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Local weather

Forecast for the Big Spring area:
Mostly sunny and warmer Tuesday. Clear and not as cold tonight. Lows tonight from the upper teens to mid 20s. Highs Tuesday from the mid 50s to lower 60s. Sunday's high was 37 and the low was 15.



Politics blamed in disqualified steer squabble

By MICHAEL DUFFY
Staff Writer

Larry Fryar came away from the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo an unhappy man, however, he may have learned that politics plays a role in any kind of competition.

The steer his daughter, Leslie, a member of the Lucky Acres 4-H Club, had entered in the Angus competition was declared reserve champion Angus about 9 a.m. Thursday, but 10 hours later the steer she had shown was disqualified.

American Angus Association officials disqualified the steer after learning the results of blood tests

taken Wednesday morning.

"They pulled six steers out of the 100 (entered in the Angus competition) for blood testing. We knew there could be a problem, but the classifier told us if the test came out wrong they were going to get on the breeders, not penalize us."

If Fryar knew there was going to be a problem with the steer his daughter entered in the competition, he would have withdrawn the entry and entered the All Other Breed (purebred) competition.

"I'm not saying the steer would have won, but I think it would have placed in that competition," Fryar said.

"They pulled six steers out of the 100 (entered in the Angus competition) for blood testing. We knew there could be a problem, but the classifier told us if the test came out wrong they were going to get on the breeders, not penalize us." — Larry Fryar, exhibitor's dad.

A question that has perplexed Fryar is why the blood samples were sent to Ohio State University in Columbus — a procedure that takes an extended amount of time — when laboratories at Texas A&M University located at College Station were available.

Howard County Extension Agent Don Richardson confirmed that the classifier told him there would not be a problem.

"We told him if there was going to be a problem, we would enter the steer in the AOB competition, but he said there wasn't going to be a

problem," Richardson said.

Fryar said there must be something wrong with the testing procedure because the brother of the steer Leslie Fryar entered placed in the competition.

Fryar added that when he confronted the classifier about his earlier statement, "he changed his story."

"Basically, we got shafted is what had happened," Fryar said.

This is the third year his daughter has entered the prestigious Houston Livestock Show and the disqualification was costly.

Last year's reserve Angus champion sold for \$16,978 at auction.

Leslie was also disappointed, but told her father she "learned a little something about politics out of this."

The disqualification of the steer wasn't the only bad luck the Fryars had over the weekend.

Fryar's father-in-law suffered a heart attack and underwent a second bypass surgery in Lubbock.

His condition Monday is critical, Fryar said.

"We couldn't even get out of Houston until Saturday morning, but we spent most of Friday just making arrangements. We certainly weren't trying to duck any questions about our steer," he explained.

Texas Public Schools Week begins today across area

Students vie for school's top honors

By STEVE GEISSEN
Staff Writer

Unlike the running back whose rushing average is published regularly, or the basketball standout whose scoring output is regularly publicized, the grade point averages of Big Spring High School's top ranking students are not likely to bring them wide spread notoriety.

Nonetheless, the competition for valedictorian status at the school is as close as a one-point ball game with a few seconds on the clock. For example, the top two BSHS students' GPAs differ by less than .08 of a grade point.

But despite the keen competition — and the promise of a valedictorian scholarship that pays for the student's first-year tuition at any state school — the school's top-ranking students do rush to the counselor's office at the end of each semester to see if their standing has changed.

The high school's academic elite, according to counselors Rey Villareal and Rue Ann Cox, compete primarily with themselves.

"They're very competitive kids in everything they do," said Cox. "But it's not to see who has the highest GPA. Their conscientious about their future, about what they want to pursue."

"It's not just the numbers," said Villareal. "There's more to it than that. They know where they're going."

Cheryl Holt, who currently has the highest GPA at Big Spring High School, has no doubt about where she's going after graduation.

Holt, who transferred to the high school last January from Corpus Christi, says she will attend Texas A&M to study microbiology, with the aim of entering the medical profession.

She attributes her academic success to a combination of perfectionism and an affection for learning.

"I enjoy doing school work," said Holt. "But I also push myself and try to do the best I can do."

Like the other high-ranking



Cheryl Holt, left, Gina Johnson and Paul Chavez pose in the library of Big Spring High School last

week. The trio of seniors have the top three grade-point averages in the school.

students, Holt has taken several honors courses. By excelling in these courses, which are assigned higher grade points, she has achieved a 5.93 GPA, as figured on the school's "weighted" GPA system.

The high school also compiles each student's regular GPA, which does not take honors courses into account. Usually, colleges request both GPAs, said school counselors.

In attaining the school's highest academic ranking, Holt has sustained just one blemish on an otherwise perfect academic record.

As a ninth grader in Corpus Christi, Holt received a B — an 89 — in a Spanish Class. Sitting in the school's guidance office, behind a stack of her notebooks and textbooks, Holt admits the thought of the grade still bothers her.

"I think about that a lot," she said. "I would like to go back and change it, but of course I can't."

Holt said she has earned high grades throughout school, but it wasn't until high school that she began consciously following her academic ranking.

While she has consistently excelled academically, Holt says she does not employ any particular method for studying.

"I'm trying to get (a study plan) for college, but I don't have one yet," she said. "How much I study just depends on how much homework I have."

It's not unusual for straight A students to be labeled "a brain" by their peers, and while going to school in Corpus Christi, Holt said she "had that problem, but since I came here I haven't been called that."

Holt is involved in band and church activities, but, like it or not, she realizes she is probably best known for her number one ranking.

"People know about (the number

one ranking)," she said. "But I don't like to talk about it to other people. I don't want people to think about me in that way, but they do anyway."

As for advice to students seeking to attain academic success in high school, Holt says: "Don't blow your grades off. You need to work at it. And don't let your friends tell you you're being a nerd or something because you want to study."

When Paul Chavez was first informed of his academic ranking at the beginning of his junior year, he thought the counselor was joking.

"I couldn't believe it," he said. "I just thought a lot of people made better grades than I did."

Now, in his last semester at Big Spring High School, only one person has better grades than Chavez. With a 5.85 GPA, on the school's

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HERALD STAFF REPORT

Texas Public Schools Week opened across Texas today, and area schools have planned a wide variety of activities to correspond with celebrations across the state.

"This is an annual showcase of our schools," said Bill McQueary, superintendent of the Big Spring Independent School District. "We've got a number of events designed to attract the parents and our community into our schools. This is a historical occasion and has been for a long time."

Schools have scheduled open houses beginning tonight, highlighted by a band concert in the Big Spring High School auditorium at 8 p.m.

Open House will continue at other area elementary schools Tuesday, including some early morning "Donuts for Dads" activities for fathers of school children who might not otherwise be able to attend school functions.

Thursday, a band and choir concert will be held at Runnels Junior High in the boys gymnasium. A chili supper will be held at College Heights Elementary School and Goliad Middle School will also hold a band and choir concert Thursday night.



An all-school talent show will cap off the week's activities at 8 p.m. in the Big Spring High School auditorium.

The Herald published a series of articles concerning area schools each Monday last month by school correspondent Jean Warren, which continues today on the Youth Page of the newspaper.

The articles were all a part of the celebration planned around Public Schools Week.

On Friday, the Herald will continue its celebration of the week, along with the community, with the publication of a special tabloid which will feature advertisements drawn and developed by artists in area schools.

Hundreds of residents are expected to attend celebrations planned at the schools this week.

PUBLIC SCHOOL WEEK CALENDAR

- Monday, March 6**
Elbow Elementary Open House 7:00-8:30 p.m.
Big Spring High School Open House 7:00-8:00 p.m.;
Band Concert in auditorium 8:00 p.m.
Marcy Elementary Open House and P.T.A. 6:30-8:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, March 7**
Bauer Magnet School Open House 7:00-8:00 p.m.
Kentwood Elementary Open House and P.T.A. 7:00-8:30 p.m.
College Heights Elementary Donuts for Dad 7:30 a.m.
Moss Elementary Open House and P.T.A. 7:00 p.m.
Washington Elementary Open House and P.T.A. 7:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, March 8**
Bauer Magnet School Donuts for Parents, 7:45-8:15 a.m.
- Thursday, March 9**
Forsan High School Open House 6:00-8:00 p.m.
Runnels Junior High Open House 12:00 Noon; Band and choir concert in boys gym followed by reception in activity room.
College Heights Elementary Early Open House and Chili Supper 4:30-6:30 p.m.
Anderson Kindergarten Center Open House and P.T.A. 7:00 p.m.
Goliad Middle School Band and Choir Concert 7:00 p.m.;
Open House 7:30-8:30 p.m.
Moss Elementary Donuts for Dad 7:00 a.m.
Coahoma Schools Open House 6:30-7:30 p.m.
- Friday, March 10**
Kentwood Elementary Donuts for Dad 7:00 a.m.-8:00 a.m.
ALL SCHOOLS TALENT SHOW 8:00 P.M. in high school auditorium.

Crippled Eastern says pilots committing 'economic suicide'

By MARCY GORDON
Associated Press Writer

MIAMI — With rail commuters around the nation receiving a reprieve from chaos today, strike-torn Eastern Airlines warned pilots they were committing "economic suicide" by honoring Machinists' picket lines.

Most of the 3,600 pilots, who are critical to Eastern's operations, have honored the strike by the airline's 8,500 mechanics, baggage handlers and ground crew.

The strike, in its third day, began over Eastern's demand for contract concessions and escalated a 17-month battle at the nation's seventh-largest airline.

Most of the airline's 4,800 flight attendants also honored the Machinists' pickets. The effects of the strike could spread Tuesday if the nation's pilots followed their union's request to strictly observe aviation rules starting that day.

Only 92 of Eastern's 1,000 daily

flights took off Sunday, said Eastern spokesman Robin Matell. The pilots' union put the figure at 68.

The sharp cuts in operations have stranded thousands of Eastern's usual 100,000 daily passengers at airports around the country.

The strike had threatened to spill over into a sympathy action today against 12 commuter railroads around the country, but the Machinists called off their plans Sunday after a judge in New York issued a temporary order banning railroad workers from honoring Eastern picket lines there.

Eastern President Phil Bakes, admitting that service has "been a mess," urged the pilots to return.

"Come back now and make this airline work," Bakes told a news conference Sunday. "Come back for your families, come back for Eastern Airlines. ... We can make

it work."

He also apologized to customers and admitted that the carrier had miscalculated when it had assured travelers there would be no major disruptions.

Charles Bryan, negotiator for the Machinists, did likewise.

"We feel very bad and certainly apologize for inconvenience to the traveling public," he said on ABC-TV's "This Week With David Brinkley."

But, he added: "This is probably the purest classic case of evil versus good that's been seen in the history of organized labor. ... These people were not workers who were greedy or doing anything wrong."

By honoring the pickets and virtually shutting down the carrier, pilots threatened Eastern's "very existence," Matell said Sunday.

"By continuing to stay out, the pilots are committing economic suicide," he said.



ATLANTA, Ga. — The Rev. Jesse Jackson holds up two unidentified children of Mike Flynn, right, of the International Association of Machinists

union. The union is on strike against Eastern Airlines. Jackson gave his support to the union during a rally Sunday near the Atlanta airport.

School paddling

Texas leads nation in corporal punishment

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Opponents of corporal punishment in Texas schools say its time has passed and liken the ritual to child abuse.

"It's totally counter-productive," Jimmy Dunne, president and founder of People Opposed to Paddling Students, said from his Houston home.

"It's not an effective way to discipline children. It only adds to violence in children," he added.

Of the more than 1,000 districts in Texas, only two — Alamo Heights in Bexar County and Clear Creek in suburban Houston — are believed to have banned corporal punishment, Dunne told the *San Antonio Light*.

Dunne, a former Houston teacher, and other anti-corporal punishment activists were in Austin last month to testify for an anti-paddling bill sponsored by state Sen. Craig Washington, D-Houston.

The legislation would limit paddling in Texas public schools to those students whose parents sign a consent form allowing corporal punishment.

Texas requires districts to draft a "discipline management plan" that spells out a corporal punishment policy, but does not lay out specific guidelines on when or

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how students should be paddled, said Joe Lozano, a spokesman for the Texas Education Agency.

The only guidance given districts is a section of the Texas Penal Code concerning the relationship between an educator and a student, he said. The three-paragraph section states that corporal punishment is justified when an educator "reasonably believes... force is necessary... to maintain discipline in a group."

Consequently, there is no uniform discipline policy, leaving districts to devise their own standards. And virtually all choose to permit corporal punishment in one form or another.

The U.S. Supreme Court today let stand the Texas law that allows the use of all necessary corporal punishment short of deadly force.

In 1985-86, the most recent school year for which statistics are available, 260,399 Texas public school students were paddled — more than twice the number of students paddled in

second-place Florida, according to a study by the National Coalition of Advocacy for Students.

Drawing on data furnished by the U.S. Department of Education, the Boston-based group's analysis revealed that Texas students were paddled at a rate of nearly eight of every 100 students during the year studied.

Six states had higher corporal punishment rates, or greater percentages of students paddled. Arkansas, for instance, led the nation with 13.7 percent of its public school students paddled.

Opponents of corporal punishment are both passionate and organized. They come armed with a wealth of studies, claiming to document the negative effects of corporal punishment.

One study shows that 1 million children are paddled a year, 20,000 of whom suffer injuries ranging from bruises to broken tailbones, according to Robert Fathman of the National Coalition to Abolish Corporal Punishment in Schools of Westerville, Ohio.

Fathman predicted that Texas,

were it to abolish corporal punishment, would realize an almost overnight decrease in vandalism and high school dropouts.

"That's just common sense when you're spanking kids with boards," he said from his Ohio office.

Despite a 1977 U.S. Supreme Court decision upholding corporal punishment, several professional organizations have come out against the paddling, among them the American Bar Association, American Medical Association, American Psychological Association and the American Academy of Pediatrics.

Opponents note that juvenile delinquents are offered more legal protection than school children.

State law forbids children in detention centers from being beaten, said Bart Kelly, placement and counseling director for Youth Alternatives Inc., a private non-profit organization that provides temporary and long-term shelter and counseling to troubled youths.

So far, 12 states, mostly Northern, have banned paddling: California, Hawaii, Maine, Massachusetts, Michigan, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Rhode Island, Vermont and Wisconsin.



Associated Press photo

Snow fun

Steven Hofer Jr., 3, rides his sled down a snow-covered hill at a Midland park while his father, Steven Sr., and sister Stephanie, 8, look on. Arctic air roared into West Texas early Saturday and combined with an upper-level storm system to produce up to 5 inches of snow in the Permian Basin.

Problem may delay Saturday launch

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP)

A problem developed with a rocket separation control system today, threatening a postponement of Saturday's launch of space shuttle Discovery with a crew of five.

NASA spokesman Karl Kristofferson said the trouble is with a Master Events Controller, one of two such shuttle systems that receive separation commands from the spaceship's main computer. The problem showed up early today during a routine test.

The controllers arm and fire explosive devices that separate the two solid fuel rockets two minutes after liftoff and the external fuel tank when the main engines burn out about 8½ minutes into a flight.

"It's definitely a bad controller," Kristofferson said.

He said shuttle managers were discussing replacing the bad controller with one now assigned to the shuttle Columbia. He said the replacement and checkout of the new unit would take time and could delay Saturday's launch.

"Officials are assessing a possible launch impact," he said. Discovery is scheduled to lift off at 8:10 a.m. Saturday on the third shuttle flight since the Challenger explosion killed seven astronauts more than three years ago.

During five days in orbit, a crew of five astronauts is to deploy a communications satellite and conduct medical and science experiments.

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Supreme Court leaves paddling law intact

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court today left unresolved whether public school students enjoy any constitutional protection against paddling or other corporal punishment by teachers and administrators.

The justices, without comment, let stand a Texas law that allows the use of all necessary corporal punishment, short of deadly force, in the state's public schools.

The 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals upheld the Texas law in dismissing a lawsuit filed in behalf of two kindergarten girls paddled severely for "snickering."

Other federal appeals courts have made it easier to win such suits. For example, the 10th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals has ruled in a New Mexico case that, "at some degree of excessiveness or cruelty," such punishment violates constitutional rights.

The justices in 1977 ruled that public school disciplinary

measures involving physical force never can amount to the "cruel and unusual punishment" banned by the Constitution's Eighth Amendment.

The decision barred students from suing teachers and school administrators in federal court over alleged Eighth Amendment violations, but left them free to sue in state courts under state laws.

In the 1977 decision, however, the court said it was leaving undecided whether corporal punishment ever may violate "substantive rights under the (14th Amendment's) due process clause."

The case acted on today came from Jacksonville, Texas, where on May 6, 1987, Crystal Cunningham, 5, and Ashley Johnson, 6, were paddled twice — once by their school principal and once by their teacher.

Mary Sue Bruno, the principal at Westside Kindergarten School, saw the two girls snickering in the

hall, and gave each child two swats on the buttocks with a wooden paddle.

When the girls returned to the classroom, teacher Rosa Cook saw them still snickering. She took the girls into the hallway and gave each three more swats across the buttocks with a wooden paddle.

Each girl missed six days of school. The lawsuit filed in their behalf said the reason for their absence was "severe pain" and fear over returning to school.

According to court documents, both girls were taken to a child welfare office where social workers who examined the paddling bruises said the two had been subjected to child abuse.

The federal lawsuit, seeking monetary damages, alleged that Ms. Bruno, Ms. Cook and other school officials violated the girls' constitutional rights with conduct "excessive, brutal, disproportionate to the circumstances (and) shocking to the

conscience."

The suit said the paddlings violated the girls' due-process and equal-protection rights.

A federal trial judge threw out the suit, relying on past 5th Circuit court rulings that corporal punishment generally does not violate any constitutional rights.

The 5th Circuit upheld the dismissal last Oct. 26.

In seeking Supreme Court review, lawyers for the girls cited Department of Education studies indicating that 30,000 American schoolchildren are physically injured each year "because of the infliction of corporal punishment to a degree that requires medical treatment."

The appeal said those studies estimate at "at least 100,000 children develop emotional and learning disabilities from excessive and inappropriate school punishment each year."

The case is O'Connor vs. Beavers, 88-1181.

Beach towns geared for spring break

GALVESTON (AP) — Free music, surfing and sand-sculpting contests, tennis and volleyball tournaments are expected to attract hordes of college students to Texas beaches in the coming weeks.

"The out-of-staters are already starting to come in," Lt. Vic Maceo, commander of the Galveston County Sheriff's Beach Patrol, told the *Houston Chronicle*.

Spring break crowds officially are expected to begin arriving Thursday, with the largest number of Southwest Conference schools adjourning Friday for a week students traditionally spend partying at Texas beaches from Galveston to South Padre Island.

In the Corpus Christi-Port Aransas area, where a beach melee broke out last spring break after a girl was struck by a car, local, state and federal law enforcement officials were meeting Monday to coordinate water and traffic safety efforts.

Area officials say, however, they don't believe "overblown" accounts of beach violence last year will keep the students — or families

— away.

Nueces County Commissioner J.P. Luby, whose precinct includes Mustang Island and North Padre Island beaches, estimates 100,000 college students will flock to area beaches this month. Officials expect students to spend between \$40 and \$50 a day and 70 percent of them to stay in Port Aransas.

Lanette Nolte, manager of the Chamber of Commerce and Tourist Bureau at Port Aransas, said the first signs of spring for her are heralded the blaring boom boxes of students traveling to the island on the ferry.

"I still get a thrill hearing the loud amplifiers going when they (students) get off the ferry. It is an indication that spring has sprung, and I look forward to it," Ms. Nolte said.

In Galveston, organized spring break activities begin Thursday with a five-kilometer fun run. Galveston College will sponsor a tennis tournament the next day.

Saturday, Texas A & M University-Galveston will sponsor a surfing contest. Bands will pro-

vide background music for the milling crowds at East Beach, or R.A. Apfel Park, on March 12 and 19, the two Sundays of spring break.

"We had 50,000 kids in R.A. Apfel park for one concert last year and it went real smoothly," beach parks supervisor Bill Spencer said. "We had relatively few problems and we're looking for a good event this year."

Bands scheduled this year are Killer Bees, Vixen, Book of Love and Red Flag, Spencer said. Many high school students are expected to join the older crowd as well, Maceo said. But officials are unsure how many students will appear on the beaches.

The state's higher drinking age still is expected to attract many students to South Padre Island, because of its proximity to the Mexican border town of Matamoros.

Maceo and Luby warned that Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission agents will be prowling the Texas beaches and arresting people under 21 who are drinking.

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Congress ready to tackle Bush on Eastern strike, Tower

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Eastern Airlines strike this week is likely to become the second major confrontation between President Bush and a Democratic Congress already battling over John Tower's nomination as defense secretary.

The aviation subcommittee of the House Public Works Committee will hold a hearing Tuesday on Bush's refusal to intervene hours before 8,500 striking Machinists union members with support from pilots and flight attendants virtually shut down the nation's seventh largest airline.

Bush on Friday rejected the recommendation of federal mediators and 33 senators to appoint an emergency board and order a 60-day cooling-off period that would have forestalled the strike. Administration officials said Bush would not allow unions to wage "economic blackmail."

That decision — which had been sought by the management of Eastern and the head of its parent company, Texas Air Chairman Frank Lorenzo — was the first time in the 63-year history of the National Mediation Board that a president has rejected its advice.

Anticipating Bush's decision, Reps. Glenn Anderson, D-Calif., and James Oberstar, D-Minn., respectively chairmen of the Public Works Committee and its aviation subcommittee, introduced a bill last Thursday directing the president to empanel an emergency board and order the strikers back to work.

"I think the president got bad advice and his organization just misjudged the circumstances," Oberstar said Sunday. "Some outside force needs to be brought to bear to resolve this. The Machinists would be constrained to accept the recommendation of even a George Bush board."

Instead, Bush and Transportation Secretary Samuel Skinner said the administration would ask Congress to outlaw secondary boycotts in the transportation industry if Machinists put up picket lines at other airlines and railroads to cripple them as well.

Skinner said the administration is opposed to congressionally imposed contract settlements. The last time Congress did was two years ago when track maintenance workers threatened to expand a

strike against the Maine Central railroad into a nationwide walkout.

President Reagan twice asked Congress to outlaw secondary labor boycotts at airlines and railroads — they already are illegal in other industries under the 1947 Taft-Hartley law — but on both occasions, the legislation was never even considered by the Democratic-controlled Congress.

Buoyed by their success in allowing fewer than 100 of Eastern's 1,000 scheduled flights to take place on the first day of the strike, the Machinists said they would not try to spread the walkout to railroads and other airlines on Monday. But they did not rule out secondary boycotts later.

Meanwhile, more than 37,000 union pilots at other airlines have vowed to launch a work-to-rule

slowdown on Tuesday in support of the Eastern Machinists. Skinner said that could "inconvenience millions and millions of people."

Oberstar said Democratic congressional leaders have decided to let the House take the lead in opposing Bush's stance in the Eastern strike while the Senate maintains a second battle front on Tower.

"The Senate is really waiting to see what the House does; they're waiting for us to move," he said.

Tower on Sunday repeated his pledge to stop drinking if confirmed by the Senate as secretary of defense but said he saw no reason to do so otherwise and accused his detractors of "hypocrisy."

He also said he would relish a chance to appear on the Senate floor this week to defend himself,

as suggested by the Senate Republican leader, Sen. Bob Dole of Kansas. Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell, D-Maine, has not responded to Dole's suggestion.

Appearing Sunday on the ABC-TV program, "This Week With David Brinkley," Dole promised "a lot more debate," indicating a final confirmation vote might not come for another week.

Congress will continue hearings Tuesday through Friday on Bush's proposal to bail out depositors in savings and loan associations who sought federally insured high interest rates under deregulation from now insolvent S&Ls.

The Congressional Budget Office last week put the 10-year cost to taxpayers of Bush's S&L plan at \$84 billion to \$110 billion, compared to the \$1.5 billion government stake

in bailing out the Chrysler Corp. in 1980.

However, unlike the federal loan guarantees that were repaid by Chrysler when it again turned profitable, no one ever expects the government to recoup the money that Bush is asking taxpayers to shell out for the S&L depositors.

Another skirmish between the administration and Congress will occur Wednesday when the Senate Labor Committee is scheduled to write a new bill to raise the minimum wage from its current \$3.35 an hour to \$4.65 over three years.

The bill is identical to one proposed last year by the committee's chairman, Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., that failed last summer in the face of a Republican filibuster.

Labor Secretary Elizabeth Dole — the wife of the Senate Republican leader — said Friday that Bush would support annual raises of 30 cents an hour to a \$4.25 minimum wage in three years, but only if employers can keep paying new hires a sub-minimum \$3.35 the first six months they are on their payrolls.

Spring board

How's that? Benefits

Q. My ex-husband and I were married for 33 years before we were divorced in 1986. He recently passed away. Am eligible for VA benefits as his survivor?

A. According to the VA Office of Public Affairs, No. "Surviving Spouse" means the lawful spouse of the veteran at the time of his or her death. He or she must have lived with the veteran continuously until the date of death except when there was a separation caused by the veteran without fault of the spouse.

Calendar PTA

- TODAY**
- Marcy PTA will meet at 6:30 p.m. in the cafeteria. An open house will follow the meeting until 8 p.m.
 - The Youth Horsemen Club will meet at 8 p.m. at the Howard County Youth Horsemen Arena on Garden City Highway. All members and interested parties are invited.
- TUESDAY**
- The Howard County Library to Read Program is having a Phonics workshop from 7 to 10 p.m. in the Howard County Library basement. The workshop is designed to teach adults to teach reading using Phonics and is open to anyone interested in teaching reading one-on-one.
 - The American Association of Retired People will meet at 10 a.m. at the Kentwood Older Adult Center.

Police beat

An 18-year-old Big Spring man suffered minor injuries late Saturday when he lost control of the car he was driving and struck a fixed object in the 500 block of FM 700, according to police reports.

Andrew Paul Warner was traveling at an unsafe speed for the weather conditions when the collision occurred, causing his car to roll over on its left side, reports stated.

Warner was cited by police for speed unsafe for conditions.

Big Spring police also reported investigating the following incidents:

- A clerk at 7/Elven, 300 Owens St., reported an unknown black male took four cartons of Marlboro and two cartons of Kool cigarettes, valued at \$74.56.
- A man who resides in the 1700 block of Young Street reported unknown persons took a microwave oven valued at \$360.

Bush has back-up list if Tower not confirmed

WASHINGTON (AP) — If the Senate rejects John Tower as defense secretary, the White House is expected to move quickly to name a replacement, even though it isn't acknowledging the possibility of defeat.

"The president has told his staff and has told the nation that he's not talking about successors, he's talking about getting his nomination confirmed," said White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater.

Still, administration aides and congressional sources say privately that the president is mindful of the odds against winning Tower's confirmation; and that the White House is determined not to be caught off balance.

The speculation is that Bush would select a candidate who could be confirmed quickly — either someone now in government or someone who in the recent past had been a Cabinet or sub-Cabinet official.

Some Republicans in Congress have been pressing Bush to give the job to his National Security Adviser, Brent Scowcroft, who is widely respected on both sides of the aisle.

In fact, if Bush was determined to keep Tower as part of his administration, he could do a job swap, giving him Scowcroft's present job — which does not require Senate confirmation and which is not in the military line of command.

Although Scowcroft's name has been heard most frequently in recent White House speculation, there is no shortage of candidates.

Among them:

- Sen. John Warner of Virginia, senior Republican on the Senate Armed Services Committee. A former secretary of the Navy, Warner would sail through the Senate if nominated. However, a big political minus to Republicans would be the loss of a Senate seat, since Democratic Virginia Gov. Gerald Baliles would surely fill the vacancy with a member of his own party.
- Former Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld. Now a corporate executive, Rumsfeld was former President Ford's defense secretary in 1975-77. He is mentioned frequently as a likely contender for the post, but his support of Sen. Bob Dole of Kansas against Bush in last year's Republican primaries could work against him.
- Former Rep. Jack Edwards of Alabama. He was the senior Republican on the Appropriations defense subcommittee for many years and was highly regarded for his knowledge of the defense budget and for his skill in arguing defense issues. Jack Edwards

has become a G O P workhorse with a string of high-level assignments and would bring a management perspective to the job. He was in President Reagan's first Cabinet and most recently was co-chairman of the Federal Economic Commission, which tried to tackle the problem of the budget deficit.

— Norman Augustine, chief executive officer of Martin Marietta Corp. He reportedly was offered, and turned down, the chance to be deputy defense secretary, but might view the No. 1 spot differently. He has been involved in developing various proposals for defense modernization. However, his lack of previous government service could be a liability.

When asked whether Bush has considered alternatives, whether anyone on his staff has considered alternatives, or whether the White House personnel office has done any preliminary work in such a direction, Fitzwater is emphatic.

"To my knowledge and under every instruction that I've been given by everybody of any authority, the answer to that no, no, no and no," says the presidential spokesman.

But analysts and leading Republicans in Congress suggest otherwise.

"If there hasn't been at least one session in the Oval Office to bat around alternatives to Tower, then they're nuts. They've got to have a contingency plan," said Norman Ornstein of the conservative American Enterprise Institute.

"George Bush has to come forward with someone very quickly who can be confirmed quickly," if Tower loses, Ornstein said, suggesting that additional delays in getting his defense team in place are "the last thing he wants to do."

Sen. Phil Gramm, D-Texas, an outspoken Tower defender, said he believed "several people" might be considered as backup candidates for Tower, but that the White House has given no signal it is wavering in its support for Tower.

Rep. Lynn Martin, R-Ill., a former member of the House Armed Services Committee who was a top Bush campaign adviser, said she assumes the president's senior staff has given consideration to a successor to Tower even if Bush has not.

"Of course, they'll have alternatives ready. That's what staff is for," she said in an interview. "You always plan to the possibility of losing."

Mrs. Martin said Bush was entirely proper in forbidding his staff to talk about possible backup candidates. "It is not the appropriate time," she said.



Drew Lewis



Norman Augustine

Landry considered for drug post

AUSTIN (AP) — Former Dallas Cowboys coach Tom Landry could be the new anti-drug czar of Texas, if Gov. Bill Clements has his way.

Clements reportedly is persuading Landry for a newly created, senior administration job to coordinate the state's anti-drug efforts through all state agencies dealing with drug problems.

"Governor Clements has a longtime friendship with Tom Landry," Clements' top aide, Reggie Bashur, told the Dallas Times Herald Sunday. "The governor has tremendous respect for the coach, and he has said that he would like to talk with coach Landry and see what type of public service activity he might want to be involved in."

"Right now, it's in the very preliminary discussion," Bashur told The Associated Press.

Landry, 64, who was released from the Cowboys last month after 29 years as its only coach, is vacationing in Palm Springs, Calif., until the end of March and was not available for comment.

"Texas spends about \$50 million on anti-drug efforts, which are dispersed throughout a number of agencies," Bashur told The Associated Press. "Coach Landry, as a drug czar, would become the leading spokesman in term of the education and information

national programs and would help in terms of coordination."

The state's drug prevention, treatment and education programs currently are administered by the state's Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse. A 1988 study showed the state spent less per capita to fund drug and alcohol programs than any other state surveyed, behind California, at \$2.90, and New York, at \$10.70.

Legislators, acknowledging the lack of adequate drug programs, are pushing for millions of dollars in new drug programs as a means of cutting at the roots of crime.

"Fully 80 percent of the people who commit crimes in Texas are involved one way or the other with illicit drugs," Bashur told The Associated Press. "The issue of drug education and information and drug prevention programs is absolutely critical and coach Landry could play a major role in that effort."

Dallas businessman Charles Terrell, chairman of the Texas Board of Corrections and chairman of the governor's Texas Criminal Justice Task Force, said he was unaware that Clements was seeking Landry for the job, but said Landry is a logical choice.

"I could not imagine a finer choice than Tom Landry. He



Tom Landry

stands for all that is right in our society," Terrell told the Times Herald. "If it's not this position, there should be a position of leadership for him in the state or federal government — if we can get him to take it."

Landry, a staunch conservative and evangelical Christian, has campaigned in recent elections for a number of Republican candidates, including Clements.

Students

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weighted GPA system, the student council president is close behind Holt in the competition for valedictorian status.

But Chavez does not credit himself as innately superior to his classmates.

"I've always thought that other people could do as well (academically) as I do. It's just that they're a little lazier. And maybe they haven't taken the honor courses."

Chavez says he is not a meticulous planner when it comes to studying, and he has been known to wait until the eleventh hour to cram for a big test. But throughout school, Chavez has taken pride in working hard to achieve his goals.

Since he has chosen to become involved in student government and other activities, Chavez said it's difficult to sustain a high GPA.

"To get involved and keep your grades up, you really have to work hard," he said. Chavez said he is motivated by the opportunity for a college education.

"I realized that in order to have a job that will make me happy, I'm going to have to go to college, where I can get the skills so I can have that job."

For Chavez, a fulfilling job would be working in the communications field.

He sees his 25-year-old brother, Danny — who recently graduated from the University of Texas at Austin and is seeking work in the Los Angeles movie industry — as a role model.

Chavez also plans to attend UT and major in mass communications.

He has been given the Texas Achievement Award, a merit based scholarship available to minority students attending UT, and has also applied for other academic scholarships yet to be awarded.

"Scholarships will decide

whether I stay in college for as long as I want to," he said. "I'm really depending on scholarships."

For now, Chavez is concentrating on maintaining his grades. But, Chavez said he is not preoccupied with the competition for valedictorian or salutatorian status.

"I've thought about it," he said. "The final decision will come, but I really don't want to put any pressure on myself about it. Putting more pressure on myself will just make me foul up. I think more in terms of I'll be out of high school soon."

Achieving high-ranking academic status is rewarding, Chavez said, but one shouldn't judge himself against the accomplishments of others.

"You have to try your best," said Chavez. "But I would tell younger students that the most important thing is that you do your best. If you do that, you'll never cheat yourself, and I think you'll achieve a lot more."

Gina Johnson has the third highest GPA at BSHS, but she hardly fits the stereotype of the bookish scholar.

A cheerleader who's active in other school activities as well, Johnson says she "just gets satisfaction out of making good grades, and my ranking just kind of came along with that."

As a result of extracurricular activities, Johnson often must do the majority of her homework at night. Her busy schedule demands organization, she says, displaying her portable organizer, which is filled with notes listing her homework assignments and due dates.

"I'm real organized," she said. "I just learned I had to write my assignments down or I'd forget to do it."

Of course, concentrating solely

on academics would make life easier for her. But Johnson said she would advise others become involved in non-academic activities as well.

"Sometimes it gets hard, but I really enjoy it," she said. "I'm glad I have other things to kind of relax me when I'm tense about studying or when I have a test."

As for her future, Johnson plans to attend the UT at Austin and major in psychology.

Despite her 5.83 high school GPA, Johnson said she has never gotten "too wrapped up in studying," and she plans to balance studies and extracurricular activities in college as well.

"I don't think I'd be satisfied with just making good grades in college," she said. "I need to be doing something else as well."

Deaths

Ruth Morgan

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Nation

Waste disposal industry of 1990s

BOSTON (AP) — Forget plastics. The glow is off computers. Hazardous waste disposal is the high-tech growth industry of the 1990s.

So say some of the 500 environmental entrepreneurs, executives and consultants who attended a two-day conference on how to profit from America's toxic waste problem.

"Two or three years ago if you'd said you're having a hazardous waste business conference, you'd get very few people show-

ing up," said Stephen L. Irish, whose company extracts heavy metals from contaminated wastewater.

But it was standing room only at a session last week in the Copley Plaza Hotel's ornate ballroom.

The subject: "Identifying Market Opportunities in the Hazardous Waste Industry," or, as one person attending put it, "Given that companies don't publicize their hazardous waste problems, how do we identify potential customers?"

Klan holds recruitment rally

PHILADELPHIA, Miss. (AP) — Sixteen Ku Klux Klan members marched for "white power" and a Klan leader criticized the movie "Mississippi Burning," about the slayings of three civil rights workers here in the 1960s.

About 100 spectators watched the march and recruitment rally with a few people heckling the marchers. About 20 law enforcement officers also kept watch.

No incidents were reported in the march or during another march by about 20 Klan members later Sunday in Meridian, about 40 miles to the east.

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Jordan Gollub, the Grand Dragon for Mississippi, said the march was held in Philadelphia because of the movie, which he said presented a "negative, hateful image of the Klan."

"Hollywood is run by Jews and integrationists," said Gollub, a Jew by birth.

The movie, which has received seven Oscar nominations, is loosely based on the 1964 slayings of three civil rights workers whose bodies were found in an earthen dam near Philadelphia, a town of about 7,500 in central Mississippi.

Group alters stand on circumcision

CHICAGO (AP) — The American Academy of Pediatrics today for the first time noted evidence of medical benefits of circumcisions for newborns, but the 37,000-member organization stopped short of an all-out endorsement.

The academy said the decision is best made by parents in consultation with their physicians. "In addition to the medical aspects, other factors will affect the parents' decisions, including esthetics, religion, cultural attitudes, social pressures and tradition," the group said.

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The practice is a controversial issue worldwide. The first Inter-

national Symposium on Circumcision was held last week in Anaheim, Calif., sponsored by the National Organization of Circumcision Information Resource Centers and the Institute for the Advancement of Human Behavior.

The symposium concluded that the medical need for circumcision is very rare and that ordinarily it should not be done, said Billy Boyd, a participant and co-founder of The Victims Speak, a group working against circumcision.

"Parents do not have the right to consent to unnecessary medical procedures on their children," and physicians have an obligation to refuse to remove normal body parts, the symposium said in a policy statement presented to the California Medical Association.



TALLADEGA, Ala. — The awning of a gas station, leveled by a tornado, lies across a van and a truck at Talladega. The tornado was one of two that went through Talladega Sunday.

Weekend weather closes four schools

(AP) A fierce winter storm spread up to a foot of snow and ice from the South to Ohio, closing schools in four states today after disrupting flights at Dallas-Fort Worth International. Damaging tornadoes swept across Alabama and Georgia.

Severe thunderstorms along a cold front raked the Southeast with rain and golf ball-size hail and produced tornadoes that heavily damaged a Georgia motel and killed one person in a mobile home Sunday night.

Sunday's bad weather also was blamed for six other deaths, including two children killed in an house fire in Alabama ignited by lightning.

The weekend snowstorm developed from a cold front out of the Northwest and sent heavy snow to the southern Plains. Today, the wintry weather stretched from eastern Oklahoma to Pennsylvania, said Hugh Crowther of the National Weather Service's Severe Storms Forecast Center in Kansas City, Mo.

Thunderstorms extended from northern Georgia across northwest Florida into the Gulf of Mexico early today.

The heaviest snows were in Oklahoma, where up to a foot fell in Chandler, and in Missouri where snowfall totals in the Ozarks reached 10 inches.

Schools remained closed today in parts of Arkansas, Oklahoma, Texas and Ohio.

Crowther said the snow should taper off as the storm moved slowly east, with snow to the north and rain to the south.

Temperatures dipped to record lows early today in Port Arthur, Texas, 24; Shreveport, La., 24, and Wichita Falls, Texas, 15.

The cold, however, didn't keep an Arkansas couple from exchanging wedding vows at an outdoor ceremony or 3,000 Texans from a much heralded Ramses II exhibit in Dallas.

"Beautiful day for a wedding," said the Rev. Gregory Hogan, after he shucked his fur-collared overcoat to preside at the wedding of Jo Wright and Bill Stackhouse in Little Rock.

World

Arafat offers truce with Israel

KUWAIT (AP) — PLO chairman Yasser Arafat has offered to revive a 1981 cease-fire with the Israelis in south Lebanon and to visit Israel if Arab governments approve, newspapers said today.

He said Israel was negotiating with the Palestine Liberation Organization through the United Nations for a halt to guerrilla operations from south Lebanon, the papers reported.

Israel has said it will not talk to the PLO, which it considers a terrorist organization.

Arafat was quoted as saying that reviving the short-lived 1981 cease-fire, which was mediated by U.N. peacekeepers, "should only take place according to our conditions."

In an interview with editors of several Kuwaiti dailies, he stressed that the PLO would agree to a truce only if Israel "stops its raids in the region, ends its deportation of Palestinians and stops using arms against the uprising in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip."

Aghan guerrillas attack convoy

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan (AP) — Afghan guerrillas attacked a Kabul-bound emergency convoy and set fire to 15 vehicles, but the rest of the trucks arrived safely in the Afghan capital over the weekend, Radio Kabul said.

The more than 550 trucks with 6,000 tons of food and fuel from the Soviet Union were hit as they traveled south on the strategic Salang Highway from Hairatan, a village on the Soviet border, the state-run radio Sunday.

The broadcast, monitored in Islamabad, said 13 tank trucks and two trucks carrying wheat were set on fire by attacking rebels.

"The opposition continued to launch attacks on convoys of food and fuel, snatching the bread

from the table of our innocent people," Radio Kabul said. "Heavy losses and casualties were inflicted on the criminals," the radio broadcast said without elaborating.

A spokesman for the rebel force Jamiat-i-Islami, which claims control of much of the area on either side of the Salang Highway, said today that he knew nothing of the weekend convoy.

However, the spokesman said his group's policy is to allow emergency food, but not military hardware, to pass.

The Soviet Union withdrew the last of its forces Feb. 15 after nine years of military intervention. More than 100,000 Soviet soldiers were sent into the central Asian state.

Group threatens Dante monument

RAVENNA, Italy (AP) — A group has threatened to blow up a monument to Dante Alighieri because the medieval poet's famed "Divine Comedy" places the prophet Mohammed in hell, officials said Sunday.

Mayor Mauro Dragone said he ordered increased security around the monument to the poet, who died in Ravenna in 1321, after receiving a threatening letter from a group calling itself "Guardians of the Revolution."

"It is an initiative taken in a prudent way because I am more inclined to think that the letter, which also was sent to a local newspaper, is a joke orchestrated in bad taste or a provocation," Dragone was quoted as saying by the Italian news agency ANSA.

However, the mayor said he warned police and demanded stepped up security because he believes the potential danger from such threats cannot be underestimated.

He said the letter also demanded that he repudiate "the false poet Dante" and declare publicly "that Dante lied and that these verses can no longer be read or studied."

The "Divine Comedy" is considered a literary masterpiece that established the Tuscan dialect as the literary language of Italy. The work, a poem of more than 14,000 lines in 100 cantos, recounts a poet's journey through hell, purgatory and heaven. It places Mohammed in the ninth pit of hell.

Police arrest 300 for smoking violations

MANILA, Philippines (AP) — Police in suburban Quezon City said today that they had already hauled into jail about 300 violators of a tough anti-smoking law that took effect a day earlier.

Those arrested were locked in holding cells until charges could be prepared against them. After a few hours, they were released pending trial.

The dragnet snagged not only scofflaws, but unwitting violators as well.

One 19-year-old youth arrived today at the police station, puffing on

a cigarette, carrying food for a friend arrested earlier for unauthorized smoking.

The teen-ager was thrown into the cell with his friend after police explained the smoking ban applies in police stations too.

The new ordinance bans smoking in most public places, including buses, restaurants, government offices, hospitals and theaters in the city of about 1 million, part of metropolitan Manila.

Violators who smoke in public places that are not designated for smoking face a \$10 fine, 10 days in

jail, or both.

"No complaints so far," said Col. Rodolfo Garcia, police station commander and a reformed smoker, speaking about the crackdown. "The people (of the city) are even pleased because we are protecting them."

City officials said they will put up signs along municipal boundaries warning people they are entering "a non-smoking city."

But several people complained that they were unaware of the ban until they were hauled off public transportation.

Home-made liquor kills 109 in India

NEW DELHI, India (AP) — In the only Indian state where the sale of alcohol is banned, an illegal home-made liquor killed at least 109 people — most of them poor laborers — and sickened scores more, news reports said today.

The Press Trust of India news agency said 251 were hospitalized and at least 100 were in critical condition.

United News said police arrested three people who had supplied the liquor. A son of one supplier and the son of a prominent local politician were among those killed by the moonshine, it said.

Baroda is a major industrial center in Gujarat, the only Indian state where sale of alcohol is banned. It is about 560 miles southwest of New Delhi.

Many victims are likely to go blind if they live, doctors treating the patients said, the agency said. The newspaper said most of the victims were poor laborers who bought the liquor Saturday morning after receiving their monthly wages. The first deaths were reported about midnight Saturday, it said.

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Lifestyle

Spotting problems in drinking water

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Most Americans can drink their tap water with confidence, and there are ways to avoid any problems in the water supply that may occur, according to a scientist at New York University Medical Center.

"Many water supplies in the United States today are far superior to what they were just a few decades ago," said Theodore J. Kneip, Ph.D., professor of environmental medicine at the Medical Center. "There is less contamination, largely because of more sophisticated water-treatment facilities."

Yet problems can still occur: about 86,000 people around the nation contracted water-borne illnesses between 1971 and 1982, the vast majority a result of deficiencies in water-treatment systems.

An article in an upcoming issue of the New York University Medical Center Health Letter reports that symptoms that develop from drinking contaminated water — nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, stomach cramps — are similar to those from any kind of food poisoning.

Kneip suggested that residents of both urban and rural areas be aware of various safety factors.

"Water drawn in the morning contains higher concentrations of lead than water drawn later in the day," Kneip observed. "Levels higher than 0.01 milligrams of lead per liter of water are considered

dangerous."

People whose houses are outfitted with lead plumbing are most vulnerable, but lead-containing solder was used on joints in copper plumbing until recently.

"If you have not run water in more than eight hours, allow water to run a few minutes before using for drinking or cooking to reduce lead levels," Kneip advised.

"Drinking water should be pleasant-tasting and odorless. An intensely foul smell may indicate the presence of decayed material or infectious organisms."

"In particular, be aware of the smell of sulfur (it resembles rotten eggs) or petroleum products, both of which indicate contamination. Nor should water taste of chlorine."

Tap water that appears cloudy is usually the result of harmless bubbles that form when the tap releases water.

"Allow the water to stand for a few moments; if it clears and nothing settles at the bottom of the glass, there is no problem," Kneip maintained. "If it remains cloudy, or if sediment appears, let the water run for a few minutes, then repeat. Do not drink water that remains cloudy or sedimented; this means that solid particles of sand, mud or other materials are suspended in the water."

Yellowed water is generally a sign of corroded pipes. While usually not harmful, it can stain porcelain.



Maybe someday

LOS ANGELES — Miss USA Gretchen Polhemus, Fort Worth, lets 10-year-old Peala Casto try on her Miss USA banner during a recent appearance with elementary school children in Los Angeles. Polhemus will reside in Los Angeles during her one-year reign.

Associated Press photo

Area brief

BSAA set host area art show

The 1989 Big Spring Art Association Area Art Show will be conducted March 10-12 at the Big Spring Mall.

Entries will be accepted Friday from 3 to 7 p.m. Judy Griffin, art teacher at Permian High School, will begin judging Saturday morning.

Griffin, who also serves as an art instructor at Midland College, has over 20 years experience as a professional artist and teacher, according to a news release.

She has an all-level art education degree from West Texas State University, and is currently working on her master's degree, the release stated.

The show will be open to the public Saturday from noon to 8 p.m.; and Sunday from 1 to 3 p.m. A reception will be hosted at 2 p.m. A raffle for a painting by Delmar will be conducted at 2:45 p.m. Awards presentation will begin at 3:45 p.m.

Fee is \$5 per entry. BSAA members' fee is \$4 per entry or 6 entries for \$20. A fee will not be charged for children.

Categories include: oils, pastels, graphics (ink, pencil, etc.), sculpture/3-dimensional, photography, acrylics, water-



JUDY GRIFFIN

colors, mixed media (includes collage), and children/youth (ribbons only).

Cash awards will be given for first, second and third places in each category. "Best of Show" will be awarded \$100 cash award. "People's Choice" winner will receive \$25. Artists are eligible for one cash award.

The Big Spring Art Association has more than 80 members. Art clubs in Midland, Odessa, Andrews and the surrounding area have been invited to participate.

Blackwell presents program

Twelve members and one guest attended the Elbow Home Extension Club's Thursday meeting at the home of Dorothy Fowler.

Dorothy Blackwell presented the program on self-help devices for daily living.

Members voted to assist with the "Clean Big Spring" campaign.

Cakes will be taken to the Big

Spring State Hospital for March birthdays.

The next meeting will be March 16 at the home of Muriel Prokschl, 707 Highland. Dan Wilkins, representative from Edward D. Jones & Co., will present the program on estate planning, bond securities and investments.

Guests are welcome to attend.

Poor image is ironic curse of public relations pros

DEAR ABBY: In a recent letter, a high school senior (I'll call him John) accused a girl of stealing his girlfriend's expensive bomber jacket. He made this accusation publicly in a crowded school lunchroom. Actually, the girl had bought the jacket herself from money she had saved from babysitting. The poor girl was humiliated and fled in tears. John learned soon afterward that he had wrongly accused this girl, so he had flowers delivered to her in care of her classroom. The girl's mother thought this was an act of "chivalry," but you called it a "grandstand play," then added: "This kid is a natural showman. He should go far in the P.R. business."

Abby, it's sad that so many people perpetuate the myth that public relations professionals are "showmen," con artists and snake oil salesmen. Today's public rela-



Dear Abby

tions professionals are ethical, conscientious and honest, and to suggest that the "showmanship" exhibited by that brash, insensitive young man qualifies him for a successful career in the P.R. business is an insult to all of us in that profession.

Please use the power of your column to set the record straight. I think you owe a public apology to all of us in the P.R. business. — A.J. SOLEY, JOLIET, ILL.

DEAR MR. SOLEY, and everyone else whom I offended: It was not my intention to denigrate

the public relations profession. It's my understanding that one of the functions of a public relations firm is to create, improve and maintain positive images for people and businesses through publicity and advertising campaigns. (Remember the Tylenol tampering scare — and how well that product recovered?)

Back to John: Had this young man been able to hire a top-notch P.R. firm to restore his tarnished image, they could not have done a better job than he did. Brash as he was, he also had the kind of imagination and creativity one needs to go far in the P.R. business.

DEAR ABBY: Will you please straighten me out on something that has baffled me for years? When do you use "infer" and when do you use "imply"? I always confuse these two words.

Please don't send me to the dictionary. I have looked up both of these words a dozen times, and I still don't get it. — DETROIT DUMMY

DEAR DUMMY: "Imply" means to suggest or to say indirectly. "Infer" means to deduce, or conclude from facts or indications. Think of it this way: The IMPLIER is the pitcher; the INFERER is the catcher. (Catch?)

What teen-agers need to know about sex, drugs, AIDS, and getting along with their peers and parents is now in Abby's updated, expanded booklet, "What Every Teen Should Know." Send your name and address, plus check or money order for \$3.50 (\$4 in Canada) to: Dear Abby's Teen Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054. (Postage is included.)

Names in the news

BONN, West Germany (AP) — Sir Yehudi Menuhin, honored for promoting German-Jewish reconciliation, made a plea for dialogue between Israel and Palestinians.

"The chances for positive change are closer than we believe," the 72-year-old virtuoso violinist said Sunday during an address to West Germany's Societies for Christian-Jewish Cooperation.

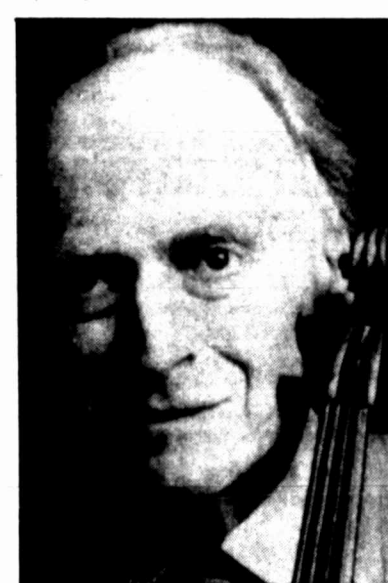
Earlier, Menuhin was awarded the Buber-Rosenzweig medal for his outspoken efforts to promote dialogue between Jews and Christians. The award, established in 1968, commemorates the Jewish philosophers Martin Buber and Franz Rosenzweig.

The award cited his performances in Germany immediately after World War II, including giving concerts for fellow Jews and others who survived the Nazi Holocaust.

Menuhin said he hoped talks between Arabs and Jews could produce agreement on one state for both peoples.

"It may be the modest and lonely view of one man, but I believe there are only two possibilities: either two independent states, and that means a divided Jerusalem, or a united Jerusalem that would mean at the very least a united, bi-national state. Israel must follow this second path if it wants to survive."

TOKYO (AP) — Empress



YEHUDI MENUHIN

Dowager Nagako, widow of Emperor Hirohito, celebrated her 86th birthday today with only a family luncheon scheduled because of the mourning period for her husband, the Togu Palace said.

Those attending the luncheon were her eldest son, Emperor Akihito and his wife, Empress Michiko; and the empress dowager's younger son, Prince Hitachi and his wife, Princess Hanako, according to a palace official who spoke on condition of anonymity.

The imperial family is observing a year of mourning for Hirohito, who died of cancer Jan.



DOWAGER NAGAKO

7 at age 87, the official said. The official declined to discuss the health of the empress dowager, who has used a wheelchair and has made few public appearances in recent years. She did not attend her husband's funeral last month.

Quoting the Imperial Household Agency, Kyodo News Service said the empress dowager is suffering from pains in the back and knees, but her condition has remained stable and her appetite is good.

Kyodo said she spends her days watching television and reading, apart from observing prayers for her late husband twice a day.



PIA ZADORA

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Entertainers including Tammy Wynette, Pia Zadora and Ray Charles helped stir up pledges of more than \$37 million to the National Easter Seal Society during its 18th annual telethon.

"We found that the American public was very supportive. We had an even stronger turnout than we expected," said John Garison, head of the non-profit organization. This year's pledges exceeded the goal of \$36 million and last year's mark of \$35 million, he said.

The star of the show was 10-year-old Joy Hall, the National Easter Seal child.

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- revising the tariff text to clarify that costs associated with network rearrangements required to accommodate the 911 code may result in additional charges to be determined on an individual case basis;
- a text addition to clarify that telephone company provided Public Safety Answering Equipment is required when a service includes Automatic Location Identification (ALI); and
- a text addition to explain emergency ringback.

The application is styled Docket No. 8565, Application of Southwestern Bell Telephone Company for Approval of Amendment of Universal Emergency Number Service (911) Tariff. It is anticipated that Docket No. 8565 will be evidentiary in nature.

The public may intervene or participate in this docket but it is not required to do so. Anyone who wishes to intervene in this proceeding or comment on the relief sought by Southwestern Bell Telephone Company should contact the Public Utility Commission of Texas, 7800 Shoal Creek Blvd., Suite 400N, Austin, Texas 78757 or call the Public Utility Commission Information Office at (512) 458-0010 or (512) 458-0221, teletypewriter for the deaf. Motions to intervene in this proceeding must be filed with the Commission's filing clerk by April 12, 1989.

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Sports



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ALBANY, Calif. — Harvey Wallbanger Golden Gate Fields

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By BOB BAUM
AP Sports Writer

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Wild ride

ALBANY, Calif. — T.C. Thorstenson rides a buffalo named Harvey Wallbanger to victory in a race against three horses at Golden Gate Fields. The 2,000-pound buffalo charged down the the

course to extend his record to 21 wins and five losses. Harvey and the horses came to the course as part of a Western tour.

OSU's Miller wins final home game

By BOB BAUM
AP Sports Writer

CORVALLIS, Ore. — The next time you want to see a basketball game on Ralph Miller Court, you'll have to take Ralph Miller Drive to get there.

Oregon State honored Miller at his final home game as coach Sunday by naming the street in front of Gill Coliseum after him.

"That's pretty nice," Miller said. "I haven't had a street named after me yet."

The announcement, with former athletic director Dee Andros carrying a street sign to the center of the basketball court that already bears the coach's name, capped a day that was unquestionably Miller's.

The gruff headmaster of Oregon State's basketball program for the past 19 years went out a winner in front of a cheering capacity crowd that gave him a series of standing ovations.

The Beavers, using the pressing defense and passing-oriented offense that have been Miller's trademarks in 38 years of major-college coaching, raced to a 27-point lead in the first half and beat arch-rival Oregon 98-79.

"If you're going to call it a day, you might as well do it with a win, and I thought it was a convincing win," Miller said.

The victory was No. 673 for Miller, the most of any active major-college coach and sixth on the all-time list.

The setting was emotional, even if Miller wasn't.

"As I thought would happen, my concern was totally on the game at hand. So when the game was really on, I didn't have much time to think about it," he said.

"Somebody gave me a sign that said 'Stomp the Ducks.' Really, that was what was going through my mind."

Signs around the arena proclaimed "Ralph, we love you," and "Thanks, Ralph."

"We just got swept up in the emotion," said senior Eric Knox, who scored 20 points, including 15 on five 3-pointers.

"Coach Miller has a saying, 'You're as good as your last game.' I wanted to leave Gill Coliseum with some memories."

"It's sad to see coach Miller step down," Knox said. "It really hasn't hit me yet that this is coach Miller's last game here and my last game here."

Much of the press corps and the entire staff crew wore tuxedos for the event.

"I didn't know if I was at the theater, the opera or a boxing match," Miller said.

The former football star at Kansas, who turns 70 on Thursday, may be retiring at the end of the

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RALPH MILLER

More revelations expected as Johnson inquiry continues

By SOLL SUSSMAN
Associated Press Writer

TORONTO — The three months before Ben Johnson won the Olympic gold medal in the 100-meter dash, then lost it when he tested positive for steroids will be detailed when Johnson's coach resumes his testimony.

Charlie Francis, Johnson's coach for 12 years, told the Canadian commission on drugs and athletics in three days of testimony last

week that the sprinter first used steroids in 1981 and continued using them in training periods each year through his record-setting 9.83-second sprint at the 1987 World Championships.

Before adjournment last week, he outlined annual steroid programs for Johnson and 12 other Canadian athletes.

Francis said five of his athletes were given a steroid program late last spring in preparation for the

Canadian national championships, but Johnson did not take the banned substance then.

"He had it earlier than he would have normally, because of the injury," the coach said.

Johnson suffered a hamstring injury in February, 1988 in Europe and a more serious, related injury in Japan in May. Francis said Johnson traveled twice to the Caribbean island of St. Kitts in May and June, where he was

treated by Dr. Jamie Astaphan.

Francis earlier identified Astaphan as the doctor who managed steroid programs for his athletes since 1984.

Both Johnson, who has denied ever knowingly using drugs to enhance his performances, and Astaphan, who has denied providing them, are among some 30 witnesses expected to testify later in the inquiry.

The Canadian Commission of In-

quiry into the Use of Drugs and Banned Practices to Increase Athletic Performance was formed after Johnson was stripped of his Olympic victory over Carl Lewis and his time of 9.79 seconds was disallowed.

Francis said repeatedly that the decision to take steroids was made after looking at the competition and deciding that their use was virtually omnipresent at top levels.

"He could decide to set up his

starting blocks at the same level as the other international competitors," Francis said of Johnson. "Or he could set up his starting blocks a meter behind."

He said Johnson was aware of the need to give the steroids adequate time to clear his system, generally 28 days, before taking the chance of a drug test.

The coach said that earlier in 1988 Johnson participated in a six-

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Sports Briefs

Hawks' doubleheader postponed

The Howard College Hawks' Saturday doubleheader with Frank Phillips College was postponed because of the weather, HC coach Bill Griffin said.

The games — the first in Region V play for Howard — will be rescheduled at a later time, Griffin added.

Big Spring netter wins tourney

SWEETWATER — Big Spring High School sophomore Rocky Tubb continued to dominate district tennis opponents, dropping only two games enroute to the Sweetwater Invitational Tennis Tournament championship Friday.

Tubb helped Big Spring to a third-place finish with 77 points in the eight-team field.

The only games Tubb lost were in a 6-1, 6-1, victory over Abilene High's Mark Redman in the tournament semi-final. The Big Spring sophomore then defeated Lake View's Chris Gove, 6-0, 6-0, to claim the tournament crown.

Other top scorers for Big Spring were Binky Tubb and Danny Whitehead in boys' doubles and E.D. Barnett and Jana Haney in girls' doubles.

Tubb and Whitehead avenged an early season loss by downing Snyder's Brandon Martin and Alfred Brice in the second round before losing to another duo from Snyder, 4-6, 6-2, 6-3, in the finals.

Barnett and Haney claimed third place by defeating Colorado City's Cory Calaway and Savoy Lamb, 7-6, 6-4.

San Angelo Lake View won the team competition with 95 points, followed by Snyder with 93 and Big Spring with 54.

Steers take consolation trophy

FREDRICKSBURG — The Big Spring Steers rebounded from a first-round loss to take the consolation title at the Fredricksburg Baseball Tournament here Saturday.

In the first round, four Big Spring errors led to runs as Corpus Christi King defeated the Steers, 6-5. Big Spring out-hit King 10-4, but were unable to convert those hits into runs.

The Steers faced no such trouble in the second game, as they destroyed the Lake View Chiefs by a 26-3 score. Mike Calvio and Mike Stevens hit home runs to lead a 19-hit Big Spring barrage.

Freddie Rodriguez was the winning pitcher in the game, which was called after four innings because of a three-hour time limit.

Big Spring then won the consolation title when Kerrville Tivy forfeited the game because of the weather.

The Steers, now 3-2 for the season, play their home opener today at Steer Park when they host the Lamesa Golden Tornadoes at 4 p.m.

Illinois puts some drama in Big 10 race

By The Associated Press

The Big Ten doesn't have a postseason tournament. But thanks to Illinois, the race for the conference's automatic bid isn't lacking any drama.

Nick Anderson's 35-footer at the buzzer Sunday gave No. 8 Illinois a 79-77 victory over third-ranked Indiana. Illinois can tie for first if it wins its last two games and the Hoosiers lose their last two.

Both play Iowa, the Hoosiers on the road and Illinois at home. Illinois also plays at Michigan and Indiana plays host to Wisconsin.

"We won a couple of games at the end and we lost one, so I don't have any complaint," Indiana coach Bob Knight said. "Thirty-plus minutes we played as well as we could. We talked about it being a 40-minute game and we just didn't make it."

Also Sunday, No. 12 Seton Hall beat Brooklyn College 88-55; No. 15 West Virginia beat St. Joseph's 79-59 in the quarterfinals of the Atlantic 10 tournament; Santa Clara beat No. 17 St. Mary's of California 63-61 in the semifinals of the West Coast Athletic Conference tournament; and No. 18 Nevada-Las Vegas beat New Mexico State 75-73.

East Tennessee State won the Southern Conference and gained a berth in the NCAA tournament by beating Marshall 96-73. Louisiana Tech won the American South Conference tournament by beating New Orleans 84-62, but the conference does not have an automatic bid.

On Saturday, Robert Morris and South Carolina State earned automatic berths in the NCAA tournament by winning their conference's postseason tournaments. Princeton also advanced to the

NCAA tournament by winning the Ivy League title.

In Saturday's Top Twenty games, No. 1 Arizona beat UCLA 89-86; No. 4 Oklahoma beat Nebraska 103-76; No. 7 Missouri beat Colorado 66-65; No. 10 Michigan beat No. 11 Iowa 119-96; No. 14 Louisville beat Notre Dame 87-77; No. 16 Florida State beat Southern Mississippi 81-78; No. 17 St. Mary's beat Portland 86-48; No. 19 Ball State beat Western Michigan 92-79; and No. 20 North Carolina State beat Wake Forest 110-103 in the first four-overtime game in Atlantic Coast Conference history.

Illinois, 25-4 and 12-4, overcame a 13-point deficit in the final 12 minutes.

Anderson, who scored 23 points, took a three-quarter-court line-drive pass and his shot swished through the net.

"I came off the pick, took a bounce and figured it was the best possible shot there. I just released it and it was there," Anderson said.

Joe Hillman had a career-high 24 points for Indiana, 24-6 and 14-2.

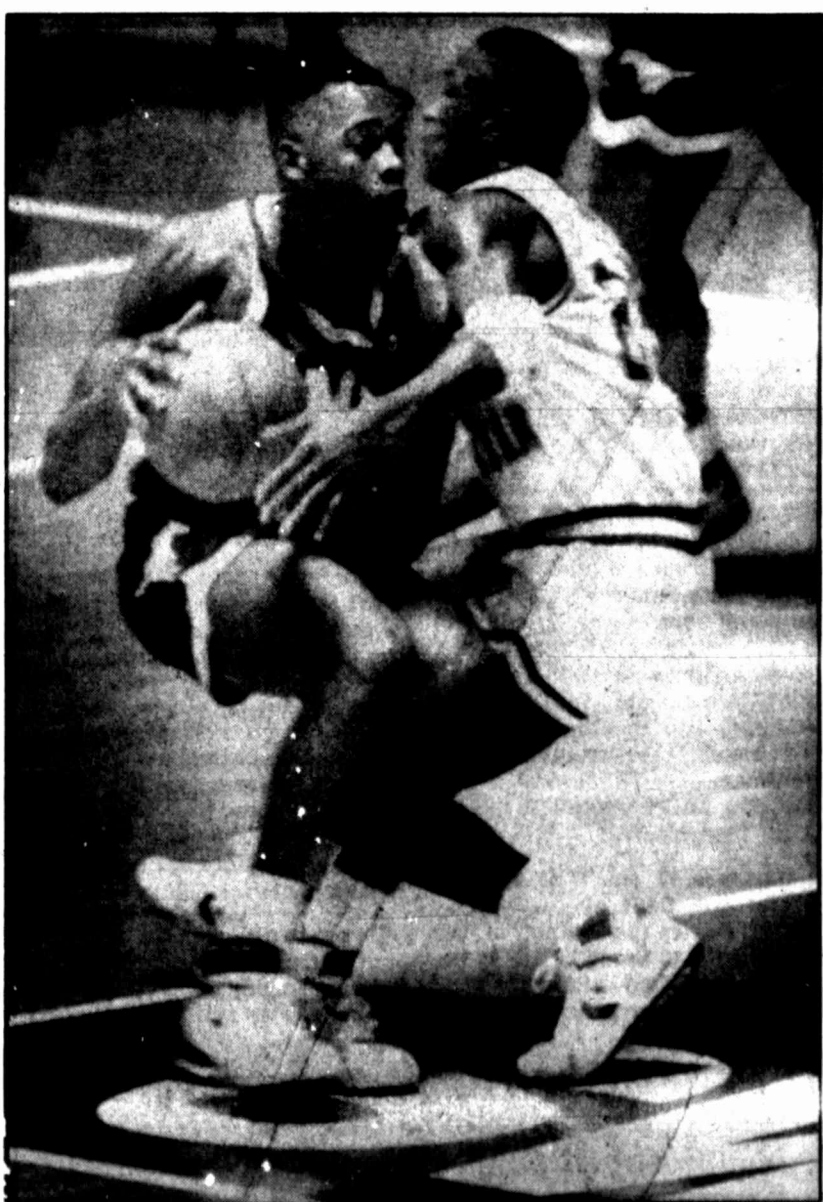
No. 6 Syracuse 82, No. 2 Georgetown 76, OT

Derrick Coleman scored 21 points, including five in overtime, as the Orangemen overcame a 14-point second-half deficit before a record crowd of 32,683 at the Carrier Dome.

Syracuse, 25-6 and 10-6 in the Big East, broke a six-game losing streak against the Hoyas. Mark Tillmon had 18 for Georgetown, 23-4 and 13-3, which played without injured starters Charles Smith and John Turner.

No. 9 Duke 88, No. 5 North Carolina 86

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Associated Press photo

FORT WORTH — Roderick Hampton (14) of SMU tries to pass around TCU's Tony Edmond during their Saturday night game at Daniel Meyer Coliseum.

Boyd: Baseball's no longer any fun

WINTER HAVEN, Fla. (AP) — Baseball's no longer any fun for Oil Can Boyd. He says he's taking the game too seriously.

"I take things hard and it stays with me after day," he said Sunday after beginning yet another comeback. "I've lost the fun I used to have because I take it too seriously. It's no fun when I put it on. It's like a workman putting on his uniform and taking his shovel and pick and going to work."

Boyd went back to work Sunday, his first start since he had a blood clot last August. He gave up eight hits and seven runs and was knocked out in the second inning of an 8-7 loss to the Kansas City Royals.

The 29-year-old Boyd said he still hopes to put it back together. "It was a nice warm welcome back. I was rusty, but my health thing is more important. I didn't get through two innings but I think I threw enough pitches (49) to prove I'm healthy or not. It's not peaches and cream. You're gonna have your ups and downs. I haven't learned that yet. Someday I hope I can take the good and the bad."

Pitching coach Bill Fischer decided Boyd had thrown enough after Bo Jackson hit a 515-foot home run over the 71-foot high scoreboard in left-center.

"It was a piece of junk slider," Boyd said. "I've thrown a lot of

balls that have been hit that far, a lot of them."

Boyd, known for his temperamental outburst, was approached immediately by teammates. But for once, the Can spoke quietly.

"Some guys hit good pitches, some guys hit bad pitches," Boyd said. "Overall, it was their day. I threw the ball well, but I didn't pitch. I threw strikes and to the hitters it was like batting practice. They hit me around pretty good, but I'm holding things together. The most important thing is that I threw without pain."

Boyd reached a career high with 16 victories in helping the Red Sox win the American League pennant in 1986. However, he won only three games before he had shoulder surgery in 1987.

He was 9-7 last year with a 5.34 earned-run average before the blood clot was detected near his right shoulder.

"Now I'm able to scratch my head, to get my arm over my head again," he said. "By the time the season starts I want to know if my arm is strong."

That's also what Boston general manager Lou Gorman wants to know.

"The only thing we're concerned with is that Mr. Oil Can is healthy," Gorman said. "This was his first start in a long time and it was not a good outing."

Kings, Warriors trade wins over weekend

By BILL BARNARD
AP Basketball Writer

Golden State coach Don Nelson called it fatigue, but it could have been arm-weariness.

Sacramento beat Nelson's Warriors 110-96 Sunday night, 24 hours after Golden State scored an NBA record 57 points in the third quarter of a 155-143 victory over the Kings.

"We scored 143 last night and lost and 110 tonight and won," Sacramento coach Jerry Reynolds said. "Same game plan, same guys. That's why I love basketball."

"Last night wasn't easy, we had a super third quarter," Nelson said. "That is a coach's fantasy and I wish we could do it again and again. Fatigue was really a factor in tonight's game and it really showed. The players played hard but you can't expect a repeat of what happened yesterday."

Kenny Smith scored 28 points for the Kings, who snapped a franchise-record seven-game home losing streak. Sacramento's last previous win at Arco Arena was a 142-117 victory over Golden State on Feb. 9.

Harold Pressley added 21 points, Wayman Tisdale 19 and Danny Ainge 18, including three 3-point baskets, for the Kings. Tisdale had 17 rebounds and Rodney McCray 16 as Sacramento had a season-high 64 rebounds.

Mitch Richmond, who scored 47 points on Saturday, led the Warriors with 26.

In other NBA games, it was Utah 85, Atlanta 83; Milwaukee 103, Cleveland 98; Houston 88, Los Angeles Lakers 83; Washington 114, Charlotte 101; Detroit 109,

Miami 100; and Indiana 121, Portland 118 in overtime.

Rockets 88, Lakers 83
Houston snapped a seven-game losing streak and broke Los Angeles' four-game winning streak as Sleepy Floyd and Mike Woodson led a third-quarter comeback.

The Rockets trailed 48-39 at halftime, their lowest-scoring half of the season, but they outscored the Lakers 29-16 in the third period to take the lead for good. Floyd had nine of his 22 points and Woodson 10 of his 14 in the period.

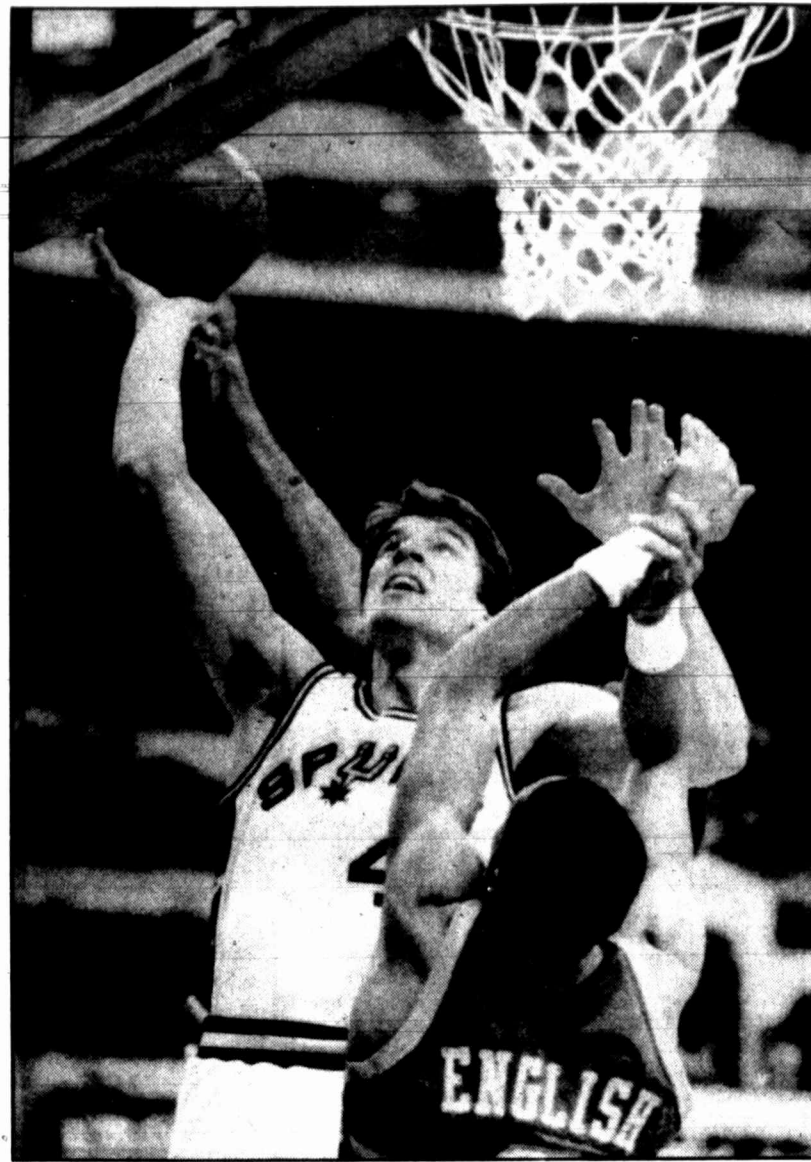
A jumper by Floyd also gave Houston an 86-83 lead with 14 seconds left after Byron Scott pulled the Lakers to within one with 55 seconds to play.

Akeem Olajuwon had 22 points and 17 rebounds for the Rockets and James Worthy led Los Angeles with 19 points.

Pacers 121, Trail Blazers 118, OT
Indiana, which lost 26 of its first 27 road games, won for the third time on a four-game West Coast trip, as Detlef Schrempf scored nine points in overtime at Portland.

Reggie Miller scored 29 points and Chuck Person added 22 for the Pacers, while the Trail Blazers, who had their four-game winning streak snapped, got 22 points apiece from Clyde Drexler and Jerome Kersey.

Schrempf's 15-footer with 2:19 remaining in overtime put the Pacers ahead 115-113 and they held on to the lead from there. His two free throws with 20 seconds left completed the scoring as Richard Anderson and Terry Porter missed 3-pointers in the last 13 seconds.



SAN ANTONIO — San Antonio Spurs' Frank Brickowski shoots over Denver Nuggets' Alex English in Saturday night's NBA game. The Spurs won, 106-89.

Miller

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season, but he isn't through yet.

His final team, at 21-6 overall and 13-5 in the Pacific 10 Conference, seems a cinch to win Miller's 10th NCAA tournament berth.

Asked if he felt any sadness, Miller said, "Not really."

"If I get to sad, it's going to be after I don't have anything else to do."

After the game, Miller, his family and some of his former players gathered at center court. The coach spread his arms to the cheering fans and smiled.

From the edge of the crowd, 2-year-old Veronica McShane, niece of ex-Oregon State player Bill McShane, brought the coach a bouquet of roses.

It was another curtain call in a series of curtain calls in Miller's swan-song season.

He's been given golfing trips to San Diego and Arizona and a Caribbean cruise. He said he never expected such attention.

"I guess I just retired the right year," he said. "Everybody was feeling good or something. I think everbody was most generous and

the gifts have been very nice."

Duck losses to the Beavers are not unusual. Oregon lost to Oregon State for the first time in the last 23 tries and Miller wound up 36-18 against his arch-rival.

Wearing a bright orange tie, Miller sat as he usually does on the bench, legs crossed, his face expressionless.

But when someone threw up an ill-advised air-ball, like Yugoslavian center Teo Alibegovic did in the first half, the old coach jumped to his feet screaming, ordering a replacement in from the bench.

Even with a 30-point lead, he was bouncing to his feet to protest a call or pulling aside a player for some nonsense instruction.

"Look at him. He's coaching to the very end," said ex-Beaver Mark Radford. "Did you see him talking to Knox, still trying to teach, trying to get across his vision of how the game should be played."

His teams won championships in the Missouri Valley, Big 8 and Pacific 10 conferences. Twice, he was named The Associated Press Coach of the Year.

Johnson

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week program "interrupted considerably by travel" of the steroid furazabol administered in March and April. He said the cycle for men was 1 cc injections three times a week for three weeks and the same dose twice a week for three weeks.

Johnson tested positive at Seoul for the steroid stanozolol, which Francis said was used at times over the years but in a restricted fashion because it was thought to stiffen up the athletes too much.

Francis named 13 of his athletes who he said took steroids after the decision to use them first was made in 1979 with sprinter Angela Taylor Issajenko.

The coach said Johnson also had a three-week cycle of furazabol in the fall of 1987 preparing for the 1988 season.

When asked who gave the injections, Francis replied: "I did."

When asked where, he said: "At my apartment."

He spoke in detail of the increased pressures on Johnson after becoming an international athletic superstar with the 1987 victory over Carl Lewis at Rome.

Bock's score

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ting like a little kid by pouting over his \$1.4 million salary.

Strawberry took a swing at Hernandez but missed — he always did have trouble hitting left-handers — then marched out of camp to pout some more because the Mets refused to renegotiate his contract. The word from his agent was that this would be his last season in New York, that he would sit out 1990 — passing on the \$1.8 million con-

tract he has for that option year — and then become a free agent.

That changed a day later when, probably after studying the classified ads and seeing no other jobs in that salary range, Strawberry decided to play in 1990, after all. He celebrated his return by planting a theatrical kiss on Hernandez' cheek, the same one he swung at only two days earlier.

The message was obvious. Pay attention because things change fast in sports.

Colleges

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Danny Ferry scored 24 points as the Blue Demons, 22-6 and 9-5 in the ACC, rallied from a 14-point second-half deficit. The loss by the Tar Heels, 24-7, gave North Carolina State the conference title.

Quin Snyder hit two 3-pointers to start a rally that brought the Blue Devils back from a 70-63 deficit with 7:08 left. Five minutes later, Ferry hit a 12-foot jumper and Phil Henderson added a free throw to give Duke an 83-79 lead.

Steve Bucknall scored 23 points for North Carolina.

No. 12 Seton Hall 88, Brooklyn Coll. 55

John Morton scored 15 points for Seton Hall, 25-5, which made its first 10 shots and took a 34-10. Dexter Gordon scored 20 for Brooklyn, 4-23, which has lost eight straight and 18 of 19.

No. 15 West Virginia 79, St. Joseph's 59

Herbie Brooks scored 18 points as the Mountaineers advanced to the semifinals of the Atlantic 10 tournament.

West Virginia used a 20-2 spurt to break open a close game in the second half. The Mountaineers, 25-3, play Penn State tonight in the semifinals.

Marlon Miller scored 13 points for St. Joseph's, 8-21.

Santa Clara 63, No. 17 St. Mary's, Calif. 61

Mitch Burley made a pair of free throws with 12 seconds left as the Gaels were ousted in the semifinals of the WCAC tournament.

The Broncos, 20-9, will play Loyola of California in Monday's championship game. The Lions

beat Pepperdine 112-98 earlier Sunday.

Burley was fouled by Al Lewis and calmly sank the free throws. St. Mary's, 25-4, had two final shots at the basket, but Lewis missed both.

Jens Gordon scored 17 for Santa Clara. Lewis and James Dailey scored 15 each for St. Mary's.

No. 18 Nev.-Las Vegas 75, New Mexico St. 73

Moses Scurry scored 15 of his 17 points in the second half as Nevada-Las Vegas, 23-7 and 16-7 in the Big West, rallied from a nine-point deficit to beat New Mexico State for the 13th straight time.

Willie Benjamin missed a layup with two seconds left that would have forced overtime. New Mexico State is 19-9 and 12-6.

E. Tennessee St. 96, Marshall 73
Keith Jennings scored all of his 16 points in the second half as East Tennessee State won its first Southern Conference tournament.

The Buccaneers, 20-10, joined the Southern Conference in 1979-80. Marshall, 15-15, had won three of the five previous tournaments and finished without a winning record for the first time in 10 years.

Louisiana Tech 84, New Orleans 62
Randy White scored 27 points, including 19 in the first half, as Louisiana Tech, 22-8, won its second straight American South tournament.

Louisiana Tech won the Southland Conference in 1987 before changing conferences.

Tony Harris and Willie Richardson scored 15 points each for Louisiana Tech 69-66 in last year's final.

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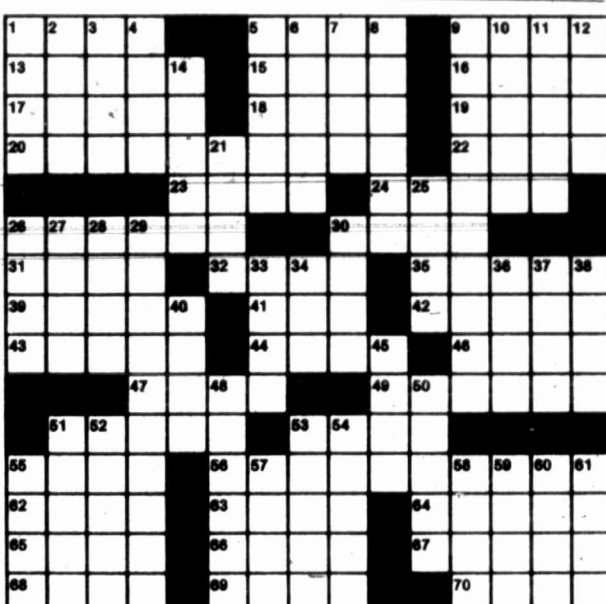
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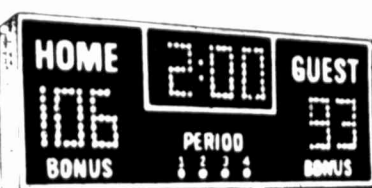
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Seattle 118, Philadelphia 104
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Weather

Strong thunderstorms extended from northern Georgia across northwestern Florida and into the Gulf of Mexico early this morning. Showers and thunderstorms were producing heavy rain from the southern Appalachians to the upper Ohio Valley.

Wintery weather prevailed from eastern Oklahoma and southeastern Kansas to Pennsylvania.

Chandler, Okla., reported 12 inches of snow by late Sunday night. Norman had 10 and Tulsa, 8.

A snow advisory was posted in southeastern Oklahoma, and an advisory for snow and blowing snow was in effect in portions of Kansas.

A cold front crossing over the



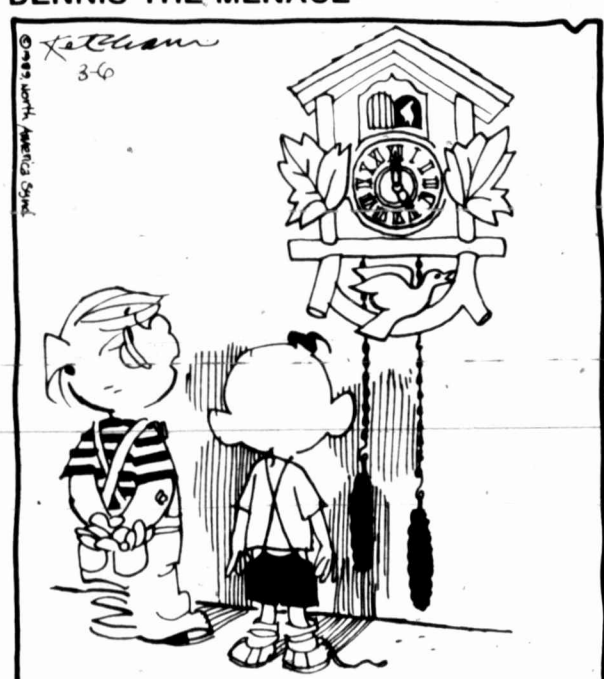
thern California. Fair skies and subfreezing temperatures were reported in much of the rest of the nation.

Sunday's high temperature was 89 degrees at Lakeland, Fla.

Today's forecast called for snow and ice in the Ohio Valley; snow from the middle Mississippi Valley through the Ohio Valley into New York City; and freezing rain and sleet in central Kentucky.

Rain was predicted from the central Appalachians into the mid-Atlantic coast; rain and thunderstorms from the Carolinas into northern Florida; and rain throughout the Pacific Northwest and northern Plateau into the central Pacific Coast region.

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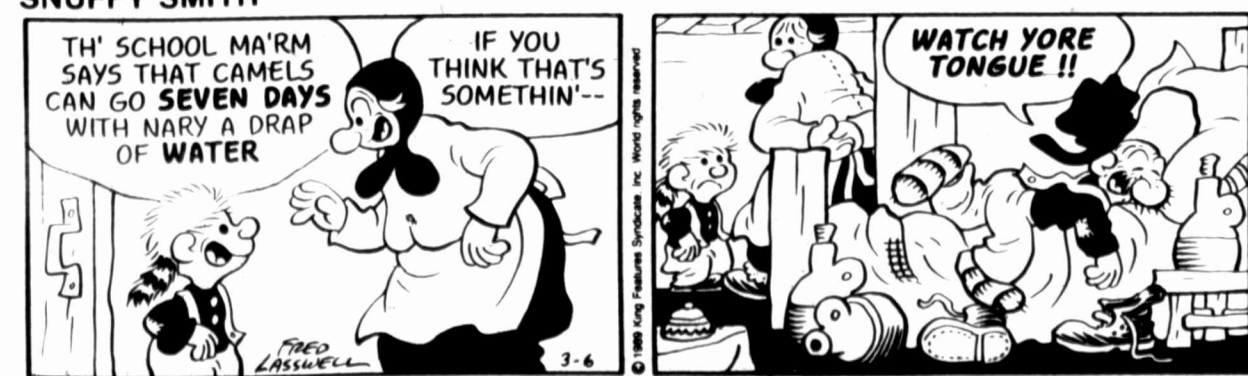
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Jeanne Dixon's Horoscope

TUESDAY, MARCH 7, 1989

CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DATE: naturalist Luther Burbank, actor James Broderick, auto racer Janet Guthrie, sportscaster Lynn Swann, PTL co-founder Tammy Bakker.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Take advantage of today's slower pace to catch up on paperwork. Tackle detail work you tend to postpone. Romance is more exciting and passionate than in the recent past. Be discreet.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Recycling an old idea or learning high-tech skills will boost your earnings. A relationship promises more than it can deliver. Look at a partnership realistically.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Certain sacrifices will be required

today. Reach an agreement with a client or creditor before he changes his mind. Keep your eyes open if entering a relationship with a powerful individual.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Concentrate on a long-term plan that will benefit you emotionally and financially. You need to know exactly what your resources will be after retirement. A family member provides stimulating company tonight.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You are more sensitive than usual to other people's feelings. Your private financial reserves will help you turn a clever idea into a gold mine. Relationship differences need to be resolved.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You may be on edge today. Avoid emotional scenes or confrontations. Take advantage of a lull at work to get caught up on routine chores. Postpone signing legal papers until you can consult experts.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Put saving ahead of spending until you catch up a bit. Career matters deserve top priority. Your nesting instinct affects the decisions you make. You could find yourself in the spotlight again.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You need more time to reach your objectives. Be patient, especially with yourself. Family draws closer together. Seize every opportunity to make a relationship a success. Compromise on little things.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You feel more in harmony with yourself after communicating your hopes and dreams. If single, ask friends to help you meet someone compatible. Travel is iffy now. Stick close to home.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You can really let your hair down with a visitor. Get more sleep and you will have the extra energy you need to meet your responsibilities. Know your physical and financial limits.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): This is the day to step forward and be counted. You face fewer limitations on what you can do. Send out resumes. If you have a grievance, discuss it face-to-face.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Hard decisions must be made. Luck is on your side. Look forward to new cash rewards. Settle minor problems and a relationship will be made whole again. Exercise your options without undue delay.

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Youth

Area superintendents talk about educational trends

By Jean Warren
Herald Correspondent

Area school superintendents J.F. Poyner, Forsan ISD; W.A. McQueary, BSISD; James F. Blake, Sands CISD; and Gary Rotan, Coahoma ISD, discuss issues in education in the following questionnaire.

1. What trends in education today will have an impact upon your school district?

POYNOR: Major trends in education as they impact this school district are (1) emphasis on special programs (2) more and more responsibility for teaching areas previously considered the responsibility of the home (3) preschool or day care operations and (4) the emphasis on parental and community involvement. Without question the altering of family life has impacted society and schools negatively. We simply cannot replace parents in building character, morality and self esteem. As a result of family inabilities, unwanted children etc., we are seeing a demand by society in general to help teach parents how to be parents, to get children from disadvantaged and single parent homes into school at the age of two or three if we are to prevent educational retardation and to create a family type setting where the children can develop a sense of belonging and be nurtured.

McQUEARY: National statistics indicate that children now make up 40 percent of America's poor, that more than half of all children who live with single mothers also live with poverty, that, of the 3.6 million children who began public schools last year, 25 percent live below the poverty line. The cycle of poverty in our country concerns me more as an educator than any other issue.

Students who come from impoverished homes usually do not have the support available that promotes positive, progressive learning. The two biggest reasons why students don't make it in school are: (1) the lack of family support and (2) students become discouraged and give up on themselves because they keep falling farther and farther behind. For the BSISD to work as it should, we must have positive support from the family and/or other caring individuals. The BSISD must search and find ways to stimulate and encourage this large group of children who, because of their environment, have great difficulty in maintaining academic excellence.

BLAKE: Funds for vocational programs have been cut; power has been taken away from the local school district; the testing of students as required by the state is excessive.

ROTAN: Education in the Coahoma Independent School District, as in Texas, is moving toward the 21st century amid a period of dramatic change in the economic conditions of both the state and the nation. Current educational trends strongly emphasize implementation of the Effective Schools Concepts, and the State's Long-Range Plan for Texas Public School Education. Each school district is required to develop a series of plans for educational improvement to include the following: District Improvement Plan, Campus Improvement Plan, At-Risk Plan, Discipline Plan, Drug Free Schools Plan, Dyslexia Plan, Gifted and Talented Plan.



Guidance and Counselor Plan, In-service Plan, and Compensatory Education Plan.

2. What state mandates will bring changes and create situations calling for action in your community?

POYNOR: With so many mandates (Gifted and Talented Programs, At Risk programs, Special Education, Bi-Lingual Education, Parental Involvement Programs, etc.) and bureaucracies, teachers, administrators, and the school day become so fragmented that real progress is questionable.

McQUEARY: Up to this point we have met all mandates required by the reform legislation (House Bill 72). This has created only a few extra classrooms at the elementary level. Any further mandates lowering class size will create major space problems for our school system. The requirements of such programs as dyslexia instruction and at-risk programs, without state financial support, have stretched our annual budget to an extreme. Further mandates without state funding will have to be paid for by our local taxpayers. This is certainly something we are not in favor of.

BLAKE: School finance reform, class size requirements, and alternative education programs for pregnant and school age parents affect all public schools in Texas.

ROTAN: The District has made significant progress in compliance with the letter and spirit of these mandates. Many of these mandates have served as an effective tool in moving toward educational excellence, but with an extremely high price to the taxpayers. State mandates have taken away much of the local control of school operations, leaving only the cost of funding the mandates for the local communities to struggle with. Future state mandates should be funded by the state and relieve the local taxpayer of this burden.

3. What do you consider one of the most outstanding achievements or programs in your school district?

POYNOR: I believe the outstanding achievement of this school district is the attention paid to the individual. We didn't have to make major adjustments because of HB 72 or HB 246 because our district was already committed to small classes, student and teacher needs and a forward looking stance in developing innovative programs. Two national diffusion programs were begun in the late 70's and continue today. Also, computer use by students in grade 1-12 was begun early.

McQUEARY: I can list a number of outstanding programs and achievements in the BSISD. However, programs do not become outstanding without outstanding teaching. In my opinion, the teachers of the BSISD are the strength of our system. For the past nine years I have observed dedicated teachers who give

unselfishly of their time. These teachers have a genuine interest in kids and, as a result, students have excelled.

BLAKE: A newly installed satellite system will allow Sands CISD to receive programming from the Ti-In Network and so offer programs not otherwise available. The computer program used by students at all levels, the Learning Resource Center, and the vocational programs are other pluses for the school system.

ROTAN: Coahoma High School ranked third in the number of recipients of the Permian Honor Scholarships, competing against much larger schools such as Big Spring, Andrews, Pecos, Monahans, and Hobbs, New Mexico. Over 35 percent of the graduating class received some type of scholarship — a truly impressive achievement.

4. How would you like to involve the community to a greater degree in reaching the goal of excellence in education?

POYNOR: We have parent advisory committees on each campus to meet with the principal and teachers to consult on a range of problems and concerns. I suppose our single most pressing concern in this area is the parents we cannot reach and get involved. We feel we can show that the children of these parents are the ones who have low self esteem, poor grades, are at risk and eventually drop out. We do not have an answer for this problem.

McQUEARY: Each elementary and secondary school recently addressed the area of parent and community involvement in individual campus plans. Examples of activities at various campuses range from that of using citizens as resource persons in classrooms and in individual student projects to class field trips to businesses. As mutually supportive relationships exist between home, school and community, partnerships will result in the improvement of schools.

Community involvement in such activities as after-prom activities and the recently announced plans by the Evening Lions Club for a Senior High School Leo Club are excellent examples of community/school partnerships. The Kiwanis Club currently is involved with a Character Education project. In addition, many students are involved with various Chamber of Commerce projects such as Waste In Place.

BLAKE: We continue to encourage parents to visit our school and to keep up with the progress of their children. We encourage parents to offer suggestions that would improve our curriculum. We believe that excellence in education begins with open communication.

ROTAN: Parental and community involvement are always encouraged. Volunteer assistance is afforded the school through utilization of local citizens as resource people in the classroom. The District initiated a parent inservice training session in conjunction with the teacher inservice training programs to further unite the shared goal of educational excellence. Additional community involvement and input will be solicited through District and Campus School Improvement Committees and Community surveys regarding current educational needs.



Costume excellence

SAN MARCOS — Southwest Texas State University theatre arts costume design students have received state and national recognition in several recent competitions. Shown working on a costume for an upcoming SWT production are, left to right,

Stephen Stratton, Dallas; Kelly Draper, Big Spring; and Mary Partridge, Royal, Iowa. The Texas Chapter of the U.S. Institute of Theatre Technology awarded Draper a certificate of excellence in costume design.

Twins share Eagle Scout honor

STEPHENVILLE (AP) — Only one boy in a thousand who starts out in Boy Scouting advances to the rank of Eagle Scout, and for twins to complete the requirements is almost unheard of, Scout officials say.

But Bart and Ben Bradberry, twin brothers from Stephenville, have made it all the way.

"Scouting has been a good start for becoming a better leader. I feel the training I have received as a Scout will be a big help in the future," said Ben, who plans to continue in Boy Scouts as an assistant scoutmaster.

"Scouting has shown me how to be a good leader with a lot of confidence, and how to stick to a decision. It has been a great help to me and I am sure it will be a great help to me in the future," Bart said.

The Bradberry brothers are now college freshmen, Bart studying business management at Tarleton State University in Stephenville and Ben pursuing pre-dental studies at Texas Christian University in Fort Worth.

The trail from Cub Scout to Eagle began when the brothers

were 8-year-old third graders. They completed requirements for the Eagle Scout rank last summer, and were officially recognized for their achievement at city and regional ceremonies last month.

On the way, they were chosen for membership in the Order of the Arrow, which recognizes those scouts who best exemplify the Scout oath and law in their daily lives.

Bart and Ben worked independently on their scout projects, but assisted each other as needed. Other family members also shared in their work.

They worked on their Life Scout project, clearing a hiking trail at Alabama Gulf State Park in July 1985 while visiting their grandparents and an uncle who is himself an Eagle Scout and a Scoutmaster in Mobile.

The Scouting experience they remember best was a two-week hiking trip in New Mexico's Gila Wilderness in July, 1986. Six scouts made the trip accompanied by Scoutmaster Tom Smith.

They hiked up mountains 11,000 feet, carrying all of their food and gear for seven days and without

contacting their base camp.

The brothers' Eagle Scout projects were designed to involve other Scouts and to be of lasting benefit to their community.

Bart's Eagle Scout project was a Big Brother Day for boys from single-parent homes. He contacted schools and community groups and invited boys from first through fourth grades to attend. Bart and other Scouts helped each boy to make a bird feeder, practice first aid, and learn how to use a rod and reel.

The scouts also gave a cookout for the boys. The Big Brother Day was so successful that it will become an annual event.

For his Eagle Scout project, Ben researched historical homes and buildings in Stephenville.

He made a map showing the location of each house and included historical information on each.

He involved other Scouts in the research and printing of the map, which has been presented to the Stephenville Chamber of Commerce and library for the benefit of tourists and other researchers interested in the city's history.

West Texas Girl Scouts have award luncheon

The West Texas Girl Scout Council holds its Annual Business Meeting and Awards Luncheon on February 6, 1989 at the West Elementary School in Snyder, Texas.

Honored were — JoAnn Cearley, Snyder Day Camp Director; Jonell Smallwood, Big Spring Day Camp Director; Peggy Vernon, Intro to Cadettes Director & Holiday in the Park Event Director; Guy Burrow, Retiring Board Member-Big Spring; Tom Ivey, Retiring Board Member-Baird; Zola Schlegal, Retiring Board Member-Snyder; Alvin Wimmer, Retiring Board Member-Snyder.

5 Year Pins — Stephanie Barrett-Lamesa; Betty Bredemeyer-

Snyder; Don Brewer-Big Spring; Donya Brewer-Big Spring; Becky Brunson-Big Spring; Misty Carter-Big Spring; Dawn Clem-Snyder; Sandra Crawford-Snyder; Donna Dugger-Big Spring; Jennifer Dugger-Big Spring; Katrina Fink-Snyder; Donna Franklin-Big Spring; Amanda Hanson-Big Spring; Joni Huffman-Snyder; Amy Patterson-Snyder; Viola Salgado-Big Spring; Tonya Vess-Big Spring.

10 Year Pins — Brenda Clem-Snyder; Peggy Vernon-Snyder.

15 Year Pins — Bill Bradford-Big Spring; Renae Reinert-Big Spring; Kim White-Big Spring.

Appreciation Pin — Debbie Burrow-Big Spring.

Academia

Michael Thomas, a CT Technician in St. David's Radiology Department, was awarded the 1988

Mallinckrodt Award for academic and clinical excellence. Michael is a recent graduate of the Radiology Technician Program at Austin Community College.

The award was presented by Jeff Phillips of the Mallinckrodt Pharmaceutical Company of St. Louis, and Rudy Garza, Department Director of the ACC Radiology Technician Program.

Michael is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J.D. Thomas, Big Spring. He and his wife, Lynn, have a son, Ryan.

The outstanding vocational student of Big Spring High School for the month of February, 1989, was

recognized and awarded a plaque at the regular meeting of the Greater Big Spring Rotary Club, Friday, February 24, 1989. He is Ruben Ortiz, a senior at BSIS and is in the ICT (Industrial Cooperative Training) Program. He works half days at Bailey Electric and attends school for the other half day. His interests include weight lifting and drawing. He is also a member of the FFA (Future Farmers of America). He has received 3 first place ribbons and a second place medal for work in the small engine repair class.

Ruben hopes to be accepted at a vocational training school in Phoenix, Arizona after he graduates in June. The Greater Big Spring Rotary Club is proud to name Ruben Ortiz the outstanding vocational student from Big Spring High School for February, 1989.

Local schools invite parents to visit and 'See Us Shine'

By JEAN WARREN

Local schools have scheduled many activities for Texas Public Schools Week. They invite everyone to "See Us Shine." Besides Open Houses scheduled in the Calendar, many elementary schools are inviting parents to eat lunch in the cafeteria or arrange a time for "Donuts for Dads." For details, contact the school your youngster attends.

Marc Schwarz rated second in persuasive speaking at Western Texas College Brock Memorial Speech Tournament held Feb. 4 at Snyder. Schwarz, a junior at BSIS, is president of Spe-atre which, as the name implies, is a combination of speech and theatre. The organization deals in the development of competitive public speaking and the production of a one-act play.

Other Spe-atre officers include Ben Fritzler, vice-president; Thane Russey, treasurer; Heidi Richardson, secretary; and Deanna Beckham, public relations person.

Spe-atre will present the classic comedy, "Cyrano de Bergerac," which was the basis for the recent

smash Steve Martin film, "Roxanne," on Monday, March 13, at 7:30 in the BSIS auditorium. Seniors Ben Fritzler and Gina Johnson star in the title roles of Cyrano and Roxanne, and Paul Chavez, Deanna Beckham, Daniel Andrews, Ken Noble, Shannette Johnson, Vanna Walker, Michael Roberts, and Tanya Painter provide the supporting cast. Kathryn Burrow and Lori Anderson are in charge of lights and sound, and Shawna Adams is in charge of stage production. Sponsor is Denise Gandy.

Theresa Ray, a junior at BSIS, won first place in calculator at the U.I.L. meet in Lubbock Feb. 25. Melanie Glickman rated third place in calculator. In Number Sense, Christy Shannon won third place and Lyndel Moody fourth. Other members of the math team include Scott Nietzel, Aruna Masik, and Wade Parks. Their sponsor is Juanita Thompson.

The electrical trades class at Big Spring High will participate in a skill contest at San Angelo Central High School March 3 and 4. The class will enter the state contest in

Houston in April.

Jeremy Hagen is president of the local chapter of Vocational Industrial Clubs of America. Other officers include Arturo Lopez, vice-president; Jesus Lopez, secretary; John Paradez, reporter; Brent Griffith, treasurer; David Hodges, parliamentarian; and Doug Bryan, sergeant-at-arms. Club sponsor is Frank Ortega.

The sixth grade SIGNAL class is going to Odessa March 9 to a performance by the National Shakespeare Company of the Shakespearean comedy, "As You Like It." The class will also enjoy a guided tour of replicas of the Globe Theatre and Anne Hathaway's Cottage. The exhibit is being shown in cooperation with the Texas Humanities Resource Center with help from the Folger Shakespeare Library in Washington, D.C.

As part of a career awareness program, second graders at Moss have had visitors representing a number of vocations including Sgt. Schoonover, U.S. Army; Michael Black, Rural-Metro Ambulance; Bob Coltrane, SWCID; and students of dental hygiene at

Chalk board



Howard College.

Hebrew Jones, NAACP, spoke to second graders about Black History Month. Naomi Hunt from the County Extension Office discussed nutrition with students.

Fifty-four eighth graders were inducted into the Runnels chapter of the National Junior Honor Society at a ceremony held Feb. 23 in the Runnels gym. NJHS sponsors are Kathy McFarland and Bobby Grant.

Students so honored for scholarship include:

Whit W. Armstrong, Adam C. Bacon, Meredith D. Baker, Julie C. Beach, Melissa D. Birrell, Kelly G. Bowermon, Brian L. Brown, Monica M. Cantu, Catherine J. Cisneros, Kara R. Coleman, Joseph J. Correa, Sarah Ruth

Cranford, Jaylon E. Davis, Robert D. Edmonds, Amber N. Fannin, Heather L. Farris, Ruben S. Gomez, L. Ralae Horn, Erica J. Hughes, Clay Klatt, Heather Kristen Knous, Ginger Ann Lara, Corey G. Laughner, Drew C. McEwen, Steven R. Meek, Edward Mendez III, Meredith Miller.

Also: Carvell T. Nguyen, Hayley A. Oliver, Amy L. Osmulski, Michelle M. Patrick, Jeremy S. Peacock, Richard E. Perez, Angela Renee Porter, Christi L. Ragsdale, Erin D. Roberts, Melissa B. Robles, True Lawson Rogers, Michael A. Ross, Kristen L. Sevey, Melissa Kay Shelton, Derrick Smith, Andy Stewart, Tony J. Taylor, Rebekah L. Tedesco, Christina Thurman, Amanda Tijerina, Zenaida A. Trevino, Bernadette Valles, Lauren Melissa Ware, Laurie L. Wells, Jenikka Wells (Hall), Shawnda L. Wilson and W. Colin Woodall.

I thoroughly enjoyed "The Story of My School" that appeared on this page last week. These charming, unedited accounts that gave a ten-year old's perception of school were delightful.