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NEWS DIGEST



▲ Hoola hoops provide half's entertainment

At halftime of the Howard College Lady Hawks basketball game, Elaine Sandridge and others from Kentwood and Moss elementary schools show off their hula hooping skills.



◀ Super Bowl decoration

Employees at the Big Spring Post Office decorated the inner lobby with Dallas Cowboy memorabilia Friday in support for the team that will play in the Super Bowl Sunday.

Voter's guide

It's in today's edition of the Herald. The "Voter's Guide" provided all local candidates with a chance to list their stand on issues in guide that is in the TV guide inserted in today's paper.



◀ Renovation continuing

Holding onto sheets of sandpaper with his hands, Enrique Diaz uses only the power of his arms to sand the surface of a cabinet at the Dora Roberts Community Center recently.

Briefs

•Legislator appreciation: State Sen. John Montford and Rep. David Counts will tour several sites in Big Spring during the city's "State Legislator Appreciation Day" on Tuesday, Feb. 1. Following the tour, they will be guests at a reception hosted by Jerry and Annabel Barker at their home at 2612 Crestline Road.

•Get your tickets now: Tickets for this year's Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce banquet are now on sale for \$15. Big Spring native Ed Frazier, president of the HSE Network will be the keynote speaker. Call the chamber at 263-7641 for more information.

•Cancer support group: A support group has been formed for patients who have cancer, cancer survivors and cancer patients' families meets at 7 p.m. on the first Thursday of each month at Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

Weather

•Snow, low in the 20s: Today, cloudy with a 50 percent chance of snow in the afternoon. High 40-45. South wind 10-20 mph and gusty shifting to the east late. Low in the 20s.

•Permian Basin Forecast:
Monday: Snow likely. Low in the upper teens. High 30-35.
Tuesday: Mostly cloudy with snow flurries possible. High near 30. Low in the teens.
Wednesday: Partly cloudy. High around 40. Low in the teens.

TONIGHT	TOMORROW	TONIGHT
SNOW		SUNSET 6:18 PM
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Chamber banquet set to feature Frazier, man and woman of year

By TIM JONES
Staff Writer

Approximately 375 tickets have been sold to the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce's annual banquet set for Feb. 1, according to the organizations' Executive Vice-President Terry Burns.

Festivities will begin at 7 p.m. Tuesday on the floor of the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum on the Howard College campus. A dinner will be served by Howard College.

The "Star Spangled Banner" will be led by Jody Nix and featured vocalist will be Carol Hanes.



FRAZIER

Big Spring native Ed Frazier, president of

the HSE Network, will be the keynote speaker.

Frazier is President and Chief Executive Officer of Affiliated Regional Communications/Prime Network, and the founder of Home Sports Entertainment, the world's largest producer of sports events spanning the globe.

"To come home to Big Spring and be invited to speak means a lot to me," Frazier said. "But I most of all want to say I'm excited about the tremendous possibilities that lie ahead for Big Spring."

"It's all about communication," Frazier said. "To get in the game, a community has to unify and progress together. That requires communication. Changing the way we think is the key."

Outgoing chamber president G. Ben Bancroft and incoming president Jeff Morris will also be presented.

Big Spring's honored guests State Sen.

John Montford and State Rep. David Counts will be introduced. Their visit is the focus of State Legislator Appreciation Day, which leads up to the banquet.

The banquet's chairperson is Polly St. Clair.

Decorations will feature bluebonnets and windmills. The incoming president's theme is "Listen, Learn and Lead".

Introductions of the 1994 Chamber of Commerce Man and Woman of the Year will present Richard Atkins and Mamie Lee Dodds.

Dodds, a retired school teacher, is the chamber's coordinator for the Tourist Information Center.

Atkins, the owner of Big Spring Hardware, is involved in many civic volunteer projects, and is currently involved with Big Spring Main Street Inc.

A coffee and reception will follow to visit with the honorees and invited guests.

Police announce STEP beginning at 7 a.m. Monday

By JANET AUSBURY
Staff Writer

The Big Spring Police Department's Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) will take effect at 7 a.m. Monday.

The program, approved in Tuesday's City Council meeting for a 30-day trial period, will monitor traffic speed in various school zones.

Different areas will be watched at different days and times. Motorists will not be informed when particular areas are being patrolled.

STEP will utilize off-duty patrol officers working overtime, providing coverage of school areas while leaving on-duty officers available to handle other needs for police assistance.

Commissioners defend county's tax abatements

By TIM JONES
Staff Writer

Howard County commissioners, stinging from criticism of the county's tax abatement policy, say much of that criticism is unfair and defended their efforts to expand economic development.

Commissioners originally adopted the program in February of 1990, establishing guidelines, criteria and a uniform policy of tax abatement — basing them on the state law which permitted creation of re-investment zones.

The policy was amended in July 1990, then further revised on Dec. 14, 1992, by a unanimous vote by the court.

"I am for tax abatements. They need to be decided on the merit of each individual request," County Judge Ben Lockhart said, adding that he'd like to see "reconciliation, and mending fences if possible."

Commissioner Bill Crocker agreed, mentioning "healing, and going forward together."

Lockhart said "making abatement a public referendum where the voters decide would be interesting."

Commissioner John R. Stanley said he approved the use of abatements, but stressed the need for industries benefitting from the tax breaks to live up to their end of the bargain.

"Companies receiving abatement must fulfill all the criteria, creating local jobs and buying materials locally," Stanley said. "Falling short is against the inherent design of the abatement policy."

Abatement "means the full or partial exemption from ad valorem taxes of certain property in a reinvestment zone designated by Howard County or the city of Big Spring for economic development purposes," the abatement document explained.

In September 1990, the county published an "Overall Economic Development Program."

On page 87 of the report, a goal to "assist in the retention and expansion of existing commercial and manufacturing enterprises" stated an objective and strategy to "expand the use of economic development incentives such as tax abatement, enterprise zones, etc."

Abatements allow the county to discount taxes for a specific period of time, allowing companies to spend money on improvements. After the tax abatement period expires, the county again collects taxes on the full value of the property, including improvements, for a much longer time than the period of abatement.

The present abatement policy has been adopted by Howard County, the Big Spring Independent School District and Howard County.

The city of Big Spring approved the same abatement policy in February 1993, but stipulated a 120-day expiration date, pending further study.

At that time, several city council members felt the measure was not aggressive enough and Mayor Tim Blackshear said he wanted to appoint six people to make a study to see if they could improve upon the

policy. That committee was never formed.

When asked about that study and the status of the city's abatement policy, City Manager Lanny Lambert said, "You caught us there. We wanted a more generous policy that was more attractive and responsive. If a big company approached us next week, as far as we are concerned, the policy would be followed as it was written then."

"Even if you philosophically oppose abatement, you must decide to abate, because if you don't, someone else will," Lambert added. "Abatement is a widely used economic development tool."

Members of the commissioners court also expressed dismay at having been singled out for criticism when county taxes are only a small portion of any firm's overall tax bill.

The commissioners cited a December 1993 state report from Comptroller John Sharp's office about growth of property taxes levied statewide.

County taxes levied statewide in 1982 were \$1.16 billion. For 1992, they were almost \$2 billion, an increase of \$830 million in county taxes statewide for that 10-year period.

However, school taxes levied statewide in 1982 were \$3.28 billion. And in 1992, they were \$8.18 billion — more than doubling under the weight of a \$4.89 billion increase.

The effective tax rate is calculated by dividing the prior year's taxes (minus property losses for the current year) by the current value of the property taxed in the prior year and then multiplying by 100 to convert to a rate per \$100 of value, according to a truth-in-taxation handbook.

Comparing combined school tax rates per \$100 for the Big Spring, Forsan and Coahoma school districts between 1990 and 1993 shows local taxing entities have followed the statewide trend.

The combined school tax rate in 1990 was \$2.18, compared to \$4.20 for 1993, a \$2.02 increase according to a tax rate history sheet from the Howard County Appraisal District Office.

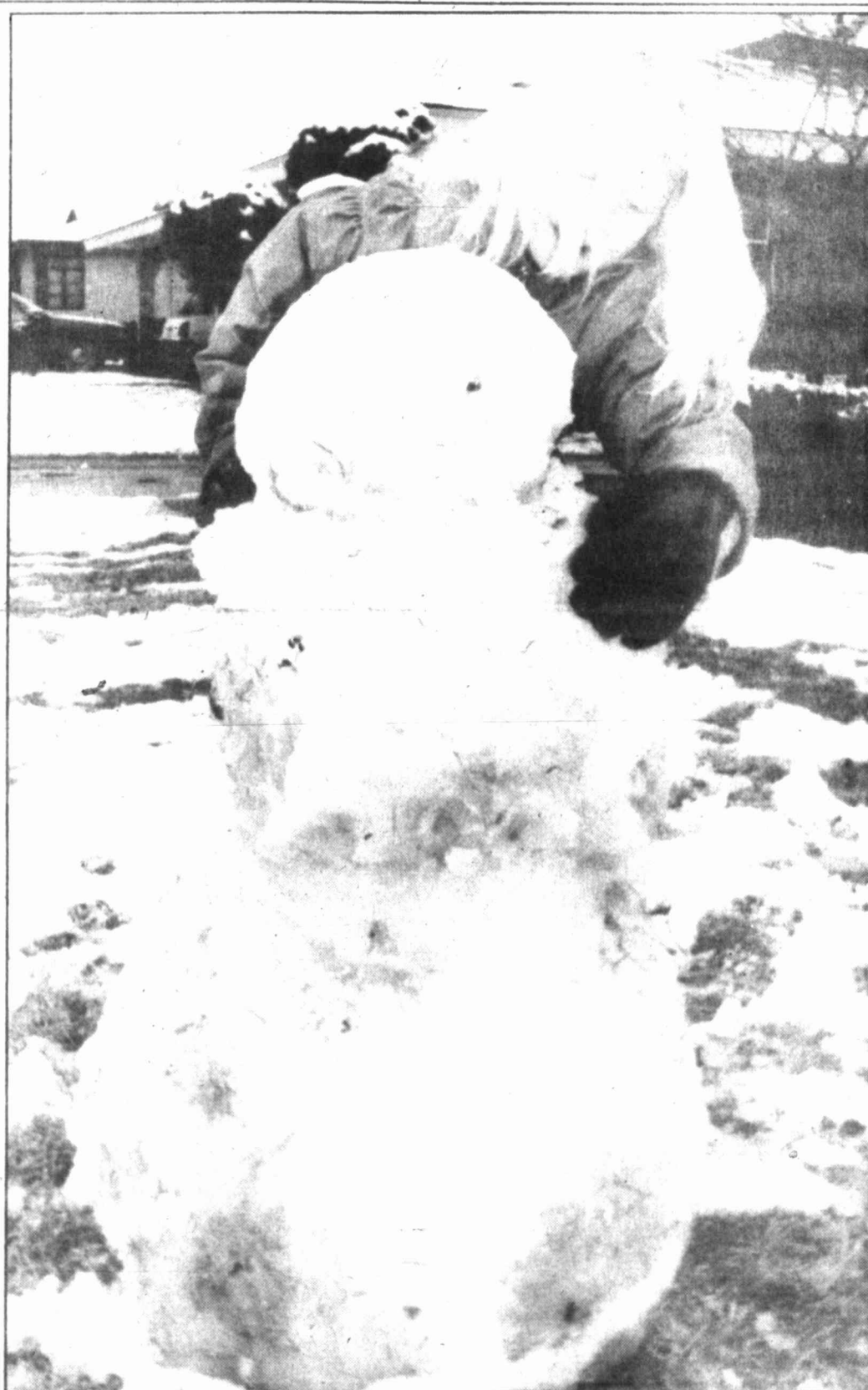
"My county taxes are the lowest taxes I pay," said Commissioner Bobby Cathey.

"The original taxpayers in Howard County were agriculturally oriented. They have been paying taxes here since Bud Roberts settled Howard County in the middle of the last century," Cathey continued. "Through stock market crashes, depressions, recessions, crop losses, drought, the collapse of the cattle market, 12-cent cotton prices during the 1930s and Texas tick-fever, they either paid their taxes or lost their property."

Cathey fairly bristled at criticism recently leveled at commissioners by Fina manager Jeff Morris.

"Fina says they pay their fair share," Cathey said. "Yet, they wanted their taxes abated. Other taxpayers, myself included, do not receive any abatement. Therefore, the total amount taxpayers owe is apparently

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Herald photo by Tim Appel

Frigid fun

After placing the head on the body, Alix Green adds more snow to the snowman as she and her family were taking advantage of the winter fun before it had melted by mid-afternoon. For additional photos of the snow in Big Spring, see page A5.

Cranefest ticket packages now available at Chamber

By TIM JONES
Staff Writer

Big Spring's second annual "Cranefest" will be Feb. 4-5, beginning with a 7 p.m. Friday banquet and a talk by Ed Kutac, author of "Birder's Guide of Texas", at Garret Hall located at the First Methodist Church.

Saturday morning begins with breakfast at 7:30 a.m. in the Crestwood Hall party room at RV Park Of Texas, followed by guided bus trip tours to view cranes in their feeding areas. Scheduled into the morning tour is a stop at the Big Spring State Park/Scenic Mountain to view birds and to study historic rock carvings and then to Comanche Trail Park for hiking along the flora-and-fauna trails.

After returning to Crestwood Hall for a hot lunch, those attending will hear a keynote address from John Karges, the West Texas director for the Texas Nature Conservancy. Following the program, buses will take birders to nearby Knott to view cranes and waterfowl feeding.

Cranefest coincides with the annual "Around the World in 80 Bites" gastronomic fund-raising event beginning at 4:30 p.m. at the Heritage Museum, which adds variety to the already event-filled weekend.

Promoters of the "Cranefest" invite bird-lovers statewide to submit designs for a logo to represent the event, and a \$300 prize will be awarded to the artist of the winning sketch. The art will become property of "Cranefest" and should no entry be selected, competition will continue the next year.

The lesser sandhill cranes begin their migration in late October from summer homes in Alaska, Canada and the arctic region. In February, the peak of their migratory season, thousands of birds feed all day long here in the Big Spring area, and by nightfall, they return to the playa lake, some within Big Spring's city limits. The shallow lakes protect them from predators.

These interesting birds stand more than

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ANC unveils platform; Zulus, Afrikaners call boycott

The Associated Press

SOWETO, South Africa — Riding a 14-car "democracy train" covered in ANC banners, Nelson Mandela kicked off his party's election campaign on Saturday and promised "a better life for all."

In a hall outside the black township of Soweto, an ebullient Mandela presented the African National Congress platform to 1,000 invited guests, including leaders in politics, business and journalism.

While Mandela and his supporters were upbeat, black and white militants gathered elsewhere to draw up plans to boycott South Africa's first multiracial vote in April and use

force, if necessary, to resist an ANC-led government.

But at least one more round of talks by the ANC with white right-wingers and the Zulu-based Inkatha Freedom Party was planned for Monday to try to bring all parties into the electoral process and reduce the prospects of violence.

As the train carrying Mandela to the hall rolled through Johannesburg's industrial and mining suburbs on a sparkling morning, ANC supporters trudging to work raised their fists in salute.

But there were no big crowds. Security concerns forced organizers to cancel rallies on train platforms along the way. Instead, Mandela was

greeted through the window at various stops by ANC volunteers, outnumbered by stone-faced police standing guard with shotguns and automatic rifles.

Saturday marked the start of full-time campaigning by the ANC, the nation's biggest black group and the overwhelming favorite to win the April 27-29 election. Its chief opponent, the governing National Party, has been campaigning since last week.

Speaking in the hall festooned with posters and balloons in the ANC colors of green, black and gold, Mandela said the ANC's aim had always been "peace and democracy through dialogue."

"Today we are almost there," he declared to applause.

He took a swipe at President F.W. de Klerk and the National Party, which has ruled South Africa since 1948 and is struggling to recast itself as multiracial.

"There are those who would like us to believe that the past doesn't exist, that decades of apartheid rule have suddenly disappeared. But the economic and social devastation remains. Our country is a mess."

Mandela pledged "a government that understands the needs of the future ... a government that puts people first."

The 13-page ANC platform, titled "A Better Life for All," was long on

generalities but short on specifics. It promised more government social spending, an end to sales taxes on basic foods, and lower income taxes for people earning less than \$1,200 a month.

It also promised employment or training for 2.5 million people within the next 10 years.

De Klerk, campaigning east of Johannesburg, called the ANC document a "typical party political manifesto — firstly by people who don't have experience in government, and secondly who do not care what they promise."

At the Inkatha meeting in the eastern province of Natal, party leader Mangosuthu Buthelezi stood firm in

his refusal to participate in the election.

"I say no to the present constitution and I say as this constitution stands, I do not see how we can enter elections," said Buthelezi, who is Mandela's chief black political rival.

"What I'm calling for is the courage to enter the politics of resistance," Buthelezi told about 8,000 followers. He insisted he was not calling for violence.

Thousands of pro-apartheid whites gathered at a fairground in Pretoria, the national capital, to make a militant declaration of independence from black rule.

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their fair share.

"Therefore, I'm asking more from my neighbors than from Fina," Cathey said, adding that he'd like to "see how many permanent jobs have been created since Fina's first abatement in 1991, and how many of them filled by Howard County residents, or Texans, or out-of-state residents."

Keith Toomire with the Howard County Appraisal District said abate-

ment affects tax rates, holding them steady, because abated taxes are not added to the tax roll.

"With a declining tax base, abatements increase tax rates," Toomire explained. "Economic development

with the right company adds to the market, creates new jobs, more demand for services and increases tax values."

Federal inmate one-of-a-kind on death row

The Associated Press

HUNTSVILLE — Juan Raul Garza spends his days alone in a prison cell, peers through a heavy thick screen if he wants to watch television and exercises by himself in a small recreation yard.

In the closed society of 374 convicted killers who call Texas death row home and where the inmates all wear white suits that include a tiny orange badge bearing their name and prison number, Garza is different.

The ex-railroad brakeman and construction worker from the Rio Grande Valley is the only condemned

federal inmate imprisoned in Texas and is one of just seven men awaiting death nationwide for federal convictions.

"Any time you're in jail, you've got to be uncomfortable," Garza says. "Any time you're somewhere you don't want to be, it's uncomfortable. I don't want to be here."

Garza, 37, has been on death row since October, following his conviction in Brownsville last year on a 10-count indictment that included three murders.

Federal prosecutors successfully sought the death penalty under a 1988 "kingpin" law that has secured only a handful of federal death sentences nationwide. A jury found

Garza was the leader of a drug smuggling ring that imported tons of marijuana between 1983 and 1993.

The same jury decided Garza was responsible for killing two men in 1990 because they lost a marijuana shipment and for killing another man the following year who had agreed to cooperate with authorities after he was caught loading marijuana for Garza.

Garza now faces lethal injection.

But since the federal prison system has no death row, he wound up in the care of Texas prison authorities. Under an accord known as the Interstate Compact Agreement, the U.S. government pays Texas to house and care for him.

Garza is in exclusive company. Of federal prisoners awaiting death, the only others include one each in Oklahoma, Iowa and Alabama and three in Virginia, Dan Dunne, a U.S. Bureau of Prisons spokesman in Washington, says.

Garza's days in Texas may be numbered, however. Federal authorities are building a federal death row in Terre Haute, Ind., and the 50-inmate unit could be open as early as this summer, spokesman William Girth at the Indiana prison says.

It's uncertain, though, how soon Garza would be transferred.

"I'm close to home here," Garza says.

Deaths

Felix Guzman



GUZMAN

Funeral services for Felix Guzman, 74, of Big Spring are slated for 10 a.m. Monday, Jan. 31, at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church with the Rev. Christopher Coleman officiating. Burial will follow in the Coahoma Cemetery under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home. A rosary is set for 7 p.m. Sunday in the Myers & Smith Funeral Home Chapel.

Mr. Guzman died Friday, Jan. 28, at a local nursing home. He was born on Nov. 20, 1919, in San Saba. He married Luz Gonzales in 1958 in Big Spring. He was a retired farmer and a member of Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church.

Survivors include his wife, Luz Guzman, of Fort Worth; six sons, David Guzman and Sammy Guzman, both of Lansing, Mich.; Tom Guzman and Philip Guzman, both of Big Spring, and Daniel Guzman and Joe Guzman, both of Fort Worth; three daughters, Lupe Arsiaga, Linda Franco and Virginia Franco, all of Midland; two step-sons, Raul Gonzales of Big Spring and Ernest Gonzales

Billy Zimmerman

STANTON — Funeral services for Billy Jack Zimmerman, 65, of Stanton are set for 1 p.m. Monday, Jan. 31, at the First United Methodist Church of Stanton with the Rev. Carlton Thomson officiating. Burial will follow in the Evergreen Cemetery under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home of Stanton.

Mr. Zimmerman was born on July 8, 1928, in Stanton and died Thursday, Jan. 27, 1994, in Midland. His family moved to Andrews when he was 10 and attended public schools until moving to Pecos where he completed high school. Upon graduation he was employed by Community Public Service. He was a veteran, having served in the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict. He also worked as a Civil Service electrician in Truth or Consequences, N.M., and El Paso until his retirement when he moved back to Stanton.

Survivors include a companion, Erma Campbell of Midland; one daughter, Jan Cherry of Quinlan; one brother, James Zimmerman of Midland; and two grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his father and mother, James A. and Velma Zimmerman.

Police

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following incidents:

•A theft from a purse in the 500 block of Aylsford of cash and prescription drugs.

Cranefest

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three-and-one-half feet tall, with a wing span of up to six feet, and weigh from five to eight pounds. Plumage on young birds is brownish in color, changing to gray on adult which have bald red foreheads and black legs.

Tickets for Friday's banquet are \$10 each. Saturday's tours are \$5 per person, with breakfast tickets costing \$4 and lunch tickets priced at \$5.

Tickets for Around the World in 80 Bites are priced at \$5 for adults and \$3 for children. Package tickets for all events during the weekend are \$30.

For more information, contact Marae Brooks, Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, (915) 263-7641.

•Theft of a business in the 800 block of W 4th.
•Criminal mischief, damage to a vehicle, was reported in the 3300 block of Highway 80.
•Unauthorized use of a vehicle was reported in the 4200 block of Muir.
•A loud party was reported in the 600 block of W 1-20, a verbal warning was issued.
•A loud party was reported in the 2000 block of Morrison, unable to locate.
•Theft of a vehicle occurred in the 100 block of Lockhart.
•Criminal mischief was reported in the 1600 block of W 11th Place, two tires were silt on a parked car.
•A theft was reported in the 1100 block of the Lamesa Highway.
•Shots were fired in the 1700 block of

Lotto

AUSTIN (AP) — Here are results of Lotto Texas winning numbers drawn Saturday by the Texas Lottery:
13-17-20-24-39-42
Estimated Lotto Texas jackpot: \$3 million

The Lotto Texas Pick 3 winning numbers drawn Saturday by the Texas Lottery, in this order:
8-2-0

New mayors talking crime and punishment

New York City's new Mayor Rudolph Giuliani says his top priority will be fighting crime. He, a former federal prosecutor, says American cities cannot survive as is.

The new mayors of Atlanta, Pittsburgh and Detroit second the notion. They are ready to try less carrot and more stick.

The newest Heritage Foundation study of the subject concludes that there is one thing we could do to deter crime immediately: REQUIRE ALL CRIMINALS TO SERVE THEIR FULL SENTENCES.

Presently, criminals serve barely 37 percent of their sentences, and an incredibly high proportion of early release prisoners commit violent crimes after being paroled.

The recent kidnap-killing of Polly Klaas, the 12-year-old in Petaluma, Calif., was allegedly committed by Richard Allen Davis, who had been paroled just two months earlier.

His earlier conviction, for which he served only half of a 16-year sentence, was for kidnapping!

The Justice Department Bureau of Statistics confirms that the average sentence for murder is only 15 years. The murderer is usually out in 1.8 years.

A rapist gets an average eight



Paul Harvey

years but is out in 60 days.

A burglar will likely serve only 4.8 days.

And within three years, 60 percent are rearrested for another crime.

The justice system is less lenient for the newsworthy, the politician, the financier, the televangelist whose most serious crime was overbooking a hotel.

James Wooton, president of the Safe Streets Alliance of Washington, D.C., studied 110,000 prisoners released in 11 states during one year and discovered that within three years after they were released, they committed another 14,000 murders, another 7,000 kidnappings, another

23,000 rapes, more than 100,000 robberies and more than 107,000 assaults.

It was in 1960 that we began to relax sentencing procedures; since then, our nation's violence crime rate has shot upward 500 percent!

Eight out of 10 Americans may now EXPECT to be the victim of a violent crime.

The failure rate of our parole boards would never be tolerated in any other business, industry or bureaucracy.

Our Federal Aviation Agency does not allow airplanes to fly with critical parts that fail 29 percent of the time. The Food and Drug Administration

does not allow drugs on the market that have dangerous side effects 18 percent of the time; yet, that is the "failure rate" of the U.S. Parole Board.

Another effect of toothless sentencing is the degree to which our criminal court system gets laughed at by career criminals.

They know, and a Rand Corp. study confirms, that the average inmate has committed 187 crimes during the year before he is sentenced. The odds are overwhelmingly in his favor!

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Lawmakers debate post-SSC future of physics community

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Now that Congress has killed the superconducting super collider, the high-energy physics community is casting an eye toward Europe as it searches for a long-term future.

And a scant three months after a budget-conscious Congress pulled the plug on the \$11 billion atom smasher, some lawmakers suggested Wednesday during a hearing of the House science subcommittee that the United States should consider investing in a European venture.

The European Center for Nuclear Research, known as CERN, is debating building an atom smasher that would be one-third the power of the aborted American venture. Within the next few months, the 19 European nations that belong to CERN are expected to decide whether to build their Large Hadron Collider near Geneva, Switzerland.

"The termination of the SSC has created a crisis for the U.S. high-energy physics program," said Fermilab director John Peoples, who is overseeing the termination of the super collider. "Nevertheless, some superb opportunities exist."

Peoples estimated it would cost the United States \$500 million over 10 years to participate in CERN. "This is the only affordable option open to the U.S. high-energy community if it hopes to continue to work at the energy frontier," he said.

White House science adviser John Gibbons suggested the European venture "is an obvious choice" but refused to commit further. "I don't think we should narrow our options to CERN at this point," he told the subcommittee.

The idea of U.S. participation in the European project raised the ire of



Associated Press photo

Electrical engineer Will Robinson discusses his work at the magnet testing site of the Superconducting Super Collider in Waxahachie. Robinson finds it difficult to believe "we'd take \$2 billion and pour it down a hole" and then abandon the project.

Texas Republican Joe Barton, whose district is home to much of the super collider's complex.

"This congressman is going to look very skeptically at making a 180 degree turnaround and trotting off to Europe," said Barton, an ardent champion of the embattled collider. "I never saw one mark, one franc, one pound come to this side of the ocean" for the super collider.

"If we can't invest in the very best program, it's going to take a lot of convincing to get me to invest in the second best," Barton added.

The CERN question is key as the high-energy physics community seeks a cutting-edge mission that doesn't include the collider — touted

since 1983 as the field's long-term future.

"The termination of the SSC has given us a brief breathing space, perhaps starting with a gasp, to rethink the status and direction of a fundamental field," said Rep. Sherwood Boehlert, R-N.Y., who fought vigorously to kill the collider.

The discipline's future for the next decade or more is assured by the research ongoing at the four U.S. high-energy physics laboratories — Fermilab in Illinois, the Stanford Linear Accelerator in California, and in New York the Brookhaven National Laboratory and the Cornell Electron Storage Ring.

To remain at the forefront of

research, however, Congress must complete the upgrade of Fermilab's main injector and the Stanford B-Factor, Gibbons said.

But he also cautioned that high-energy physics already is suffering from a lack of funding. Not counting the \$640 million in termination costs for the super collider, the federal government is spending some \$660 million this year on high-energy physics research.

"It's as though we have a big 747 ... out on a runway but we don't have enough money to pay for the fuel to run it," he said. "So it sits there more as a monument, not as an operating piece of equipment."



Associated Press photo

Leo Palitti adds automobiles to the scale model of the Branch Davidian compound near Waco before it was raided by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms in his Watauga home. The model will be used in the trial currently underway in San Antonio. Palitti has built the model mostly from scratch.

Modeler re-creating Davidian compound for use during trials

The Associated Press

WATAUGA — A tire hangs from a tree branch. Chickens are frozen in place in their coop. And trash is scattered everywhere: Newspaper tear sheets linger beneath window sills, and piles of scrap metal and broken wooden crates are stacked randomly around the yard.

The Branch Davidian compound has been re-created — on a 1:76 scale, where every foot equals 76 feet.

Leo Palitti's scale model was created at his home in this Fort Worth suburb for use in the San Antonio murder trial of the compound's surviving members.

Palitti, a 38-year-old design student, said he toiled over the 3-foot-by-4-foot model for more than 280 hours, completing it in 16 days. With the help of a magnifying glass and several aerial photos of the compound, he painstakingly copied even the most marginal details of the facility to ensure authenticity.

"We had to figure out the scale without a lot of help. There was a lot of guessing," he said. "I was only given five dimensions — one across the front and a few along the side."

Palitti said he never imagined that his hobby of making dioramas and scale models could play a significant role in the trial. Although he started on the project in December, Palitti said he realized the magnitude of his work only last week, when he saw photos of the complex on a "Prime Time" broadcast.

"That's when I thought, 'Gosh, this is a really big deal,'" he said. "It didn't really hit me until then."

Palitti made the model at the request of Fort Worth attorney Jeff Kearney, who is representing Jaime Castillo, a 25-year-old Branch Davidian. Palitti and Kearney met more

than a decade ago when Palitti was a student at Texas Christian University. Kearney had heard about Palitti's dioramas and scale models and went to check out some of his work.

"It was obvious he was good," he said.

When Kearney asked Palitti about building a model of the Branch Davidian compound, Palitti agreed.

"He had approached me quite a while ago about doing the model," he said. But Palitti didn't hear back from Kearney until several months later. "He called me on Christmas Eve and said he needed it by the 12th of January."

Palitti, a full-time student at a local technical school, is proud of his work. He started making dioramas and miniature models about 20 years ago, when he saw an elaborate model railroad put together by members of the Mid-Cities Rail Barons, a club that works with model trains.

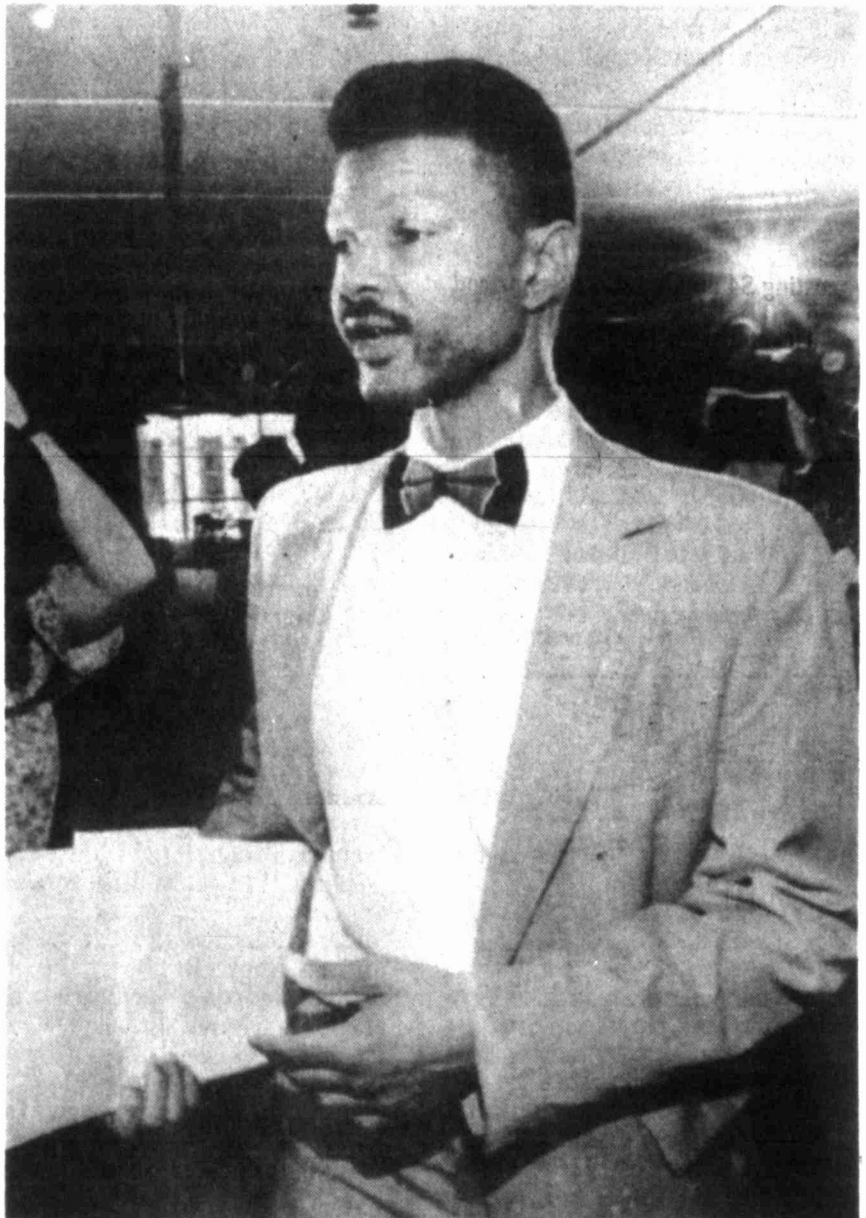
He soon joined the group, picked up tricks of the trade, and became a regular patron at nearly every craft and hobby shop in northeast Tarrant County. He works under the moniker "Diorama Dude," making models of golf courses, train sets and architectural buildings.

"It's something I have a knack for and I don't understand why," he said.

Sam Davis, president of the Mid-Cities Rail Barons, said Palitti has been responsible for about 80 percent of the club's models, including last year's award-winning 16-by-60-foot railroad set at the Great American Train Show.

"We're proud of him," Davis said. "Most people don't have the dedication that he has."

"He really didn't know much about model trains and miniatures (when he started), but you can see the plateau he's reached in just a couple of years," he said.



Associated Press photo

Gary Bledsoe, shown here in Austin on Oct. 15 of last year, announced his resignation as a special consultant to the Texas attorney general Friday. Bledsoe has been on administrative leave for 90 days while an investigation on using state time and phones for personal business is conducted.

Newspaper report says Bledsoe pressured out of assistant AG's spot

The Associated Press

AUSTIN — Assistant Attorney General Gary Bledsoe announced his resignation after being given an ultimatum to quit or be fired, the Austin American Statesman reported Saturday.

But Attorney General Dan Morales denied forcing Bledsoe out and praised him as a "dedicated public servant."

Bledsoe, who also has served as state NAACP director and Travis County Democratic Party chairman, has been on paid leave from his state job since an investigation last fall into allegations he did outside work on state time.

In a written statement Friday, Bledsoe expressed confidence that a Travis County district attorney's inquiry will vindicate him. But he said, "It has become increasingly uncomfortable being on the public payroll without performing a public service."

Bledsoe didn't immediately return a message left at his home Saturday. A spokeswoman on Friday had said he was leaving town and wasn't available for additional comments.

Quoting two unidentified sources, the Statesman reported that the decision to force Bledsoe out was based on the potential political liability to Morales, a Democrat who is seeking election to a second four-year term.

Morales has no opponent in the March 8 Democratic primary, but four candidates are vying for the Republican nomination.

"It was the time that Gary had been on administrative leave," one source said. "There was a concern from a fiscal standpoint of how long an employee could stay on paid administrative leave, and there was a concern that that could become an issue in the course of a campaign."

The sources said Morales sent word to Bledsoe on Jan. 19 that he must quit or be fired, and that several high-ranking employees of the attorney general's office were told he was resigning, the newspaper reported.

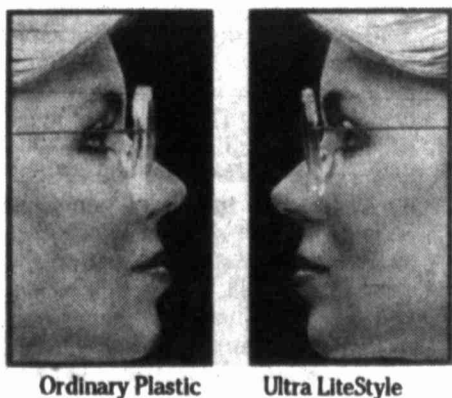
The sources said that at a subsequent meeting between Bledsoe, Morales and others, Bledsoe told Morales of his decision to resign.

Responding to assertions that Bledsoe had been forced to resign, attorney general's office spokeswoman Pat Guillermo said, "There was no ultimatum. The meeting was described as being very cordial."

After Bledsoe announced his resignation, Morales issued a statement saying, "Gary is a dedicated public servant who has served Texas ably for the past 15 years. I wish him well in his continued work to advance the causes of equity and justice for all Texans."

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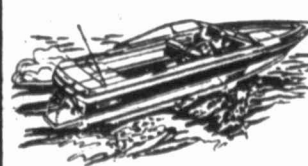
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Get registered

Feb. 6
That's the deadline to get yourself registered to vote. And, that's not very much time.

There are several important races this election year, including seats on the Howard County Commissioners' Court, U.S. Senate and House races, a governor's race, state senate and representative races. And, many, many more choices for which you need to be registered to make.

These are choices each one of us needs to look closely at. Consider the issues, weigh the pro and cons and make a decision on who to vote for.

But, it is not going to matter how well versed you are on the issues if you are not registered to vote.

Early voting will start Feb. 16, ending March 4 for the March 8 Republican and Democratic primaries.

Be there at the polls. Have your registration card in hand and make your choice.

It is one of the most important choices you can make.

It's about time for someone to show some responsibility

There is a 17-year-old on trial for murder somewhere I believe in Minnesota. He was at a party and got into an argument. Then, he and some friends finished off the argument violently - spraying the other person and someone in the car with him with bullets.

According to his attorney, who has come out with a whole new version of the "I did it but I am not to blame" defense, this youth has seen a lot of violence, has seen people gunned down, therefore, he kills. And, it is all society's fault, not his - even though he is the one who pulled the trigger.

This was on Connie Chung's show the other night.

It wasn't so much this kid that got me yelling at the television set as it was the former owner of the Philadelphia Eagles. You remember his story. He was in Las Vegas to gamble and lost \$14 million. That's right, \$14 million at the gaming tables.

Now, does he look at himself and say "Oh, what a stupid moron I was to lose that much money?" No.

Instead, he blames the casino for giving him free liquor and not trying to stop him from either drinking or gambling. I don't think, even if the casino had made an attempt to stop him, that he would have.

I can envision a scenario that would have the Las Vegas types saying "No, don't you think you have drunk and lost enough. It's time to go to bed." And, then he would respond, "You can't tell me when to quit. I know what I am doing. Leave me alone." About all that's left is to let him make a scene as he is tossed out of the gambling hall. But, that's only my idea of how it could have been.

He actually sued the casino for that reason - they didn't stop him. Thank goodness there is one jury in the country that understands about responsibility and didn't let him win.

When you get right down to it, it is not their responsibility to make you stop drinking or to make you stop



DD Turner

gambling. That is all up to you. In fact it is something called your responsibility.

It's not society's responsibility. Society's responsibility stops with setting acceptable standards of behavior and then sticking to those standards.

After that, it is your responsibility if you want to deviate from those standards and deal with the consequences.

Deviating from acceptable norms can be something as simple as wearing pink hair and a nose ring, to something as horrific as shooting someone in cold blood.

If you decide to wear pink hair and wear a nose ring, you have to understand the consequences and realize that you are making the choice to wear pink hair and a nose ring. Not the person who is looking at you funny and wondering about your sanity.

And, if you decide to murder someone, you need to realize you made that choice and the consequences are a little harsher than someone looking at you with a quizzical expression.

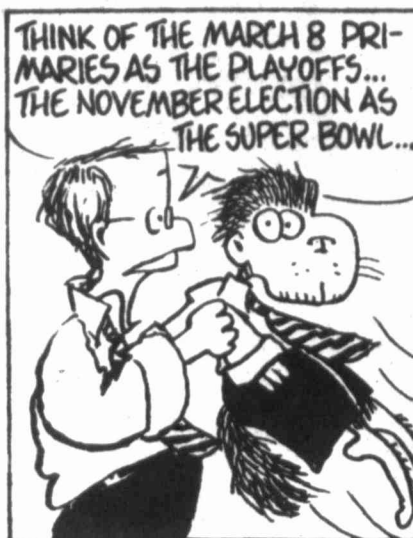
Who knows what is going to happen to this country if this trend of not accepting responsibility continues?

We need to remember what sat on Harry Truman's desk when he was president. It simply said "The Buck Stops Here."

When it comes to our own actions, the buck has to stop with ourselves.

DD Turner is managing editor of the Herald. Her column appears Wednesday and Sunday.

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by Charlie Fincher

Point

Follow Clinton proposals on education

By Rep. GENE GREEN
For Scripps Howard News Service

The federal government plays a relatively small role in education, supplying only about 6 percent of all funds expended each year. This is due to the perception that education should be a matter left primarily to the states.

The largest federal education program, known as Chapter 1, is designed to assist schools in educating disadvantaged children by providing them with the funds necessary to give individualized instruction.

The Clinton administration has affirmed the belief that the funds for this program should be targeted to areas that contain the highest percentage of disadvantaged students.

The result of this idea was the creation of a funding formula that would shift funds from wealthier suburban school districts to poorer urban and rural districts.

This proposal has met with strong opposition from those who stand to lose funding, yet it brings to light the question of the intended use of these funds.

Given that Chapter 1 is specifically designed to meet the educational needs of disadvantaged children, and that lack of adequate funding precludes us from meeting all of their needs, a decision must be made as to how best serve children with the funds available.

Last March, I introduced a bill that would have changed the way the federal government calculates the cost of education, rewarding states that put a larger share of their budgets into education. The bill would also give more federal funds to states that pay classroom teachers higher salaries, in an effort to direct more funds to the classroom and

less to administrators.

While the administration's proposal and my proposal differ in their effect on the distribution of funds, both are based on the idea that funds should go where the most children are in need.

Those opposed to these measures are predominantly from states whose growth rates have slowed, entitling them to a smaller share of education funding. They argue that current funding levels should be continued, despite their loss of population, so that schools with existing programs will not be forced to cut services.

The inequity of this system has strained the budgets of high growth states such as Texas and California and has caused unneeded hardships in our schools.

While most of us wish we could provide all students with higher levels of services, Congress has yet to make the financial commitment necessary to do so.

Until that happens, the funds that exist must be distributed in a manner that produces the most benefit for the students who are most in need.

One need only look at the correlation between the lack of educational opportunities and the rate of violent crime, drug abuse, and teenage pregnancy to realize that we have areas in our nation with a high concentration of problems.

We must focus our resources on those areas to help solve these problems. Should we choose to continue to spread our resources too thin, we will only broaden the cracks through which our children are slipping each day.

Rep. Green, D-Texas, is a member of the House Education and Labor Committee.

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Thanks extended

Editor:
We would like to extend a big thank you to all who helped with our Toys for Tots Campaign. This was the first year for the spouses of the Big Spring firefighters and the U.S. Marine Corps reserves to head this project and we feel like we were very successful.

We are already making plans for next year and hope to have an even better campaign in the coming years. All of those who donated toys have a special place in our heart and we wish we could have gotten each and every name. But to those who have the true spirit of Christmas, giving was the best part.

We would like to show our appreciation to fire chief Frank Anderson for allowing us to use the fire stations as drop off places for the community, to the firemen for sorting thru the toys and loading and unloading the toys, to the Big Spring Herald, KBST, KBYG and KWAB Channel 4 for your help in promoting the toy drive.

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Thank you again Big Spring for making Christmas very special for a lot of people in the community.

Spouses of the Big Spring Firefighters and the U.S. Marine Corps Reserves
Stacia Gill
Big Spring

Glasscock treasurer resigns her position

Editor:
I have resigned as Glasscock County treasurer as of January 31. My family and I will be moving to Borden County in the near future.

I would like to say "thank you" for allowing me to be your county treasurer for the past 11 years. I have found this task to be most enjoyable and very satisfying. I hope my tenure in office has been for the good of Glasscock County.

Counterpoint

Change education but not this way

Rep. BILL GOODLING
For Scripps Howard News Service

Our children deserve nothing less than excellence in public education. We all know that our future depends on it. However, test scores continue to indicate that educational quality is falling, despite federal intervention efforts through popular programs like Chapter 1.

The primary problem with Chapter 1 is that the effort to help any educationally disadvantaged child who is doing poorly in class regardless of family income has spread our limited resources much too thin. To address this, the administration has proposed targeting Chapter 1 funds to only the poorest districts.

The administration's redistribution formula solution sounds plausible, but it is overly simplistic.

The truth is that this radical change is simply unacceptable. The proposed formula would hurt impoverished rural areas that do not have the large numbers of poor children of big cities.

In essence, funds would be taken from rural areas that already spend far less on education, and transferred to big city school districts, many of which are doing a poorer job and spend as much as 50 percent more on education. It seems pretty unfair.

We need a consensus approach to rewriting the Chapter 1 formula. The objective is to arrive at a solution that is equitable for all regions of the country, but that avoids radical shifts in funding which could devastate many local programs currently serving needy children.

I advocate changing the current law to increase the targeting of funds to areas that have seen an increase in the population of educationally disadvantaged children. However, we need a change that is more subtle and therefore less disruptive than the administration's proposal.

Radical changes to the formula could undermine the support Chapter 1 has among the public and might doom a program that is working to serve disadvantaged children. However, convincing arguments have been made that in the future we should more carefully target Chapter 1 funds to the poorest children.

The solution I support increases targeting and ensures a continued broad base of political support for Chapter 1.

The formula I advocate ensures that areas which might otherwise face drastic cuts in Chapter 1 funding due to population shifts can maintain but "ratchet down" viable Chapter 1 programs, while at the same time remaining sensitive to the needs of regions that have experienced an increase in their populations of disadvantaged children.

The formula also updates poverty estimates used to calculate Chapter 1 grants every two years. This allows us to avoid the drastic shifts in funds that we currently face.

More timely data will result in funds migrating to where they are most needed, without the threat of shutting down functioning Chapter 1 programs.

In addition to implementing a more effective distribution formula, Chapter 1 instruction is in need of reform. Changes must be made in the outdated structure of the program.

What it will take to improve education, especially for disadvantaged children, is an essential change in the philosophy that has guided us for the last 20 years. As a nation, we must seize this opportunity to make the necessary changes in federal education programs to ensure that all of our children not only have access to an education but have access to a QUALITY education. We owe it to our children.

Rep. Goodling, R-Pa., is ranking Republican on the House Education and Labor Committee.

has mandated "the commissioner of education shall, each fiscal year, withhold the amount of \$10 million and distribute that amount for programs under Section 21.114 of this code." "To receive funds - the commissioner shall give a preference to the districts that apply that have the highest concentration of students who are pregnant or who are parents." "This is a direct quotation from SB-7, Sec. 16.152, sub sec. (g) page 66. Does this discourage pregnancies in school? Or does it open the door with encouragement? District Judge F. Scott McCown agrees with it, though he states it is not very popular (with Texans generally).

We are blessed with an abundance of people who have their hat in the ring for various positions. Some for reelection, some new faces. Nowhere else in the world does such an honor exist for the entire population. It is called DEMOCRACY! It gives you and I the right to elect the people whom we trust to govern us. Some we vote for violate that trust, and some fulfill our wishes. Now is the time to start looking at these candidates, and weighing one against the other. Sometimes it comes down to having to vote for "the lesser of two or more evils."

We have no voice in Austin, so I-27 probably will go through Abilene or Midland-Odessa. Both Rep. Counts and Sen. Montford are up for re-election. Could we do worse? Thank you for your time.

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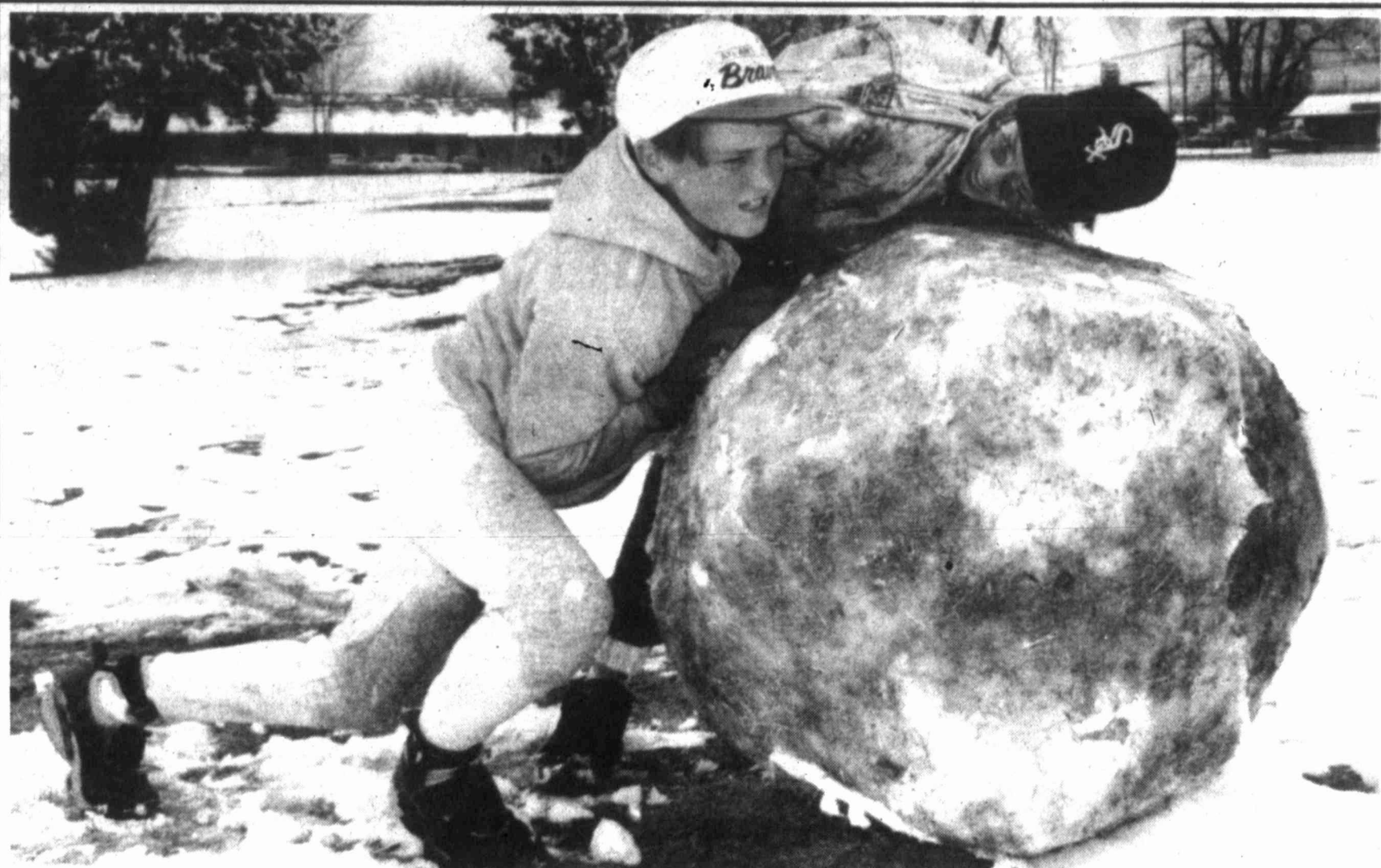
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Snow place like home

Though any significant accumulation of snow lasted for less than 12 hours, Big Spring residents were able to go outside and play before the warmer weather melted the winter evidence.

Clockwise from above: Kelsey Ingram and Johnathan Loper attempt to push a huge snowball they created across the Comanche Trail Golf Course grass; after building a snowman, Kayla Truitt and Amanda Larson add the finishing touches with buttons for eyes; a completed snowman stands sentinel in front of a home on Auburn Ave.; Laura Meyer sits in a metal bowl and gets a push downhill from Russ Meyer at Birdwell Park and Steven Watson, Heath Davis, Ryan Miracle and Devin Collier smooth a wall they were created.



Jury: DMV must pay \$4.1 million to 3 pedestrians

The Associated Press

SANTA ANA, Calif. — A jury ordered the California Department of Motor Vehicles to pay \$4.1 million to three people who were struck in a crosswalk by a driver who was legally blind.

The Superior Court jury already had found the DMV negligent for granting a driver's license to George Lizarralde, 31, of Brea. Lizarralde was rejected three times, but received the license on his fourth try in 1985 even though he flunked the vision test. His license was renewed in 1990.

The jury reached a verdict Friday in a lawsuit. Lizarralde was dropped from the lawsuit earlier this month when jurors decided the state was liable.

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Governors delighted by Congress' agenda, but eye their wallets

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The nation's governors met Saturday, ecstatic that the White House and Congress are focusing on crime, welfare reform and health care — yet anxious that Washington's solutions don't tie their hands or bust their budgets.

"At least everyone seems to agree what the big three issues are," said Massachusetts Gov. William Weld. "But as the federal government acts, it needs to be sensitive that the action and accountability is at the state level."

As the National Governors Association opened its annual meeting, the Clinton White House intensified its effort to enlist the governors as allies in this year's major legislative battles.

On welfare and crime, the administration effort appears likely to be successful, as it was on the crime front with mayors during their meeting in Washington last week.

But on health care reform, the relationship with governors is more complicated and strained by partisan divides.

Governors perhaps more than any other group of politicians are adamant in their demand for health care reform, because spending on health care now outpaces school spending in most states. But the governors worry that as the federal government tries to curb its costs, it will simply pass them on to the states.

"In Congress you are not responsible for the consequences of your decisions," said South Carolina Gov. Carroll Campbell, a former House member.

"We always worry about over-regulation and micromanagement," echoed Colorado Gov. Roy Romer. "The federal government can do much better if it tries not to say one size fits all."

Last year, when Clinton made his initial push for health care reform, the White House hoped to enlist Campbell and other Republican governors, if not as advocates for Clinton's plan at least as allies in an effort to reach a bipartisan compromise.

But since that entreaty last summer, the Republican governors have stepped up criticism of Clinton's approach, even as they pledge to help shape a compromise. That rift has complicated the behind-the-scenes negotiating of the governors, whose policy statements are always the product of consensus.

Campbell, who heads the governor's association this year and is mulling a 1996 presidential run, said Clinton will have to retreat from his promise of universal health insurance coverage by 1998 because it is too expensive.

Democrats in the organization rush to Clinton's defense, although many of them say his plan has too much government control and that the timetable for universal coverage will probably be pushed a few more years into the future.

"Without universal coverage you cannot significantly reduce the financial pressures that states are feeling," said Indiana Gov. Evan Bayh.

In both health care and welfare reform, the governors are virtually unanimous in saying they could cut costs and deliver better services if given more flexibility by the federal government.

Mark Gearan, the White House communications director, said the administration has approved every major request from state governments for waivers of federal health care and welfare regulations. So far, he said, five statewide and 90 local waivers to health care regulations have been approved. And 10 states have been allowed to experiment with welfare reform.

Gearan said this was a sign of Clinton's commitment to "a new federalism," a term often used by President Reagan to suggest he was giving more power to the states. But under the Reagan and Bush administrations, Gearan said the term meant "fend for yourself" as Washington cut funding to states for health, education and other programs.

While agreeing that Clinton has been more sensitive to their requests, the governors want even more leeway.

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Bills will finally be Super Sunday



Dave Hargrave

Dallas Cowboy fans won't have to worry about eating crow when the Super Bowl ends, because crow will not be served on this flight.

This year's flight attendants will hand out humble pie in the form of Buffalo wings. By game's end, the Cowboys will be grounded and the Bills will be at a cruising altitude 8 miles high, munching on chicken-fried steaks on their way to Disney World.

Buffalo 27, Dallas 24. No, this isn't the Damn (or Dumb) Yankee Syndrome, where a northerner automatically picks the team north of the Mason-Dixon Line. Nor is this a case of statistics skewing, where with enough numerical twists Joe Bob Bookie can sell you on taking Fort Stockton and three points against the Cowboys.

It's just gut feeling.

Forget that these are the Bills - which we've heard stands for Boy, I Love Losing Super Bowls. Forget that the AFC hasn't won the Super Bowl since the Los Angeles Raiders beat the Washington Redskins 38-9 in Super Bowl XVIII 10 years ago. In fact, let's just forget everything and jump back in time 25 years.

About this time in 1969, Super Bowl III was being treated exactly the same way today's game is.

In one corner you had the irresistible favorite, the 15-1 Baltimore Colts. They were the NFL Champions. They were favored by 18 points.

In the other corner you had the New York Jets. They were 12-3, but they were the lowly AFL Champions. The AFL just wasn't the strong, killer league the NFL was, and the Green Bay Packers proved that by dominating Super Bowl I and II.

The Jets had slim chances until some brash New York quarterback named Joe Namath killed them, drawing Baltimore's ire by guaranteeing the Jets would win.

New York 16, Baltimore 7. If only Jim Kelly had guaranteed victory for Buffalo earlier this week. But you Cowboy fans don't believe in the *deja vu* inferred here, do you?

"That was 25 years ago. *Deja vu*, my butt. What is this guy smoking?" You're right - *deja vu* is a lot of bunk. In that case, don't expect Dallas to blow out Buffalo like it did last year.

Buffalo will not turn the ball over nine times this time. The Bills will have three turnovers or less, and that alone will keep them in the game.

The Cowboys will not score twice within the span of a minute - something they accomplished three times in Pasadena last year. Lightning doesn't strike the same place twice.

What's that? Oh yeah, they're playing this one in Atlanta, not Pasadena, so maybe the storm clouds could just slide east to Georgia, right? With Georgia on our minds, shouldn't we recall what happened the last time the Cowboys played in that infernal dome?

Atlanta 27, Dallas 14. Yeah, sure, that doesn't mean anything either, but if those picking the Cowboys can say the Bills' three Super Bowl losses are too much mental luggage for Buffalo to overcome, Bill backers (should plural be used here?) can say the Cowboys' Georgia Dome stink will be a burden.

Examining the fates of past Super Bowl favorites doesn't help the Bills much - Super Bowl favorites are 16-10, 14-12 against the spread (Super Bowl XVI - Bengals vs. 49ers - had no favorite because the line was one of those "pick 'ems").

However, one interesting fact does surface after this research:

Of the 12 teams that failed to cover the spread, 10 of them followed the Colts' Super Bowl III lead and lost the game. That means one thing - if you have the guts to take the Bills and 10 1/2 points, roll the dice, up the odds and pick the Bills to win.

Don't wimp out like Sports Illustrated, the magazine that has picked the Bills the past three years but abandoned ship this week, picking Dallas 24-17.

OK, here's the disclaimer: If by some chance the Cowboys win, there's no need to rag on those who picked the Bills.

Just send us some of those Buffalo wings. Extra hot.

Dave Hargrave is the sports editor of the Herald.

Stage is set for Super rematch of Bills, Dallas

By The Associated Press

ATLANTA — Cornelius Bennett bristled at even the thought that the Buffalo Bills have no chance to avoid a fourth straight Super Bowl loss Sunday against the juggernaut called the Dallas Cowboys.

"You think we came here to lose?" the Bills' veteran linebacker snapped. "You think we came to the previous three Super Bowls to lose? No. So don't ask me that damn question. That's stupid."

Stupid or not, when the Bills and Cowboys qualified last week to meet in the 28th renewal of the modern version of the NFL championship, the

What: Super Bowl XXVIII.
Where: Georgia Dome, Atlanta.
Who: Dallas Cowboys (NFC) vs. Buffalo Bills (AFC).
When: 5:18 p.m. today.
TV: NBC (ch. 9).

reaction was a collective groan from those who watched Dallas demolish Buffalo 52-17 a year ago.

As game day approached, however, there was an increasing recognition that Buffalo's presence for four straight years is a major achievement in itself.

No one else has ever done that, not even the NFL's "dynasties" — the 49ers of the '80s; the Steelers and Dolphins of the '70s; the Packers of the '60s; or the Dallas squads that created "America's Team" under Tom Landry.

These, of course, are the Cowboys of Jimmy Johnson, the designated "Team of the '90s." Yet despite their success — a 30-7 record the last two seasons — they would have to win two more NFC titles to do what Buffalo has already done.

"Man, I went nine years without getting here," says Bill Bates, one of the few Cowboys who bridges the Landry and Johnson eras.

"I know how hard it is to make it,"



The Super Bowl trophy, second from right, and the MVP trophy, second from left, are shown during a press conference in Atlanta Friday, along with helmets of the Buffalo Bills and Dallas Cowboys.

he said. "And then when you do, how hard it is to get back. We had so much trouble this year that I can't imagine going through that for four seasons."

Trouble, of course, is relative.

In the eyes of most people, the Cowboys are clearly the NFL's strongest team.

But they lost their first two games, including a 13-10 loss to the Bills at home, largely because running back Emmitt Smith, who managed to become the league's MVP in just 14 games, was holding out.

They lost another game in Atlanta

on one of those off days that can be expected. Then they lost to Miami 16-14 in a Thanksgiving ice storm that will be remembered as the game in which Leon Lett mistakenly touched a blocked field goal and gave the Dolphins a second chance to kick a game-winner.

Those four losses forced them to beat the New York Giants in the windswept Meadowlands on the final day of the regular season for the NFC East crown. They barely did it, winning 16-13 in overtime as Smith turned in a heroic performance, rushing for 168 yards with a shoul-

der that he separated just before halftime.

If they had lost, the Cowboys would have had to play a wild-card game the following week — Smith said he wouldn't have been able to play — and then go on the road for two more playoff games. Instead, they got a week off and cruised by Green Bay, 27-17, and San Francisco, 38-21, to make it back.

"It would have been difficult after the emotional game we played against the Giants to reach the level

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Johnson has only one goal in life — winning

By The Associated Press

ATLANTA — Jimmy Johnson has an IQ of 150, studies psychology, abhors coachspeak, and dresses like something straight out of GQ.

He has no hobbies, other than raising tropical fish. He gets emotionally devastated if he loses a game. He gambles on the field and in Las Vegas.

He loves going against conventional wisdom, motivates his team through statements to the press, and isn't afraid to put his reputation on the line with a guaranteed victory.

This Johnson, as everyone knows by now, is the Dallas Cowboys coach, he of the perfectly groomed hair and swagger that makes other coaches and teams ill at ease.

Should Johnson pull off a second consecutive victory in Sunday's Super Bowl against the Buffalo Bills it would put him in the same success class as the man he succeeded, Tom Landry, a winner of two Super Bowls in five tries.

Winning is Johnson's mission in life, the reason he divorced a wife and moved into an apartment by himself. It's what he wanted to do with his life, football and nothing else.

"You have to be a little selfish," he said. "Winning is what I'm about."

Recently, the more human side of

Johnson has surfaced. He's meli-
lowed some and doesn't want to be
stereotyped as being cold and ruth-
less.

"What good is it to achieve success if you can't share it with someone?" Johnson said. "It's not what you achieve, it's the people you're associated with."

Johnson suffered through a rookie 1-15 season, a humbling experience for a man who won a national collegiate championship at the University of Miami.

"There wasn't much talent left on the Cowboys," Johnson said. "It was a lot harder than I thought it was going to be."

Johnson was lucky enough to have an owner, Jerry Jones, who gave him everything he wanted in the way of facilities and cash.

It was Johnson's judgment about players that brought the Cowboys back.

He traded Herschel Walker to the Minnesota Vikings, and the draft picks, more so than the players the Cowboys received, were the building base for two NFC champion teams. One of those teams handily defeated Buffalo 52-17 last year in the Super Bowl at Pasadena.

What drives Johnson?

"Maybe there's a little fear of fail-

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Dallas Cowboys head coach Jimmy Johnson poses with the Super Bowl trophy at a news conference in Atlanta Friday.

Steers, Lady Steers continue winning ways

PECOS — The inside duo of Kerry Gregg and Sarah Bristow combined for 39 points to lead the Big Spring Lady Steers to a 65-30 win over Pecos in District 3-4A basketball action Friday night.

Gregg scored 20 points and Bristow added 19 to lead the Lady Steers, now 18-5 overall and 9-0 in district play. Big Spring holds a two-game lead in the district standings over second-place Andrews, which was idle Friday.

The Lady Steers' defense also played a key role in the victory, limiting Pecos to 15 points through the first three quarters. The only dark spot for Big Spring was a 48 percent performance (16 of 34) from the foul line.

"We played pretty good defense," BSHS coach Ron Taylor said. "If we had hit our foul shots in the first half, we could have had a lot more. But anytime you go out there and get out as easy as we did, you feel lucky."

The win was the Lady Steers' 31st straight in district competition, dating back to the 1991-92 season.

Big Spring also won the junior varsity game, 58-32. Lisa Hernandez scored 18 points, Brandi Purcell added seven and Elesia Simpson six for the JV Lady Steers, who improved to 9-10 and 5-4 with the win.

The Lady Steers return to action Tuesday when they host Sweetwater at Steer Gym. Game time is 6 p.m.

Big Spring (65)
Bristow 13-6 5; Bristow 5-9-11 19; Anderson 2-3-4 8; Armstrong 0-0-2 0; Hall 0-0-2 0; Wise 1-1-3 3; La. Elrod 1-0-0 2; La. Elrod 2-0-1 4; Smith 2-0-3 4; Gregg 10-0-2 20; totals 24 16-34 65.

Pecos (30)
Nichols 2-5-9 9; Zamarripa 2-0-0 4; Abila 2-0-0 4; Esperanza 1-0-0 2; Arenivas 0-4-7 4; Oliver 2-1-2 5; Magers 1-0-0 2; totals 10 10-18 30.

Three-pointers — Anderson.

BOYS GAME

PECOS — The Big Spring Steers survived a flurry of fourth-quarter

three-pointers by the Pecos Eagles to take a 62-54 win in District 3-4A action Friday night.

The win improved Big Spring's record to 9-16 overall and 6-1 in district. It was the Steers' sixth straight win, and allowed them to remain tied for first place in the district with Sweetwater. Pecos fell to 5-15 and 1-6 with the loss.

Torbin Lancaster scored 18 points, while Wes Hughes added 15 and Trey Terrazas 13 for the Steers. Michael Flores paced Pecos with 14 points.

Big Spring had a comfortable 14-point lead heading into the final quarter, but five three-pointers from Pecos in that time made things interesting.

"We really kind of led the entire ball game, but it did get kind of hairy at the end," BSHS coach Gary Tipton said. "Everything they threw up in the fourth quarter went in."

Tipton said the Steers were able to check Pecos' late rally by canning 6 of 8 free throws down the stretch.

"It's a long road trip, so you're glad to get the win," Tipton said. "With the distance you have to travel in this district, you really worry about how all that time on the bus will affect you. It's definitely better to play at home."

Home is where the Steers will be Tuesday night, when they host Sweetwater at 7:30 p.m. in Steer Gym. Sweetwater and Big Spring are tied for first place in district.

Big Spring (62)
Anderson 10-3; Bellinghausen 0-0-0; Terrazas 6-0-13; Waters 2-1-5; Hughes 6-0-15; Wollenzien 1-0-2; Barnes 0-2-2; Lancaster 6-6-18; Smith 1-2-4; totals 22 11 62.

Pecos (54)
Flores 4-3-14; Graves 2-0-5; Arayda 3-0-7; Hall 2-0-4; Gids 2-0-4; Dodson 2-1-5; Herrera 5-0-15; totals 20 4 54.

Three-pointers — Anderson, Terrazas, Hughes 3, Flores 3, Graves, Arayda, Herrera 5.

Dallas to do the Super two-step



Steve Reagan

A coach, who I will not name, once declared that success at football was "20 percent physical and 90 percent mental."

I guess that's what they mean by giving 110 percent.

His obvious addition mistake aside, the coach had a valid point. In big games, sometimes the only thing that separates winners from losers is the proper attitude.

Which brings us to today's Super Bowl.

There are quite a few people out there who will try to convince you that the Buffalo Bills actually have a chance in today's Big Game against Dallas. My good friend and esteemed sports editor Dave Hargrave, whose opinion can be found on the left, is one of them.

The Bills themselves will tell you they have a chance.

And there's probably a few more million souls across the nation who will echo the same sentiment.

Just be warned: They're lying.

Dave is lying. In his heart of hearts, he doesn't believe Buffalo has a ghost of a chance. Ninety percent of Buffalo's fans probably feel the same way. And if there was some way to peek into a team's inner soul, we'd probably discover that the Bills don't really think they can take the Cowboys.

This might sound rather harsh, but consider this one very important bit of information:

The Bills have absolutely no idea what it's like to win a Super Bowl. None, zilch, nada.

When it comes to winning AFC titles, they can't be beat, and should be rightly congratulated for performing the feat four straight times. But when it comes to winning the Big Enchilada, they are clueless. Lost at sea. Up the proverbial creek without a paddle.

What they know all too well about, however, is how to LOSE a Super Bowl, because they've done that three straight times by progressively worse margins.

Their opponent, on the other hand, doesn't know what it's like NOT to win a Super Bowl. The Dallas Cowboys, under that shell-lacked amateur psychologist known as Jimmy Johnson, have made an absolute habit out of winning when they've had to.

Since the Cowboys made it back to the playoffs in 1991, they have a postseason record of 6-1.

And they've not only won playoff games, they've won them by convincing margins. Since their last playoff loss, to Detroit in 1991, the Cowboys have beaten their postseason opponents by an average score of 36-17.

It brings to mind something another coach said: "Success breeds success breeds success." In other words, once you start winning big games, it becomes easier to win another one. And another one.

Johnson caught a lot of flak last week by promising a Dallas victory over San Francisco in the NFC championship game. But one of the reasons he did that, he said later, was to eliminate the possibility of losing from his players' minds. Get them focused on winning, and it becomes a self-fulfilling prophecy.

Success breeds success breeds success.

Of course, having a positive attitude is not enough. If that was true, I'd have already won the lottery four or five times and would be writing this from my private island in the Caribbean.

You also need talent to win the Super Bowl, and here again, the Cowboys are blessed. Almost without exception, everyone they will start will be younger, faster and stronger than their Buffalo counterparts.

Speed. It kills on the highway, and it does likewise on the football field. Since he and Jerry Jones took over the Cowboys in 1989, Johnson's top priority has been finding players who are fast.

Speed is the reason Emmitt Smith has won the NFL rushing title three years running. Speed is why the offensive line is sending three players to the Pro Bowl. Speed is why Michael Irvin's also going to the Pro Bowl. Speed is why the defense has given up even fewer points this year than last, when it led the league.

Speed is a major, major reason Dallas beat Buffalo by 35 points in last year's Super Bowl.

And speed — not to mention the power of positive thinking — is the major reason they'll win it this year, by a score of 35-21.

The 'Boys are back — again.

Steve Reagan is a sportswriter for the Herald.

Schools prepare for UIL realignment day

By STEVE REAGAN
Sports writer

Of all the dates and times coaches like best, you can almost rest assured that UIL Realignment Day is not among them.

Every two years, the University Interscholastic League announces its realignment plans for the coming school year. Some schools escape untouched, but others either go up or down in classification, or find themselves in a new district.

Tuesday is the big day, and coaches are facing it with emotions ranging from dread to resignation.

Big Spring High School is not in any danger of leaving Class 4A, but Athletic Director Dwight Butler said District 3-4A, which Big Spring shares with Sweetwater, San Angelo Lake View, Andrews, Fort Stockton, Pecos and Monahans, will probably undergo a facelift before school year 1994-95.

The reason behind the impending change is a desire by the UIL to eliminate

byes in the first round of the playoffs that 3-4A and other 4A districts currently enjoy.

This means new districts have to be established, and schools have to be found to fill those districts. Some schools will probably go down from 5A to 4A, and others will go up from 3A to 4A, but it also means that schools will be uprooted from their current districts to fill the new leagues.

Butler said it is likely that one or more schools from 3-4A will be

switching districts, but has no idea which schools will be effected.

One Howard County school that is probably changing classification is Forsan, which will leave Class 1A and move up to Class 2A. Forsan officials, though not looking forward to the change, have accepted it as pretty much a done deal.

"We're not looking forward to it at all, but we've got to do it," Forsan Athletic Director Jan East said. "You've got to have the cutoff some-

where."

The UIL determines classification based on high school attendance, with attendance figures from Oct. 11, 1993 being used this time around.

East said he is not sure which 2A district Forsan will join. "We've heard rumors ... but we won't know anything definite until 9 a.m. Tuesday," he said.

Forsan may be joining it's long-time Howard County rival Coahoma in District 6-2A. Coahoma A.D. Steve Park said he would be surprised if

his school changed classification, although he refused to dismiss it out of hand.

It is possible, he added, that 6-2A might lose a school or two to the process, but added that all such talk was merely speculation.

"I've heard a lot of rumors," Park said. "I've heard that some of the (6-2A) schools might go west ... Of course, all of this is just rumor. We won't know anything until Tuesday. The CIA couldn't keep their secrets any tighter than the UIL."

Third quarter the difference as Bulldogettes rally to down Ozona

By DAVE HARGRAVE
Sports Editor

COAHOMA - The first half of the Coahoma Bulldogettes' game with Ozona Friday looked all too familiar for Coahoma fans. Fortunately for the Bulldogettes, there was a second half, one that gave them time to win 42-39.

Ozona (7-16, 0-2 in the second half of District 6-2A) was the inferior team as far as record goes, but it played two points better than the Bulldogettes in the first half to take a 19-17 lead to the locker room. Coahoma (14-12, 1-1) lost several home games in the first half of district and looked to be on course for another home loss.

The third quarter changed everything.

Ozona scored the first two points of the quarter then went into the tank, committing eight turnovers and scoring just two more points in those eight minutes. Coahoma, on the other hand, must have did something right during halftime, because by the end of the third quarter the Bulldogettes led 34-23.

Leading the comeback was Coahoma star Angela Crippen, who poured in a game-high 25 points. Crippen, a 5-foot-7 senior, single-handedly put Coahoma ahead 26-21 with two 3-pointers sandwiched around a three-point play.

The Bulldogettes increased the lead with its defense. With Coahoma leading 28-23, Tammy Bennett stole the ball at midcourt and drove for a layup. On Ozona's next possession, Audra Bingham did the same thing - a steal plus the layup - and that put Coahoma up by nine.

"Ozona played awfully well," said Coahoma coach Phillip Ritchey. "At halftime, I just told the girls we had to push it up at least a notch on the intensity level. The first half, we were just overly aggressive on offense. We were forcing passes and shots that just weren't there."

Coahoma led 40-29 with 3:13 remaining in the game when Ozona



Coahoma Bulldogette guard Audra Bingham (54) dribbles past two Ozona defenders during their game in Coahoma Friday night.

rallied in a big way. Three trips to the free-throw line netted three points for the Lady Lions, then consecutive baskets by sophomore Tara Wilkins brought Ozona within four, 40-36, with 35 seconds left. Ritchey called timeout with 25 seconds to go and set up a fitting ending. Crippen took the ball and killed 11 seconds by just dribbling back and forth across the five-second line. When Ozona finally fouled Crippen, she calmly sank both halves of the 1-and-1.

Gloria Pena-Alfaro, who led Ozona with 15 points, sank a 3-pointer just before the buzzer to cut Ozona's margin of defeat to three.

"Except for the third quarter, we outplayed them," said Ozona coach Dickie Faught. "They came out and pressured us a little bit harder in the second half, and we came out a little bit tired or flat or just not ready. They turned it up a notch in the third quarter, and we didn't."

Coahoma travels to Wall and Eldorado this week.

Ozona 10 9 4 16-39
Coahoma 10 7 17 8-42
Ozona - Pena-Alfaro 15, Hall 9, Rios 2, Wilkins 10, Fielder 1, Vargas 0, Sullivan 2, Ramirez 0, Mendoza 0.
Coahoma - Bennett 2, Reid 6, Hernandez 0, King 4, Crippen 25, Gressett 0, Elmore 3, Bingham 2, Lain 0.
3-point goals - Pena-Alfaro 2, Crippen 3.

Bulldogs start fast, hold on for Friday victory over Lions

By DAVE HARGRAVE
Sports Editor

COAHOMA - The Coahoma Bulldogs put their 20th win in the bag early in Friday's game against Ozona, but the Lions nearly stole that bag before the 'Dogs could throw it over their shoulder and walk out with it.

Coahoma (20-5, 6-0 in District 6-2A) beat Ozona 71-61 to notch its fourth 20-win season in the four years since the school dropped from 3A to 2A. The Bulldogs struck early and often, solving Ozona's full-court pressure to take a seemingly untouchable 30-11 lead.

The 'Dogs, sparked by 16 points from the trio of Henry DeLaRosa, Brandon McGuire and Chad Wright, took a 19-7 lead after one quarter. Murphy Henry came off Coahoma's bench to score six second-quarter points, including a three-point play off an offensive rebound. Henry had six rebounds in the quarter.

But Ozona inched closer, and when the Lions' Julio Martinez sunk an 8-footer just before the halftime buzzer, Coahoma's lead was down to a still comfortable 13, 37-24.

However, Coahoma coach Kim Nichols said leads are never comfortable against Ozona, and he was proven right.

"We've been playing against their teams for 10 years, and they've always played good full-court, man-to-man defense. You know some-where they're going to make a run at you."

Coahoma broke that full-court pressure early, but Ozona tightened on defense in the second half. The Lions (9-9, 3-3) cut Coahoma's lead to seven, 42-35, with 2:26 left in the third quarter, but the Bulldogs responded with a nine-point run, featuring 3-pointers from Jason Milliken and McGuire.

Coahoma appeared to be cruising for good, restoring its original 19-point lead by going up 60-41 with 3:57 left in the game. Once again, Ozona rallied.

The Lions scored seven points in the span of 18 seconds, one on a technical free throw - Nichols and Ozona coach John Curry exchanged technical fouls in the fourth quarter - and three on a Chris Sanchez 3-pointer. When Ozona's Ray Fierro sank two free throws at the 2:30 mark, the Lions had cut their deficit to seven again, 61-54.

Curry said: "Our press started working in the second half. We have to play a lot of scrambling defense because we're never very big. That's typical of an Ozona team."

"We just didn't play very well offensively in the first half. Coahoma came out and beat the pressure well, shot the ball well, and even though we played good half-court defense, we just couldn't get anything going offensively."

With 2:12 to go, Coahoma's Jason Harmon drove to the hoop for two points, and McGuire sank a free throw nine seconds later to push Coahoma's lead back to double digits, 64-54. Milliken grabbed a huge

offensive rebound off a Harmon air-ball and made the score 66-57 at the 1:30 mark.

Ozona's Keith Miller put back an offensive board to cut Coahoma's lead to seven with 1:17 to go, and the Lions went into foul mode. Harmon fouled the strategy, making 5 of 6 free throws in the final 74 seconds to seal the win for the 'Dogs.

DeLaRosa led Coahoma with 17 points, while McGuire added 14 and Harmon 13. Sanchez scored 19 for Ozona.

Nichols said the 20th win isn't the meaningful part of Coahoma's record.

"More than anything, I like the 6-0 better than the 20-5. We won the first half outright."

Coahoma travels to Wall and Eldorado this week for its first taste of second half action. The 'Dogs could avoid having to play a district championship game if they win the second half, and you could say that at least one opposing coach likes their chances.

"Coahoma has good shooters, a lot of depth, and they're well-coached," Curry said. "And they play hard. That's the key right there."

Ozona 7 17 11 26-61
Coahoma 19 18 10 24-71
Ozona - Fierro 6, Sanchez 19, Miller 4, Valencia 11, Martinez 14, Meador 3, Browne 2, Fay 0, Moran 2.
Coahoma - DeLaRosa 17, McGuire 14, Harmon 13, Wright 9, Ruiz 0, Heath 3, Milliken 5, Henry 8, Ward 0, Smith 2, Dunn 0, Hunt 0.
3-point goals - Sanchez 3, Valencia, McGuire, Wright, Heath, Milliken.

Johnson

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University of Arkansas, plays little tricks on his players to keep them sharp.

He guaranteed victory over San Francisco in the NFC championship game because he thought they were getting too tight.

"I didn't think our guys were very loose," Johnson said. "Then they heard I had guaranteed the game and they knew the bottom line was win. There would be no excuses."

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While the offense sputtered, Bruce Smith, Nate Odomes, Darryl Talley and Henry Jones led a defense that was an offense in itself. The Bills' defense led the league by creating 47 turnovers and scoring four defensive touchdowns.

Jim Kelly had perhaps his two best games of the season in the playoffs, going 44 of 64 for 447 yards in winning 29-23 over the Los Angeles Raiders and 30-13 over Kansas City.

Thurman Thomas had his best game of the season against the Chiefs, rushing for 183 yards. That set up a

classic running back matchup with Smith in the Super Bowl.

But the wins by the Bills and the Cowboys deprived the world of a dramatic matchup: the Chiefs' Joe Montana against the 49ers, who discarded him after he led them to four Super Bowl victories.

Thus, this is the Super Bowl that nobody wanted, and for good reason.

The Bills played one of the best Super Bowls ever the first time they got here, losing 20-19 to the Giants when Scott Norwood's 47-yard field goal attempt in the final seconds went wide right. The losses got worse - 37-24 to Washington in a game that wasn't that close, then the 52-17 fiasco a year ago, the ninth consecutive time an NFC team has won the title.

"I wish they had won one of those first two," says Dallas fullback Daryl Johnston, who grew up a Bills fan in

western New York. "I don't want us to be the team that loses to them."

In a way, Johnston typifies Dallas' strength: an abundance of role players to supplement the stars.

The offense is centered around quarterback Troy Aikman handing off to Smith and throwing to Michael Irvin and Alvin Harper, both 6-foot-3. They'll be matched against Odomes and Mickey Washington, two 5-9 corners.

More importantly, there are players like Johnston in a system that uses as many as 18 defenders regularly.

Johnson is content to block for Smith, catch a few passes, and run the ball three or four times a game. It earns him reverential calls of "Moooose" from fans when he touches the ball, and it got him to the Pro Bowl as the NFC's fullback.

The Dallas defense is built around

speed: linebackers Ken Norton, Darrin Smith and Dixon Edwards all run 4.5 40-yard dashes or better.

The defensive line rotates seven players, with Charles Haley, who is nursing a chronically sore back, as the focal point.

"The quickest lineman I've ever seen," says Matt Millen, who played with Haley in San Francisco and is the only player to earn Super Bowl rings with three different teams. He retired to the broadcast booth after playing with the Redskins, who beat the Bills two years ago.

None is a superstar, except perhaps for Lett and only because of his two nationally televised gaffes: the mistake against Miami, and the play late in last year's Super Bowl, when he was dancing toward the end zone for an apparent touchdown after a fumble recovery, only to be chased down by Don Beebe.

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ATLANTA — Here's one for all those Bills-haters who dread the idea of seeing Buffalo represent the AFC for a fourth straight time in the Super Bowl: too bad.

Face it, folks, these Buffalo Bills are a great team.

Their unprecedented three successive Super Bowl flops are well-known. So is the fact that the Bills are the first team to advance to four Super Bowls in a row — the first to even come close to doing it, actually, — and that's the first measure of greatness.

From 1933 until 1969, when it was the NFL, only the wartime Chicago Bears and the Cleveland Browns of the early 1950s got into four consecutive title games; the Browns made it into six from 1950-55. Chicago was 3-1 and Cleveland was 3-3 in those NFL championship games.

The 1970-73 Dallas Cowboys got to the NFC finals, going 2-2.

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In the 33 seasons as either the AFL or AFC, only the Oakland Raiders got to the title game as many as four consecutive years. They did it from 1967-70, and went 1-3. Again, from 1973-77, the Raiders got to the conference championship game — and went 1-4.

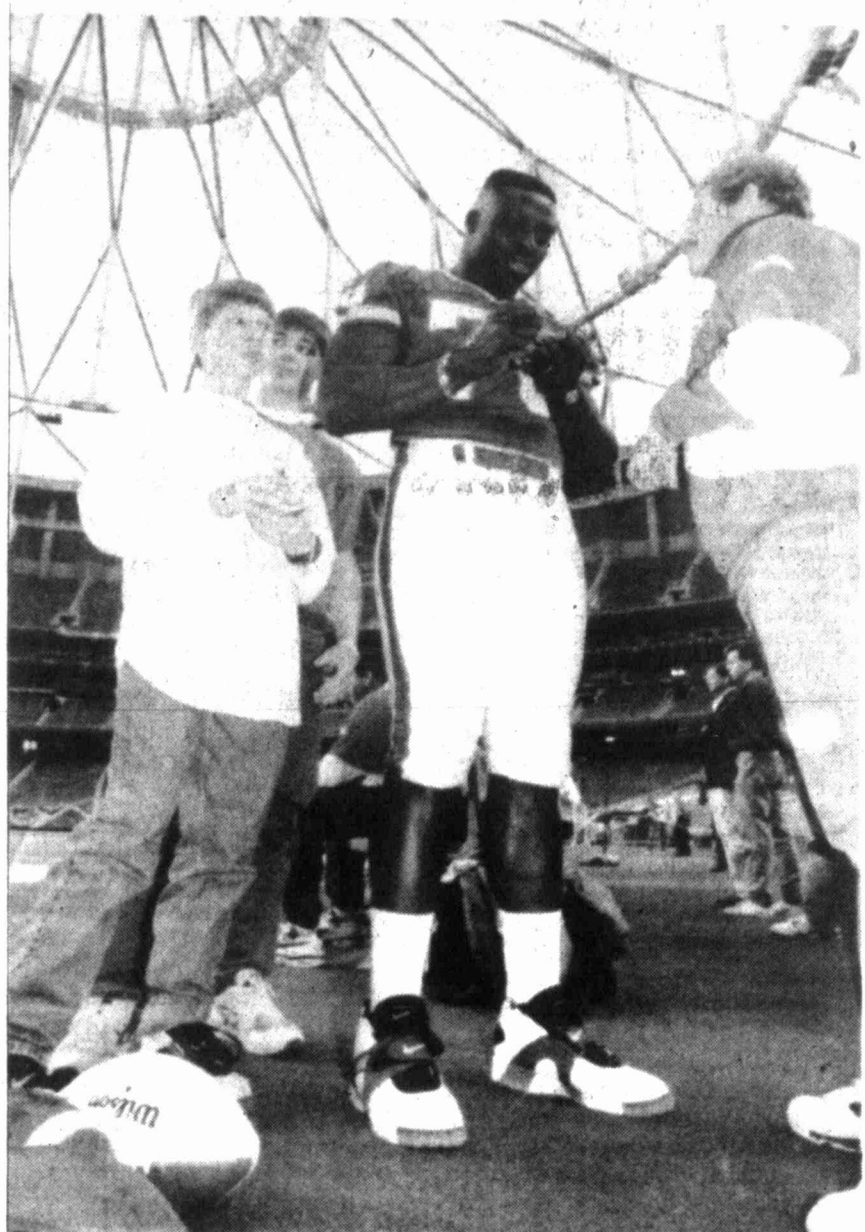
The Bills are 4-0 in the 1990s with the AFC title on the line.

Because the Raiders won a Super Bowl in that span, they often are considered among the all-time best teams. Because the Bills haven't, they aren't.

"We've been a team which has won a lot of games," coach Marv Levy said. "We won more games in the 1990s than any other team. We've played in 10 playoff games and won seven of them. Unfortunately, the three we didn't win were the three Super Bowl games."

"It's been a tremendously resilient team and I admire that in our players. They've bounced back from a lot of disappointments. They've come back with a lot of comeback victories. I see good things in our players. I like them and I like what they're made of. As a result, I think they maximize their possibility of being successful."

Until the biggest show.



Buffalo defensive end Bruce Smith signs autographs during the team's walk-through at the Georgia Dome Saturday. The Bills face Dallas in Super Bowl XXVIII Sunday.

"A lot of people are going to say they don't want to see us back," running back Kenneth Davis said. "A lot of people don't want to see us back, but we want to be back for ourselves. All of us as Buffalo Bills players. We want to come back and dance in the streets of Buffalo."

First, they have to dance over and past the NFC, something no AFC representative has done in a decade.

The Bills certainly have the players to win a Super Bowl. Another measure of greatness is the number of

Hall of Fame-quality performers on a team. The Bills have three who deserve immediate consideration when eligible in Bruce Smith, Thurman Thomas and Jim Kelly. For the first three Super Bowl appearances, they also had James Lofton, a certain Hall of Famer.

How about Pro Bowl players? Twelve current Bills have been there.

As for impact on the sport, the Bills refined the no-huddle offense, which was nearly unstoppable in 1990.

An open letter to The Boys

By MIKE COCHRAN
Associated Press Writer

EDITOR'S NOTE: Last year, AP correspondent Mike Cochran followed the Dallas Cowboys to Super Bowl XXVII to report on the offbeat activities of the Boys in La La Land. This year, with no sand, sea, surf or starlets in Atlanta, he is sending a letter.

DALLAS — Hey, there, Big Guys, how's it going in the land of grits and gravy?

I know you plan to kick some serious Buffalo tail Sunday, but some folks felt a letter from home might be in order. Frankly, we're a bit worried about Super Bowl XXVIII.

A rematch with the Bills doesn't exactly light a roaring fire.

And after La La Land, and that Southern California sun, it's gotta be tough. No stars and starlets. No Sunset Strips and Beverly Hills. No beaches and bikinis. No sushi and champagne.

And how about the drunk who appeared in a gorilla suit at our beachfront hotel?

On the other hand, your Atlanta Holiday Inn most likely won't topple into the ocean. And the Georgia Dome is surely safer than, say, Candlestick Park.

But, hey, that's not the reason I'm writing.

It's not all peach trees and cream back home. People keep talking about what that black-clad cur Jerry Glanville and the Atlanta Falcons did to you guys last November in that very same Dome.

Of course, Troy was out and Emmitt went down. But 27-14 Falcons?

It doesn't help much, either, that we're approaching the fifth anniversary of Black Saturday, also known as the Bloodless Coup at Valley Ranch.

Some diehards just won't forget what Jerry did to Tom Landry and Tex Schramm.

Worse yet, the sports scribes seem to delight in reminding us that it's also the 25th anniversary of the Biggest Upset in Super Bowl History!

I'm a little tired of hearing how Joe Namath and the New York Jets ambushed the Baltimore Colts. How Broadway Joe guaranteed a victory and his 17-point 'dogs delivered.

All this upset talk is unsettling. And, Jimmy, you're not gonna like what some folks are saying about you.

You can mostly blame those sore-heads from San Francisco, but now a guy named Bernie Lincicome from the Chicago Tribune has gotten into the act.

"Something ugly has happened to America's Team," writes Bernie. "That something is Johnson, who cues an insufferability by being the most insufferable Cowboy of all."

Blasphemy, that. And this: "The Cowboys are full of the same stuff that so endeared the University of Miami to the nation when Johnson coached there — insolence, arrogance, ego and immense ability."

Well, as Tex Schramm used to say, one out of four ain't bad.

But, guys, you need to know it didn't end there.

Forecasting an upset, New York Gov. Mario Cuomo went too far, asserting that "Buffalo is America's Team!"

And predictably, one of your most devout and despicable critics, pseudo-author Miller Bonner of Austin, struck again.

"Until last week, we never knew the true reason for the hole in the roof at Texas Stadium — Jimmy's and Jerry's egos," barked Bonner, co-author of the scurrilous "Dallas Cowboys Haters Handbook."

He's all over the newspapers and the TV saying things like this:

"We're afraid America will need an antidote for obnoxious Cowboy fans on Monday morning. We hope the 'Haters Handbook II' will be able to cure the country."

Well, I'm not going to sully up your whole day with these snits. I want you to know that the folks back home, while a mite more restrained than last year, still have some of that old Cowboy Madness.

Anything blue or silver, from shot glasses to diaper covers to \$3,500 hand-painted helmets, sold like pecan waffles.

How about \$2,500 Super Bowl tickets?

And, Troy, I know you were banged up pretty good by the San Francisco 49ers, and still a bit dizzy, but you stirred up a hornet's nest with that Henryetta thing.

I think those Okies in your hometown took you seriously about Henryetta hosting the Super Bowl.

"We're laying the red carpet out," says Harlene Bardin, a waitress at the Hungry Traveler. "We'll have plenty of deep-fried catfish for everybody."

Everybody?

Oh, 300,000 or so.

"We'll set tables up outside," she told a Fort Worth columnist. "We've got a Super 8 motel right next door and we'll even take folks home with us if we have to."

Uh, Troy, you might want to give Harlene a call if you can.

I'm sure you heard, too, that once more the town of Buffalo changed its name to Blue Star.

"We felt like we needed to do this because we pulled the Cowboys through ... last year," says Mayor Byron Ryder. "I think we can do it again."

By the way, Ryder's an OK guy. When reporters asked him for a Super Bowl prediction, he cited a highway sign south of town. It read: Dallas 120, Buffalo 15.

And now for some expert testimony. You guys remember my Las Vegas gambling buddy, Doyle Brunson? Texas Dolly, they call him, an old West Texas boy from around Sweetwater.

He bets zillions each week on football. Last year, he advised me to bet the farm on the Boys.

Well, he's almost as enthusiastic about the rematch.

"It all depends on Emmitt Smith's shoulder," Dolly observes. "If he plays the whole game, it's goodbye Buffalo. If he gets hurt it will be a close, tough ballgame."

Don't get me wrong. Even without you, Emmitt, we win, but Dolly thinks there might be a problem covering the point spread.

As always, he says, the wild card is Coach Jimmy.

"He's my kind of man," gushed Dolly, a two-time winner of the World Series of Poker.

And as for Marv Levy, I think he's got his job in perspective. As he awaited the results of the Houston-Kansas City game two weeks ago, someone asked him who he preferred to play the following week.

"William & Mary," he replied.

Be gentle, Boys. And have a safe trip home.



Give me a C ...

Kelly Archer of Amarillo, right, makes up an original cheer for the Dallas Cowboys while waiting for his flight to Houston at Dallas Love Field airport Friday morning. Southwest Airlines employees led passengers in mini-pep rallies at several gates.

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Schools prepare for UIL realignment day

By STEVE REAGAN
Sports writer

Of all the dates and times coaches like best, you can almost rest assured that UIL Realignment Day is not among them.

Every two years, the University Interscholastic League announces its realignment plans for the coming school year. Some schools escape untouched, but others either go up or down in classification, or find themselves in a new district.

Tuesday is the big day, and coaches are facing it with emotions ranging from dread to resignation.

Big Spring High School is not in any danger of leaving Class 4A, but Athletic Director Dwight Butler said District 3-4A, which Big Spring shares with Sweetwater, San Angelo Lake View, Andrews, Fort Stockton, Pecos and Monahans, will probably undergo a facelift before school year 1994-95.

The reason behind the impending change is a desire by the UIL to eliminate

byes in the first round of the playoffs that 3-4A and other 4A districts currently enjoy.

This means new districts have to be established, and schools have to be found to fill those districts. Some schools will probably go down from 5A to 4A, and others will go up from 3A to 4A, but it also means that schools will be uprooted from their current districts to fill the new leagues.

Butler said it is likely that one or more schools from 3-4A will be

switching districts, but has no idea which schools will be effected.

One Howard County school that is probably changing classification is Forsan, which will leave Class 1A and move up to Class 2A. Forsan officials, though not looking forward to the change, have accepted it as pretty much a done deal.

"We're not looking forward to it at all, but we've got to do it," Forsan Athletic Director Jan East said. "You've got to have the cutoff some-

where."

The UIL determines classification based on high school attendance, with attendance figures from Oct. 11, 1993 being used this time around.

East said he is not sure which 2A district Forsan will join. "We've heard rumors ... but we won't know anything definite until 9 a.m. Tuesday," he said.

Forsan may be joining it's long-time Howard County rival Coahoma in District 6-2A. Coahoma A.D. Steve Park said he would be surprised if

his school changed classification, although he refused to dismiss it out of hand.

It is possible, he added, that 6-2A might lose a school or two to the process, but added that all such talk was merely speculation.

"I've heard a lot of rumors," Park said. "I've heard that some of the (6-2A) schools might go west ... Of course, all of this is just rumor. We won't know anything until Tuesday. The CIA couldn't keep their secrets any tighter than the UIL."

Third quarter the difference as Bulldogettes rally to down Ozona

By DAVE HARGRAVE
Sports Editor

COAHOMA - The first half of the Coahoma Bulldogettes' game with Ozona Friday looked all too familiar for Coahoma fans. Fortunately for the Bulldogettes, there was a second half, one that gave them time to win 42-39.

Ozona (7-16, 0-2 in the second half of District 6-2A) was the inferior team as far as record goes, but it played two points better than the Bulldogettes in the first half to take a 19-17 lead to the locker room. Coahoma (14-12, 1-1) lost several home games in the first half of district and looked to be on course for another home loss.

The third quarter changed everything.

Ozona scored the first two points of the quarter then went into the tank, committing eight turnovers and scoring just two more points in those eight minutes. Coahoma, on the other hand, must have did something right during halftime, because by the end of the third quarter the Bulldogettes led 34-23.

Leading the comeback was Coahoma star Angela Crippen, who poured in a game-high 25 points. Crippen, a 5-foot-7 senior, single-handedly put Coahoma ahead 26-21 with two 3-pointers sandwiched around a three-point play.

The Bulldogettes increased the lead with its defense. With Coahoma leading 28-23, Tammy Bennett stole the ball at midcourt and drove for a layup. On Ozona's next possession, Audra Bingham did the same thing - a steal plus the layup - and that put Coahoma up by nine.

"Ozona played awfully well," said Coahoma coach Phillip Ritchey. "At halftime, I just told the girls we had to push it up at least a notch on the intensity level. The first half, we were just overly aggressive on offense. We were forcing passes and shots that just weren't there."

Coahoma led 40-29 with 3:13 remaining in the game when Ozona



Coahoma Bulldogette guard Audra Bingham (54) dribbles past two Ozona defenders during their game in Coahoma Friday night.

rallied in a big way. Three trips to the free-throw line netted three points for the Lady Lions, then consecutive baskets by sophomore Tara Wilkins brought Ozona within four, 40-36, with 35 seconds left.

Ritchey called timeout with 25 seconds to go and set up a fitting ending. Crippen took the ball and killed 11 seconds by just dribbling back and forth across the five-second line. When Ozona finally fouled Crippen, she calmly sank both halves of the 1-and-1.

Gloria Pena-Alfaro, who led Ozona with 15 points, sank a 3-pointer just before the buzzer to cut Ozona's margin of defeat to three.

"Except for the third quarter, we outplayed them," said Ozona coach Dickie Faught. "They came out and pressured us a little bit harder in the second half, and we came out a little bit tired or flat or just not ready. They turned it up a notch in the third quarter, and we didn't."

Coahoma travels to Wall and Eldorado this week.

Ozona	10	9	4	16	39
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Bulldogs start fast, hold on for Friday victory over Lions

By DAVE HARGRAVE
Sports Editor

COAHOMA - The Coahoma Bulldogs put their 20th win in the bag early in Friday's game against Ozona, but the Lions nearly stole that bag before the 'Dogs could throw it over their shoulder and walk out with it.

Coahoma (20-5, 6-0 in District 6-2A) beat Ozona 71-61 to notch its fourth 20-win season in the four years since the school dropped from 3A to 2A. The Bulldogs struck early and often, solving Ozona's full-court pressure to take a seemingly untouchable 30-11 lead.

The 'Dogs, sparked by 16 points from the trio of Henry DeLaRosa, Brandon McGuire and Chad Wright, took a 19-7 lead after one quarter. Murphy Henry came off Coahoma's bench to score six second-quarter points, including a three-point play off an offensive rebound. Henry had six rebounds in the quarter.

But Ozona inched closer, and when the Lions' Julio Martinez sunk an 8-footer just before the halftime buzzer, Coahoma's lead was down to a still comfortable 13, 37-24.

However, Coahoma coach Kim Nichols said leads are never comfortable against Ozona, and he was proven right.

"We've been playing against their teams for 10 years, and they've always played good full-court, man-to-man defense. You know somewhere they're going to make a run at you."

Coahoma broke that full-court pressure early, but Ozona tightened on defense in the second half. The Lions (9-9, 3-3) cut Coahoma's lead to seven, 42-35, with 2:26 left in the third quarter, but the Bulldogs responded with a nine-point run, featuring 3-pointers from Jason Milliken and McGuire.

Coahoma appeared to be cruising for good, restoring its original 19-point lead by going up 60-41 with 3:57 left in the game. Once again, Ozona rallied.

The Lions scored seven points in the span of 18 seconds, one on a technical free throw - Nichols and Ozona coach John Curry exchanged technical fouls in the fourth quarter - and three on a Chris Sanchez 3-pointer. When Ozona's Ray Fierro sank two free throws at the 2:30 mark, the Lions had cut their deficit to seven again, 61-54.

Curry said: "Our press started working in the second half. We have to play a lot of scrambling defense because we're never very big. That's typical of an Ozona team."

"We just didn't play very well offensively in the first half. Coahoma came out and beat the pressure well, shot the ball well, and even though we played good half-court defense, we just couldn't get anything going offensively."

With 2:12 to go, Coahoma's Jason Harmon drove to the hoop for two points, and McGuire sank a free throw nine seconds later to push Coahoma's lead back to double digits, 64-54. Milliken grabbed a huge

offensive rebound off a Harmon airball and made the score 66-57 at the 1:30 mark.

Ozona's Keith Miller put back an offensive board to cut Coahoma's lead to seven with 1:17 to go, and the Lions went into foul mode. Harmon foiled the strategy, making 5 of 6 free throws in the final 74 seconds to seal the win for the 'Dogs.

DeLaRosa led Coahoma with 17 points, while McGuire added 14 and Harmon 13. Sanchez scored 19 for Ozona.

Nichols said the 20th win isn't the meaningful part of Coahoma's record.

"More than anything, I like the 6-0 better than the 20-5. We won the first half outright."

Coahoma travels to Wall and Eldorado this week for its first taste of second half action. The 'Dogs could avoid having to play a district championship game if they win the second half, and you could say that at least one opposing coach likes their chances.

"Coahoma has good shooters, a lot of depth, and they're well-coached," Curry said. "And they play hard. That's the key right there."

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"I tell my team after every playoff game just think how sick they are going to feel if they lose. It's something they have to live with the rest of their lives. Nobody wants that."

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necessary to beat the 49ers or Giants again," Johnson says.

The Bills, who depended the last three years on their no-huddle offense, followed a different path this year. They won the AFC East at 12-4 and returned with 26 players in their fourth Super Bowl.

While the offense sputtered, Bruce Smith, Nate Odomes, Darryl Talley and Henry Jones led a defense that was an offense in itself. The Bills' defense led the league by creating 47 turnovers and scoring four defensive touchdowns.

Jim Kelly had perhaps his two best games of the season in the playoffs, going 44 of 64 for 447 yards in winning 29-23 over the Los Angeles Raiders and 30-13 over Kansas City. Thurman Thomas had his best game of the season against the Chiefs, rushing for 183 yards. That set up a

classic running back matchup with Smith in the Super Bowl.

But the wins by the Bills and the Cowboys deprived the world of a dramatic matchup: the Chiefs' Joe Montana against the 49ers, who discarded him after he led them to four Super Bowl victories.

Thus, this is the Super Bowl that nobody wanted, and for good reason.

The Bills played one of the best Super Bowls ever the first time they got here, losing 20-19 to the Giants when Scott Norwood's 47-yard field goal attempt in the final seconds went wide right. The losses got worse - 37-24 to Washington in a game that wasn't that close, then the 52-17 fiasco a year ago, the ninth consecutive time an NFC team has won the title.

"I wish they had won one of those first two," says Dallas fullback Daryl Johnston, who grew up a Bills fan in

western New York. "I don't want us to be the team that loses to them."

In a way, Johnston typifies Dallas' strength: an abundance of role players to supplement the stars.

The offense is centered around quarterback Troy Aikman handing off to Smith and throwing to Michael Irvin and Alvin Harper, both 6-foot-3. They'll be matched against Odomes and Mickey Washington, two 5-9 corners.

More importantly, there are players like Johnston in a system that uses as many as 18 defenders regularly.

Johnston is content to block for Smith, catch a few passes, and run the ball three or four times a game. It earns him reverential calls of "Mo-o-o-o-o-o" from fans when he touches the ball, and it got him to the Pro Bowl as the NFC's fullback.

The Dallas defense is built around

speed: linebackers Ken Norton, Darrin Smith and Dixon Edwards all run 4.5 40-yard dashes or better.

The defensive line rotates seven players, with Charles Haley, who is nursing a chronically sore back, as the focal point.

"The quickest lineman I've ever seen," says Matt Millen, who played with Haley in San Francisco and is the only player to earn Super Bowl rings with three different teams. He retired to the broadcast booth after playing with the Redskins, who beat the Bills two years ago.

None is a superstar, except perhaps for Lett and only because of his two nationally televised gaffes: the mistake against Miami, and the play late in last year's Super Bowl, when he was dancing toward the end zone for an apparent touchdown after a fumble recovery, only to be chased down by Don Beebe.

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Face it, Buffalo haters: The Bills are just great

By The Associated Press

ATLANTA — Here's one for all those Bills-haters who dread the idea of seeing Buffalo represent the AFC for a fourth straight time in the Super Bowl: too bad.

Face it, folks, these Buffalo Bills are a great team.

Their unprecedented three successive Super Bowl flops are well-known. So is the fact that the Bills are the first team to advance to four Super Bowls in a row — the first to even come close to doing it, actually — and that's the first measure of greatness.

From 1933 until 1969, when it was the NFL, only the wartime Chicago Bears and the Cleveland Browns of the early 1950s got into four consecutive title games; the Browns made it into six from 1950-55. Chicago was 3-1 and Cleveland was 3-3 in those NFL championship games.

The 1970-73 Dallas Cowboys got to the NFC finals, going 2-2.

All of them are considered great teams.

In the 33 seasons as either the AFL or AFC, only the Oakland Raiders got to the title game as many as four consecutive years. They did it from 1967-70, and went 1-3. Again, from 1973-77, the Raiders got to the conference championship game — and went 1-4.

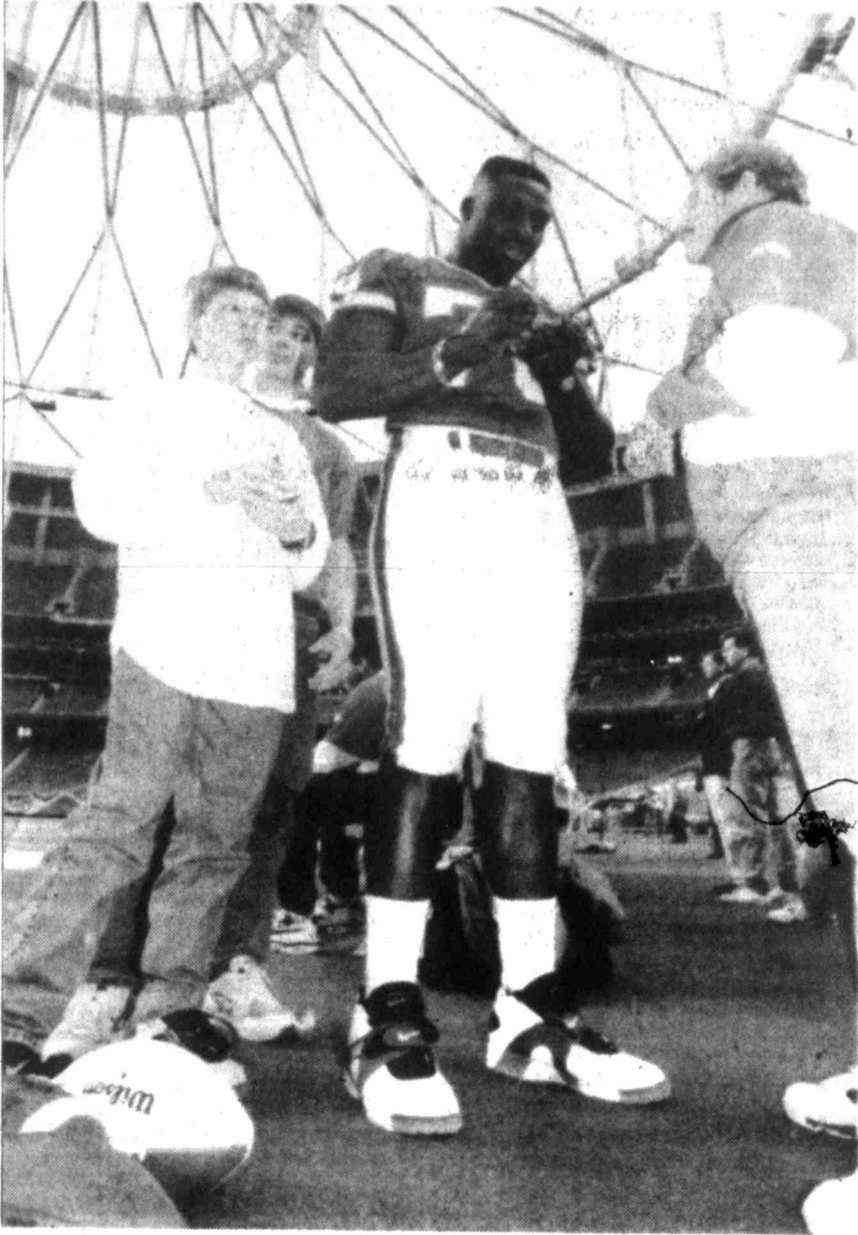
The Bills are 4-0 in the 1990s with the AFC title on the line.

Because the Raiders won a Super Bowl in that span, they often are considered among the all-time best teams. Because the Bills haven't, they aren't.

"We've been a team which has won a lot of games," coach Marv Levy said. "We won more games in the 1990s than any other team. We've played in 10 playoff games and won seven of them. Unfortunately, the three we didn't win were the three Super Bowl games."

"It's been a tremendously resilient team and I admire that in our players. They've bounced back from a lot of disappointments. They've come back with a lot of comeback victories. I see good things in our players. I like them and I like what they're made of. As a result, I think they maximize their possibility of being successful."

Until the biggest show.



Associated Press photo
Buffalo defensive end Bruce Smith signs autographs during the team's walk-through at the Georgia Dome Saturday. The Bills face Dallas in Super Bowl XXVIII Sunday.

"A lot of people are going to say they don't want to see us back," running back Kenneth Davis said. "A lot of people don't want to see us back, but we want to be back for ourselves. All of us as Buffalo Bills players. We want to come back and dance in the streets of Buffalo."

First, they have to dance over and past the NFC, something no AFC representative has done in a decade.

The Bills certainly have the players to win a Super Bowl. Another measure of greatness is the number of

Hall of Fame-quality performers on a team. The Bills have three who deserve immediate consideration when eligible in Bruce Smith, Thurman Thomas and Jim Kelly. For the first three Super Bowl appearances, they also had James Lofton, a certain Hall of Famer.

How about Pro Bowl players? Twelve current Bills have been there.

As for impact on the sport, the Bills refined the no-huddle offense, which was nearly unstoppable in 1990.

An open letter to The Boys

By MIKE COCHRAN
Associated Press Writer

EDITOR'S NOTE: Last year, AP correspondent Mike Cochran followed the Dallas Cowboys to Super Bowl XXVII to report on the offbeat activities of the Boys in La La Land. This year, with no sand, sea, surf or starlets in Atlanta, he is sending a letter.

DALLAS — Hey, there, Big Guys. How's it going in the land of grits and gravy?

I know you plan to kick some serious Buffalo tail Sunday, but some folks felt a letter from home might be in order. Frankly, we're a bit worried about Super Bowl XXVIII.

A rematch with the Bills doesn't exactly light a roaring fire.

And after La La Land, and that Southern California sun, it's gotta be tough. No stars and starlets. No Sunset Strips and Beverly Hills. No beaches and bikinis. No sushi and champagne.

And how about the drunk who appeared in a gorilla suit at our beachfront hotel?

On the other hand, your Atlanta Holiday Inn most likely won't topple into the ocean. And the Georgia Dome is surely safer than, say, Candlestick Park.

But, hey, that's not the reason I'm writing.

It's not all peach trees and cream back home. People keep talking about what that black-clad cur Jerry Glanville and the Atlanta Falcons did to you guys last November in that very same Dome.

Of course, Troy was out and Emmitt went down. But 27-14 Falcons?

It doesn't help much, either, that we're approaching the fifth anniversary of Black Saturday, also known as the Bloodless Coup at Valley Ranch.

Some diehards just won't forget what Jerry did to Tom Landry and Tex Schramm.

Worse yet, the sports scribes seem to delight in reminding us that it's also the 25th anniversary of the Biggest Upset in Super Bowl History!

I'm a little tired of hearing how Joe Namath and the New York Jets ambushed the Baltimore Colts. How Broadway Joe guaranteed a victory and his 17-point 'dogs delivered.

All this upset talk is unsettling. And, Jimmy, you're not gonna like what some folks are saying about you.

You can mostly blame those sore heads from San Francisco, but now a guy named Bernie Lincicome from the Chicago Tribune has gotten into the act.

"Something ugly has happened to America's Team," writes Bernie. "That something is Johnson, who cues an insufferability by being the most insufferable Cowboy of all."

Blasphemy, that. And this:

"The Cowboys are full of the same stuff that so endeared the University of Miami to the nation when Johnson coached there — insolence, arrogance, ego and immense ability."

Well, as Tex Schramm used to say, one out of four ain't bad.

But, guys, you need to know it didn't end there.

Forecasting an upset, New York Gov. Mario Cuomo went too far, asserting that "Buffalo is America's Team!"

And predictably, one of your most devout and despicable critics, pseudo author Miller Bonner of Austin, struck again.

"Until last week, we never knew the true reason for the hole in the roof at Texas Stadium — Jimmy's and Jerry's egos," barked Bonner, co-author of the scurrilous "Dallas Cowboys Haters Handbook."

He's all over the newspapers and the TV saying things like this: "We're afraid America will need an antidote for obnoxious Cowboy fans on Monday morning. We hope the 'Haters Handbook II' will be able to cure the country."

Well, I'm not going to sully your whole day with these snits. I want you to know that the folks back home, while a mite more restrained than last year, still have some of that old Cowboy Madness.

Anything blue or silver, from shot glasses to diaper covers to \$3,500 hand-painted helmets, sold like pecan waffles.

How about \$2,500 Super Bowl tickets?

And, Troy, I know you were banged up pretty good by the San Francisco 49ers, and still a bit dizzy, but you stirred up a hornet's nest with that Henryetta thing.

I think those Okies in your hometown took you seriously about Henryetta hosting the Super Bowl.

"We're laying the red carpet out," says Harlene Bardin, a waitress at the Hungry Traveler. "We'll have plenty of deep-fried catfish for everybody."

Everybody?

Oh, 300,000 or so.

"We'll set tables up outside," she told a Fort Worth columnist. "We've got a Super 8 motel right next door and we'll even take folks home with us if we have to."

Uh, Troy, you might want to give Harlene a call if you can.

I'm sure you heard, too, that once more the town of Buffalo changed its name to Blue Star.

"We felt like we needed to do this because we pulled the Cowboys through ... last year," says Mayor Byron Ryder. "I think we can do it again."

By the way, Ryder's an OK guy. When reporters asked him for a Super Bowl prediction, he cited a highway sign south of town. It read: Dallas 120, Buffalo 15.

And now for some expert testimony. You guys remember my Las Vegas gambling buddy, Doyle Brunson? Texas Dolly, they call him, an old West Texas boy from around Sweetwater.

He bets zillions each week on football. Last year, he advised me to bet the farm on the Boys.

Well, he's almost as enthusiastic about the rematch.

"It all depends on Emmitt Smith's shoulder," Dolly observes. "If he plays the whole game, it's goodbye Buffalo. If he gets hurt it will be a close, tough ballgame."

Don't get me wrong. Even without you, Emmitt, we win, but Dolly thinks there might be a problem covering the point spread.

As always, he says, the wild card is Coach Jimmy.

"He's my kind of man," gushed Dolly, a two-time winner of the World Series of Poker.

And as for Marv Levy, I think he's got his job in perspective. As he awaited the results of the Houston-Kansas City game two weeks ago, someone asked him who he preferred to play the following week.

"William & Mary," he replied.

Be gentle, Boys. And have a safe trip home.



Give me a C ...

Kelly Archer of Amarillo, right, makes up an original cheer for the Dallas Cowboys while waiting for his flight to Houston at Dallas Love Field airport Friday morning. Southwest Airlines employees led passengers in mini-pep rallies at several gates.

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Queens, Buffs sweep Irion County

By STEVE REAGAN
Sports writer

FORSAN — On the weekend of the Super Bowl, perhaps it was fitting that the Forsan Queens, got a super performance from Jenny Conway.

Conway scored 33 points, including 10 straight in a crucial stage of the fourth quarter, to lead the Queens to a 53-38 victory over Irion County at Forsan Gym Friday night.

The Queens (15-8 overall, 4-1 in District 23-A) needed every point from Conway they could get, because Irion County practically blanked the rest of the Forsan roster. Laurie and Deborah Light and Tisha Hillger were the next leading scorers for the Queens, each chipping in 5 points.

But the Queens had Conway, and she was more than enough Friday night.

"It's a good thing she was hot, because the rest of us weren't exactly on," Forsan coach Johnny Schafer said. "Our shooting percentage was awful ... We just seemed to play in waves tonight: We'd crest and go

down, crest and go down."

The Queens' first high tide came in the first half, when they edged their way to a 30-22 lead by intermission. But the Lady Hornets (9-12, 0-5) made a game of it in the second half, led by Paula Atkinson, who scored 12 points.

Irion County made things especially interesting in the fourth quarter. Trailing 41-31, Shawna Wall canned a three-pointer, and Jenny Gentry and Jennifer Dutcher each added baskets to cut Forsan's lead to three with 4:22 left in the game.

That's when Conway launched her 10-point solo run. She started things with a pair of free throws, then scored off a feed from Kim Roman to put the Queens back up by nine with 2:46 left. She then added another basket and four free throws during the next two minutes to put the game out of reach.

"They were pressuring our outside people, and that left me open," Conway said. "Before the game, I said to myself that I wanted the make 30 points, and I did. But it took a lot of nice assists to get it."

Conway also dismissed the notion that the Queens took their cellar-dwelling opponents lightly.

"A lot of people would, but we didn't," she said. "Because we know we have to win every game from here on out. It's something we've set our minds on doing."

BOYS GAME

There was precious little drama in the nightcap, as the Forsan Buffaloes came out running and didn't stop until they had a 74-45 victory over Irion County in the bag.

The Hornets seemed intent on stopping Forsan's guard duo of Jacoby Hopper and Chris Evans, which left the inside open for Shane Sims, who responded with 20 points to lead all scorers.

"Shane ran the floor hard," Forsan coach Terry McDonald said. "He worked hard for position, and the kids did a good job of getting him the ball."

Other Buffs in double figures were Hopper, with 17 points, Jeremy Etheredge (13) and Evans (10).

Forsan (12-11, 4-1 in district) took control right from the start, racing to a 19-5 lead after the first quarter, but the second stanza was even worse for the Hornets (4-16, 0-5).

Chad Kemper got things started with a short jumper, then Sims reeled off eight straight points to put the Buffs up 29-7. Forsan then outscored Irion County 15-7 the rest



SIMS

of the quarter to take a 44-14 lead into intermission.

McDonald, who said he was concerned about a letdown after a week-long break from district competition, said he was pleased by his team's effort.

"The kids came out and played hard," he said. "We talked all week about getting ready to play Friday and not having a letdown. I'm really pleased with the way they played, because we could have had a letdown but didn't."

Jake Hooker scored 13 points to lead Irion County.

The Buffaloes and Queens return to action Tuesday when they travel to Water Valley.

GIRLS GAME
Irion Co. Forsan 7 15 9 7-38
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Irion Co. (38)
Atkinson 3-9-12; Wall 3-1-8; Mosely 1-0-1-2;
McComb 0-0-0-0; Kucera 0-1-2-1; Perez 0-0-0-0;
Dutcher 3-0-0-7; Gentry 4-0-0-8.
Forsan (53)
L. Light 2-0-0-5; Gaston 0-0-0-0; DeLaGarza 0-0-0-0;
Carter 0-0-0-0; D. Light 2-0-0-4; Roman 1-2-3-5;
Hillger 2-1-1-5; Conway 11-11-12-33.

BOYS GAME
Irion Co. (45)
Tankersley 1-7-9-9; Thiers 2-0-0-4; Lawdermilk
1-0-1-3; Kahlig 0-0-0-0; R. Flores 3-4-6-10; Dunlap
1-2-4-4; G. Flores 1-0-2-2; Hooker 5-3-5-13.

Forsan (74)
Hopper 6-3-17; Lantz 1-0-0-2; Moreno 1-0-0-2;
Roman 1-0-0-2; Evans 4-0-0-10; Etheredge 5-1-2-13;
Kemper 1-0-0-2; Sims 10-0-0-20; Baker 2-2-2-6.

Hawks face 2nd stern test in Chaparrals

By DAVE HARGRAVE
Sports Editor

Out of the frying pan, into the fire. The old saying aptly describes the situation for Howard College's men's basketball team.

Odesa College (21-1, 5-0 in the Western Junior College Athletic Conference), ranked second in the nation, came to Howard Thursday and beat the Hawks 91-68. Monday night, Howard has an equally tough task - the Hawks visit Midland's Chaparral Center to play No. 7 Midland College.

Game time is 7:30 p.m. Midland (20-2, 3-2) trails Howard (15-7, 4-1) in the WJAC standings, but one would have to cast Midland as a prohibitive favorite.

Two things grab you when you see Midland's impressive statistics: balanced scoring and steals.

Midland doesn't have a player among the WJAC's top 10 scorers; it has something better: Six players averaging double figures. The Chaparrals leading scorer is 6-foot-6 sophomore Kirk Ford (14.4 points per game), followed by John Brown (13.6), Steve Walston (13.5), Tallas Lampley (11.3), Kevin Rice (10.9) and Andre Owens (10.6).

Now for those steals. Rice, Owens and Earl Tyson (who just misses double figures with a 9.8 scoring average) are 3-4-5 on the list of WJAC

"I think (Howard's) very, very athletic, and they play very, very tough and tenaciously on the defensive end of the court. They play as good of half-court defense as anyone in the conference. But Tommy's teams have always done that - when you watch his teams play half-court defense you should take notes. In fact, I have taken a few notes. I can't get my team to play like that."

Steve Green
Midland College coach

steals leaders. Rice and Owens average 3.9 steals per game each.

Midland's two losses came against Odesa (90-78) and South Plains (92-86). Howard coach Tommy Collins said comparing Midland and Odesa is difficult because of their differing styles of play.

"Odesa is a blue-collar team, while Midland is more of a finesse team," said Collins. "Midland will beat you with finesse and skills; Odesa just kind of comes right at you."

Collins likens his Hawks to Odesa, but said, "Odesa is a 40-minute blue-collar team, and right now we're a 25-minute blue-collar team, maybe 30."

Midland has yet to play Howard this season, but Chaparral coach Steve Green has seen enough of the Hawks to know what Howard's strength has been.

"I think they're very, very athletic, and they play very, very tough and tenaciously on the defensive end of the court," Green said. "They play as good of half-court defense as anyone in the conference. But Tommy's teams have always done that - when you watch his teams play half-court defense you should take notes. In fact, I have taken a few notes. I can't get my team to play like that."

Green, who coached at Howard from 1988 to 1991, said the Chaparrals have rebounded from their two losses at the top of their conference schedule.

"It's nice to be back competing again. We'd gotten kind of complacent, but we're not that way anymore."

Howard looked strong at times against Odesa, but looked lost in other spurts. Howard's two top scorers, Kavossy Franklin and Charles

Poe, combined to shoot just 10 times, and improved inside play offensively from Spencer Stewart and Chris Smith could not compensate for that.

"You're not going to get many shots when you're just standing around watching the game," Collins said. "It's like I said after the game - we played like freshmen. We fell behind 15-2, and a lot of that was just that we were mentally tight. And we stayed tight the whole ball game, although we loosened up to where we at least played pretty good defense."

Despite losing to Odesa, Howard is still sitting pretty at second place in the WJAC. But Collins isn't all that concerned with standings, at least when you're discussing the values of winning and improving.

He said: "Our team is focused far too much on wins and losses. We need to concentrate on improving instead. We haven't progressed as much as I'd like. Right now, we're just trying to win games, and teams that concentrate only on that don't do so well in the playoffs."

Briefs

Coahoma fifth at power-lift meet

GREENWOOD — The Coahoma High School power-lifting team placed fifth out of 16th team at a meet held in Greenwood Saturday.

Andrews' power-lifters placed first.

Coahoma's Mario Martinez, competing in the super-heavyweight division, placed second with a total lift of 1,270 pounds. He squatted 435 pounds, bench-pressed 325 pounds and dead-lifted 510 pounds.

In the 114-pound division, Jonathan Best placed third. He squatted 220 pounds, benched 145 pounds and dead-lifted 290 pounds for a total lift of 655 pounds.

Mica Weatherman placed fourth in the 242-pound division with a total lift of 840 pounds. He squatted 290 pounds, bench-pressed 200 pounds and dead-lifted 350 pounds.

The Coahoma power-lifters will return to action Feb. 12 at a meet in Kermit.

Coahoma girls win junior high game

The Coahoma seventh-grade girls' basketball team crushed Midland Trinity 51-10 Thursday.

Kelli Buchanan led Coahoma with 14 points. LaTisha Milliken and Cassie Tindol each scored 10. Tindol grabbed 13 boards; Buchanan had eight boards.

Nikki Mendoza had six steals; Baker and Tindol each had five. Tindol blocked five shots and dished out seven assists.

Coahoma is 11-2.

Mantle checks into Ford Clinic

By The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Three years ago, a writer asked Mickey Mantle if he would like to co-author a book about his 1956 Triple Crown season.

"Great idea, but I don't remember anything from that year," Mantle said.

Memory loss, caused by years of heavy drinking, was one of the reasons Mantle recently checked into the Betty Ford Center for treatment of his alcohol abuse.

Mantle's business manager, Roy True, said periodic blackouts and memory problems made the 62-year-old Hall of Famer "realize it

Bill Bates comes to Big Spring

Dallas Cowboy Bill Bates will visit Big Spring Saturday, Feb. 19 as part of an area-wide youth rally at Big Spring High School.

The rally is sponsored by the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. Plenty of pizza and other food will be available.

The rally starts at 3 p.m.

Coahoma will host softball touney

The Coahoma Athletic Boosters are sponsoring a high school girls softball tournament April 7-9.

For more information, contact Steve Park or Danny Randolph during school hours at 394-4535 or 394-4624.

Big Spring softball group meets Feb. 7

The first meeting of the 1994 softball season will be Monday, Feb. 7 at 7 p.m. at the Coors meeting room. This will be the organizational meeting for both the men's league and coed league.

For more information, call Chuck Martin at 263-5279 after 5:30 p.m.

Coahoma Little League schedules meeting

COAHOMA — Coahoma Little League officials have scheduled an organizational meeting for 7 p.m. Feb. 15 at the Coahoma Community Center.

Plans for the 1994 season will be discussed at that time. For more information, contact Steven New at 394-4758.

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Lake View 54, Fort Stockton 42	
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Lake View open	

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Pecos at Andrews	
Fort Stockton at Monahans	
Lake View open	

Boys' Stand	Dist
Big Spring	W
Sweetwater	6
Fort Stockton	4
Andrews	3
Monahans	2
Lake View	2
Pecos	1

Friday's Games	Dist
Big Spring 62, Pecos 54	
Sweetwater 44, Monahans 42	
Lake View 54, Fort Stockton 42	
Andrews open	

Tuesday's Games	Dist
Sweetwater at Big Spring	
Pecos at Andrews	
Fort Stockton at Monahans	
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Dorsett, White among Hall of Fame selections

By The Associated Press

ATLANTA — Running back Tony Dorsett led the charge of six NFL greats into the Pro Football Hall of Fame Saturday, celebrating his election with a shout.

"To the Hall, y'all," Dorsett exclaimed. "Here I come!" He reaches Canton with some impressive company, including longtime Dallas teammate Randy White, who anchored the Cowboys defense while Dorsett was leading the offense.

Also elected were Minnesota coach Bud Grant, San Francisco cornerback Jimmy Johnson, St. Louis tight end Jackie Smith and Cleveland running back Leroy Kelly.

Dorsett finished his career with 12,739 rushing yards and 77 touchdowns. That followed a Heisman Trophy-winning career at Pittsburgh, where he set an NCAA record with 6,082 yards rushing and became the first college player to have three 1,500-yard rushing seasons.

"This is the best call I've had in a long time," he said when Hall of Fame director Pete Elliott telephoned him with the news. "It's quite an honor to be elected the first time around."

"In my mind, this is the best fraternity there is."



DORSETT

Like Dorsett, White was elected in his first year on the ballot. He shared MVP honors in the 1978 Super Bowl and played in nine straight Pro Bowls from 1978 to 1986. He finished with 1,104 tackles, second most in Cowboys history.

Dorsett and Kelly are the 20th and 21st modern era running backs elected to the Hall of Fame. Kelly, who played from 1964-1973 with the Browns, made it as a senior candidate, a player who completed 60 percent of his career 25 years ago.

"Beautiful!" he said upon hearing the news. "I feel great, not only for myself but for the Browns organization and my teammates. One guy can't do it by himself. I had a great team."

Kelly backed up Jim Brown for his first two seasons, then replaced Brown in 1966 and rushed for more than 1,000 yards each of the next three years. He finished with 7,274 yards rushing.

"Playing with Jim Brown was great," Kelly said. "I'm grateful he retired early so I could get a chance to play."

Johnson, the brother of 1960 Olympic decathlon champion Rafer Johnson, played 16 seasons for the 49ers and had 47 interceptions, second most in club history. He was a four-time All-Pro.

Kerrigan's hotel room number before the attack and made several calls to her bodyguard, Shawn Eckardt, the day of the assault.

The evidence is being gathered in an apparent attempt to corroborate statements made by Eckardt, who publicly has implicated Harding, and Gillooly, who reportedly has said she was in on the alleged plot.

Meanwhile, USFSA is strongly considering sending 13-year-old Michelle Kwan to the Lillehammer Games as an alternate, an unusual step.

"It's not completely confirmed," association spokeswoman Kristin Matta said.

Harding's chances at Olympic glory getting bleaker

By The Associated Press

PORTLAND, Ore. — Two weeks before the Winter Games begin, Tonya Harding's chances of skating for the U.S. team and avoiding criminal charges appeared bleak as investigators gathered new evidence in the attack on Nancy Kerrigan.

Harding's ex-husband, Jeff Gillooly, spent about two hours in the Multnomah County Courthouse on Saturday, after reportedly working out a deal that would reduce his jail time and implicate his former wife.

And as investigators in Detroit, the site of the Jan. 6 attack that knocked

Kerrigan from the U.S. Figure Skating Championships, reportedly looked at phone records damaging to Harding, Olympic officials were considering an alternate skater for the Games.

Gillooly's attorney, Ron Hoevet, would not say if Gillooly was there to testify before the grand jury investigating the case. There were indications, however, that the grand jury was in session Saturday.

Hoevet said he and Gillooly would make a public statement on Monday or Tuesday, a strong indication that Gillooly planned to enter a plea then.

Investigators in Detroit reportedly have information that Harding asked

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BASKETBALL
District 3-4A

Girls' Standings		Overall	
District	W L	W L	
Big Spring	9 0	16 5	
Andrews	6 2	15 12	
Lake View	6 3	15 10	
Sweetwater	4 4	6 12	
Pecos	2 6	4 15	
Monahans	2 7	4 19	
Fort Stockton	1 8	3 17	

Friday's Games
Big Spring 65, Pecos 30
Sweetwater 44, Monahans 30
Lake View 54, Fort Stockton 36
Andrews open

Tuesday's Games
Sweetwater at Big Spring
Pecos at Andrews
Fort Stockton at Monahans
Lake View open

Boys' Standings		Overall	
District	W L	W L	
Big Spring	6 1	9 15	
Sweetwater	6 1	16 9	
Fort Stockton	4 3	13 7	
Andrews	3 3	13 12	
Monahans	2 5	8 13	
Lake View	2 5	4 20	
Pecos	1 6	5 15	

Friday's Games
Big Spring 62, Pecos 54
Lake View 77, Fort Stockton 66
Sweetwater 56, Monahans 60
Andrews open

Tuesday's Games
Sweetwater at Big Spring
Pecos at Andrews
Fort Stockton at Monahans
Lake View open

District 6-2A

Girls' Standings		Overall	
District	W L	W L	
x-Stanton	3 0	22 2	
Wall	2 0	18 7	
Coahoma	1 1	14 12	
Eldorado	1 2	13 11	
Ozona	0 2	7 16	
Irwin	0 2	7 12	
McCahey	0 2	10 12	

Friday's Games
Stanton 64, Eldorado 56
Coahoma 42, Ozona 39
Wall 53, Irwin 18
McCahey open

Boys' Standings		Overall	
District	W L	W L	
Coahoma	6 0	20 5	
Eldorado	4 2	10 12	
Ozona	4 2	9 8	
Wall	3 3	11 8	
Stanton	3 3	11 13	
Irwin	1 5	6 15	
McCahey	1 5	8 14	

Friday's Games
Coahoma 71, Ozona 61
Eldorado 58, Stanton 56
Wall 50, Irwin 43
McCahey open

District 23-A

Girls' Standings		Overall	
District	W L	W L	
Garden City	4 0	20 2	
Foran	4 1	15 8	
Sterling City	2 3	12 11	
Water Valley	2 3	8 11	
Irwin County	0 5	9 12	

Friday's Games
Foran 53, Irwin County 38
Sterling City 43, Water Valley 35
Garden City 63, Midland JV 40

Boys' Standings		Overall	
District	W L	W L	
Water Valley	5 0	16 6	
Foran	4 1	12 11	
Sterling City	1 3	12 10	
Garden City	1 3	7 13	
Irwin County	0 5	4 16	

Friday's Games
Foran 74, Irwin County 45
Water Valley 56, Sterling City 46
Midland Sophie 62, Garden City 52

WJCAC Standings

Women		Overall	
Conference	W L	W L	
Howard	4 1	24 1	
Western Texas	4 1	17 7	
South Plains	3 1	15 5	
New Mexico JC	2 2	13 8	
Frank Phillips	0 4	11 7	
Odessa	0 4	13 9	

Thursday's Games
Howard 72, Odessa 62
Western Texas 78, Frank Phillips 61

Monday's Games
New Mexico JC at South Plains, 6 p.m.
Frank Phillips at Odessa, 6 p.m.

Men		Overall	
Conference	W L	W L	
Odessa	5 0	21 1	
Howard	4 1	15 7	
Midland	3 2	20 2	
South Plains	3 2	16 5	
New Mexico Military	2 4	10 9	
New Mexico JC	1 4	10 12	
Frank Phillips	0 5	4 15	

Thursday's Games
Odessa 61, Howard 68
South Plains 107, NMJC 89

ON THE AIR

College Basketball
Minnesota at St. Johns, noon, ch. 7.
Indiana at Illinois, 2 p.m., ch. 7.
UCLA at California, 3 p.m., ch. 2.
NBA
Phoenix at Boston, 11:30 a.m., ch. 9.
Pro football
Super Bowl pre-game special, 3 p.m., ch. 9.
Super Bowl XXVIII - Dallas vs. Buffalo, 5 p.m., ch. 9.

Midland 108, New Mexico JC 80
Frank Phillips 101, Howard Payne JV 62

Saturday's Games
Air Force JV at NMJC, 8:30 p.m.

Monday's Games
Howard at Midland, 7:30 p.m.
New Mexico JC at South Plains, 8 p.m.
Frank Phillips at Odessa, 8 p.m.
Clarendon at NMJC, 8:30 p.m.

BOWLING

GUYS & DOLLS
RESULTS - Rock Terrace over Photo Magic Studio, 8-0; Arrow Refrigeration over Fifth Wheels, 8-0; Signon Lawn Service over Quail Run, 6-2; Rocky over Phillips Tire Co., 6-2; hi sc. game (man) Pete Williams, 224; hi sc. series (man) Tom Daily, 568; hi hdp game and series (man) Pete Williams, 258 and 657; hi sc. game and series (woman) Evelyn Williams, 208 and 562; hi hdp game (woman) Mary Ellis, 236; hi hdp series (woman) Latha Hill, 556; hi sc. team game Rocky's, 776; hi sc. team series Rock Terrace, 1902; hi hdp team series Rock Terrace, 2463.

STANDINGS - Rocky's, 100-60; Phillips Tire Co., 94-66; Signon Lawn Service, 92-66; Rock Terrace, 90-70; Arrow Refrigeration, 80-80; Quail Run, 70-90; Photo Magic Studio, 66-94; Fifth Wheels, 48-112.

WEDNESDAY NITE TRIO
A Timeless Design over Dewey Sape Relig., 8-0; Copy Cats over Main St. Bakery & Deli, 6-2; Fast Stop Exxon (unopposed), 8-0; Just Us over Carlos Restaurant, 6-2; Fly By Night over Moss Lake, 6-2; Security State Bank over Neals Sporting Goods, 8-0; Slow Starters Two over Loan Stars, 8-2; Saunders Company over Fifth Wheels, 8-0; Big Spring Music over NTS, 8-0.
Hi game scratch Walter Little, 254; hi. series

scratch Jackie LeCroy, 657; hi. game hdp Walter Little, 278; hi. series hdp Q.T. Costa, Jr., 713; hi. game scratch Joyce Davis, 228; hi. series scratch Joyce Davis, 610; hi. game hdp Faye Stoker, 259; hi. series hdp Faye Stoker, 642; hi. team game scratch Big Spring Music, 642; hi. team game hdp Big Spring Music, 1790; hi. team game hdp Big Spring Music, 718; hi. team series hdp Big Spring Music, 2015.

STANDINGS - Loan Stars, 112-44; Big Spring Music, 104-46; Saunders Company, 92-66; Just Us, 90-70; A Timeless Design, 88-77; Main St. Bakery & Deli, 88-69; Moss Lake, 88-72; Security State Bank, 84-74; Fly By Night, 83-75; Copy Cats, 81-77; Carlos Restaurant, 78-82; Neals Sporting Goods, 78-84; NTS, 73-87; Fast Stop Exxon, 73-87; Dewey Sape Relig., 66-94; Slow Starters Two, 64-84; Fifth Wheels, 62-96.

STARS
3 A Crowd over Two Good For Words, 0-0; Bad News over Team 86, 8-0; Barts Team over Holy Rollers, 6-2; Team 84 over T.A.D., 6-2.
Hi. sc. series Barts Team, 1567; hi. sc. game Barts Team, 688; Juniors high series James Usery, 467; Shannon Bessler, 415; Juniors high game James Usery, 169 and Shannon Bessler, 156; Majors high series Tommy Morton, 559 and Pennie Williams, 366; Majors high game Tommy Morton, 204 and Pennie Williams, 129.
Hi. hdp team series Barts Team, 1903; high game Barts Team, 628; Juniors high series James Usery, 614 and Shannon Bessler, 628; Juniors high game James Usery, 218 and Shannon Bessler, 230; Majors high hdp series James Brown, 581 and Pennie Williams, 477; Majors high game Jason Brown, 217 and Pennie Williams, 186.

STANDINGS - Barts Team, 84-36; Team 84, 78-44; Holy Rollers, 74-46; Bad news, 64-56; 3 A Crowd, 60-52; Two Good For Words, 56-56; T.A.D., 42-78 and Team 86, 16-104.

STRIKERS
Three Musketeers over Fireballs, 8-0; Crystals over Texas Hot Shots, 8-0; Pin Assassins over Thunderbirds, 6-2 and Cobra's over Team 84, 8-0.
Hi. sc. series Three Musketeers, 989; hi. game Three Musketeers, 347; Barntons high series Anthony Booth, 211 and Natasha Mitchell, 126; hi. game Anthony Booth, 82 and Natasha Mitchell, 57; Preps high series Jacob Zant, 415 and Natasha Brake, 476; high game Jacob Zant, 183 and Natasha Brake, 173; hi. hdp series Three Musketeers, 1464 and high game Cobra's, 523; Barntons high series Zachary Pierce, 468 and Natasha Mitchell, 429; hi. game Zachary Pierce, 156 and Natasha Mitchell, 158; Preps high series Jacob Zant, 532 and Natasha Brake, 597; hi. game Jacob Zant, 222 and Natasha Brake, 210.

MUSKETEERS - Thunderbirds, 82-36; Three Musketeers, 74-46; Pin Assassins, 70-50; Cobras, 68-52; Fireballs, 66-54; Crystals, 56-54; Texas Hot Shots, 30-90 and Team 84, 24-66.

DOUBLE TROUBLE
Who Cares over Tony's Auto Sales, 8-0; Fun Bunch over Team Three, 6-2; NALCO over M&M Computers, 8-0; Timco over Family Ties, 5-3; T-N-T, 8-0; One over and A, 8-0; Stanton Four and Team Nine, 4-4; B.S.P.A. over Wrecking

Crew, 6-2; Pocket Seekers over Tubbs Construction, 5-3; Late Arrivals over The Rescuers, 8-0; and Pinckie's over Lone Star Armadillo, 6-2.
Hi. sc. series NALCO, 2336; Jeff Dukat, 649 and Laurie Wells, 605; hi. sc. game NALCO, 811; Jeff Dukat, 286 and Joyce Davis, 215; hi. hdp high series team NALCO, 2380; Walter Speaker, 651 and Evelyn Williams, 626; hi. game Team Three, 843; Jeff Dukat, 286 and Julie Vandyken, 236.

STANDINGS - NALCO, 123-45; Pinckie's, 118-50; T-N-T Bar-B-Q, 110-58; Fun Bunch, 106-62; B.S.P.A., 104-64; Who Cares, 94-74; Team Three, 93-75; Pocket Seekers, 93-75; Family Ties, 86-82; Late Arrivals, 85-83; Tubbs Construction, 81-87; Timco, 78-90; Tony's Auto Sales, 76-92; Team Nine, 74-94; T and A, 73-95; M&M Computers, 73-95; Wrecking Crew, 59-108; Lone Star Armadillo, 56-112; The Stanton Four, 54-114 and The Rescuers, 44-124.

LADIES MAJOR
Strickland & Knight over Cline Construction, 8-0; Hall Aircooled Engine over C.L.E.A.T., 8-0; Pretty Things over Barber Glass & Mirror, 6-2; Day's Inn Mattie and Gutter Gals, 4-4; KC Kids over Tom Boy, 8-0; La Contessa over Sassy Ladies, 6-2; Arrow Refrigeration over Campbell Cement, 6-2; Vanessa's and Morrow Masonry, 4-4; and E.P. Driver over Rocky's, 6-2.
Hi. sc. series Ind. Laurie Wells, 659; team Strickland & Knight, 2224; hi. sc. game Ind. Laurie Wells, 248; and Strickland & Knight, 788; hi. hdp hi. series Ind. Teri Woolverton, 723; team Strickland & Knight, 2572; hi. hdp game Ind. Teri Woolverton, 252 and Strickland & Knight, 884.

STANDINGS - La Contessa, 114-46; Strickland & Knight, 112-48; Campbell Cement, 102-58; Pretty Things, 100-60; Tom Boy, 95-65; Morrow Masonry, 94-66; Cline Construction, 85-75; E.P. Driver, 84-78; Arrow Refrigeration, 83-77; KC Kids, 78-84; Gutter Gals, 72-88; Sassy Ladies, 70-80; Rocky's, 62-96; Barber Glass & Mirror, 62-96; Vanessa's, 59-101; Hall Aircooled Engine, 59-101; Days Inn Mattie, 57-103 and C.L.E.A.T., 54-106.

TUESDAY COUPLES
Kit Smith Enterprises over Angle at Stylitics, 6-2; Team Twenty-One over Bowl-A-Rama, 6-2; C&T Cleaners over Parks Agency, 6-2; Fina Oil & Chemical over Big Spring Skipper, 8-0; Double R Cattle Co. over Kwik Kar, 7-1; B.S. Mobile Home Park over Ups & Downs, 8-0; Holy Roly over A Timeless Design, 6-2; Trio Fuels over Kwik Kar, 8-0; C&T Cleaners, 88-88; Holy Roly, 87-89; A Timeless Design, 82-94; Angle at Stylitics, 79-97; BS Mobile Home Park, 77-99; Team

96-78; Kit Smith Enterprise, 96-78; Double R Cattle Co., 93-83; Big Spring Skipper, 92-84; Kwik Kar, 89-87; C&T Cleaners, 88-88; Holy Roly, 87-89; A Timeless Design, 82-94; Angle at Stylitics, 79-97; BS Mobile Home Park, 77-99; Team

Coming Attractions
Local sports schedule

Monday
Howard College Basketball
Howard (men) at Midland, 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday
High School Basketball
Sweetwater at Big Spring (girls/boys), 8 p.m.
Garden City at Sterling City (girls/boys), 6:30 p.m.
Midland Christian at Stanton (girls/boys), 6:30 p.m.
Coahoma at Wall (girls/boys), 8:30 p.m.
Foran at Water Valley (girls/boys), 6:30 p.m.
Sands at Grady (girls/boys), 6:30 p.m.
Borden at Dawson (girls/boys), 6:30 p.m.

Thursday
High School Basketball
Andrews at Big Spring (Wb - girls), 6 p.m.
Junior High Basketball
Andrews at Goliad/Runnels (boys), 6 p.m.
Howard College Basketball
Howard (women) at South Plains, 6:50 p.m.
Howard (men) at South Plains, 7:50 p.m.

Friday
High School Basketball
Andrews at Big Spring (girls/boys), 6 p.m.
Garden City at Foran (girls/boys), 6:30 p.m.
Stanton at Ozona (girls/boys), 6:30 p.m.
Coahoma at Eldorado (girls/boys), 6:30 p.m.
Loop at Sands (girls/boys), 6:30 p.m.
Dawson at Grady (girls/boys), 6:30 p.m.
Junior High Basketball
Runnels/Goliad (girls) at Andrews Tournay
High School Tennis
Big Spring at Texas Schools Tournay (San Antonio)

Saturday
Junior High Basketball
Runnels/Goliad (girls) at Andrews Tournay
High School Tennis
Big Spring at Texas Schools Tournay (San Antonio)

96-78; Kit Smith Enterprise, 96-78; Double R Cattle Co., 93-83; Big Spring Skipper, 92-84; Kwik Kar, 89-87; C&T Cleaners, 88-88; Holy Roly, 87-89; A Timeless Design, 82-94; Angle at Stylitics, 79-97; BS Mobile Home Park, 77-99; Team

FOOTBALL
Super Bowl facts

INDIVIDUAL RECORDS
SCORING
Most Points, Lifetime — 24, Franco Harris, Pittsburgh; Roger Craig, San Francisco; Jerry Rice, San Francisco.
Most Points, Game — 18, Roger Craig, San Francisco vs. Miami, 1985; Jerry Rice, San Francisco vs. Denver 1980.
Most Touchdowns, Lifetime — 4, Franco Harris, Pittsburgh; Roger Craig, San Francisco; Jerry Rice, San Francisco.
Most Touchdowns, Game — 3, Roger Craig, San Francisco vs. Miami, 1985; Jerry Rice, San Francisco vs. Denver 1980.
Most Points After Touchdown, Lifetime — 9, Mike Colter, San Francisco.
Most Points After Touchdown, Game — 7, Mike Colter, San Francisco vs. Denver, 1990.
Most Field Goals, Lifetime — 5, Ray Wersching, San Francisco.
Most Field Goals, Game — 4, Don Chandler, Green Bay vs. Oakland, 1966; Ray Wersching, San Francisco vs. Cincinnati, 1962.
Longest Field Goal — 48, Jan Stenerud, Kansas City vs. Minnesota, 1970; Rich Karlis, Denver vs. N.Y. Giants, 1987.
Most Salties — 1, Dwight White, Pittsburgh vs. Minnesota, 1975; Reggie Harrison, Pittsburgh vs. Dallas, 1976; Henry Wachter, Chicago vs. New England, 1986; George Martin, New York vs. Denver, 1987; Bruce Smith, Buffalo vs. New York, 1991.

RUSHING
Most Attempts, Lifetime — 101, Franco Harris, Pittsburgh.
Most Attempts, Game — 36, John Riggin, Washington vs. Miami, 1983.
Most Yards Gained, Lifetime — 354, Franco Harris, Pittsburgh.
Most Yards Gained, Game — 204, Tim Smith, Washington vs. Denver, 1988.
Longest Gain — 74, Marcus Allen, L.A. Raiders vs. Washington, 1984.
Most Touchdowns, Lifetime — 4, Franco Harris, Pittsburgh.
Most Touchdowns, Game — 2, Elijah Pitts, Green Bay vs. Kansas City, 1967; Larry Csonka, Miami vs. Minnesota, 1974; Pete Banaszak, Oakland vs. Minnesota, 1977; Franco Harris, Pittsburgh vs. L.A. Rams, 1980; Marcus Allen, L.A. Raiders vs. Washington, 1984; Jim McMahon, Chicago vs. New England, 1986; Tim Smith, Washington vs. Denver, 1988; Tom Rathman, San Francisco vs. Denver, 1990; Gerald Riggs, Washington vs. Buffalo, 1992.

PASSING
Most Attempts, Lifetime — 122, Joe Montana, San Francisco.
Most Attempts, Game — 58, Jim Kelly, Buffalo vs. Washington, 1992.
Most Completions, Lifetime — 83, Joe Montana, San Francisco.



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Meet a modern hero,
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The Mini Pages
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Two-time world ski champ dies after downhill crash

By The Associated Press

GARMISCH-PARTENKIRCHEN, Germany — Austrian Ulrike Maier, winner of two world titles, died Saturday after breaking her neck in a terrifying crash during a World Cup downhill race.

Austrian and German officials said Maier's right ski apparently hit a patch of soft snow, causing her to lose balance and to flip around.

Her head then crashed into a timing post, she lost her helmet, tumbled over several times and appeared to have been hit by one of her skis that snapped free.

Officials tried to revive her with mouth-to-mouth resuscitation and heart massage, said Karl Flock, a German team doctor who was on the scene. Christoph Krus, another doctor who was on the scene, said Maier also was placed on a respirator.

Maier, 26, then was flown by helicopter to an emergency accident hospital at Murnau, 15 miles east of this Bavarian resort, but a team of surgeons was unable to save her life.

"She had no chance," Guenter Hofmann, a co-director of the hospital, said.

He said Maier was virtually dead upon arrival at the hospital.

"Her neck was broken, the main artery was ripped, and no surgery was possible," Hofmann said. Maier was pronounced dead 2 hours after the crash.

"It is a black day for all of us," Hubert Ostler, chief of the organizing committee, said.

Maier was the first skier to die as a result of a crash since another Austrian, Gernot Reinstadler, was killed in practice for a downhill at Wengen, Switzerland, in 1991.

Italian Leonardo David died in 1986, seven years after crashing in a downhill at Lake Placid, N.Y.

Two other Austrian skiers died in recent years. Rudolf Nierlich was killed in a car crash in 1991, and Peter Wirsberger died in a skiing accident in 1992. Nierlich won the slalom and giant slalom at the World Championships at Vail, Colo., in 1989, when Maier won her first world title.

At the 1992 Olympics at Albertville, France, speed skier Nicholas Bochatay of Switzerland was killed when he skied into a snowplow during practice.

Maier's death, two weeks before the opening of the Olympics at Lillehammer, Norway, shocked the Austrian team and the World Cup

circuit.

"We have lost a friend and a valuable team member," Austrian women's team chief Herwig Demtschar said. "I was near the site of the crash and I knew immediately that it was serious."

Maier was one of the pillars of the powerful Austrian team. She gained her fifth World Cup victory last week at Maribor, Slovenia, in a giant slalom. She was in her 10th World Cup season, and was fourth in the overall standings. And she was considered among the top medal contenders for Lillehammer.

Although Maier's speed at the time of the crash was just over 60 mph, officials said the course was safe.

"It was one of the safest parts of the course," chief referee Kurt Hoch said.

An overnight storm had dumped a layer of fresh snow on the track and the race was delayed an hour while officials prepared the Kandahar course.

Maier was the mother of a 4-year daughter, Melanie.

She was pregnant when she won the super giant slalom at the 1989 World Championships. Her daughter was born in August that year.



Rescue personnel crowd around Ulrike Maier of Austria after she crashed during the women's World Cup downhill race in Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Germany Saturday.

Steffi sparkles en route to winning Aussie Open

By The Associated Press

MELBOURNE, Australia — Steffi Graf had just reasserted her dominance in women's tennis with a nearly flawless performance to win her fourth straight Grand Slam title when the shadow of her only real rival appeared.

"Are you looking forward to Monica's return?" she was asked after her 6-0, 6-2 defeat Saturday of Arantxa Sanchez Vicario in the Australian Open final.

"Yes," she said with a bewildered look on her face, then paused and took a deep breath.

With Monica Seles sidelined since she was stabbed in the back by a spectator during a tournament last April in Germany, Graf has taken women's tennis back to the late 1980s — when she ruled the sport.

Saturday's victory made it 13 straight Grand Slam titles that have been won by either Graf or Seles, a streak stretching back to the 1990 U.S. Open. Seles had won the previous three Australian Open titles.

Since Seles was attacked, Graf has won all four of the Grand Slam tournaments that have been contested.

Sanchez Vicario, who won only 12 points in the first set against Graf, also was asked whether Saturday's lopsided final meant tennis needs Seles back.

"How many times have I heard that question?" she said. "I don't think there are only two players on the tour."

Graf, who won her 15th Grand Slam title, blasted 14 forehand winners past Sanchez Vicario while putting on her most dominating performance in a Grand Slam final since her 6-0, 6-0 defeat of Natalia Zvereva in the 1988 French Open.

She earned \$322,000 for the victory, while Sanchez Vicario got \$161,000.

"Especially in the first set, I didn't seem to make any mistakes and whatever I did was close to the lines, it was the right shot and perfect timing," Graf said. "I don't think there have been many moments that I can say I have played like that."

Graf needed only 6 hours, 23 minutes, to complete all seven of her matches during the two-week Australian Open. That's less than the 6:32 John McEnroe and Mats Wilander took to play one match in the 1982 Davis Cup quarterfinals at St. Louis.

Graf was on the attack from the start. The 24-year-old German breezed through the first set in 24 minutes, finishing it with a powerful cross-court winner on a service return.

When Sanchez Vicario finally won a game early in the second set, she slammed a ball high in the air in cel-



Steffi Graf smiles after winning the women's final at the Australian Open Saturday.

ebration. But Graf soon finished out the match, pumping her left fist into the air after completing the match with a backhand passing shot.

"I'm very proud to finally make it into the final here, but it was not my day," said Sanchez Vicario, a 23-year-old Spaniard who had lost in the semifinals the previous three years. "I made a lot of errors and I didn't play well. My legs were not working today. I was late every time to the ball. And she played the best she ever played."

The men's final was set for Sunday, with Pete Sampras facing Todd Martin in an all-American match.

Sampras had won both of his previous meetings with Martin, including a five-set victory at the 1992 U.S. Open. Sunday's match was to be the first all-American final at the Australian Open since 1982, when Johan Kriek defeated Steve Denton.

Sampras was trying to become the third man ever to win Wimbledon, the U.S. Open and the Australian Open consecutively. The last time it was accomplished was by Roy Emerson in 1964-65. Before that, Don Budge did it in 1937-38.

The ninth-seeded Martin, whose best previous performance in a Grand Slam tournament was reaching the Wimbledon quarterfinals last summer, was trying to become the lowest-seeded player to win the Australian Open since unseeded Mark Edmondson won in 1976.

The Australian Open, played on Rebound Ace rubberized hard courts, is sponsored by Ford.

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THE KARAT PATCH

Gold Jewelry and Your Skin Part 1 of 3

Q: Why does gold jewelry discolor my skin?

A: The most common reason jewelry turns some body areas black is metallic abrasion.

Cosmetics often contain compounds harder than the jewelry itself, which wear or rub off very tiny metal particles. Very finely divided metal always appears black rather than metallic, so it looks like jet black dust. When this dust comes in contact with absorbent surfaces like skin or clothing, it sticks, forming a black smudge.

To prevent this, try switching cosmetics and/or be sure problem skin jewelry contact areas are clean and cosmetic free. A smudge block cream is also available for purchase at THE KARAT PATCH.



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CARVER DRIVE IN PHARMACY

Mail Order Prescription Safety

Q: Should I be concerned about the safety of Mail order Prescription?

A: Yes! They do not know any of your medical history or other medications that you might be taking that could interact. There have also been many cases of prescriptions being filled with the wrong medications, due to mail orders assembly line prescription processing. Your health is worth more to you and us.



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South Mountain Agency, Realtors

Q: I paid \$50,000 for my home five years ago, and I spent \$10,000 on paint, new carpet and wallpaper. Now my Realtor estimates I can only get \$55,000 for the house. Can you tell me why?

A: The value of a house is not determined by what it cost you, but by what competitive properties are currently selling for. The location, size, condition, number of rooms, and special features are some of the factors to be considered. Before listing we can do a free Market Analysis so you will know what your home is worth.



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When to Prune

Q: When is the right time to start pruning my trees and shrubs?

A: Now is the time to start pruning. A good rule to follow is... Never prune more than 1/3 the total size per year. Call us with any other questions on pruning you might have or to schedule maintenance care of your trees and shrubs with us.



Terri Johansen
Owner

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DORA ROBERTS REHABILITATION CENTER

Occupational Therapy

Q: What's the difference between Physical and Occupational Therapy?

A: An O.T.'s philosophy of treatment: a more functional approach to rehabilitation with both children and adults by: (1) purposeful activities or tasks that incorporate exercise and (2) Activities of Daily Living (ADL); retraining disabled individuals to perform self-care needs. O.T.s are primarily concerned with rehabilitating the upper extremities (exercise, muscle re-education, fine & gross motor skills and splinting). In a different setting, Occupational Therapists direct their attention to the emotional and mental aspects of rehabilitation as would be seen in a psychiatric setting.



Gwen Morton
Occupational Therapist

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TATUM JEWELERS

Care of Diamond Jewelry

Q: What's the best way to care for my pearls?

A: As pearls are organic and extremely fragile, use no abrasives, chemicals or heat. Instead, wipe them gently with a soft damp cloth - do not immerse in water.



Janice Tatum
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•Rotary Group putting together a foreign country tour. For an application, call 267-3014. •Team consists of professional or business leader. Lasted in South Africa.

Today
•Maximum Prize at the Lions Bu day at 6:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m., a 1607 E. 3rd S. #12372690748. #17521878011. #30008084854.

•St. Thomas offers bingo at 7 p.m. #3-00-7860. •Bingo at Im Mary Catholic C. Fridays and Sat. 6:30 p.m. Lic. #mum payout.

•American Le have a Shuffle B 2 p.m. on Satur. Draw for partner. •College Park p.m., Monday-F and Saturday at 502 Birdwell. Shopping Center allowed by law. Lic. # 1-75-224. Lodge #1386 Li Big Spring Prof Assoc. Local 292 2046854-1.

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•The Big Spr meet at the Elks invited. Wednesday
•West Texas legal help on a Northside Com those unable t attorney. For 686-0647.

Thursday
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Section B

Springboard

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

•Rotary Group Study Exchange is putting together a team for study in a foreign country May 25-June 30. For an application, call Paul Nabors at 267-3014 as soon as possible. A team consists of non-Rotarian professional or business people and a team leader. Last year's group studied in South Africa.

Today

•Maximum Prize Bingo is offered at the Lions Building, Monday-Friday at 6:30 p.m., Saturday at 1 p.m. and 6:30 p.m., and Sunday at 2 p.m. 1607 E. 3rd Street. Lion's Lic. #12372690748, CIA Lic. #17521878011, HARC Lic. #30008084854.

•St. Thomas Catholic Church offers bingo at 7:30 p.m. on Sunday. Lic. #3-00-786055-1.

•Bingo at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church, 1009 Hearn, Fridays and Saturdays beginning at 6:30 p.m. Lic. #1751274202. Maximum payout.

•American Legion Post #506 will have a Shuffle Board Tournament at 2 p.m. on Saturday. Entry fee is \$2. Draw for partners 3203 W. Hwy. 80.

•College Park Bingo Sunday at 2 p.m., Monday-Friday at 6:30 p.m. and Saturday at 1 p.m. Located at 502 Birdwell #27, College Park Shopping Center. Maximum prizes allowed by law. Big Spring Main St. Lic. # 1-75-2246942-2. BPO Elks Lodge #1386 Lic. # 1-75-0871835-4. Big Spring Professional Firefighters Assoc. Local 2922. IAFF Lic. # 1-75-2046854-1.

Monday

•There will be gospel singing at the Kentwood Center on Lynn Drive at 7 p.m. Everyone welcome. For information call 393-5709.

•Tops Club (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) will meet 6:30 p.m. Weigh in starts at 6 p.m. at Canterbury South, 1700 Lancaster. For more information please call 263-1340 or 263-8633.

•Christian Home Schoolers of Big Spring will be having a class on how to make lye soap. For more information call Jeana at 264-0304.

•The Flying Club will meet 7:30 p.m. at the Basin Aviation Building at McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark. Anyone interested is invited to attend. Call 263-2520 for more information.

•Staked Plains Lodge 598 will present T.R. (Blackie) Morris with the Golden Trowel Award at 7 p.m. at the lodge, 221-1/2 Main. All Morris' friends are invited.

Tuesday

•Spring Tabernacle Church, 1209 Wright St., has free bread and whatever else is available for area needy from 10 a.m. to noon.

•The Big Spring Senior Citizens Center will have ceramics classes from 9:30-11:30 a.m. 55 and older invited.

•VFW Post # 2013 will meet 7 p.m. at the VFW hall.

•Coahoma Senior Center Project Group meeting 11 a.m. at the Coahoma Community Center, 306 North Ave. Visitors welcome. For more information call 394-4439.

•A.A.R.P. will meet 10 a.m. at the Kentwood Center. For more information call Lucille Hopper at 267-7046.

•The Big Spring Bass Club will meet at the Elks Lodge 7 p.m. Public invited.

Wednesday

•West Texas Legal Service offers legal help on civil matters at the Northside Community Center for those unable to afford their own attorney. For information call 1-686-0647.

Thursday

•Spring Tabernacle Church, 1209 Wright St., has free bread and whatever is available for area needy from 10 a.m. to noon.

•Big Spring Senior Citizen Center offers art classes from 9:30-11:30 a.m. 55 and older invited. And bingo from 12:45-1:45 p.m.

•There will be a Country/Western music & singing at the Kentwood Center, 2805 Lynn, at 7 p.m. Public invited.

•The Genealogical Society of Big Spring will meet 7:15 p.m. in the Howard County Library Conference room. Visitors welcome. Enter through west entrance. Doors must be locked after meeting begins. For information call Bernice Cason at 267-8542.

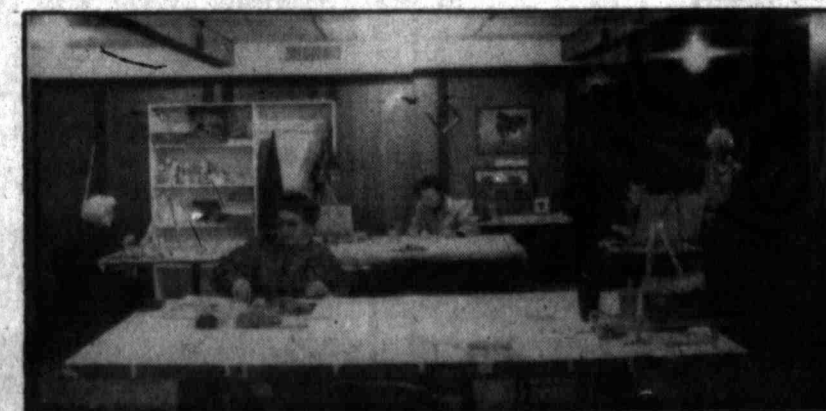
•L.U.L.A.C. of Big Spring chapter no. 4375 will meet 7 p.m. at the Howard County Courthouse. For more information call Mina at 267-2740.



Chalking

Every Thursday morning at the Big Spring Senior Citizens Center, local artists arrive to hone their talents. Open to all residents over 55 years old, students can work with several different mediums and can get help from volunteers.

The art room is open on Thursdays, from 9-11:30 a.m. at the northeast corner of the center.



Clockwise from top left: Wanda Milton uses colored chalks on her piece depicting a snow-covered countryside; a small Victorian-era child gets added detail on her hat; Candy Andrews draws on her paper as others in the background also work; class volunteer Wanda Erickson talks over the details of a photograph with a student; artists have lots of space in the room provided at the Big Spring Senior Citizens Center; Hilda Fernandez paints with acrylic on canvas.

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Anniversaries

Whitley



M. DOUGLAS AND LAURA A. WHITLEY, THEN AND NOW

M. Douglas and Laura A. Whitley celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Jan. 20, 1994.

They were married in the study of Dr. John Bunyan Smith, pastor of First Baptist Church, San Diego, Calif.

Douglas was born near Clifton and Laura (Clark) was born near South Bend, Ind. They moved to Big Spring in September of 1957. Douglas taught science at Big Spring High

School and at Howard College. Laura taught at College Heights and Washington Schools.

They have four children: Glenn and Julie Whitley, St. Louis, Mo.; Beth Ann Whitley, Houston, Reed and Margaret Whitley, Hobbs, N.M.; and Kerry and Karla Whitley, Dallas.

They also have six grandchildren. Mr. and Mrs. Whitley are enjoying their retirement.



Kathy Brown, Lubbock, and Carl Speck, Cotton Center, will exchange wedding vows Feb. 4, 1994 at Caprock Winery, Lubbock. Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. Don Brown, Silvertown. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Guy V. Speck, formerly of Big Spring, now of San Angelo.



New residents of Big Spring welcomed recently by Joy Fortenberry and the Newcomer Greeting Service include:

Larry and Sharon Pew, Lamesa. They own and operate the Movie Warehouse.

Mark and Robin Bledsoe; children: Tyler, Trevor, Tate, and Tanner, Graham. He works for Wal-Mart.

P.E. and Norma Osburn, Colorado City. He is retired from Texaco.

Donald and Jaleen Strickland, Flagstaff, Ariz. He works for C.S.A.



UTPB honor roll

ODESSA - Big Spring residents are among those cited for academic achievement at The University of Texas of the Permian Basin.

The President's Honor Roll, which recognizes students with a grade point average of 4.0, included the following: Fall 1993 - Molly E. Harman and Sheila A. Stockwell.

A grade point average of 3.5 to 3.9 is required for the Dean's Honor Roll. The following Big Spring residents have been named to the list: Summer 1993 - Lisa M. Bayes, Charles A. Campbell, Shelley L. Choate, Gerald W. Harrison, Cherie A. Nobles; Fall 1993 - Janet L. Abner, Kathryn S. Burrow, Pamela J. Campbell, Shelley L. Choate, Sherrill K. Horsley, Keith E. Jones, Cherie A. Nobles, Christopher A. Rosenbaum, Sandra G. Smith.

A total of 431 students - approximately 19 percent of the student body - qualified for the fall honor rolls.

Inc. and she is employed by Bealls Dept. Store.

Joe Martin, Jacksboro. He works for the Police Department.

Clifford and Susan McGillvary; son Brant, from Page, Ariz. They are both employed by the V.A. Medical Center.

Dorothy Sneed, Colorado City. She is retired.

Jim and Wanda Tubbs; son James, and daughter Kimberly, Cortland, N.Y. They own and operate Gregg Street Shamrock.

Martha T. Cady, Willis. She is retired from office work.

Bill and Donna Vaughn, Eagle Ness, N.M. He is retired from oil field work.

Support Groups

The following is a list of support groups available to Big Spring residents throughout the week. To add a listing or make a change, call 263-7331, ext. 112.

MONDAY

•Al-A-Teen will meet at 7:30 p.m., 615 Settles.

•New Phoenix Hope group of Narcotics Anonymous will meet at 8 p.m., at St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad.

•Turning Point A.A. will meet from 8-9 p.m. at St. Mary Episcopal Church, 10th & Goliad. This meeting is open to all substance abusers.

•TOPS, a weight support group, meets at Canterbury South, 1700 Lancaster at 6:30 p.m. Weigh-in at 6 p.m. For information, call 263-1340 or 263-8633.

TUESDAY

•On the first Tuesday of each month a group called Support for MS and Related Diseases meets at 7 p.m. at Canterbury South, 1700

Lancaster. Public invited. For information call Leslie at 267-1069.

•Family Support Group for current and former patients and families will meet at the Reflections Unit at Scenic Mountain Medical Center, at 6 p.m. For information call Scott Augustine at 263-0074.

•Al-Anon will meet at 8 p.m., 615 Settles.

•Diabetic support Group for all seniors. 2 p.m. at Canterbury south. For information call 263-1265.

•Compassionate Friends, a support group for parents who have experienced the death of a child will meet the first Tuesday of each even-numbered month at 7:30 p.m. in room 113 of the Family Life Center Bldg., First Baptist Church, 705 W. March. Enter by the SE door. For information call 267-2769.

•VOICES, a support group for adolescent victims of sexual abuse, incest, rape, date rape, and any other crime of indecency, 3:45 p.m. For information call Rape Crisis/Victim Services at 263-3312.

•Second Tuesday of every month, a diabetes support group meets at Scenic Mountain Medical Center classroom, 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

•Gambler's Anonymous will meet at 7 p.m. at St. Stephens Catholic Church, room 1, 4601 Neeley, Midland. For information call 263-8920.

•New Phoenix Hope group of Narcotics Anonymous will meet at 8 p.m. at St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad.

•Adults Molested as Children will meet from 10-11:30 a.m. For information call Rape Crisis/Victim Services at 263-3312.

THURSDAY

•The Salvation Army will have a drug education program sponsored by the Permian Basin Regional Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse at 7 p.m. at the Salvation Army building, 308 Alford.

•The Permian Basin Regional Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse is offering a community re-entry group meeting at noon, at 905 N. Benton. For information call 263-8920.

•Support Group for battered women will meet at 2:30 p.m. For information call 263-3312 or 267-3626.

•New Phoenix Hope group of

Narcotics Anonymous will meet at 8 p.m. at St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad.

•Al-Anon will meet at 8 p.m. at Scenic Mountain Medical Center, small cafeteria on the first floor.

•First Thursday of every month, cancer support group meets at 7 p.m., Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Call Beverly Rice at 263-7361, ext. 7077 for information.

•Last Thursday of each month, Howard County Mental Health Center sponsors a support group for families and friends of people living with mental illness. It meets at 6 p.m., followed by the Big Spring Alliance for the Mentally Ill. Call Shannon Nabors or Dixie Burcham at 263-0027 for information.

FRIDAY

•Adults Molested as Children will meet from 5:15-7 p.m. For information call Rape Crisis/Victim Services at 263-3312.

•Turning Point A.A. will meet 8-9:30 p.m. at St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 10th & Goliad. This meeting is open to all substance abusers.

Bingo parlor in my own backyard

I have a friend who eats lunch with me every Wednesday that we're in town. We try to eat in a different place every week. Once we went for two years without going to the same restaurant twice.

That doesn't mean Big Spring has over a hundred eating establishments. Both of us are not always in town on Wednesdays and cafes open and close frequently here.

Recently we went to the new Bingo parlor for lunch. The snack bar is managed by Jerry Brooks who says the menu includes finger food items. "Players come up here, get something to eat and take it back to their tables. Eating is not the big thing here. Bingo is."

The last time I played Bingo was on a cruise ship in the Bahamas in 1988. Before then, my last Bingo game was sometime in the dark ages.

After lunch Jerry took us on a tour of the facility. I noticed some T-shirts for sale carried the phrase "Biggest Bingo Parlor in Texas." It's amazing what you find out if you just explore your hometown a little bit.

The game room is huge: 30,000 square feet. That's equal to the floor space of a dozen medium-sized houses. The old TG&Y store used to occupy the space.

Bingo players apparently smoke a lot. The people who built this facility took into consideration and made a non-smoking room. It's about one-third the size of the smoking room.

This place also has electronic games. One new one, Mortal Kombat, earns about a hundred dollars a day from kids who drop by after school. Two of the games are slot machines that dispense coupons good for merchandise. People stand at these for hours.

In the rear of the big well-lighted building are a nursery and places for



Tumbleweed Smith

youngsters to play. It's big enough for a basketball game. In fact, a hoop is at the 9-foot level on the wall and kids shoot baskets. Television sets and VCRs are sprinkled throughout the play area. About 80 youngsters are present every Bingo night.

Two gift shops offer everything bingo players need. The stage where the callers work contains the latest state-of-the-art Bingo equipment.

Bingo is played here seven days a week, Monday through Friday from 6:30-10 p.m. and early afternoons on weekends. There are 350 seats, spaced so everyone has plenty of room.

Bingo cards are not cards anymore. They are thin paper throw-aways. And instead of using corn or coins to put in the squares, players simply make a mark with a large felt-tipped dauber.

Some players are extremely superstitious and have to sit in the same place every time they play. Some surround themselves with troll dolls sprouting orange or green hair. And they have to mark the cards with their lucky colors.

The Bingo games they play include Letter T, Lucky 7, Small Picture Frame, Three Layer Cake, Block of Nine, Four Leaf Clover, Double Postage Stamp and Texas Blackout. The games pay the winners from \$60 to \$500.

The quick rise in the popularity of Bingo is rather amazing. And it has helped the sale of troll dolls considerably.



Remember!!! Feb. 7-14 is our "Canines and Cupids Special." All dogs and puppies will be just \$30. Covers spay-neuter, vaccinations, worming and rabies shot.

"Silver" cream and silver striped kitten. Young loving male. Around 17 weeks old.

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"Chief" good natured border collie. Black and white long haired coat with tan eyebrows. Young neutered male.

"Sparky" black and white pup with blue eyes. Around 14 months old, male.

"Bear" Australian Shepherd mix. White long haired coat with gray merled markings. One blue eye. Smaller neutered male. Affectionate.

"Big Red" gorgeous gold Lab. Dark gold short haired coat with square face. Outgoing spayed female.

Jacqueline Bigar

FORECAST FOR TODAY, JANUARY 30, 1994

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Make time for some exercise to help increase your natural energy level. Watch the tendency to go to extremes in dealing with a loved one or partner. Finances get out of hand, but you don't care. Tonight: Work out stress.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Intense encounters with others are likely today. You feel positive about your desirability, and want to be close to another. Tonight: Recognize your opportunities.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You would be happy entertaining at home today. Don't push too hard to complete a project. Do whatever makes you happy. You have good news to celebrate, and overindulging is a distinct possibility. Tonight: Order in.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Conversations bring a new insight. Just watch how you handle any unsubstantiated gossip. One-to-one relating proves most positive. Be ready to take the next step. Tonight: Talk up a storm.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Watch your spending, as you might go overboard to express your love for another. Opportunities for insight into what is going on come easily. Be more positive with a family member. Tonight: Go where the action is.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Dynamic encounters are likely today. Concentrate on your desires. Reach out for another, and don't let red tape stand in the way. A co-worker has eyes for you and lets you know. Share a favorite pastime or hobby with a loved one. Tonight: As you like it.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): It's time to do some real soul-searching. Concentrate on issues relating to your finances. A relationship could be getting too hot and causing stress in other parts of your life. Be aware of what you are doing to yourself. Tonight: Some heavy thinking.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Exciting news comes your way. A friend shows how much you are cared about. You have many options. Focus on success, warmth and friendship. Tonight: Pretend it's still Friday night.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You have important responsibilities to attend to today. Your intuition is correct concerning a parent or other relative. Clear out some work to get a head start on tomorrow. Tonight: Be available.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Reaching out for others at a distance proves successful. Your spiritual side comes into play. Others want to be close to you. Tonight: Stay in.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Your vulnerable side comes out, and others shower you with help. You notice a new lightness and a greater depth in relating. Your options for creativity are virtually endless. Tonight: Have fun.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): You are keeping something from a loved one. Look to the future, not the past, and work on developing a more spiritual tie. Walk in another's shoes to gain a new perspective on what has happened. Tonight: Go for the exotic.

IF JAN. 30 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: Relationships will be your strong point in this banner year. A partnership will make a significant difference in your work and community life. Make strong choices from the many professional opportunities that come your way. Watch the urge to do too much at one time. If single, you are likely to meet someone on the job who could be very important to you. If married, your relationship will reach a new intensity and intimacy. VIRGO grounds you.

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Christina Ferchalk

How will I survive the winter?

There are people out there (and I'm one of them) who become extremely depressed this time of year.

Personally I've always felt that this depression was justifiable. After the holidays there isn't much to look forward to except snow, heating bills and the flu season. It seemed to me that anyone correctly wired would naturally feel a little glum, all things considered.

But according to newspaper and magazine articles, there is a physical cause behind wintertime depression. The lack of daylight hours screws up the chemical balance in our brains, making us cranky to the point of being downright evil. All we have to do to alleviate the situation is invest in some special lighting fixtures and enlarge the windows in our homes.

Once we allow the sunlight to come shining through we'll be just hunkydory again. Of course, all this remodeling will set us back a few thousand bucks, but we can always find some spare change stashed between the sofa cushions or trapped in the lint filter of the clothes dryer.

Apparently it never occurred to the great minds who came up with this sunshine theory that one of the reasons we're so depressed in the first place is because we're suffering from post-holiday poverty.

Then I read a magazine article that actually made sense. The author suggested that even people who hate winter can find some good aspects about the month of January. One of those good things is having "downtime." The hectic pace of the holidays is over, we can shift into a slower gear. Finally there will be an opportunity to relax, reflect, and put our feet up.

I decided this was a very good idea. January would give me freedom from physical exertion. I liked that!

So it was with this fresh perspective that I revamped my plans for the ever-dreaded month of January. For the first few days at least I'd still have to work like a dog. My house was trashed over the holidays (as usual), but once I got everything back in order I could give myself some of that "downtime." I could watch old movies on the tube, visit friends and catch up on my correspondence. I'd have time to read a steamy novel, preferably while soaking in an even steamier bubble bath.

For the first time in my life I was actually looking forward to the coming of January.

At the beginning of the month the kids went back to school and I got busy. Decorations had to be boxed and carried to the attic. Pine needles and bits of tinsel were vacuumed, cookie crumbs swept away and hardened candle wax and remnants of chocolate-covered cherry goo scraped from every horizontal surface.

It took time and effort, but finally the job was done. On that night I was worn to the bone, but fell asleep knowing that the following morning I would begin my downtime vacation. While I slept, high winds blew the snow back to all the places I had shoveled it away from.

On the second day of my vacation, school was canceled and I shoveled snow. On the third day of my vacation, school was canceled. It snowed some more. As soon as I was through shoveling, I sat down and wrote this column. I thought I'd better do it while there was still breath left in my body.

I have no doubt that this January downtime vacation would soon kill me.

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Volunteers deliver Valentine's Day greetings

Remember your sweetheart Feb. 14 with flowers or heart-shaped cakes, delivered by the Big Spring State Hospital volunteers. Carnations in a bud vase are the perfect remembrance for your office, or that special someone in your life.

They will be delivered Feb. 11 or 14, along with chocolate cakes and cream pies. Flowers are \$6 and baked items are \$10. There will be a bake sale, along with Valentine arts and crafts at Citizen's Federal Credit Union, Feb. 11, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Call 264-4535 or 267-8216, ext. 535 to order flowers or baked goods to be delivered. If you would like to help bake, arrange flowers, or deliver, call and we will surely put you to work.

Valentines will be a big day at BSSH, ending with the crowning of the king and queen at the dance that day. Volunteers will provide refreshments for a disco dance.

February 15, patients will enjoy the Country Music Revue, presented by the Big Spring Police Association. Tickets for the hospital were donated



Kathy Higgins

by the Association. February 16 the Odessa VFW will sponsor their monthly bingo, as another Valentine celebration. Looks like a fun-filled week for BSSH patients.

Employee Awards for December are: Housekeeping, Joe Hernandez; ATD, Tammy Hodnett, Adolescent Unit, Diane Rodriguez, and Michelle Chavarria and North Psychiatric Unit, Donna Smith.

Ten Chalet volunteers met for a quarterly meeting Jan. 26 in the Community Relations office. It was announced that there will be a 25 cent sale of all clothing items, begin-

ning Jan. 31. Stop by The Chalet, 313 Rannels, to shop or donate items. The store is open daily 1-5 p.m.

The Volunteer Services Council Board will meet Feb. 8 at noon in the Community Relations office. Plans will be made for the Region I meeting to be hosted by Big Spring March 5, and the annual Fundraiser Dance and Reception, April 15.

A study released December 2 stated that depression costs the U.S. \$43.7 billion annually, over half of which is paid directly by American business. The report, published in the November issue of the Journal of Clinical Psychiatry, was the result of a year-long effort by a team of researchers and economists from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology Sloan School of Management and the Analysis Group, Inc., of Boston.

At a Washington press conference announcing results of the study, Texas MHMR Board Chairman Ann Utley said, "We must begin to invest

in our nation's mental health or we will continue to pay for its illness." Utley chairs the board of the National Mental Health Association, which hosted the press conference.

Depression currently costs employers \$180 per depressed and non-depressed worker. Employers spend more than \$3000 on every identified depressed worker.

Depression will affect 15 million Americans during their lifetime and is more prevalent than coronary heart disease, cancer and AIDS combined.

The study concludes that the comparative lack of visibility of depression, coupled with stigma associated with mental illness, has hampered society's ability to address the health problems brought on by depression.

Kathy Higgins is the Director of Community Relations at BSSH, which include the Volunteer Services and Public Information Department. Memorials and contributions can be mailed to Volunteer Services Council, P.O. Box 231, Big Spring, Tx. 79721.



Morgan Brittany Stephens, Jan. 10, 1994; parents are David and Kay Stephens, Plainview.

Grandparents are Dave and Dorothy Stephens, Big Spring.

Zachary Earl Jones, Jan. 24, 1994, 12:50 a.m.; mother is Tamara Magers.

Grandparents are Henrietta Jones, Big Spring, Sandra Magers, N.C.

Ryan Heath Stockton, Jan. 25, 1994, 8:55 p.m.; parents are Richard and Shelley Stockton, Ackerly.

Grandparents are Ray and Jean Peacock, Ackerly, and Margaret Davidson and Leo Stockton, both of Big Spring.

Andrea Mary Silva, Jan. 26, 1994, 2:26 p.m.; parents are Louis Silva and Maggie Lopez.

Grandparents are Victor and Mary Martinez, Jr., and Paul and Andrea Silva, all of Big Spring.

April Michelle Cevallos, Jan. 25, 1994, 10:41 a.m.; parents are Susan and Cecil Cevallos.

Grandparents are Jean and the late Dan Shockey, Lubbock, and Mr. and Mrs. Narciso Cevallos, Big Spring.

EdrDay De'Shon Smith, Jan. 25, 1994, 7:49 a.m.; mother is Laquita Gray.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Charles Smith, Big Spring.

Jonathon Wayne Marcus Gaitan, Jan. 22, 1994, 3:30 p.m.; parents are Loretta Walters and J.R. Gaitan.

Grandparents are Wesly Hudgins, Dolores Hudgins, and Jane and Wayne Walters, all of Big Spring.

Isaac Joseph Castellano, Jan. 20, 1994, 9:49 p.m.; parents are Christina Nieto and Isaac Castellano.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Isa Castellano, Sand Springs, Josie Nieto, Fair Play, S.C., and Marcelino Nieto, Big Spring.

Survivors always need support of others

DEAR ABBY: My brother recently died from an intentional overdose of prescription drugs. He was 31.

Although it was a shock at the time, it was a suicide waiting to happen. Bill (his real name) was manic-depressive, and we (his family) had bailed him out of some serious situations. I know in my heart that I did everything I could, but it finally reached the point when I realized it was useless — consequently, I had no contact with Bill for the last few years.

We learned from the coroner that Bill was unemployed, homeless and HIV-positive. He died alone on a beach in Honolulu. We decided to have him buried in Honolulu, because we knew he loved it there.

We had an evening memorial service locally for friends and family. A few of my co-workers came. Several with whom I socialized outside of work did not attend. Neither did my boss. They never said a word to me



Dear Abby

about my brother's death. Words cannot express the hurt I felt.

Death is an uncomfortable topic. Suicide is even more uncomfortable. Regardless of the circumstances, a loss through death is painful. It is the support of those around us that helps us get through it.

I hope you print this. Perhaps others will learn from it. It's important to know that even the simplest acknowledgment of a person's loss is no small thing. You may use my name. — LORI HAZEN, SALINE, MICH.

DEAR LORI: My heart goes out to you. There's an important message

in your letter.

I've had many letters from readers who have lost a loved one through suicide, and because many mistakenly assumed it might embarrass the family to be reminded of the tragedy, they simply acted as though it never happened. A loss is a loss — regardless of the circumstances.

Readers, a few words acknowledging that loss will be greatly appreciated. A card, a note, even a telephone call saying, "I'm sorry about your loss," would be comforting.

DEAR ABBY: I had to laugh when I read the letter from Nancy Fox, who warned her 44-year-old son to be careful as he left the house to go on a bike ride.

My 82-year-old mother once told my brother — a 50-year-old man — that he had better not drink coffee so late in the day or he might not be able to sleep.

I pounced on her, saying, "For heaven's sake, Mom, he's old enough

to decide for himself whether he can have coffee or not so late in the day!"

Then guilt set in when I remembered doing the same thing not long ago when I said to my married daughter, "Dear, aren't you too hot in that sweater?"

She kindly replied, "If I get too hot, I'll take it off, Mom."

No matter how old your children are, it's hard to get out of the habit of mothering them. My New Year's resolution is to kick that "mothering" habit. From now on, I'll mother my grandchildren. — ISOLDE CARLSEN, OGDEN, UTAH

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Special thanks to those who helped

By MICHAEL KELSEY
County Extension Agent

The annual Howard County Junior Livestock Show is now history, but this show can go down into the record books as one of the largest ever.

Not only from the standpoint of one of the largest number of entries in recent history can this be viewed, but from the support of our community, in particular. Approximately \$60,000 was received by youngsters at this event this year that was donated by businesses and individuals at the Premium Auction. A big, big thank you on behalf of all those youngsters that benefited from this support is due this community.

Another group of supporters that help with this show are the donors of the belt buckles and scholarships. The 4-H program emphasizes scholarships and this is particularly an important part of the stock show for us.

Big Spring 4-Her Kim Middleton was the recipient of the Caprock Electric Scholarship of \$500 at this year's show. Sammy Buchanan, representing Caprock Electric offices in Stanton, presented this award.

Caprock Electric also presented a jacket to Coahoma FFA member, Kevin Rich, in recognition of his contributions to the success of the show — the "Top Hand Award."

The M.H. "Slick" Boatler Memorial was awarded by the Skipper Driver Family of Big Spring to Big Spring 4-Her Cody Purcell. It was presented by Boatler's grandson, Dane Driver. Grant Gooch, Sands FFA, earned the Kenneth Williams Memorial Scholarship of \$400, presented by Mrs. Jean Williams of Big Spring.

Belt Buckle donors and recipients at this year's show were the David Barr family of Vincent to Justin Wood, Coahoma 4-H, for the Grand Champion Steer; and the Skipper Driver family of Big Spring to Justin Jenkins, Lucky Acres 4H, for the Reserve Champion Steer.

Wolf Farms and the Steve Wolf family of Vincent donated the Grand

Champion Heifer Buckle to Briane Fryar, Sands FFA. Dondi Brewer won the Reserve Champion Heifer Buckle made possible by the Howard College Student Services Department. The Beef Cattle Showmanship Award Buckles went to Justin Wood in the Senior Division, courtesy of Howard and Pearl Armstrong of Ackerly; and to Teri Denton, Big Spring FFA, sponsored by Iden Farms, Brandon Iden, Vealmoor.

In the lamb show, Jason Key, Coahoma 4-H, was awarded the Grand Champion Buckle from Mr. and Mrs. Harry Middleton, Big Spring. The Reserve Champion Lamb Buckle went to Brandi Borchardt, Big Spring FFA, courtesy of the Mike Moates family, Luther.

The Delroy Buchanan Family Sheep Farm of Coahoma donated the Senior Lamb Showmanship Belt Buckle to Sands FFA member, Justin Hambrick. Lucky Acres 4-H member Lauren Middleton was the Faye and Wendal Walker family of Coahoma recipient of the Junior Lamb Showmanship Buckle.

The Marion Newton Family, Big Spring and the Ron Bruton Family, Big Spring, donated the Grand Champion Hog Buckle to Shawn Reid, Coahoma FFA member. The Lynn Walling Family, Coahoma, donated

Please see 4-H, page 4.

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The facts: More than half a million Americans will die of cardiovascular disease this year. Of those, more than 170,000 will be under the age of 65, and almost half will be women.

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Fests of cranes, food

Weekend features two events sure to draw the crowds

We suffer from a dire malady, a crane infestation.

Many communities might call out the sharpshooters or take some other drastic measure - but not Big Spring. Here the Chamber of Commerce invites some bird experts to come to Big Spring and they throw a party.

Saturday will be a busy day for all Crane Fest participants with viewing trips and special speakers.

After a day viewing the cranes and other water fowl of our area, you may wish for something a little exotic to finish your day and that is the time to visit the Heritage Museum. "Around the World in 80 Bites" is the name of the most popular event the museum has held in the last several years. It features foods from different countries of the World for you to sample, one bite at a time.

This year the countries represented include Greece, Iceland, England, France, Mexico, Russia, South Africa, Scotland, Italy, the United States, Texas, and many others. You start downstairs with the appetizers, head upstairs for the main dishes, and finish in the ranching section with dessert. Several area restaurants will also be participating with specially prepared food.

Through the day there will be music and special presentations including Scottish bagpipe players. And you can be a part of this special event. Tickets are now on sale for



Angie Way

only \$5 for adults, and \$3 for children under 12. Last year over 400 attended the event. Because of this large number, tickets are sold in one-hour lots.

You may purchase for any hour from 4:30 to 7:30. Call the Heritage Museum at 267-8255 for ticket purchases.

Now for a totally unrelated subject - barbed wire (or bobwire in West Texas). We are now moving a section of display in the Museum where the barbed wire is arranged.

Until a recent donation of several dozen sections of wire with barbs, prongs, points, pricklers, and stickers, I didn't know that much about this type of barrier material. Now, a couple of books later, I am amazed at the vast varieties of the wires.

I had heard the stories of the multitudes of homesteaders who strung the wire to keep the wild animals out and the ranch stock in, and the breaking up of the prairie by ranchers protecting land claims. But I never did pay much attention to

those boards of arranged wire with their odd names in restaurants and antique shops.

Now I know better. Those wires were the patented creations of entrepreneurs. Some were creative successes and some were failures, but all were meant to parcel and control our western land.

Wire can be identified by examining its design. First, it can be divided into two groups, barbed and barbed. Barbed wire can be further described by the number of strands and their curves and bends. A two-strand wire with an interlocking third wire that is bent into sharp angles and intertwined is the Reynolds' Web, Patented Oct. 23, 1883, by William R. Reynolds of Rahway, N.J.

Barbed wire can also be identified by counting the number of wires in the strand as well as the number of points and shape of the barb. A flat single strip with something which looks like a spur rowel inserted in the middle is the Fisher's Spur Wheel and Wire Shaft, patented Nov. 22, 1887, by George P. Fisher, Jr. of Chicago, Ill.

There are many hundreds of such wires. If you would like to learn more about barbed wire or have a piece you need help identifying, just visit the Heritage Museum and we will be happy to help. You may have that special, one-of-a-kind piece of wire just waiting to be rediscovered.



BIG SPRING

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MONDAY - Chicken fried steak; mashed potatoes; mixed vegetables; rolls; milk and fruit.

TUESDAY - Beef stew; peas; tossed salad; corn bread; milk/margarine and chocolate pudding.

WEDNESDAY - Fried catfish; corn; broccoli; rolls; margarine; brownies; milk.

THURSDAY - Ham; sweet potatoes; squash; rolls; margarine; fruit; milk.

FRIDAY - Roast beef/gravy; potatoes; slaw; rolls; margarine; cookies; and milk.

SANDS BREAKFAST

MONDAY - Eggs and sausage burritos; milk and juice.

TUESDAY - Cereal, milk and juice.

WEDNESDAY - French toast, jelly, sausage, milk and juice.

THURSDAY - Donuts, milk and juice.

FRIDAY - Biscuits, sausage, jelly, milk and juice.

SANDS LUNCH

MONDAY - Hamburgers; lettuce; tomatoes; pickles; French fries; cake and milk.

TUESDAY - Fried chicken, mashed potatoes with gravy, green beans, hot rolls, milk and Jell-O.

WEDNESDAY - Frito pie, salad, pinto beans, corn bread, chocolate cake.

THURSDAY - Sliced turkey, white gravy, June peas and carrots, blackeyed peas, hot rolls, fruit and milk.

FRIDAY - Fiestadas, salad, corn, fruit, cookies and milk.

STANTON BREAKFAST

TUESDAY - Waffles/syrup or assorted cereals; buttered toast/jelly; fruit juice and milk.

WEDNESDAY - Hot biscuits; sausage/gravy or assorted cereals; buttered toast/jelly; fruit juice and milk.

THURSDAY - Cinnamon toast or assorted cereals; buttered toast; jelly; fruit juice and milk.

FRIDAY - Breakfast burrito or assorted cereals; buttered toast; jelly; fruit juice and milk.

STANTON LUNCH

TUESDAY - Hamburger or cheeseburger; French fries/catsup; hamburger salad; peaches and milk.

WEDNESDAY - Steak fingers or chicken nuggets; mashed potatoes/gravy; English peas; rolled wheat roll; milk and pudding.

THURSDAY - Nacho grande or fiesta salad; refried beans; lettuce/tomato salad; pineapple; milk and sugar cookies.

FRIDAY - Chili dog on bun or toasted cheese sandwich; tater tots with catsup; carrot-celery sticks; milk; peanut butter-raisin clusters.

FORSAN BREAKFAST

MONDAY - Cinnamon rolls; juice and milk.

TUESDAY - Muffins; butter; juice and milk.

WEDNESDAY - Pancake pups; juice and milk.

THURSDAY - Muffins; juice and milk.

FRIDAY - Cereal; juice and milk.

WESTBROOK BREAKFAST

MONDAY - French toast; little smokies; juice and milk.

TUESDAY - Biscuits; bacon; juice and milk.

WEDNESDAY - Pancake pups; juice and milk.

THURSDAY - Muffins; juice and milk.

FRIDAY - Cereal; juice and milk.

WESTBROOK LUNCH

MONDAY - Chicken fried steak; gravy; creamed potatoes; green beans; biscuits; butter; syrup; honey and milk.

TUESDAY - Burritos; chili; cheese; Mexican salad; corn; fruit cup and milk.

WEDNESDAY - Pizza; cole slaw; corn on the cob; peanut butter and crackers; peaches and milk.

THURSDAY - Taco salad; taco sauce; pinto beans; cornbread; pears and milk.

FRIDAY - Beef stew with vegetables; cheese or peanut butter sandwiches; pineapple upside down cake and milk.

GARDEN CITY LUNCH

MONDAY - Chicken strips; gravy; mashed potatoes; green beans; hot rolls; applesauce; milk.

TUESDAY - Spaghetti with meat sauce; salad; English peas; garlic bread; apple Betty; milk.

WEDNESDAY - Beef tacos; refried beans; lettuce; tomatoes; corn bread; Jell-O with fruit; milk.

THURSDAY - Baked ham; scalloped potatoes; broccoli with cheese; hot rolls; peaches; milk.

FRIDAY - Sandwiches; peanut butter, tuna or pimento cheese; French fries; carrot sticks; fresh oranges; milk.

COAHOMA BREAKFAST

MONDAY - Cereal with fruit; toast; milk.

TUESDAY - Cinnamon toast; sausage; juice; milk.

WEDNESDAY - Waffles with syrup; ham; fruit; milk.

THURSDAY - Sweeten rice; toast; fruit; milk.

FRIDAY - Cherry turnover; toast; sausage; juice; milk.

COAHOMA LUNCH

MONDAY - Chicken fried steak with gravy; creamed potatoes; broccoli; pull apart bread; milk.

TUESDAY - Enchiladas or chalupas; pinto beans; lettuce and tomato; peach cobbler; corn bread; milk.

WEDNESDAY - Pirovski burger; potato rounds; Mexican style beans; milk.

THURSDAY - Spaghetti and meat sauce or chicken spaghetti; salad; corn; corn bread; milk.

FRIDAY - Bologna and cheese sandwiches; lettuce; tomatoes; onions; pickle; tater tots; fruit; milk.

WESTBROOK BREAKFAST

MONDAY - French toast; little smokies; juice and milk.

TUESDAY - Biscuits; bacon; juice and milk.

WEDNESDAY - Pancake pups; juice and milk.

THURSDAY - Muffins; juice and milk.

FRIDAY - Cereal; juice and milk.

WESTBROOK LUNCH

MONDAY - Chicken fried steak; gravy; creamed potatoes; green beans; biscuits; butter; syrup; honey and milk.

TUESDAY - Burritos; chili; cheese; Mexican salad; corn; fruit cup and milk.

WEDNESDAY - Pizza; cole slaw; corn on the cob; peanut butter and crackers; peaches and milk.

THURSDAY - Taco salad; taco sauce; pinto beans; cornbread; pears and milk.

FRIDAY - Beef stew with vegetables; cheese or peanut butter sandwiches; pineapple upside down cake and milk.

GARDEN CITY LUNCH

MONDAY - Chicken strips; gravy; mashed potatoes; green beans; hot rolls; applesauce; milk.

TUESDAY - Spaghetti with meat sauce; salad; English peas; garlic bread; apple Betty; milk.

WEDNESDAY - Beef tacos; refried beans; lettuce; tomatoes; corn bread; Jell-O with fruit; milk.

THURSDAY - Baked ham; scalloped potatoes; broccoli with cheese; hot rolls; peaches; milk.

FRIDAY - Sandwiches; peanut butter, tuna or pimento cheese; French fries; carrot sticks; fresh oranges; milk.

COAHOMA BREAKFAST

MONDAY - Cereal with fruit; toast; milk.

TUESDAY - Cinnamon toast; sausage; juice; milk.

WEDNESDAY - Waffles with syrup; ham; fruit; milk.

THURSDAY - Sweeten rice; toast; fruit; milk.

FRIDAY - Cherry turnover; toast; sausage; juice; milk.

COAHOMA LUNCH

MONDAY - Chicken fried steak with gravy; creamed potatoes; broccoli; pull apart bread; milk.

TUESDAY - Enchiladas or chalupas; pinto beans; lettuce and tomato; peach cobbler; corn bread; milk.

WEDNESDAY - Pirovski burger; potato rounds; Mexican style beans; milk.

THURSDAY - Spaghetti and meat sauce or chicken spaghetti; salad; corn; corn bread; milk.

FRIDAY - Bologna and cheese sandwiches; lettuce; tomatoes; onions; pickle; tater tots; fruit; milk.

WESTBROOK BREAKFAST

MONDAY - French toast; little smokies; juice and milk.

TUESDAY - Biscuits; bacon; juice and milk.

WEDNESDAY - Pancake pups; juice and milk.

THURSDAY - Muffins; juice and milk.

FRIDAY - Cereal; juice and milk.

WESTBROOK LUNCH

MONDAY - Chicken fried steak; gravy; creamed potatoes; green beans; biscuits; butter; syrup; honey and milk.

TUESDAY - Burritos; chili; cheese; Mexican salad; corn; fruit cup and milk.

WEDNESDAY - Pizza; cole slaw; corn on the cob; peanut butter and crackers; peaches and milk.

THURSDAY - Taco salad; taco sauce; pinto beans; cornbread; pears and milk.

FRIDAY - Beef stew with vegetables; cheese or peanut butter sandwiches; pineapple upside down cake and milk.

GARDEN CITY LUNCH

MONDAY - Chicken strips; gravy; mashed potatoes; green beans; hot rolls; applesauce; milk.

TUESDAY - Spaghetti with meat sauce; salad; English peas; garlic bread; apple Betty; milk.

WEDNESDAY - Beef tacos; refried beans; lettuce; tomatoes; corn bread; Jell-O with fruit; milk.

THURSDAY - Baked ham; scalloped potatoes; broccoli with cheese; hot rolls; peaches; milk.

FRIDAY - Sandwiches; peanut butter, tuna or pimento cheese; French fries; carrot sticks; fresh oranges; milk.

COAHOMA BREAKFAST

MONDAY - Cereal with fruit; toast; milk.

TUESDAY - Cinnamon toast; sausage; juice; milk.

WEDNESDAY - Waffles with syrup; ham; fruit; milk.

THURSDAY - Sweeten rice; toast; fruit; milk.

FRIDAY - Cherry turnover; toast; sausage; juice; milk.

COAHOMA LUNCH

MONDAY - Chicken fried steak with gravy; creamed potatoes; broccoli; pull apart bread; milk.

TUESDAY - Enchiladas or chalupas; pinto beans; lettuce and tomato; peach cobbler; corn bread; milk.

WEDNESDAY - Pirovski burger; potato rounds; Mexican style beans; milk.

THURSDAY - Spaghetti and meat sauce or chicken spaghetti; salad; corn; corn bread; milk.

FRIDAY - Bologna and cheese sandwiches; lettuce; tomatoes; onions; pickle; tater tots; fruit; milk.

WESTBROOK BREAKFAST

MONDAY - French toast; little smokies; juice and milk.

TUESDAY - Biscuits; bacon; juice and milk.

WEDNESDAY - Pancake pups; juice and milk.

THURSDAY - Muffins; juice and milk.

FRIDAY - Cereal; juice and milk.

WESTBROOK LUNCH

MONDAY - Chicken fried steak; gravy; creamed potatoes; green beans; biscuits; butter; syrup; honey and milk.

TUESDAY - Burritos; chili; cheese; Mexican salad; corn; fruit cup and milk.

WEDNESDAY - Pizza; cole slaw; corn on the cob; peanut butter and crackers; peaches and milk.

THURSDAY - Taco salad; taco sauce; pinto beans; cornbread; pears and milk.

FRIDAY - Beef stew with vegetables; cheese or peanut butter sandwiches; pineapple upside down cake and milk.

GARDEN CITY LUNCH

MONDAY - Chicken strips; gravy; mashed potatoes; green beans; hot rolls; applesauce; milk.

TUESDAY - Spaghetti with meat sauce; salad; English peas; garlic bread; apple Betty; milk.

WEDNESDAY - Beef tacos; refried beans; lettuce; tomatoes; corn bread; Jell-O with fruit; milk.

THURSDAY - Baked ham; scalloped potatoes; broccoli with cheese; hot rolls; peaches; milk.

FRIDAY - Sandwiches; peanut butter, tuna or pimento cheese; French fries; carrot sticks; fresh oranges; milk.

COAHOMA BREAKFAST

MONDAY - Cereal with fruit; toast; milk.

TUESDAY - Cinnamon toast; sausage; juice; milk.

WEDNESDAY - Waffles with syrup; ham; fruit; milk.

THURSDAY - Sweeten rice; toast; fruit; milk.

FRIDAY - Cherry turnover; toast; sausage; juice; milk.

COAHOMA LUNCH

MONDAY - Chicken fried steak with gravy; creamed potatoes; broccoli; pull apart bread; milk.

TUESDAY - Enchiladas or chalupas; pinto beans; lettuce and tomato; peach cobbler; corn bread; milk.

WEDNESDAY - Pirovski burger; potato rounds; Mexican style beans; milk.

THURSDAY - Spaghetti and meat sauce or chicken spaghetti; salad; corn; corn bread; milk.

FRIDAY - Bologna and cheese sandwiches; lettuce; tomatoes; onions; pickle; tater tots; fruit; milk.

WESTBROOK BREAKFAST

MONDAY - French toast; little smokies; juice and milk.

TUESDAY - Biscuits; bacon; juice and milk.

WEDNESDAY - Pancake pups; juice and milk.

THURSDAY - Muffins; juice and milk.

FRIDAY - Cereal; juice and milk.

WESTBROOK LUNCH

MONDAY - Chicken fried steak; gravy; creamed potatoes; green beans; biscuits; butter; syrup; honey and milk.

TUESDAY - Burritos; chili; cheese; Mexican salad; corn; fruit cup and milk.

WEDNESDAY - Pizza; cole slaw; corn on the cob; peanut butter and crackers; peaches and milk.

THURSDAY - Taco salad; taco sauce; pinto beans; cornbread; pears and milk.

FRIDAY - Beef stew with vegetables; cheese or peanut butter sandwiches; pineapple upside down cake and milk.

GARDEN CITY LUNCH

MONDAY - Chicken strips; gravy; mashed potatoes; green beans; hot rolls; applesauce; milk.

TUESDAY - Spaghetti with meat sauce; salad; English peas; garlic bread; apple Betty; milk.

WEDNESDAY - Beef tacos; refried beans; lettuce; tomatoes; corn bread; Jell-O with fruit; milk.

THURSDAY - Baked ham; scalloped potatoes; broccoli with cheese; hot rolls; peaches; milk.

FRIDAY - Sandwiches; peanut butter, tuna or pimento cheese; French fries; carrot sticks; fresh oranges; milk.

COAHOMA BREAKFAST

MONDAY - Cereal with fruit; toast; milk.

TUESDAY - Cinnamon toast; sausage; juice; milk.

WEDNESDAY - Waffles with syrup; ham; fruit; milk.

THURSDAY - Sweeten rice; toast; fruit; milk.

FRIDAY - Cherry turnover; toast; sausage; juice; milk.

COAHOMA LUNCH

MONDAY - Chicken fried steak with gravy; creamed potatoes; broccoli; pull apart bread; milk.

TUESDAY - Enchiladas or chalupas; pinto beans; lettuce and tomato; peach cobbler; corn bread; milk.

WEDNESDAY - Pirovski burger; potato rounds; Mexican style beans; milk.

THURSDAY - Spaghetti and meat sauce or chicken spaghetti; salad; corn; corn bread; milk.

FRIDAY - Bologna and cheese sandwiches; lettuce; tomatoes; onions; pickle; tater tots; fruit; milk.

WESTBROOK BREAKFAST

MONDAY - French toast; little smokies; juice and milk.

TUESDAY - Biscuits; bacon; juice and milk.

WEDNESDAY - Pancake pups; juice and milk.

THURSDAY - Muffins; juice and milk.

FRIDAY - Cereal; juice and milk.

WESTBROOK LUNCH

MONDAY - Chicken fried steak; gravy; creamed potatoes; green beans; biscuits; butter; syrup; honey and milk.

TUESDAY - Burritos; chili; cheese; Mexican salad; corn; fruit cup and milk.

WEDNESDAY - Pizza; cole slaw; corn on the cob; peanut butter and crackers; peaches and milk.

THURSDAY - Taco salad; taco sauce; pinto beans; cornbread; pears and milk.

FRIDAY - Beef stew with vegetables; cheese or peanut butter sandwiches; pineapple upside down cake and milk.

GARDEN CITY LUNCH

MONDAY - Chicken strips; gravy; mashed potatoes; green beans; hot rolls; applesauce; milk.

Were they really so good?

Memories of good ol' days often reflect little of reality

"Snowbound" by John Greenleaf Whittier has been required reading for generations of school kids. It begins:

The sun that brief December day
Rose cheerless over hills of gray.

The poem goes on to give an idyllic account of a severe winter storm, the coziness of the shut-in family around the fireplace, and the fun (?) of shoveling a path through the deep snowdrifts. It concludes several pages later when "the chill embargo of the snow" was finally lifted.

Being a romantic, I always thought the poem rather neat, but my sister, who has five kids, said it was utter nonsense. She couldn't imagine anything worse than being snowbound with her family, or anybody's family. She insisted that Whittier must have been a bachelor.

I did some checking. Whittier was a bachelor. He wrote "Snowbound" when he was an old man, remembering his boyhood years. Perhaps nostalgia tempered his recollection of that winter storm.

Longing for "the good old days" tends to color our remembrance of the past, embellishing its charm and diminishing its drawbacks. That is the thesis of an interesting book, "The Good Old Days - They Were Terrible," by Otto L. Bettman.

The book gives many examples of less-than-perfect situations in the past that we tend to romanticize.

"The Good Old Summertime" of a century ago was not so good for many people. The clothing of the

Garbage dumped on sidewalks impeded pedestrian on downtown streets.



Jean Warren

period - heavy suits, starched shirts plus vests, girdles, and voluminous petticoats - added to the discomfort the temperatures produced. A heat wave in 1896 caused the deaths of some 3,000 persons.

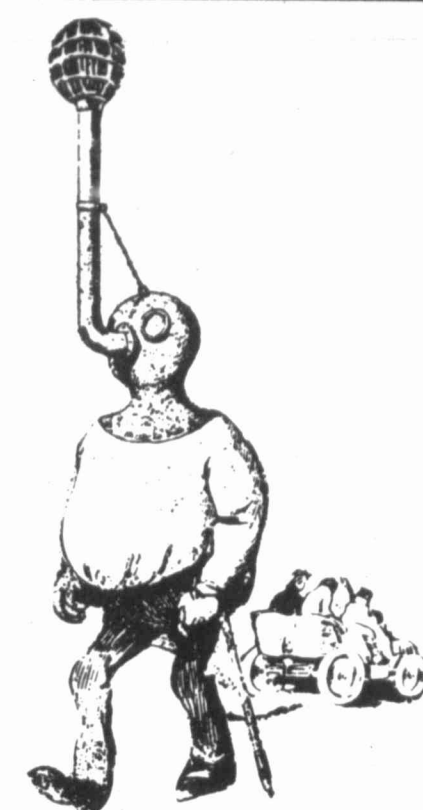
Sanitation facilities of that bygone era were deplorably inadequate. In the 1860s, pigs roamed Broadway. They were tolerated, as they were in

many cities, because they ate the garbage that littered the streets.

Battling horse manure was another headache for city officials. At the beginning of the 20th century, New York had 150,000 horses, not equipped with Pampers. Their deposits attracted swarms of flies and radiated an enormous stench.

The Gilded Age of the '90s was good for the privileged few. Profits were enormous and wages meager - an imbalance that allowed 1 percent of the population to own as much as the remaining 99 percent put together. Marshall Field's income was calculated to be \$600 an hour while he paid his shopgirls \$3 to \$5 a week.

Bettman writes of the unremitting



Hopes for relief from equine population were fulfilled, but a more poisonous fume came waiting through the air. (1905)

hardship of country life; he deplors working conditions in the sweatshops and the unsanitary conditions tolerated in the preparation and sale of food. He characterizes the "little red schoolhouse" as a dispensary of only limited information.

Bettman contends that we should revise the idealized picture of the past and enjoy the present, unclouded by nostalgic comparisons.

Maybe Bettman is right. Maybe the past always looks better than it was - simply because it isn't here. After all, these are the good old days the next generation will hear so much about.

Good investments

New year has excellent potential

We are now ending the first month of 1994. The year 2000 is just six years away. Where will the money markets be at that time?

Tell me the direction that our economy will go in the next six years, and hopefully I will be able to find someone who will answer the money market question.

I remember buying 30-day certificates of deposit (CDs) that yielded 22 percent per year. The annual inflation rate was about 20 percent per year.

It was a terrible time because businesspeople could not increase prices fast enough to keep up with the inflation rate. Merchants were changing their prices weekly, sometimes daily.

Consumers could not understand the only way to replace merchandise at the new price was to raise the price of merchandise on the shelf.

From time to time I visit with bankers, security salespersons and other individuals knowledgeable in finance. The bankers advise that quality loans are not available. The regulators discourage making any kind of high-risk loans. This means that there is not much of a demand for money.

Everybody is "playing their cards close to their chest." They are delaying securing new loans. There have been periods when personal debt has been reduced because more personal loans are being paid off than made.

Maybe I should try to explain "quality loans." This refers to indi-



Max Green

viduals and/or businesses that have a reputation of paying their bills when due.

High-risk loans refer to individuals and/or businesses that have at some time in the past failed to pay their bills or meet their due dates.

Some of the small businesspeople are going out of business or retiring. This is causing a slowdown in the job creation process, which causes a decrease in loan demand. I think the proper term would be "a contraction in business."

The so-called experts are of the opinion that long-term (30-year) treasury bonds will get as low as 5-1/2 percent per year. This may happen as early as the second or third quarter of 1994.

These experts still point to the fact that inflation has not raised its ugly head. They never have explained how they have arrived at this opinion; therefore, I refuse to make any prediction.

Keep on searching for good investments. Take my word that 1994 has the potential of being an excellent year. Think about it!

Does anybody really know what time it is?

By MARY RANDLE
Prime Writer

You wake up with a jerk in the middle of the night! Good grief, I've overslept, what time is it?

Time seems to be something we have either too much of, or not enough. Perhaps that's due to the way we look at the time.

Time after time, as time goes by, the word seems to be very big in songs, in our everyday speech; I doubt we could read a book, magazine or paper without the word time appearing many times.

But what is time? Someone said it is what keeps things neat and tidy. An over-simplification, but probably true. Our year is divided into monthly, weekly and daily time segments.

Even religious rituals are bound to time. Catholic, Protestant and Jewish groups have ceremonies geared to a time of life, or a season of the year.

But is this really what time is to you and me? I don't think so.

Having extra time is sleeping late,

a leisurely meal, not having to stick to a strict "time schedule."

We speak of weekends and vacations as "free time." Free for what? To enjoy life to the fullest, we hope.

There are the times when time drags on and on; all of us have had periods like that. Usually it's a problem that we cannot seem to solve, or we are lonely; wishing someone would come by, or the phone would ring.

Sometimes life or death is a matter of time. Consider a situation where lives were spared because of prompt medical attention or intervention. The ambulance got him to the hospital "in the nick of time!"

Many of us have medical problems that require the use of medication to ease our situation. I do, and until I knew how long it took the medicine to take effect, I would be uneasy. Just a few more minutes and it will be all right.

Time is important to virtually every bite of food we put in our mouths. It takes so many days to grow the let-

tuce, ripen the apple, cook the bread and cure the ham. I think this is one area where time is so ingrained that we don't even think about it.

People have always been fascinated by time, therefore beautiful clocks and expensive watches have been made to satisfy our desire for luxurious trinkets. I saw a watch advertised recently for one and a half million dollars; it was studded with large diamonds. The word "Quartz" means the clock or watch will run with astonishing accuracy. It could even be imbedded in a block of plastic and still give accurate time.

Daylight Savings Time is not for me. The one way I can accept it is just look at the clock, and not think about the hour's sleep I've lost. We have all noticed that in the summer it's almost 10 in the evening before it's dark. One reason is we are only 60 miles from another time zone.

If you don't care for the time you are in now, just think of all the time zones around the world. The old Soviet Union was so large it had 11

zones. Can you imagine the jet lag you would have if you went from one end of the USSR to the other in one day?

Scientists know that our bodies operate on a circadian cycle; i.e. we get up in the morning, carry on our activities, sleep at night. Shift workers have a hard time constantly adjusting to new patterns.

Even on their days off, they have trouble sleeping, are sluggish and not themselves. Sometimes accidents happen. A relatively well known one: the accident at Three Mile Island involving a nuclear power plant.

There are a number of studies trying to find a solution for those who work unusual schedules; I really doubt they will. In other words, don't fool with Mother Nature.

We could go on and on, but this is my favorite time story - not from the magazine "Time" though. Larry King asked Yogi Berra, "What time is it?" Yogi asked, "Right now?"

Local residents enjoy cruise of islands, canal

Special to Prime

Sixteen area residents boarded the new Canard Crown Dynasty at Port Everglades Florida for her maiden Trans-Canal Cruise recently.

They cruised the Caribbean to Cozumel Mexico, where they visited the old Mayan ruins of Tulum and the San Gervasio ruins. The clear waters in the area offered many underwater sights: marine life, coral, even undersea wrecks and the Playa Sol Beach.

They cruised to the Grand Cayman Islands in the British West Indies, to the Capital of Georgetown, and then on to the Panama Canal, for a daylight crossing. As they went through the locks; the ship was lifted 85 feet up from sea level, using only the power of gravity.

They then cruised Central America

to Port Caldera, Costa Rica where they took old Spanish Route 1606 through Orolina, San Mateo, Atenas, La Garita and Sarchi. They visited the church of "Grecia," constructed entirely of metal, and San Jose, the capital.

They took the PanAmerican highway on the Pacific side and back across Costa Rica to the ship, next cruising the Mexican Riviera and docking at Acapulco, Mexico.

In two days of sightseeing, then visited Las Brisas, the Acapulco Princess Hotel built in a unique Aztec Pyramid design; the Cross of Peace; old Fort San Diego; and La Quebrada, where they watched the famous divers.

The local residents reported a spectacular time was had by all.



Recently enjoying a cruise were, front row, left to right: Rhea Parsons, Helen Wooldridge, Lee Roy Day, Christine Reeves, Vonna Negro, Juanita Davisson, Reba Gardener; second row: Jewel Wadsworth, Ola Lee McMullins, Dorothy Kennemur; and back row: Frances and Burnis Mason, Henry and Betty Mohr, and Choc and Ernestine O'Dell.



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Poem

THE THORN BIRD
I heard a bird singing
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The deeper the thorn sticks
The sweeter he sang
He pierced his heart
and the melody rang.

The bird on the thorn bush
Seemed there to belong,
and the deeper the thorn stuck,
The sweeter the song.

I stood there and listened,
to this beautiful bird.

Singing the sweetest song,
I'd ever heard.

The deeper the thorn stuck
I heard sweet melodies -
Till the last drop of blood,
Fell down on the tree.

We call him the thorn bird.
He lives in the thorn trees
and the deeper the thorn sticks,
The sweeter he sings.

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Trip into Bingham Canyon copper mine was truly an eye-opening experience

When you look down into a more or less round hole 2-1/2 miles across and over 1/2 mile deep, what would your reaction be?

Probably you would say to yourself, "I see it, but I still don't believe it!"

Well, you would be looking into the largest man-made hole in the world! It is also the very first pen pit copper mine ever made. It covers 1,900 acres. The huge size of this place boggles the imagination. Where is this giant? Bingham Canyon, Utah, about 35 miles from Salt Lake City. It is generally known as the Kennecott mine.

They maintain a very nice visitor's center, however, it is not advertised as a tourist attraction. Security is quite tight but visitors are treated as guests. Passes must be obtained to enter the area. At certain times, a film is shown to acquaint the visitor with the mine's working days and the products it produces. These include gold and several other minerals as well as the main output of copper.

There are buttons to push outside in the viewing area that will bring one information in five different languages. These recordings tell much the same things that the film shows.

This area was once a mountain. It has been in constant production since 1906 and it's in the National Register of Historic places. In 1992 the Kennecott people invested \$650



Myrtle Griffith

million in modernizing the plant to be much more efficient in operation and safer for all working personnel.

Giant machines work to produce and process 300,000 tons of material daily. Only about half of this tonnage is actually ore, the rest being overburden and waste. Copper, gold, silver, and Molybdenum are the most important ores mined.

As we stood at the various look out points and gazed into his vast hole we could see trucks, loaders, freight trains, pickups etc. But the regular-sized trucks looked about ant size.

The large ore trucks carry 270 TONS per load. Each wheel of these giants stands far above one's head even if you are over 6 feet tall. The bed of the vehicle looks about the size of a house.

Ore is crushed and sent by rail some 14 miles to the smelter for processing.

There is a huge bin of low-grade ore in the visitor center for anyone



This heavy equipment truck, which operates in the Bingham Copper Mine near Salt Lake City, is capable of hauling 170 tons. It is more than 23 feet wide, 19 feet high and nearly 40 feet long.

desiring to take home samples. The surrounding area is quite mountainous and fall colors were in full glory while we were there. The forested slopes are really breath-taking.

Sometimes visitors may witness the blasting, which is done to loosen the ore bearing rocks and soil. One can watch the 70-ton electric shovels

load the monster trucks.

Approximately 2400 persons work here and many precautions are taken to safeguard the health of these workers. Huge sprinklers dampen the roadways down in the mine area almost constantly to help keep down dust. The benches or mine steps furnish the roadways.

There is no way to predict how big this hole may become in the future. It seems that this whole big mountain is made up of the ore bearing rock.

It is difficult for one to grasp the magnitude of this place even as you stand and look. It is well worth extra time and effort to visit if you are ever in the Salt Lake City area.



Gloria Hopkins

Know facts about your retirement

Over 140,000 people will file for retirement benefits in January. But many of them will not be 'retirees' in the true sense of the word because they'll keep on working. They also will receive Social Security checks.

If you are 62 years of age or older, you can continue to work and still get all of your Social Security benefits as long as your earnings don't exceed certain limits. If you earn more than the limit, your Social Security check will be reduced. For example, in 1994, you can earn \$8,040 and receive all of your benefits if you are under age 65. For every \$1 you earn over this limit, \$2 is withheld from your benefits.

If you are between age 65 and 69, the 1994 limit is \$11,160. For every \$3 you earn over this limit, \$1 is withheld from your benefits. When you reach age 70, your Social Security benefits are not reduced, no matter how much you earn.

If you are under age 70 and continue to work, you must contact us promptly to give us an estimate of your earnings for the year if you expect to earn more than the annual limit. If you later find that your earnings will be higher or lower than you estimated, you should contact us again to change your estimate.

If you received any Social Security benefits in 1993 and you worked, you may have to report your earnings before April 15, 1994. If you were under age 65 in 1993 and you earned more than \$7,680.00 or if you were between age 65 and 69 in 1994 and earned more than \$10,560.00 you do need to report these earnings to Social Security. For persons who turned 70 in 1993, earnings for months prior to age 70, must still be reported.

Most people who work receive an annual report form from social security, but don't fail to report your work if you did not get a form. You can call social security at 1-800-772-1213 or the local social security office at 267-5227 to report 1993 work, or to request a report form. There is a substantial penalty for not filing an annual report of earnings on or before April 15.

Hearing in noisy places presents problems

By BILL WARNER
Prime Writer

The following was taken from an excerpt written by Mead C. Killian, Ph.D. The article appeared in The Hearing Journal, September 1993, Vol. 46, No. 9, 31-35.

Dr. Killian is president of the American Hearing Research and the developer of the K-Amp™ noise reduction circuit used in hearing aids.

Was the doctor right? Some aids do improve hearing in noise!

U.S. Food and Drug Administration Commissioner David Kessler, MD recently criticized advertising that

claimed certain hearing aids could reject noise the wearer did not want to hear. This criticism was followed by an FDA "Talk Paper," which said: "Many claims made for hearing aids particularly that they help people hear better in a noisy environment are not substantiated by clinical testing." A reprint of this article appears in Prime of Your Life.

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The above distinction may be clarified with a simple observation. Normal listeners hear all the noise and do quite well in noise. Unaided hearing-impaired listeners are equipped with a highly effective noise-rejection circuit - their own hearing loss - and typically do not do well in noise. Too many speech cues are inaudible to them.

Although many hear aids help their wearers hear in noise, to our knowledge no hearing aids - including advanced laboratory digital signal-processing hearing aids that would require 40,000 #13 batteries a week to keep alive - have improved the intelligibility of speech in noise by filtering out the noise in the most important case, i.e., when the noise consists of competing speech.

This supports the commissioner's criticisms of advertising claims that suggest current noise-rejection circuits can help people understand speech in noise. In this, the commissioner was right.

The weakness of current noise-rejection circuits is that they do not address themselves to the primary problem - the loss of audible speech cues resulting from the hearing loss. This loss deprives the brain of the redundant information it needs to separate speech from noise.

Noise-filter circuits sometimes reduce the number of available speech cues by filtering them out, instead of restoring them.

Do not give up hope, many hearing aids do improve the intelligibility of speech in noise for their wearers. They do so by increasing the portion of available speech cues delivered to their wearer's brain (simultaneously increasing the portion of the available noise that can be heard).

This enables that person's brain to perform the task of separating speech from noise more efficiently. Remember you do not hear with your ears. You hear with your brain. You process information with your ears.

High blood pressure

Heart association estimates more than 600 million have it

By WANDA DENSON
Prime Writer

According to the American Heart Association an estimated 61,870,000 Americans aged 6 and older have high blood pressure.

In a small percentage of cases, the condition may be attributed to specific causes such as kidney disease or hardening of the arteries. But in approximately 90 percent of cases, the cause is unknown.

Although specific causes of most hypertension haven't been determined, scientists have discovered factors believed to predispose a person to high blood pressure.

High blood pressure often runs in families. Studies have shown in some cases, the condition of arteries at birth lead to changes that eventually result in the development of hypertension.

In addition, a high fat diet, overweight, inactivity, smoking, heavy alcohol consumption and prolonged emotional stress are believed to contribute to the problem.

However, stress and tension are not the same thing as hypertension. There are calm, relaxed individuals who have high blood pressure.

Blood pressure is the force of pressure exerted against blood vessel walls when blood flows through them. The average adult body contains 10-12 pints of blood which the heart recycles constantly. With each

heart beat, blood is pumped to other parts of the body through blood vessels. During this pumping phase, the pressure exerted on the vessels is called "systolic" which is the higher number of your blood pressure reading.

When the heart relaxes between beats, the measure of pressure on the vessels is "diastolic" which is the lower number of your blood pressure reading.

For years 120/80 was called the ideal blood pressure. More recently The Joint Committee on Detection, Evaluation, and Treatment of High Blood Pressure, has agreed that a blood pressure reading should be no higher than 140/90. However, there is no specific number considered normal for everyone because "normal" varies from individual to individual. What is normal for one person might be high for another.

Although symptoms such as headache, fatigue, dizziness and nosebleeds are sometimes associated with hypertension, usually there are no symptoms until organ damage has occurred. The only way to know if you have high blood pressure is to have it checked.

Free blood pressure checks are offered frequently at various places. This free service is usually advertised in the Herald. Since uncontrolled hypertension is a major cause of

stroke and heart attack, it is important that you have your blood pressure checked periodically.

An occasional high reading may not be cause for alarm. Blood pressure normally goes up when you are active or excited and goes down when you are relaxed. These fluctuations are normal. But if it remains at a higher level, it should be evaluated by a doctor.

A diagnosis of hypertension is based on several factors and on an individual basis. It is essential that persons who have it begin a course of treatment right away.

In some cases, it may be controlled through lifestyle changes, diet and exercise. In others, medication may be prescribed. The method of treatment will be tailored to your specific needs.

The diagnosis of a chronic disease such as hypertension doesn't necessarily mean your life will be shortened. In fact, it could mean just the opposite. Many persons who have a chronic disease learn risk factors to avoid. Beyond that, they develop a more healthful lifestyle including proper nutrition, exercise and relaxation. By doing so, it's possible to increase life expectancy.

Doctor Oliver Wendell Holmes said, "If you want to live a long and healthy life, get a chronic disease and take care of yourself."



Blood pressure checks are the best way to find out if you have a problem with hypertension. In this photo, from the cardiac rehabilitation program at Dora Roberts Rehab center, a patient gets hers checked.



There are no small victories in the fight against heart disease.

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Ausbury new life! editor
Herald Staff Report

Big Spring Herald staffer Janet Ausbury has been named features editor to replace Debbie Lincecum Jensen.

Ausbury, a reporter with the staff since October, assumes the duties Feb. 1. She will be in charge of coordinating regular *life!* pages as well as the community news columns, calendar of events and Prime of Your Life.

Ausbury, who has been contributing regularly to the *life!* section since her arrival on the Herald staff, will continue to write feature stories in several categories for those pages.

Readers and contributors can contact Ausbury at the *life!* desk Monday through Friday 8 a.m.-5 p.m. at 263-7331, ext. 112.

Jensen, who had worked for the Herald as a reporter in 1990 and 1991, returned to the staff in July 1992 as features editor.

She leaves the Herald effective Feb. 1 to take a job with Planned Parenthood of West Texas. Jensen will become manager of the Big Spring clinic for that non-profit agency.

Joining the Herald staff Feb. 7 will be Helen Rodriguez. She will be covering law enforcement, minority issues and schools.

Realtors given designation

Marjorie Dodson, broker-owner of South Mountain Agency, and Kay Moore, broker-owner of Home Real Estate, have been awarded the Certified Residential Specialist Designation by the Residential Sales Council of the Realtors National Marketing Institute, an affiliate of the National Association of Realtors.

The CRS designation was awarded to Dodson and Moore at the annual meeting of the Residential Sales Council recently conducted in Miami. Fewer than 3 percent of all realtors hold this designation.

JA needs volunteers

Volunteers are needed for the Junior Achievement program, which introduces school students to business ideas and concepts.

Cheryl MacMurray, district director of the program, said adults with a variety of experiences will be useful in bringing the program to schools - business people, parents, retirees. For information, call MacMurray at 267-2909.

Hicks honored

District Sales Manager Dana Hicks has been selected Employee of the Month for January. Hicks works in the circulation department.



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Madry and Saletta Tilley.

Receiving honorable mentions were Janet Ausbury, Karen Madry and Saletta Tilley.

Other nominees were: Amy McIntosh, Elizabeth Flores, Gina Garza, Mike Vega and Deborah Evans.

Firm earns high marks

Edward D. Jones & Co., the St. Louis-based investment firm, was ranked the No. 1 financial-services company in the nation in terms of broker satisfaction, according to the December 1993 issue of Registered Representative magazine.

Each year, Registered Representative asks brokers to rate their firms in 20 categories, including freedom from pressure to sell certain investments, overall ethics of the firm, and the quality of investments offered by their firms," explains Dan Wilkins, the investment representative for Jones in Big Spring. "This year, nine of the nation's top brokerage firms were polled, and Edward D. Jones & Co. scored highest overall. The firm was ranked No. 1 in 12 of 20 categories."

Edward D. Jones & Co. also received favorable press in the December 1993 issue of Smart Money, which is published monthly by the Wall Street Journal.

Rocky's: No stranger to good food

By JANET AUSBURY
Staff Writer

Food is Rocky Hale's business, and business is good. Rocky's, located at 1100 Gregg Street, has been a staple of all-American and Mexican fast food for three and a half years.

No microwaved chicken nuggets will be passed to any customer's plate, however. Hale is proud that he and his crew of 15 prepare most of the menu's ingredients on site.

Beans and meat are cooked at Rocky's, not prepared beforehand and shipped frozen to the restaurant. Corn tortillas are also fried at the restaurant to ensure their freshness.

Hale is at the restaurant every day from 7:30 a.m. through the lunch rush, keeping an eye on the food preparation and quality of service. He is quick to chat with customers stopping by for a meal.

His 13 years in the restaurant business have made him aware of what works and doesn't work in the fickle industry of food. He spent many of those years as a manager or on-site troubleshooter for established food chains.

Nearly four years ago, the company Hale worked for underwent a change of ownership. "I decided to do something else," he said. That "something else" turned out to be his own operation.

A former Church's Fried Chicken building, which had sat vacant for about two years, became home to Hale's dream. With the help of his mother and First National Bank, he found the resources to convert the building into his own restaurant.

First, however, there was the matter of getting rid of the deep fryer. "We had to get a moving company to get it out, it was so big," he recalled.

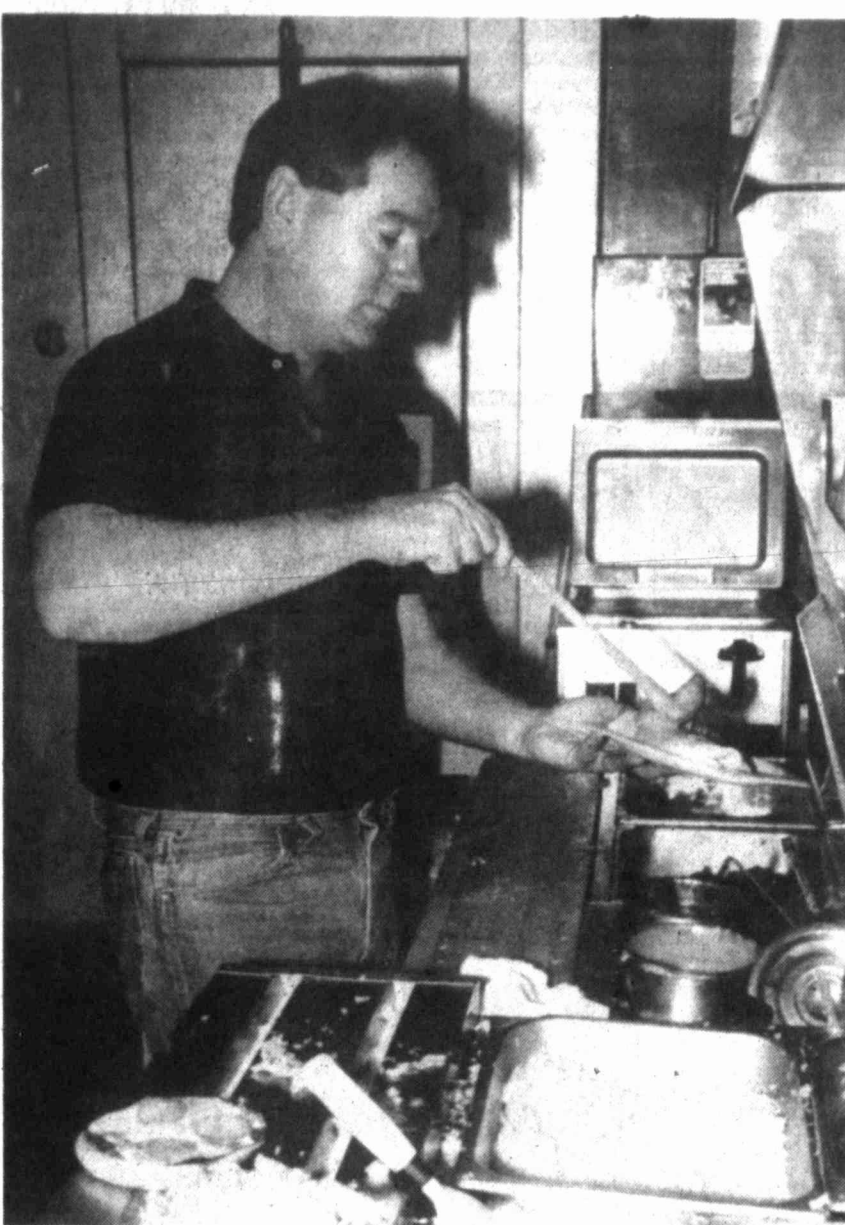
He is currently keeping it in storage. "I'd let it go if anyone wanted it. I have no use for it."

After three months of renovation, government paperwork, ordering signs and hiring a crew, he was ready for business. Hale chose a menu of foods in which he had the most experience.

Originally from Odessa, he moved to Big Spring in 1970 and lived here except when working in Lubbock, Odessa, Amarillo and other cities. He credits part of his restaurant's success to his "local boy" appeal; he is not a stranger.

The restaurant experienced a slightly turbulent first few months, but is now on solid ground. "It's really increased," he said. "That's how I was able to add on (a customer seating area)."

Hale remembers working 65 to 75 hours a week when the restaurant first opened, but he has been able to



Rocky Hale works the kitchen of Rocky's, a success story built on hard work and preparation. Rocky's offers All-American and Mexican fast food.

Hale has been approached to expand Rocky's to Snyder, Colorado City and other locations. It is in his five-year plan to branch out with restaurants similar to his own.

settle into a less demanding routine, allowing him time for golf and other pursuits.

He credits a good crew, "a very supportive wife" and good customers for making his restaurant a success. He and the crew pay close attention to the quality of the food and taste-test items before adding them to the menu.

"If it's not any good, I won't sell it," he said. He occasionally tries new items he thinks might appeal to customers, but won't radically change the menu.

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expand Rocky's to Snyder, Colorado City and other locations. It is in his five-year plan to branch out with restaurants similar to his own. "I'd kind of like to have 10 stores," he said.

For now, Hale and his crew are committed to providing quick, quality food from 7:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. five nights a week; hungry weekend customers are in luck until 11 p.m.



Lunchtime is a busy time at Rocky's. The restaurant has been open for four years. No stranger to the restaurant business, Rocky Hale recently expanded his business to include a customer seating area.

Hard work keys a success story

By JANET AUSBURY
Staff Writer

Rocky's, owned by Rocky Hale, is a busy restaurant, but not all new enterprises may be so lucky. A little preparation and a lot of hard work go into the creation of a successful business.

Hale said new restaurant owners can expect to spend two years working to make their eateries a success.

The hardest part of starting his own restaurant, he said, was making the decision to go ahead and do it. "That was the scariest part of it," he said.

After he had decided to create Rocky's, the process was fairly smooth. Hale had seen the process of opening new restaurants several times during his 13 years in the business.

However, some details proved to be more difficult than others. "I wasn't ready for the amount of stuff the government expects you to do and pay," he said.

Payroll taxes and state health inspections are part of the necessary less-than-fun aspects of owning a restaurant.

The hours proved to be long and taxing. Hale said he worked approximately 14 hours a day to establish Rocky's and keep it on solid ground.

"If you start a small business, get ready to live there," he warned.

His previous experience had taught him that quality food and service would be key to his ability to compete with nearby establishments. "Let food, lousy service or if a place is dirty will make a restaurant fail," he said.

Even the hardest work on the part of a restaurant owner will not guarantee success without two other elements: a good crew and good customers.

Hale considers himself fortunate to have both.

Working on decorations

I appreciate all of you who have called to check on why the Christmas decorations are still up. Unfortunately, most of you aren't calling to tell us you have a bucket truck and would like to help. We had a work day the first week in January and got them down at the Mall, College Park and 11th Street.

Couple of weeks later we managed to get another bucket truck and got the west side of Gregg Street down. Finally, Wednesday, we got the east side of Gregg, and Third and Fourth streets. That still leaves North Gregg and Main Street. If you have a bucket truck, and would help, we sure could use the assistance.

It also looks like we're losing our free storage for the decorations. They're wanting a couple thousand dollars a year for it! This is a losing deal to begin with, and we can't afford to lose a couple of thousand more, so if you have an alternative idea for us on storage, we'd be interested in hearing that too. The board may have to completely rethink the way we approach these decorations.

Finally, a joint meeting is set to discuss our corridor effort for the extension of I-27. We will be meeting with San Angelo, Lamesa, San Antonio, Sonora, Eldorado, Eden, Menard and Junction. The support of San Antonio is very welcome, given the population advantages of Midland-Odessa and Abilene. Big Spring chamber and city officials will attend the meeting.

Maps ... maps ... maps! We need maps to help newcomers find our businesses and find their way around. I've mentioned several times recently about all the map companies that came in last year (at least six that I know of). The chamber will shortly pick an "official" map vendor, the one that our advertising committee feels offers the best product and service to the commu-



Terry Burns

ty, and we will do our best to present any other map company from coming into the market. If we don't distribute other maps, then advertising in them will be very marginal value.

In the past, most of these map companies have put a few maps down at the chamber, and distributed the rest to the advertisers. This makes little sense. This puts people distributing them to people who have already found their business instead of somewhere that will send them business. Most maps should be at the chamber and at the few locations such as key convenience stores where visitors come looking for them. We strongly encourage you to wait for a vendor carrying a letter of endorsement from the chamber before buying such advertisement.

Danette Toone, of the Small Business Development Center has accepted the vice chairmanship of the Convention Visitor Division of the chamber. Our new program of work has a very high priority on restructuring our tourism efforts, with a high priority on soliciting and hosting visitors to our community instead of spending most of our time and resources entertaining people that are already here.

A speakers bureau will begin carrying the message on the new tourism program, starting immediately. We think you'll like the concepts that they are pursuing, and we know that you'll like it when we start seeing more visitor revenue in the community, and new jobs created because of increased tourism activity. True, much of it is very long-range stuff, but we'll be very interested in what you think as you hear it!

NAFTA taking a hold quietly

EDUARDO MONTES
Associated Press Writer

EL PASO — Jan. 1 has come and gone and border crossings aren't any more crowded than usual. Trade doesn't appear to be exploding.

The changes that have accompanied the North American Free Trade Agreement, which went into effect New Year's Day, are generally much more subtle than that.

"To be sure it's not an overnight sensation. It's not something that's like flipping a switch," said Manny Pacillas, associate director of the Institute for Manufacturing and Materials Management at the University of Texas-El Paso.

The changes that are readily apparent are coming in the form of quiet shifts as companies position themselves to take advantage of new economic realities under the trade agreement.

They're typified by things like a company expanding by buying a small business in El Paso or another purchasing land in the Rio Grande Valley or businesses seeking out new Mexican clients or partners.

At the accounting firm of Cowart, Torres, Jones and Co., working with Mexican clients and U.S. companies doing business in Mexico has always been an everyday reality. But under NAFTA, Steele Jones and his partners have been looking even more closely at Mexico.

"We're actively seeking a relationship in Mexico with an accounting firm ... some kind of formal relationship with somebody that would position us so we could provide service," in both countries, Jones said.

Many U.S. businesses are feeling the same way and have been since discussions began two years ago on the agreement, which has welded the United States, Mexico and Canada into the world's largest trading bloc.

Some, like Fort Worth's Lone Star

Airlines, have moved boldly to take advantage of opening Mexican markets.

Lone Star, a regional carrier, will offer during the next two months flights between Chihuahua City, the capitol of the Mexican border state of Chihuahua, El Paso and the Dallas-Forth Worth metropolitan area.

The idea of the flights was originally broached by a consortium of Mexican businessmen and Chihuahua governmental bodies.

"This is our first expansion internationally, and it is directly related to a better trade environment created by the North American Free Trade Agreement," said Lone Star President Philip H. Trenary.

"This partnership ... should be seen in a positive light by those who doubted the favorable influence NAFTA would have," Trenary said.

Many others, however, are just beginning to take their first tentative steps.

Officials with economic development agencies say they are being approached by companies inquiring about manufacturers who can supply them if they expand to the border.

Yet that's been true during the last few years as the Mexican economy has expanded.

"There's a mystique about the NAFTA," said Mike Allen, president of the McAllen Economic Development Corp. "But smart business people have been looking at Mexico for some time."

So much of the development on the border comes as the result of companies that have already realized the importance of Mexico, not just because of NAFTA, border officials say.

"Has it (NAFTA) been a driver in location decisions up until this particular point? The answer to that is probably no right now," said Bert Diamondstein, head of industrial

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Don Richardson

Breeder's shine at stock show

The 1994 Howard County Junior Livestock Show was a huge success from many standpoints. The community supported it as much as I can ever remember with the Premium Auction bringing in over \$60,000 to this year's program. Thanks, on behalf of the board of directors of the stock show, the youngsters participating in this year's event and all the rest of us associated with the program, for this kind of support.

A highlight of the show was the fact the grand champion lamb, market hog and steer were all bred by local breeders as were a large number of other Champions and top placing animals. This says a lot for the livestock breeders in our county for the dedicated effort they are doing in constantly improving local livestock production.

Livestock trends are constantly changing and conscientious producers devote a lot of time and money searching out and purchasing the type of breeding stock demanded in today's industry. The show ring has always been referred to as the "show window" of the livestock industry and serves as benchmarks for breeders to develop their programs.

The current demand of consumers toward higher quality, leaner cuts of meat has been reflected in the showing by the judges selected for this assignment. Heavier muscled animals with higher yielding carcasses resulting in these type cuts are being selected by judges in today's livestock shows.

Delroy Buchanan and Marty Brooks, of Coahoma, were the breeders of the grand champion Lamb and market hog at this year's show belonging to Jason Key and Shaun Reid. The grand champion steer owned by Justin Wood, was bred by Vincent Breder, David Barr. Brooks also was the breeder of the reserve champion market hog belonging to his son, Michael, and a number of other top placing hogs at this year's show. The champion American cross steer was bred by Big Spring breeder, Simon Terrazas, and fed by his son Trey.

The reserve champion American Cross steer, owned by Crystal Stockton, was bred by her uncle, Larry Stockton, of Big Spring. The reserve champion British bred steer's breeder was Terry Denton of Big Spring and was fed by his son, Jeff. The reserve champion medium wool lamb was bred by Vulture Sheep Company (Robinson Family) from Knott, and was owned by Lauren Middleton.

The champion heifer was bred by the Claude Fryar family of Ackerly and fed by their daughter, Briane, and the reserve champion heifer, owned by Dondi Brewer, was bred by Steve Wolf, of Vincent, who also bred some of the top placing Duroc market hogs fed by his sons, Weylin and Lorin. The champion Hampshire market hog and other top placing Hampshires were bred and fed by Coahoma breeders Ace and Cash Berry.

Other top placing pigs were bred by Coahoma breeders, Wayne Ivey, James Blair (son, Heath had a first place Cross) and Dennis Wells. Big Spring swine breeders, Cecil Sumpter and Bill Laster was represented at the show by sons, Dusty and Rusty Sumpter and Jason Laster. Joe Hollingshead, Forsan Southdown breeder, was represented by his sons, Caleb and Hamp, at the show. Richey Tubb also had some top placing lambs at the show as did Mrs. Barbara Haley of Big Spring.

There may have been others I am unaware of that had animals at this year's show and if I left you out I apologize for it. Congratulations to all these breeders and feeders ... the success they were in both their feeding and breeding programs. No matter how great an individual animal may be, it takes a lot of time and care to develop it to its full potential. The breeders are fortunate to have had their talents and energies of these youngsters in successfully seeing to it that these animals had this opportunity to meet its potential. Appreciation is also extended to these local breeders for supporting these junior livestock programs in allowing them to buy and feed animals of this quality for their livestock project programs.

Best of luck to these youngsters and all the other ones with livestock purchased from other resources as they enter the 1994 stock show season.

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The party had been going splendidly — and then Tantor saw the ivory keyboard.

PUBLIC NOTICE

THE CITY OF BIG SPRING
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THE ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS OF THE CITY OF BIG SPRING, TEXAS, WILL HOLD A MEETING ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1994, AT 5:15 P.M., IN THE MUNICIPAL COURT ROOM, SECOND FLOOR OF CITY HALL, 310 NOLAN STREET, BIG SPRING, TEXAS TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING REQUEST FOR A VARIANCE: KENNETH LARRY TUBB, OWNER OF LOTS 11-12, BLOCK 11, HIGHLAND ADDITION, IS REQUESTING A VARIANCE FROM THE PROVISIONS OF THE CITY ZONING ORDINANCE WHICH PROHIBITS TWO (2) SINGLE FAMILY DWELLINGS ON A SINGLE LOT NOT SEPARATED BY THE REQUIRED LOT LINES. THESE STRUCTURES PRESENTLY EXIST AT 601A, 601B, 601C & 601D STATE STREET.

8666 January 30 & February 6, 1994

PUBLIC NOTICE

Sealed bids will be received by the Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation, Big Spring State Hospital, P.O. Box 231, Lamesa Hwy., Big Spring, Texas 79720, at 2:00 p.m., February 11, 1994, for Project No. 686-01-94, Medical Services Renovation. A MANDATORY PRE-BID CONFERENCE will be held at 10:30 a.m., February 2, 1994, at Plant Management, Big Spring State Hospital. A bid will not be accepted from any bidder that has not attended the February 2, 1994, Pre-Bid Conference. Plans and specifications will be available at the Pre-Bid Conference, at Plant Management, 915-267-8216 Extension 443. Bids will be received in accordance with State Procedures.

8666 January 28 & 30, 1994

PUBLIC NOTICE

CITY OF BIG SPRING
PUBLIC WORKS DIVISION
NOTICE TO BIDDERS
PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY GRANTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BIG SPRING, TEXAS, SEALED BIDS WILL BE RECEIVED UNTIL 2:00 P.M., WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1994 FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF PURCHASING THE FOLLOWING:
A GREENS MOWER
BIDS ARE TO BE OPENED AND READ ALOUD IN THE MUNICIPAL COURT ROOM CHAMBERS, 2ND FLOOR, CITY HALL, 310 NOLAN STREET, BIG SPRING, TEXAS 79720, WITH AWARD TO BE MADE AT A REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE BIG SPRING CITY COUNCIL. BID INFORMATION AND SPECIFICATIONS MAY BE OBTAINED IN THE OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER, ROOM 206, SECOND FLOOR, CITY HALL, 310 NOLAN STREET, BIG SPRING, TEXAS 79720. ALL BIDS MUST BE MARKED WITH THE DATE OF BID AND A GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF THE BID ITEMS.
THE CITY OF BIG SPRING RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY OR ALL BIDS AND WAIVE ANY OR ALL FORMALITIES.
SIGNED: TIM BLACKSHEAR, MAYOR
SIGNED: MAURINE PITTMAN, CITY SECRETARY
8669 January 30 & February 6, 1994

PUBLIC NOTICE

Glasscock County Independent School District is currently accepting bids for a single family dwelling. Bids will be accepted until 7:00 p.m. Feb. 21st, 1994 at which time they will be opened at the school board meeting scheduled for that date. The meeting will be held in the administration office of the Glasscock County Independent School District located in Garden City, Texas. Bid specifications are available during regular school hours at the school administration office. For further information please contact Charles Zachry at 915-364-2230 or Box 9, Garden City, Texas 79739. The Glasscock County Independent School District reserves the right to accept, reject, or postpone any or all bids.

8648 January 23 & 30, 1994

PUBLIC NOTICE

Glasscock County Independent School District is currently accepting bids for the renovation and resurfacing of the high school track. Bids will be accepted until 7:00 p.m. Feb. 21, 1994 at which time they will be opened at the school board meeting scheduled for that date. The meeting will be held in the administration office of the Glasscock County Independent School District located in Garden City, Texas. Bid specifications are available during regular school hours at the school administration office. For further information please contact Charles Zachry at 915-364-2230 or Box 9, Garden City, Texas 79739. The Glasscock County Independent School District reserves the right to accept, reject, or postpone any or all bids.

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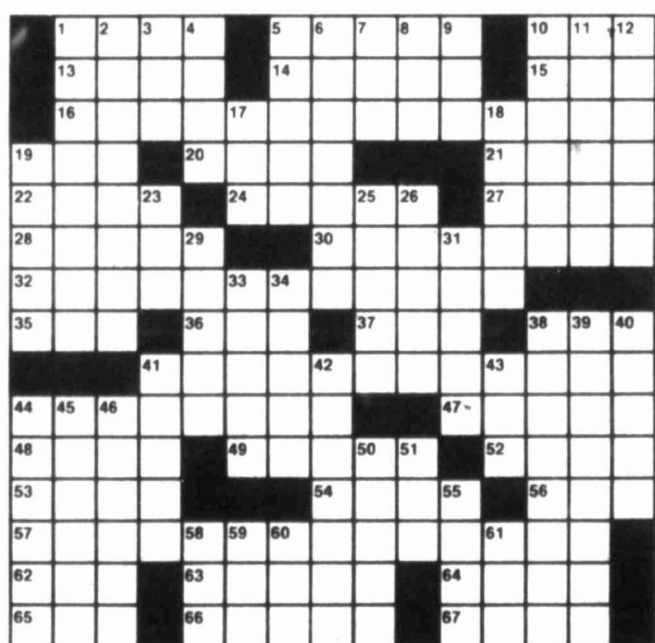


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THE Daily Crossword by Stanley B. Whitten

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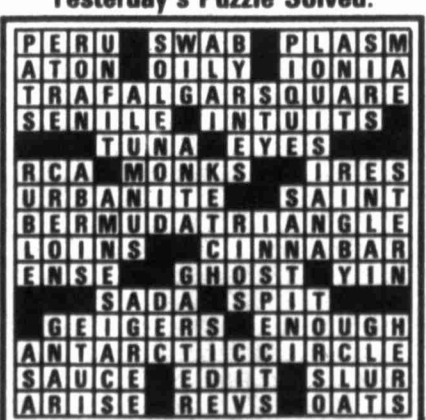
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Yesterday's Puzzle Solved:



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- 1 Carpet holder
- 2 Dynamo part
- 3 Observe
- 4 Towel word
- 5 Happen again
- 6 Crimson Tide
- 7 — Yankee
- 8 Doodle...
- 8 Male turkey
- 9 Half a fly?

10 Musical direction

- 11 Embroidery loops
- 12 Perfectly
- 17 Neighbor of Ill.
- 18 Valerie Harper sitcom
- 19 African primate
- 23 Ross or Baltic
- 25 maid
- 26 Ancient Greek marketplace
- 29 Swagger
- 31 Watchful guardian
- 33 Bizarre
- 34 Restored building
- 38 Closing
- 39 Follow in time
- 40 Locations
- 41 Nautical word
- 42 Hole
- 43 Foot digit
- 44 Smart
- 45 Thin layer

- 46 "— Restaurant" (1969 film)
- 50 Speeds
- 51 Explosive
- 55 Klutz's word
- 58 CIA forerunner
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- 61 Narrow inlet

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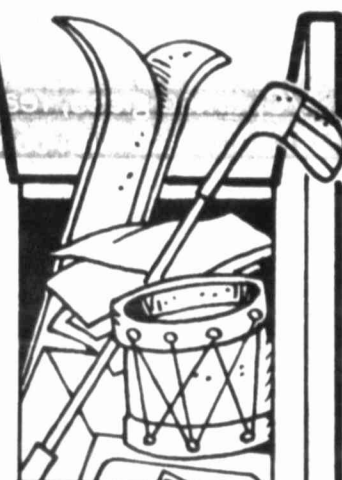
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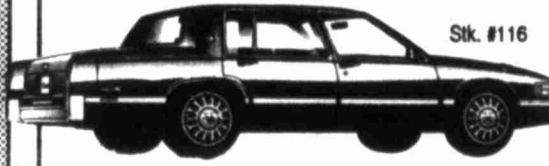


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Autos for Sale 016

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CONTACT:

Human Resource Services
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Big Spring, Texas 79721-0231
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Longtime mutual fund rivalry is still going strong

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Through more than a half-century of dramatic growth, the mutual fund industry's longest-running rivalry hasn't changed much.

It divides the business, just about evenly, between "load" funds that impose sales commissions in one form or another, and no-loads that are sold without charge.

To some observers, the idea that loads persist in such large numbers as the 21st Century approaches seems incongruous, if not outrageous. In an era of increasing financial sophistication, they say, more and more fund investors ought to be avoiding all commission charges by going with no-load funds.

"One dictionary definition of a load is 'a heavy burden or weight,'" observes Sheldon Jacobs in his annual Handbook for No-Load Fund Investors. "No investor needs such a burden."

Yet no-load funds, by the latest

tally of the Investment Company Institute in Washington, account for only about one-third of the assets under management in long-term stock and income funds.

No-loads' share has increased only gradually since 1985, when it stood at 27.5 percent, and 1990, when it was a little less than 29 percent.

Even if you take into account money market funds and short-term municipal bond funds, which are virtually all no-load, the ranks of funds without sales charges still make up only a little more than half of the total.

Evidently, there is still a lot of truth to the old industry maxim that "mutual funds are sold, not bought" — that many investors need or want a broker or salesperson to match them up with a product that suits them.

But whenever the relative merits of the two categories are discussed these days, notes Don Phillips, publisher of the Morningstar Mutual Funds reports in Chicago, the load

forces seem to find themselves on the defensive.

That's at least partly their own doing, Phillips argues. He says they haven't stated their case effectively, and at the same time have played into their rivals' hands with the recent widespread strategy of creating multiple classes of shares.

In a typical instance of such a setup, class A shares continue to carry a front-end sales charge of, say, 5.75 percent, while class B shares are sold without commission but carry a "back-end load" or charge collected when shares are redeemed.

In a few instances, class C and D shares have also been established through which sales charges are imposed via a combination of front-end and back-end loads, or through some sort of annual levy on the shareholder's account.

The load-fund forces maintain that these different classes give investors greater choice in how they wish to pay the salesperson-adviser who pro-

vides them with a service like that of a full-service stockbroker.

But Phillips doesn't see them so favorably. "Rather than advance a positive case for financial planning," he says, "many load-fund leaders responded to their critics by shuffling their commissions — a seeming admission that their opponents had identified a legitimate flaw in their operations."

"By embracing this path of least resistance — shifting sales charges rather than defending the merits of

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development for the Greater El Paso Chamber of Commerce. "It's been an added reason."

That's certainly true for companies like GSC Enterprises Inc.

The Sulphur Springs-based grocery supply company recently purchased El Paso's Chalmers Distributors Inc., which supplies grocery products to military bases. GSC views the move as an oppor-

tunity to expand its military business, but the chance to have a presence on the border was also a consideration in the deal, said GSC President Travis Owens.

"It certainly was part of the reason for being in El Paso," Owens said.

If the historical trend holds true, that proximity to Mexico will continue to be a draw.

Now it's just a matter of patience.

not the appropriate route for all investors.

"Indeed, the stories from large no-load houses of investors who refuse to move their individual retirement accounts out of municipal bond funds (whose tax-exempt benefits are redundant in an IRA) suggest that some investors should not be handling their own accounts."

"Perhaps if full-service groups had made a positive case for financial planning, more investors would be getting the help they need."

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The Airbus A330 is shown in this October 1992 handout photo. Air Inter, France's domestic airline, experienced more mechanical problems Friday with a newly delivered Airbus A330 and grounded the plane indefinitely. The troubled plane is the first A330 to go into service anywhere, and the grounding marks a setback for Airbus, the four-nation European aircraft consortium which ranks second to Boeing Co. of the United States in world sales.

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Texas Instruments plans 700 job cuts

The Associated Press

DALLAS — Texas Instruments Inc. said Friday its fourth-quarter profit rose 72 percent, due chiefly to higher semiconductor sales, but also announced plans to cut 700 jobs in defense electronics and consumer and peripheral products.

Texas Instruments earned \$134 million, or \$1.42 per share, in the quarter ending Dec. 31. It earned \$78 million, or 80 cents per share, a year earlier.

Revenue was \$2.37 billion, up 19 percent from \$1.99 billion.

The company attributed the profit growth to improved semiconductor results and royalty revenues, which climbed from \$89 million to \$133 million. The company also had a \$31 million profit-sharing accrual.

Texas Instruments stock was up 62 cents at \$71.50 per share on the New York Stock Exchange Friday afternoon.

"In the last few years, we have taken actions to reposition our businesses in the marketplace and streamline operations across TI. The improvement in our financial performance shows that our strategies are working," Jerry Junkins, chairman and chief executive officer, said in a statement.

However, Junkins said Texas Instruments expects continued market decline this year in defense electronics and will cut some 500 jobs in

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Jerry Junkins
TI chairman

those operations next month. The company is "working to place as many people as possible in other areas of TI," he said.

Company spokesman Robert Price said the company could not yet predict how many of those workers might get work elsewhere at Texas Instruments.

Since 1988, Texas Instruments has reduced its defense group employment by 11,300, not including Friday's cuts, Price said. About one-quarter of those jobs were lost through layoffs. From a peak of more than 25,000, the group's current employment is about 13,500, he said.

The latest job reductions include 257 in Dallas; Lewisville, 96; McKinney, 111; Sherman, 21; and 12 in the rest of the United States, Price said.

In addition, the company's consolidation of its consumer and peripheral products businesses last year — which resulted in a \$23 million fourth-quarter charge — will eliminate about 200 jobs worldwide.

Those workers will be eligible for severance packages, Junkins said.

Those 200 layoffs include 110 in Dallas, Temple and Lubbock, while

about 90 people will lose their jobs overseas, Price said.

Texas Instruments last year cut about 800 jobs in defense-related plants, mainly in Midland-Odessa, Texas, and the Dallas area. In 1991, the company cut about 6,000 jobs, a little more than half through early retirement incentives and the rest by layoffs. Texas Instruments now has a total of about 59,500 employees, Price said.

For all of 1993, Texas Instruments earned \$472 million, or \$5.03 per share, on revenue of \$8.52 billion. That was nearly twice the company's 1992 profit of \$247 million, or \$2.50 per share, on revenue of \$7.44 billion.

Analysts reacted favorably to Friday's report, especially the semiconductor results.

"By trimming 500 jobs, it's unfortunate for the Dallas area, but they're doing a good job maintaining a profitable business in a declining defense climate," said Gerry Moore, a research analyst for Cowen & Co.

"It does look very good for 1994," Hambrecht & Quist analyst Millard Phelps said. "They've made all the right moves in terms of adjustments to their costs and expenses, consolidating a couple of product groups and then plans to downsize the defense group."

"The momentum for sales and earnings in the semiconductor segment looks very good going forward," he said.

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