly said. "We're still waiting to see what will happen."

For the Redskins, and to a lesser extent, the 49ers, the whole process has been hurry-up-and-wait.

The 31-year-old White, who had 81 tackles and 14 sacks last season for the Philadelphia Eagles, began his hunt for a new team by stating repeatedly that he wanted to play for a winning team.

Officials familiar with the discussions say the Redskins have offered a four-year, $14 million contract.

The 49ers, meanwhile reportedly are considering offering a five-year deal worth between $19 million and $20 million, with signing bonus of between $4 million and $5 million.

Two things work against the Redskins. They have a club policy against guaranteeing money and have never given signing bonuses to veterans.

To get around that roadblock, Washington could structure the deal so that White gets the bulk of the money in the first two years, a move that also would help when the NFL salary cap kicks in for the 1994 season.

San Francisco and Washington both have problems in that they are over the impending salary cap. Washington's reason for optimism is that the 49ers are farther above it than the Redskins.

Green Bay coach Mike Holmgren acknowledged the possibility that White could go elsewhere.

"All I know is we are one of the players," the coach said.

White earlier removed the New York Jets from the running because he wants to stay in the NFC.

"We have been informed by Jimmy Sexton ... that we have presented everything that Reggie was looking for, but that he had decided to stay in the NFC," Jets general manager Dick Steinberg said. "We are disappointed Reggie has decided to purse other opportunities, but we will continue our negotiations with other free agents who can improve the team."

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Phoenix at Indiana, 3 p
Orlando at Miami, 3 p.
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Dallas at LA Clippers,
Utah at LA Lakers, 9:3
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Indiana at New Jersey,
Philadelphia at Orlando
New York at Atlanta, 6:
Miami at Cleveland, 6:3
Washington at Detroit,
Chicago at Milwaukee,
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Dallas at Seattle, 9 p.m
LA Lakers at Phoenix,
Denver at Sacramento,
Utah at Portland, 9:30

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NEW ORLEANS (AP) -
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on the 7,116-yard, par-72

BASKETBALL

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All Times CDT

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
x-New York	50	20	.714	—
Boston	42	29	.592	8½
New Jersey	42	30	.583	9
Orlando	33	36	.478	16½
Miami	31	39	.443	19
Philadelphia	21	49	.300	29
Washington	21	50	.296	29½
Central Division				
x-Chicago	49	21	.700	—
Cleveland	43	27	.614	6
Atlanta	38	33	.535	11½
Charlotte	37	35	.514	13
Indiana	35	35	.500	14
Detroit	33	37	.471	16
Milwaukee	26	45	.366	23½

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
x-Houston	45	25	.643	—
x-San Antonio	44	26	.629	1
Utah	41	30	.577	4½
Denver	30	41	.423	15½
Minnesota	18	52	.257	27
Dallas	7	63	.100	38
Pacific Division				
x-Phoenix	54	15	.783	—
x-Seattle	48	23	.676	7
x-Portland	42	28	.600	12½
LA Clippers	35	36	.493	20
LA Lakers	34	35	.493	20
Golden State	29	41	.414	25½
Sacramento	22	49	.310	33

x-clinched playoff berth

Friday's Games

Portland 96, Philadelphia 91
New York 123, Miami 107
Charlotte 114, Cleveland 113
Indiana 118, Orlando 102
Phoenix 118, Boston 114
Detroit 109, Sacramento 100
Chicago 118, New Jersey 105
Golden State 134, Dallas 93
San Antonio 108, Minnesota 101
Denver 116, Milwaukee 107
LA Clippers 111, Atlanta 99

Saturday's Games

Late Games Not Included

Washington 114, Portland 102
Golden State at Houston, (n)
Atlanta at Seattle, (n)

Sunday's Games

Sacramento at Philadelphia, noon.
Chicago at Boston, 1:30 p.m.
New Jersey at Cleveland, 12:30 p.m.
Phoenix at Indiana, 3 p.m.
Orlando at Miami, 3 p.m.
Minnesota at Denver, 3 p.m.
New York at San Antonio, 7 p.m.
Dallas at LA Clippers, 8 p.m.
Utah at LA Lakers, 9:30 p.m.

Monday's Games

No games scheduled

Tuesday's Games

Indiana at New Jersey, 6:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at Orlando, 6:30 p.m.
New York at Atlanta, 6:30 p.m.
Miami at Cleveland, 6:30 p.m.
Washington at Detroit, 6:30 p.m.
Chicago at Milwaukee, 7:30 p.m.
LA Clippers at Houston, 7:30 p.m.
Golden State at San Antonio, 7:30 p.m.
Dallas at Seattle, 9 p.m.
LA Lakers at Phoenix, 9:30 p.m.
Denver at Sacramento, 9:30 p.m.
Utah at Portland, 9:30 p.m.

BASEBALL

Spring standings

All Times Central

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct.
New York	20	11	.645
Baltimore	16	10	.615
Chicago	19	13	.594
Minnesota	17	12	.586
Seattle	15	14	.517
Milwaukee	15	15	.500
Texas	15	15	.500
Oakland	15	17	.469
California	13	15	.464
Cleveland	11	14	.440
Kansas City	12	18	.400
Toronto	10	18	.357
Boston	11	20	.355
Detroit	8	20	.286

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct.
Cincinnati	18	9	.667
Philadelphia	16	10	.615
Atlanta	17	11	.607
Colorado	17	14	.548
Houston	14	12	.538
Montreal	13	12	.520
Pittsburgh	15	14	.517
Chicago	16	15	.516
Los Angeles	13	14	.481
New York	13	14	.481
Florida	14	17	.452
San Diego	12	15	.444
St. Louis	12	15	.444
San Francisco	13	17	.433

NOTE: Split-squad games count in standings, ties or college games do not

Friday's Games

Minnesota 11, Portland (AAA) 5
St. Louis 13, Toronto 8
Detroit 12, Cincinnati 10
Boston 10, Philadelphia 0
Florida (ss) 3, Cleveland 2
Atlanta 4, Montreal 1
New York Yankees vs. New York Mets at Washington, ccd., rain
Seattle 2, Milwaukee 0
Colorado 4, Colorado Springs (AAA) 3
Baltimore 6, Pittsburgh 4
Kansas City 7, Florida (ss) 5
Houston 4, Texas 3
Chicago White Sox 19, San Diego 9
Los Angeles 6, California 0
San Francisco 4, Oakland 2

Saturday's Games

Late Games Not Included

Montreal 9, Los Angeles (ss) 1
Kansas City 7, Florida 6
Atlanta 4, Boston 0
Pittsburgh 4, Baltimore 3
New York Mets 5, New York Yankees 1
Chicago White Sox 9, Chicago Cubs 8, 10 innings
Cleveland 9, Cincinnati 1
Minnesota 9, Colorado 7
Houston 7, Texas 7, tie, 10 innings
St. Louis 5, Philadelphia 3
Oakland 4, San Francisco 2
Seattle 4, Milwaukee 1
San Diego at Las Vegas (AAA), (n)
Detroit vs. Toronto at Vancouver, British Columbia, (n)
Los Angeles (ss) at California, (n)

Sunday's Games

New York Mets at New York Yankees, 12:05 p.m.
Los Angeles vs. Montreal at West Palm Beach, Fla., 12:05 p.m.
Colorado at Minnesota, 1:05 p.m.
Philadelphia vs. St. Louis at Oklahoma City, 2:05 p.m.
Detroit vs. Seattle at Vancouver, British Columbia, 2:05 p.m.
Oakland at San Francisco, 3:05 p.m.
San Diego at California, 3:05 p.m.
Milwaukee vs. Toronto at Vancouver, British Columbia, 7 p.m.

GOLF

Freeport Classic

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Scores and relation to par Saturday after the third round of the $1 million Freeport-McMoRan Golf Classic, played on the 7,116-yard, par-72 English Turn Golf and Country Club course:

Greg Kraft	72-71-69—212 -4
Russ Cochran	75-68-70—213 -3
Payne Stewart	70-70-73—213 -3
Mike Standly	71-71-72—214 -2
Greg Norman	77-69-70—216 E
Mark Brooks	73-72-71—216 E
Neal Lancaster	72-73-71—216 E
Bob Estes	73-71-72—216 E
Duffy Waldorf	71-73-72—216 E
Ted Schulz	77-70-70—217 +1
Steve Elkington	73-73-71—217 +1
Ed Fiori	71-75-71—217 +1
David Toms	74-72-71—217 +1
Jaime Gomez	75-70-72—217 +1
Vijay Singh	72-73-72—217 +1
Billy Mayfair	74-77-67—218 +2
Dick Mast	76-72-70—218 +2
Scott Hoch	72-74-72—218 +2
Kelly Gibson	73-72-73—218 +2
Bill Kratzert	71-80-68—219 +3
Richard Zokol	75-74-70—219 +3
Michael Bradley	74-74-71—219 +3
Brad Fabel	75-69-75—219 +3
Phil Blackmar	79-70-71—220 +4
Eddie Pearce	74-72-74—220 +4
Brad Bryant	76-70-74—220 +4
Peter O'Malley	78-74-69—221 +5
Jeff Woodland	75-76-70—221 +5
Ted Tryba	75-74-72—221 +5
Jc Anderson	78-70-73—221 +5
John Adams	73-75-73—221 +5
Jim Hallet	74-74-73—221 +5
Wayne Grady	75-72-74—221 +5
Steve Lowery	75-72-74—221 +5
Joe Ozaki	76-71-74—221 +5
Andy Bean	76-75-71—222 +6
Robin Freeman	79-72-71—222 +6
Donnie Hammond	74-77-71—222 +6
Greg Twiggs	76-75-71—222 +6
John Daly	75-73-74—222 +6
David Jackson	78-73-72—223 +7
Russell Beiersdorf	73-78-72—223 +7
Peter Persons	77-74-72—223 +7
Lee Porter	78-73-72—223 +7
Dave Barr	76-74-73—223 +7
Dudley Hart	73-76-74—223 +7
Mike Sullivan	77-71-75—223 +7
Patrick Burke	74-73-76—223 +7
Grant Waite	78-74-72—224 +8
Greg Cesario	76-76-72—224 +8
Ben Crenshaw	77-75-72—224 +8
Massy Kuramoto	78-73-73—224 +8
D.A. Weibring	77-74-73—224 +8
Doug Tewell	75-76-73—224 +8
Ed Dougherty	76-74-74—224 +8
Joel Edwards	76-73-75—224 +8
Denis Watson	76-72-76—224 +8
Ken Green	78-70-76—224 +8
Jodie Mudd	72-75-77—224 +8
Fulton Allem	78-74-73—225 +9
Ronnie Black	77-75-73—225 +9
Nick Faldo	78-71-76—225 +9
Jim Mcgovern	77-67-81—225 +9
Tom Sieckmann	78-74-74—226 +10
John Inman	80-72-74—226 +10
Peter Jacobsen	75-77-74—226 +10
Eric Johnson	76-75-75—226 +10
Kenny Knox	74-77-75—226 +10
Mike Donald	78-72-76—226 +10
Jose Maria Olazabal	78-71-77—226 +10
David Delong	76-76-75—227 +11
Lance Ten Broeck	76-76-75—227 +11
Morris Hatalsky	80-72-75—227 +11
Chris Tucker	76-75-76—227 +11
Jay Delsing	74-77-76—227 +11
Skip Kendall	76-76-76—228 +12
Mike Schuchart	73-78-78—229 +13
Scott Gump	76-75-78—229 +13

Seniors Tradition

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. (AP) — Scores Saturday after the third round of the $850,000 Seniors Tradition, played on Desert Mountain's 6,869-yard, par-72 Cochise course:

Gibby Gilbert	67-66-69—202
Tom Shaw	70-65-67—202
Mike Hill	69-68-66—203
Dale Douglass	69-66-69—204
Tom Weiskopf	68-67-69—204
Isao Aoki	69-65-71—205
Al Geiberger	74-69-64—207
Tom Wargo	71-71-66—208
Jack Kiefer	67-72-69—208
Charles Coody	67-72-69—208
Lee Trevino	66-70-72—208
Ray Floyd	69-71-69—209
Jim Albus	67-70-72—209
Jim Colbert	68-73-69—210
Bob Charles	68-69-73—210
Jack Nicklaus	72-69-70—211
Gary Player	67-73-71—211
Dick Hendrickson	74-67-70—211
Miller Barber	73-70-69—212
Ken Still	73-70-69—212
Larry Laoretti	69-73-70—212
Dave Stockton	66-73-73—212
Terry Dill	71-67-74—212
Don January	72-70-71—213
Bruce Lehnhard	70-70-73—213
Don Bies	70-69-74—213
Kermit Zarley	70-73-71—214
Mike Joyce	70-72-72—214
Dick Lotz	74-68-72—214
J.C.Snead	73-69-72—214
Tommy Aaron	73-73-69—215
Bob Wynn	71-74-70—215
George Archer	68-74-73—215
Dewitt Weaver	70-72-73—215
Chi Chi Rodriguez	71-70-74—215
Bob Reith	72-71-73—216
Bruce Crampton	75-68-73—216
Bob Brue	74-75-68—217
Rives Mcbee	71-76-70—217
Bruce Devlin	73-74-70—217
Rocky Thompson	76-70-71—217
Joe Jimenez	72-73-72—217
Larry Ziegler	73-69-75—217
Orville Moody	74-75-69—218
Bob Verwey	72-76-70—218
Lee Elder	71-76-71—218
Babe Hiskey	75-69-74—218
Don Massengale	72-70-76—218
Bobby Nichols	68-78-73—219
Ben Smith	68-77-74—219
Jim Dent	72-72-75—219
Larry Gilbert	72-71-76—219
Larry Mowry	76-73-71—220
Walter Zembriski	72-73-75—220
Arnold Palmer	76-74-71—221
Butch Baird	75-74-73—222

The City Of Coahoma
will be having it's
Annual Animal Clinic
April 17, 1993
9:00am - 12:00noon
&1:30pm - 5:00pm
at the
Coahoma Fire Dept.
Rabies - $4.00
Distemper & Parvo - $8.00

For more info Call: 394-4287

Baseball costs

Average prices of what it cost a baseball fan to attend a major league game.

Year	Ticket	Beer	Soda	Hot Dog	Parking	Program	Cap
1993	$9.57	$3.09	$1.39	$1.81	$5.76	$2.91	$11.01
1992	$9.41	$2.94	$1.31	$1.81	$5.51	$2.61	$9.55



Source: Team Marketing report — AP

BOWLING

Bowling

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Walker L.P. Gas over B.S.I., 8-0; Big Spring Herald over 1st National Bank, 8-0; Bob Brock Ford over Parks Conv. Center, 6-2; O'Daniel Trucking over Fina Engineers, 6-2; Rocky's over Pollard Chevrolet, 6-2; and Hagen TV Repair over Western Container, 6-2.

High single game LeRoy Headrick, 265; high total series Sam Gonzales, 694; high team game O'Daniel Trucking, 1145; and high team series Bob Brock Ford, 3113.

STANDINGS — G. Walker L.P. Gas, 150-82; Big Spring Herald, 145-87; O'Daniel Trucking, 143-89; Parks Conv. Center, 123-109; Fina Engineers, 113-119; Rocky's, 112-120; Hagen T.V. Repair, 111-121; Bob Brock Ford, 106-126; Western Container, 103-129; B.S.I., 110-122; 1st Nat. Bank, 90-142; and Pollard Chevrolet, 86-146.

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LADIES CLASSIC

RESULTS — Shock Wave over Bits & Pieces, 8-0; L & M Properties over Pretty Things, 8-0; The PJ's over The Dream Team, 6-2; hi sc. game and series Joycee Davis, 278 and 709; hi sc. team game and series L & M Properties, 731 and 2087; hi hdcp game and series Joycee Davis, 283 and 724; hi hdcp team game and series L & M Properties, 899 and 2591.

STANDINGS — L & M Properties, 127-89; Pretty Things, 121-87; Shock Wave, 116-100; The Dream Team, 98-118; Bits & Pieces, 96-120; The PJ's, 82-126.

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LADIES MAJOR

RESULTS — Team Hughes over Sassie Ladies, 6-2; Tom Boy Shop over LaContesa Cutters, 6-2; Miss Royale over Barber Glass & Mirror, 6-2; Pretty Things over S & H Floor Covering, 6-2; Campbell Concrete over E P Driver Ins., 6-2; KC Kids over Arrow Refrigeration, 6-2; Rocky's over Vanessa's, 6-2; hi sc. game and series Michela Hull, 226 and 573; hi sc. team game and series Campbell Concrete, 671 and 1904; hi hdcp game and series Michela Hull, 258 and 669; hi hdcp team game and series Campbell Concrete, 8399 and 2408.

STANDINGS — Arrow Refrigeration, 138-94; Campbell Concrete, 136-96; Miss Royale, 132-100; Hall's Aircooled Engine, 130-94; KC Kids, 128-104; Lacontesa Cutters, 125-107; Pretty Things, 123-109; Sassie Ladies, 118-114; EP Driver Ins., 118-114; Barber Glass & Mirror, 116-116; S & H Floor Covering, 112-120; Frame Busters, 108-116; Tom Boy Shop, 106-126; Team Hughes, 102-130; Rocky's, 90-142; Vanessa's, 66-166.

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CAPROCK

RESULTS — Burgess Automotive over Two Ballers, 8-0; Fred's Septic Service over Bob Brock Ford, 8-0; Coors over Just Showing Up, 8-0; Trio Fuels over Bojangles, 6-2; Pin Breakers over Tough As Nails, 6-2; hi sc. game (man) Lecroy, 288; hi sc. series (man) J.M. Ringener, 690; hi hdcp game (man) Jackie Lecroy, 301; hi hdcp series (man) J.M. Ringener, 738; hi sc. team game and series Burgess Automotive, 861 and 2447; hi hdcp team game and series Burgess Automotive, 926 and 2647.

STANDINGS — Tough As Nails, 66-30; Fred's Septic Service, 60-36; Trio Fuels, 58-38; Bojangles, 54-42; Two Ballers, 52-44; Coors, 48-48; Burgess Automotive, 42-54; Pin Breakers, 40-56; Bob Brock Ford, 34-62; Just Showing Up, 26-70.

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PINPOPPERS

RESULTS — A & B Farms over Yates Cattle Co., 6-2; Kuykendall Inc. over Calvert's Liquor Store, 8-0; Health Food Center over Tret-O-Lite, 6-2; Casual Shoppe over Short Sircuit, 6-2; Steve Smith Agency over Hair Clinic, 6-2; hi sc. game and series Mary Mulkey, 196 and 552; hi sc. team game and series Health Food Center, 714 and 2026; hi hdcp game and series Mary Mulkey, 238 and 678; hi hdcp team game and series Health Food Center, 862 and 2470.

STANDINGS — Health Food Center, 170-70; Kimella's Cafe, 144-88; Hair Clinic, 142-98; Kuykendall Inc., 140-100; Casual Shoppe, 136-104; Tret-O-Lite, 128-112; A & B Farms, 110-130; Short Sircuit, 105-135; Steve Smith Agency, 101-139; Calvert's Liquor St., 99-141; Yates Cattle Co., 98-152; Holland Cottonseed, 69-163.

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STERLING CITY TRAVELERS

Nitty Gritty vs. Crazy Eights, 6-2; Moms & Dads over Bowl-A-Rama, 6-2; Permian Research over Well Tech, 6-2; and Fifth Wheels over Millers, 8-0.

Hi. sc. series team Permian Research, 1951; Chris Jones, 631; and Karen Henderson, 478; hi. sc. game team Permian Research, 664; Chris Jones, 231; and Martha Dobek, 181; Hi. hdcp high series team Moms & Dads, 2429; Wally Franklin, 720; and Sylvia Fletcher, 626; hi. hdcp game team Moms & Dads, 831; Chris Jones, 252; and Frances Hobbs, 236.

STANDINGS — Nitty Gritty, 149-83; Well Tech, 133-107; Permian Research, 122-118; Moms & Dads, 118-106; Fifth Wheels, 115-117; Crazy Eights, 108-124; Bowl-A-Rama, 106-126; and Millers, 85-155.

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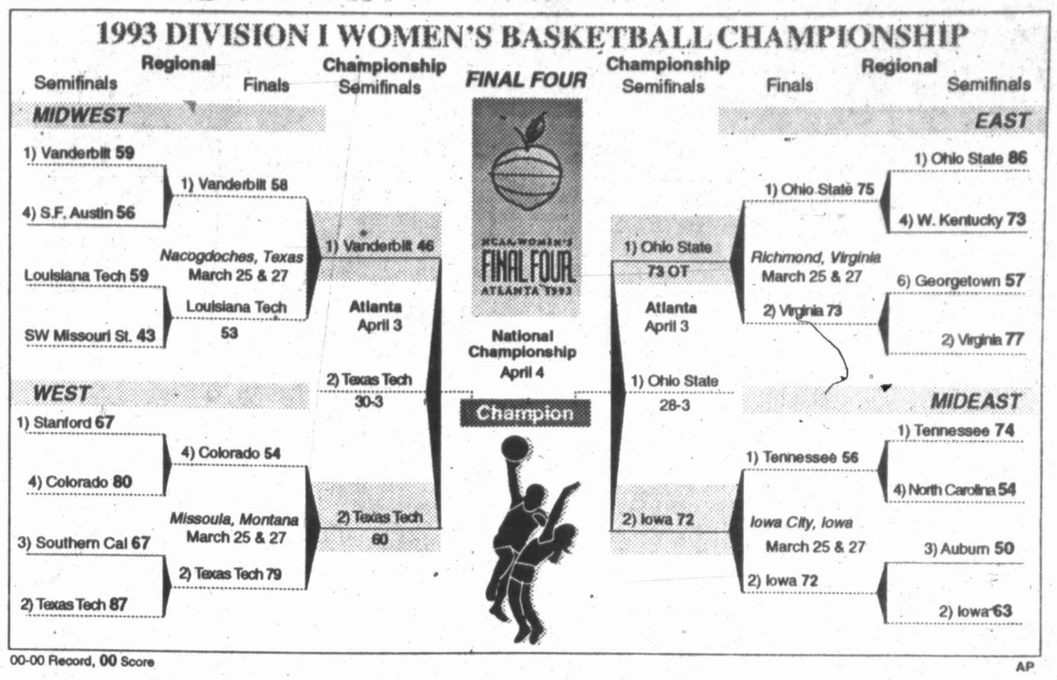
WEDNESDAY NITE TRIO

Loan Stars over Saunders Company, 8-0; Neals Sporting Goods over Fast Stop Exxon, 8-0; Arrow Refrigeration over Newman Outdoor Advertising, 8-0; First National Bank (unopposed), 8-0; Fly By Night over Copy Cats, 6-2; Slow Starters over NAPA Slingers, 6-2; Timeless Design over Alley Cats, 6-2; S.A.W over Rascals, 6-2; Big Spring Music over We Are Family, 6-2; and Fifth Wheels split with Security State Bank, 4-4.

Hi. sc. game Ken Beeler, 225; Sun Fulesday, 238; hi. sc. series Jerald Burgess, 649; Sun Fulesday, 588; hi. hdcp game Ken Beeler, 266; Sun Fulesday, 274; hi. hdcp series Jerald Burgess, 754; Bobbie Chambers, 698; hi. sc. team game Fast Stop Exxon, 583; hdcp Arrow Refrigeration, 695; hi. sc. team series Fast Stop Exxon, 1644; and hdcp Arrow Refrigeration, 1988.

STANDINGS — Security State Bank, 138-88; Big Spring Music, 135-97; Arrow Refrigeration, 134-90; We Are Family, 134-96; Fifth Wheels, 132-100; S.A.W., 129-103; Fly By Night, 123-109; Loan Stars, 122-110; Newman Outdoor Advertising, 119-105; Neals Sporting Goods, 117-113; Saunders Company, 117-115; Copy Cats, 117-115; Timeless Design, 116-116; Slow Starters, 115-115; Rascals, 115-113; First National Bank, 105-123; Fast Stop Exxon, 104-124; Alley Cats (postponed), 101-127; and NAPA Slingers (unopposed), 95-129.

1993 DIVISION I WOMEN'S BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

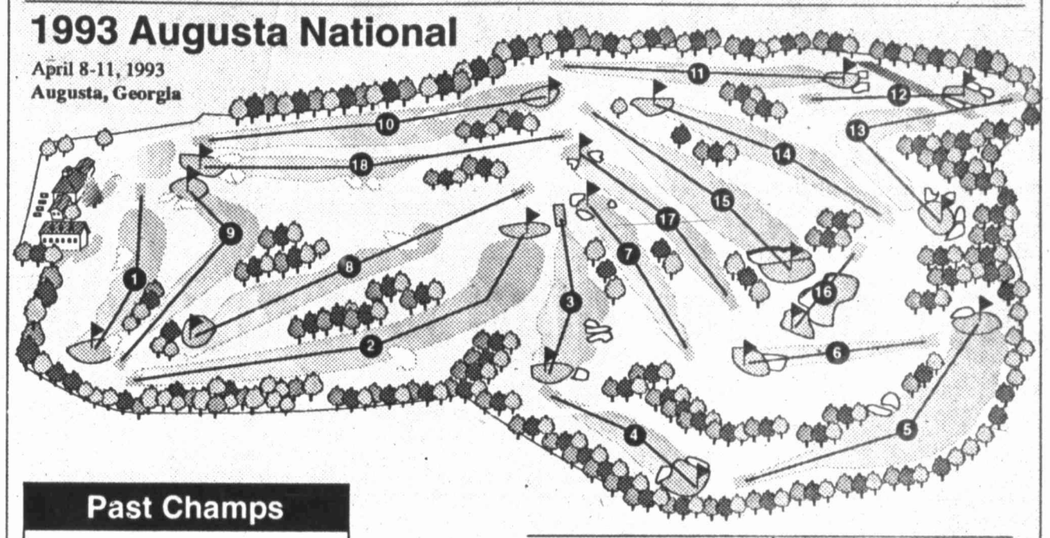


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1993 Augusta National

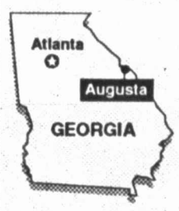
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Past Champs

Year	Winner	Score
1983	Seve Ballesteros	275
1984	Ben Crenshaw	276
1985	Bernhard Langer	282
1986	Jack Nicklaus	280
1987	Larry Mize*	279
1988	Sandy Lyle	281
1989	Nick Faldo*	283
1990	Nick Faldo*	278
1991	Ian Woosnam	277
1992	Fred Couples	275

* Won in playoffs



Hole	Par	Yards	Hole	Par	Yards
1	4	400	10	4	485
2	5	555	11	4	455
3	4	360	12	3	155
4	3	205	13	5	465
5	4	435	14	4	405
6	3	180	15	5	500
7	4	360	16	3	170
8	5	535	17	4	400
9	4	435	18	4	405
OUT	36	3,465	IN	36	3,440
			TOTAL	72	6,905

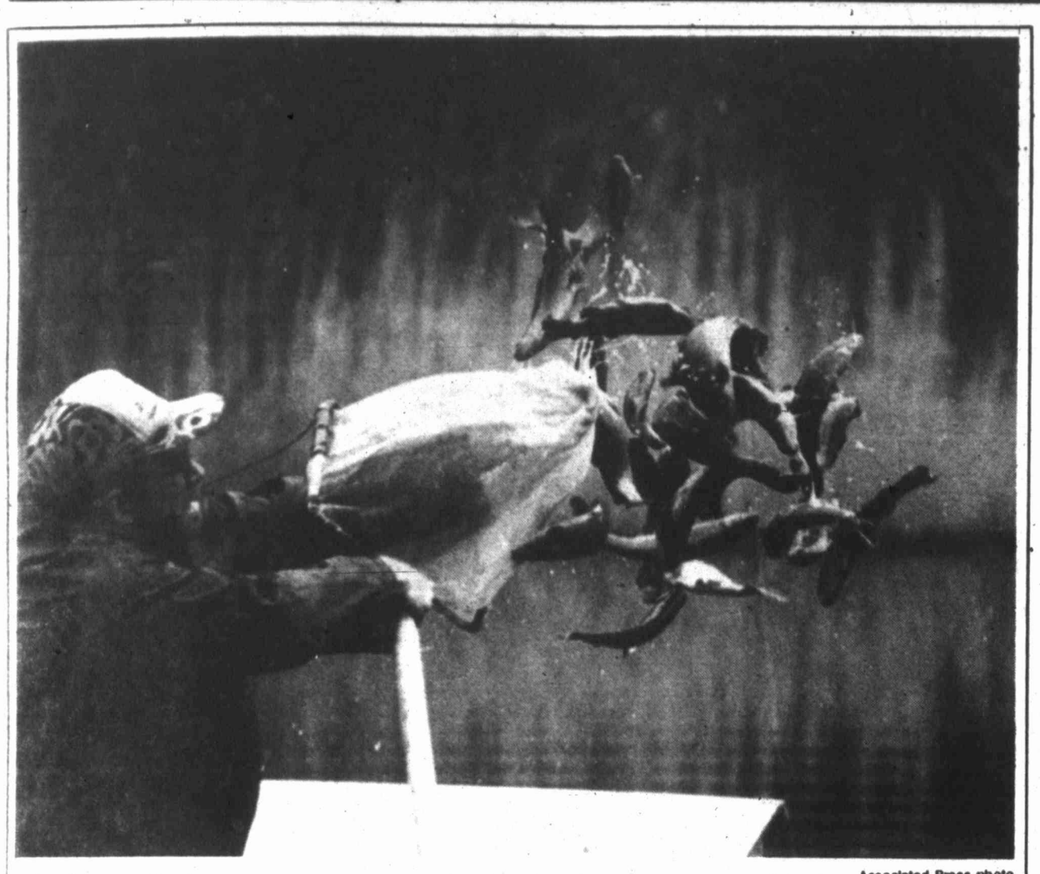
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Flying fish?

Russ Parson lets a net full of rainbow trout go into a pond at Shad Landing Campground on the Pocomoke River near Pocomoke City, Md. Tuesday. The trout are part of the Maryland Department of Natural Resources Release program.

Show dog owners have crippled hunting breeds

By LOWELL BRANHAM
Scripps-Howard News Service

A wise old man I know once said, "One of the worst things that can happen to a woman is to be born good lookin'.

COMMENTARY

"Nine times out of 10, a woman who's born good lookin' will go through life dependin' on her looks to get by, and most would do fine except for one little hitch. Good looks have a bad drawback — they're only temporary. But the mind-set they create is nearly always permanent."

For good reason, I'll withhold comment on women and good looks. It's obvious from my mug that if I know anything about good looks, I surely learned it secondhand.

And if I knew much about women, it's not likely I'd have stayed a bachelor all these years. Of course, there are those who've accused me of knowing too much about women to fall twice into the pit of matrimony, but I categorically deny it.

I do own up, though, to knowing a little something about hunting dogs, which is about all I've got to show for the large chunk of my life I've spent trailing behind them. And I can tell you for certain that good looks have been the ruin of more breeds of sporting dogs than any other thing.

The Irish setter is probably the preeminent example of a breed being too good-looking for its own good. As its name implies, it originated in Ireland as a dog used for bird hunting.

Irish setters were originally red and white, but occasionally an all-red pup would crop up among its spotted littermates. The red dogs were not favorably regarded because in addition to being an anomalous color, they were inferior in the field.

Had Irish setters remained the exclusive province of hunters, the red dogs would have been culled and all would have been well. But about the middle of the last century, the handsomeness of the all-red castoffs caught the eye of the dog-show crowd, and the breed's fate was sealed.

The Irish setters of today retain their good looks, but that's all they retain. They couldn't find a bird if you turned them loose in a pet shop, and if scientists examined their brain pans, they'd surely quit claiming there's no such thing as a perfect vacuum.

Another breed sabotaged by its own comeliness is the cocker spaniel. When it originated in England in the 19th century, it was strictly a hunting dog. In fact, it was first known as a woodcock spaniel, then later as cocking spaniel and finally just as a cocker.

Its silky coat made the cocker easy to look at, and its pleasant disposition made it an ideal pet. And therein lay the seeds of its doom. Between them, the show folks and the pet breeders turned the cocker into yapping, rheumy-eyed, neurotic fit neither for the hearth nor the heather.

Amid great hoopla back in the late 1920s, the handsome and stylish weimaraner was introduced into this country from Germany.

Lowell Branham is a copy editor for The News-Sentinel in Knoxville, Tenn.

How to stay high and dry when camping in the heavy rain

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Camping in the rain can be a great character-building experience — but it does not have to be a disaster.

The new clothing and equipment that has come along makes it pretty easy to stay dry for a few hours or even a day in torrential downpours, Ted Kerasote wrote in an article in the current issue of Sports Afield, but staying dry in day after day of drenching rain means paying attention to details.

Your tent is where you go at night to dry out, to relax, to get warm, so seam-seal it. Treat every seam on the fly and all the seams around the floor of the tent. When the seams are dry, add another application.

When choosing a tent, think of the great amount of wet gear that it has to store — boots, anoraks, rain pants, packs. Consider a tent with a vestibule, a small room that extends a fly several feet beyond the front door to store wet gear conveniently.

If your tent-fly combination does not come with a vestibule, a handy alternative can be created with a tarp. Pitch the tent. Over it erect a tarp high enough to stand under. A 9-by-12-foot tarp is big enough to erect over a small two-person tent.

Under the tarp you can cook, set up chairs, even build a fire if the tarp is pitched high enough. This tent-tarp provides a huge amount of usable space.

When buying gear, remember no pack is waterproof — only water-resistant. They resist water for a few hours, maybe a day. Then seepage begins. So buy a coated pack cover, one with adjustable and elastic drawstrings to fit over various sized packs.

Even pack covers eventually abrade and lose their waterproofing. To insure the dryness of your pack's contents, put your food in doubled, medium-size Ziploc bags; your clothing in doubled, jumbo bags; and then put these in waterproof stuffsacks.

Doubled plastic garbage bags will substitute nicely for stuffsacks but they don't endure for more than a few days without ripping.

Likewise, sleeping bags can be put in doubled trash bags, but a longer-lasting and dryer solution is to use a medium-size river runner's day bag.

When choosing clothing, go for lightweight, quick-drying synthetic fabrics.

In your daily routine, fetch water before going to bed so you won't have to get wet first thing in the morning. When ready to break camp, pack your gear in the tent, don rain shells, step out of the tent and strike it.

Briefs

Hale to hold safety course

A course in hunter education will be offered from 6-10 p.m. April 14-17 in Big Spring, said Boyce Hale, chief hunter education instructor for this area.

Texas Parks and Wildlife Department regulations require persons born during the period of Sept. 2, 1971 to Aug. 31, 1973 must have successfully completed the course in order to hunt in Texas. By Sept. 1, all persons born on or after Sept. 2, 1971 must have completed the course.

The course is open to all and includes instruction in rifle, shotgun and bowhunting handling and safety; outdoor responsibility and ethics; laws and regulations; conservation; hunting traditions; wildlife identification; field care of game; wilderness first aid and survival; and live-fire exercises, Hale said.

For more information, contact Hale at 267-6957 or Dibrells Gun Shop at 267-7891.

Warm weather improves fishing

Warming weather produced a boom in fishing results during the past weekend. Lake O.H. Ivie had excellent fishing for black and small mouth bass, as well as crappie. Catfish and white bass fishing was fair to good.

The Robert Lee Striper tournament produced respectable results last weekend with Bruce Brauneck, San Angelo, capturing first place with a string of five totalling 55 pounds, 12 ounces Water temperature there was 60 degrees, and fish were moving to shallower water for spawn.

Lake Thomas water rose to 54 degrees and crappie fishing picked up pronouncedly. Chartreuse jugs appeared to get best results, with a few stringers ranging up to 25. Black bass fishing there was only fair, and other types even less. Bo Merket, Colorado City, reeled in 6.8 and 5.8-pound black bass, in 6-8 feet of water, using a green bass jig with trailer.

Fishing out of Paint Creek Marina at Lake Spence, second place in the tournament went to Herb Sorey, Greenwood, three stripers totalling 48¼ pounds; Jerry Mosher, Hamilton, four stripers aggregating 44 pounds George Good, Euless, caught five stripers, the largest 15 pounds Largest, however, went to Sorey with one at 17 lbs, 7 ozs, followed by George Good with one at 15 pounds, 15 ounces, and Jackie Mercur, one at 14 pounds 6 ounces All stripers were on good condition and mostly were caught on cut and live shad.

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

ATTENTION CALENDAR USERS: Support groups will be listed regularly in Thursday's life! section.

Calendar

Today

- Big Spring Humane Society will have a rummage sale from 1-4 p.m. at W. 4th and Galveston.
- Bingo is offered at the Lions Building, Monday and Tuesday, 6 p.m.; and by Christmas in April on Wednesdays at 6 p.m.; Double session Lions & Harc on Saturday at 6 p.m. Lion's Lic. #12372690748, HARC Lic. #30008084854, CIA Lic. #17521878011.
- St. Thomas Catholic Church offers bingo at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday and Sunday. Lic. #3-00-786055-1.
- Bingo at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church, 1009 Hearn, Fridays and Saturdays beginning at 6:30 p.m. Lic. #1751274202. Maximum payout. There will be no bingo April 9th or 10th. Bingo will resume on Friday, April 16th.
- Sacred Heart Church Youth Center, 509 Aylford will have bingo on Sundays from 7-10 p.m. Lic. #BL17561723804.
- American Legion Post #506, will at a Shuffle Board Tournament at 2 p.m. on Saturdays. Entry fee is $2.00. Draw for partners. Pot paid to winning partners. 3203 W. Hwy. 80.
- Zion Rest Cemetery in Colorado City will have workdays on April 15, 16, and 17. Rakes, hoes and shovels are needed, as well as some financial help to hire machinery to remove a build up of dirt. The cemetery is located 4½ miles east of Buford on FM 1982. For information call A.K. McCarley Jr. at 728-3735 or write him at Rt 1 Box 81, Colorado City, 79512.

Monday

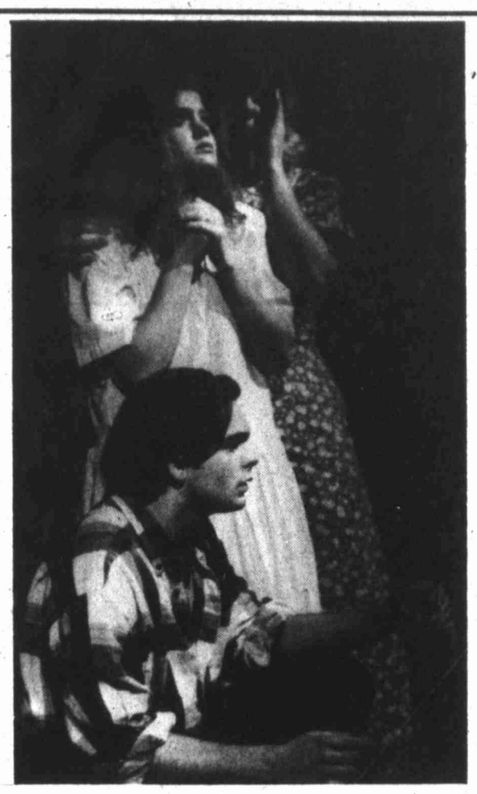
- There will be gospel singing at the Kentwood Center on Lynn Dr., at 7 p.m. For information call 393-5709.
- Howard County Youth Horsemen will meet at 7 p.m. at the Youth Horsemen Arena clubhouse. For information call Paula Perry, 393-5617.
- The Citizen Advisory Group will meet at 5:30 p.m. at the Howard County Mental Health Center, 315 Runnels. For information call 263-0027.
- Coahoma Elementary PTA will meet at 7 p.m. in the elementary AV room. Program will be 1st grade spelling bee.

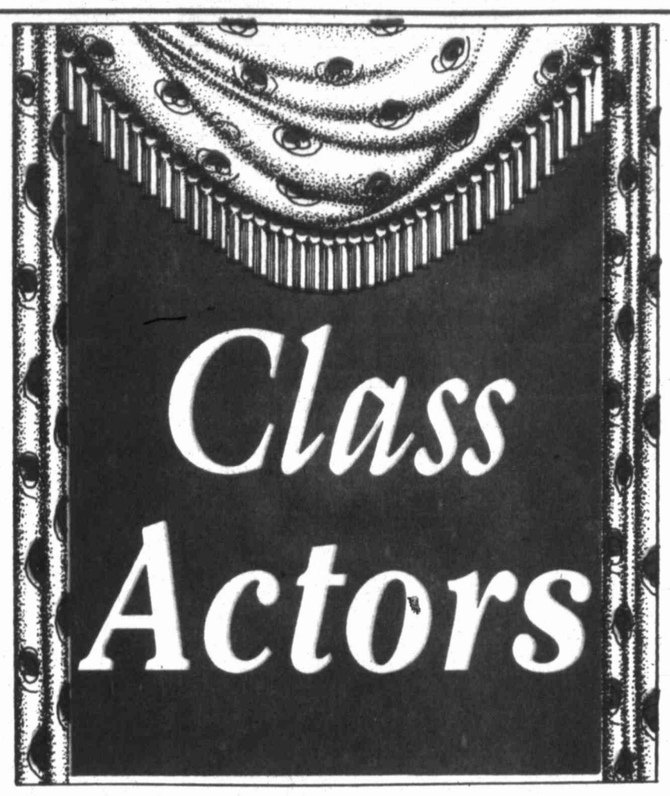
Tuesday

- Spring Tabernacle Church, 1209 Wright St, has free bread and whatever else is available for area needy from 10 a.m. to noon.
- Big Spring Senior Center ceramics class from 9:30-11:30 a.m. 55 and older invited.
- There will be a meeting to organize a singles group at 7:30 p.m. at the West Texas Center for the Arts, 125 E. 3rd St. For information call 264-7432 from 1-5 p.m.
- There will be a nomination and election of officers meeting at 7 p.m. at the VFW hall. All members are urged to attend.
- AARP will have a business meeting and luncheon at 10 a.m. at the Kentwood Center, 2805 Lynn. Speaker will be Ruth West from Snyder. Public invited.
- "Parents Who Care" volunteers are needed to help with the "After Prom Party" for junior and senior high classes. There will be a meeting at 7 p.m. in the high school library.
- A Video Presentation in Color on the "learning bridge" will be presented 7-8 p.m. at College Heights Elementary School library. Parents are encouraged to attend.
- There will be a brown-bag luncheon, workshop noon to 1 p.m. in the Tumbleweed Room of the Dora Roberts Student Union Building on the Howard College campus. Topic will be Parenting Skills: Dealing with the Adolescent.
- Coahoma Senior Center Project Group will meet at 11 a.m. at the Coahoma Community Center, 306 North Ave. Visitors welcome. For information call 394-4439.
- Compassionate Friends, a support group for parents & grandparents who lost a child through death will meet at 7:30 p.m. at the First Baptist Church room 113. Use S.E. entrance. For information call 267-2769.

Wednesday

- Eagles Lodge men's meeting will be at 7 p.m.







Student dedication brings contest production to life

They might rather be at home, visiting friends or watching TV.

But a group of dedicated Big Spring High School actors has given up evening free time, among other things, in recent months. They have been rehearsing a play for several hours, several days a week, since the first of February.

The play, "The Diviners," is their entry in the University Interscholastic League One-Act Play competition.

For it, each school enters a 40-minute production, traveling to perform at various competitions — first zone, then district, area and region. Finally, the best of Texas will compete at state.

Big Spring's entry has already won zone. Saturday they competed at district.

"We'll go to state," say the Big Spring students, adding, after some discussion, "hopefully."

"Doing this is very rewarding," said actress Shelli Webb. "It's hard, but we don't care because we love it."

With dedication comes sacrifice, however.

"I've had to give up a lot of hours at work," said Angela Porter, who normally keeps a part-time job at Santa Fe Sandwiches.

Others have given up sports, other extracurricular activities, free time. They bring their homework to rehearsals.

Apparently some have had to sacrifice their vanity as well.

"We can't get a haircut until after it's over," said Neil Childs. "I'm going to take clippers to Austin and do it myself after we win state."

The jokes fly rapidly with this group.

"We have fun," explained crew member Dan Goodman. "We all get along. We don't have any whiners."

Yes, they all agree, they have become like a family.

"This is a great group," said Tim Haynes, Big Spring High School drama teacher and the show's director.

"The Diviners," written by Jim Leonard Jr., is at times dark and dramatic, then light and funny. The high school production also includes some amazing special effects. A stage, decorated only with pale grey boxes and ramps, becomes a riverbank.

The director, like his student-actors, has put much work into the production. But he is pleased with the outcome, and the amount of themselves the young people have given to the play.

"This is the cream of the crop — we've got student council, athletes, band — a very select group," Haynes said. After two long months of work, he added, they still surprise him with their abilities.

"There's such an element of surprise when a student realizes something, when it works," Haynes said. "I love to see their characters come alive."

Take Brandy Bedell, who plays Jennie Mae in the production. For her young-but-eager-to-grow-up girl, Bedell says her costume helps her get into character.

"I put myself in her place," explained Bedell.

Robert Lee, who plays Jennie's younger brother Buddy, rubs his arms, legs and face with powdered charcoal to become the young boy who won't take a bath.

Haynes said — surprise, kids — they are learning, as well.

Stage Manager Neiman Talbot would agree.

"There is a lot of responsibility involved," she said.

They don't worry about lines. Many said they know the play so well, they could probably recite the entire production.

They are learning to be a team.

"Everyone helps," Goodman added. "We all do our part."

They enjoy Haynes' sense of humor. He tries to encourage them, to help them enjoy what they are doing.

A favorite saying of the director, used to spur students on before competition, is "Carpe diem (Latin for seize the day) and have fun."

More than the thrill and pride of victory — although they want that very much — Haynes hopes his student actors will benefit from their experience.

"I'm always proud of my kids," he said. "I want them to be proud of themselves. So many kids get out of high school and they don't even know why they were there.

"I want to create memories for these kids."

Playbill

The cast of "The Diviners" includes: Robert Lee, Brandy Bedell, T.L. Rogers, Neil Childs, Angie Patterson, Kelly Bowermon, Angela Porter, Jeremy Edens, Amy Osmulski, Clay Klatt, Jay McVean, Mike Mancil, Shelli Webb and Gary Smoot.

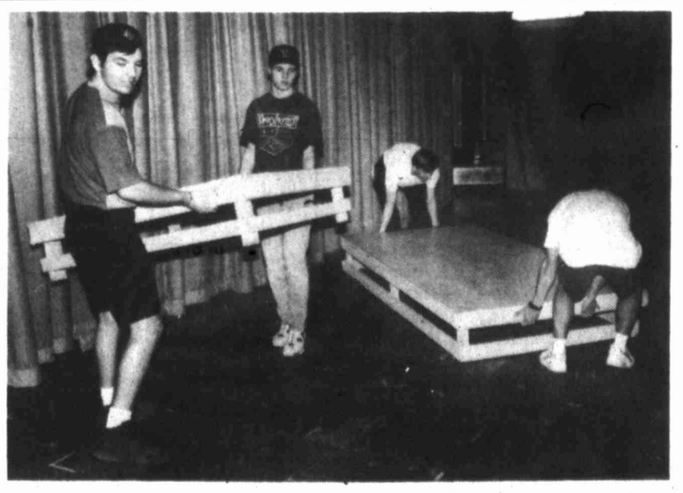
Crewmembers are: Neiman Talbot, Carlos Garza, Dan Goodman, Heather Knous and Amy Moring.

Alternates are: Hillary Twining, Peggy DeAnda, Bryan Lelek, Brandon Johnson, Kate Rainwater, Betsy Murphy, Gwen Mason, Michael Webb, Chris Cimino, Kirstie Moates, Melissa Shelton, Greg Gressett and Elisa Hinojos.

And the Oscar goes to...

At zone competition, Best Actress was Brandy Bedell. Best Actor was Jeremy Edens. All-star Cast winners were Robert Lee, Neil Childs and Amy Osmulski.

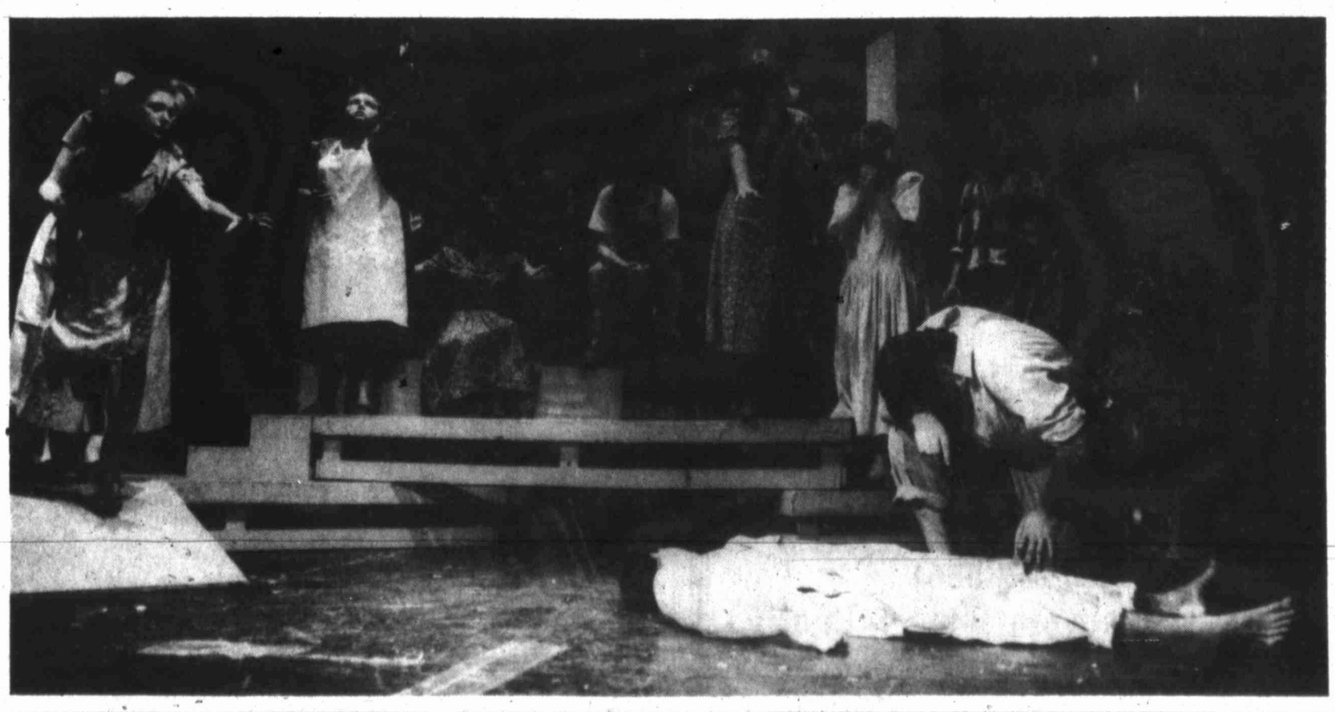






In the photos, clockwise from top left — Jeremy Edens, Chanda Laudermilk and Amy Osmulski react with emotion; Robert Lee as "Buddy" tries to get a reaction out of his sister, "Jennie Mae," played by Brandy Bedell; Osmulski as "Luella Bennett" is defiant against "Norma," played by Angie Patterson; sound technician Dan Goodman gets ready for a show; castmembers react at the dramatic opening of the play, the drowning of a young boy; crewmembers set platforms in place on the stage; Edens as "Basil" points to Lee's "Buddy" as he locates water with his diving rod.

Photos by Tim Appel
Story by Debbie Lincecum





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Weddings

Dunagan-Mahler

Dennis Dunagan and Judy Mahler exchanged wedding vows on March 25, 1993, in Midland.

The groom is the son of Geneva Dunagan of Big Spring. He is employed at Champion Chemical in Odessa.

The bride is formerly of Junction. The couple will make their home in Midland.

Anniversaries

Szitar

John and Alveta Szitar will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary with a reception on April 4, 1993, at Mineola Federal Savings & Loan. Hosts will be their children, children's spouses, and grandchildren.

He was born in Carteret, N.J. and she in Polar, Texas. She is the former Alveta Clanton.

They met in January 1943 while John was stationed at Webb Air Force Base and Alveta worked at Walgreen Drug Store in Big Spring. They married on April 1, 1943 at the Howard County Courthouse. Walter Grice performed the ceremony.

Their children are Sue Steen, Brenda Cook, Ted Szitar, Debby Blalock and Sherry Brown, all of Mineola, and John Szitar of Leslie, Ark.

They have 16 grandchildren.

They lived mostly in the Big Spring area until moving to Mineola in 1961. They are semi-retired now. Previous employers were Vaughn & Meads Bakeries & Borden Milk Co. in Big Spring. John was self-employed.

They are members of the Trinity Fellowship Church in Lindale where their son-in-law, Ben Steen, is a pastor. They are also members of Autumn Trails Model A Club.

Alveta's hobbies are ceramics, porcelain dolls and her yard. John's hobbies are gardening and a 1928 Model A car. They both have the "Nintendo habit."

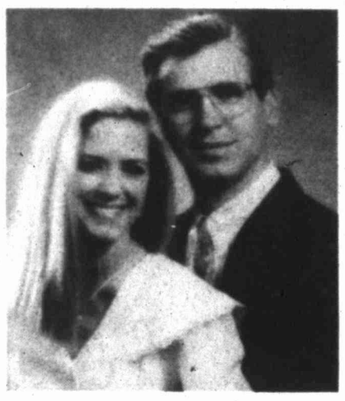


JOHN AND ALVETA SZITAR, MAY 1943

Engaged



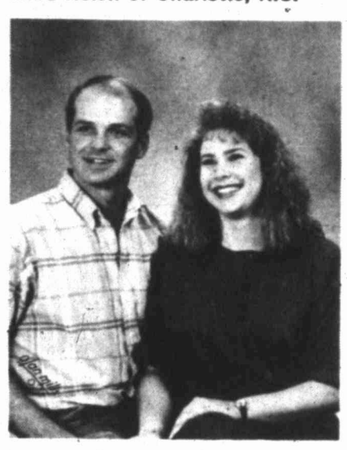
TO MARRY — Ann Yoder and Rusty Hayworth of Dallas will exchange wedding vows on May 29, 1993, at First Baptist Church of Hebron in Carrollton. Parents of the bride-elect are Jim and Alice Yoder of Dalhart. Parents of the prospective groom are Jim and Harriet Hayworth of Big Spring. Pastor Bob Craig will perform the ceremony.



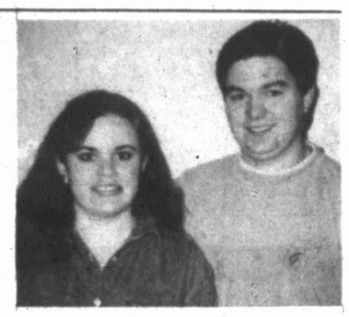
TO MARRY — Michelle Lee Miner and Jim Dal Freeze, both of Provo, Utah, will exchange wedding vows on April 24, 1993, at LDS Temple in Salt Lake City. Parents of the bride-elect are Glenn and Bobbie Pemberton of Damascus, Ark., and Herbert Miner Jr. of Bedford. Parents of the groom are Lee and Rueleen Freeze of Big Spring.



MARRIAGE PLANS — Karri LaRochelle of Abilene and Charles Reich of Austin will exchange wedding vows on June 26, 1993, at Bethany Lutheran Church in Austin. Parents of the bride-elect are Mr. and Mrs. Steve Campbell of Abilene, and Clay LaRochelle of Round Rock. Parents of the groom-to-be are Mr. and Mrs. Edward Reich of Charlotte, N.C.



TO WED — Dawn Michelle Szabo and Clifton Floyd Platte will exchange wedding vows on April 17, 1993, at Midway Baptist Church in Big Spring. Her parents are Klaus and Diane L. Szabo of Big Spring. His parents are Ervin and Lora Platte of Houston, and Myrle E. Platte of Big Spring. Rev. Kenneth W. Platte, pastor of First Baptist Church of Dora, N.M., will perform the ceremony.



DATE SET — Christie Cox of Big Spring and Michael Lujan of Albuquerque, N.M., will exchange wedding vows on May 31, 1993, at Hillcrest Baptist Church in Big Spring. Her parents are David and Nancy Cox, Big Spring. His parents are Robert Lujan and Mary Ortega. Pastor Robert Lacy will perform the ceremony.



WEDDING PLANS — Casey Lynn Bailey and Cody Lynn Wells, both of Big Spring, will exchange wedding vows on June 26, 1993, at the First Baptist Church of Lancaster. Parents of the prospective bride are Mr. and Mrs. Ron W. Bailey of Waxahachie. Parents of the prospective groom are Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Wells of Big Spring. Brother Lindsy Cofeild will perform the ceremony.

Stork Club

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Ashley Breann Saiz, March 30, 1993, 11:54 a.m.; parents are Tina Britton and Felipe Saiz. Grandparents are Teodora and Cruz Del Toro, Big Spring, and Josephine and Ernest Saiz.

Savana Jo McDonald, March 29, 1993; parents are Mark and Christina McDonald. Grandparents are Lois Lavan Treadway, Big Spring, and Ruby Jo McDonald, Vernon.

Timothy Edward Toone, March 30, 1993, 7:46 a.m.; parents are Leon (Eddy) Edward and Linda Marline Toone. Grandparents are Pauline and Tommy Leach, Oildale, Calif., and Alberta Gabbert, Alva, Okla.

Miguel Antonio Rodriguez, March 29, 1993. Parents are Frank and Cindy Rodriguez. Grandparents David and Eva Yanez, and Maria and Juan Rodiguez.

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Kaitlin Shea, March 21, 1993, 1:31 p.m.; parents are Chris and Jill Burrow. Grandparents are Gene and Dorothy Burrow, Big Spring, and Claudia Harvest, Fort Worth.

Jake Dillon Rhoton, March 11, 1993, 11:43 a.m.; parents are Kevin and Misty Rhoton. Grandparents are Andre and Sidney Clark, and Pat and David Rhoton, all of Big Spring.

Tyler Morgan McKinley, March 23, 1993, 12:41 a.m.; parents are Mike and Kerry McKinley. Grandparents are Judi McKinley, and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Fortson, all of Big Spring.

"Lifestyles... find out who, what, where, when & why in the Big Spring Herald daily"

100-year-old building becomes organ donor

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

SAN ANGELO — A doomed building became San Angelo's first 100-year-old "organ donor" recently, thanks to the efforts of several preservation groups.

For weeks, demolition crews have been tearing down the old Holcome-Blanton building in downtown San Angelo to create a parking lot for the First National Bank of West Texas.

Before the demolition began, amateur "transplant surgeons" from local preservation groups salvaged various artifacts from the building.

"It was heavy, dirty work," said Margaret Mallard, president of Historic San Angelo.

But the result was worth the effort, she said.

Groups managed to save tin ceilings, door units with transoms and windows and trim.

"We salvaged quite a bit of material," Mallard said.

Some of the stuff from the demolished building may eventually be used to help preserve more fortunate structures, such as the Historic Orient-Santa Fe Depot.

Plus, some of the building's stone may eventually find its way to Fort Concho National Historic Site.

Mallard is quick to add that, if she had her druthers, the salvage effort wouldn't have been needed.

"Naturally, we hate to see any historic building go down, and we especially hated to see that one go. It was the last of its era on that street, the oldest building on Beauregard.

"We wanted to save it, but that wasn't to be. At least we got to salvage some of the items of historic interest."

This was the first time that preservation groups were allowed to salvage artifacts from a historic building scheduled for demolition, said Golda Foster, chairman of the Tom Green County Historical Commission.

"We didn't have this opportunity when the M.L. Leddy's building and the Montgomery-Ward store were torn down," Foster said.

Which isn't to say that material from those structures wasn't recycled.

Some hardwood flooring from Montgomery-Ward was purchased by a local craftsmen and recently was used to repair the floor of the ballroom-turned-ballet-studio in the Hotel Cactus.

Bricks from the Leddy building were sold to anyone who could cart them off.

Romance in for homes

By BARBARA ASTON-WASH
Scripps Howard News Service

Romantic. In a word that's the at-home look for the mid-1990s, according to the "Prince of Chintz," New York interior designer Mario Buatta, whose penchant for printed cottons long ago earned him that title.

"With the financial picture in the nation being what it is today, many young people are buying vintage homes — especially Victor an houses — to allow them more spacious living quarters," he said in a telephone interview. "Those places take to romantic looks in furnishings. There is a light-heartedness about much of the Victorian that is especially appealing."

Victorians of the 1840-60s had a penchant for softly-tufted, draped and corded upholstery and richly somber shades — the subdued burgundies, dark greens, oranges and reds that are appearing in the marketplace today, certainly in Buatta-designed rooms.

He also cited an emergence of the 1950s looks, when bouncy, bright-hued fabrics were vogue. Buatta has gone with this trend for his bed linen collection, using some of the "bouncy brights" for the prints.

While he does furniture, lamps, fabrics, wallpaper, carpets, needlepoint, even home fragrances (honeysuckle is his favorite) for a variety of companies, he doesn't coordinate the lines.

"Why would you want everything to match? That's boring!" he said. "An eclectic look of wonderful collective furniture and accessories is much more exciting and what you find in well-designed rooms today."

life! Deadlines

Deadlines for submissions to the Sunday *life!* section are as follows:

Weddings, engagements, anniversaries: Wednesday at noon prior to Sunday of desired publication. Must be printed on Herald's form, available at the office, 710 Scurry, or by mail to out-of-town residents by calling 915/263-7331, ext.116.

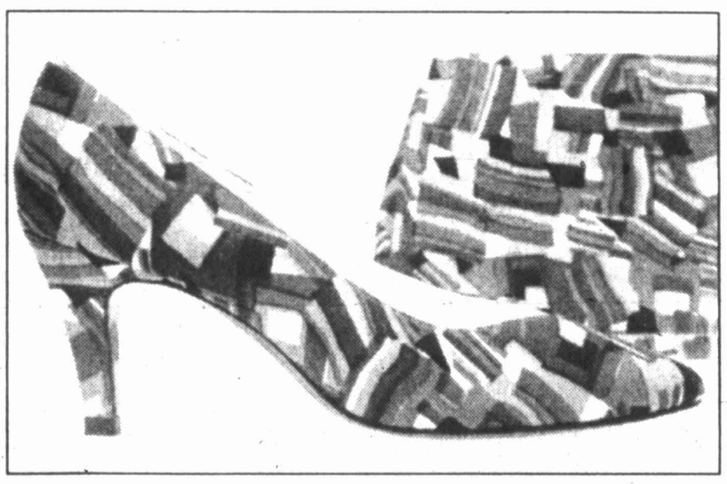
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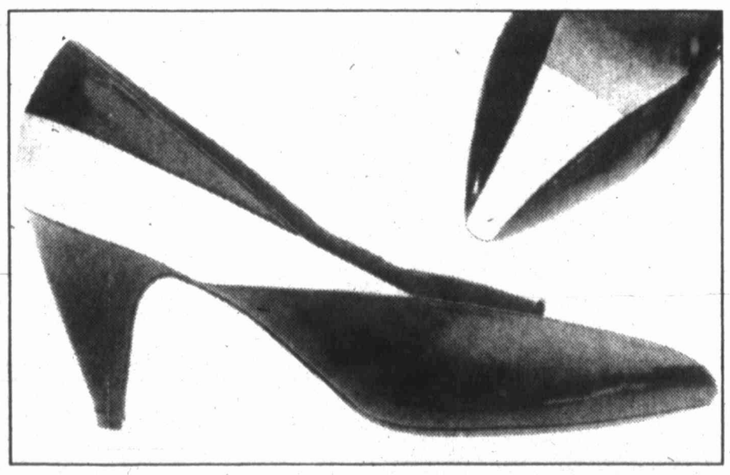
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Assets are worthy of investment



Naomi Hunt

Building net worth may seem like a goal for the rich, but it is something we all do when we make financial and consumer decisions.

Research conducted by Lynn White, professor and Extension specialist in family economics at Texas A&M University, found that the most important money management skill for consumers to have is the ability to see how decisions made today will affect their financial well-being in the future.

Essentially, consumers need to stop before they act and ask, what will be the return in the long-run if I buy or invest in this item?

What keeps us from taking a long look before we spend? One factor is our vision of what we are able to achieve. It is difficult to make something happen that we cannot dream or image will happen such as building greater net worth.

Another factor is that current demands to meet family wants and needs are more pressing. We tend to put off things that don't pressure us now. Some families simply struggle to meet basic living costs. However, there are incentives for all of us to build net worth.

Michael Sherraden, associate professor at George Warren Brown School of Social Work at Washington University in St. Louis, Mo., has identified benefits of asset or net worth building that can motivate families to shift from a consuming focus for managing their resources:

• Accumulating assets is the pathway out of poverty, beginning with savings.

• Assets do more than provide a storehouse for future consumption, they create a feeling of financial well-being. He notes, "When people hold assets, they think and behave differently, and the world responds to them differently."

• Assets provide greater household stability. When assets are present, families can better survive income shortfalls and avoid chaos until income stability is reestablished.

• Assets create long-term thinking and planning. With assets, people can begin to look beyond "pay check consumption cycles" and think about how to use assets to meet long-term goals.

• Assets lead to greater care and maintenance effort. We tend to take better care of what we own, to enhance its value.

• Assets lead to greater development of human capital — our knowledge and skills. Managing assets leads to greater economic and financial management knowledge and skill.

• Assets provide a foundation for risk taking. Families with greater assets can diversify investments, placing some assets in higher yield options at a given level of risk. When people have assets, they have a broader base of security and are less vulnerable to crises.

• Assets increase personal efficacy and self-esteem. A phrase deeply rooted in American culture, "pride of ownership," captures this idea.

• Assets increase social status and influence.

• Assets increase political participation and community involvement. Thomas Jefferson observed, "When people own property, they become stronger members of the community."

• Assets enhance the welfare of offspring. Sherraden, a proponent of domestic policy that moves from a consumption focus to asset building, observes, "Unlike entitlement income, assets can be passed along from generation to generation. Transfer of assets is very important because often the climb out of poverty is intergenerational."

Sherraden belives that domestic policies that limit the amount of assets families can hold to receive benefits need to be changed. For example, by raising asset limits for AFDC recipients from the current $1,000 to $10,000, more welfare families could save for education, buying a home, starting a business or other asset-building goals. Income limits set for benefits to older adults also need to be evaluated.



Cafeteria wedding

Associated Press photo

Jamal Apkins, 12, escorts his mother, Gloria Apkins, to her wedding in a school cafeteria in Mobile, Ala., Tuesday. His mother is a teacher's aide who invited many of her kindergarten students as guests.

Study finds more grandparents raising children

By MICHELINE KIDWELL
Thomson News Service

MIDDLETOWN, Ohio - Ron Van Winkle Sr. has been caring for Nathan, 14, since Nathan was an infant.

Even though this may not seem unusual for a parent, it is unusual for Van Winkle's family.

Van Winkle is Nathan's paternal grandfather.

According to Dr. Margaret Jendrek, a Miami University sociologist, the situation is more and more common in the United States.

Jendrek surveyed 114 grandparents, most of whom were between 41 and 71 years old, who provide regular care for children. Thirty-six had legal custody, 26 had grandchildren living with them and 52 provided day care.

According to a Census Bureau report, 3.3 million children lived in grandparents' homes in 1991 - which was a 44 percent increase from 1980.

"I was deeply impressed by their ability to improvise, their love and concern for the third generation, their fears and worries and the policy issues that they raised," Jendrek said.

"These grandparents desperately want the nuclear families to be together. They would rather just be grandparents," she said.

The love Jendrek refers to is evident in Van Winkle's family.

"His father, (Ron Van Winkle Jr.) let me have custody," Ron Sr., 55, said.

"I loved it because we already had eight kids," he said. "I love kids - the more the merrier."

Nathan does visit with his father, Ron Jr., and he knows about the situation.

"I like him a lot," Nathan said. There's one I look up to and one I learn from," he said, explaining that he learns from Ron Sr.

"They're both cool," Nathan added. (Ron Jr.) is like a big brother or best friend," he said.

Without Ron Sr. raising him, Nathan said, "I don't think I'd be half as responsible as I am."

Although 43-year-old Mary Castle's youngest child is 9 years old, she also has cared for her 3-year-old granddaughter since birth.

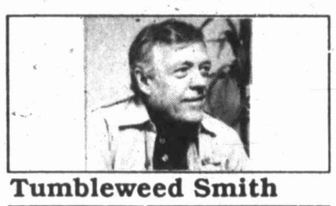
"It's a little tough sometimes," she said. Sometimes she feels she's "too old" to be caring full time for Christina.

Even though Christina is only 3 years old, Castle said Christina knows that Castle's daughter, Regina, is her mother. But Castle also said Christina calls her "mom" and "mommy," but "Christina's never called me grandma."

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East Texas filled with trees, memories



Tumbleweed Smith

East Texas trademarks are water and trees. If it doesn't have water and trees, it's not East Texas. East Texans worship water and trees. Their lives revolve around a well, tank, spring, branch, stream, bayou, pond, brook, creek, river or lake. And they love to live in the woods.

Trees, like water, give them security. The trees also give them squirrels. East Texans love to hunt squirrels.

My grandparents lived in East Texas. I spent a good portion of my youth going barefoot down sandy lanes, fishing in swamps and squirrel hunting in the woods behind Aunt Hattie's house.

I slept on a homemade feather mattress on a screened-in-porch. Sometimes I helped my mother and her sisters shell peas under a chinaberry tree with a fat trunk and dark green leaves. The ground around the tree was swept clean to keep the snakes away. I bathed in a washtub filled with water heated on a wood burning stove. I'm not that old. It's just that modern times were slow in getting to parts of rural East Texas.

East Texas is a red clay road underneath an umbrella of trees. The roadway is dark because no sun can pass through.

East Texas is history. Texas began in East Texas. For a long time, East Texas was all of Texas. It is the place the first settlers came.

It's Old Bethel and Tundra and Ben Wheeler and Athens and Canton.

It's dogwood coming to life in the Spring, filling the woods with what appears to be bright popcorn. Magnolias, gum trees, Spanish moss and wisteria decorate the countryside.

East Texas has its own distinctive sounds: a crow calls across a valley on a foggy morning. A squirrel chatters. The trees muffle the sounds as they ripple through the woods.

When the sun gets high in April, East Texas becomes a land adorned with flaming colors. A fish jumps in a spring fed lake, whose crystal clear water reflects a wooded hillside and the sky.

My memories of East Texas are rural: mules, overalls, sunbonnets, gourd dippers, churns, coal oil lamps and outhouses. Town was Duke & Ayres, the cattle auction barn, the hardware store and church.

East Texas is a land of milk and honey. And nuts and flowers and birds and berries. Where people are friendly and sincere, whose pioneers were determined to make a home and forego security for opportunity.

They were experts at survival and felt something for the region. So they set about building East Texas into what it is today.

They turned the diverse natural resources into monuments of pride and devotion.

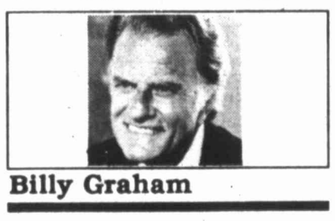
The dreamers came and developed the cotton, the timber, the coal, the oil, the iron, and transformed the black land and red clay into dynamic cities while retaining the tranquility of the country.

East Texans emphasize family, work and prayer; anchors in changing times and changing attitudes.

East Texas is a beautiful place to visit in the Spring.

Bob Lewis of Big Spring, also known as Tumbleweed Smith, is a speaker, broadcaster and journalist who produces literary sketches of people and places in Texas.

God acts by giving us wisdom



Billy Graham

DEAR DR. GRAHAM: I am very disappointed in God, because He isn't doing anything to solve my marriage problems. I have prayed and prayed for Him to do something but He hasn't. Now it looks like we are headed for the divorce courts, and it is really hard on me. I don't know where to turn if God doesn't care. -- Mrs. S.P.

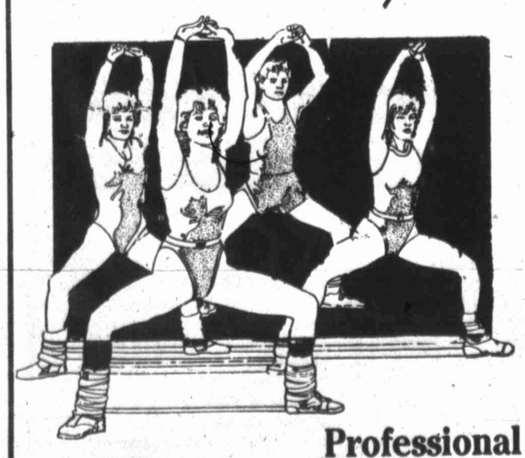
DEAR MRS. S.P.: I hope you will believe me when I say that God is very concerned about your problems -- in fact, He is more concerned about them than you are.

But that doesn't mean God will necessarily act by suddenly changing your whole situation. Yes, sometimes God does act in that way -- but often He acts instead by changing us and giving us the wisdom to deal with a situation. The Bible says, "Though it cost all you have, get understanding. ... I guide you in the way of wisdom and lead you along straight paths" (Proverbs 4:7,11).

You don't indicate what the problems are in your marriage. However, I suspect many of them would vanish if you approached them with a different attitude. For example, have you both developed a spirit of criticism, always picking on your spouse's faults instead of complimenting and encouraging each other?

Begin by asking Christ to come into your life, and to help you change the things that need changing. Yes, your husband may need some changes too -- but let God begin with you! You may be surprised to see how a new attitude will affect your husband's, and make him more open to God. Don't be bitter or angry with God; He loves you both, and He wants you to build your lives on a solid foundation -- the foundation of Christ's love. Your problems may not evaporate overnight, but with Christ in your hearts you can make a new beginning as you seek His help and allow Him to change your hearts and lives.

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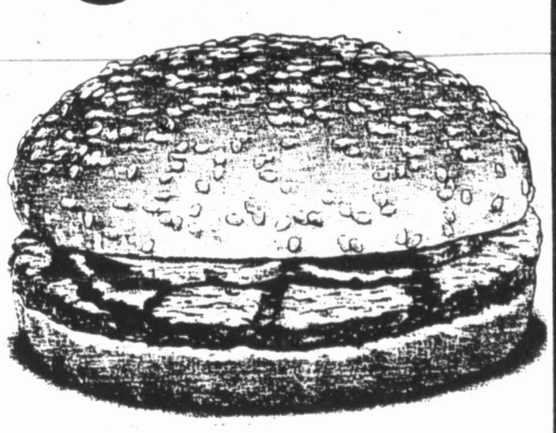
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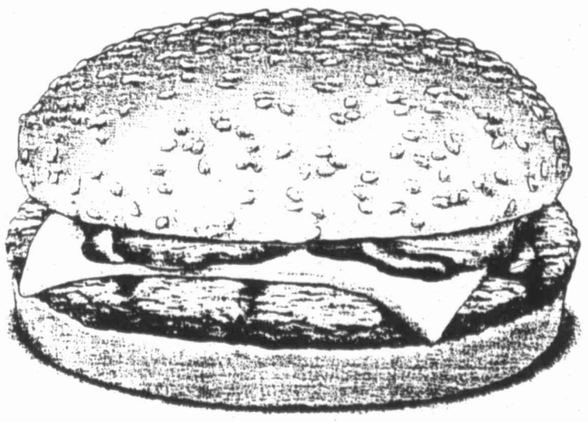
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Animals available for adoption from the Big Spring Humane Society include:

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"Big Red" beautiful Golden Retriever, dark gold coat with fringed tail, large spayed female, good natured.

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"Marcy" small wolfhound type, gold wirey coat with white collar, chest and legs, docked tail, long nose, pretty spayed female.

"Bosco" black and tan doberman, sleek coat with german markings, young neutered male, ears and tail not done.

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"Tux and Tabby" 15 week old kittens, brown striped female and black and white male, both shorthaired, friendly and playful, box trained.

"Whitley" shorthaired calico, solid white coat with dark orange and black spots, good natured spayed female, box trained.

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Egg-cited?

Hillary Townsend of Portland, Maine, shows off one of the hand-painted eggs she creates for the upcoming Easter holiday. She decorates eggs with traditional eastern European patterns and folk art designs.

This-n-That

Get a fest booth

Companies, individuals and organizations are urged to consider locating a booth at Big Spring ArtsFest '93 April 17-18.

Booth registration for the city-wide arts and entertainment event must be confirmed by April 12. ArtsFest will occur at Comanche Trail Park, featuring arts and crafts, antiques and collectibles, food and garage sale items. Exhibitors should contact the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, 263-7641, for more information.

Other events set for the ArtsFest weekend will include a symphony pops concert, downtown walking tour, shopping in Big Spring's stores and tours of local museums.

Putnam homecoming

The Putnam Ex-Student-Teacher Homecoming will be held Saturday, April 10, 1993, at the Putnam School Building with Carl White of Clyde as Master of Ceremonies. The classes of 1941-42 and 1942-43 will be honored.

Activities will begin with registration at 9 a.m. Coffee and cookies will be served during the morning visitation time. Everyone is invited to come early and have time to visit friends and exes.

After lunch a business meeting will be held in the school auditorium beginning at 1:30 p.m. The program is as follows: Invocation-Donald Isenhower, Welcome-Bill Everett, Response-Lee Rutherford, School Song-Roy Lee Willliams. A patriotic program saluting our exes who have served in the armed forces is planned. The business session will end at 3 p.m.

For more information, contact Mary King, Box 908, Putnam 76469 or call 662-3631, also, LaVerne Rutherford, 439 W. 3rd, Baird 79504, or call 854-1001, by Monday.

Adoption information

Prospective adoptive parents are invited to attend an information session at Lake Ridge United Methodist Church in Lubbock May 8. Advance registration is $50 per couple. Call 210/696-7021 to register and receive more information.



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Passion play

This scene is from last year's Easter Passion Play at First Assembly of God, 4th and Lancaster. The annual event begins Thursday at 7:30 p.m. with performances Friday through Sunday evenings as well.

Who to blame? School explosion remembered

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW LONDON — Sixth-grader Helen Beard shot high in the air.

Almost dreamily, she gazed down on the school ground, the tops of pines and the men leaping from the porch of an oil company office down the road.

Soaring, she heard and felt nothing.

It was 3:15 p.m., March 18, 1937. And the little girl's lovely new school had just exploded beneath her.

The explosion that rolled through the 254-foot-long building killed 293 children, teachers and visitors. Roughly a third of the students enrolled lost their lives.

An accumulation of raw natural gas in the building had been touched off by a spark, perhaps from an electrical switch in a shop class.

East Texans 40 miles away heard the boom that wrenched the big building and its foundations from the ground.

The roof rose 12 to 15 feet before tumbling into a mountain of shattered bricks, glass, timber and twisted steel. A cloud of suffocating dust enveloped the rubble.

Miraculously, Helen Beard — now Rusk County Clerk Helen Sillick — escaped alive. As she told me her recollections, I wanted to touch her for luck. She had survived the most lethal disaster in the history of education.

All those boys and girls, dead. All those parents, hammered by grief. Even Adolf Hitler cabled condolences.

After 56 years, the loss still stuns tourists who pause at the sadly graceful marker, a granite cenotaph towering 30 feet in the boulevard before the rebuilt school (now West Rusk High School).

Mrs. Sillick and I talked outside the auditorium where more than 500 members of the London Ex-Student Reunion and Memorial Association met two weekends ago. Three dozen or so had lived through the explosion.

> 'I looked all around as I rose into the air and could see a long way off. But I wasn't afraid or in any pain. All of a sudden, my head goes down and my feet up. I'm turning. And I know I'm falling.'
>
> Rusk County Clerk Helen Sillick, explosion survivor

Mrs. Sillick's memories were vivid:

"I looked all around as I rose into the air and could see a long way off. But I wasn't afraid or in any pain.

"All of a sudden, my head goes down and my feet up. I'm turning. And I know I'm falling."

She was knocked out when she fell into the debris.

"I didn't experience pain until the next day. I had a bad head cut and a concussion. It took my dad, two nurses and the doctor to hold me down while that doctor dug in my head. I still have lumps on my head."

The tragedy was the upshot of a dollar-pinching scheme by officials of what was considered the world's richest rural school district.

The London School or New London School — it's correctly called either — sat upon a huge petroleum deposit. In the woods, not five miles from the school, I found a marker for Dad Joiner's Daisy Bradford No. 3, the 1930 discovery well that ushered in the fabulous 200-square-mile East Texas Field.

Despite the district's prosperity, school officials persuaded oil company agents to look the other way while they tapped onto a natural gas pipeline.

The waste gas became a lurking monster, dry gas from which most of the valuable liquids had already been wrung, gas normally flared from stacks that lit the countryside at night.

Heated by 72 steam radiators, the school saved about $3,000 a year by substituting free gas for commercial gas in its furnace. Many oil patch businesses and homes burned the stuff.

Everyone knew it was dangerous, being almost odorless. And some teachers and students detected fumes rising from the basements and crawl space.

Fumes stung watering eyes in classrooms where teachers opened windows on even the coldest days. But there were no windows beneath the building.

Dolores Pevehouse witnessed the explosion from a school bus. She now publishes the lively "London Times" (903-895-2244). A 1937 London teacher, J.R. Garner of Longview, told her:

"I had a student who said she had a severe headache around noon that day. She wanted to go home, so I told her to go ahead and I would tell them at the office. She went home. The rest of her class died."

He theorized that gas fumes caused the girl's headache.

Mrs. Sillick said, "They tell us you couldn't smell gas in 1937, but I smelled it, and others I knew said they did, too."

Adding odorants to natural gas was then optional. Two months after the disaster, Texas passed a law requiring that a pungent odorant be added to all natural gas. Nowadays, Texans can smell a gas leak.

One teacher who opened her windows was Laura Bell. Helen Sillick narrowly escaped Miss Bell's classroom, where everyone died. Moments before the blast, Helen's sister, Marie, 7, summoned her from class.

In a fine irony, the girls' mother waited outside to drive them to a neighbor's place to console a family grieving over a relative's recent death. The girls were walking down the hall when the building was ripped apart.

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>
> New London teacher

"They thought Marie was surely dead," recalled Mrs. Sillick. The Beard family hunted into the night for her. Finally, around 10 p.m. they located her at the Rusk Hotel in Overton, badly injured, but alive.

Like Helen Sillick, Marie Beard — now Mrs. Ike Challis — lives in New London. Their brother, Alton Beard, jumped from a second floor window, hitting the ground running. He didn't get a scratch. He now lives in Kilgore.

Frank Etheredge, 74, of Pasadena (Harris County) told me he jumped from a window in a study hall where he was reading the sports section of "The Dallas Morning News."

"I lost a sister in that explosion," he said, alluding to Doris Nell Etheredge, a 10th grader.

The New London disaster was Walter Cronkite's first big story. He covered the explosion for United Press. Stellar Dallas newspaperman Felix McKnight, Dallas Morning News editor and later Dallas Times Herald vice chairman, wrote the story for The Associated Press. Their memories carry ghastly scars.

Military

Tech Sgt. Blanche E. Kensey has graduated from an Air FOrce major command noncommissioned officer academy having received advanced military leadership and management training.

She is the daughter of Valentine Torres Sr. of 904 N. Goliad, Big Spring.

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Marine Lance Cpl. Christopher S. Sayles, son of Ronald R. and Joanne L. Sayles of Big Spring, recently reported for duty with 2nd Combat Engineer Battalion, 2nd Marine Division, Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune, N.C.

He is a 1991 graduate of Coahoma High.

Food cures for the blues

Don't be blue during gray days. Prevention magazine suggests these food prescriptions:

Chocolate attack: Avoid the guilt and try indulging in a McDonald's chocolate shake. The 320 calories owe only 5 percent to fat

Migraine headache: Head for coffee. The caffeine restricts blood vessels that are dilated during migraines.

Heartburn: If you're sure it's really heartburn, try rice pudding. It will absorb excess stomach acid.

Feeling blue: Don't binge. Treat yourself to your favorite tea or frozen yogurt, then take a walk. By the time you finish, the urge to binge will be gone.

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Pittsburgh Post-Gaz

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By RICK MCCRAE
Thomson News Se

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Jacqueline Bigar

FOR TODAY, APRIL 4, 1993
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TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Be more creative in your communications. Be open to a conversation. Reach out for another who really care for you. Confusion surrounds a long-term goal and a friendship. Make phone calls and invite friends over. Tonight: The heat is on. *****
GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Be more direct with a child or loved one. Talks with an associate reveal another side. Be more honest about what is going on with you. You need to re-evaluate money matters. Tonight: Nurture a loved one. ***
CANCER (June 21-July 22): Be more upbeat about your family and friends. Take an active role in bringing everyone together for a fun day. Be more positive about your potential. Regard a change in plans as an opportunity. Tonight: Gab with family. *****
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Watch expenses carefully and be more open to another's suggestions. You discover all sorts of less expensive ways to please yourself. You might want to alter your priorities. Follow your intuition. Tonight: Be indulgent. ***
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You are a powerhouse today. Be careful of sharp words in the mornings. You might have misunderstood another. Accept an invitation to join friends. Tonight: Party and play. *****
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Kick back and center yourself today. Listen carefully to a friend. Invite others over. Go with your spontaneity and energy. Tonight: Make it easy and order a pizza. **
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Don't let a partner's confusion get to you today. You handle a situation clearly and with a great deal of aplomb. Go with a spontaneous invitation. Make an important long-distance call early in the day. Tonight: Fantasize. *****
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You get the attention you deserve, if you handle a matter that is close to your heart. A family member needs your time and attention. Worry less about money, since today you can do very little about it. Tonight: Get a head start on next week. ***
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Make plans for a day trip. Go with a whimp and invite a favorite companion along. Postpone talks about events that surround an emotional situation. A partner is eager to help you. Tonight: Don't come in too late. *****
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Your willingness to let another get close to you allows you to gain a different perspective. Be willing to open up and discuss your feelings and perceptions. You might be startled by how another sees you. Tonight: Whatever makes you happy. *****
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Be willing to play along with another's agenda, and you'll learn a great deal. Open up to fast changes and the unexpected. Go with what's happening. Tonight: Just don't be alone. *****
IF APRIL 4 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: The more open you are, the more dynamic your year can be. What you thought you could count on might fall through. Lighten up about change and be open to new ideas. If you are single, relationships will flow, with several options open to you. If you're attached, the bond will get stronger. Tread with care around your family, as your boldness could be overwhelming. Look to winter for a domestic change or for sprucing up the house. VIRGO works well with you.

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

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Dear Abby - Letters

Is it a crime to admit you cannot provide?



Dear Abby

DEAR ABBY: Some co-workers and I were discussing why, when newborn babies are abandoned, they are found in trash cans, alleys, etc. In many cases, the mother is a poor, disadvantaged teen-ager who didn't know what else to do.

One woman wondered why the mother didn't leave her baby in a shopping cart or a public bathroom where it could be easily found immediately.

Well, I think I figured it out. A newborn baby was found outside a hospital yesterday. A note was pinned to the blanket; it said: "I can't take care of my baby. Please, somebody, give it a good home." That baby was found immediately, and now the law is looking for the mother so she can be charged with the crime of abandoning her child.

Abby, it is that kind of retribution that will make the next unwed teen-ager dump her newborn baby in a trash can and put the lid on it!

If the law didn't try to chase the poor young girls down and throw them into jail, they wouldn't be afraid to leave their babies where they could be easily found. Some of these babies weren't even born in hospitals, and the families didn't even know their daughters were pregnant.

I would rather see these babies found quickly and cared for. Let the law jail thieves and muggers, and leave those poor girls alone. Sign me ... IT'S ABOUT TIME

DEAR IT'S ABOUT TIME: You make an excellent point. Your signature sends an important message.

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DEAR ABBY: I was married 42 years to a practicing alcoholic. I stayed with him because I wanted to be sure that our two daughters could finish their university educations, thereby ensuring their independence.

My husband died at home of cancer. I cared for him alone. During his illness, my children did not wish to be involved because "he did it to himself," and they could not forgive him.

I am 76 years old and it is time for me to make arrangements for my estate, which is approximately $400,000.

Shall I leave it to my daughters, or shall I leave it to the organization that takes care of battered women in our community? I need an outside, unbiased opinion. -- VACILLATING IN CALIFORNIA

DEAR VACILLATING: The organization that takes care of battered women gets my vote. Readers?

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DEAR ABBY: The story about the man who has only one testicle really hit home with me.

My ex-husband lost a testicle when he was very young. Then later, during a heated divorce, he denied he could be the father of our son!

The good Lord gave our bodies two testicles, two breasts, two kidneys, two hands and two feet. Too bad he made some people with no heart and no brain. -- ALL THERE IN DENVER

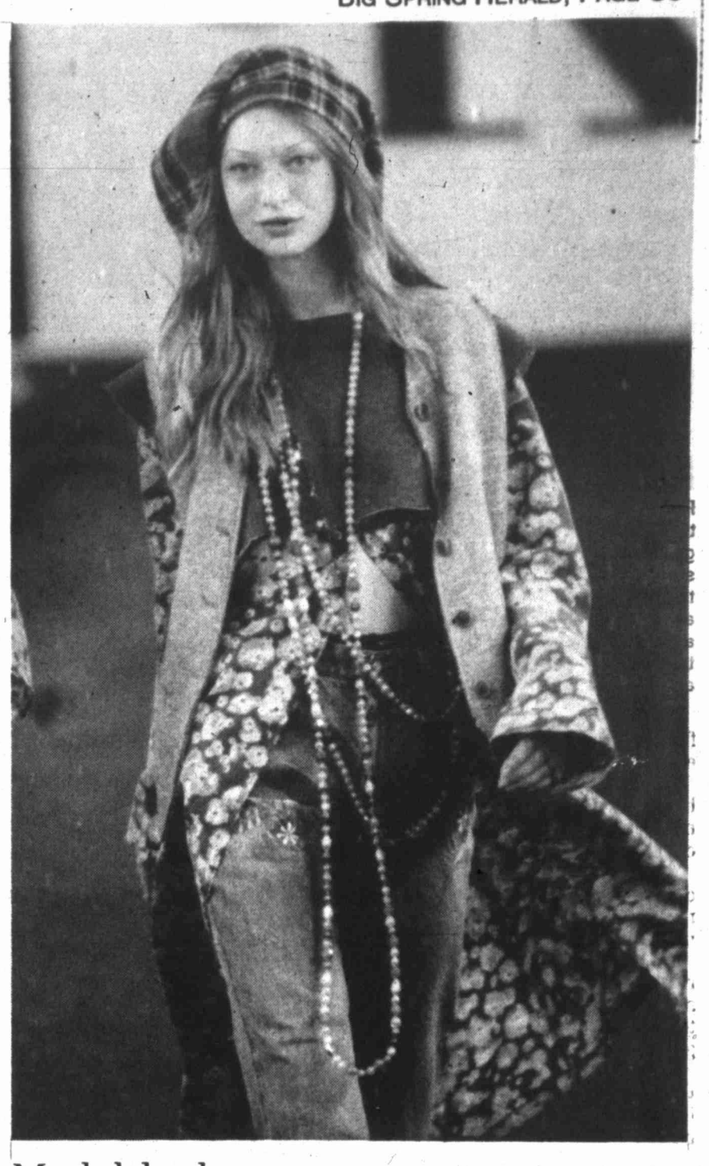
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DEAR ABBY: To update Dorothy Parker:

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At girls who wear glasses
Are charged with harasses.
- DELAWARE READER

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Model look

A model traverses the runway in one of Calvin Klein's fall interpretations of women's casual wear in New York recently. Reports say beads, long flowing garments and the so-called grunge look are it.

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Modeling career becomes accessible

By BARBARA VANCHERI
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

A color handout on Paula Nichols from the Ford modeling agency features the usual data: height, dress size, eye and hair color. She is a well-proportioned size 16 with soft brown hair and distinctive blue eyes.

She also is a woman who needs crutches and a leg brace to stand or a wheelchair to move about, and she is shown using both.

An elevator accident four years ago nearly ended Nichols' livelihood and life but her career has been revived in a different but meaningful way.

A New Yorker in her late 30s, Nichols is part of a quiet but growing trend toward using disabled models in ads for clothing and other everyday products.

She was in Pittsburgh recently shooting an ad for Kaufmann's department stores, which also has featured a man in a wheelchair in its newspaper advertisements.

Erika Kirby, a spokeswoman for Kaufmann's, says the inclusion of such models is simply another attempt to reach out to customers. Just as the store uses petite, large-size and older models, it is now turning to models in wheelchairs.

A dashingly handsome male model for Polo Ralph Lauren happens to be in a wheelchair, and stores such as K mart, J.C. Penney and Nordstrom have been using such models with increasing frequency.

McDonald/Richards, a New York agency, has 40 disabled models at the ready.

"I'm not sure where it actually all started. It seemed to snowball. Macy's called and said, 'K mart's doing it, we should be doing it,' " says Maureen Larkin, director of the agency's physically challenged division.

"It seems pretty new to them. I continuously have to explain various thing. Is the studio you're shooting in wheelchair-accessible? Do they have elevators? Will someone be there to assist in dressing and undressing?" Larkin says. "They just keep calling every week, so I guess it's a positive response."

Catalog houses were among the pioneers in this area. Many of the models, Larkin says, were actors who were born disabled or became disabled through accident or illness. Talking about her growing stable of special models, Larkin says, "They love the fact they're working and are treated like equals."

Being treated as an equal is part of Nichols' reward, too. Talking about customer reaction to the ads, she says, "Right now, it's going to be a little different because it's new. What I'm hoping is that as time goes on ... it won't be extraordinary. I'm hoping that instead of seeing the chair or the braces first, they'll see a vibrant person."

Nichols is that. In April 1989, she had just finished auditioning for a commercial when she did what millions of New Yorkers do every minute of the day. She stepped into an elevator. The car plunged 10 stories.

Nichols, a woman who made her living as a singer, actress and runway and print model, was hospitalized for four months. She was virtually homebound for two years. Her right leg remains paralyzed, and she continues to undergo physical and massage therapy.

Country-western dancing draws crowds — even men

By RICK MCCRABB
Thomson News Service

MIDDLETOWN, Ohio - Monday nights have long meant big business for bars. Put 22 shoulder-pad-wearing-pigskin-chasing men on national television every Monday night and huge audiences will come.

Well, it's a Monday night at the Stony Ridge Inn, a truck stop located off Interstate 75 in Monroe, Ohio.

The bar, just inside the main entrance, past the Ohio Lottery vending machine and down a flight of stairs, is really rocking.

But the drawing card is more footwork than football, two-step than touchdown, line dance than linemen.

The Stony Ridge Inn, like many area nightclubs and organizations, offers free country western dance lessons and, on this night, the floor is packed with potential prancers.

And, don't look now, but many of the students are males.

Men on the dance floor? Stop the presses.

Many men have never really been comfortable with freestyle, expressionistic dancing. Women often take to the dance floor alone or with other women. The females have fun bouncing to the beat, while their male counterparts usually stand alone near the dance floor.

But that was before the country craze. Make room for the men. "When I first started teaching there were only two or three men out here," says Neal Fergen, the dance instructor at Stony Ridge. "But now there are as many men as there are women. With the line dances and two-step, men don't feel as intimidated as they did with freestyle. They can do their own thing, but it's also structured."

The accessibility of lessons is probably a major reason country-western dance is spreading so quickly.

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Jesse Enriquez, fourth from left, is the March recipient of "The Best of Big Spring Award."

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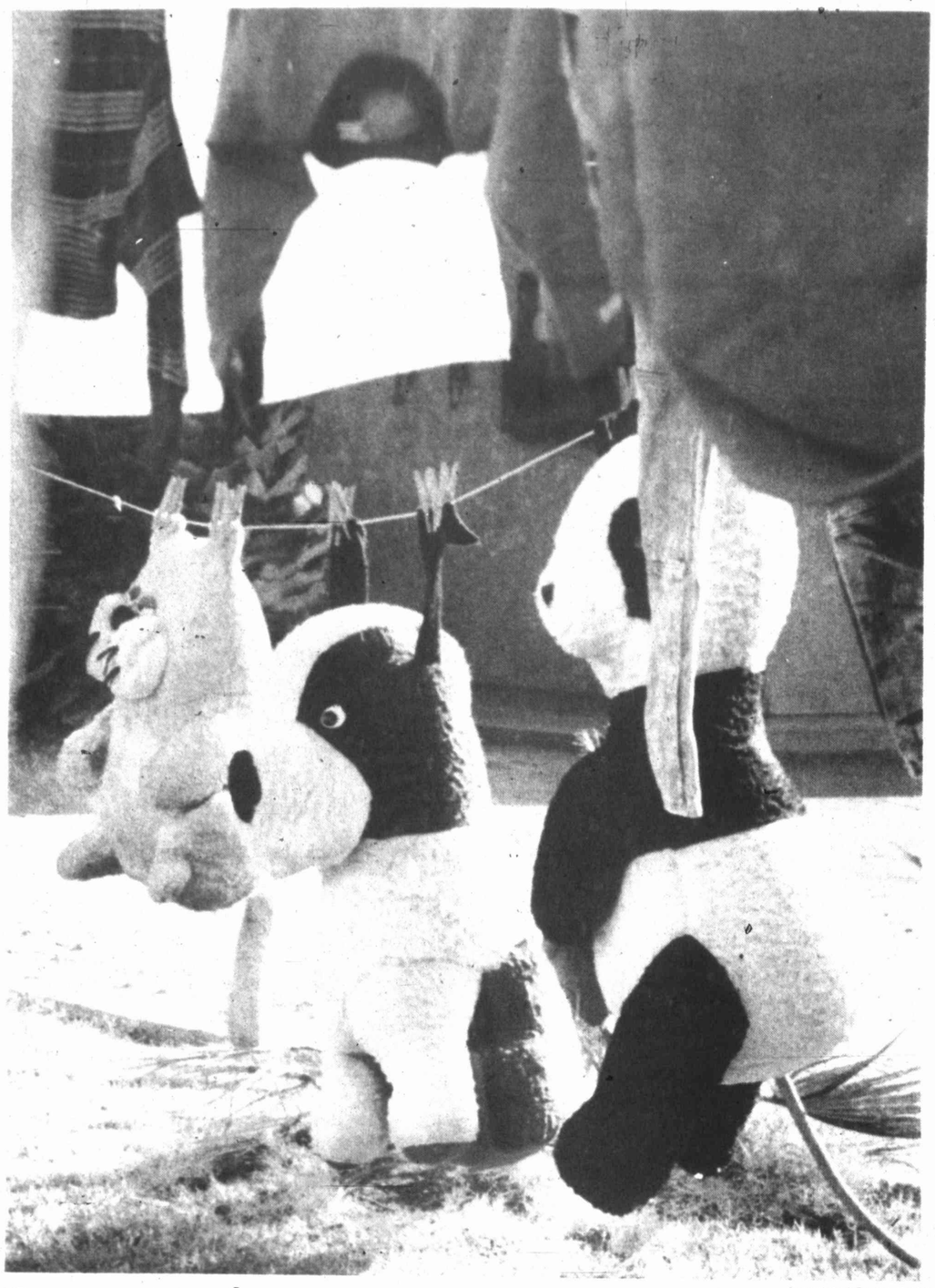
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If you know of a serving front line employee, please make your nomination by calling or stopping by the Chamber of Commerce.

THE BEST OF BIG SPRING
JESSE ENRIQUEZ

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Associated Press photo

Hung out to dry

Stuffed animals joined laundry hanging from a clothesline at a home in Westmoreland, Calif. recently.

Grunge is the word

Latest fashion trend described as lumberjack-meets-thrift

By LAQUITA BOWEN SMITH
Scripps Howard News Service

First, juniors sported the hip-hop look.

Next came urban streetwear, which had a regional and ethnic feel.

Now there's a look that has been referred to as "modern-day lumberjack meets the thrift shop" and "the look of waking and putting on whatever's on the floor."

Shorts and vest outfits are top-sellers as are gypsy skirts, clogs and plaid shirts — compliments of the grunge trend.

Mixed, bold colors are appearing on knee-length, baggy-fitting shorts and baseball caps. Very short shorts and anything with a hood on it are popular items for the season.

The look is anti-status, generic-label and seems appropriate for most garage sales or attics. However, these clothes do come with labels and Girbaud and Cross Colors are two favorites.

The older generation remembers the look as part of the hippie era, but to juniors it's the greatest trend to hit in a long time.

Robbin Wells, director of public relations at Dallas Market Center, says grunge is "the gypsy element of dressing. Juniors are responding to grunge a lot stronger than they did hip-hop. The look is very different; it's mixing something antique with something new."



Menus

BIG SPRING SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER LUNCH

MONDAY — Country fried steak; mashed potatoes; mixed vegetables; fruit; rolls and milk.

TUESDAY — Beef stew; tossed salad; stewed tomatoes; cornbread; cake and milk.

WEDNESDAY — Baked chicken; blackeyed peas; mixed vegetable salad; cornbread; custard and milk.

THURSDAY — Fried catfish; potatoes; spinach; cornbread; cake and milk.

FRIDAY — CLOSED.

FORSAN BREAKFAST

MONDAY — Doughnuts; juice and milk.

TUESDAY — Waffles; bacon; syrup and butter; juice and milk.

WEDNESDAY — Hashbrowns; biscuits; catsup; jelly and butter; juice and milk.

THURSDAY & FRIDAY — EASTER HOLIDAY.

FORSAN LUNCH

MONDAY — Fish and tarter sauce; macaroni and cheese; English peas; hot rolls and butter; pudding and milk.

TUESDAY — Burrito; buttered potatoes; salad; cinnamon rolls and milk.

WEDNESDAY — Barbeque on a bun; potato salad; pork and beans; peach cobbler and milk.

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STANTON BREAKFAST

MONDAY — Cinnamon toast; applesauce and milk.

TUESDAY — Pancakes; syrup; juice and milk.

WEDNESDAY — Cereal; toast; juice and milk.

THURSDAY — Sausage and gravy; biscuit; juice and milk.

STANTON LUNCH

MONDAY — Hamburger steak w/gravy; cream potatoes; green beans; peanut butter and syrup; hot rolls and milk.

TUESDAY — Green enchiladas; pinto beans; salad; fruit jello; cornbread and milk.

WEDNESDAY — Barbecue on bun; Ranch style beans; French fries; banana pudding and milk.

THURSDAY — Beef and cheese pizza; English peas; buttered corn; cookies and milk.

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GARDEN CITY LUNCH

MONDAY — Chicken fried steak, w/gravy, mashed potatoes; green beans; hot rolls; chilled peaches and milk.

TUESDAY — Frito pie; cole slaw; pinto beans; cornbread; brownies and milk.

WEDNESDAY — Roitini w/meat sauce; tossed salad; fried okra; garlic bread and milk.

THURSDAY — Hamburgers; lettuce, tomatoes, pickles; French fries; chocolate pudding and milk.

FRIDAY — Easter holiday.

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COAHOMA BREAKFAST

MONDAY — Cereal w/fruit; toast and milk.

TUESDAY — Biscuits w/sausage; jelly; juice and milk.

WEDNESDAY — Sweeten rice; toast; fruit and milk.

THURSDAY — Cinnamon rolls; juice; ham and milk.

FRIDAY — HOLIDAY.

COAHOMA LUNCH

MONDAY — Chicken fried steak; buttered new potatoes; broccoli; gravy; hot rolls and milk.

TUESDAY — Tacos w/cheese; lettuce tomato salad; red beans; milk and Mexican cornbread.d

WEDNESDAY — Hot roast beef sandwiches; corn; creamed potatoes; cookies and milk.

THURSDAY — Bologna sandwiches; lettuce; tomato; onion; pickle; potato chips; cherry cobbler and milk.

FRIDAY — HOLIDAY.

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ELBOW BREAKFAST

MONDAY — Oatmeal; toast; juice and milk.

TUESDAY — Cereal; teddy graham crackers; fruit and milk.

WEDNESDAY — Muffins; sausage; juice and milk.

ELBOW LUNCH

MONDAY — Pizza; pasta salad; corn; fruit and milk.

TUESDAY — Braised beef; mashed potatoes; green beans; hot rolls; peaches and milk.

WEDNESDAY — Mr. Rib sandwich; fries; salad/pickles; fruit and milk.

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BIG SPRING SCHOOLS
(Elementary)
BREAKFAST

MONDAY — Sugar & spice donuts; cereal; orange juice and milk.

TUESDAY — Honey bun; sausage pattie; apple juice and milk.

WEDNESDAY — Apple cinnamon muffin; cereal; fruit punch and milk.

THURSDAY — Pancake & sausage-on-a-stick; grape juice and milk.

FRIDAY — EASTER HOLIDAY.

ELEMENTARY LUNCH

MONDAY — Steak fingers, gravy; whipped potatoes; English peas; hot rolls; apple wedge and milk.

TUESDAY — Chili Mac & cheese; buttered corn; spinach; hot rolls; cherry cobbler and milk.

WEDNESDAY — Chicken nuggets, gravy; buttered steamed rice; cut green beans; hot rolls; chilled sliced peaches and milk.

THURSDAY — Pizza; escalloped potatoes; blackeyed peas; hot rolls; blackberry cake and milk.

FRIDAY — EASTER HOLIDAY.

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BIG SPRING
SECONDARY BREAKFAST

MONDAY — Sugar & spice donuts; cereal; orange juice and milk.

TUESDAY — Honey bun; sausage pattie; apple juice and milk.

WEDNESDAY — Apple cinnamon muffin; cereal; fruit punch and milk.

THURSDAY — Pancake & sausage-on-a-stick; grape juice and milk.

FRIDAY — EASTER HOLIDAY.

SECONDARY LUNCH

MONDAY — Steak fingers, gravy or stuffed pepper; whipped potatoes; English peas; hot rolls; apple wedge and milk.

TUESDAY — Chili Mac & cheese or country sausage; buttered corn; spinach; carrot sticks; hot rolls; cherry cobbler and milk.

WEDNESDAY — Chicken nuggets, gravy or meat loaf; buttered steamed rice; cut green beans; hot rolls; chilled sliced peaches and milk.

THURSDAY — Pizza or hamburger steak, gravy; escalloped potatoes; blackeyed peas; coleslaw; hot rolls; blackberry cake and milk.

FRIDAY — EASTER HOLIDAY.

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SANDS BREAKFAST

MONDAY — Scrambled eggs; juice; sausages; toast and milk.

TUESDAY — Cereal; milk and juice.

WEDNESDAY — Donuts; juice and milk.

THURSDAY — Cinnamon rolls; milk and juice.

FRIDAY — NO SCHOOL.

SANDS LUNCH

MONDAY — Chili burgers; French fries; ranch style beans; pickles; cake and milk.

TUESDAY — Chicken strips; mashed potatoes w/gravy; green beans; jello; hot rolls and milk.

WEDNESDAY — Frito pie w/cheese; pinto beans; salad; cherry cobbler; cornbread and milk.

THURSDAY — Fish fingers; coleslaw; pork & beans; cookies; batter bread and milk.

FRIDAY — NO SCHOOL.

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WESTBROOK BREAKFAST

MONDAY — Apple fritters; juice and milk.

TUESDAY — Biscuits; bacon; juice and milk.

WEDNESDAY — Pancake pups; juice and milk.

THURSDAY — Cereal; juice and milk.

FRIDAY — NO SCHOOL.

WESTBROOK LUNCH

MONDAY — Steak; gravy; creamed potatoes; green beans; biscuits; butter; syrup; honey and milk.

TUESDAY — Rotini; fried okra; blackeyed peas; garlic bread; applesauce and milk.

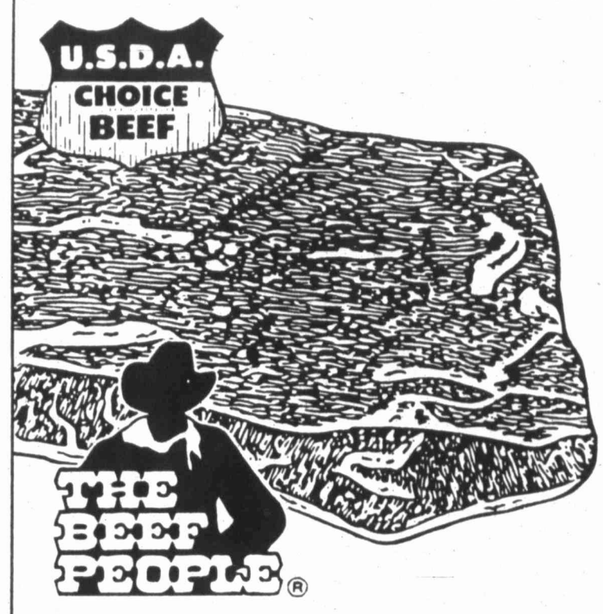
WEDNESDAY — Burritos; meat; cheese; Mexican salad; corn; strawberry cake and milk.

THURSDAY — Turkey and dressing; giblet gravy; cranberry sauce; green beans; fruit salad with whipped topping; sliced bread and milk.

FRIDAY — NO SCHOOL.

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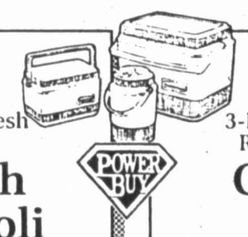
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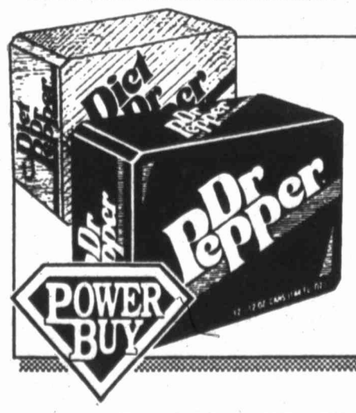


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Big Spring Herald

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KAY MOORE

Moore completes course

Kay Moore recently returned from Lubbock where she completed a highly specialized course in residential real estate sales strategies conducted by Residential Sales Council of the Realtors National Marketing Institute.

The course is one in a series of required professional education sequences required to qualify for the coveted Certified Residential Specialist (CRS) designation.

"The growing importance of negotiation strategies as well as sales strategies in today's residential real estate market were addressed by the instructor in this course," said Kay. "The many and varied needs of the buyer, who is making what is probably the largeset single purchase of a lifetime, is dealt with in this advanced course."

Union opens Midland store

Union Supply Co. opened a new store in Midland. Union last month completed purchase of assets of the supply division of S&S store in Midland.

Young re-elected

Representatives from the Big Spring Chapter of Credit Unions attended the Texas Credit Union League Governmental Affairs Conference and Annual Meeting in Austin March 7-10.



CLEO YOUNG

Representing Big Spring Credit Unions were: Cleo Young, president of Big Spring Government Employees Federal Credit Union; Bill Schaffner, president of Big Spring Education Employees Federal Credit Union;

Katie Kinman, president, and Les Young, board chairman of Electric Utilities Credit Union; Floretta Parrish, president of Citizens Federal Credit Union and Mary Lou Overton, president of Big Spring Chapter of Credit Unions.

A total 22 from Big Spring attended, including other directors and employees of various credit unions.

Cleo Young weas re-elected as Texas Credit Union League Representative for Big Spring, Abilene and San Angelo. She was also appointed director to the Credit Union National Association for a two-year term.

There was about 2400 credit union representatives in attendance from throughout the state.

Petroleum inductees named

The Petroleum Hall of Fame at the Petroleum Museum marks its 25th anniversary April 22 with the biennial induction dinner. To be inducted at the dinner in the Midland Hilton are: Martin Yates Jr., Artesia of New Mexico, Vaughn Maley of Midland, John J. Kovach of Odessa and Claud Aikman of San Angelo.

Teacher job fair Thursday

Representatives from 75 independent school districts in Texas will conduct interviews for teacher applicants Thursday during Angelo State University's annual Teacher Job Fair from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Houston Harte University Center Ballroom.

Among the Independent school districts scheduled to participate are Abilene, Amarillo, Arlington, Austin, Big Spring, Birdville/Fort Worth, Brady, Ector County/Odessa, El Paso, Irving, Lubbock, Midland, San Antonio, Waco and most of the West Texas area school districts.

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Economic evolution?

Wal-Mart changes how business is done in small towns



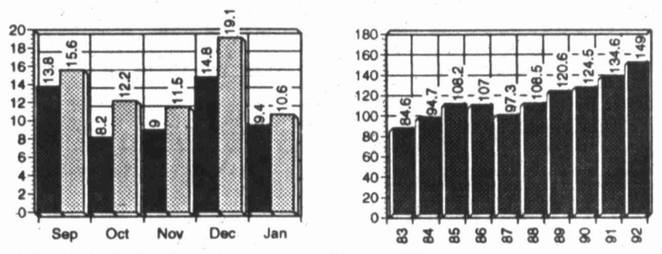
Photo courtesy of Mount Pleasant Daily Tribune

The first Wal-Mart Stores Inc. Supercenter in Texas opened in Mount Pleasant in late August. The 174,000-square-foot store, seventh largest Wal-Mart in the state, boosted retail sales there by 25 percent over the year before following stagnating sales the first half of 1992.

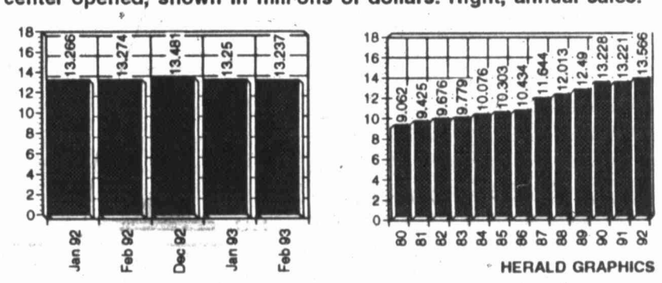
By PATRICK DRISCOLL
Business Editor

A Wal-Mart Stores Inc. Supercenter in Big Spring would change how businesses compete but could benefit the city's economy because of increased regional traffic, a study indicates.

"It would increase their sales taxes but it will also drastically change the nature of the way they do business in Big Spring," said Don Boggs, a Mount Pleasant businessman who opposed rezoning for a Wal-Mart Supercenter there. "If they adapt, they'll prosper. If they don't they'll be hurt."



RETAIL SALES — Left, sales in Mount Pleasant since September (Previous month in dark and recent in light) after a Wal-Mart Supercenter opened, shown in millions of dollars. Right, annual sales.



EMPLOYMENT — Left, official figures using 1990 U.S. Census cacu-lations of those working in Titus County where Mount Pleasant is, shown in thousands. Right, now unofficial numbers using 1980 Census caculations.

BIG SPRING POLL — 1A

Retail sales in Mount Pleasant, population 12,291 in 1990, are on the increase, more businesses are opening than closing and county employment remains steady since an 174,000-square-foot Supercenter opened there in late August. Commercial property near the store shot up while home values stayed the same.

In Texas it's the first of six Supercenters built so far and seventh largest Wal-Mart of 272. A Supercenter proposed to be open in Big Spring, population 23,093, by Thanksgiving would be 199,000-square-foot. Plans here are tabled because of concerns about it being located near residential areas at Wasson and Thorpe Streets.

"The sales tax has gone up tremendously for our community. We knew there would be an increase," said Marie Muse, executive vice president of the Mount Pleasant-Titus County Chamber of Commerce.

"What our downtown merchants are doing is trying to figure out how to capitalize on that traffic generated by Wal-Mart. There's such a tremendous amount of traffic we'd be silly not too," Muse said. "You have to figure out what Wal-Mart does not offer and you have to provide something that Wal-Mart doesn't."

Retail sales in Mount Pleasant increased 25 percent from September through January over the same period the year. Sales from January through August increased only 2 percent over the year before.

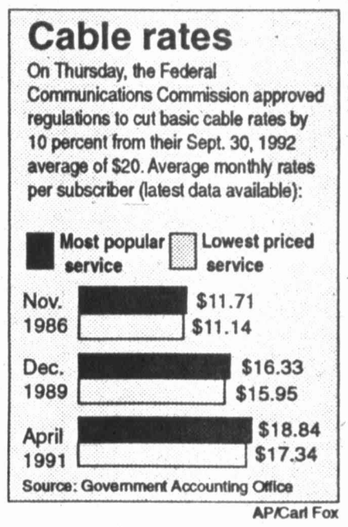
"Our sales tax report

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Cable rates rolled back for millions

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Millions of Americans will pay 10 to 15 percent less for cable TV under a rule adopted Thursday by regulators reasserting their authority over an industry criticized for skyrocketing prices.



AP/Carl Fox

The Federal Communications Commission voted 3-0 to cut cable rates 10 percent from their Sept. 30 level and erase any increases operators imposed since then.

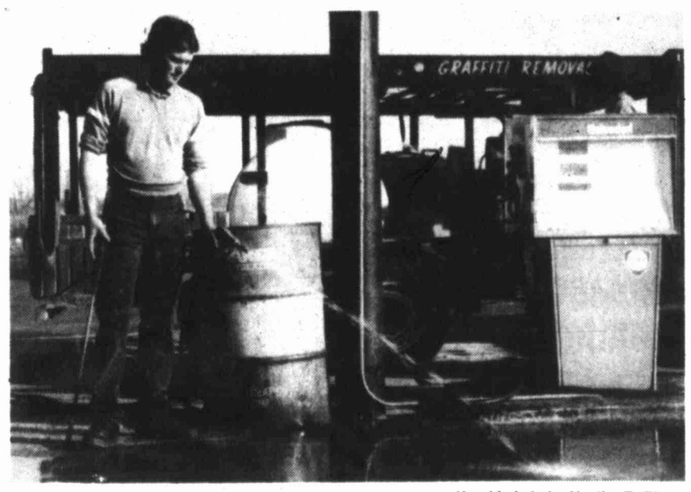
The rollbacks will apply to 57 million viewers who subscribe to more than 11,000 cable systems licensed by communities. Local authorities must apply the FCC guidelines for basic service — local broadcast signals plus any public access cable channels.

The FCC's rate formula also applies to so-called expanded basic service. The FCC will take complaints from consumers that they are paying unreasonable charges for that service, which typically includes superstations and satellite-delivered channels such as ESPN and CNN, C-Span and the Discovery Channel.

Premium channels like Home Box Office or pay-per-view services are not covered.

Subscribers are not likely to see any reductions for six months, FCC officials said. Cable operators are free to cut unreasonably high rates now to avoid paying refunds.

Looking for local breakthrough, Blastmasters (steam) cleaning up



Herald photo by Martha E. Flores

Cecil Sherman, Blastmasters employee, is pre-scrubbing the area around a gasoline island. The company's high-powered mobile steam cleaning system has the capacity of 3,000 pounds of pressure and 225-degree temperature. The two-year-old Big Spring company does region-wide work but is trying to get more local customers.

By MARTHA E. FLORES
Staff Writer

Graffiti, mold, oil spots and water scaling — unsightly and unwanted.

A local company's high-powered mobile steam cleaning system refaces walls defaced at the hand of a vandalist. Graffiti on non-painted surfaces can be lifted with pressurized spray without having to paint the entire surface. Mold and water scaling accumulated through the years can be sprayed off sides of homes. Parking lot oil spots are washed away with high pressure, instead of being tracked into houses and stores.

With the system's 3,000 pounds of pressure and 225-degree temperature, Blastmasters Mobile Wash is capable of cleaning a range of things from vent-a-hoods to gasoline station islands to industrial equipment.

Vent-a-hood cleaning begins with a two-man team dismantling the exhaust fan and cleaning it. With the high pressure steamers, the hood is cleaned with help from a degreasing solution. Water drains to a portable receptable placed under the hood.

The husband and wife team, Keith and Becky Crane, travel throughout West Texas and New Mexico servicing residential clients and businesses such as Town and County convenience stores, Burger King and Wienerschnitzel.

More than 30 Town and County stores keep the work crew busy the first two weeks of the month. But the Cranes juggle their schedules in order to satisfy their clients.

"He is the best we have had so far and over the years we have had at 20 firms do what he does," said Rufus Jordan, Burger King director of operations. Blastmasters is contracted to clean the broiler/fryer exhaust hoods of the seven franchised restaurants in the New Mexico and West Texas area, including the local Burger King.

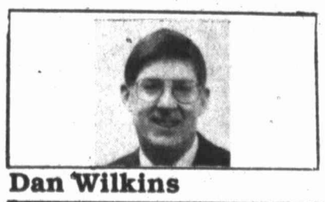
Self-imposed regulations require Burger King to clean its vent-a-hoods every three months or every $120,000 in gross sales, Jordan said. Other regulations mandate restaurants clean hoods at least twice a year.

But with the exception of Burger King and a handful of other clients, Blastmasters has had limited success in Big Spring. The Cranes continue to try and break into the local market. "We are from here; we would like to work here," said Keith Crane.

Recently, Big Spring resident Tommy Churchwell contracted Crane to clean the driveway at his home, which had accumulated grease spots. "We have white carpet and the grease was being tracked in," Churchwell said. "Having Blastmasters do the work is a lot easier than going out with a brush and scrubbing on your hands and knees."

Blastmasters provides other services including parking lot restriping and steam-cleaning for industrial equipment.

Intermediate-term bonds a compromise



Dan Wilkins

Although no investment can simultaneously promise maximum safety and highest income, intermediate-term bonds and bond mutual funds may offer some investors a reasonable compromise.

Bonds are typically classified into one of three categories based on maturity: short term (one to five years), intermediate term (five to 10 years) and long term (10 years and over). The longer a bond's maturity, the highest interest it typically pays. On the other hand, longer term, higher yielding bonds also tend to be more sensitive to interest rate changes. For example, a long-term 30-year bond is exposed to many years of fluctuating interest rates that affect the bond's market value. There are also more years during which the issuer's ability to meet interest payments could be impaired.

Intermediate-term bonds have fewer years of economic exposure before principal is returned, and there are fewer years during which financial problems could affect the issuer's payment of your interest. In addition, your money is available more quickly to take advantage of other investment opportunities. Of course, if interest rates are lower when your principal is returned, you run the risk of taking a cut in interest income when the money is reinvested.

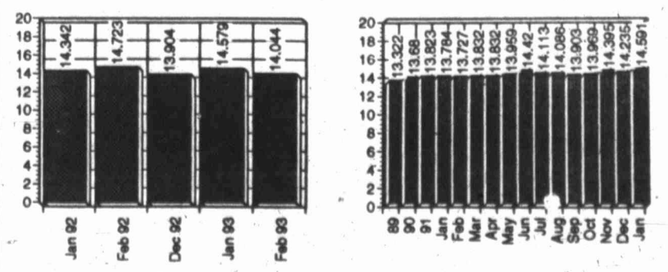
Over the past several years, the income gap between long-and intermediate-term bonds has been remarkably small. This has made income on intermediate-term bonds relatively attractive without forcing investors to commit to a long-term investment. Of course, anytime a bond has to be sold prior to maturity, it may be worth more, less or the same as the investor originally paid.

Before you invest, ask your broker to thoroughly explain the bond you are considering for your portfolio.

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Eye on the economy



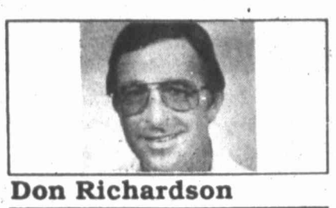


Left, official figures using 1990 U.S. Census caculations of those working in Howard County, shown in thousands. Right, numbers now unofficial using 1980 Census caculations.

SOURCE: TEXAS EMPLOYMENT COMMISSION HERALD GRAPHICS

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Growing roses in West Texas is a sensitive issue



Don Richardson

Roses are one of the most popular garden plants grown in Howard County, or I should say, attempted to be grown, as a lot of folks, based on the number of phone calls we get each year at our office, seem to have some problems getting them started.

Anyone can grow roses. Some gardeners try to grow too many varieties or too many plants for the space available. Ten well chosen varieties, carefully maintained, produce more blooms and give far more pleasure than 50 poorly maintained plants. Of the many types of roses, the hybrid teas and floribundas are grown most often. The American Rose Society, P.O. Box 30,000, Shreveport, La., 71130, publishes the national rating of all names varieties best suited to your need, location and preference.

Roses do best in sunny locations where they are sheltered from strong winds. Do not plant them under trees. They grow best in well-drained, fertile loam soils. Soils containing excessive amount of alkali salts or other harmful chemicals are not recommended for roses.

You can provide drainage in heavy soils or spots with an impervious layer underneath by installing drain tiles or by digging trenches and filling them with rock or coarse gravel.

Plant roses where they will receive six hours or more of sun during the day. They may grow in shade but are more susceptible to attacks by mildew and thrips than when grown in full sun.

In our hot, often dry West Texas summers, growers find that flowers open and fade faster than those grown in cool climates. Many varieties cease to bloom when summer temperatures are above 90 degrees F. In areas with prolonged hot weather, a location protected from the hot, late afternoon sun may give better results.

February or March is normally the best time to plant bare root roses in West Texas. They can be planted later, if you can find healthy, dormant bushes. Plants growing in containers may be planted throughout the growing season, although special attention is usually necessary to keep these growing through the first summer.

It is usually most economical to choose high quality plants. Lower grades may be cheaper, but plants are usually weaker and require greater care in transplanting and maintenance. Many bushes are coated with wax to prevent excessive drying, but the wax can become a problem under high temperatures. Avoid buying plants on which the tissues have dried out and the bark is shriveled.

Dig the planting hole somewhat larger than the root system. Mix a quart or so of peat, compost, or other organic matter with the soil removed from the hole. DO NOT add fertilizer to the planting mix; doing so delays growth and can injure the developing roots. Make a cone of the soil mixture in the planting hole. Spread the roots over the cone in a natural manner and position the plant so the bud union (the swelling at the stem's base) is even with the surface of the soil. Eliminate any air pockets by working the soil around the roots and firm it when the hole is three-fourths full. Fill the hole with water and allow it to soak in, then refill it. After the water drains, check to see if the bud union is still at the same level. Fill the remainder of the hole with soil and tamp lightly.

Trim the plant to two to five strong canes, eight to 12 inches long. Remove all weak and twiggy growth. Mound the soil six inches deep around and over the plant. When the buds sprout, gradually remove the soil mound within two weeks or so. When vigorous growth starts, fertilize the plants.

In West Texas, soils tend to lack nitrogen and some may be slightly deficient in phosphorus. Most of our soils contain relatively large amounts of potash. Our soils often contain alkali salts and excessive amounts of limestone (cliche) that interfere with the availability of iron. This causes a condition known as lime-induced chlorosis. Chlorotic (yellow) leaves growing in soils known to have a high lime content usually indicate this problem.

Browning of tips and margins of older leaves are symptoms of salt burn. The occurrence of this is usually more prevalent in clay soils than in sandy soils. Our Big Spring water, unfortunately is high in many of the salts that cause this burn. Excessive amounts of chlorine or total salts in the irrigation water may cause trouble. The addition of sulphur (at the rate of one pound per 40 square feet) helps make these alkali salts more soluble and easier to leach from the soils.

In general, West Texas soils are extremely low in organic matter. Tight clay soils become loose and crumbly with the addition of organic matter and loose sands acquire water-holding capacity. Sources of organic matter include peat, compost, leaf mold, decomposed sawdust, and barnyard manure — probably the most widely use. Never apply barnyard manure around rose roots at planting time unless it has been composted for at least 12 months. Spreading one to three inches of partially decomposed manure over a rose bed each year is a good practice. A warning, however, manures frequently contain weed seeds, and feedlot manure often contains excess sodium salts.

Keeping an eye on Texas

State has options for training youth

The Texas Legislature is considering proposals from the Comptroller's *Texas Performance Review* that offer young people opportunities to develop marketable skills and job experience through school, business and social programs.

Programs under consideration	Annual cost or savings to state*	Start time*
☆ ***High school vocational education*** courses redesigned—more emphasis on teaching skills for current business and industry job market with additional vocational education funding tied to actual job demand. And, reduce funding for obsolete or unnecessary equipment.	**Save:** $20 million	1994
☆ ***An apprenticeship program***—support to communities and businesses to train high school students in high-skill jobs that can lead to higher wages.	**Cost:** $5.1 million	1994-1995
☆ ***A youth corps***—employ young people in service and conservation projects.	**Cost:** $9 million, requires local matching funds	1994

* Estimates

SOURCE: John Sharp, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts.

Texas unemployment down

DALLAS — The Texas jobless rate fell to 6.8 percent this month, the lowest figure recorded in more than a year, labor department figures show.

The state unemployment rate in February was 7.5 percent.

"That drop was very sharp today," said Nic Santangelo of the Bureau of Labor Statistics southwest regional office.

"I'm not sure how much of that is statistical and how much of that is economic," he said.

The March figure marked the largest over-the-month decline since a drop of 1.2 percentage points in November 1991. The 6.8 percent number also was the lowest recorded in Texas since November 1991's rate of 6.7 percent.

"We're still not getting a real uptick in the number of people employed," he said, adding that "until we do the numbers will remain relatively flat."

Nationwide, the jobless rate held at 7.0 percent in March as employment gains in the previous month disappeared and only a few service industries such as health care managed to add jobs.

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Epefanio Lomas Hinojosa, 47, 1513 Sunset & Betty Rodriguez, 39, same.

Don Ray Henson, 33, 1104 Stanford & Judy Keck Speir, 32, same.

Jackie Loyd Murphree, 25, Rt. 3 Box 248 & Ruthie Marie Sides, 23, same.

Steven Craig Croft, 36, 706 Bell & Terri Lynn Hart, Box 3644.

Danny R. Arnold, 20, HC 76 Box 89B & April Cassar, 24, same.

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Edilia Z. Martinez vs Abel S. Martinez Sr.; divorce.

John Paul Vega vs Kimberly Michelle Vega; divorce.

Gilbert Rodriquez vs Maria Ochoa Rodriquez; divorce.

David Bays vs Tom Garner, Independant executor of the estate of Joe B. Lloyd; other.

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Donna J. Andrews vs Kyle D. Andrews; divorce.

Susan Lyons vs John Lyons; divorce.

Andrea Thornton vs Roy Lynn Thornton; divorce.

Buddy A. Cunningham vs Rebecca Cunningham; divorce.

Alisa Kay Prater vs Gary Nelson Prater; divorce.

Poppy Dawn Corley vs The Southland Corp. and Jimmie Ford Billings; injuries, damages motor vehicle.

Jean Leonard vs Dwain E. Leonard; divorce.

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Carla Rose Foster vs Todd Foster; divorce.

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Raellen Marie Thompson & William Joseph Thompson; final divorce.

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Patricia Louise Daver & Billy Charles Daver; final divorce.

Susan Renee Crow & Kenneth Charles Crow; final divorce.

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Most oil prices move up as well as rig count

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — Most energy prices moved higher Thursday with crude oil pushed aloft by technical market forces.

Light sweet crude oil for delivery in May settled at $20.52 per barrel, up 8 cents, at the New York Mercantile Exchange.

Traders in the energy futures pits were encouraged when the May crude contract managed to find buyers above $20.50 a barrel, a level considered psychologically significant.

Intermittent rounds of profit-taking during the session temporarily knocked the price below $20.50 but it repeatedly bobbed back up.

James R. Fiedler, the vice president in charge of energy brokering for E.D.&F. Man International Futures Inc., said the crude contract had failed to pierce the $20.50-level in rangebound trading over the past two to three weeks so Thursday's settlement could give the market upward momentum.

"I think the close above $20.50 is positive for the market," he said.

Analysts said in the absence of any market-moving news, energy traders concentrated on technical market factors.

Meanwhile, the nation's rig count rebounded for a third straight week, climbing by 17 to 627, Baker Hughes Inc. said Friday.

The count of the number of working rigs in the United States climbed by 14 rigs in each of the two previous weeks. A year ago, the tally stood at 658.

Dowtown gets neighborhood

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

FORT WORTH, Texas — For a long time, Ed Bass was about the only guy who lived downtown.

So multimillionaire Edward Perry Bass built himself a neighborhood: a 12-story apartment complex with an 11-screen movie theater, a corner deli, carry-out pizza and home-delivered laundry.

Presto.

The one-time hermit of downtown is now surrounded by neighborly amenities, like beat police who recognize him on sight and a shop that stocks his favorite soaps — bars scented with milk, honey and almonds.

From his 2-story penthouse, he now gazes down upon brick sidewalks that teem with after-5 pedestrians who fill three intimate playhouses, catch sunsets from a cactus-garden bar and, knowingly or unknowingly, take advantage of Bass' noblesse oblige.

"Cities would die for people like the Basses, particularly people like Ed who have the creativity and the ability to back up their ideas by investing and risking their own money," says Randy Gideon, one of Ed Bass' neighbors in Sundance West.

Gideon's favorite perk of downtown living: "the service end." At Sundance West — named for the infamous Sundance Kid, who dropped by the square during the Wild West era — the concierge receives packages, lets in housekeepers and, on request, stores tenants' dirty laundry in a little closet until the cleaner can pick it up.

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1-3 days.....$9.45
4 days.....$10.95
5 days.....$12.00
6 days.....$14.25
1 week.....$15.45
2 weeks.....$27.90
1 month.....$50.55
Add $1.75 for Sunday

PREPAYMENT

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DEADLINES

Line ads ...Monday-Friday Editions 12:00 Noon of previous day
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Same day advertising published in the "Too Late to Classify" space call by 8:00 a.m.
For Sunday "Too Late to Classify" Call by Friday 5:00 pm.

GARAGE SALES

List your garage sale early! 3 days for the price of one at only $11.45. (15 words or less)

PROFESSIONAL DIRECTORY

15 words
30 times
$48.60 for 1 month or $86.40 for2 months
Display ads also available

CITY BITS

Say "Happy Birthday", "I Love You", etc. in the City Bits. 3 lines for $5.51. Additional lines $1.70

3 for 5

3 days $5.40
No business ads, only private individuals. One item per ad priced at less than $100. Price must be listed in ad.

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Call 915-263-7331

710 SCURRY.....BOX 1431
BIG SPRING, TEXAS 79720
MONDAY-FRIDAY
7:30-5:30
FAX: (915) 264-7205

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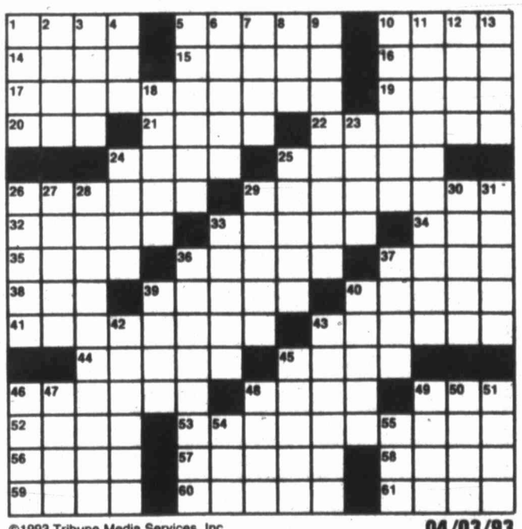
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"Now! ... *That* should clear up a few things around here."

THE Daily Crossword by Don Johnson



ACROSS
1 Family member
5 More difficult to find
10 Conflict, in literature
14 Graceful horse
15 Quick
16 Old Norse poem
17 Tuning items
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20 Perched
21 Fencing sword
22 Dangling ornament
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5 Knocked
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13 Actress Patricia
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28 Seek
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30 Was brave
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42 Felt
43 Man at the plate
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Yesterday's Puzzle Solved:

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Adoption 011

ADOPTION
Loving married couple yearns to share our love and happy home with a newborn. Please let us give your baby a devoted Mom and Dad and the best life has to offer. Spacious home, warm extended family, financial security, a fine education, a neighborhood filled with children. Expenses paid call Elizabeth and Cliff 1-800-854-6591.

ADOPTION
PHYSICIAN/NURSE couple want to adopt newborn. Happiness, security, dedication promised. Legal/Confidential. Call Suzanne & Andrew collect. 212-988-5126.

A HOME FILLED with love, laughter, gentle puppy, an doting Mom & Dad all await your newborn. Summers at the beach holidays celebrated with warm family gathering. Expenses paid. Call Debbie or Russell. 1-800-982-7598.

ATTENTION
CLASSIFIED CUSTOMERS
IF YOU NEED TO CANCEL OR MAKE CHANGES IN YOUR AD, PLEASE CALL BY 8:00 AM THE DAY THE CHANGE IS TO OCCUR.

Lodges 025

STATED MEETING, Big Spring Lodge #1340, AF & AM. 1st and 3rd Thursday, 7:30 p.m., 2101 Lancaster, Chuck Condray, W.M.; Carl Condray, Sec.

STATED MEETING Staked Plains Lodge No. 598 every 2nd and 4th Thursday, 7:30. 219 Main, Larry Williams, W.M.; T.R. Morris, Sec.

BUSINESS

Business Opp. 050

ACTION CAREER TRAINING
TRUCK DRIVER TRAINING.Job Placement Assistance, Financial Aid, if qualified. Tuition Protection Policy. Call 1-800-725-6465, Rt.3, Box 41, Merkel, Tx. 79536.

$ BILLIONS $ Snack/Soda routes. $4000.00 monthly. Limited time only. 1-800-741-1186.

CASH BUSINESS! FCC Apr'd pay phone routes. $1200 weekly. 1-800-749-2600.

CONDOM VENDING ROUTE
Big Profits. Call American Defender. 24 hours. 1-800-858-3933.

LOCAL VENDING ROUTE: $4000.00 a month & potential. Must sell. 1-800-653-8363.

MEDICAL BILLING. Do electronic insurance claims processing from home or office PART TIME or FULL TIME. Company training, initial capital required $6,998.00 plus PC. Advertised in time, Newsweek, Sports Illustrated, Nations Business, Financial World, Kipplinger, Money, Fortune, US News. For more information by mail call 803-720-7340 (24hrs) 7 days a week.

STEEL BUILDING Dealership opportunity. Serious inquirers only for select open areas. Supplier/Manufacturer. (303) 759-3200, Ext. 2301.

LOCAL VENDING ROUTE: $4000.00 a month potential. Must sell. 1-800-653-8363.

EMPLOYMENT

Help Wanted 085

ATTENTION BIG SPRING
POSTAL JOBS
$11.41/HOUR to start, plus benefits. Postal carrier, sorters, clerks, maintainers. For applications and exam information call 1-219-736-4715, ext. P8032, 8am-8pm, 7 days.

CERTIFIED FOOD SERVICE supervisor needed immediately. Salary depends upon experience. Contact Theresa Ward, Stanton Care Center. 1-756-2841.

COMANCHE TRAIL NURSING CENTER is accepting applicants for L.V.N.'s for 2-10 and 10-6 shifts. Also needed CNA's. If you give your patients top quality care and extra TLC, we want to talk to you. Call 263-4041 or Fax resume to 263-4067, or apply at 3200 Parkway, Big Spring, Tx. EOE.

CONTRACT WORK for Junior Achievement of Big Spring. (Part-time). Recruit and coordinate volunteer work with school district on Junior Achievement expansion; attend advisory board meetings, take minutes, send meeting reminders, etc: coordinate committee meetings; et at. Minimum requirement college degree. Send current resume and salary requirements to D. Tune, #4 glenwick Cove. Big Spring, Texas 79720.

EVENING COOK, Monday -Thursday 4-8, Friday and Saturday 4-9. Also relief carhop. No phone calls, please. Inquire at Wagon Wheel, 2010 Scurry St.

Help Wanted 0

RNs...CMSI pays up to $52,000 and free housing. FT hosp. positions nationwide. RNs with 1 yr. of exp. (800) 423-1739.

NEEDED JOURNEYMAN electrician/ apprentice electrician at Lamesa Prison site. Call 1-806-872-7446.

NEEDED SALAD MAKER at Big Spring Country Club. Must apply in person. No phone calls. Closed on Monday's.

NEED MATURE dependable person for part time at Photo Kwik. 402 Birdwell.

NEED PART-TIME clean up man for laundromat. Saturday & Sunday nights. 9:00pm-1:00am. Dependable with references. Retired in good health OK. $5.00 per hour. 267-3014 after 5:00pm.

NO EXPERIENCE
$500 to $900 weekly/potential processing FHA mortgage refunds. Own hours. 1-501-646-0503 Ext. 148. 24 hours.

Sales-Industrial

Career Opportunity with one of the fastest growing companies in our industry. First year earnings in excess of $24-$28,000.00. Our products are of advanced design with energy saving features in a repeat type business. Extensive training program. Incentive package. No evenings. No weekends.

For confidential interview call:
Jim Ryan
Monday 9 a.m.- 3 p.m. at
1-800-257-8353

NOW HIRING experienced cook. Hourly wage commensurate with experience. Apply in person at Days Inn, 300 Tulane, Monday - Friday, 8-5. No phone calls, please.

NOW HIRING for evening shifts and part-time day shifts. Must be 18. Apply in person only, 1101 Gregg. Gill's Fried Chicken.

"PART TIME" Department Store Merchandisers needed. Must live within 15 miles of Big Spring. Work your own daytime hours, no weekends. Car needed, no experience necessary. Send name, address and phone number to ICC-W-513 PO Box 23, So. Hackensack, NJ 07606.

PRE-KINDERGARTEN TEACHER
Private School has an opportunity for a degreed Teacher beginning fall 1993, morning hours, child care provided. Send education/work history and salary requirements to Big Spring Herald, 710 Scurry, Box 1800. Big Spring, Texas 79720.

THE CITY OF BIG SPRING is accepting applications for the position of City Engineer. To provide professional engineering work for environmental, water, sewer, streets and other community development projects. Must be registered as a Professional Engineer. To apply and to obtain further details contact City Hall Personnel, P.O. Box 3190, Big Spring, Texas 79721-3190 or call 915-263-8311. Applications will be accepted until 5:00pm. April 16th, 1993. The City Of Big Spring is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

WANTED EXPERIENCED truck drivers. Must be 21 yrs. old, have Texas CDL w/tanker, hazmat endorsements, be able to pass DOT physical & drug screen. Call 1-800-366-3045.

WE NEED a woman to live in the house with and take care of our elderly mother. We need references. For interview call 267-6847, 267-2326, 267-5048.

EVENING COOK needed. Must be able to work Monday thru Saturday. Apply at Red Mesa Grill, 2401 Gregg.

FULL OR PART-TIME drivers. Supplement your income. Great Part-time jobs. Domino's Pizza, 267-4111.

HAIR STYLIST WANTED, commission or booth rental. Hair Clinic 2105A S. Gregg. Call 267-1444. Lots of traffic. Busy salon.

L.V.N. needed: Full time position, will work two days 7-3 shift two days 3-11 shift. Excellent salary and benefits. Contact: Jo Ann Merket, R.N., D.O.N., Mon/Fri., 7-3 at Mitchell County Hospital (915) 728-3431.

NEEDED 100 people to lose weight now. No Willpower. 100% Natural. 100% Guaranteed. Dr. Recommended. 303-973-3558 after 4:00pm.

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IMMEDIATE OPENING for R.N. in out patient surgery center. Contact Linda Baker at Malone and Hogan Clinic, 1501 W. 11th Place, Big Spring, Texas.

REGISTERED NURSE AIDE
Opening for RNA. Benefits include: 2 weeks paid vacation after 1 year, 7 paid holidays, health insurance available. Apply in person. Mt. View Lodge, 2009 Virginia. EOE.

Help Wanted 085

HIRING EXPERIENCE wait staff, dishwashers and cooks. Apply at Denny,s Restaurant, 1710 E. 3rd. No phone calls please.

IMMEDIATE OPENING for 20 hour a week Surgical Department Aide with housekeeping responsibilities. Contact Linda Baker at Malone and Hogan Clinic.

IMMEDIATE OPENINGS for tractor truck drivers, must have 2 years minimum experience, current CDL license and be willing to travel. Call (915) 267-1691. E.O.E.

LICENSED COSMETOLOGISTS, clientele not necessary. Call 267-5707 for interview.

REGISTER NURSE needed for Medicare position. Call Judy Robertson at Nurses Unlimited Inc. 264-6523. M-F 8-5.

R.N. needed for 11-7 shift. Excellent salary and benefits. Contact: Jo Ann Merket, R.N., D.O.N., Mon/Fri. 7-3 at Mitchell Country Hospital (915) 728-3431.

SALES Part time. Church Products. Earn up to $1000 commissions or more per sale in your own business. Must be able to conduct sales meetings to small groups. Send resume to: AFCS, Room 207, 6 East Randolph St, Chicago, Il. 60601.

SITE SUPERVISOR
Full time for our Big Spring clinic. High School diploma or G.E.D. Responsible for a smooth running clinic including preparing records, reports, patient interviews and lab work. Medical background and bilingual ability helpful. Must have reliable transportation. Must be in agreement with goals and objectives of Planned Parenthood of West Texas, Inc. Application and job description available at 618 Gregg St. or 910-B South Grant, Odessa, Texas. EOE/M-F/V/D.

Jobs Wanted 090

CLEAN YARDS and alleys, haul trash, pruning, trim trees, remove stumps. Painting, odd jobs. Call 267-6541.

HANDY MAN. Plumbing, roofing, stonework, etc. Call Bill or Eddy. 263-6010.

WILL DO ROTOR TILLING, lawn mowing and light haulings, etc. Call Darrell for estimate. 263-0765.

FARMER'S COLUMN

Farm Equipment 150

4020 JOHN DEERE diesel. $6000.00. Call 399-4795 after 6pm.

Farm Land 199

NEED To Hire someone to deep break 25 acres farm land, at Lomax, Tx. Will pay cash, top dollar. Call Tom Coates 915-263-2225.

Horses 230

STANDING: IMPRESSIVE SALT
Sire: Impressive Dandy (World Champion.)
Dam: Gold Salt(Superior halter,ROM Arena, Dam of ROM arena)
H.Y.P.P. neg., Neg. coggins req.
Cole Wulfjen, Colorado City, Texas 1-915-728-2149.

D-FY-IT 263-1532
(Drug-Free Youth In Texas)

Tex SCAN
Statewide Classified Advertising Network
Advertise in 301 Texas newspapers for only $250.
Reach 3 MILLION Texans. Call this newspaper for details.

136-ACRE RANCH, green pasture, trees, rolling hills, spring-fed year-around creek, 4/bedroom home, large deck,$107,200, Davis & Associates Realty, Mtn. Home, AR, 505-425-9165, 1-800-264-4511.

CONSTRUCTION WORKERS NEEDED. All skills, high salaries, paid living expenses, relocation and benefits. Earn up to 70K. Call 1-800-749-1100, J.S. Construction, Inc.

DISTRIBUTE HERSEY PRODUCTS: National company seeks individual to service route. Restock displays earn high income. Training and equipment. Minimum investment $6,000. Financing available. Call 1-800-940-2299.

REVOLUTIONARY NEW STOP-smoking spray! No patch, no hypnosis, no nicotine. 30-days $29.95. Centurion, Inc., P.O. Box 55346, Houston, Texas 77255. Details 713-864-8681.

COUNTRY SONG LYRICS 1790-1990 typed words to "hard to find" songs. Send want list, receive free sample. Heartland Lyrics, P.O. Box 545, Crawford, NE 69339, phone/FAX 308-665-2253.

WILL TRADE BULLDOZER work for land in South or Southeast Texas to own or lease for hunting purposes, large or small, will negotiate. 1-800-451-3649 James Kerr.

SAN DIEGO OCEANFRONT condominiums: Panoramic ocean views, beautifully furnished. Great location to all attractions, excellent restaurants and shopping. Daily, weekly, monthly rates. Capri Beach Accommodations. 1-800-542-2774.

SINGLETON SUPPLY METAL Buildings: 24x30x10, $3,050;30x40x10,$4,200;30x60x12,$5995;40x75x12, $8,150; 50x100x14, $12,550. Call for other sizes. Miniwarehouse systems. Competitive pricing. Fast delivery. 1-800-299-6464.

TRUCK DRIVERS - THE relocation services division of North American Van Lines, Inc. needs owner operators immediately. Up to $5,000 contract signing bonus and $200,000 guaranteed linehaul offering per year for top quality van operators with 2 yrs. exp. in household goods or electronics. $100 contract signing bonus and tuition-free training available for those with no experience. Lease or purchase available. 1-800-348-2147, Dept. VL-58.

COVENANT TRANSPORT: Now hiring OTR drivers. The best team pay in the industry. *27¢ -29¢ per mile, plus mileage and longevity bonus * Motel/layover pay * Loading/unloading pay * Paid insurance. Requirements: * Minimum age 23 with 1 yr. verifiable OTR * Class A CDL with Haz/Mat. 1-800-441-4394 / 915-852-3357.

GOT A CAMPGROUND membership or timeshare? We'll take it. America's most successful resort resale clearinghouse. Call Resort Sales information toll free hotline 1-800-423-5967.

HAPPY JACK SKIN Balm: Promote healing & hair growth to hot spots on dogs & cats without steroids. Available O-T-C at TSC Stores.

BRAZILIAN BOY, 17 anxiously awaiting host family. Enjoys sports, computers. Other Scandinavian, European high school students arriving August. Call Eleanor 812-467-4619 or 1-800-SIBLING.

WOLFF TANNING BEDS new commercial-home units from $199. Lamps, lotions, accessories. Monthly payments low as $18. Call today. Free new color catalog. 1-800-462-9197.

EXPLOSIONS/FIRES/ROLLOVERS, board certified personal injury trial lawyer seeks information/witnesses concerning: gas hot water heater fires/explosions; tire/rim explosions; 3-4 wheel ATV, Jeep, Bronco II & Tractor rollover accidents; GM truck side-impact fire accidents. Call collect D.P. Willis attorney 713-654-4040.

3 WEEK PROGRAM, job placement before training, financing available. Call Tri-State semi-driver training. Austin: 512-442-7364, El Paso: 915-598-5523, Beaumont: 409-898-0707, Ft. Worth: 817-581-9195, Dallas: 214-709-8294, Garland: 214-226-7666, Denton: 817-566-6180, Houston: 713-591-7630.

COMPANY DRIVERS AND owner/operators needed. Commission pay. Benefits available for company drivers. Class A CDL required 2yrs. Van experience. Clean driving record. Call 1-800-365-5263.

DRIVERS: EXPERIENCED OTR, flatbed, benefits, assigned new conventional equipment, sign on bonus, flexible time off and more. Run 48 states. Call immediately. Roadrunner Trucking 1-800-876-7784.

R.D.S.I. IS HIRING OTR drivers to run 48 states/Canada need: 1 year OTR/school + 6 months OTR, CDL w/HAZMAT - Vans 1-800-285-8267.

AMAZING SUCCESS NEWEST vending machine to hit market. $700 - $1,400 weekly cash income possible. 15 to 90 locations available. Turn dreams into reality. Investment 5K - 1-800-329-8782.

ADVANCED WEIGHT LOSS! Stops nibblers, bingers, emotional eaters. Only $21.95 call National Pharmaceutical for information. 1-800-726-3807. Free counseling available. COD Visa/Mastercard, American Express accepted.

ADOPTION: IF YOU could see what a terrific family we are, perhaps it would make this difficult decision easier. Let us give your baby a home filled with love, warmth and security. Allowed expenses paid. Please call Ellen and Michael evenings or weekends at 1-800-446-4055. *It's illegal to be paid for anything beyond legal/medical expenses.*

ADOPTION: A BETTER choice - adoption. Caring Christian couple, happily married and financially secure wish to give loving home to newborn. Allowed expenses paid. Pat or Richard 1-800-645-0768. *It's illegal to be paid for anything beyond legal/medical expenses.*

ADOPTION: ANSWERED PRAYERS for both of us. Let us help one another. Financially secure and loving couple, with grandparents willing to provide lifetime of love and care. Legal/confidential. Please call Jenina & Len 1-800-358-4331. *It's illegal to be paid for anything beyond legal/medical expenses.*

ADOPT: ACTIVE YOUNG happily married couple with love and laughter in our home and hearts wish to adopt newborn. Allowed expenses paid. Call Lisa/Kenny 1-800-242-2411. *It's illegal to be paid for anything beyond legal/medical expenses.*

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MISCELLANEOUS

Antiques 290

ANTIQUES & FINE FURNITURE, over 450 clocks, lamps, old phonograph players, and telephones. We also repair & refinish all of the above. Call or bring to House of Antieks, 4008 College, Snyder, Texas. 915-573-4422. 9am-6:30pm.

Auctions 325

AUCTIONS

April 3rd. Estate and Real Estate Auction. Previewing 8am-10am, Old American Legion, Highway 87 South and Driver Road. For viewing and more information, Ron Howard, Real Estate & Auctioneer, 2114 W. 3rd, 263-1536. List your Real Estate to be auctioned. TX 9928.

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

Computer 370

GOOD WORKING CONDITION. Wide carriage dot Matrix printer $90.00. Hayes 1200 Baud Modem, $20.00. 267-4310.

KAYPRO COMPUTER, keyboard, monitor, for sale. Floppy disk drive, 640K RAM. Operating manuals, and software. Excellent condition. 267-6900.

Dogs, Pets, Etc 375

FOR SALE: 3 year old Dalmatian female. 267-9605.

FOR SALE. Registered 13 month old German Shepherd. Spayed, shots. Excellent with children. 267-5812.

FREE! 6 month old female Dalmatian. Call 263-1214.

FULL BLOOD BORDER COLLIES. Working daddy. Daddy won sheepdog try off two years in a row. 1 male, 4 females. $100/each. 353-4469.

Garage Sale 380

GARAGE SALE-Lawn mower and lots more misc. 4017 Vicky, 8-5, Saturday and Sunday.

MAKE FANTASTIC Money at Garage Sales-Fleas Markets-Swap Meets-Auctions. Call for Amazing Recorded Message. 915-353-4403.

GARAGE SALE. Saturday & Sunday. 1601 East 17th St. Lots of good stuff!.

GARAGE SALE- Saturday 8:00-5:00, Sunday 1:00-4:00, Rockhouse Road 1st. red brick house on left. Furniture, books, etc.

GARAGE SALE 105 Jonesboro. Saturday 8-5, Sunday 10-5. What-nots, yard tools, Lots of miscellaneous. NO-EARLY-SALES!!.

GARAGE SALE: 626 State, Saturday, Sunday. Lots of tools, power saber saw, air compressor, reloading equipment, gas edger, luggage, good clothes, lots of miscellaneous.

GARAGE SALE. Furniture, washer, refrigerator, tools, trailer axle, mobile home steps, lots and lots of miscellaneous. Friday, Saturday & Sunday. 9-?. 2310 N. Birdwell.

YARD SALE. 1300 Barnes. Saturday & Sunday. Clothes, computer, weight bench w/ weights, lots of miscellaneous.

YARD SALE, Monday 9-5. Lots of miscellaneous. 4014 Parkway.

Household Goods 390

KING-SIZE WATERBED, 6- drawer pedestal, bookcase headboard, good condition. $125.00. 263-4576.

Special Of The Week
Great Selection Of 14 Karat Jewelry & 18 Karat Bulova Watches
ALL MOVIES Just $1.00
Including New Releases!!
No Deposit on VCR Rentals
Your Job's Your Credit at:
HUGHES RENTAL & SALES
1611 Gregg 267-6770

QUEEN SIZE Black Lacquer waterbed, matching dresser with mirror and nightstand. Water mattress 60% waveless. Heater and liner included. Very good condition. 1 year old. Paid $1500. will take $700.00. 267-4017 after 4pm. Charlie.

QUEEN SIZE couch with bed, $100.00. Table and 6 chairs w/2 leaves, $100.00. Call 267-5096.

USED QUEEN mattress and box spring sets. $89.00 per set. Visa and Mastercard accepted. Branham Furniture, 2004 W. 4th.

Lost & Found Misc. 393

MALE COCKER SPANIEL. Must identify. Call 267-9605.

FOUND TABBY CAT in Lancaster vicinity. Has collar. Call 267-5646 to claim.

★ REWARD

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Lost- Pets 394

LOST FEMALE LAB puppy in the Hilltop Road & N. Birdwell area Tuesday. Has a bright orange collar. Call 263-7158.

Miscellaneous 395

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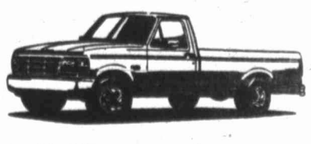
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RESIDENTIAL HOME OWNERS HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION

I. All residential homeowners who acquired their home in 1992, must file an exemption form with the Appraisal District to be granted the exemption for 1993, even if they purchased a home with a homestead exemption from the previous owner.
II. If neither spouse is receiving an over-65 exemption and either spouse turned 65 years of age before midnight January 1, 1993 you can qualify for the over-65 exemption, BUT YOU MUST APPLY with the Appraisal District.
III. If neither spouse is receiving an exemption for FICA disability and either spouse became disabled before midnight January 1, 1993 you can qualify for a disability homestead exemption BUT YOU MUST APPLY with the Appraisal District.
IV. All residential homeowners who received an exemption, homestead, over-65 or disabled, for 1992 the District will carry the exemption(s) forward without application. You need only apply if yo fall in one of the above 3 categories.

Keith Toomire
Chief Appraiser
Howard County Appraisal District
8180 February 7 & 14, & April 4, 1993

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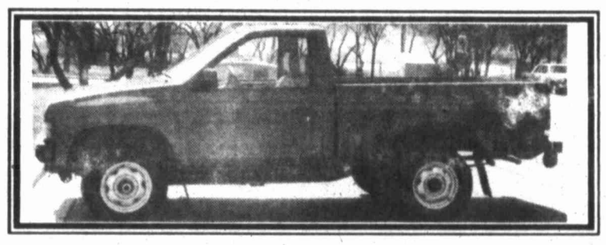
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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

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THE CITY OF BIG SPRING RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY OR ALL BIDS AND TO WAIVE ANY OR ALL FORMALITIES.
SIGNED: TIM BLACKSHEAR, MAYOR
SIGNED: MAURINE PITTMAN, CITY SECRETARY
8255 March 29 & April 4, 1993

PUBLIC NOTICE

CITATION BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF TEXAS
TO: MEDRETH DELIGHT FIELDS and J.C. LOVETT, and/or their respective heirs, devisees, personal representatives and successors or assigns, and if any be deceased, then their unknown heirs and legal representatives, Defendants, in the hereinafter numbered and styled cause:
You are hereby commanded to appear before the Honorable 118th Judicial District Court of Howard County, Texas, at the District Courtroom in Big Spring, Texas, at or before 10:00 O'Clock A.M., on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from March 24, 1993, the date of issuance of this Citation by filing a written answer to Plaintiff's Original Petition that was filed in said court on the 24th day of March, 1993, numbered 93-03-36450 on the docket of said court, and styled "Dutch-Irish Oil, Inc. v. Medreth Delight Fields and J.C. Lovett," said answer being due Monday, May 10, 1993, at 10:00 A.M.
The nature of this suit, briefly stated, is one in which Plaintiff requests the Court to appoint a resident of Howard County, Texas, as Receiver of certain undivided mineral interests, as described below; and, that no bond be required, as permitted by Section 64.091(d)(3) of the Civil Practice and Remedies Code of the State of Texas; and that said Receiver be authorized to execute and deliver a lease upon the oil, gas and mineral interests, whether more or less than the undivided interests hereinafter stated, of said defendants and/or their respective heirs, devisees, personal representatives, successors or assigns, and if any be deceased, then their unknown heirs and legal representatives, in and to the following described land situated in Howard County, Texas, viz:
160.75 acres, more or less, being South One-Half of the Northeast One-Quarter (S/2 NE/4) and the North One-Half of the Southeast One-Quarter (N/2 SE/4) of Section No. 26, Block No. 31, Township 2 North, T.&P. Railroad Company Survey, Howard County, Texas.
The defendants, their respective heirs, devisees, personal representatives, successors or assigns, and if any or all be deceased, then their unknown heirs and legal representatives, own, of record, the undivided mineral interest in and to all of said land as is set forth following said defendants' names as follows: Medreth Delight Fields is record owner of an undivided 1/64 interest in and to the oil, gas and other minerals in and under the above described land and J.C. Lovett is the record owner of an undivided 1/64 interest in and to the oil, gas and other minerals in and under the above described land.
If this citation is not served within ninety (90) days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.
The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve it and make due return thereof according to the requirements of law, and the mandates thereof.
ISSUED UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF SAID COURT, at Big Spring, Texas, on this 26th day of March, 1993.
GLENDA BRASEL, DISTRICT CLERK
118TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS
By: Glenda Brasel
8269 April 4, 9, 11 & 16, 1993

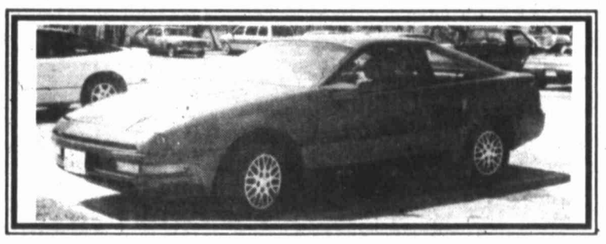
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The Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services (TDPRS) invites all interested individuals, private for-profit and non-profit agencies, organizations, or government entities to submit proposals to provide Preparation for Adult Living (PAL) Services. All services will be used in the Department's Child Protective Services program.

The contractor will receive referrals from local Child Protective Services staff. The emphasis of this program is placed on the provision of skills training program designed to assist TDPRS conservatorship adolescents in preparing for emancipation by enhancing their ability to live independently, and a mentoring program.

Interested parties must propose to deliver services in the seventeen (17) counties listed below:

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Dawson	Martin	Ward
Ector	Midland	Winkler
Gaines	Pecos	

The contract awarded under this RFP will be effective July 1, 1993 through June 30, 1994. Payment for these services will be on a cost reimbursement basis with a maximum expenditure of $78,400.00 for the contract year.

A "Request for Proposal" packet may be obtained beginning April 5, 1993 by contacting:

Larry Torres
TDPRS Procurement Specialist
2525 N. Grandview, Suite 100
Odessa, Texas 79761
(915) 368-2684

The last day to request a packet is April 22, 1993. The deadline for submiting proposals is May 20, 1993 at 4:30 p.m.

8268 April 4, 5 & 6, 1993

Wal-Mart

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keeps going up and the satellite towns keep going down," said Bobby Palmer, publisher of the Mount Pleasant Daily Tribune.

Since the Supercenter opened, retail sales in Titus County, not including Mount Pleasant, dropped 11.5 percent following a 1 percent increase the first half of 1992. Including Mount Pleasant, county-wide sales increased 13 percent since opening, compared to a 1.4 percent increase in preceding months.

Mount Pleasant sales for all of 1992 increased 11 percent over the year before, reflecting a trend of exponentially increasing sales. Sales increased 8 percent in 1991, 3.2 percent in 1990. But sales in the county, outside Mount Pleasant, decreased 1.3 percent last year following a 9.9 percent increase in 1991.

Titus County employment ended 1992 with a 2 percent increase of employment, then dropped this year. For February of this year, it was less than 1 percent under numbers for February 1992. That roughly matches the statewide trend, although Titus County fared slightly better. The Supercenter employees about 500 and another Wal-Mart store 50, 350 more than before August.

Businesses outside Mount Pleasant are not the only ones impacted.

John Vinyard, who owns nine small grocery stores in the area, including one of four in Mount Pleasant, said he lost about 25 percent of his business to Wal-Mart. Keeping him in business, he said, are oldtime loyal customers, personal services such as taking groceries out to cars and a debt-free store in Mount Pleasant.

"Capitalistically speaking they're (Wal-Mart) doing everything right. They talk about the jobs that come in, they don't talk about the jobs that go out," said Vinyard, who also opposed rezoning of the Supecenter site. "Not a lot, but some have gone out of business because of the Wal-Mart mentality — I like to call it."

A survey of half a dozen business leaders and business owners in Mount Pleasant, both pro and con for the Supercenter, indicates at least five businesses closed since the 1989 announcement of the Supercenter. However, at least 16 businesses opened since announcement, including a Bud's Warehouse Outlet — owned by Wal-Mart — at the old 60,000-square-foot Wal-Mart location, which employes 50.

"If a business went out of business because of Wal-Mart, it was probably going to go out of business irregardless, because we've got other businesses coming in," said Charles "Bo" Howard, an auditor at Guaranty Bank and member of the Mount Pleasant Planning and Zoaning Commission.

"It's hurt some people but businesses are still coming," said Howard, who cast the swing vote in a 3-2 approval of rezoning for about five acres of the 32-acres of land the Supercenter sits on.

Boggs, who opposed the Supercenter because he lived in the Southside neighborhood where it was built and becuase he feared the impact on small businesses, took advantage of increased traffic by Wal-Mart and opened Coaches Cafe, the Southwest cuisine restaurant. It's "doing fine," he said.

A specialized meat-packing business Boggs owns is doing about the same while sales for a floral shop across the street from the Supercenter took off. However, he said, he has been unable for two years to sell his home, appraised at $75,000, at a $69,900 asking price.

But Patrick Redfearn of Redfearn Real Estate Co., which does about half the business in Mount Pleasant, said he has no trouble selling houses in the Southgate Subdivision behind the Supercenter where Boggs' house is. Six houses currently listed for sale in the neighborhood is about average. Prices remained in the $50,0000 to $70,000 range since the Supercenter opened.

Meanwhile, commercial property on South Jefferson, where the Supercenter is located across from the old Wal-Mart, went up from a $1 a front-foot to $7.50, said Titus County Chief Appraiser Lois McKibben.

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SIGNED: TIM BLACKSHEAR,
MAYOR
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CITY SECRETARY

8256 March 29 & April 4, 1993

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of opportunity to make comments or request a public hearing is hereby given by West Texas Opportunities, Inc., 603 N. 4th. Street in Lamesa, Texas on the continuation of rural public transportation services within Lamesa and Dawson County; Stanton and Martin County; McCamey/Rankin and Upton County; Andrews and Andrews County; Seminole/Seagraves and Gaines County; and Big Spring and Howard County. Financial assistance to provide this service is being sought from the Federal Transit Administration through the Texas Department of Transportation in the amount of $122,403. Service will be for the general public, will be on demand response, and fares will be charged for the service. Additional vehicles will not be required to provide this service. Written comments or a written request for a public hearing are being accepted at P.O. Box 1308, Lamesa, Texas until 4:00 p.m. on April 23, 1993. Further information can be found at West Texas Opportunities, Inc.

8257 March 28 & April 4, 1993

LOCAL BUSINESS REVIEW

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Jean Boling Rountree, M.Ed., CCC-SP, Speech-Language Pathologist, evaluates and treats people of all ages with speech, language, and/or learning disabilities, as well as those who wish to improve their normal speech or voices in some way. Her past experience at Bexar County Hospital in San Antonio and as Director of Speech-Language Pathology at Letterman Army Medical Center in San Francisco, CA, provided wide clinical experience.

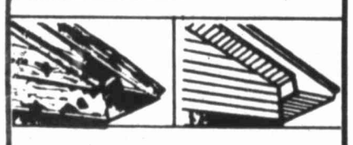
In addition to her regular practice, Rountree has begun an association with Therapy Solutions, a new agency in Big Spring with contracts with local and regional nursing care facilities. The agency also is seeking its own Medicare and Medicaid provider numbers in order to provide home health care in the near future. The local rehabilitation coordinator is Deborah Jones, who can be reached at 267-4207.

Rountree is a member of the Health and Education committees of the Big Spring Chamber of Commerce. She is available for lectures to professional and community groups, having spoken in the past on such topics as speech and language development and stimulation, written and oral language readiness for school, the stroke patient and the family.

Relatively new areas of her field in which Rountree has been quite active include evaluation and treatment of swallowing disorders, voice prostheses for laryngectomees, and cognitive rehabilitation for post-stroke or traumatic brain injury patients.

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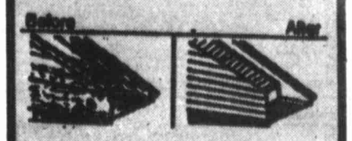
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