

BIG SPRING HERALD

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Fuqua passing up on \$2,000 raise approved by council

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

Less than 24 hours after weathering the toughest battle of his 18-month tenure as Big Spring's city manager, Gary Fuqua announced he is grateful but will not accept the \$2,000 per year salary increase approved by the city council Wednesday night.

"I'm declining the raise because it's not budgeted," Fuqua said. "My normal evaluation is in May and if I'm doing a good job then, the council can give me a raise then if they choose to do so."

Fuqua said he thought about it long and hard after Wednesday's meeting and decided accepting the raise was not the right thing to do.

Fuqua was hired in May 1995 at a salary of \$57,500. That salary was reviewed after a six-month adjustment period and was increased to \$60,000. He then received a unanimous review and vote of confidence last spring, which included an increase to \$63,500.

The \$2,000 increase Fuqua is declining would have increased his salary to \$65,500, but Fuqua said money is not a matter with him.

"If I'm going to go over budget on a salary, I have so many employees who need it and deserve it more than I do," Fuqua said. "I was overwhelmed at the support I got from city employees and the residents of Big Spring. People came to the meeting not at my request,

but because they cared."

Former employees, current employees and employees Fuqua has not had the opportunity to meet yet spoke on his behalf Wednesday.

"I do, however, appreciate the six months of severance pay added to my contract," Fuqua added. "It gives me and my family the peace of mind in the future should situations like this come up."

Fuqua said he is happy with the outcome of Wednesday's meeting and now wants to put the situation behind him and continue with the progress the city has made.

"I think the citizens see the city is going in a good direction," Fuqua said. The vote of confidence received

Wednesday from Big Spring residents as well as the council, according to Fuqua, gives him the ability to do what he thinks is right for the community.

"The council has the last word on every issue and I'll go along with their decisions as long as they are morally right and legal," Fuqua said.

According to Fuqua, is to spend whatever time it takes on clearing up FAA matters with the airport.

"We have a real jewel in the airport and we're still awaiting the results of the FAA audit of the airport," Fuqua said.

Another matter of importance to Fuqua is spending more time on the city's master plan with Master Plan Coordinator Tara Kersh.

"Hopefully Tara will be able to give a report to the council in January, updating them on where the city is with the plan," Fuqua said.

Two administrative positions Fuqua hopes to fill in the near future are those of golf pro at Comanche Trail Golf Course and Housing Assistance Program (HAP) director.

"I can't imagine trying to go through something like this without the support of the city staff and employees," Fuqua said. "This is my hometown and I don't have any place to run and hide."

As for the current structure of the city's administration, Fuqua said he plans to keep things the way they are.

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Big Spring's 'biggest' Christmas parade Saturday

HERALD Staff Report

What some are calling the biggest Christmas parade in Big Spring history is set to roll down Gregg Street Saturday.

With 65 entries and more than 100 vehicles, the Big Spring Herald Community Christmas Parade will begin at 5:30 p.m. at the corner of the FM 700 north service road and Gregg Street and head toward downtown.

"This is great," said parade chairman John H. Walker. "The interest has been tremendous and all indications are that it will be fun for everyone."

Dr. P.W. Malone will serve as grand marshal of the parade, which will include 17 lighted entries.

"We're especially excited about the number of lighted entries," Walker said. "This is more than double last year and we think sets the stage for next year, when we hope to go to a fully lighted parade."

Entries will be judged in four categories, including civic, commercial and manufacturing, school or church and lighted.

Winners in each of the categories will be announced in Sunday's Herald and engraved plaques will be presented next week.

The parade kicks off a week of Christmas-related activities, including the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce's Trail of Lights celebration and First



The Big Spring Post Office, which won first place in last year's Christmas Parade with the entry pictured here, will be trying to make it two in a row Saturday when this year's parade begins at 5:15 p.m.

United Methodist Church's Living Christmas Tree.

The Trail of Lights celebration will include the lighting of the community Christmas tree and downtown buildings, live entertainment, the Christmas tree forest, U.S. Postal Service special cancellation and holiday post office, 10 food vendors, wagon rides, face painting, train rides and more.

The Christmas tree forest, which includes a gift tree for underprivileged children, will

be open at the corner of 3rd and Runnels from 1-5 p.m. on Sunday and from 6-8 p.m. next Monday through Friday.

The Living Christmas Tree is scheduled for 7:30 both Saturday and Sunday nights.

The official order of entries for the 1996 Community Christmas Parade includes:

Big Spring Police Department Honor Guard, Grand Marshal Dr. P.W. Malone, Big Spring High School Band, Runnels Junior High School Band and

Runnels cheerleaders, Ag Service three antique tractors, Taco Bell, ABWA, Western Container and Cub Scout Pack 305.

Also, Berea Baptist Church, Brownie Troop 298, Wal-Mart, Wanda Lockhart and Debbie

Valverde antique cars, Elbow Kindergarten, Boy Scout Troop 25 and Cub Scout Pack 501 and Howard County Sheriff's Posse.

Also, Cellular One, United Girls Softball Association, Harley Owners Group,

RSVP/Big Spring Citizen's Police Academy Alumni Association, Cub Scout Pack 176, Kentucky Fried Chicken, First Nazarene Church, and Family Medical Center.

Also, NAACP, Humane Society, Girl Scouts (three troops), Howard County Fire Department, Rainbow Girls, Marcy Elementary, U.S. Postal Service, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Suez Fire

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FastFacts

• **BIG SPRING HERALD COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS PARADE** — Begins at 5:30 p.m. at corner of 25th and Gregg and follows a new route, heading north on Gregg to Sixth Street, turning east to Main and then north to First.

More than 60 entries will make this the biggest Christmas Parade in community history.

Sixteen of the entries are lighted and the parade concludes with the official arrival of Santa Claus.

• **TRAIL OF LIGHTS** — After the parade, the third annual Trail of Lights celebration gets under way at 6:30 in downtown.

The program starts with the lighting of the community Christmas tree and includes live music, food booths, Christmas tree forest and more.

• **LIVING CHRISTMAS TREE** — First United Methodist Church's 10th annual Living Christmas Tree is scheduled for 7:30 both Saturday and Sunday nights.

• **THE WEATHER FORECAST** for Saturday calls for mostly sunny conditions with a high in the mid-60s. Early evening temperatures should remain in the mid-50s.

Wanda Johnson, Forsan students among winners at Howard County Pecan Show

HERALD Staff Report

Wanda Johnson, who entered Texas pecans, been declared the grand champion and commercial champion at the annual Howard County Pecan Show.

Several residents entered their pecans in the show including Chocataw, John Garner and Burkut varieties of the nut. Jim Word of Odessa and Stephan Zoeller of Stanton were the judges.

The other winners included: Reserve champion and commercial reserve champion - Heath Hallison with his Chocataw variety.

• Classic champion - Walton Morrison with a John Garner pecan.

• Varietal seedling champ - Sara Thixton.

• Burkut variety - Wanda Petty, first place; Boyce Hale,

second place and John Appleton, third place.

• Chocataw variety - Heath Hallison, first place; Delma Harwall, second place and D.D. Johnston, third place.

• Mahan variety - Walton Morrison, first place.

• Pawnee variety - Dave Stevens, first place.

• Texas variety - Wanda Johnson, first place and Boyce Hale, second place.

• Western variety - Tracy Tarter.

• Wichita variety - Wayne Johnson, first place; Ann Duncan, second place and Fred Martinez, third place.

• Varietal seedling - Sara Thixton, first place; Pauline Porch, second place and D.D. Johnston, third place.

• Sturat variety - J.W. Green, first place.

The students from Forsan High School's home economics

class were really cooking as they took first place in three out of four classes in the youth division of the food show — cookies, breads and cakes.

The first place cookie makers were Shelby Ferguson, Heath Harrison, William Osburn, Dawn Parker and Josh Paul. LaDonna Dennis, Tandi Casselman, Beth Mereness, Stormee Nix and Carrie Robinson made up the team that baked the best bread. The first place cake bakers included Krysha Bearden, Daniel Davis, Josh Gaston, Jamie Gunter and Deana Johnson.

Clay Hart took first place in the candy class. Michael Baldwin, Jennifer Dunlap, Kori Hughes, Blake Lanspery, Larry Garcia and Ferrol Voight, all Forsan students, placed second in the candy class.

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Wanda Johnson and Keith Klement look over some of the entries at Big Spring's annual Pecan and Food Show Thursday.

Herald Christmas parade kicks off spirit of season

HERALD Staff Report

Looking for something to do this weekend? Here's your ticket to weekend activities in and around Big Spring.

This feature is published each Friday and will include a variety of activities. It is limited to activities of a general nature, community fund-raisers, community functions, free performances, etc.

To submit your activity, send it to "Weekend Ticket," Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, 79721.

WEEKEND TICKET

If you wish, you may fax your listing to 264-7205 or bring it by the Herald offices at 710 Scurry.

- Spring City Senior Center dance, tonight, 7:30-10:30 p.m., Spring City Senior Center.
- Heritage Museum, today from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m.-5 p.m., 510 Scurry.
- Craft show, Saturday, Big

Spring Mall.

The 8th annual ABWA crafts show features a variety of crafts.

• Big Spring Herald's annual Community Christmas Parade, begins at 5:30 p.m. Saturday at 25th and Gregg and proceeds north to downtown.

• Third annual Trail of Lights, downtown Big Spring Saturday following Christmas parade.

Lighting of community Christmas tree will take place at 6:30, followed by live music. Activities include special

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TODAY'S WEATHER

72 ▲ Highs 42
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Today: Sunny with a high around 72. Low in the upper 30s.
Saturday: Sunny, high in the mid 60s. Low in the upper 30s.
Extended outlook: Sunday, partly cloudy. High in the 60s. Low in the 30s. Monday and Tuesday, partly cloudy with highs in the 70s. Lows in the 30s.

OBITUARIES

Ira M. Stanley

Service for Ira M. Stanley, 88, of Ballinger, is 10 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 7, 1996, at Ninth Street Church of Christ in Ballinger with Rev. Max Pratt officiating. Interment will follow at Crews Cemetery.

Mr. Stanley died Wednesday, Dec. 4, 1996, at Ballinger Memorial Hospital.

He was born Jan. 28, 1908, in Algerita. He married Eunice Elsie Hagar July 2, 1932, in Winters. Mr. Stanley was a farmer and heavy equipment operator for a highway construction company. He was a member of the Ninth Street Church of Christ and a past treasurer for the AARP.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Glen; a grandson and a great-grandson.

He is survived by his wife Eunice Elsie Stanley, Ballinger; one son: Lester Stanley, Freona; three daughters: Elrita Stanley, Ballinger; Loretta Rae, Odessa and Nelda Scott, Goldsmith; four brothers: Nolan Stanley, Delbert Stanley and Deaton Stanley, all of Big Spring, and Quenten Stanley, Houston; two sisters: Noma Eoff, Winters and Ethel Sawyer, Denton; seven grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Family visitation is Friday from 6-7 p.m. at Rains-Seale Funeral Home in Ballinger.

Arrangements under the direction of Rains-Seale Funeral Home.

Jose Acosta

Service for Jose A. Acosta, 58, of Stanton, is 2 p.m. Friday, Dec. 6, 1996, in St. Joseph Catholic Church in Stanton with Rev. Tom Barley officiating. Burial will follow at St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery.

He died Wednesday, Dec. 4, 1996, in Del Rio.

Mr. Acosta was born Aug. 3, 1938, in Del Rio and lived in Stanton 37 years. He married Rosa Juarez Feb. 17, 1962, in Big Spring.

He was a welder and a member of the St. Joseph Catholic Church. Mr. Acosta was preceded in death by a sister, Rebecca Acosta.

Survivors include his wife Rosa Acosta, Stanton; a son: Joe Acosta Jr., Stanton; two daughters: Elvia Erives and Cynthia Erives, both of Stanton; a sister: Simona Morales, Tarzan; two brothers: Frank Acosta, Lenorah and Ruben Fuentes, Odessa and five grandchildren.

Arrangements under the direction of Glibreath Funeral Home in Stanton.

Lettie Fleming

Service for Lettie Vesta Fleming, 89, of Lenorah, will be

2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 7, 1996, in the First United Methodist Church in Stanton with Rev. Skip Hodges officiating. Burial will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park in Midland.

She died Wednesday, Dec. 4, 1996, in a Midland hospital.

Mrs. Fleming was born Feb. 28, 1907, near Emory in Rains County. She married Ausborn C. Fleming Oct. 6, 1927, and he preceded her in death in 1965. She retired in 1967 after teaching 18 years in Grady. She was a member of Delta Kappa Gamma Society, Eastern Star and First United Methodist Church.

She was preceded in death by a grandson in 1988.

Survivors include a son: Jackie Gene Fleming, Midland; a sister: Nettie Barnes, Chandler; a brother: Owen Northcutt, Emory; a grandson; two great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Arrangements under the direction of Glibreath Funeral Home in Stanton.

Alta Belle Goodnough

Alta Belle Goodnough, 101, of Fort Scott, Kan. and formerly of Big Spring, died Wednesday, Dec. 4, 1996, at a Fort Scott nursing home. No services are planned. Her body will lie in state at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home on Saturday, Dec. 7, 1996.

She was born Oct. 4, 1895, in Eastland County and married Harmon Goodnough in 1919 in Gorman. He preceded her in death in 1975.

Mrs. Goodnough moved to Fort Scott, Kan. in 1989 from Big Spring.

She was a Baptist. Mrs. Goodnough was also a 50-year member of the Big Spring Chapter #67 Order of the Eastern Star.

Survivors include one granddaughter: Shellia Miller, Austin and four great-grandchildren.

She was also preceded in death by three brothers: Amos, Harlan and Clayton Cook and a daughter, Aletha Belle Holmes. Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Pecans

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The adult division winners were:

- Cookies - Darlene Hipp, first and Larry Reagan, second.
- Pies - Amy Reagan, first.
- Breads - Elvira Gandar, first.
- Candies - Larry Reagan, first; Amy Reagan, second and Jowill Etchison, third.
- Cakes - Elvira Gandar, first; Darlene Hipp, second and Jowill Etchison, third. Other participants were Amy Reagan and Pat Howell.

Best of Show went to Jay Hart in the youth division and Darlene Hipp won Best of Show in the adult division.

RECORDS

Thursday's high 66
Thursday's low 36
Average high 61
Average low 32
Record high 79 in 1956
Record low 6 in 1950
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Parade

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Brigade, VA Medical Center, State National Bank and Immaculate Heart of Mary Church.

Also, Comanche Trail Nursing Center, Boy Scout Troop 16, Trail of Lights, City of Big Spring, Disabled American Veterans, Anthony's, VFW Post 2013, J&J Entertainment (train), First Christian Church and Tami Paige (train).

Also, Church of Harvest, Cub Scout Pack 29, Dr. McDaniels horse and wagon, KBST/La Signal, go-carts, Cossacks Motorcycle Club, Lakeview Head Start.

Also, HEB, First Baptist Church, Medical Care Plaza, East Fourth Baptist Church, Clifford Hart three antique cars, two Dance Gallery groups and, finally, Santa Claus.

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postal cancellation, Christmas tree forest and food booths.

• 10th Living Christmas Tree, Saturday and Sunday at 7 p.m., First United Methodist Church.

Fuqua

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at the present time.

When Fuqua was first hired, he elevated Personnel Director Emma Bogard to assistant city manager as well as director of Streets, Parks and Sanitation. Bogard also oversees Airpark operations.

City Engineer Ralph Truskowski assumed the duties of supervising the Utilities Department, which also includes distribution and collection lines, water treatment, code enforcement and permits.

"Emma and Ralph are in place to stay," Fuqua said. "They never complain, although I know they put in several 10-hour plus days."

Fuqua's restructuring of City Hall offices left a couple of department head positions vacant, but with the added duties of Bogard and Truskowski, the work has been done and Fuqua said he sees no need to fill any positions at this time.

IN BRIEF

THE BIG SPRING SYMPHONY office will be open to the public Saturday from 5 to 7 p.m. in conjunction with the parade and Trail of Lights. Refreshments and tickets for the Nutcracker and the Christmas Tour of Homes will be available for sale.

ON SUNDAY, DEC. 8, the Sands CISD elementary, middle school and high school choirs will present the annual Christmas program. It's scheduled for 2 p.m. at the Sands CISD school auditorium.

ON THE RUN

Following the Christmas program, officials will review the Texas Education Agency's 1996 School Report Card and the district's Academic Excellence Indicator System. The public is invited.

THE BIG SPRING GOSPEL Opry is Friday, Dec. 13 at the Howard College Auditorium. The event starts at 7 p.m. and there will be a special Christmas program. Admission is free.

THE BIG SPRING STATE Hospital Volunteer Services Council is hosting the annual Carol of Lights at the BSSH Activity Therapy Building at 6 p.m. Monday, Dec. 9.

The community is invited to join BSSH patients in singing Christmas carols and drinking hot chocolate.

HIGHLAND COUNCIL FOR THE Deaf is sponsoring the open-captioned film "Independence Day" for the deaf and hard-of-hearing. The movie will be shown on Saturday at 1 p.m. at the Ritz Theater, Fourth and Main. The public is invited to attend.

SPRINGBOARD

TODAY

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

• Good Shepherd Fellowship Church, 610 Abrams, 7 p.m. Bible study.

• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting and 8 to 9 p.m. Big Book Study.

SATURDAY

• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, open meetings at noon, 8 p.m. and 10 p.m.

• "Independence Day" will be shown open-captioned for the deaf and hearing-impaired community, 7 p.m., Ritz Theater, Fourth and Main.

• Scenic Cactus Chapter of American Business Women's Association eighth annual craft show, Big Spring Mall, angel crafts, live plants, food, holiday gift ideas and bird houses. Booth spaces available by calling Deloris Albert at 263-4253.

• Christmas parade, 5:30 p.m., starts at 24th and Gregg and ends at Pocket Park and courthouse area downtown. Trail of Lights to follow the conclusion of the parade.

• Big Spring Symphony office, open from 5 to 7 p.m.; refreshments and tickets for the Nutcracker and the Christmas Tour of Homes will be available for sale.

TEXAS LOTTERY

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POLICE

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

• **HARVEY LEE STRUBE**, 35, Waring, Texas, arrested on public intoxication.

• **CEDRIC RAY JEFFERSON**, 35, 4208 Parkway, arrested on local warrants.

• **CHARLES RANDOLPH DEAX**, 20, 1611 Harding, arrested for driving with invalid license, evading arrest and detention.

• **DENISE RENEE GROS**, 17, 2612 Langley, arrested for theft under \$50.

• **CHRISTINE JUDITH YANKE**, 20, 2612 Langley, arrested for theft under \$50.

• **ARCHIE GOODMAN**, 24, 2612 Langley, arrested for theft under \$50.

• **JOHN EDWIN FARMER**, 24, 2507 Albrook, arrested for theft under \$50.

• **CLAUDIE JOE HORN II**, 19, 2512 Gunter, arrested for theft under \$50.

• **CHERYL ANN BROWN**, 41, HC 7, Box 90, arrested on local warrants, DWI.

• **SYREETA DIANE SHELLMAN**, 23, 1106 E. 12th, arrested on local warrants.

• **DEBBIE ELIZABETH GRIMES**, 37, 1 Courtney Place, No. 608, arrested on local warrants.

• **JEFFREY RALPH MURPHY**, 37, 1311 Baylor, arrested on local warrants.

• **JAMES MICHAEL THURMAN**, 42, 3308 Auburn, arrested for no driver's license.

• **RONALD LEE SIMONEK**, 41, 1604 Lark, arrested on local warrants.

• **JIM BOB WHITE**, 29, HC 61, Box 444, arrested on local warrants.

• **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** reported in the 300 block of Main, 2600 block of Cindy, 2900 block of West 80, 700 block of North Douglas and 800 block of Collier.

• **INVESTIGATION OF SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITIES** reported in the 3200 block of West 80, at Wasson and Randolph, 700 block of Tulane, 1800 block of Donley, 600 block of Bucknell and 1100 block of Johnson.

• **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** reported in the 500 block of Douglas.

• **LOUD PARTY/NOISE** reported on North 10th and in the 700 block of Lorilla.

• **JUVENILE PROBLEMS** reported in the 4000 block of South Parkway and 900 block of Runnels.

• **THEFT** reported in the 300 block of Gregg, 1200 block of Gregg, 400 block of East 9th and 700 block of West I-20.

• **DISTURBANCE/FIGHT**

reported in the 900 block of Bell.

• **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** reported in the 200 block of West Marcy.

SHERIFF

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

• **CALEB LEE ROBERTSON**, 20, 1109 Runnels, plead guilty in county court to possession of marijuana under 2 ounces. Sentenced to 14 days in jail, fined \$200 plus court costs of \$192. Remains in jail on \$1,000 bail.

• **THEFT** reported in the 400 block of North 4th, Coahoma.

• **ANIMAL PROBLEM** reported on Sherman Road.

MARKETS

December cotton 74.20 cents a pound, up 3 points; January crude oil 25.18, down 40 points; Cash hog steady at 58 even; slaughter steers steady at 68 cents even; Dec. live hog futures 58.90, down 35; Dec. live cattle futures 66.02, down 40 points.

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Southwestern Bell	50% -
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Texas Instruments	63% -
Texas Util. Co	40% -
Unocal Corp	40% -
Wal-Mart	25% -
Amcap	14.41-15.29
Euro Pacific	26.49-28.11
I.C.A.	25.51-27.07
New Economy	18.47-19.60
New Perspective	19.07-20.23
Van Kampen	14.59-15.32
Prime Rate	8.25%
Gold	370.50-371.00
Silver	4.76-4.79

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Iva L. Wood, died Wednesday. Graveside Services will be 10:30 AM Saturday, at Trinity Memorial Park.

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The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Houston attorneys accused of misconduct

HOUSTON — Four Houston attorneys face a formal civil disciplinary complaint filed by State Bar of Texas investigators who contend they solicited cases from the 1994 crash of a USAir jet in North Carolina.

John O'Quinn is accused of taking cases which he allegedly knew were improperly solicited and of paying others to sign up clients.

Attorneys Charles Musslewhite and his father, Benton Musslewhite, are alleged to have violated State Bar rules on approaching and soliciting clients. That also is the complaint against Carl Shaw, an associate in O'Quinn's firm.

"There is nothing new in the allegations — which are unfounded and untrue — or in this investigation," said O'Quinn attorney Gerald Treece. "This has been ongoing for the past six months."

Treece said the State Bar assembled a blue-ribbon investigative panel to handle the probe.

Police arrest 16-year-old in slaying of 11-year-old boy

DUNCANVILLE — A 16-year-old boy is facing murder charges in the death of an 11-year-old boy who was tied up and shot in his family's ransacked home after returning from school.

The 16-year-old, whose name was not released, is suspected of shooting Slade Allen Howell on Wednesday, said Duncanville police officer Keith Bilbrey. The sixth-grader's arms and legs were bound with a cord, police said.

The Dallas County medical examiner's office said Slade died of a gunshot wound to the head.

Slade's stepfather found him after coming home from work around 6 p.m. Wednesday, police said.

Investigators haven't established a motive in the death, but police say someone rifled through drawers in the home and knocked articles off the dresser. Slade's body was found on the floor in the middle of one of the ransacked rooms.

Attorney General's office purchases \$15,000 in weapons

AUSTIN — Attorney General Dan Morales' office has purchased \$15,000 worth of weapons for criminal investigators, some of whom double as bodyguards for the attorney general.

The purchases this year of 25 9mm handguns and a pump-action shotgun raised questions with at least one lawmaker.

Rep. Toby Goodman, R-Arlington and a critic of the Democratic attorney general, told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram that the purchases and personal protection for Morales are not necessary.

But Morales spokesman Ron Dusek said Thursday that the weapons are carried only by certified peace officers who spend most of their time investigating crimes for the attorney general's office.

"They weren't bought for security," Dusek said of the firearms. "They were bought for our criminal investigators, some of whom occasionally provide security."

Rowlett mother takes to airwaves to proclaim innocence

DALLAS — A woman accused of stabbing her two sons to death and wounding herself to cover the crime has maintained her innocence in a jailhouse interview and believes she will be acquitted.

"I just want people to keep an open mind," Darlie Routier said Thursday on Dallas radio station KRLD in her first public statements since a jury was seated in her Jan. 6 capital murder trial. "I want people to know I did not murder my children. I know what happened in that house that night."

The 25-year-old homemaker has steadfastly maintained an intense broke into the family's two-story brick home on June 8, stabbing 5-year-old Darion and 6-year-old Devon and wounding her before fleeing through a window.

Police say Mrs. Routier slashed her neck and shoulder to cover the crime and that there was no intruder. They also say that evidence doesn't match her story.

Lawmaker seeking immediate Lottery probe

AUSTIN — A top legislator, saying the state's reputation is at stake, wants an immediate investigation of the Texas Lottery.

Rep. Tom Craddick, R-Midland, said Thursday that news reports about financial dealings between the lottery and its primary contractor, GTECH Corp., have raised questions that need answers.

"As a state-sanctioned gambling venue, every aspect of the Texas Lottery's dealings must be totally credible and beyond reproach," Craddick said.

"Any circumstance which casts a shroud of doubt or cynicism over the game or its vendor effectively casts that same suspicion over state government. The public demands and deserves an honest, thorough accounting of any questionable dealings from those individuals who are charged with oversee-

ing and operating the Texas Lottery."

The attorney for lottery director Nora Linares said he was confident that an investigation would find nothing inappropriate.

"Ms. Linares' conduct will certainly pass muster from any investigation," said lawyer Charles Soechting of San Marcos.

"The Texas Lottery has an outstanding reputation nationwide, as does Ms. Linares. She and it will survive politics and competitive (business) pressures, which I attribute to be at the heart of a great deal of this current controversy," he said.

In a letter to Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock, who chairs the Legislative Budget Board, Craddick asked that the LBB launch the lottery investigation immediately.

Craddick also said he wants to

have his own House Ways and Means Committee look at the lottery.

"You and I share an interest in preserving the integrity and reputation of our state government, and I do not believe it is an exaggeration to say that the reputation of the state of Texas is, literally, at stake," Craddick wrote to Bullock.

"Clearly, unless immediate action is taken to clear the air, both the Texas Lottery and state government, in general, will suffer..."

Bullock's press secretary, Mike Hailey, said the lieutenant governor had no immediate comment but was discussing Craddick's request with other members of the budget board, which is composed of legislative leaders and key lawmakers.

GTECH won the contract to operate the lottery, which began in 1992 and has grown quickly

to become one of the nation's largest state-run numbers games.

News reports in the past month have said that GTECH paid Mike Moeller, a convicted former state official and friend of Linares, \$30,000 for five months' work in New Mexico under a contract in 1992-93.

The three-member Texas Lottery Commission, which oversees the state's numbers game, since has begun looking into Moeller's hiring and whether Linares may have given preferential treatment to the company, which also employs former Lt. Gov. Ben Barnes as a lobbyist.

Lottery spokesman Steve Levine said commissioners are continuing their inquiry. "They feel very strongly they have a duty to the state and they are going to continue to do their work," he said.

Texas Tech faculty complains about football players

LUBBOCK (AP) — Some Texas Tech football players openly expect special academic treatment, including prepared notes in lieu of class attendance, a group of faculty members is alleging.

Patrick Dunne, a business professor visibly upset at a Faculty Senate meeting on Wednesday, demanded answers from coach Spike Dykes, who was not in attendance.

"There are a large number of football players who do not even attend classes, and yet they represent us," Dunne said. "I am very concerned."

Dykes later told the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal that he'd be

glad to attend the Senate's next meeting on Jan. 15.

"I know I will be there," Dykes said.

For more than a year, the Houston Chronicle has reported possible academic improprieties involving Tech athletes, including a story Sunday in which former defensive lineman Stephen Gaines said he earned a B average one semester without taking a test.

The NCAA has been investigating Tech athletics since last spring.

"We have to say, somehow, that the academics rule this university and not the athletics," Dunne said during

Wednesday's meeting.

The senate unanimously agreed to invite Dykes to its next meeting. Interim Athletic Director Gerald Myers said Dykes already had planned to meet with professors sometime, and added that Dunne's concerns were new to him.

"I don't think that any of our athletes expect special treatment from anyone," Myers said.

One athlete approached professor Cliff Fedler before the semester, told him he wouldn't be attending classes and requested prepared notes after every session, Fedler said.

Fedler said he refused, telling the student he might allow lee-

way on turning in class assignments because of games, but nothing else. Subsequently, the student barely passed the first test, failed to turn in some assignments and dropped the course.

"That was sad," said Fedler. "I tried to do all I could."

According to another teacher, a member of Myers' department called her this semester and asked that a football player receive a grade of incomplete. History professor Catherine Miller said she refused.

Professors declined to release the players' names, citing laws requiring a student's consent to release grade records.

Kingsville man on campaign to make 'hello' a no-no

KINGSVILLE (AP) — If Leonso Canales Jr. gets his way, hello would become a no-no.

Canales has started a one-man campaign to take the "hell" out of "hello." The greeting he would want people to use would be: "heaveno."

"We are born into words and we don't even know it," Canales told the Corpus Christi Caller-Times. "When I answer the phone and someone asks what I said, it opens the door for me to lecture them on the word."

Canales says he began using

"heaveno" three years ago after realizing, he said, that the more common salutation was too negative.

"I'm not religious, I don't go to church every Sunday. Heaveno is more positive, that's the bottom line," he said.

Canales, owner of Kingsville Flea Market, is so serious about changing the traditional greeting that he bought advertisements in November in the Kingsville Record advocating the use of "heaveno."

He spent more than \$100 on the five advertisements, but it's

tough to determine how successful he's been.

The kinder, gentler greeting will start conversations off on the right foot, Canales said.

"It will be a different way of meeting people in a positive instead of a negative way," he said.

People don't think of the word "hello" as anything but a greeting, says Jacqueline Thomas, professor of language and literature at Texas A&M University-Kingsville.

"There is no negative connotation with hello. It isn't stored

in our memory that way," she said. "There is no link to the word 'hell' in 'hello.'"

Thomas says "hello" originated from "hollo," an Old High German verb meaning "to fetch," commonly used to hail a ferryman in the 12th century.

Campaigns such as that originated by Canales' seldom work, she said.

During World War I an attempt was made to change "hamburger" to "Americanburger" because the sandwich takes its name from the German city of Hamburg.



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Quote of the Day

"Don't talk unless you can improve the silence."

-Vermont proverb

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OUR VIEWS

We salute:

Each Friday, the *Herald* salutes individuals and groups from our community and area who have been recognized for special achievements or accomplishments.

We recognize these special people for working to help make our region a better place to live, work and play.

This week we salute:

- **DR. P.W. MALONE** on being recognized as Grand Marshall of the community's annual Christmas Parade.
- **HIGHLAND COUNCIL** for the **DEAF** and the **RITZ THEATER**, for their collaboration to make captioned movies available for our hearing-impaired community.
- **Volunteers** who have compiled thousands of hours in preparing for the annual **COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS PARADE, TRAIL OF LIGHTS, LIVING CHRISTMAS TREE** and **DRIVE-THRU NATIVITY**.

Is there an individual or organization in our community that you feel should be saluted? If so, please send us their name and why you think they should be recognized. We must have your name and telephone number and you must provide it in writing.

OUR VIEWS

Fifty-five years ago Saturday, a strike force of approximately 353 Japanese aircraft executed a surprise attack on Pearl Harbor, Hawaiian Territory.

For two hours on what had started out as a peaceful Sunday morning, death rained from the Pacific skies.

From the first strike on the USS Arizona until the time the perpetrators returned to their carriers around 9:45 a.m., a total of 18 American ships were destroyed and about 2,400 people killed.

The next day, Monday, President Roosevelt asked Congress to declare war on Japan, offering his now-famous line regarding Dec. 7 being a day that will live in infamy.

During the holiday season, especially a holiday season so far removed from the horrors of war, it is sometime difficult to remember those who fell at Pearl Harbor and Hickam Field.

Difficult as it may be, we must always make certain there is a memory of those who made the ultimate sacrifice ... we must always remember that war truly is hell because, as the saying goes, those who fail to remember history are destined to repeat it.

Remember Pearl Harbor.

YOUR VIEWS

Big Spring has toleration for those with character 'flaws'

TO THE EDITOR:

John Walker's column regarding other publications' claims that Chris Christopher although convicted, remains free, reminded me of Marj Carpenter's farewell column when she left the *Herald*. In it she said she would remember Big Spring as a place with a "peculiar toleration for the flawed." This ambiguous statement has intrigued me all these years, wondering which way she meant it.

Big Spring is a place where those flawed by scandal, private and public, can be leading citizens, person-of-the-year and even elected officials! I do

believe that to some, Christopher and others like him are regarded as "Big Men." This is the seamier side of our toleration for the flawed.

On the other hand, this same quality in the town's personality permits beginning again. The Lord Jesus not only tolerated flawed people but sought them out, lives among them and died for them, all the while working to heal their flaws.

The question is: when do we exercise this toleration? Certainly each guilty person should pay his debt to society. But after that, if one is trying to turn his life around, Big Spring might be a good place to attempt it.

RITA PALMER
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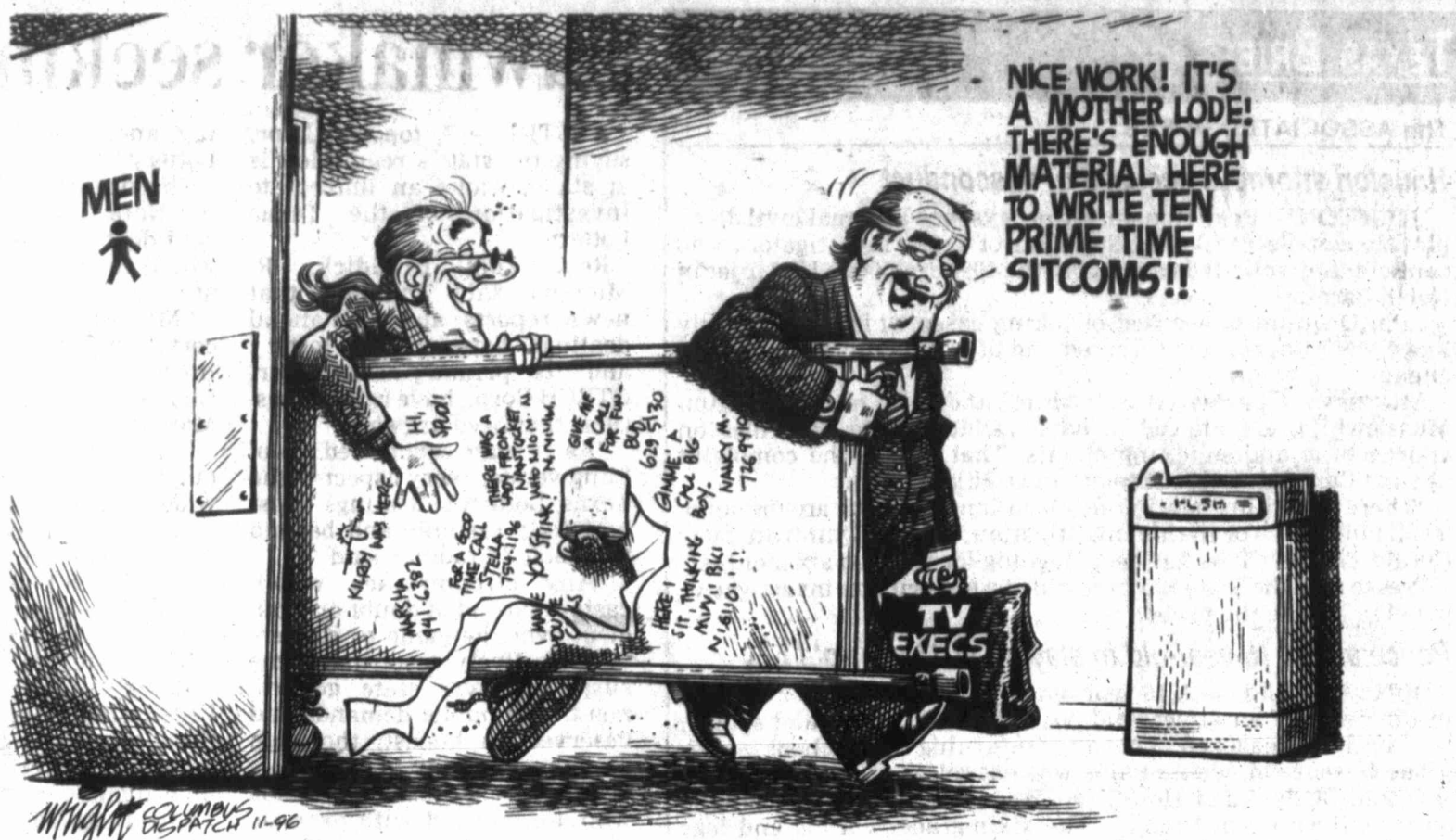
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Is Ritalin an overprescribed medication? Yes

By Dr. RICHARD BROMFIELD
For Scripps Howard News Service

Ritalin is being dispensed with a speed and nonchalance compatible with our drive-through culture, yet entirely at odds with good medicine and common sense.

The drug helps some people pay attention and function better; some of my own patients have benefited from it. But too many children, and more and more adults, are being given Ritalin inappropriately.

Psychiatry has devised careful guidelines for prescribing and monitoring this sometimes-useful drug. But the dramatic jump in Ritalin use in the past five years clearly suggests that these guidelines are being ignored and that Ritalin is being vastly overprescribed.

The problem has finally been recognized by medical groups such as the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, the American Psychiatric Association and the American Academy of Pediatrics, which have written or are developing guidelines for diagnosing ADHD; and even by CibaGeneva Pharmaceuticals, the manufacturer of Ritalin, which issued similar guidelines to doctors last summer.

Under the pressure of managed care, physicians are diagnosing ADHD in patients and prescribing them Ritalin after interviews as short as 15 minutes.

And given Ritalin's quick

action (it can "calm" children within days after treatment starts), some doctors even rely on the drug as a diagnostic tool, interpreting improvements in behavior or attention as proof of an underlying ADHD — and justification for continued drug use.

Studies show that Ritalin prescribing fluctuates dramatically depending on how parents and teachers perceive misbehavior and how tolerant they are of it.

I know of children who have been given Ritalin more to subdue them than to meet their needs. When a drug can be prescribed because one person is bothering another — a disruptive child upsetting a teacher, for example — there is clearly a danger that the drug will be abused. That danger increases when the problem being treated is so vaguely defined.

ADHD exists as a disorder primarily because a committee of psychiatrists voted it so. In a valiant effort, they squeezed a laundry list of disparate symptoms into a neat package that can be handled and treated.

Many people have ADHD symptoms that have nothing to do with their nervous systems and result instead from emotional distress, depression, anxiety, obsessions or learning disabilities.

For these people, who exhibit the symptoms of ADHD but suffer from some other problem, Ritalin will likely be useless as a treatment. Taking it may post-

pone more effective treatment. And it may even be harmful.

In a drug targeted at children, there is concern that harmful effects may crop up decades after treatment stops. Since Ritalin is a relatively new drug, in use for about 30 years, we still don't know whether long-term effects await its young users. But we do know that more immediate problems can occur.

It's already clear that Ritalin can worsen underlying anxiety, depression, psychosis and seizures. More common but milder side effects include nervousness and sleeplessness. Some studies suggest that the drug may interfere with bone growth.

While Ritalin's mode of action isn't clear, the drug is known to affect the brain's most ancient and basic structures, which control arousal and attention. I question the wisdom of tampering with such crucially important parts of the brain, particularly with a drug whose possible long-term side effects remain to be discovered.

The surge in both ADHD diagnoses and Ritalin prescriptions is yet another sign of a society suffering from a colossal lack of personal responsibility. By telling patients that their failures, misbehavior and unhappiness are caused by a disorder, we risk colluding with their all-too-human belief that their actions are beyond their control, and we weaken their motivation

to change on their own.

And in the many cases where ADHD is misdiagnosed in children, we give parents the illusion that their child's problems have nothing to do with the home environment or with their performance as parents.

It must be true that bad biology accounts for some people's distracted and impulsive lifestyles. But random violence, drugs, alcohol, domestic trauma and (less horrifically) indulgent and chaotic homes are more obvious reasons for the ADHD-like restlessness that plagues America.

We urgently need to address these problems. To do that, we need legislators who will provide support for good parenting, especially in the early years of childhood when the foundations for handling feelings, self-control and concentration are biologically and psychologically laid down.

Some people who can't concentrate probably do merit the diagnosis of ADHD and a prescription for Ritalin to treat it. But the brain, the neurological seat of the soul and the self, must be treated with the utmost respect.

With the demand for Ritalin growing, we must be increasingly wary about doling out a drug that can be beneficial but is more often useless or even harmful.

(This essay by Dr. Richard Bromfield of the Harvard Medical School is excerpted from *Priorities*, the journal of The American Council on Science and Health.)

Is Ritalin an overprescribed medication? No

By Dr. JERRY WIENER
For Scripps Howard News Service

In defending the current use of Ritalin for treating ADHD, it's important first to emphasize that the disorder really exists.

Telling whether a child has ADHD is more complicated than a diagnosis of the mumps or chicken pox, but the diagnosis of ADHD can still be as valid as any in medicine.

An analogous health problem would be multiple sclerosis: As with ADHD it's a distinct disease, yet we don't know what causes the illness and have no laboratory test for diagnosing it.

Since the 1950s what we now call ADHD has been a well-recognized syndrome involving a group of signs and symptoms that occur together. Years of research have documented that some children differ from their peers in being inattentive and hyperactive as well as impulsive.

Extensive field trials and numerous studies have established that hyperactivity and impulsivity are at the core of the diagnosis, with inattention a consequence of the other two, especially in school-age boys.

A child suspected of having ADHD should be evaluated by a trained and experienced clinician who takes the time to assess the child's development, family history and behavior at school and at home.

To receive the diagnosis of

ADHD, a child should display a significant number of symptoms and behaviors reflecting hyperactivity, impulsivity and inattention — and the symptoms and behaviors must be more persistent and severe than normally occur in children of that age. In addition and importantly, there must be impaired functioning in school, home and/or in social relationships.

Are mistakes made in diagnosing ADHD? Of course. They usually occur when the clinician is rushed, inexperienced, untrained, pressured or predisposed either to find ADHD or to overlook it.

As a result, there is both over- and underdiagnosis of ADHD.

The reported fivefold increase in Ritalin prescriptions over the past five years is reason to reflect about possible overusage. However, repeated findings of a 3 percent prevalence rate of ADHD among school-age children give as much cause for concern about underdiagnosis as for overusage. At these prevalence rates, up to 30 percent of children with ADHD may not be receiving sufficient treatment.

While there is no cure for ADHD, there is a very effective treatment to minimize its symptoms — through the use of stimulant medications such as Ritalin.

Such drugs are by far the most effective treatment for moderating and controlling the

disorder's major symptoms — in 75 percent to 80 percent of children with this disorder.

The safety and effectiveness of Ritalin and other stimulant drugs, including Dexedrine (dextroamphetamine) and Cylert (pemoline), have been established more firmly than any other treatments in the field of child and adolescent psychiatry.

Stimulant medication is so effective that a parent with a child diagnosed with ADHD should receive an explanation if the clinician's judgment is not to prescribe medication. Appropriate considerations for not opting for Ritalin and similar drugs include a history of tic or Tourette's disorder, the presence of a thought disorder, significant resistance to such medications in the patient or family or insufficient severity of the symptoms or dysfunction. Other classes of drugs, such as antidepressants, can be effective and can be used when there is concern about the use of a stimulant medication or when side effects occur.

The issue should not be whether stimulants are overprescribed but the risk that they may be misprescribed.

The most common example: children who are described as overactive or impulsive but who do not meet the criteria for the diagnosis of ADHD. Another example is the use of stimulants as a diagnostic "test" by a rushed or inexperienced clinician who may not realize that a

favorable response was due to the placebo effect and therefore mistakenly assumes that the diagnosis of ADHD has been confirmed.

As effective as Ritalin can be for treating the symptoms of ADHD, it should rarely, if ever, be the only treatment for someone with the problem. The child or adolescent may also benefit from remedial work for any identified learning disability and from family therapy or psychotherapy for problems of self-image, self-esteem, anger and/or depression.

Is Ritalin overprescribed? Not when it's used for children who meet the criteria for the diagnosis of ADHD, including the requirement that the child's ability to function must be "significantly impaired."

All too often, the mistakes in prescribing Ritalin are errors of omission, where children who could benefit from the drug never receive it. Instead, they go through school labeled as troublemakers, or as unmotivated or hostile.

They'll have missed out on the opportunity for at least a trial on a medication that could have significantly improved their symptoms and allowed for improved academic performance, self-esteem and social interaction.

(This essay by Dr. Jerry Wiener of the George Washington University Medical School is excerpted from *Priorities*, the journal of The American Council on Science and Health.)



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Salvation Army Social Worker Danelle Castillo, left, and Mrs. Major Mary Dell Tolcher stack up some of the Christmas presents to be given out to the angels that have been adopted. The trees come down Monday, Dec. 9 and there are still 276 left to be adopted. All gifts must be returned by Wednesday, Dec. 11 to the store or Salvation Army. If you haven't adopted an angel, please go by Al and Son's Barbecue, Kids Shop, Taco Bell, Wal-Mart, Big Spring Mall, Cosden Credit Union or Scenic Mountain Medical Center. The tree for elderly residents is at LaVairs D'Elegance Coiffures with seven angels left to be adopted. Any angels not adopted by Monday will be on display at the Salvation Army, 811 W. Fifth, between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. weekdays.

U.N. found nerve gas at Iraqi depot

WASHINGTON (AP) — A deadly nerve gas spewed out of canisters found by U.N. inspectors at an Iraqi weapons depot, a Pentagon official said, adding new details to evidence that Americans who blew up the depot after the Persian Gulf War were exposed to chemical weapons.

The Pentagon, which for years said there was no evidence of such exposure, also denied Thursday any effort to hide data that might show that U.S. military officials at the time knew American troops who blew up the Kamisiyah weapons dump in March 1991 were contaminated.

The Pentagon announced last June that U.N. investigators who visited the site in October 1991 found canisters thought to contain nerve gas and mustard gas.

On Thursday, the Pentagon point man for Persian Gulf illnesses, Bernard Rostker, offered further details confirming that the canisters contained toxins. "They drilled into a rocket and sarin spurted out of that rocket. So sarin was present, and they did find a cache of mustard gas," he said at a news conference.

"Based upon the U.N. reports and the evidence that the U.N. has brought back there's no doubt in my mind there were chemical weapons at Kamisiyah," he said.

But Rostker said the Pentagon was in a "quandary" because there were no reports from the field at the time of Americans being sickened. "We destroyed the bunker. And yet none of the corroborating facts from the commanders seem to support the release of chemicals in

Kamisiyah." The Pentagon has urged some 20,000 service members who were in the area to report any health problems.

Veterans have long claimed that exposure to chemical and biological weapons may be responsible for the illnesses afflicting thousands of those who served in the Gulf.

Retired Gen. Norman Schwarzkopf, who commanded American forces in the 1991 war, said Thursday he did not believe Iraqi chemical weapons had anything to do with the veterans' illnesses.

Schwarzkopf said he did not

know of any incident in which any chemical was uncovered during the war.

"And this was my No. 1 intelligence priority. There was no chemical exposure at all that I know of," he said. "It's very important to me that the true information get out so that people don't think that there is some giant conspiracy."

Many veterans have asserted that the Pentagon has not been forthright on the issue and published reports noted that military logs from the March 1991 period when the demolition operation took place are missing.



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"The Nutcracker" returns to Big Spring this holiday season

By KELLIE JONES
Features Editor

Residents will have a chance to buy tickets for "The Nutcracker" ballet this weekend at the Big Spring Symphony office.

Symphony officials are opening their office, 808 Scurry, Saturday from 5 to 7 p.m. in conjunction with the parade and Trail of Lights. Refreshments and tickets for the Nutcracker will be available for sale.



Ballet Lubbock is returning to Big Spring Saturday, Dec. 21 at 7:30 p.m. to bring the traditional Christmas dance to the Municipal Auditorium. Yvonne Raciz is the new artistic director with Ballet Lubbock and has 10 years of professional dancing experience in New York and around the world. She will appear as one of the guest artists as the Dew Drop Fairy.

Raciz has performed with the Utah Ballet Theater, toured South America with Ballet Hispanico of New York and been in the first American staged production of Derek Wolcott's "The Odyssey." She was also the principal dancer in the show "Mystere" in Las Vegas and has been a guest artist with Ballet Lubbock's own Nutcracker show as Snow Queen and Sugar Plum Fairy.

The Nutcracker Prince is portrayed by Manuel Padilla. He studied at the University of New Mexico then joined the state's ballet theater. He's appeared as guest artist with New Mexico Ballet Theater, Santa Fe Dance Foundation and four times with Ballet Lubbock. The Sugar Plum Fairy will be portrayed by Angel Flores. Clara, the main character, will be performed by Ballet Lubbock member Kerry McGlone, 13 years of age.

The basis of The Nutcracker is Clara falls asleep under her family's Christmas tree and dreams the wooden nutcracker comes to life as a prince. She fell asleep because she was upset that a boy had broken the nutcracker that was given to her by her uncle.

During the dream, the



Angel Flores, left, and Manuel Padilla are with Ballet Lubbock who will perform in "The Nutcracker" Dec. 21. Flores portrays the Sugar Plum Fairy and Padilla is the Nutcracker Prince.

Nutcracker Prince fights the mice then he and Clara get on a sled and travel to different

countries including Russia, Spain and China. In each country, they are entertained by

people dressed in costumes depicting their heritage and country. When she wakes up from her dream the next day, it's Christmas Day.

When the prince and Clara visit Spain, they will be entertained by Gary Wickham and Naomi Campbell who portray dancers in the part entitled "Spanish Chocolate."

Some local talent will include 34 dancers from Laurie Churchwell's Dance Gallery. The girls will portray various parts in the production including mice, mother of gingerbread kids, cherubs, gift bearers, a baby mouse, a bunny and the crown bearer.

Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$8 for students and senior citizens and \$5 for children six to 12 years of age.

They may be purchased at the symphony office tomorrow afternoon from 5 to 7 p.m. or anytime at the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, Blum's Jewelers, Dunlap's and all First Bank of West Texas locations.

Also on Saturday, you can purchase tickets for the Tour of Homes scheduled for Dec. 15 from 1 to 5 p.m.

Three homes are on the tour and they have been decorated for the holidays by Faye's



Gary Wickham, left, and Naomi Campbell portray Spanish dancers when Clara and the Nutcracker Prince visit Spain during the dream sequence.

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The Tour of Homes is a fund raiser for the symphony.

CLUBS IN BRIEF

The deadline for club news is Wednesday at noon for Friday publication.

Big Spring - Howard County Retired Teachers Association

Members of the Big Spring - Howard County Retired Teachers Association will meet in the Tumbleweed Room at Howard College Dec. 9. Coffee and Fellowship hour is scheduled at 10:30 a.m. followed by lunch at 11:30.

There will be no guest speaker in December. Instead, members will enjoy "Christmas Tree and Carols." An exchange of gifts will follow.

All retired teachers and school personnel are to note that the December meeting is a week early so as to accommodate those who wish to travel for the Christmas holidays.

1955 Hyperion Club

Members of the 1955 Hyperion Club met Nov. 5 in the home of Mrs. Evelyn Elrod, hostess. Mrs. Jane Watson served as co-hostess. Mrs. Gail Craig of Arlington, sister of Mrs. Elrod, was a special guest.

During the business meeting, members voted to sponsor an angel from the tree for the elderly as our Christmas project. Mrs. Dot Blackwell, president, presented a program on crafts ranging from a Whimsical Christmas Mousetrap to an exquisite father Christmas. She also gave a demonstration on how to make angels and flower pot Santas.

The next meeting will be a catered Christmas luncheon at Mrs. Charlie Morehead's home on Dec. 10. Members are to bring a gift for the gift exchange.

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Christmas: Time to reflect on true meaning

"Wow" or "Oh, me!" It's the time of the year for the Living Christmas Tree, cantatas, parties, Drive-Thru Nativity, caroling and plays! But, did you know it is also the time in which people become the most depressed and register the most suicides for the year? I am reminded of the beautiful song that we sing at Christmas time with its powerful message, but realizing it's not really true for many.

"Silent Night" - for many, the holidays produce anything but

silence and tranquility. "Holy Night" - nights are sometimes filled with restlessness, depression, loneliness, anger, even violence.

"All is calm" - rage, upheaval, turmoil, confusion. "All is bright" - hopelessness abounds, dreams are shattered, and pieces of their lives fall around them, darkness abounds.

Well, it's hard to find the beauty of those words in such a chaotic world. Those who find it difficult to see the true meaning of Christmas have certainly been looking in the wrong places driven by the wrong spirit.

On Nov. 15 of this year, I had the awesome privilege to stand in the cave in Bethlehem where Jesus was born. I tell you, it wasn't much to look at; it wasn't much to rejoice about knowing our Savior was treated to

that kind of delivery room. But, as I contemplated that incredible event that took place 2,000 years ago, the Holy Spirit visited with me and I reflected on that song, "Silent Night." Chills came over me and a joy flooded me with the reality that at this spot, Jesus came to bring peace to our hearts in a troubled world. He came to bring hope to the hopeless; He came to bring life to the lifeless; He came to bring joy to hearts that are despondent.

I thrill today to "know" this Christ! He's in charge of my life and brings meaning, purpose, peace and joy to my life. Remember, He came so that you, too, can experience this wonderful "gift," the Son of God, in your life. Finding God's gift is the answer to what you're looking for.

Wow! It's Christmas!

CHURCH IN BRIEF

The deadline for church news is Wednesday at noon for Friday publication.

Baker's Chapel Methodist Church

Baker's Chapel Missionary Society will have their Annual Pre-Christmas Banquet and Style Show, Saturday, December 7, at 7 p.m. The banquet will be held at Day's Inn Patio Room, 300 Tulane Ave. The style show will consist of clothing from various stores in the city, and there will be special singing. The ticket donation is \$7.50 per person, the proceeds will go toward helping the needy for Christmas. Tickets will be available at the door. The community is invited to attend. Rev. Floyd Green, Jr., pastor.

First United Methodist

"The Promise of Christmas: Peace" (Luke 2:14) will be the Dr. Ed Williamson's message this Sunday, Dec. 8 at the First United Methodist Church. The message will be about inner peace in our lives. Join us in church at 8:30 and 10:50 a.m. We're the "Church With A Heart" in the "Heart of The City." The Living Christmas Tree, First United Methodist's annual gift to Big Spring, will be presented Saturday, Dec. 7 and Sunday, Dec. 8 at 7:30 p.m. both evenings. The choir of almost 100 voices will be complemented by the orchestra of area musicians. Come and share the glory of Christmas! Free tickets may still be available through the church office (267-6394). We serve a Holy and Awesome God who calls us to become outstanding persons serving the world for Christ. Now is a great time to get started in a class of friendly learning Christians - people just like you!

The First United Methodist Church has several friendly

Sunday School classes for adults, youth, and children. If you or your family members or a friend would profit from wholesome friendship and learning the good life God offers to us, come and be with one of our classes next Sunday. We're not "clannish." Just show up and we'll gladly assist you in finding a friendly group for you or your family members. The First United Methodist Church is located at 400 Scurry and all visitors and new residents of Big Spring are welcome.

Saturday, Dec. 14, the Methodist Men Breakfast will be at 8 a.m. Garrett Hall. Reverend Wanda Hill from Coahoma Methodist Church and North Birdwell Church will be speaking on "Women in the Methodist Church." All men are welcome to come and enjoy breakfast.

Vincent Baptist Church

The adult and children's choir of Vincent Baptist Church invite you to join them in a Christmas celebration. They will be performing "A Gift of Hope" (adult drama) and the Nativity Scene Sunday, Dec. 8 at 6 p.m. at Airport Baptist Church. They will also be at Canterbury North, Saturday, Dec. 14 at 7 p.m.

They will also perform at Vincent Baptist Church on Sunday, Dec. 15 at 6 p.m. The program is being directed by Joel Howard, music minister and Robbie Howard, children's choir director. Rev. Mark Winn invites everyone to come.

First Church of the Nazarene

The First Church of the Nazarene will continue its celebration of the advent season this Sunday with the lighting of the second advent candle. The second candle represents the glory of the Lord's revealing presence. John 1:4 says, "In Him (Jesus) was life, and that life was the light of men." A family from the church will

Please see CHURCH, page A8

Recipe for holiday breakfast

Scripps Howard News Service

Making holiday mornings special can be as simple as cooking up some extra brown rice to reheat in the microwave for steaming-hot cereal.

Add brown sugar, snipped apricots plumped in the microwave, some light cream or heated milk and serve up in your best bowls.

More elaborate holiday breakfasts might include baked French toast stuffed with cream cheese and almonds.

It takes on a sweet-tart flavor when topped with cranberry-raspberry sauce. Assemble the day before and bake the morning of your brunch or breakfast.

STUFFED FRENCH TOAST

Glaze:
1-1/4 cups firmly packed brown sugar

1/2 cup butter
2 tablespoons light corn syrup
1 (12-ounce) package cranberry-raspberry crushed fruit

Egg mixture:
1 cup milk
6 eggs
1 teaspoon vanilla
1/4 teaspoon salt

Filling:
6 ounces cream cheese, softened
1/3 cup chopped nuts
1 (16-ounce) loaf French bread, 3-4 inches wide, cut into 1-inch slices

Standing: 5 minutes
Grease a 13x9-inch baking pan.

For glaze, combine brown sugar, butter and corn syrup in a medium saucepan. Bring to a boil, stirring frequently. Reduce heat, simmer for two

minutes, stirring occasionally. Stir in crushed fruit. Immediately pour into the prepared baking pan. Set aside.

Combine all the egg mixture ingredients in a large mixing bowl. Beat, using an electric mixer or wire whisk, until well blended. Set aside.

Combine filling ingredients in a small bowl. Spread 1 side of each slice of bread with 1 tablespoon filling. Place each slice vertically on top of glaze, top crust down, forming 2 rows. Pour egg mixture evenly over bread. Cover and chill 8 to 24 hours.

Heat oven to 350 degrees. Bake, covered, for about 1 hour and 10 minutes or until set.

Let stand 5 minutes; invert onto a serving platter or jelly-roll pan.

Recipes adapted from Ocean Spray for Cran-Fruit.

TIPS 'N' TRIVIA

Minor injuries

(NAPS) - Tips:

If you suffer from a minor injury, such as a sprain or strain, follow the R.I.C.E. regimen:

• Rest, stop any exercise or motion of the injured body area
• Ice, apply it to the injured area
• Compress the injured area to minimize swelling and avoid further injury

• Elevate the injured area above the heart

According to a recent survey, 95 percent of respondents consider outdoor sports or exercise to be among the major cause of visits to the emergency room for treatment of sprains and strains.

Injury-prevention techniques include stretching before engaging in any physical activity, starting the activity slowly and building gradually and cooling down after exercise.



FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Send in your address

If your home or business has been decorated for the Christmas holidays, please send in your address to the Big Spring Herald. We will be publishing a list of addresses for people to drive by and enjoy the handiwork you have created.

Movie for hearing impaired

Highland Council for the Deaf is sponsoring the open-captioned film "Independence Day" for the deaf and hard-of-hearing. The movie will be shown on Saturday at 1 p.m. at the Ritz Theater, Fourth and Main. The public is invited to attend.

THE LAST WORD

Human conditions are like certain groups of trees that look lovely from a distance; but when you get inside, the beauty disappears; you don't know what happened to it and just stand among the trees. That's why we so often envy another man's situation.

—Arthur Schopenhauer

Laughing is the sensation of feeling good all over, and showing it principally in one spot.

—Josh Billings

When manners and customs are to be changed, it ought not to be done by laws.

—Montesquieu

No more diversity, too fat: Tips from the work expert

Scrapps Howard News Service

Q: I don't know how you feel about diversity training in the workplace but I personally think it's the pits! I'm a white male in my early 30s and I can't tell you how often I've been passed over for promotion because women and minorities have to be pushed into management. Instead of helping us conquer prejudice, this kind of "advancement" has made us furious and resentful toward

those employees benefiting from special programs. As far as I'm concerned, prejudice is alive and well in corporate America and all those bias-awareness workshops dreamed up by company executives are pie-in-the-sky solutions. I say it's impossible to drum new attitudes into people's heads. So where does that leave me? — Peter in Philadelphia.

A: Many, many people are beginning to agree with your assessment. Diversity consult-

ing has not worked in most companies (even though everyone hates to admit it).

The focus is now changing from eliminating prejudice to working around it. Some employers actually are telling managers to change their behavior and help minorities to get ahead or that their own paycheck may disappear! I would discuss the problem with your boss, offer to mentor a minority member of the firm and see whether you might be

awarded some sort of bonus for your extra effort.

Q: I just ate a whole box of fat-free cookies and I feel like a stuffed warthog sitting behind my desk. I've been trying for the last six months to lose weight, but with a fast food outlet across the street and a convenience store just one block away, I seem to be losing the Battle of the Bulge. At this point, I'm ready to give up dieting until after the New Year, providing you assure me I

won't be passed over for promotion because I'm overweight! Would you swear on a stack of fudge brownies my boss will look at my brains and not at my butt when he's searching for a new senior manager? — Cindy, Cecil, Pa.

A: I'm afraid I couldn't take an oath atop fudge brownies; I probably would eat them before I finished! As for that bulge around your middle, it could cost you a promotion.

Many studies have shown employees who carry a great deal of extra weight often are passed over in favor of someone who looks as though he or she has good eating habits and, hence, a healthy life style.

Dr. Paula Bern has taught executive seminars at Carnegie-Mellon University. Questions may be mailed to Dr. Paula Bern, 1090 Vermont Ave. NW, Suite 1000, Washington, DC, 20005.

Club

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Tall Talkers Toastmasters Club

Tall Talkers Toastmasters Club had its weekly meeting Tuesday evening Dec. 3. Table Topics were led by Bailey Anderson, and the word of the day was recap, meaning to summarize. Each member was given the opportunity to speak on the topic of the day, which was on various subjects.

Best Table Topic speaker was Virginia Martin. Kathy Terrazas was voted best speaker. Her speech was titled Nutrition Does Count. The best evaluator was Virginia Martin. The goal of Tall Talkers is to educate people to become better leaders and communicators. If you are interested in becoming a Tall Talker Toastmaster, please contact Bailey Anderson at 267-3008.

1948 Hyperion Club

The 1948 Hyperion Club had its November meeting at the Dora Roberts Community Center with Betty Jo Thompson and Mary Dudley as co-hostesses.

The club's program theme for the year is "Our Town, Yesterday, Today and the Future. Delores Currie, program leader for November, related history of some of the entertainers and performances which had appeared at Big Spring's City Auditorium and introduced Cynthia Scott, Secretary of the Big Spring Symphony Association. Scott gave a sketch of the events coming to Big Spring beginning with the Nutcracker which will

be presented by the Lubbock Ballet on Saturday, Dec. 21. Of special interest on that evening will be the appearance of a number of students from Laurie Churchwell's Dance Gallery.

On Feb. 22 the symphony will present Music For The Young At Heart and on May 3, Jody Nix and the Texas Cowboys will join Tumbleweed Smith, the Big Spring Chorale and Big Spring Symphony Orchestra in Music Of The Old West. The Symphony Guild will also

sponsor a tour of homes on Dec. 15 featuring the Scott, Blackshear and Powell homes on Mountain Shadow in Highland South.

Members were also reminded of the Living Christmas Tree presentation to be held at First United Methodist Church on Dec. 7 and 8.

President Jan Foresyth had a short business meeting in which members voted to provide cakes for Big Spring State Hospital's Christmas parties. The group also extended a spe-

cial vote of appreciation for the catering service made available by Cathy Lusk at the Dora Roberts Community Center.

Refreshments were served to 17 members and the next meeting will be a Christmas luncheon in the home of Zula McCrary.

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Church

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play a special role in this advent service as family members read a scripture passage, light the first and second candles and read a short poem. The congregation will take part in a responsive reading, led by the pastor.

The Nazarene Church is excited to present its 10th annual drive-thru Nativity next week. Texas' largest drive-thru Nativity will be presented four nights: Thursday, Dec. 12 through Sunday, Dec. 15 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. each evening. Bring your family to the church campus at 1400 Lancaster and revisit the "roots" of the Christmas season through this spectacular event.

The scenes depicting Jesus' arrival and others are recreated on the parking area of the church. Vehicles drive along a trail defined by luminaries, listening to a cassette tape that describes each scene. Music of the season floats above the panorama, setting an atmosphere of joy and celebration.

With the addition of a worshipful attitude and a sprinkling of imagination, participants will be able to drift back to faraway times and places and relive those beloved days when Jesus walked among men.

Approximately 150 persons are involved in the Nativity—including behind the scene workers as well as two shifts of performers staffing 15 scenes. Sheep, goats and donkeys add to the reality of the drama.

There is no charge to view the Nativity, although donations will be accepted. The Nazarene Church offers the "live drive-thru Nativity" as a Christmas gift to the West Texas area as we join Christians everywhere in paying homage to the Creator of the universe this Christmas season.

First Baptist Church of Stanton

First Baptist Church of Stanton, Children's Christmas Presentation, Angelic Choir, Music Makers, Young Musicians, Sunday, Dec. 8 at 6 p.m. Join together in worship as we enjoy the music presented by these choirs and choir leaders.

Living Christmas Tree

The Living Christmas Tree is up and decorated, the choir, orchestra and actors are getting

ready for their final practice while behind-the-scenes workers put the finishing touches on lighting and sound. Its Living Christmas Tree Time. First United Methodist Church is ready to present this gift to the community. Performances are scheduled for Saturday and Sunday at 7:30 p.m. You do need one of the free tickets to attend these performances.

No tickets is required for the Dress Rehearsal Saturday afternoon at 3 p.m.

Attending at this time is not only convenient for those who don't want to be out at night, this year it will also be a good time to attend for those who plan to participate in the Trail of Lights Parade and downtown lighting ceremony and the following activities.

As we approach this 18th annual presentation of The Living Christmas Tree First United Methodist Church extends thanks to all those church-wide as well as the many across the community who volunteer their many talents to make this beautiful Christmas tradition possible. This gift is truly a blessing. See you at the Tree.

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Bulldogs place four on 8-2A first team; Forsan nets four second-team selections

HERALD Staff Report

Four Coahoma Bulldogs were honored with first-team status on the recently released All-District 8-2A football team.

The Bulldogs placed two players each on the first team offense and defense: Senior running back Marshall Wright and junior lineman Shawn Rye on offense; and senior linebacker Heath Blair and senior cornerback Mike McMillan on defense.

In addition, several Coahoma and Forsan players earned second-team honors on the squad.

For Coahoma, sophomore tight end Blake Nichols, senior wide receiver Judd Cathey and senior punter Matthew Hamilton were named to the second-team offense, while junior lineman Isaac Martinez, senior linebacker Freddy Olivas and senior cornerback Aaron Hernandez were picked for the second-team defense.

Forsan players earning second-team honors were sophomore running back Wes Osburn on offense and junior lineman Logan Gamble, junior linebacker T.J. Lopham and junior cornerback Paul Kinsey on defense.

In addition, five Forsan players — linemen James Dunlap and Stacey Gibbs, receiver Robert Hillger, defensive back Clay Thixton and tight end Ferrol Voight — received honorable mention status.

Gary Simer and Cade Park were named to the district's all-academic team for Forsan.

1996 8-2A All-District Team MVP — Andy Howard (sr., 5-11, 155), Roscoe

Off. Player of the Year — Beau Barnes (sr., 5-11, 155), Roscoe

Def. Player of the Year — Heath Ince (sr., 6-0, 180), Roscoe

First team offense
Center — Jody Underwood (jr., 6-1, 185), Roscoe

Linemen — Justin Leggett (sr., 6-0, 185), Eldorado; Shawn Rye (jr., 6-2, 230), Coahoma; Shawn Tomlin (6-3, 225), Roscoe; Wes Allen (jr., 6-2, 215), Roscoe; Marcus Herrera (jr., 5-9, 240), Roscoe.

Tight end — Dennis Conner (jr., 6-0, 185), Winters.

Wide receivers — Clry Butler (sr., 6-0, 180), Eldorado; Roddy Alexander (so., 5-8, 150), Roscoe.

Running backs — Jake Freeman (sr., 6-0, 210), Roscoe; Garrett Bownds (jr., 5-10, 180), Eldorado; Marshall Wright (sr., 5-8, 170), Coahoma.

Quarterback — Casey Snelson (jr., 5-10, 170), Eldorado.

Punter — Beau Barnes (sr., 5-11, 155), Roscoe

First team defense
Linemen — James Andrae (sr., 5-10, 205), Winters; Macial Saenz (sr., 6-2, 235), Roscoe; Jody Underwood (jr., 6-1, 215), Roscoe; Justin Tomlin (sr., 6-0, 180), Roscoe; Jake Freeman (sr., 6-0, 210), Roscoe.

Linebackers — Heath Blair (sr., 5-9, 185), Coahoma; Mark Fryar (jr., 5-11, 185), Eldorado; Dennis Conner (jr., 6-0, 180), Winters; Benny Hernandez (sr., 5-9, 165), Roscoe.

Secondary — Roddy Alexander (so., 5-8, 150), Roscoe; Justin Browne (jr., 5-10, 165), Ozona; Mike McMillan (sr., 5-7, 150), Coahoma; Kyle Hunter (jr., 6-3, 180), Eldorado.

Kicker — Andy Howard (sr., 1-9, 175), Roscoe.

Second team offense

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Coahoma rude hosts as Invitational play begins

Bulldogettes slide by Wink

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

COAHOMA — Function followed form for the Coahoma Bulldogettes Thursday.

Form said the Bulldogettes would win their first-round game at the Coahoma Invitational.

Form said the more experienced basketball team would win.

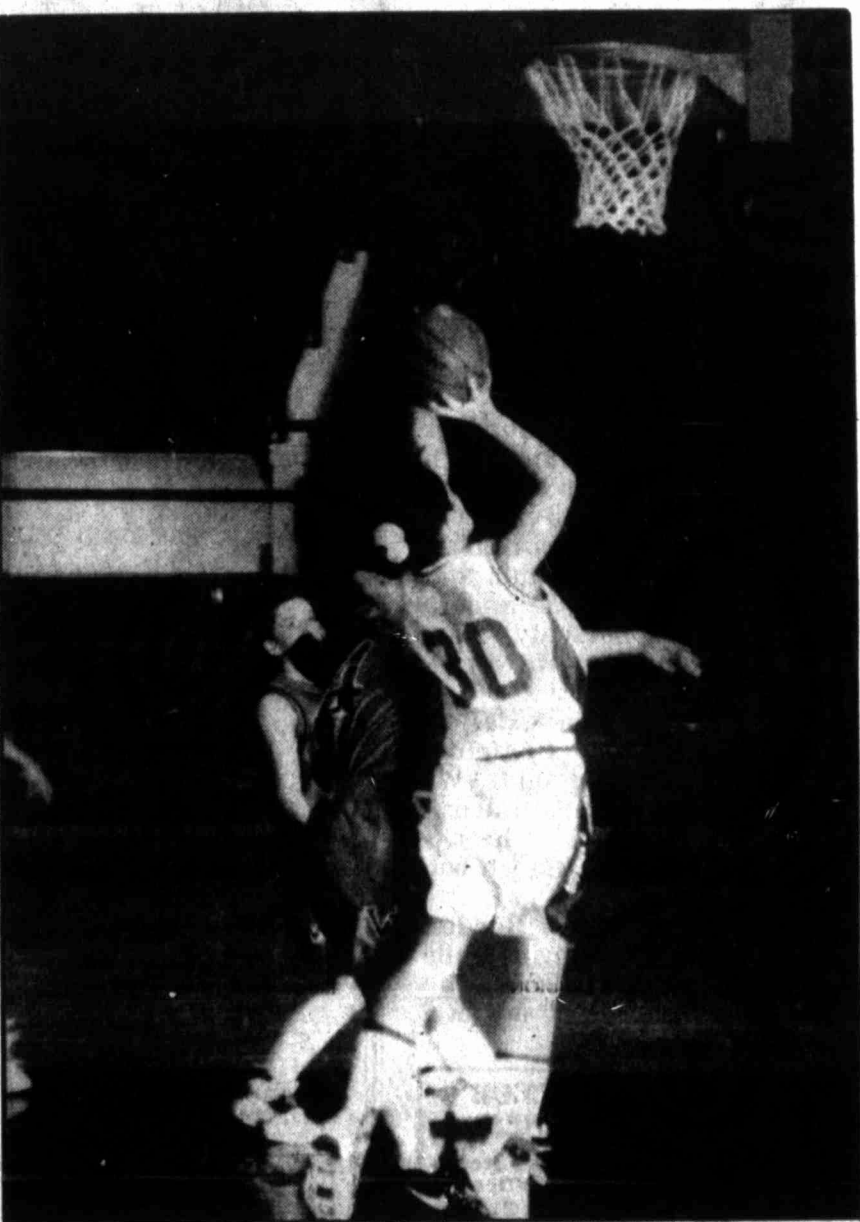
Form said a young team with only a few practices under its belt would struggle.

Form was right.

The Bulldogettes steamrolled the younger Wink Lady Wildcats, taking a 51-27 decision to advance to the second round of the Invitational, which runs through Saturday in Coahoma.

In other first-round girls' games, Stanton defeated Reagan County 48-46; Colorado City defeated Sterling City 44-39; and Borden County downed Big Spring 49.

Former Garden City coach Phil Swenson, in his first year at Wink, said his team would struggle early in the season. With only three practices so far and fielding a team com-



Coahoma's Shana Earnest (30) fires a shot during the Bulldogettes' game with Wink Thursday.

Bufs, Bulldogs score victories

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

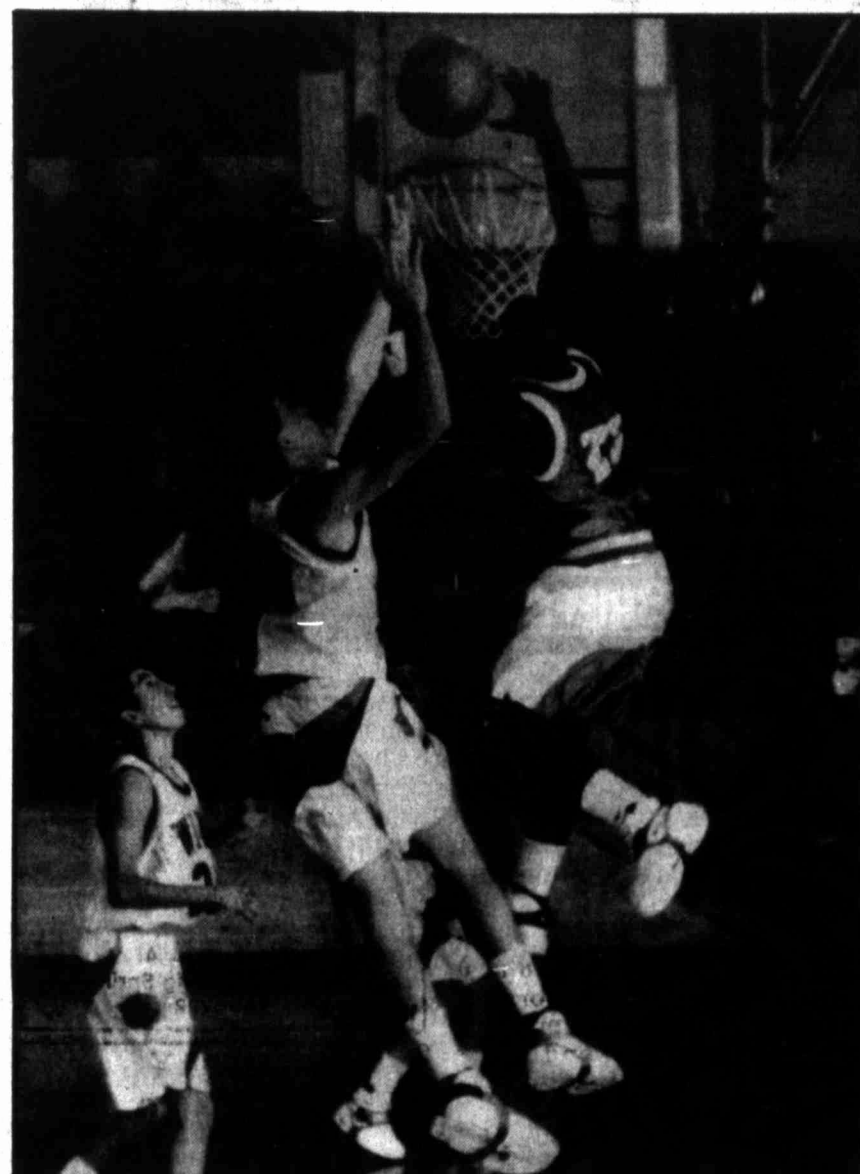
COAHOMA — For the Stanton Buffaloes and Coahoma Bulldogs, Thursday's first-round game at the Coahoma Invitational was the first of several steps they hope leads to the tournament title.

The Bufs took care of business in their first-round matchup with Wink, blasting the Wildcats by a 71-34 score Thursday evening, while the Bulldogs did likewise by a 61-42 margin over Snyder's junior varsity.

Stanton's result could have easily been even more lopsided had not Stanton coach Doug Gordon made liberal use of his bench. His starting unit, including point guard Kyle Herm and forward Leo McCalister, made mincemeat of the Wildcats despite playing little more than half the game.

McCalister, a returning all-district performer, and Herm scored 16 points each for the Bufs, who improved to 6-0 with the victory.

Gordon said the victory, which was a surprise to almost nobody at the tournament, was the first, necessary step toward



Stanton's Leo McCalister (23) tries to score off an alley-oop pass from teammate Kyle Herm during the Buffaloes' game with Wink Thursday.

Borden County girls slow the tempo en route to 49-45 upset win over Lady Steers

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

COAHOMA — When the Big Spring Lady Steers' offense deserted them, so did their chances at a fifth straight Coahoma Invitational title.

The Lady Steers fell victim to a cold offense and a patient, sharp-shooting group of Borden County Lady Coyotes, dropping a 49-45 decision in the first round of the Coahoma Invitational Thursday.

The loss dropped the Lady Steers (3-6) into the consolation bracket of the tournament for the first time in five years, while Borden County (4-5) advances in championship bracket action to play Crosbyton at 2 p.m. today.

The Lady Coyotes, who shot 50 percent from three-point range, were led by Julie Mayes' 20 points. Maggie Haddad scored 15 points and Kim Robertson 13 for Big Spring.

The smaller Lady Coyotes

refused to let Big Spring dictate the tempo, and the slower pace of the game definitely played into Borden's hands.

"We felt like we had to (go with a slow game)," Borden coach Clay Stout said. "Our players are not very physical, and we didn't want to spend two-thirds of the game playing defense against a team like Big Spring ... We've got to be able to spend some time on offense, and be patient."

The game was a close affair throughout, but Big Spring appeared to be gaining momentum when they translated a 20-point second quarter into a one-point halftime lead.

The Lady Steers pushed their lead to four points on a Haddad three-pointer with 5:29 remaining in the third, but that's when Big Spring's guns fell silent.

Big Spring managed only a Robertson jumper the remain-

der of the quarter, while the Lady Coyotes canned three-pointers from Mayes and Lindsey Smith, and a pair of close-range buckets from Amanda Watts, to take a 38-33 lead into the fourth.

The Lady Steers' scoring troubles continued into the fourth quarter, as they didn't dent the scoreboard until Nadia Cole scored with 4:37 left in the game. By that time, however, Borden County had a 10-point

lead and control of the game. "We just couldn't buy a basket," BSHS coach Ron Taylor said. "We're up by four ... and then we just quit playing offense and quit playing defense, and we got beat. It's that simple."

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Indianapolis runs roughshod over Eagles

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — The eight-year wait to take his first NFL snap is over for quarterback Kerwin Bell.

Rejoiced by four NFL teams, the four-year starter for the Florida Gators made his NFL debut a memorable one Thursday night.

In his first two offensive series in the NFL, Bell directed long touchdown drives in a nationally televised game to help Indianapolis rout Philadelphia 37-10.

"It's almost like a dream. It's been eight years. You work so hard," said Bell, who was signed as a free agent in May after starting 18 games and leading Edmonton to the CFL playoffs last year. "People ask why you want to come to the NFL when you're starting every game in the CFL."

"I'm a competitor. My first goal was to play in this league. I just had to make this team and then be ready when I got the chance. I had all the confidence that I could do the job if I got a chance."

A seventh-round draft pick by Miami in 1988, Bell was the 180th overall selection. Since being waived by the Dolphins, he was with Atlanta, waived

three times by Tampa Bay and once by the New York Jets.

The opportunity to demonstrate his talent came in the third quarter Thursday night when Paul Justin bruised and strained his right shoulder.

"I think what happened after I went in was a key to the victory," Bell said. "I felt Philadelphia had the idea they could get back into the game because I was at quarterback," even though the score was 23-3 at the time.

First he moved the Colts 89 yards in nine plays to score on a 20-yard pass to Marvin Harrison. Then he guided the team 53 yards in eight plays to put Indianapolis up 37-3 early in the fourth quarter.

"A lot of people down in the Southeast know me, but up here they really didn't know me," Bell said. "When I came out of college, I always dreamed of playing in this league. I just never got the opportunity. I never got the break."

On his first two NFL plays, Bell handed the ball to Marshall Faulk, and he picked up 44 yards on the two carries. "That made me relax and set up the passes," said Bell, who

completed three passes for 61 yards on the two drives and went on to complete all five of his passes for 75 yards.

"Maybe it's time for me to retire with a perfect rating," he said. "But, I still have some goals which I'm not talking about."

It was the first time a Colts quarterback produced a TD in his debut with the team since Ricky Turner did it on Nov. 6, 1988 against the New York Jets.

"Bell has only been exposed to about 20 to 25 percent of what we do, but he came in and did an excellent job," Indianapolis coach Lindy Infante said.

Faulk rushed for a season-high 101 yards and two touchdowns as the Colts (8-6) kept their hopes for a wild-card playoff berth alive and dealt a serious blow to the Eagles' hopes of claiming their first NFC East title since 1988.

After losing five of six games, the Colts have beaten an NFL division leader two straight games with major help from kicker Cary Blanchard. He had three field goals and four extra points to capture the Colts' season scoring record with 123 points.

Buckeye lineman Pace takes second Lombardi

HOUSTON (AP) — The mother of two-time Lombardi Award winner Orlando Pace didn't want her son playing football. Now that he has found unprecedented success in college, she thinks he's ready for the step up to the pros.

Pace became the first two-time winner of the award as the nation's top lineman Thursday night, but remained non-committal about returning to Ohio State for his senior year.

Pace said he'd decide later, but Joyce Pace of Sandusky, Ohio, already has her own opinion.

"I think he should go pro now," she said. "He has accomplished everything he could in college. He can always go back and get his degree."

She felt differently when Pace was young.

"I never wanted him to play football," she said. "I can't stand football. I think it is too rough."

Now, it's hard to argue with a mother's wisdom. Pace has started every game since arriving at Ohio State. He's considered one of the most dominating linemen in college football.

Lombardi Award last year and he was the overwhelming favorite this season. He's even been counted among the Heisman Trophy candidates.

"He won the Lombardi last year and he's even better this year," Ohio State coach John Cooper said.

This year, Pace beat out Arizona State tackle Juan Roque, Nebraska defensive end Jared Tomich and Virginia Tech defensive end Cornell Brown.

"This is truly amazing that I've done this," Pace said. "It's history-making, and I'll always remember the city of Houston."

Cooper is encouraging Pace to return for his senior year, but recognizes the possibility that Pace will move on.

"Normally a guy skips to the pros, he's not ready to play the first year, but Orlando will be the first or second player taken," Cooper said.

Cooper said the Buckeyes started keeping records for Pace's pancake blocks — where he flattens the man he's assigned to block — this season, and the count stands at 72.

"We hadn't kept pancakes on our other linemen, but Orlando was doing it so often, we decided to see how many he would

get," Cooper said. "He doesn't just block his man, he puts him on the ground."

Pace has been mentioned as a Heisman Trophy candidate, and he gets plenty of support from former teammate Eddie George, the 1995 Heisman Trophy winner and a 1,000-yard rusher with the Houston Oilers this season.

"He should win if it goes to the best college football player in America for the year, and he is definitely one of the best, if not the best," George said.

Two linemen — Larry Kelley of Yale in 1936 and Leon Hart of Notre Dame in 1949 — have won the Heisman, but both were ends.

Ohio State leads all teams with five Lombardi trophies, including two for Pace. Nebraska and Notre Dame have three each. Ohio State's Jim Stillwagon won the first Lombardi trophy in 1970.

The award is named after the late NFL coach Vince Lombardi in behalf of the American Cancer Society.

"We've been fortunate at Ohio State to have a legacy of great offensive linemen, and he is the best we've had since I've been there," Cooper said.

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x-clinched division title.

y-clinched playoff spot.

Thursday's Game

Indianapolis 37, Philadelphia 10

Sunday's Games

Atlanta at New Orleans, noon
Baltimore at Cincinnati, noon
Denver at Green Bay, noon
Jacksonville at Houston, noon
New York Giants at Miami, noon
St. Louis at Chicago, noon
San Diego at Pittsburgh, noon
Washington at Tampa Bay, noon
New York Jets at New England, 3 p.m.

Buffalo at Seattle, 3 p.m.
Carolina at San Francisco, 3 p.m.
Dallas at Arizona, 3 p.m.
Minnesota at Detroit, 7 p.m.

Monday's Game

Kansas City at Oakland, 8 p.m.

BASKETBALL

College scores

EAST

Robert Morris 78, Niagara 76

SOUTH

Alabama 70, Minnesota 67

Appalachian St. 82, N.C.

Greensboro 56

Auburn 75, Ark.-Little Rock 66

Duke 72, Florida St. 66, OI

Liberty 55, Drake 51

Louisiana Tech 77, NW Louisiana 56

MIDWEST

Murray St. 107, Alcorn St. 86

Navy 68, VMI 62

Old Dominion 67, Washington 57

Radford 67, Richmond 62

SE Louisiana 84, Ark.-Monticello 78

Southern Meth. 72, Davidson 55

Virginia Tech 83, E. Tennessee St. 41

WOLFORD 84, MONTREAL-ANDERSON 59

MIDWEST

Ball St. 64, W. Michigan 52

McKendree 72, SE Missouri 56

Michigan 75, Detroit 59

Michigan St. 90, Ill.-Chicago 80

SOUTHWEST

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Wednesday's Games

New York 109, New Jersey 102

Cleveland 84, Orlando 57

Miami 101, Dallas 79

Detroit 100, Atlanta 90

Utah 101, L.A. Lakers 75

Houston 94, Boston 89

San Antonio 113, Philadelphia 103

Phoenix 118, Golden State 87

Indiana 127, Vancouver 80

Thursday's Games

Toronto 82, Washington 80

Chicago 114, L.A. Clippers 96

Dallas 106, Philadelphia 102

Portland 115, Denver 104

Seattle 117, Minnesota 86

Friday's Games

New Jersey at Boston, 6 p.m.

New York at Miami, 6:30 p.m.

Cleveland at Detroit, 6:30 p.m.

Phoenix at Sacramento, 7 p.m.

Vancouver at San Antonio, 7:30 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS

Thursday

BASEBALL

MINNESOTA TWINS—Agreed to

terms with C. Terry Steinbach for a two-year contract.

NEW YORK YANKEES—Traded

C. Lyle to the Anaheim Angels for players to be named.

TEXAS RANGERS—Placed INF

Lou Frazier on waivers for the purpose of giving him his unconditional release. Named Bump Wills coach for Oklahoma City of the American Association. Named Richard Seko international scout.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

LOS ANGELES DODGERS—

Named Shaun Rachaw assistant director of publicity.

MONTREAL EXPOS—Agreed to

terms with Felipe Alou, manager, on a two-year contract extension through 2000.

PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES—

Agreed to terms with RHP Jerry Spradlin on a one-year contract.

PITTSBURGH PIRATES—Named

Craig Kornfield, Bruce Seid and Robert Sidwell scouting supervisors.

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

DENVER NUGGETS—Activated F

LaPhonso Ellis from the injured list. Placed G Sarunas Marciulionis on the injured list.

Girls

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prised solely of juniors and sophomores, Swenson knew his team would take its lumps before it began to improve.

The Bulldogettes were only too happy to steepen Wink's learning curve, racing out to a 21-point lead at halftime and cruising home from there.

Tara Sterling scored 15 points and Cassie Tindol added 10 for the Bulldogettes, who improved to 6-1 with the win. Coahoma now advances to face Colorado City at 6:30 p.m. tonight in winner's bracket action.

Coahoma coach David Cox said the game provided his younger players with a good opportunity to get in some playing time.

"It was a good chance for our reserve players to get on the floor," Cox said. "It was good practice for them. You can never tell when you'll need someone."

Jess Fernandes led Wink with 16 points. The Lady Wildcats face Sterling City today at 12:30 p.m. in consolation bracket action.

Boys

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the championship.

"If you want a chance to win the tournament, you've got to play four games," Gordon said. "This game got us used to playing in the tournament, and it got everyone plenty of playing time. It also gave us a chance to work on things."

Across campus, the Bulldogs had a harder time with Snyder's JV before a second half surge insured the victory.

Blake Nichols scored 21 points, and Josh Collum and Aaron Barr added 12 and 10 points, respectively, for Coahoma, which improved to 4-2 with the victory.

"We were pretty lackadaisical in the first half," Coahoma coach Kim Nichols said. "We didn't play with much intensity. But we came out in the second half and played much better."

Coahoma faces Borden County at 8 p.m. tonight, while Stanton takes on the Crosbyton-Roscoe winner at 5 p.m.

CHURCH AND CLUB NEWS DEADLINES

Church and club news items are due at the Herald office by noon Wednesday for Friday publication. Items should be dropped off to the office, 710 Scurry, mailed to P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, 79721-1431; or faxed to 264-7205.

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Center — J.R. Edmiston,

Eldorado.

Linemen — James Andrae, Winters; Bear Nitch, Winters; Raymond Spears, Eldorado; Mike Chavez, Roscoe.

Tight end — Blake Nichols, Coahoma; Zach Steele, Eldorado.

Wide receivers — Zane Bruce, Eldorado; Judd Cathey,

Coahoma.

Running backs — Casey Baize, Wall; Wes Osburn, Forsan; Arnold Silva, Winters; Marshall Scates, Winters.

Quarterback — Justin Browne, Ozona.

Punter — Matthew

Hamilton, Coahoma.

Second team defense

Linemen — Logan Gamble, Forsan; Isaac Martinez, Coahoma; Randy Spears, Eldorado; Toby Young, Roscoe; Zane Bruce, Eldorado; Bear Nitch, Winters.

Linebackers — T.J. Lipham, Forsan; Freddy Olivares, Coahoma; Ricky Gibson, Eldorado; Jr. Medina, Roscoe.

Secondary — Chris Contreras, Wall; Paul Kinsey, Forsan; Aaron Hernandez, Coahoma; Clay Butler, Eldorado.

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SPORTS BRIEFS

Goliad sweeps C-City

Goliad's boys' basketball teams took both games against Colorado City here Thursday.

In the A game, Goliad won its first game of the year with a 41-24 decision. Clarence Wilkens scored 15 points and Brandon Neagle and Mick Fleming added 6 points each.

In the B game, Goliad won 41-4 to improve to 3-1 for the season. Jason Watson and Raul Garza led Goliad with 8 points each.

Goliad returns to action at home Monday against Sweetwater.

Forsan edges Greenwood

Forsan's "Black" team, a squad comprised of freshmen and sophomores, defeated Greenwood's sophomores 43-31 Thursday night.

Blaine Roman had 16 points, while Jaylon Everett and Brandon Marino added 7 points each for Forsan, which improved to 2-1 with the win. Forsan returns to action Monday at Rankin.

Playoff game here today

Memorial Stadium in Big Spring will be the site for the Region I-2A football championship game between Iraan and Stamford at 7:30 p.m. Friday.

Iraan (13-0) finished the regular season ranked fifth in the polls, and is coming off a 26-3 victory over Spearman. Stamford (10-3) defeated Lockney 17-7 in the last round of the playoffs.

Hoops clinic planned

A free camp style basketball clinic will be held each Saturday between Jan. 11 and Feb. 22.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Glasscock County will accept bids until 9:00 AM, December 20, 1996, for a patrol vehicle for the Sheriff's Dept. Specifications may be obtained from the Sheriff's office, P.O. Box 86, Garden City, TX 79739 (915) 254-2361. Bids will be presented to the Commissioners Court on December 20, 1996 at 10:00 AM, for consideration: Royce Pruitt, Sheriff, Glasscock County, Texas 1129 December 6 & 8, 1996

PUBLIC NOTICE

ADVERTISING FOR BIDS
The Big Spring Independent School District shall receive sealed bid proposals for our Food Service Department until 2:00 p.m., January 7, 1997, in the following areas:

Catereria Food
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Specifications and bid documents may be secured from the school district's Business Office, 708 Elmerth Place, Big Spring, Texas 79720-4610, phone number (915) 264-2620. Bids will be publicly open and read immediately following the deadline for receiving the bids in the Business Office of the Big Spring Independent School District. Bidders are invited to be present at the bid opening. Bids received after the opening date and time will be returned unopened. Bids will be presented for consideration to the Board of Trustees on January 16, 1997, at 5:15 p.m. at their regularly scheduled board meeting. The Big Spring Independent School District reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.
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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FLUID INJECTION
WELL PERMIT
Marathon Oil Company, 125 W. Missouri Avenue, Midland, Texas 79702 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation that is productive of oil or gas. The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the San Andres formation, Knox Unit Well No. 33. The proposed injection well is located 3.5 miles SW of Fortson, in the Howard Glasscock Field in Howard County. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 2075 to 2507.

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

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Underground Injection Control Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone: 512/463-6790).
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR SATURDAY, DEC. 7:

Much goes on behind the scenes this year. Do plenty of thinking and inner reflecting. Opinions change easily, and your view of life expands as a result. Financial instincts are unusually accurate. Consider options with care. You could make a lot of money if you are diligent. If you are single, you enhance the quality of your life. You enjoy socializing more than ever. You could easily become involved with someone important. If attached, you will need time together. Communications are excellent. SCORPIO can be your best friend — or worst enemy.

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
Your ability to communicate allows you to understand what is happening. A partner bares his soul, if you allow it. Reach out to him in response. You feel safer than he does. Avenues of talk open up to you. Listen to your inner voice. Tonight: Tango together. ****

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
Be amenable to someone's overture. Understand a loved one on a deep level. You gain perspective, if you are willing to listen. Hear his side of the story. Romantic encounters are likely if you are single. You cannot count on the status quo. Tonight: Light another's fire. *****

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
Be realistic about your energy stores. Honor your limits. Examine long-term interests. Take time out for yourself. Pace yourself, and follow through with what is going on. You need a lazy day; don't push

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too hard. Tonight: Relax. ****

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
Creative engines are revved up. Put out an extra effort with a loved one or friend. Listen carefully to what is happening with a child; he might be looking for guidance or help. Talk is healing and important as bonding occurs. Tonight: Be a lover. *****

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
Anchor in, and be sure of yourself. You derive the most pleasure from relaxing at home with family. Put your feet up. Creativity is high. Spend a low-key day where you are comfortable. Enjoy what is important to you. Tonight: Goodwill flows. ***

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
Errands call out to you. Attend to them. You delight in visiting with others. Your sense of what is fair comes out with another. Convincing him that your ideas are right is challenging. Let the day flow by. Make sure you know what you want. Tonight: Go out and about. ****

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
Be careful with finances. It is not a good idea to take someone's check for granted. Rely on yourself. Remain grounded about what is going on. Your caring side emerges through discussions. A child expresses his thoughts. Tonight: It's your treat. ****

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
You can clear the air. Understanding others' motivations and ideas helps you form a better course of action. Return calls. Catch up on news, and finish off errands. You will want to set aside time for visiting and sharing. Tonight: Say "yes." *****

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
Don't reveal what you are thinking. Understand exactly why another is making his

decisions. Start by being a better listener. Your sense of amusement emerges. Be sensitive to what is possible. Your gut is right on about expenditures. Tonight: Go for mystery! ***

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
Express what is on your mind. Listen to the feedback you get from a friend. Meet new people, and be open to a new experience. Find out where your friends are. There, you will discover nothing but fun. Take time for an important discussion. Tonight: You are the action. *****

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
Take the lead. Handle responsibilities that could involve getting friends together. Your more playful side comes out when dealing with an older relative. He appreciates your caring attention. Be direct about what is on your mind. Enjoy the spotlight. Tonight: Be noticed! ****

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
You have a different perspective from others. You cannot talk another into something. Instead, have a long discussion. Be open to feedback and processing. A minitrip may be in order, to clear out your energies and help you relax as well. Tonight: Try a new restaurant. *****

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Aging relatives can be easy prey for con artists, thieves

DEAR ABBY: I am a geriatric psychiatrist, a physician who specializes in mental problems of the elderly as they relate to legal matters. A letter in your column from a woman concerned about her

84-year-old mother-in-law's relationship with a 58-year-old man caught my eye. In addition to your own excellent comments, two more points need to be made:

The main concerns that arise with aging parents are: 1. Does the parent have the capacity to understand and appreciate the consequences of the situation? 2. Is the parent being unduly influenced by another person?

Memory is only one part of the ability to handle personal and financial affairs. Other, equally important mental functions include the abilities to understand complex situations, to reason, plan and carry out behaviors, and to anticipate likely consequences. Problems in any of these or related areas make a person easy prey for con artists and gold-diggers.

Many people have sound minds, but are inappropriately influenced to do things that are not in their best interests. Someone who is lonely or going through a major change in his or her life is especially vulnerable. The unscrupulous thief initially promises friendship and support, then later convinces his victim to turn over money or property.

Many physicians do not know how to adequately assess the relevant mental functions. Of

those who do, few have the skills or experience to apply their findings when legal proceedings are necessary. The consequences of inadequate assessment can be tragic.

For guidance and advice regarding problems of this nature, your readers should consider calling the adult protective services in their state for referral to a geriatrician or geriatric psychiatrist. Where legal issues are concerned, such as the capacity to change wills, make medical, financial or business decisions, the person's attorney should request the services of a forensic psychiatrist — a physician who specializes in assessing behavior for legal purposes. — BEN-NETT BLUM, M.D., PARK DIETZ & ASSOCIATES, NEWPORT BEACH, CALIF.

DEAR DR. BLUM: Thank you for an important contribution to this column. The American Academy of Psychiatry and the Law (AAPL) also has a special Committee on Geriatric Psychiatry and the Law that can refer readers to a psychiatrist in their area who has expertise in both geriatric and legal matters. The toll-free number is 1-800-331-1389.

DEAR ABBY: I am a single man who has been friendly with another single (elderly) man for about 15 years. He has never been married and has no children of his own, but he has some nephews back east. Our acquaintance over the years has consisted mainly of having him over for dinner parties with some other friends.

This elderly friend has been hospitalized lately and is now recovering in a convalescent facility. His doctor has advised him to give up his apartment. Of course, I have visited my friend at the hospital and the home faithfully.

Abby, do you think it would be OK — in other words, in good taste — if I were to mention (with a smile on my face), "Don't forget to mention me in your will"? This man is a millionaire.

Please rush me your answer, as he could kick the bucket any day. — CURIOUS IN LOS ANGELES

DEAR CURIOUS: To mention anything concerning this elderly gentleman's will would be in the worst possible taste. Besides, it's a safe bet that his will was written weeks, months or even years ago. Shame on you (I'm saying this with a smile on my face).

DEAR ABBY: You forgot to mention one very important

option to "Mateless in Milwaukee" regarding her husband's football obsession. You should have suggested that she try to share what is apparently a very important part of his life.

Learn about the game; help with the football league activity and host some game-day parties. Get creative with food ideas in which everyone can participate. Ask the guys to bring their wives/girlfriends along. This way you can socialize in another room or everyone can watch the game together.

Ask your husband to explain the game — and there are plenty of books available to help you learn the fundamentals. Maybe I'm a bit prejudiced because I've always enjoyed football, but cuddling with my husband on a Sunday afternoon while watching a game is heaven to me.

A couple who shares each other's passion will score touchdowns instead of incomplete passes. — SOARING HIGH IN EAGLES' COUNTRY

DEAR SOARING: Many couples wrote suggesting "Mateless" join the party. Others, however, felt more balance was needed in the relationship. Since that letter generated such a tremendous number of letters, tomorrow I'll print more of them.

DEAR ABBY: Please share our advice with "Mateless in Milwaukee" and her husband. (We were in the same boat when we first married.)

TO THE HUSBAND: Cut back one league. Have a separate phone line for your football messages. Make football fun for your wife — get the guys and their wives to meet at a nice sports restaurant on Sundays and watch the game over pizza and beer.

Take a road trip with another couple to see a game: get a hotel, have a tailgate picnic, sightsee, etc.

TO THE WIFE: Buy his team T-shirt and wear it on game day. Learn about his favorite players and discuss them with him. Place small wagers with him. Encourage Sunday sports outings with other couples. Take turns with other couples hosting game parties.

TO BOTH: Go out of your way to make your marriage fun for each other.

We did all of these and more. — KATIE PEASE PEAKE BEACH

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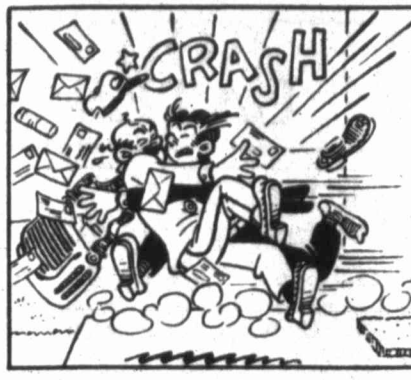
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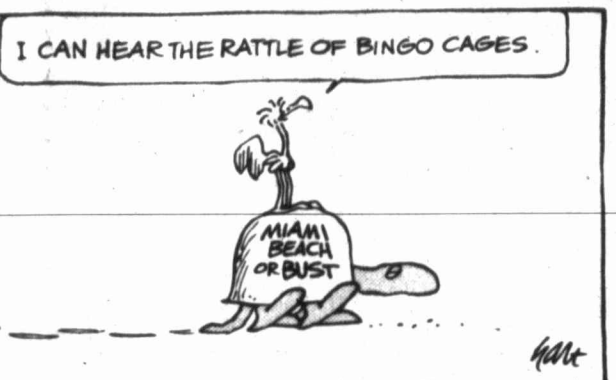
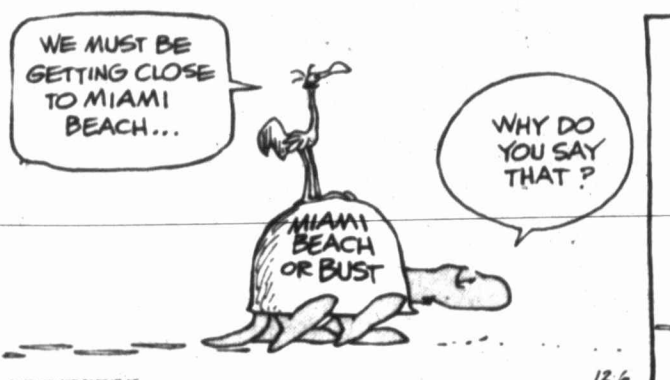
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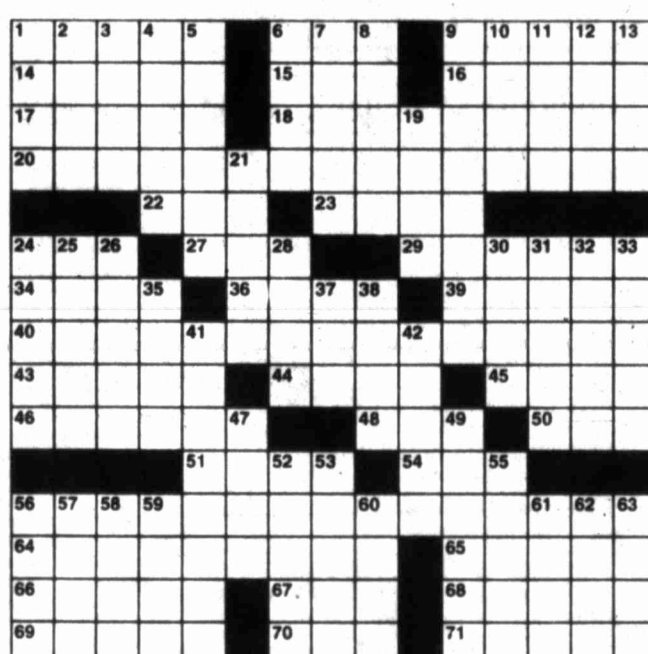
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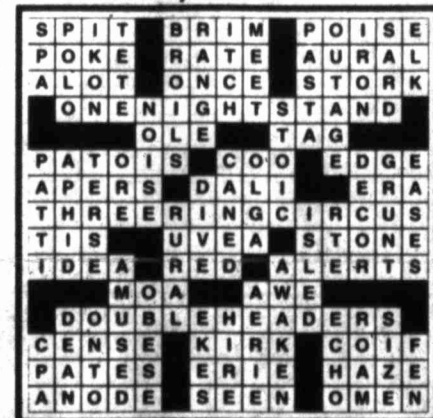
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