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Fund-raising efforts intensify as Kids' Zone construction week nears

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

Fund raising, volunteer sign-up and tool collection continues as the building date for the Kids' Zone Creative Playground approaches.

A \$1,000 presentation was made to the Kids' Zone Creative Playground project Thursday by Permian Brine Sales Inc., which issued a challenge to all other oil field service companies that do business in Howard County to contribute to the Kids' Zone project. The Harley-Davidson Owners' Group (HOG) will be making a check presentation at 6 p.m. Tuesday at the Harley-Davidson shop on 3rd Street.

Upcoming activities to benefit the Kids' Zone project include Kids' Zone Bowling Day at Bowl-a-Rama April 28 from noon to 3 p.m. All proceeds from this event will benefit Kids' Zone and a golf tournament

sponsored by the Chicano Golf Association at Comanche Trail Golf Course on April 27-28 also to benefit Kids' Zone.

A raffle has also begun to benefit Kids' Zone as well.

Kids' Zone Coordinator Katy McAteer said during the build several prizes will be given away as a result of the raffle.

Tickets are being sold by McAteer and members of the Kids' Zone Committee.

McAteer said the goal is to sell 3,000 tickets.

Prizes include a dinner donated by K.C. Steakhouse; a movie package donated by the Ritz; a \$30 gift certificate donated by Al's Barbeque; a Mossberg 600 AT 12-gauge shotgun valued at \$200, donated by Chuck Cawthon; and a Knolten Weatherby 270 deer rifle valued at \$2,000, donated by John Paul Anderson.



**CONSTRUCTION WEEK
MAY 8-12, 1996**

The Kids' Zone Committee is still seeking the more than 1,000 volunteers needed to help with the construction

of Kids' Zone.

According to McAteer, more than 400 people have already contacted members of the committee to volunteer their services.

The tools committee is now focusing on volunteers to donate tools that will be used to build the park. Tools will be returned to the owners and will be guarded during the build.

The committee is guaranteeing the return of all tools in as good or better shape than they were received or they will be replaced. Twenty-four hour security will be arranged on the tool trailer that will be on site.

The committee is also asking for volunteers to stay one or more nights at the build site to help with security for the lumber, tools and site area.

Volunteers will be needed Sunday, May 5 from 2 p.m. throughout the night; Monday, May 6 and Tuesday, May 7 all day and night; and Wednes-

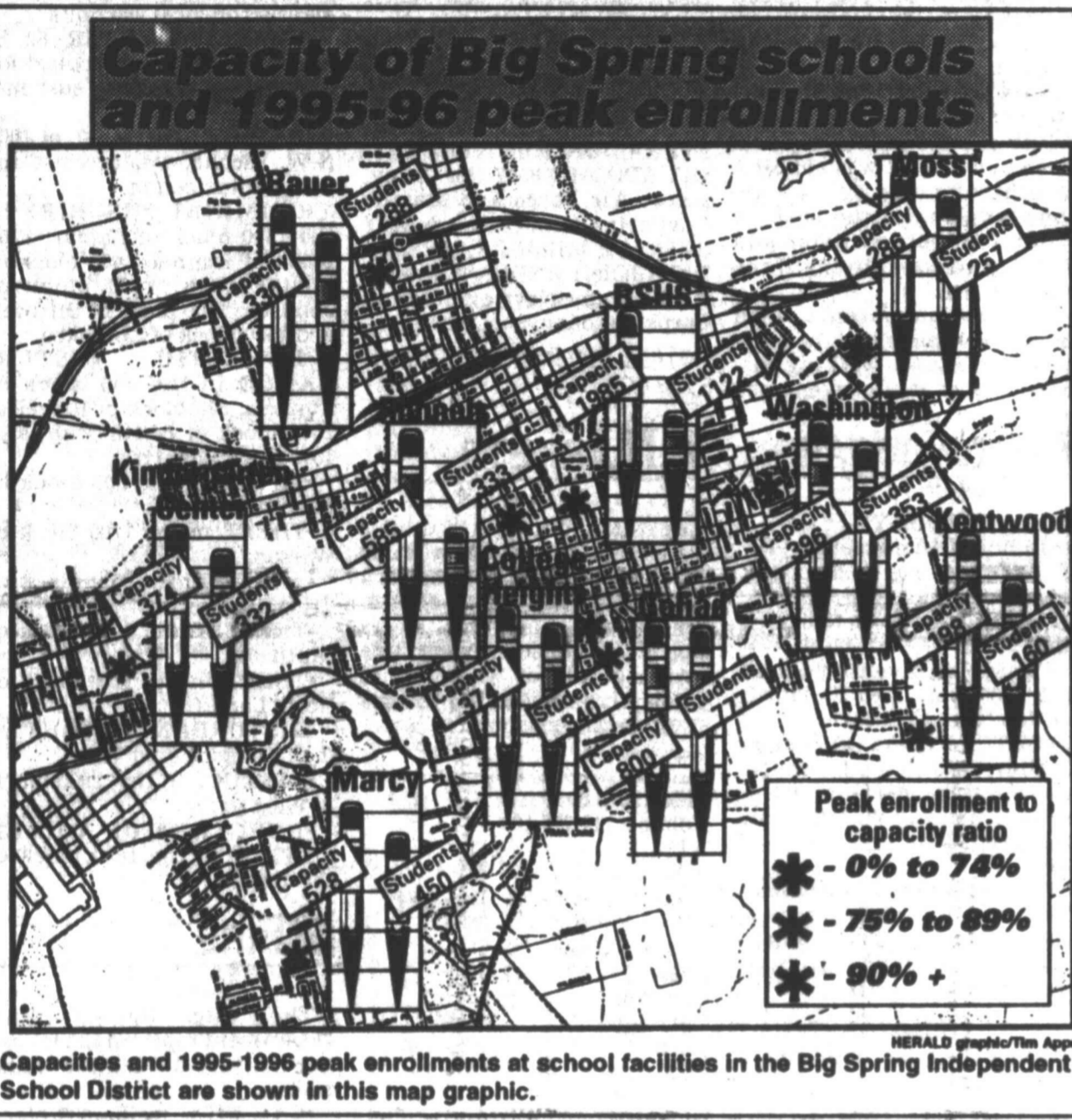
day through Sunday, May 8-12, from 9 p.m. throughout the night.

Funds are set aside for tool replacement and the committee will be using its own drill/router bits and saw blades.

Tool check-in will be Friday, May 1 and Saturday, May 2. Tools will be identified for ownership and all tools donated will be required to be on-site for seven days.

Tools may be picked up May 12 after the build or Monday, May 13 at the site. Anyone who can lend tools to the building effort is asked to contact Pete Sanderson at 263-4526 or 267-7424. Sanderson will provide details of the exact type of tools needed.

During the build, fee child care will be provided at the following locations: Wednesday, May 8 through Friday, May 10 at Jack and Jill and Saturday, May 11 and Sunday, May 12 at Immaculate Heart Catholic Church.



City, college election date nears

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

Two Big Spring City Council members and a handful of Howard College trustees are preparing for elections to fill their seats that are up for grabs on May 4.

District 1 City Councilwoman Stephanie Horton is being challenged by Ricky A. Robertson, Bob Hutte and Billy Pineda.

Horton said, "I'm running as the voice for the northside and for the last three years I've been the voice for the northside and I want to continue to be the voice for the northside. I've done everything I said I would do."

She added, "I plan to run a clean campaign. I think my record speaks for itself and I think I'm the only person for the job. I plan to continue doing the job our district deserves. I urge my constituents in District 1 to get out and vote, look at the job I've done and make the right choice."

Horton also added that she would like for people to look at the Lakeview area, Morgan Park and the cleanup efforts in the northside.

"For these reasons, I'd like to continue to serve the community until the job is finished," Horton said.

Robertson said, "Our campaign will be run aggressively and with a willingness to help seek many positive gains. We have a great opportunity to widen our tax base for our community in this district."

District 3 City Councilman Chuck Cawthon has also drawn competition for his council seat.

Greg Biddison, owner of the Ponderosa restaurant and Jeff Gunselman, a human resource specialist at the Big Spring Federal Correction Institute will challenge Cawthon in the May 4

elections.

Gunselman has been in his current position for several years and has 12 years of military experience.

He stated, "I believe my experience with the federal government will give me insight as to the policies and regulations of a city government."

As for Howard College Board of Trustee positions there is one precinct position up for reelection, Precinct 1, which is currently occupied by Michael Flores who is running unopposed.

Senate Bill 1, which allows certain entities to bypass elections if candidates are unopposed does not apply to community colleges according to Howard College Associate Vice President for Institutional Advancement Linda Conway, meaning Flores will still have to be placed on the May 4 ballot.

Flores stated the past several months have been a great experience and he would like to continue to serve on the Howard College Board of Trustees.

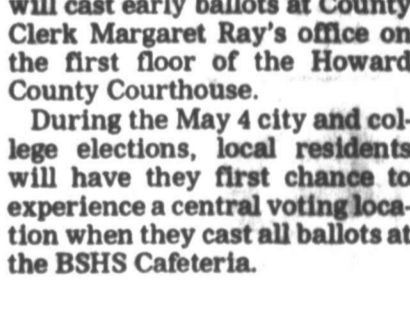
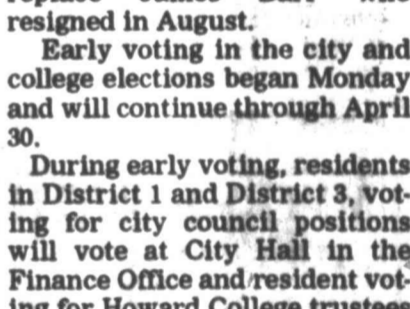
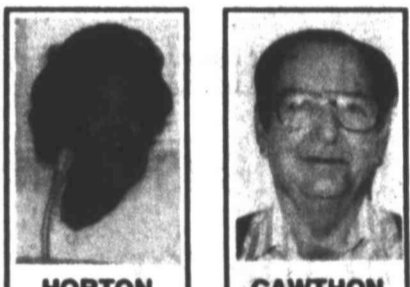
The other three trustee positions are at large positions and all three incumbents, Dr. P.W. Malone, who has been on the board since it was formed, Dr. Charles O. Warren and Rob Ethridge, are seeking reelection.

Local contractor Lee George is the challenger. The top three vote getters will sit on the board as trustees.

Malone has served on the Howard College board of trustees since the college was formed in 1945.

Warren was appointed to the board in 1963 and has served in a variety of capacities, including his current position as vice chairman. He has also served on several committees at Howard college.

Ethridge was appointed to serve on the board last fall to



Forsan firm takes industry safety award

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

Seven West Texas well service companies, including Forsan-based Van's Well Service, have received national honors in recognition of their safe operations within the industry.

Globe Well Service, Big Lake; Well Co. Oil Service Inc., Brownfield; Van's; Pool Co., Midland; Pride Petroleum Services, Midland; Great Basin Well Service, Odessa; and Highland/Corod Inc., Odessa; were recently honored for outstanding accident prevention in oil well servicing operations for 1995 by the Association of Oil-well Servicing Contractors.

The AOSC is an international trade organization representing well servicing contractors who operate workover/well servicing rigs, mobile production equipment used to complete,

workover and service producing oil and gas wells. In addition to contractors, the AOSC's membership includes companies that manufacture and supply equipment, products and services to the oil production industry.

Globe, Highland/Corod and Well Co. received Gold Awards. Well Co. President Mark Massingill and Vice President Tommy Weaver were presented Well Co.'s award at the association's recent national winter meeting in San Antonio. In accepting its award, Globe received its eighth AOSC safety award in the past 10 years.

Forsan's Van's Well Service and Houston-based Pride received Silver Awards. Van's was also honored in 1989 and 1991, and Pride was honored in 1991 and 1994.

Pool Co. received a Bronze Award at the winter meeting

marking the ninth consecutive year it has been recognized by AOSC for safe operations. Great Basin received a President's Certificate for the second straight year.

Well servicing companies representing 2,014 well servicing rigs and reporting a total of more than 28 million manhours worked participated in the association's safety award program.

Few changes expected in state's welfare program

DIRK FILLPOT
Staff Writer

Presidential candidates' views on welfare will have little effect on Texas' welfare program for the next four years, said Michael Kharfen, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services spokesman.

Changes in Texas' Aid to Families with Dependent Children programs are attributable to the Legislature's approval of House Bill 1863 last September, adding Texas to the list of states which have been authorized to launch welfare reform programs. In Howard County, 1,416 people receive Aid to Families with Dependent Children and 144 people receive Medicaid benefits, which historically are the largest welfare costs in the county, said Barbara Evans, community services director for the Texas Department of Human Services.

The bill contains five major reforms for the state welfare

system:

- Encourage personal responsibility and family preservation;
- Prevent at-risk Texans from depending upon welfare
- Stop returns to welfare
- Enable Texans with disabilities to leave public assistance
- Streamlining the system and reducing fraud

Twenty-seven provisions in the bill will require federal approval before they can be implemented.

Additional focus on child support enforcement is a measure aimed at reducing state costs. "If a large majority of clients receive child support, they wouldn't need public support," Evans said.

Thirty percent of AFDC recipients have court orders to receive child support of which one-third actually receive those payments, she said.

To enforce child support payments, the state could withhold wages or licenses from individuals who are delinquent in pay-

ing child support, Kharfen said.

National child enforcement efforts collected about \$10 billion in 1995, an 11 percent increase from 1994, he said.

Although not implemented to date, recommendations could require birthing centers to establish a paternal relationship before benefits could be received.

Implementation of new Work First policies earlier this year indicate to AFDC recipients that they are expected to seek and find work as quickly as possible, according to the Texas Department of Human Services.

Evans noted that many welfare recipients already work while receiving benefits, but individuals cannot subsist on minimum wage without decent medical coverage.

Training recipients for available jobs is also an essential aspect of helping clients become self-sufficient, she said.

Beginning June 1, time limits on benefits will be implement-

ed. Time limits range from two to three years, depending upon eligibility of the individual client to gain employment, Evans said.

Once a client has exhausted the time limit, they will be barred from the public welfare system for five years, she said.

No time limits are placed upon the food stamp program.

Another cost-saving measure implemented in public support services is the Electronic Benefits Transfer system for allocating food stamps.

Fraud has been reduced as a result of the debit system, Evans said, since clients cannot receive cash after a purchase. The debit system is also less costly because of savings in printing the stamps and mailing costs associated with delivering the benefits to recipients.

The Lone Star Card was implemented in Texas beginning in February 1995 and since March 1996 is accepted in Arkansas and Louisiana.

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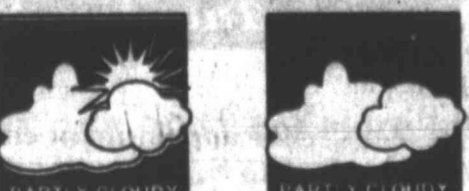
TODAY'S WEATHER

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Forecast

Partly cloudy, high low-to-mid 70s. Low near 50. Chance of thunderstorms late.

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OBITUARIES

Peggy Gabbard

Service for Peggy Gabbard, 55, Sand Springs, will be 2 p.m. Tuesday, April 23, 1996, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Rev. Flynn Long, pastor of First Presbyterian, officiating. Interment will follow at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

Mrs. Gabbard died Sunday, April 21, 1996, in a local hospital.

She was born on Feb. 2, 1941, in Miles City, Mont. and married Howard Gabbard on June 15, 1962, in Big Spring. She had been in Sand Springs since 1967, and had worked at the Big Spring State Hospital in the supply department. She was a Presbyterian.

Survivors include her husband: Howard Gabbard, Sand Springs; one daughter: Eileen A. Wake, Big Spring; one son: Kenneth E. Sierra, Marble Falls; her mother: Elva Humphreys, KallsPELL, Mont.; two sisters: Carolyn Meyers, White Sulphur Springs, Mont., and Constance Robey, Parkersburg, W.V.; one half sister: Winfred Chaney, Bonners Ferry, Idaho; one half brother: Prentiss Foster, Saint Cloud, Minn.; and four grandchildren.

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Richard Gere movie is still at the top

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The Richard Gere courtroom drama "Primal Fear" grossed \$6.8 million to top the box office for a third weekend, while two Robin Williams films surpassed the \$100 million mark.

- 1. "Primal Fear," \$6.8 million.
2. "The Substitute," \$6.1 million.
3. "James and the Giant Peach," \$5.4 million.
4. "The Birdcage," \$4.9 million.
5. "Fear," \$4.1 million.
6. (tie) "Mrs. Winterbourne," \$4 million.
7. (tie) "Celtic Pride," \$4 million.
8. "A Thin Line Between Love and Hate," \$3.3 million.
9. "Sgt. Bilko," \$2.2 million.
10. "Flirting with Disaster," \$2 million.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR TUESDAY, APRIL 23:

Working on communications may be a multifold process for you. You are always nurturing, but learning how to detach is important in discussions. Some of you might choose to seek out counseling and other spiritual-ly uplifting experiences. A trip or an encounter with a foreigner could be significant. If you are single, hold on tight: This could be the roller coaster ride of your life. An exotic stranger is likely to enter the picture. If attached, a sincere effort to communicate pays off. CANCELER cares about you.

The stars show what kind of day you'll have: 5-dynamic; 4-positive; 3-average; 2-so-so; 1-difficult.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Your creativity is high when dealing with personal matters. Be more in touch with your feelings. Give top priority to family, home and issues involving the source of your security. Attend to investments. Eliminate red tape. Tonight: Stay anchored. *****

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Reach out for another, and examine your mutual long-term interests. Excellent communications and a fun loving nature enhance playfulness. Make phone calls, clear your desk and be imaginative in problem solving. Face yourself. Tonight: Hang out. *****

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Be careful about finances and what you have to offer. You are in the thick of things and have excellent choices. Do not overly emphasize money. Maintain good judgment when dealing with others. Others feel your sense of confidence. Tonight: Your treat. *****

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You are unstoppable, full of fun and energy. Others are clearly drawn to you. There are many options to choose from and directions to move in. Empower yourself, and zoom in on what you want, whether it is a concept, event or person. Tonight: Say yes. *****

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Get a second wind. Chill out - let yourself relax and enjoy the day. You place great demands on yourself. Gather information, listen to others and stay low. Others appreciate that you don't want to take a stand. Tonight: Vanish. *****

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Make time for a group meeting or event. You find that you can get much of what you want done quickly. Honor changes and be sensitive to a friend who seeks you out. Friendship

IN BRIEF

THE BIG SPRING HERALD is currently seeking submissions to its monthly "Readers Corner" that runs the last Wednesday of each month.

Readers are encouraged to submit stories or poems should be about a page and a half in length. Photos should be in focus and not too light or too dark. Make sure you identify who or what is in the picture and who took the photograph.

The next "Readers Corner" is scheduled for May 29 and the deadline to turn in your submissions is May 20. If you have any questions, contact Kellie Jones, 263-7331 ext. 112.

DANA COOPER, INTERNATIONALLY KNOWN recording artist, will perform at 7 p.m. Saturday in the Coahoma Community Concert Series.

The concert will be at the First Presbyterian Church. Admission is by suggested donations of \$6 per person or \$15 for a family. All proceeds go to the performing artist.

Cooper has won "Album of the Year" awards and has been named "Best Male Kerrville Music Foundation. He has performed with artists such as Clint Black, Melissa Etheridge, Jerry Garcia, The Guess Who, Levon Helm, Tish Hinojosa, Anne Murray, The Neville Brothers and the Nitty Gritty Dirt Band.

CHRISTMAS IN APRIL IS scheduled for Saturday and your financial support is urgently needed to continue the success of the program. The program is run by volunteers and all the funds come from the local community. Senior citizens in the area have their homes repaired by 500 volunteers who spend the day helping their neighbor. Send your tax deductible donation to: Christmas in April;

and pleasure mix. Be open to what life is offering you. Tonight: Be a social butterfly. *****

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) You need to be in the limelight. Others come to you and you can handle what you couldn't before. Count on popularity and openness making you a winner. Dance through the day, grinning. Make a point of asking for what you want. Tonight: Burn the midnight oil. *****

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Reach out for others. Don't stand on ceremony. Consider what you expect from a communication. Evaluate the possibility of traveling or perhaps going back to school. Doors open up for you. Avoid office gossip. Tonight: Try a new restaurant. *****

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) One-to-one relating creates new possibilities. Evaluate a change and you will be surprised by what is possible. Listen, share and talk. Brainstorming helps you understand what you can accomplish. Finances and intimacy are enhanced. Tonight: Go for closeness. *****

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Others give you plenty of feedback, though you might not be sure what to do with it. Focusing could be difficult, as there is so much going on in your midst. Determine what would be best to complete today. Aim for your well-being. Tonight: Out for dinner. *****

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Be more in sync with work, patterns and efficiency. Discern what is truly important. Eliminate the unnecessary and concentrate on what has to be done. Be nurturing with a loved one who seeks attention. Make an appointment for a checkup. Tonight: Go for a workout. *****

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Creative thinking opens doors, pleasing you and others. Your imagination knows no limits. Let the child in you come out when dealing with another. Flirtation could not only add to your day but also another's. Take a risk and let someone know you care. Tonight: Make it a fun night! *****

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P.O. Box 2326; Big Spring, 79721-2326. The money is used to help purchase materials for the renovations.

THE 33RD ANNUAL MOORE School and community reunion will be from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday at the 14th & Main Church of Christ fellowship hall. This is for all decedents of those who lived in the Moore community as well as present members and friends.

JOBETH GILLIAM OF LUBBOCK will conduct a watercolor or workshop May 10-11 at the West Texas Center for the Arts at Howard College.

The workshop is 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and tuition is \$70 with a \$25 deposit required by May 1. The class is sponsored by the Big Spring Art Association and is open to beginners as well as advanced artists.

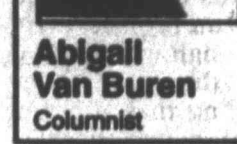
Call Sherree Moates at 264-5195 or Kay Smith at 263-6466 for more information.

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Big Spring ON THE RUN

Lonely U.S. soldiers in Bosnia are eager for mail from home

DEAR ABBY: I am currently stationed in Bosnia, and while the conditions here are not pleasant, they are getting more bearable. I am concerned because I received an "Any Soldier" Valentine's Day card and the return address was not on it. The child who took the time and effort to send it deserves an answer.



Abigail Van Buren Columnist

We arrived here about 9:30 p.m. in a fog so thick we had a hard time seeing the road in front of us. While crossing a bridge, my soldiers and I flew the American flag from the mirrors of our vehicle and played "God Bless America" as loudly as my poor little tape player could go. It took about a week before the fog cleared enough to see that we were surrounded by mountains that were capped with snow.

We work pretty hard here. We were given a day to ourselves to do our laundry and clean our gear. It was almost a month before we got to take showers. We did the best we could with bottled water and moist towelettes, living three men in a tent.

Now we have tents with floors and heaters and flush toilets within easy walking distance. There is a convenience

store that just opened, but they're having problems getting the basic items like shoe polish and soap.

Abby, no amount of conveniences can compensate for the loneliness we feel here. It's the mail we get from people back home that keeps our spirits alive. Of course, we are surrounded by fellow soldiers, but you can be lonely in a crowd.

The letters we get from people who care enough to write warm our hearts while we watch the snow fall on the mud we walk through every day.

To the child who sent the valentine (and the others who wrote), thanks a million — our thoughts are with you as much as yours are with us. — DAVID K. BURTON, A SOLDIER IN BOSNIA

DEAR DAVID: Thank you for writing and rest assured that my readers will continue to write to "Any Soldier." May God bless all of you and bring you home to your loved ones safely — and soon.

For those who may have missed the addresses to write to the military in Bosnia, send letters and parcels (preferably no larger than a shoebox) to: ANY SERVICE MEMBER, OPERATION JOINT ENDEAVOR, APO AE 09397 (for Army, Navy, Air Force and Marine Corps land forces), or ANY SERVICE MEMBER, OPERATION JOINT ENDEAVOR, FPO AE 09398 (for Navy and Marine Corps personnel aboard ship).

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SPRINGBOARD

TODAY •Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting and 8 to 9 p.m. at the VA Medical Center on fourth floor. •Big Spring Evening Lions Club, 6:30 p.m., 1607 E. Third. Call Jan Noyes, 267-5811. •TOPS Club (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) 5:30 to 6 p.m. weigh in and 6 p.m. meeting at the Carriage Inn, 501 W. 17th. Call 263-1340 or 263-8633. •The American Business Women's Association is having a handwriting analysis seminar, 7 p.m., Howard College Administration Annex.

TUESDAY •Comanche Lake Duplicate, 1 p.m., Dora Roberts Civic Center. •Most Excellent Way, a chemical dependency support group, 7 p.m., Living Water Church, 1008 Birdwell Lane. Call 267-1424 after 5 p.m. or 263-3168 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. •Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting and 8 to 9 p.m. closed meeting at the VA Medical Center on fourth floor. •Coahoma's 18th Annual Kindergarten Stickhorse Rodeo, 9 a.m., Coahoma Elementary gym.

WEDNESDAY •Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting and 8 to 9 p.m. 12&12 Study. •Relay for Life committee will meet at noon at the First United Methodist Church.

MARKETS

Table with market data including cotton futures, oil, and various commodities. Columns include item name and price/percentage change.

POLICE

The Big Spring Police department reported the following activity between 1 p.m. Saturday and 8 a.m. Monday:

- HENRY F. JOBE, 66, of 201 West. Marcy, was arrested for public intoxication.
-PHILLIP MENDOZA JR., 27, of 1506 East Sixth, was arrested for not having a driver's license.
-PHILLIP MENDOZA SR., 44, of 1506 East Sixth, was arrested for allowing an unlicensed driver to drive.
-NOE RAMIREZ, 39, no known address, was arrested for public intoxication.
-GUADALUPE NIETO, 28, of 709 Johnson, was arrested for disorderly conduct.
-SUSAN CUELLAR, 29, no known address, was arrested on local warrants.
-ROSA CUELLAR, 21, no known address, was arrested on local warrants.
-MICHAEL DOUGLAS, 33, of Rt. 3 Box 62E, was arrested for assault on a public servant, driving while intoxicated and resisting arrest.
-JOE LOZANO, 44, of 1606 Cardinal, was arrested for driving while license suspended.
-LUANNA TREVIÑO FRANCO, 32, of 2202 Main, was arrested on local warrants.
-CHARLENE STARR, 52, of 1101 East 13th, was arrested for driving while license suspended.
-DAVID JUAREZ, 30, of 1003 N.W. Second, was arrested for public intoxication.
-CRIMINAL MISCHIEF in the 1300 block of Lamar, 1200 block of Runnels, 400 block of East Eighth, 1400 block of Johnson, 1100 block of Birdwell and 1500 block of Cherokee.
-DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE in the 900 block of Runnels, 600 block of Ridgelea, 1000 block of North Main and 1000 block East 11th.
-THEFT in the 800 block of East I-20.
-THEFT in the 1700 block of Wasson.
-THEFT in the 700 block of Creighton.
-THEFT in the 1900 block of North 87.
-THEFT in the 1100 block of North Lamesa.
-DISTURBANCE/FIGHT in the 1000 block East Third.
-ASSAULT in the 2900 block of West 80.
-BURGLARY OF A HABITATION in the 1600 block of Cardinal.

FIRE

The Big Spring Fire Department reported the following activity during the weekend:

- CAR FIRE in the 600 block of Douglas. Estimated loss was \$100.

RECORDS

Sunday's high 92 Sunday's low 58 Average high 81 Average low 52 Record high 101 in 1965 Record low 30 in 1927 Rainfall Sunday 0.00 Month to date 1.00 Month's normal 0.74 Year to date 1.41 Normal for the year 2.76 **Statistics not available

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Tornado hits heart of Fort Smith, Ark.

FORT SMITH, Ark. (AP) — A tornado tore through this city's downtown, blowing down several buildings and homes, and killing two children. At least 50 others were injured and 200 left homeless, authorities said.

The twister, which knocked out power and stopped clocks at 11:10 p.m. Sunday, did most of its damage along the main thoroughfare of this western Arkansas city of 73,000.

"It started raining and hailing and lightning. That didn't bother me because I like storms," a survivor, Leisa Didway, said. "And then that noise came. It was like a whistling noise. It just kept getting louder." Didway, a friend who was visiting her, and the friend's 1-year-old son hid in a closet.

"I just started praying," Didway said as she rested in a Red Cross shelter. "I held her and the baby. I was just praying to God because I didn't know what else to do." Her house was damaged but not severely.

As salvage efforts began this morning, police said they would not be surprised to find additional victims. The storm sliced through multistory office and storage buildings downtown and homes in one of the city's older sections.

"They have several buildings in (the downtown) area that have collapsed or blown over," state police spokesman Wayne Jordan said. A five-story building lost its roof and much of its structure.

Some parts of downtown were

cordoned off to reduce the danger from fallen live wires and from damaged buildings, some built at the turn of the century.

"We've got buildings downtown that are going to possibly collapse at any time," police Sgt. David Overton said.

National Guard troops were activated to assist in cleanup and rescue. Emergency workers were particularly concerned about natural-gas leaks from broken gas lines downtown.

"Some houses collapsed, trees are down everywhere and, of course, no electricity, which hinders recovery," Overton said. Power was out for about the northern third of the town, he said.

A 2-year-old girl and 5-year-old boy were killed in separate houses six blocks apart in a residential area northeast of downtown, he said. At least 50 other people were taken to hospitals.

Bob Bradley, a nursing supervisor at Sparks Regional Medical Center, said most suffered "crushing-type injuries, head injuries and lacerations." A St. Edward Mercy Medical spokeswoman said most of the injured brought there suffered wounds from flying glass.

Overton said damage would be in the millions of dollars, but no more precise estimate was available early today. A shelter was set up to house about 200 people expected to be temporarily homeless, because of damage to their homes or loss of electricity or natural gas service.

Tractor-trailers were blown

over on Interstate 40 in Van Buren, just across the Arkansas River from Fort Smith near the Oklahoma state line.

Authorities also said debris was strewn on the main bridge over the river and an area around a poultry-processing plant was evacuated after an ammonia leak was reported at the plant.

About two hours after the Fort Smith tornado and 65 miles to the northeast, another twister touched down in Madison County, toppling a mobile home and leaving five people injured.

Overton said warnings broadcast on television and radio about the rough weather in the region may have helped keep casualties relatively low.

"The news was telling people the storm was coming and a tornado had been sighted about 50 miles to the southwest of us and had been heading this way for 45 minutes to an hour," he said. "So hopefully people had some warning."

Several tornadoes also hit western Oklahoma late Sunday. In McAlester, one twister accompanied by hail destroyed one home and damaged five others. One minor injury was reported.

Tornadoes Saturday chewed through communities from the Ohio Valley into the Deep South, killing one person in Mississippi, injuring several in Tennessee and leaving more than 800 homes damaged in the Kentucky town of Berea.

Israeli warplanes rock Palestinian bases

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — Israeli warplanes rocketed radical Palestinians' bases near Beirut today, but fighting with Iranian-backed Hezbollah guerrillas in south Lebanon ebbed amid U.S. efforts to broker a cease-fire.

Secretary of State Warren Christopher met in Damascus with President Hafez Assad of Syria, which dominates Lebanon and wields considerable influence over Hezbollah's ability to operate.

"We think we have a chance of putting a deal together this week," State Department spokesman Nicholas Burns said in the Syrian capital.

Lebanese Prime Minister Rafik Hariri and Parliament Speaker Nabih Berri traveled to Damascus today, indicating a breakthrough was possible. The onslaught began 12 days ago when Israel retaliated against Hezbollah for firing rockets into Israel.

Israel slowed down its offensive and rocket barrages by Hezbollah on the Jewish state were markedly reduced.

Israel opened a new front in the afternoon. Its fighter-bombers fired eight rockets into bases belonging to the Syrian-backed Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine-General Command in the coastal hills of Naameh, police reported.

Gunboats also took part in the bombardment at Naameh, 10 miles south of Beirut, police said.

The Israeli jets flew three more sorties against Naameh later, leaving black pillars of smoke billowing from the hills. There was no immediate word on casualties.

The PFLP-GC, like Hezbollah, opposes the Middle East peace process. Israel's air force has repeatedly targeted its underground facilities at Naameh. It was the first time the Israelis have gone after the group in its current offensive, which has concentrated on Hezbollah and

its strongholds in south Lebanon and south Beirut.

In the south, warplanes mounted eight air raids on suspected guerrilla strongholds in eight villages near the market town of Nabatiyeh and 12 others close to the port of Tyre.

Israeli artillery shelled areas just north of an Israeli-controlled border enclave in southern Lebanon, the flashpoint of the latest flareup.

Shortly after midday, Hezbollah fired a volley of 12 Katyusha rockets on northern Israel. The Israeli army said two people

were wounded and the rockets caused some damage to buildings.

The rockets were fired a few miles from the U.N. base in Qana where 76 Lebanese refugees were killed by Israeli shells last week, security sources said.

Within five minutes, Israel retaliated with artillery fire. Smoke could be seen rising from targeted villages.

Gunboats, meanwhile, continued to fire on a coastal highway linking southern Lebanon with Beirut and the rest of the country.

Texas Briefs

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Harris County inmate reported missing
TENNESSEE COLONY — Texas law enforcers were still searching today for a prison inmate who apparently fled Friday morning from his job at a feed mill at the Coffield Unit near Palestine.

Jimmy Jarrell, 32, a prison trusty sentenced in Houston, was discovered missing during an inmate count Friday morning, Texas Department of Criminal Justice spokesman Larry Fitzgerald said.

Since then, authorities have searched the 22,000 acres of the Coffield property with helicopters, on horseback and with dogs.

Jarrell had been in prison since last May, serving six years for unauthorized use of a vehicle, possession of a prohibited weapon, theft by receiving and felony possession of a weapon. He had about four months to serve before he would have been eligible for parole, Fitzgerald said.

Because Jarrell had a history of going to sleep in the grain silos to avoid working, authorities spent a day and a half searching the facility, Fitzgerald said.

Lawmakers can expect to debate TSTC
ABILENE — The future of technical education in Texas is at a crossroads and some say funding will be a key topic debated during the next legislative session.

But the primary feud won't necessarily be about money. Vision, some officials say, is the ticket.

"We're going through a period of brainstorming to determine what's best for the future of Texas," said Dr. Jeri Pfeiffer, a Texas State Technical College System regent. "There has been a great deal of discussion with people looking at a variety of ideas. I feel the process can be healthy on all sides."

The state Senate's Education Committee is gathering information and preparing a proposal for next year's session.

Some of the preliminary ideas could alter TSTC's operations at Sweetwater, Abilene, Breckenridge and Brownwood. The possibility of merging its resources into existing junior colleges is also being considered.

Trial may end with verdict for five officials

LAREDO — Despite the sometimes dull repetition of testimony in the federal corruption retrial of five Hidalgo County officials, new developments could result in a verdict this time.

A new location, breaking evidence and controversial witnesses have given new life to a trial that only five months ago ended with a hung jury in McAllen.

"The question in retrials always is: What is different about this case?" said Steven Goode, a

professor at the University of Texas law school in Austin. "Things like cutting back on testimony and new evidence could very well mean a different outcome."

The defendants are suspended County Judge J. Edgar Ruiz, county commissioners Sam Sanchez and Abelardo Arcaute, former Commissioner Leonardo Camarillo and Head Start Director Luciano Ozuna.

The officials are named in a 102-count indictment that includes charges of mail fraud, bribery, extortion, racketeering and money laundering.

Wilson to wait to avoid costly election

LUFKIN — U.S. Rep. Charles Wilson says he'll step away from his 24-year career before his term expires and is eyeing a departure that would avoid influencing the election for his replacement.

The Lufkin Democrat decided last year against seeking re-election to the 2nd congressional District, saying the time had come to pursue other interests.

"I will not stay through January," Wilson told The Lufkin Daily News in Sunday editions. "It's a matter of timing ... probably through August. I do not want to do anything to influence the election at home."

Wilson, who returned to the United States last week after a 21-day international tour, said the trip gave him time to think.

Resigning sometime in August would make it impractical to have a special election for his vacant seat, he said, because the person elected would not have time to serve before the November general election.

Perot says GOP sought \$1 million for dirty tricks

WASHINGTON — Republican Party leaders are demanding Ross Perot offer proof that GOP operatives once asked him for \$1 million to finance a political dirty tricks campaign.

Perot, who has made the dirty tricks allegation before without naming the party involved, mentioned Republican National Chairman Haley Barbour by name in an appearance Sunday on NBC's "Meet the Press."

"Haley Barbour was not directly involved. But in this case, I would suggest that he do a little bit of due diligence up and down the chain of command, and I would say after about 15 minutes, you know, one of the two parties is going to say, 'Oops!'" Perot said from Dallas.

Barbour hotly denied Perot's allegations and called on him to offer proof or "shut up."

"I can state unequivocally, emphatically and with no fear of contradiction that no member, officer, employee or agent of the Republican National Committee ever in 1993 or any other time asked Ross Perot to contribute to a dirty tricks campaign," said Barbour.

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"In the republic of mediocrity, genius is dangerous."
-Robert G. Ingersoll

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OTHER VIEWS

Securing Japan's defense good for all

Most Asian leaders still do not like to admit it too publicly, but recent events in the Taiwan Strait and tension on the Korean peninsula have been a salutary reminder of the need for a continuing U.S. security presence in the region. At next week's summit, President Clinton and Prime Minister Ryutaro Hashimoto thus have an extra incentive for reaffirming their commitment to the U.S.-Japanese security arrangements on which that presence depends.

The task will not be easy. Trade issues are finally moving away from center stage in the U.S.-Japanese relationship, but the security leg has shown signs of wobbling now the Cold War is over. Opposition to U.S. bases on Okinawa was exacerbated by last autumn's rape of a schoolgirl by U.S. soldiers. The public in both countries is too little aware of the importance of the alliance. The U.S. worries that Japan is unwilling to pull its weight in security matters.

There are some encouraging signs. Japan has agreed to supply the U.S. military with spare parts and a larger range of services. But this symbolic move, expected to be enshrined in a fresh defense agreement announced during Clinton's visit, does not remove the need for a broader review of roles in the region.

Japan must again rethink the constitutional constraints on its self-defense forces. But both sides must proceed with care as well as determination. Having promoted Japanese pacifism after World War II, the U.S. cannot now complain too loudly about its lack of belligerence.

The U.S. desire for Japan to play a more active security role must also be offset by the reluctance of Asian countries to see Japanese forces freely deployed in the region. If North Korea were to invade, South Korea would rely on U.S. support. Given memories of occupation, it is difficult to see Seoul welcoming Japanese troops onto its territory. There is also danger in encouraging extreme elements in Japan which remain committed to nationalism and less so to pacifism. A continuing U.S. presence is a calming factor, as it eases some of the internal pressures for Japan to rearm.

The first part of any reassessment of the security ties must involve U.S. recognition that there are limits on what Japan can do. The second part is for Japan to accept that those limits lie somewhere beyond its present contribution. To a skeptical U.S. public the relationship will always seem lopsided if Japan continues to hide behind constitutional constraints in offering only lightly armed and grudging support for U.N. peacekeeping exercises.

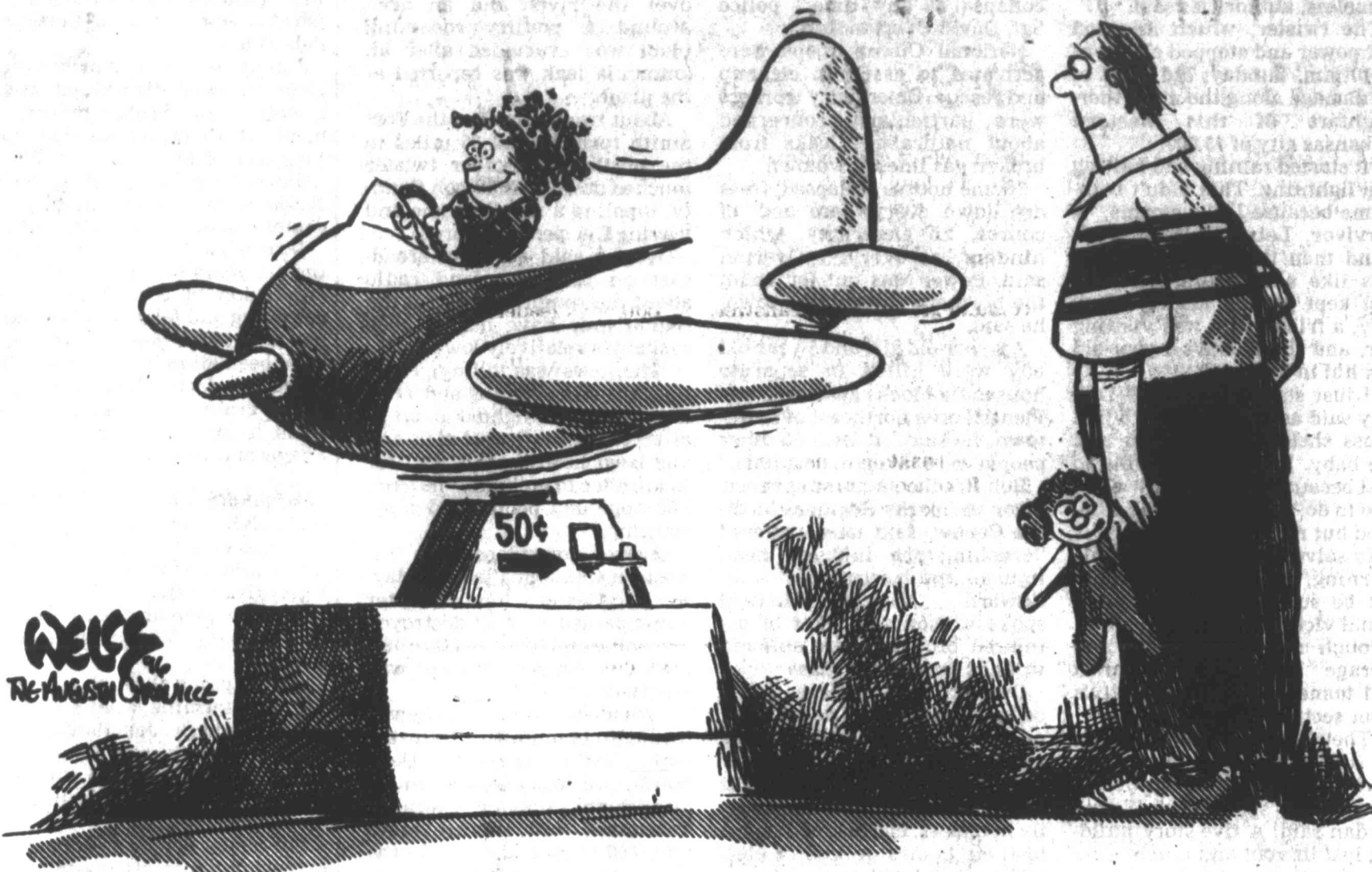
This requires a more open debate on defense policy than Japan has yet undertaken. Last November's review, which promised a cut of 20 percent to 145,000 in defense personnel, commanded a consensus that for the first time involved the Socialist Party. But there is a need to go further. The Japanese government must convince its own people that the deal whereby the U.S. provides security in return for bases is a good one. That will reinforce its argument that, despite local opposition, U.S. forces should remain in Okinawa — a vital staging post if they are to play a wider regional role.

More important, Japan must revisit the interpretation of the constitution which says that its self-defense forces may respond only to a direct attack on Japan itself. If Japan is to be a more equal partner for the U.S., it must be prepared to embrace the concept of collective defense and show greater willingness to play some part in common actions such as the Gulf War.

The trouble is that debate on this issue remains difficult. There are fears that it might split the governing coalition or the Liberal Democratic Party itself. But in avoiding the debate, Japan's ruling elite risks international embarrassment and internal agonizing the next time a crisis strikes. Japan's political leaders should seize the initiative, launch the debate now and steer it towards the appropriate conclusion. The U.S.-Japanese alliance — and with it the security of the whole Asian region — would end up stronger as a result.

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Tattoo case to leave its mark in annals of insensitivity

In response to my recent "Insensitivity Alert!" a reader has called my attention to the case of a man who was refused a tattoo.

Accused of being insensitive is Adam Gray, who owns the 8-Ball Tattoo parlor in Columbus, Ohio.

As a result, he has been up to his ears in government legal problems for two years.

It began this way, says Gray: A man came in for a large tattoo on his upper chest. Gray had him fill out a form that included questions about his health.

"We have screening for hepatitis, diabetes, AIDS, heart conditions that might be aggravated. It's my responsibility to reduce risk as much as possible for my clients, my artists and myself."

The man indicated on the form that his health was OK, so the studio artist began stenciling the outline for the tattoo.

"That was when we noticed he had a badly scarred tattoo on his shoulder. I asked him about it, and he said it was 6 months old and it had taken that long to heal.

"It should take only 1 to 2

weeks to heal, so this was a sign that the person isn't in good health and there is something wrong with their healing process.

"We discussed it with him, and we narrowed down the reasons and he finally admitted that he had HIV.

"We decided it wasn't in his best interest or our best interest for him to be tattooed. We offered other accommodations that didn't involve drawing blood, like a painting of his design.

"We offered to return his \$30 deposit, and he declined. He apologized for wasting our time. We said it wasn't a waste of time but that we were looking out for all of our best interests. He said he was sorry and wasn't mad and he left."

In doing a tattoo, you're talk-

ing about constant exposure to blood, so that's Gray's concern.

The legal fight, which Gray says has cost him \$40,000 so far, has gone on for two years.

Both sides have offered settlements. Gray said a friend who runs another tattoo parlor and accepts clients with HIV would do the tattoo.

The state commission declined and offered a deal of its own that infuriated Gray.

"They made one settlement offer. They wanted us to pay him \$150 to pay for a tattoo somewhere else, post a notice in the shop saying we discriminated and sign a gag order saying we would no longer discuss the case.

"I said, 'Up yours.' I'm not going to sign anything saying what I did was wrong when I was looking out for everyone's best interest. And a gag order? They want me to post a notice that all my customers can see saying I did something wrong, then I can't talk about it?"

So who is at fault here? Well, it isn't the Ohio Civil Rights Commission. As a spokesman for that agency noted, the commissioners don't make the laws, they are obli-

gated to enforce them.

Under Ohio and federal law, the spokesman said, Gray should have given the man the tattoo.

"The complainant has AIDS. The legislature has said that AIDS is a disability that falls under that section of the law. The legislature chose to exclude drug users and they could have excluded AIDS, but they didn't. We didn't make that determination. The people who make the laws did. We have to enforce the law."

So the next step will be a state appeals court. Then maybe the Ohio Supreme Court and the U.S. Supreme Court.

But there is a bright side to this case, if you look at it from a historical perspective.

Thirty-one years ago, I was in Selma, Ala., where the fight was for the right of black people to vote and have their votes counted, to sit at lunch counters, to send their kids to regular public schools and state universities.

Now, we have a battle over the right to get a tattoo in Columbus, Ohio.

If that's not evidence of social progress, what is?



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Making divorce tougher a good idea, but how?

By BONNIE ERBE and BETSY HART
Scripps Howard News Service

QUESTION: Michigan and Iowa are considering laws that would make divorce much tougher. America's divorce rate — at about 50 percent, but beginning to decline somewhat — is still among the highest in the world. Should the divorce laws be changed to make marriages harder to dissolve?

BONNIE ERBE: A resounding "yes" is the answer. I'm sure my colleague will find some way to blame the divorce rate on our "liberal culture" (after all, in her mind what isn't the fault of liberals?) but I, too, find it a sad development.

However, I would not stop there. I would also make marriage licenses much tougher to obtain. It will do no good to slow the rate of impulsive divorce if we don't simultaneously slow the rate of impulsive marriage. The question is how.

Most marriages that last these days are between couples who have known each other for quite some time and who have thought through the emotional, financial and companionship issues of spending the rest of their lives together. I recently had the pleasure of interviewing retired ABC newsmen Howard K. Smith, who proposed to his wife of more than 50 years after a four-day courtship. But that was during World War II and even he said marriage on such short notice nowadays is a no-no.

I like the approach of the Catholic Church. Couples who want to wed in the church must go through counseling by priests who ask them to spin

out their vision of what marriage will be like in terms of the relationship, the couple's finances and their views of the role of the other spouse. A fair percentage of couples headed to the altar think twice about an impulsive marriage when required to consider both the up and downs of wedded bliss.

All couples would do well to slow down and consider their future together before making it legal.

I would also offer one more piece of advice: Couples should spend some time living together before wedding. That's a sure-fire way to test one's commitment to "for richer and for poorer, in sickness and in health" before entering into a life-long commitment.

BETSY HART: My colleague is absolutely right — and wrong.

Yes, we as a society should do everything possible to make sure people think twice before walking down the aisle. Fortunately, more and more churches are taking on the responsibility of teaching pre-marrieds about the trials and tribulations — as well as joys — of marriage. It's

about time.

Still, the only way to make sure that leap into wedded bliss is a thoughtful one is to make marriage harder to end. We can tell pre-marrieds over and over about the sanctity of marriage, but if marriage bonds can be broken faster than an eggshell few young couples will take the admonishment seriously. After all, why not try a "permanent" marriage on a temporary basis?

Only if permanent means just that — marriage for life barring circumstances such as abuse or adultery — will couples take that walk down the aisle seriously. Making it legally more difficult to divorce is one part of the answer. Thus the march to repeal no-fault divorce laws in several states is a positive development. Only then will the person responsible for the break-up of the marriage suffer the bulk of the financial and other consequences.

This may encourage working it out — and thinking harder about getting into it to begin with — instead of getting out.

Churches and synagogues must get tougher, too. Pre-married classes are not enough. Too

many congregations, particularly among mainline protestant denominations, are too easy on divorce. With the goal of keeping marriages together, religious bodies must stop recognizing divorce except under extraordinary circumstances.

Lastly, society should stigmatize divorce, because stigmatizing a behavior produces less of it.

And the idea of living together before marriage that my colleague suggests? Interestingly, statistics repeatedly show that those who cohabit before the wedding day are more likely to divorce later than those who don't!

Ultimately, the answer to getting couples to commit seriously to their marriage vows is to make marriage a serious commitment.

(Bonnie Erbe is host of the PBS program "To the Contrary" and legal affairs correspondent for the Mutual/NBC Radio networks. Betsy Hart, a former White House spokesman, is a frequent commentator on CNN and other national public affairs shows.)

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Sophomore Keesha Lott learns to play many roles in track and field

By RODERICK RICHARDSON
Herald Sportswriter

One often hears about a high school athlete who enjoys success at two sports. When an underclassman is involved, people pay even closer attention.



LOTT

That is what Big Spring sophomore Keesha Lott is experiencing this year. After becoming part of history as a member of the Lady Steers' bidistrict basketball champions, Lott contributed to the track team's stampede through the district meet. The Lady Steers won the meet by a 110-point margin.

Lott will participate in regional competition this week in five events. She is the anchor in both the 400-meter and 800-

meter relays, and competes in both the long and triple jump, as well as the 1600-meter relay.

Lott said she was surprised by her success this season. As for which sport is her favorite, she couldn't give a definite answer. "It's hard for me to decide," said Lott. "They're both fun. I like the competition, and I get better each year."

Since basketball has passed, Lott is concentrating on track. This week at San Angelo, they will attempt to win the Region I-4A title, and Lott thinks the opportunity is there.

"We could do really good," said Lott. "We have a good chance at scoring a lot of points - more than last year."

Big Spring coach Jay Kennedy says Lott will play an important role in the team's outcome.

"(Lott) is an essential part of the team," said Kennedy. "When you have someone do five events and do them well, you have a very important person to your team."

Big Spring has a young girls team - few have more than a year's varsity experience. Though newcomers themselves, some underclassmen may have to fill leadership roles.

Lott says leadership with the Lady Steers is a team effort.

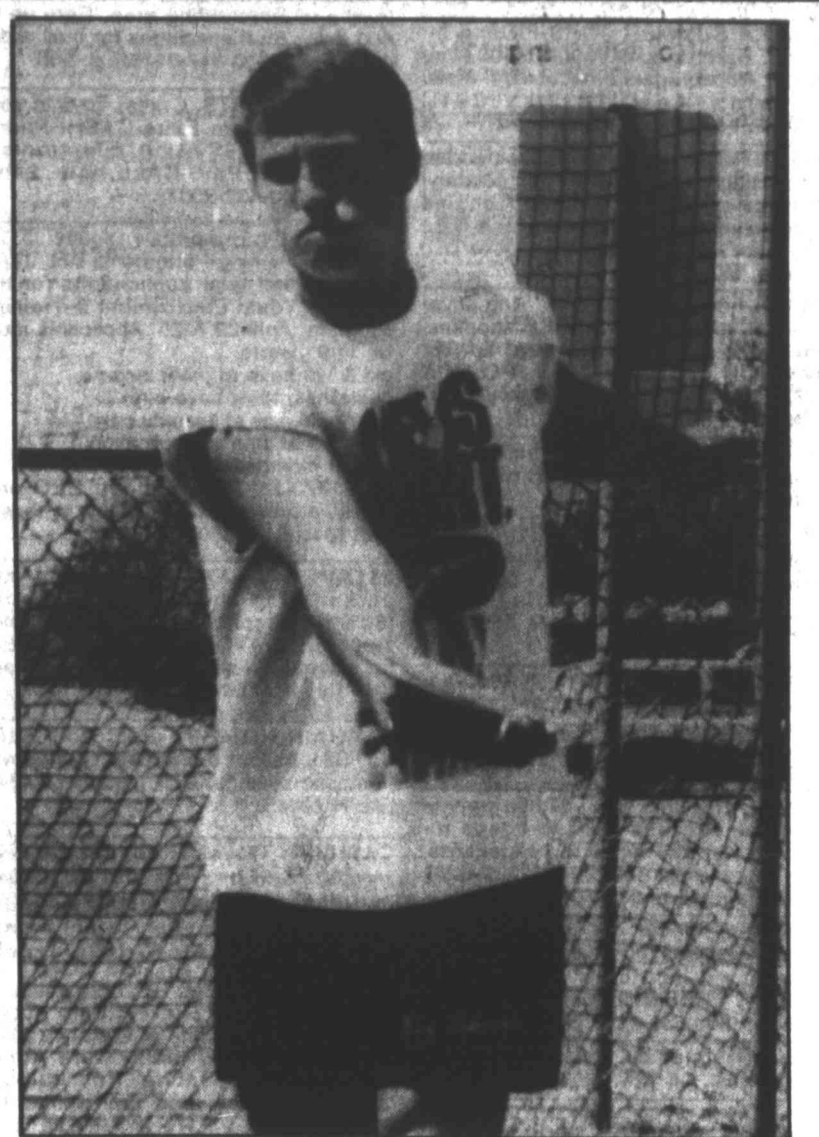
"(My strength) is being a leader," said Lott. "But we have a lot of leaders. With us being young, the older we get the better leaders we become."

Kennedy said Lott's drive to win makes her a leader.

"She is a competitor," said Kennedy. "She doesn't like to lose. She has lots of determination, and is the type of person you put in a pressure situation, because they can handle it."

Big Spring is a favorite to win regionals, and it is possible several Lady Steers will qualify for state. After this season, the obvious question is what they will do for an encore.

"(Next year) we could do the same thing," said Lott. "We won't lose that many people."



Dan Brewster warms up before competing during the regional qualifiers meet Friday at Lamesa.

Owusu builds experience from track season

By RODERICK RICHARDSON
Herald Sportswriter

The Big Spring girls track team has many young stars in the lineup. Freshmen Jaclyn Owusu is surprised to be one of them.

Owusu was heavily involved in the Lady Steers' dominance over the rest of District 4-4A at last weekend's district meet.

Owusu qualified for regional competition in the long jump, the triple jump, the 100-meter dash, the 200-meter dash and the 400-meter relay. Owusu says she is looking forward to competing in the Region I-4A meet this week in San Angelo.

"I am excited," said Owusu. "I just want to see how well I can do."

Participating in five events is a huge accomplishment for any athlete. To excel in each of those events is another story. As a freshman, Owusu didn't think she could be successful in all five.

"In the long jump and triple jump I thought maybe," said Owusu. "But not in the other (events)."

Coach Jay Kennedy says Owusu's performance will have a big effect on Big Spring's post-district season. Kennedy adds that he expects a lot from Owusu in the future.

"She is very talented," said Kennedy. "She's young. She has a bright future here, and she's helped us reach another level higher than last year."

After the Lady Steers' dominance at the district meet, it should be no surprise that Owusu believes the Lady Steers will have a strong showing this week. In fact, she is looking past the regional meet.

"I think we can go all the way to state," said Owusu. "Maybe even win (state)."

Heavy competition awaits Owusu in regionals, and it is not always against the other schools. In both the triple and long jump, Owusu must face teammate Keesha Lott; however, Owusu finds no problem in going against a teammate.

"I like it," said Owusu. "It's good to have competition (in those events)."

When it is time comes for her to do her thing at a meet, Owusu said she doesn't feel pressure. It's just concentrating on the moment.

"When we're going to a track meet," said Owusu. "I think about what I'm going to do, and just relax."

Rangers sweep Orioles to continue their strong start

ARLINGTON — Dean Palmer hit a grand slam and a two-run homer Sunday, and the Texas Rangers overcame another lead-off home run by Brady Anderson to beat the Baltimore Orioles 9-6 for a three-game sweep.

Palmer's second two-homer game of the weekend — he also did it Friday — and the second four-hit game of his career kept the Rangers off to the best start in club history and the best in the majors at 13-4.

Anderson led off the first inning with a homer for the fourth straight game. But Baltimore, which began the weekend with the best record in baseball, could not contain the Rangers. Texas scored 43 runs in the sweep, including a 26-7 win Friday in which it scored 16 runs in the eighth inning.

The Orioles led 2-0 after two innings behind solo homers from Anderson, his eighth, and Chris Hoiles. The Elias Sports Bureau, which now keeps baseball's statistics, could not say

whether Anderson's streak was a record.

Texas took the lead in the third when Palmer hit his full-count, two-out grand slam off David Wells (2-1). Palmer's fifth career slam went 414 feet into a stiff wind that kept garbage flying around the field all afternoon.

Palmer opened the sixth with a triple, and wound up scoring as Texas made it 7-3.

Needing only a double to hit for the cycle, Palmer instead homered again in the seventh to tie his career-best with six RBIs. It was his sixth homer of the year.

Rafael Palmeiro hit a three-run homer in the Orioles ninth.

Darren Oliver (1-0) won for the first time since last June. His 1995 season was cut short by arm trouble that led to off-season shoulder surgery. This was his second start of this season.

Oliver allowed three runs and five hits in five innings. He walked two and struck out three.

Houston's Hakeem "The Dream" is now the new shot block king

HOUSTON (AP) — Houston Rockets center Hakeem Olajuwon set an NBA record for career blocked shots Sunday when he swatted away a shot by Phoenix's A.C. Green.

Olajuwon has 3,190 blocks in 12 seasons, one more than Kareem Abdul-Jabbar had in 19 seasons.

Green, going in for a layup, had the shot rejected by Olajuwon with 6:04 remaining in the third period of Houston's game against the Suns. It was his third blocked shot of the game and 207th this season.

"They had to make me work for it, didn't they?" Olajuwon laughed in the locker room after the season-ending game, which Houston won 118-110.

"After the first two blocks, the third one became very difficult. I started to concentrate on it. I didn't know how or when, but I wanted to get it. "It couldn't have happened

any better. It was the last game of the season. We were on national TV. We were at home. It was just perfect."

During a timeout immediately after setting the record, Olajuwon was presented a large framed photograph of himself blocking a shot by Abdul-Jabbar. He also received a standing ovation from the sell-out crowd of 16,285.

He wasted little time getting his first block of the game and tying the record, knocking away a shot by Chris Carr on the third Phoenix possession of the game and altering a Wayman Tisdale attempt with 7:24 remaining in the first period.

"The blocked-shot title is really special," Olajuwon said. "Other players respect a shot blocker."

"Records are made to be broken and he is obviously the one to do it," said Phoenix's John Williams.

"Congratulations to him," the Suns' Elliott Perry added. "He is one of the best players in the world and he deserves the record."

Houston coach Rudy Tomjanovich called the record a credit to an outstanding career.

"It's a wonderful milestone," he said. "He will have a lot of years to have the distinction of being the all-time leading shot blocker. The great thing is he's going to play a number of years and be able to extend it."

Olajuwon averages 2.87 blocks per game, the fourth-best mark in the league.

"Just looking back over my career the last few days, I couldn't believe I was that close," Olajuwon said. "Blocking that many shots is really special."

Mark Eaton ranks third on the NBA's career list with 3,064, followed by Tree Rollins at 2,542 and Robert Parish at 2,338.

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6:30 PM	News Wt. Fortune	Simpsons Home Imp.	C. Sandiego Science Guy	Walters (563532)	News (4667) Ent. Tonight	News Wt. Fortune	News (2483) Seinfeld	Home Video Major League	Marfact (148613)	Torke/Spillinger	Dukes of Hazzard	(15) Movie: Quest for Fire	League (CC) (10241984)	American Dream	Light of the Southwest	Equalizer (367174)	Beyond 2000 Next Step	In the Heat of the Night	H.S. Extra NBA Action	(861174) Outside the Lines	Shrinking Man	Out All Night Sanford & Son	
7:30 PM	High Incident (CC) (5795)	Why Planes Go Down	Town Hall (86919)	Highway to Heaven	Nanny Almost Perfect	Tomato Alert	Fresh Prince in the House	Baseball: Los Angeles	El Premio	Earth Day at Disney World	CMT Presents	(20262764)	Mary Shelley's Frankenstein	Movie: The Godfather	(24867) Jay Sebring	Biography (654261)	Wild Discovery	Thunder in Paradise	Track and Field	Lines Golf World	Movie: The Fly (5112174)	Video Soul (400657)	
8:30 PM	Murder One (CC) (5939)	Profit (CC) (44919)	Breakthrough: Science	Rescue 911	Murphy Brown Good Co.	Murder One (CC) (61681)	For the Files of Unresolved	Dodgers at Atlanta	Mayor (615280)	Movie: Shadow of a Doubt (92193)	Prime Time Country	Movie: The Birth of a Nation (322622)	(CC) (1559453)	(CC) (791822)	Benny Hill (28919)	Floating Palanca (CC)	Lightning-Gods	WCW Monday Nitro	Powerboats	Champion-ship - First	(45) This		
9:30 PM	News	One West Walks	Breakthrough: Science	700 Club (108445)	Picket Fences (CC) (57071)	News	Mysteries: Voice	News (46238) Tonight Show	News (35) Movie: Mollusk: The Hunting Party (4659174)	Noticiero Uni. P. Impacto	Movie: Saboteur (92222)	(955186) Country News	The Batshy	Judgment Day (CC)	Strangers Take-Crypt	Law & Order (853532)	Next Step Beyond 2000	downchaser (821936)	Houston Astros at San	Sportscenter	(15) Movie: The Untouchables	Concovee Caribbean	
10:30 PM	News	Home Imp. In the Heat of	News-Letter	Three Stooges	News Late Show	News	News (46238) Tonight Show	Mollusk: The Hunting Party (4659174)	(35) National	Hey con Daniels	Movie: Saboteur (92222)	CMT Presents	Potential (94097700)	Movie: The Professional (25) Movie	Schenbach Pensant	Biography (858025)	Wild Discovery	WCW Monday Nitro	Francisco Giants	Baseball Motorcycle	(2569551) Rap City (704709)	Playtime Screen Scene	
11:30 PM	Roseanne Nightline	The Night LAPD	Toxic Trash Last Show on	Bonanza	Married... With	Ent. Tonight High Incident	Late Night	Geographic Explorer (CC)	(563648) Al Dar-Debez	Alfred Hitchcock	Prime Time Country	Terminal Velocity	Underdog (86437803)	(CC) (5406938)	Van Inque Update News	Floating Palanca (CC)	Lightning-Gods	Movie: Project She-	Press Box Press Box	Racing NBA Fantasy	Movie: The Fly (4133889)		
12:30 AM	Rush L. Home Shop	Extra Swift Justice	Earth (868667)	Paid Program Paid Program	Late Late Show	(35) Polonda	Coach																

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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

Today is Monday, April 22, the 113th day of 1996. There are 253 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History

On April 22, 1994, Richard M. Nixon, the 37th president of the United States, died at New York Hospital-Cornell Medical Center, four days after suffering a stroke. He was 81.

In 1492, Queen Isabella I, who sponsored the voyages of Christopher Columbus, was born in Madrigal, Spain.

In 1509, Henry VIII ascended the throne of England following the death of his father, Henry VII.

In 1894, Congress authorized the use of the phrase "In God We Trust" on U.S. coins.

In 1899, the Oklahoma Land Rush began at noon as thousands of homesteaders staked claims.

In 1898, the first shot of the Spanish-American War rang out as the USS Nashville captured a Spanish merchant ship off Key West, Fla.

In 1930, the United States, Britain and Japan signed the London Naval Treaty, which regulated submarine warfare and limited shipbuilding.

In 1944, during World War II, U.S. forces began invading Japanese-held New Guinea with amphibious landings near Hollandia.

In 1954, the televised Senate Army-McCarthy hearings began.

In 1964, President Johnson opened the New York World's Fair.

In 1970, 25 years ago, millions of Americans concerned about the environment observed the first Earth Day.

In 1990, pro-Iranian kidnapers in Lebanon freed American hostage Robert Polhill after nearly 39 months of captivity.

Thought for Today: "Success is a journey, not a destination." - Anonymous.

THE Daily Crossword by Gerald Ferguson

ACROSS

- Ticked
- Funny Lahir
- Boy or Eagle
- Lounging wear
- Cupcake topper
- Sculptor's work
- Bit of ingenuity
- Pronoun of way back when
- Banks
- Mainstream
- Greek Aurora
- Whitney or Wallach
- Labor leader George
- Terrier of old films
- Computer operating system
- Oggyan
- Occurrence
- Numerical prefix
- Weight watcher's concern
- Song for one
- Card game
- "Chances" - (old song)
- Perfect score, at times
- Cozy retreats
- Pavilions
- Latin I word
- Gull's cousin
- Like some chocolates?
- Tuckered out
- Artist Bonheur
- "Topaz" author
- Bias
- Not pro
- Spectacles' feature
- Installs wallpaper
- Rind
- Fleuret

DOWN

- Bleak
- City near Milan
- Sleeping
- Numb
- Takes the bait
- Second hearing?
- Navigation hazard
- Weight allowance
- Alloy
- Passageway
- Yes - ?
- Govt. agcy.
- the line (obeyed)
- True
- William Randolph — 25 May honors
- "The Cocktail Party" poet
- Confuse
- in the "Crowd" (film)
- Astronomer Carl
- Levels
- 32 Indian, e.g.
- Get going
- Live off of
- 38 Pindarics
- Giving
- Lab dish
- Hold up
- Candies
- Modern message
- Obi, e.g.
- Earthenware crock
- Custard tart
- Springe
- Sharpen
- Italian noble family
- Tiresome one
- Citrus fruit
- In — (actually existing)

Friday's Puzzle solved:

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