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WEATHER

Tonight:



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TONIGHT	SATURDAY
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Fiesta Dodge accepting items for Humane Society

Big Spring Humane Society volunteers and residents will be accepting donations at Fiesta Dodge Chrysler Plymouth Jeep Saturday from 12:30 until 3:30.

According to shelter manager Fran Turrentine, a few of the items they need are animal food, kitty cozies, toys and cleaning supplies. Cash donations are always welcome.

Fiesta Dodge Chrysler Plymouth Jeep is located at 502 East F. M. 700.

'80 Bites' food festival tickets are on sale now

Tickets are on sale for the Heritage Museum's "Around the World in 80 Bites" food festival.

The sixth annual event is planned Saturday, Jan. 29, at the museum from 5:30-7:30 p.m. The evening of entertainment continues at 8 p.m., when San Antonio dance group DanzaHispana performs in the Municipal Auditorium.

Tickets for the festival alone are $7.50 for adults and $5 for children, while combination tickets, including both events, are $13 each.

Combination tickets are available at the museum front desk, 510 Scurry, Tuesday through Saturday from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Tickets to the symphony performance alone are available at Blum's, Dunlaps, First Bank of West Texas and the symphony office at 808 Scurry.

For more information about the symphony performance, call the office at 264-7223. To learn more about "80 Bites," call the museum at 267-8255.

WEEKEND TICKET

TODAY

❑ Spring City Senior Citizens country/western dance, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. All seniors invited.

SATURDAY

❑ Dance, 8:30 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 704 W. Third. Members and guests welcome.

❑ American Legion Post 506 will have a fish fry from noon to 3 p.m. at 3203 W. Hwy 80. The cost is $6 per plate and carry out is available.

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Soup's on for annual Martin County Community Center fundraiser

LYNDEL MOODY
Staff Writer

STANTON — Polish off the spoons and bring out the crackers as contestants get ready for battle in the 11th annual Soup Cook-Off to benefit the historic Carmelite Monastery.

"We usually have around a couple of hundred people attend the cookoff and at least a dozen to 20 entries," said Nelda Turner, public relations for the event. "The event is a lot of fun."

The annual event is held to raise funds for the Carmelite Monastery built in 1884 in Stanton. All proceeds go to the restoration of the monastery.

The cookoff begins at 5 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 29, at the Martin County Community Center.

The cost of admission is $5. Participants receive five votes to cast for their favorite soup and a chance to sample all the soups entered. More votes can be bought for a dollar, and plaques will be awarded to the top three winners.

No entry fee is required for contestants, and they will be provided a table, cups, spoons and crackers. Contestants are asked to bring two and half gallons or more of hot soup.

Contestants are suggested to bring a crock pot and an extension cord to keep their soup warm and table decorations to attract attention to their both.

"We have some contestants bring special crackers and their own corn bread to give away," Turner said.

According to Turner, a group from Andrews that enters every year dresses up in buckskins and puts on a production to win more votes.

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SOUP COOKOFF

When: Jan. 29, 5 p.m.

Where: Martin County Community Center.

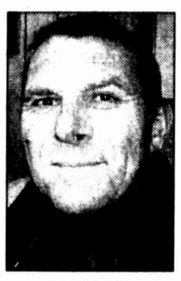
Cost: Free to contestants; $5 general admission.

Benefits: Carmelite Monastery.

Solitaire Homes getting ready to gear up here

By MARSHA STURDIVANT
Staff Writer

Officials with Solitaire Homes, a new manufactured housing company in Big Spring, expect to be in full production with 200 employees within the next few weeks.



GANDY

"We've got 25 people on the payroll right now, and we'll be starting on our first home, hopefully, within the next week," said Solitaire Homes general manager Garland Gandy.

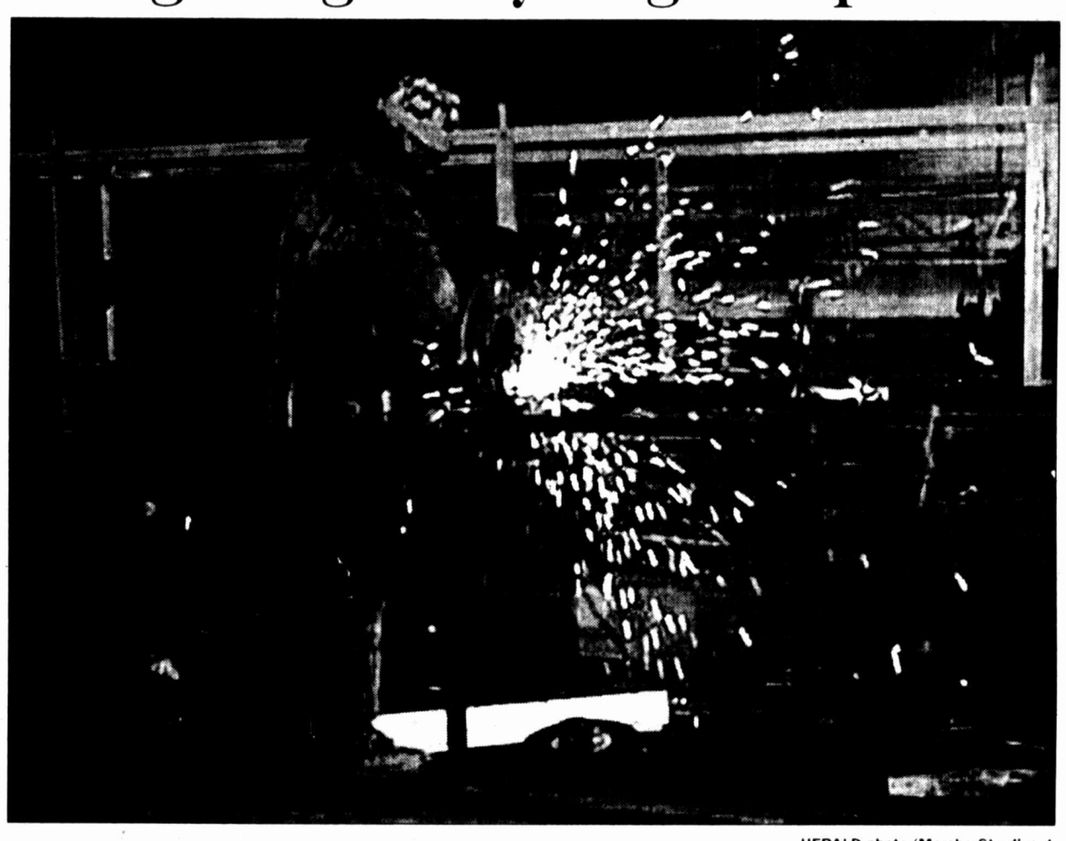
The mobile home manufacturer located in Big Spring, expanding its corporation, in January. Through a cooperative effort between Moore Development for Big Spring, Solitaire and Beacon Homes, the new plant assumed the location of the former Signal Homes. Beacon Homes moved to the west side of McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark.

Remodeling and refurbishing the building has been a priority of the company, and Gandy said assembling the 18 stations necessary for producing the manufactured housing is the next step in the construction process.

"Ideally, we have 18 stations fully staffed and operational for production. Right now we've got work going on all over the plant, welding, building new jigs and fixtures," he said.

Fencing is being placed in the lot north of the plant, where Beacon Homes once had its outlet. This area will be a staging area for homes after they are complete, he said.

"We've had that area cleaned off, and we'll use it for a holding area for our homes as we get them ready to ship," Gandy said.



HERALD photo/Marsha Sturdivant

Cody Tredaway cuts apart a metal pipe in preparation of building additional jigs, or assembly tables, as remodeling for Solitaire Homes continues. The plant should be fully operational by the end of February.

Other remodeling projects have included constructing new buildings, along with additions within the plant, he said.

"We've made a lot of changes since it was Signal Homes," Gandy said.

Solitaire Homes has been in business since 1968, and its corporate offices are in Duncan, Okla. Manufacturing plants similar to the one in Big Spring exist in Madill and Waurika, Okla.

Diamond Home Transport in Waurika, a company owned by Solitaire, transports all the manufactured homes, and there are 25 retail locations throughout New Mexico, Texas and Oklahoma, where the products are sold.

'We're in the process of building another plant in Deming N.M. similar to this one in Big Spring. Solitaire is a solid company, with a future. We also own our own fiberglass company, where we manufacture bathtubs and showers," Gandy said.

These fixtures are used in the production of the manufactured housing, as well as sold commercially, he said.

At least 175 to 180 more employees will be hired by Solitaire within the next few weeks, as the plant gears up to begin producing their product, he said.

"Ideally, we hope to hire as many of the former Signal Homes employees as possible, because those individuals are trained. In fact, that was one of the main reasons why we selected Big Spring for this plant," he said.

Wages at the plant will be based upon experience, produc-

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BSPD

Drug-related arrests up dramatically during 1999

LYNDEL MOODY
Staff Writer

The Big Spring Police Department reported a dramatic increase in drug seizures and arson this past year, according to year-end statistics.

"We have had more enforcement since we have had the West Texas Narcotics Enforcement Task Force," said Sgt. Roger Sweatt, public information officer for the Big Spring Police Department.

Arrests for drug sales increased by 650 percent while arrests for drug possession decreased by 39 percent.

Sweatt attributes the large increase in drug arrests to the task force's ability to place people undercover to make buys and to set up drug stings.

"The task force has been able to set up a couple of operations and place people undercover to make buys," Sweatt said.

Police seized 140 pounds of marijuana in 1999 compared with 6.03 pounds in 1998, and 95 ounces of cocaine in 1999 compared with 11.53 ounces in 1998.

Sweatt attributes the dramatic hike in marijuana seizures to a drug bust of a trucker on Interstate 20 several months ago.

"Cpl. Ralph Rollins pulled the trucker over for a traffic violation," Sweatt said. "His drug dog hit on one of the tires.

"Police took off the four tires

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Seminar to draw mental health professionals to Big Spring

By MARSHA STURDIVANT
Staff Writer

Nearly 100 West Texas mental health professionals converge Monday and Tuesday at Big Spring State Hospital for an update on the best strategies to treat serious depression.

"With this training, more patients with depression will be given access to optimal treatment based on current research evidence," said Dr. Douglas Johnson, BSSH clinical director.

Mental health experts from Amarillo, Abilene, San Angelo, Midland, Odessa and Big Spring will meet for the two day conference titled "Texas Implementation of Medication Algorithms."

The conference will be conducted by Dr. Steven Shon, Texas Department MHMR medical director, and Dr. Lynn Crimson, project coordinator.

Depression is the most common form of mental illness and can be controlled by therapy medication, according to Johnson.

"New, treatment for depression has fewer side effects with much better patient improvement.

"The Texas Medical Algorithm Project, on which the training is based, has gained very favorable attention nationwide," Johnson said.

One in four women and one in 10 men will experience major depression at least once in their lives, he said.

The illness is characterized by a depressed mood that can range from feelings of dullness or apathy to total despair.

People with major depression may have difficulty concentrating, suffer from low self esteem or be anxious and easily moved to tears, he said.

Major depression usually will cause those affected to lose interest in people, events, activities and things that they formerly enjoyed.

It can interfere with or can prevent people from leading their usual life, he said.

Mental health experts from Abilene Regional MHMR Center, Central Plains MHMR for Substance Abuse in Plainview, MHMR service for Concho Valley in San Angelo, Permian Basin Community Center MHMR from Midland-Odessa, Texas Panhandle Mental Health Authority in Amarillo and the West Texas Centers for MHMR in Big Spring are expected to attend.

The sessions are scheduled from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Monday and Tuesday.

Nearly completed fencing project to aid airpark security, officials say

LYNDEL MOODY
Staff Writer

The McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark fencing project is nearly complete and will add stronger security for the airpark and pilots, according to the airpark administrator.



REAGAN

"We are about to finish up the fencing around the airpark and this is definitely good for us," said Nelda Reagan. "We are expecting to be finished by the middle of next month."

The project began about two and half months ago as a routine airport maintenance project with the Texas Department of Transportation.

According to Reagan, TxDOT furnished half of the $40,000 cost while the city was financially responsible for the rest.

"We feel these pilots invest money in their aircrafts, and they choose our airpark to store their planes," Reagan said. "We want to help provide the security they need to protect their investments."

Reagan expects installation of an electrical security gate located near the T-Hanger area to start soon. Pilots will be able to access the gate with their own special code.

The airport has left two golf-cart-size openings — one on the east side and one on the west side of the airpark — to allow access for joggers who run around the airfield perimeter.

"We had a number of calls

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HERALD photo/Marsha Sturdivant

Robert Heredia, left, along with Mike Cruz, Frank Cruz and Chad Rudd of Cruz Construction, place rebar before pouring concrete into a section of the sidewalk at the VA Medical Center. Main water lines have been replaced at the hospital and the sidewalks are being rebuilt over the site of the work.

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OBITUARIES

Alta Mae Ringener

Funeral service for Alta Mae Ringener, 73, Stanton, will be 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 22, 2000, at the Downtown Church of Christ in Stanton. Burial will follow at the Evergreen Cemetery.

Mrs. Ringener died Wednesday, Jan. 19, in a Stanton nursing home.

She was born on Sept. 30, 1926, in Covington. She married William A. Ringener on Jan. 6, 1942, in Blum. Mrs. Ringener was a member of Downtown Church of Christ. She came to Stanton in November of 1945 and was a homemaker.

Survivors include: her husband, W.A. Ringener of Stanton; three daughters, Reba Mae Long of Austin, Rita Faye Moore and Brenda Kaye Kendall, both of Stanton; a brother, James T. Bryant of Covington; a sister, Ozella Scales of Gonzales; four granddaughters and three grandsons; one great-grandson and one great-granddaughter.

The family will receive friends from 7 to 8 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

Arrangements under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home.

Thurman Brannon

Service for Thurman O. "Bob" Brannon, 86, Big Spring, will be 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 22, 2000, in the Winters Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Alan Lee officiating. Burial will be in Wingate Cemetery.

Mr. Brannon died Wednesday, Jan. 19, in Hendrick Medical Center. He was born March 23, 1913, in Comanche County and moved to Wingate at the age of 10 and graduated from Wingate High School. He married Marie Dean on Sept. 30, 1934, in Winters. He served in the Army Air Corp. during World War II returning to Wingate and working for the Texas Highway Department, moving to Colorado City and then Big Spring. He retired in 1977. He was a long-time member of the Senior Citizens Hot Potato Band and RSVP. He was a member of the First Baptist Church, Big Spring.

Survivors include: his wife, Marie Dean Brannon of Big Spring; one daughter, Diana Brannon Spence of Blackwell; one brother, Floy Brannon of Fort Worth; two sisters, Dortha Lawrence of Winters, and Doylene Helm of Acton; two step-grandchildren; and one step-great-grandchild.

Arrangements under the direction of Winters Funeral Home, Inc., Winters.

Dorothy Yater

Dorothy Jean "Dot" Yater, 72, Big Spring, died on Thursday, Jan. 20, 2000, at her residence. Service will be 4 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 22, 2000, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with the Rev. Eddie Tubbs, pastor of First Baptist Church, and the Rev. Ken McMeans, pastor of College Baptist Church, officiating.

She was born on Feb. 26, 1927, in Howard County, and married Arlis Yater on Dec. 7, 1948, in Big Spring. He preceded her in death on July 22, 1987.

Mrs. Yater attended Big Spring schools and graduated from Big Spring High School in 1944. She attended McMurry University in Abilene, graduating with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in 1956. She taught as an elementary school teacher in Ackerly for two years and in Big Spring for 31 years, retiring in May 1988. She was devoted to her family and to teaching.

She was a member of College Baptist Church.

Survivors include: a daughter and son-in-law, Dona and Jim Sinclair of Big Spring, her father and step-mother, Edgar and Zora Phillips of Big Spring; two sisters, Frances Ringener of Big Spring, and Sandra Beard of Houston; two brothers, Fred Phillips of Big Spring, and Edgar Allen Phillips of Abilene; two grandchildren, Angela Sinclair of New York City, and Chad Sinclair of Big Spring; and one great-granddaughter.

She was also preceded in death by her mother, Virgie Phillips.

Pallbearers will be nephews, Philip Ringener, Marcus Phillips, Brandon Haney, David Phillips, Billy Phillips and Tracy Phillips.

The family suggests memorials to the door's favorite charity.

The family will be a 502 Oak Glen.

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

Paid obituary

Grady Gaskins

Grady Gaskins, 77, Big Spring, died Thursday morning, Jan. 20, 2000, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center following a long illness.



Funeral service will be 2 p.m. Saturday at Myers & Smith Chapel with the Rev. Jess Colegrove, pastor of Birdwell Lane Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be at Trinity Memorial Park.

He was born Nov. 29, 1922, in Knott. He was the son of John Wesley Gaskins and Nora Barker Gaskins. He married Dean Hasley Dec. 5, 1943, in Big Spring. He was a lifetime resident of the Knott community and farmed there until retiring in 1988 when he moved to Big Spring. He was a member of the Primitive Baptist Church and served as a deacon. His hobby was fishing.

He is survived by: his wife, Dean Gaskins of Big Spring; one son and daughter-in-law, Ronnie and Janice Gaskins of Coahoma; two daughters and sons-in-law, Wanda and Fred Hendrickson and Donna and Tom Marlow, both of Big Spring; one sister, Sylvia Sullivan of Big Spring; seven grandchildren, Rhonda Green and her husband Lewis of Guthrie, Tasha Rinard and her husband Jim of Big Spring, Trisha Dodson and her husband Lewis of Snyder, Heather Sanderson and her husband Brian of Lubbock, Heath Hendrickson and his wife Debra of Richardson, Cody Carlile of Sweetwater, and Camie Carlile of Big Spring; seven great-grandchildren, Brittany Griffin, Mica and Kendra Partlow, Austin and Coley Rinard, Tyler Frazier and Tanner Dodson.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by three grandchildren, Tera and Butch Gaskins and Casey Carlile, five brothers and sisters, Mamie Metcalf, Bernice Chapman, Alta King, Junior Gaskins and Emory Gaskins.

His grandsons will be pallbearers, Cody Carlile, Heath Hendrickson, Brian Sanderson, Jim Roy Rinard, Dwayne Green and Lewis Dodson.

Arrangements under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Paid obituary

Ollen Ray Mayo Jr.

Funeral service for Ollen Ray Mayo Jr., 41, Big Spring, will be 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 22, 2000, at Berea Baptist Church with the Rev. Monroe Teeters, retired Baptist Minister, officiating. Burial will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

Mr. Mayo died Wednesday, Jan. 19, at his residence.

He was born on March 7, 1958, in Denison. He married Dianne Diez on July 17, 1977, in Big Lake. He came to Big Spring at age 13 with his family. He attended school here, including Big Spring High School. He worked as an engineer for 15 years for the Union Pacific Railroad. Mr. Mayo was a member of Berea Baptist Church.

Survivors include: his wife Dianne Mayo of Big Spring; three daughters, Brandie Lynn Mayo, Misty Mozelle Mayo and Christi Renee Mayo, all of Big Spring; one son, Jason Ray Mayo of Big Spring; his mother and step-father, Mozelle and James Michael Osborne of Big Spring; his father, Ollen Mayo of Georgia; two brothers, Johnny Wayne Mayo of Wasilla, Alaska, and John Michael Osborne of Big Spring; one sister, Natalie Kay Shaeffer of Memphis, Tenn.; and numerous nieces and nephews.

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

NALLEY-PICKLE & WELCH Funeral Home

Trinity Memorial Park and Crematory

906 Gregg St. (915) 267-6331

Ollen Ray Mayo Jr., 41, died Wednesday. Services will be 2:00 PM Saturday at Berea Baptist Church. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

Dorothy Jean "Dot" Yater, 72, died Thursday. Services will be 4:00 PM Saturday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL

24th & Johnson 267-8288

Martha Harp, 88, died Wednesday. Graveside services will be 2:00 PM, today at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

Margaret Reidy, 82, died Monday. Wake Vigil will be at 7:00 PM Friday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral Mass will be at 9:30 AM Saturday at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church with burial at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

Grady Gaskins, 77, died Thursday. Services are 2:00 PM Saturday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial in Trinity Memorial Park.

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BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

"Forgeries and convenience store beer thefts have dropped quite a bit overall in the last couple of months," Sweatt said. "Since convenience stores have started posting pictures of thieves taken from their surveillance camera, reports of beer thefts have probably dropped 70 or 80 percent."

According to police, 670 motor vehicle accidents occurred last year in which 195 were termed major, 325 people were injured, three people were killed, and 16 driving under the influence arrests were made.

Police made a total of 372 juvenile arrests last year with 348 arrests being white and 24 arrests being black. The breakdown for juvenile arrests are as follows; 28 for burglary, 19 for theft, three for weapons, 41 for criminal mischief, 23 for liquor laws, 13 for public intoxication, 30 for curfew, 98 for runaways, and five for aggravated assault.

In comparative statics from 1998, police report no change in incidents of murder. Sexual assaults increased by 85 percent, robbery decreased by 36 percent, burglary decreased by 15 percent, and larceny decreased by 29 percent.

Also, criminal mischief decreased by 29 percent, family violence increased by 2 percent, unlawfully carrying a weapon decreased by 17 percent, driving under the influence increased by 36 percent, and assault decreased by 31 percent.

Reports of stolen motor vehicles decreased by 36 percent. Of 36 cases of reported stolen motor vehicles, 20 were recovered locally and one was recovered in another jurisdiction.

Four investigators for the police department had an average of 46 percent clearance of the 925 cases assigned. Police report that 267 cases are inactivated.

In 1999, 43 patrol officers drove 354,532 miles in 1,331 hours and used 29,981 gallons of fuel. They arrested 1,972 people, of which 110 were for driving under the influence. They issued 6,335 citations, 4,084 verbal warnings and conducted 710 field interviews.

They also responded to 1,074 alarms, 230 open door checks, 7,112 building checks, and 4,162 house watches.

The K-9 unit drove 34,941 miles and used 2,357 gallons of fuel. They issued 463 citations and 902 warnings. They made 114 arrests and 302 searches.

"We hope to bring down these statistics for next year," Sweatt said. "We would like the public to help us by taking more precautions and being more observant to their surroundings, so they can help us out when we are called to investigate crimes."

SOLITAIRE

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tivity and the company offers a bonus schedule as well, he said.

"And we're looking at the cost of living in Big Spring, because you have to take that into account when setting wages," he said.

The company offers a 401K plan, as well as a full benefit package. Employees will work an eight hour day, Monday through Friday, he said.

"By the end of February, we expect to be in full production," Gandy said.

CRIME

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and found each wheel contained one metal box welded to it," Sweatt continued. "Together, the boxes contained close to 120 pounds of marijuana."

Reports of arson increased by 128 percent. Police reported 16 cases of arson that caused $162,00 worth of damage in 1999 compared to seven reported cases that caused $73,500 worth of damage in 1998.

A total of 2,334 people were arrested by the police last year. Arrests increased 13 percent from 1998.

Police recovered $457,888 of the $898,303 property reported stolen last year compared with recovering $538,728 of the $1,138,161 property reported stolen in 1998.



Why is this girl smiling?
She's 10 today!
Happy day, Carissa!

SOUP

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"We have a number of people from out of town who participate in the event," Turner said. "Once they come, they usually like to come back."

A dessert auction will be featured this year in the cookoff where everyone is invited to participate.

Contact Turner at 756-3301 for more information about entering.

The Martin County Convent is a non-profit group of citizens dedicated to the preservation of the monastery building.

FENCE

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from people upset about the fencing," Reagan said.

According to Reagan, some residents enjoy jogging around the airfield perimeter, so airpark officials are working with them to create a solution.

"We want to be a user-friendly airpark," Reagan said.

Airpark officials have had some incidents where skaters or pedestrians have been caught on the taxi and runways.

"If a skater or jogger is on the runway or taxi way and an airplane comes down, they have no way of knowing the plane is there," she said. "Lives are at stake.

"We will be watching the situation and if we have any problems with it, we will have to close access," Reagan continued. "Security is top of the list, and we have to consider safety."

A large opening in the fencing was left in front of the flight line prison where pilots can taxi their airplanes to and from the aircraft refinisher business.

"Guards patrol the prison perimeter every three minutes, so we feel this area is secured," Reagan said.

The city also left another large opening in the fencing by the fuel base operation run by Lone Star Aviation.

"We are going to watch and see if any problems arise in this location," Reagan said. "The new terminal is going up in this area, so it will be monitored."

TEXAS LOTTERY

Pick 3: 4,4,8

Cash 5: 24,25,26,34,37

Lottery numbers are unofficial until confirmed by the state lottery commission.

BRIEFS

AMERICAN LEGION POST 506 will have a fish fry Saturday from noon to 3 p.m. at 3203 W. Hwy 80. The cost is $6 per plate and carry out is available. For more information call 263-2084.

SUPPORT GROUPS

FRIDAY

•Turning Point A.A., 8-9:30 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 10th and Goliad. Open to all substance abusers.

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

•Al-Anon support group, noon, 615 Settles.

SATURDAY

•Alzheimer's Association Support Group, second Saturday of the month, Carriage Inn Retirement Center, 501 W. 17th, 10 a.m.

•Family support group for current and former patients and their families, 1 p.m. weekly, Reflections Unit of Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Call Beverly Grant, 263-0074.

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

POLICE

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activities from the period ending 8 a.m. today:

• **SUNNI SMITH**, 20, was arrested on a charge of driving under the influence, minor.

• **ROY CERVANTES**, 20, was arrested on a charge of disorderly conduct-language.

• **DISTURBANCE/FIGHT** was reported in the 1700 block of East Third.

• **BURGLARY OF A BUILDING** was reported in the 4800 block of West 80.

• **CREDIT CARD ABUSE** was reported at the police department.

• **TELEPHONE HARASSMENT** was reported in the 1200 block of Lloyd.

• **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 4000 block of East Marcy and the 1000 block of North Main.

• **DELIVERY OF COCAINE** was reported at the police department.

• **ASSAULT** was reported in the 1600 block of Martin Luther King Boulevard and 1500 West Third.

• **DELIVERY OF A CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE** was reported at the police department.

• **ATTEMPTED BURGLARY** was reported in the 200 block of Circle.

• **THEFT** was reported in the 200 block of West Marcy.

• **INTOXICATED SUBJECT/DRIVER** was reported in the area of Birdwell and Marcy.

• **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported in the area of Fifth and Young and the 1300 block of Lamar.

SHERIFF

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

• **CLIFTON GLEN GRIGG**, 43, was arrested on a charge of unlawfully carrying a weapon. (HCSO)

• **SHELITA DUPREE**, 30, was arrested on a warrant for forgery of financial instrument. (HCSO)

• **GENE HERNANDEZ**, 19, was arrested on a charge of engaging in a organized criminal activity. A warrant for delivery of a controlled substance and burglary of a building. (BSPD)

• **LUPE HINOJOS**, 26, was arrested on a charge of engaging in an organized criminal activity and a warrant for no driver's license. (BSPD)

FIRE/EMS

Following is a summary of Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reports:

THURSDAY

12:05 a.m. — 900 block Goliad, medical call, patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

2:28 a.m. — 1600 block Virginia, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

3:08 a.m. — 2500 block E. 24th, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

11:29 a.m. — Mile marker 191 on I-20, medical call, patient transported to VA Medical Center.

12:18 p.m. — 3200 block Parkway, medical call, patient transported to VA Medical Center.

12:51 p.m. — SMMC, patient transferred to Lubbock.

4:41 p.m. — 1900 block North 87, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

6:57 p.m. — 2300 block Wasson Rd., trauma call, patient transported to SMMC.

9:43 p.m. — 6200 block Walter Rd., trauma call, service refused.

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Material removed from alleged gunman's apartment

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Police found extremist militia literature and more ammunition inside the home of a South Texas man arrested in the shooting deaths of three people.

Brian Mark Kopatz, 26, faces capital murder charges after two bar patrons were killed Wednesday and three others were injured in a shooting involving an assault-style weapon.

Officials also said Kopatz has also been linked to a separate shooting — which happened moments later at a nearby home — that led to the death of a county commissioner's wife.

A law enforcement source close to the investigation told the Corpus Christi-Caller Times police have removed the militia literature, ammunition and also several photos of blonde women from the suspect's San Diego apartment.

But evidence so far, including sworn statements taken from at least eight witnesses at the bar, has failed to reveal why Kopatz opened fire.

"We don't have a solid lead on a motive," said Jim Hogg County prosecutor Heriberto Silva.

Kopatz is accused of firing shots Wednesday evening inside Mr. C's Sports Bar in San Diego, about 50 miles west of Corpus Christi.

Killed were Jesus Vallejo Sanchez, 48, and Ana Hinojosa, 45, both of San Diego.

Alma Perez, wife of Duval County Commissioner Rene Perez, was shot at her home the same night. She died Thursday at a Corpus Christi hospital.

Investigators have already looked into early reports the shooting might be retaliation for Rene Perez's previous work as an undercover informant for law enforcement officials, Duval County Sheriff Santiago Barrera told the Caller Times.

Kopatz was arrested at his parents' home in Kingsville after negotiating with Kleberg County deputies, Kingsville police, Texas Department of Public Safety troopers and Texas Rangers.

He was transferred from the Kleberg County Jail to the Duval County Jail Thursday afternoon.

San Diego police officer Andy DeLeon said the bar's patrons recalled seeing the shooter, just prior to the killings, watching a man and woman as they talked at the bar.

Soon afterward, the man identified as the shooter left briefly. He then returned to Mr. C's with an assault-style weapon and opened fire, killing the man and woman, DeLeon said.

Later, Mrs. Perez was babysitting her grandchildren at her home along Farm-to-Market Road 1329 when a man knocked on the door and asked to speak to her husband. Then he shot her in the head, DeLeon said.

It was unclear whether Rene Perez's husband was home at the time of the shooting.

Two of the bar shooting victims also went to Christus Spohn Hospital Memorial, where they were listed in fair condition .

Texas officials claim state is being shortchanged in federal highway funding

WASHINGTON (AP) Although Congress acted two years ago to distribute federal highway dollars more fairly to states, Texas still is being shortchanged, state officials are complaining.

The mammoth, $203 billion highway bill that became the law of the land in 1998 was supposed to ensure that each state receive at least 90.5 cents from Washington for every dollar paid in gasoline taxes into the federal Highway Trust Fund.

But in Texas, which historically has paid far more into the trust fund than it has received, the rate of return was closer to 84 cents on the dollar, according to Texas Department of Transportation calculations for fiscal 1998, which marked the first year of the six-year Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century.

That's significantly better than the return of 76 cents on the dollar that Texas received prior to enactment of the legislation, known as TEA-21.

But Texas transportation officials complain that the nation's second most populous state which has more miles of interstate highway than any other state and is the gateway for the overwhelming majority of trade between the United States and Mexico is receiving less than its fair share.

"Everybody was so upbeat and optimistic about the rate of return once (TEA-21) was implemented, and all of a sudden we look back and we have slipped into a ditch," David Laney, chairman of the Texas Transportation Commission, said.

Laney blamed a "failure of leadership and guidance" within the U.S. Department of Transportation when allocations in its discretionary program are made.

He is taking his lament to Capitol Hill, where the funding question already has drawn scrutiny.

Sen. Phil Gramm, who played a key role in shaping the TEA-21 funding formulas, is "going to be looking at the problem very carefully in the next few weeks," said spokesman Larry Neal.

"As the highway funds are disbursed, we continue to hope for the best but we're starting to smell the worst," Neal added. He suggested political considerations may play a role in some of the decision-making.

Texas is not being ignored or falling victim to political considerations, officials at the Federal Highway Administration say, noting that their mandate is to pay for projects that best fulfill the nation's transportation needs.

"We understand and appreciate the disappointment expressed by individual states over their transportation funding," said Gail Shibley of the Federal Highway Administration. But, she added, "Just as we do every year, we identified needs far in excess of available federal resources."

Most of the TEA-21 funding goes to states under a formula, rather than at DOT's discretion. Texas is receiving $1.9 billion this year in formula payments. But it's in the discretionary TEA-21 programs, Laney and other Texas officials say, that Texas is being shortchanged.

Texas received $1.5 million of the $286 million in discretionary funds doled out by the Federal Highway Administration this year — an amount smaller than those received by 33 other states and the District of Columbia.

TOP TEN

Top 10 state recipients of the $286 million in discretionary funds doled out this year by the Federal Highway Administration:

1. Utah, $31.9 million
2. New Mexico, $20.5 million
3. Washington, $19.4 million
4. Tennessee, $18.3 million
5. Illinois, $18.1 million
6. California, $17.4 million
7. Colorado, $15.6 million
8. Michigan, $15.1 million
9. Arkansas, $15 million
10. Alaska, $10.7 million

Source; Associated Press

Ranger's effort to regain identity may be hurt by fires

RANGER (AP) — Since the oil boom ended nearly two decades ago, Ranger has struggled to regain its identity.

Protests against the North Texas town's police chief and a string of suspicious fires — events that some have said appear related — aren't what Mayor Ken Parrack had in mind.

"This really hurts from the standpoint of trying to go out and get new businesses because of the publicity," Parrack said. "The only way it could be good publicity is that we are trying to work on our drug problem here in Ranger."

Like so many small oil towns, Ranger has seen its share of post-boom misfortune.

The economy is stagnant and the population has dwindled from about 30,000 to just more than 2,800.

There are vacant buildings on just about every street in this depressed town 85 miles west of Fort Worth.

Over the past year, at least four drug labs have been discovered and destroyed within the town limits. No arrests have been made in those cases.

Elected last May, the 71-year-old Parrack has worked to rekindle the economy, trying to recruit new businesses to the area. His first success came when a new mobile home sales park opened about a month ago.

"Since the oil boom went down, the economy hasn't recovered," said Parrack, who moved into town near the tail-end of the boom in 1979. "Of course, we're oil and gas and farming, ranching. And all of the above aren't very good."

But the problems seemed to arrive soon after protesters picketed City Hall on Monday night, demanding the firing or resignation of Police Chief Tom Million for excessive enforcement.

The City Council refused to act on the protesters' demands, and before it had even adjourned, the first of the fires had been reported.

Eventually, 12 fires sprang up overnight, with arson suspected in all of them. Among the worst: eight vacant houses and a barn filed with $150,000 worth of hay were torched.

Police spokesman Scott Cook said Thursday night, "That barn is going to smolder for a while."

Four more fires were reported Wednesday on a back road connecting Mingus and Strawn, towns were many Ranger police officers live.

Though most people in this town have an idea who is responsible for the Monday night blazes, as of Thursday night, no arrests had been made.

Parrack and Million both say some of the City Hall protesters were known to be involved in drugs and were likely upset with the no-tolerance stance the chief has taken concerning narcotics.

As for the vacant houses that were burned, some of them were structures that likely would have been targeted by town officials in an effort to clean up some 100 abandoned buildings.

The mayor and the town's secretary, Arthur Camacho, attended a seminar last week where they heard about procedures for getting rid of vacant, rundown houses or forcing owners to clean properties.

"We got a good knowledge of how to go about all of this, and within the next short period of time we are going to be sending our notices," Parrack said.

Officials say the fire investigation, which includes federal, state and local authorities, could take some time.

Police have already enacted a curfew in the town from dark to dawn, which remains in affect for the time being.

Part of Parrack's continued renewal involves giving cleaned-out lots to people who do business with Texas Ranger Homes, the mobile home sales business that opened in town just last month.

By giving the land away to homebuyers, the town hopes to strengthen its tax base while also making it more attractive.

Corrections officers spurred to action by guard's death

McALLEN (AP) — The death of Texas corrections officer Daniel Nagle has spurred his colleagues to demand an end to prison understaffing and to ask for higher wages.

"After the death of Officer Nagle, I felt 'How can we sit down and let this happen?'" said Elizabeth Trejo, a corrections officer at Beeville's Garza West Unit. "It was like losing a brother. It hurt my heart. I cried and I didn't even know him."

Nagle's death was the push Ms. Trejo needed to become active in her local union. On Thursday, she and some colleagues participated in a candlelight vigil outside the Sheraton Four Points hotel where the Texas Board of Criminal Justice is meeting today.

The board, which had a series of committee meetings on Thursday, is set to hear complaints from Charles Godwin, the Texas Department of Criminal Justice's director of training today.

Godwin has blamed inadequate training for the death of a prison officer at the McConnell unit last year and a prison disturbance days later at the same prison.

Godwin's bold comments, which have included asking for TDCJ Executive Director Wayne Scott's resignation, have endeared him to some corrections officers.

"He's not taking this lying down," said Mario Muniz, who also works at the Garza West Unit and believes rookie officers are not getting the training they need. "He'll butt heads with them. He's like our leader."

Some union officials blame understaffing rather than inadequate training for both Beeville incidents.

"The understaffing has always been an issue," said Carlos Carrasco, executive director of the Correctional Employees Council. "I think the murder of Daniel Nagle clearly brings out what we've been saying for a long time."

The Texas Department of Criminal Justice disputes that assertion.

"In-depth investigation of both incidents will soon be completed and reported publicly," said TDCJ spokesman Glen Castlebury. "Until the investigations are completed, it is premature for anybody to speculate or make assumptions about the root causes."

The findings are due in the next few weeks.

State considering allowing simulcasting before live events

AUSTIN (AP) — The Texas Racing Commission is considering allowing tracks that are under construction to take bets on televised horse races up to three years before they offer live racing.

Supporters of the change, proposed by the owners of Lone Star Park in Grand Prairie, say it would spur construction of smaller tracks in rural areas.

Commissioners have been reluctant to allow pre-opening simulcasting in the past, fearing it would conflict with the agency's goal of promoting the Texas horse industry through live racing.

The new rule would allow the smaller Class II track license holders to offer simulcasting at temporary facilities for up to 36 months while a race track is being built.

Simulcasting now can be offered only at tracks that have been awarded live race days, which are allocated yearly.

The proposed rule change would allow the commission to grant live race dates for up to three years. That would allow license holders to offer up to 36 months of simulcasting before a single live race is run.

Lone Star has purchased the license of Lubbock Downs, a training facility near Slayton, and wants to build a track in West Texas. Lubbock Downs was granted a pari-mutuel race license in 1989, but it never opened for betting.

Lone Star president Corey Johnsen told the commission Wednesday that money earned from simulcasting would be used to help pay for the track and would encourage construction of other small facilities.

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OUR VIEWS

We salute:

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

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

This week we salute:

• **LAURA DAVIS**, who earned a spot in the all-state choir, and **VALERIA AGUIRRE**, who made the all-state band.

• **THE 50 JUNIOR HIGH BAND STUDENTS** who qualified for all-region.

• **ALL THE CROSSROADS STUDENTS** who took their places on school honor rolls.

• **RHONDA KERNICK,** new manager at Dora Roberts Community Center.

• **THAD THOMAS,** who was named Big Spring Police Officer of the Year, and all of the other BSPD award recipients.

• **MARK HEINIS,** who was named Big Spring Firefighter of the Year.

• **TOMMY CHURCHWELL AND SUE PARTEE,** Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce's Man and Woman of the Year.

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

YOUR VIEWS

TO THE EDITOR:

Before 1991, there was a buffer zone above the Cap Rock free of boll weevils due to spraying by Plains Cotton Growers each year.

That year, the first organic cotton was grown, and they cannot control their weevils and will not spray. In 1992 we were seeing weevils; by 1993, they began to multiply and move west into the surrounding counties.

The Permian Basin Zone voted for a boll weevil eradication program. Next year, there is to be extensive control of the weevil be all cotton growers.

The organic growers are wanting to be paid $400 an acre not to plant cotton. Yet in the Texas Department of Agriculture Rules for Organic Certification Program, it addresses this problem. It states "currently there are limited pest management techniques that will effectively control the boll weevil under TDA's strict organic standards. However, if boll weevils are present, certified producers are required under TDA's standards to comply with federal, state or local emergency spray or pest management programs and adhere to a pest management plan designed or authorized by the department."

Let TDA know you do not approve of paying organic farmers. Call them in Austin at 512-463-7553. Ask for Matt Brockman or Scott Hazelmire. Please call soon, as the TDA is in the process of writing rules to govern how much the organic cotton growers in all active zones will be paid next year not to plant cotton.

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Covering the Courts: The high court divided

On Jan. 11, the Supreme Court decided what will be known hereafter as the Kimel cases. In terms of its public impact, Justice Sandra Day O'Connor's catch-all opinion was small potatoes. In a larger context, the decision packed a powerful wallop.


JAMES J. KILPATRICK

The immediate issue was enough to put most bystanders to sleep. Under the 11th Amendment, states generally are immune from suit. The question here was whether Congress had the authority, under Section 5 of the 14th Amendment, to abrogate Florida's immunity from suit by state employees for violation of the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967. Yes. In sum, a yawner.

Five members of the high court held that Congress did not have the authority to take away a state's immunity. Four members asserted that Congress did indeed have the authority.

We have seen the same 5-4 split repeatedly over the past five years, but there was a difference this time — a difference of tone — in the majority and dissenting opinions. The court is deeply, deeply divided on fundamental issues of constitutional law. The schism will be altered only by the death or resignation of a justice on one side or the other.

The facts in the three Kimel cases are not of much interest. The lead case was brought by J. Daniel Kimel Jr. and other faculty members and librarians at Florida State University. A second case was filed by an employee of the Florida Department of Corrections. The third case involved two associate professors at the University of Montevallo in Alabama.

In each instance the plaintiffs made the same complaint — that the state had discriminated against them by reason of their age.

They sued under the federal law for back pay, promotions and appropriate damages. Florida and Alabama responded that as sovereign states they were immune to suit without their consent. The Court of Appeals for the 11th Circuit accepted the states' defense. The Supreme Court took the cases and affirmed.

All nine justices agreed last week on only one point: By its explicit terms, the discrimination act clearly *attempted* to remove the 11th Amendment shield. That was the end of their agreement. After that, the chasm opened.

Justice O'Connor, joined by Justices Scalia, Thomas, Kennedy and Chief Justice Rehnquist, narrowly construed Section 5 of the 14th Amendment. This section delegates to Congress only a power "to enforce" the amendment's provisions by "appropriate" legislation. Section 5 does not convey a power to do anything more. The act's attempt to abrogate a state's immunity under the 11th Amendment goes beyond the delegated power.

Justice John Paul Stevens, joined by Justices Ginsberg, Souter and Breyer, took a broader view. If Congress can create a right of old folks to be protected from discrimination, they said, Congress "must also have the power to give the federal courts jurisdiction to remedy violations of those rights." Stevens protested that the majority's "novel judicial interpretation of the doctrine of sovereign immunity" amounted to judicial activism. He denounced the "present majority's" repeated substitution of its own view of federalism for those expressed in statutes enacted by the Congress and signed by the president.

Justice O'Connor had relied in part upon a 1996 precedent known as Seminole Tribe, in which the same five-member majority had carried the day. Stevens said "the decision of five justices in Seminole Tribe was profoundly misguided." He was unwilling to accept it as controlling precedent. "The reasoning of that opinion is so profoundly mistaken, and so fundamentally inconsistent with the Framers' conception of constitutional order, that it has forsaken any claim to the usual deference or respect owed to decisions of this court."

O'Connor replied coldly that Stevens was disdaining a whole line of precedents going back at least to 1890. She saw no point in further argument within the bitterly divided court. "Indeed, the present dissenters' refusal to accept the validity and natural import of decisions rendered over a full century ago by this court makes it difficult to engage in additional meaningful debate on the place of state sovereign immunity in the Constitution."

Note, if you will, Stevens' ominous reference to the court's "present" majority, coupled with O'Connor's deliberate reference to the "present" dissenters.

Two or three of the nine justices may not be "present" much longer. Their successors will control the court well into the 21st century. A Democratic president presumably will nominate justices in the Stevens mold, a Republican president in the mold of O'Connor and Rehnquist. In a judicial showdown, ours is not a government of laws, but a government of very human mortals.



Anti-Catholic bias takes step forward

The chaplain in the House of Representatives is retiring after 21 years, and the battle to name his successor has provoked cries of anti-Catholic bias. A Catholic has never served in the post, and there is a widespread feeling that 40 years after the country elected its first Catholic president, it's time for the same breakthrough on Capitol Hill.


JACK ANDERSON

The House leadership traditionally names the new chaplain, but religious issues have become more entwined with politics in the two decades since Speaker Thomas P. (Tip) O'Neill appointed the now retiring chaplain. Christian evangelicals are a major constituency within the Republican party, and Catholic voters are a swing group whose support both parties need to win. Republicans lost the Catholic vote in the 1998 congressional elections. With control of the House at stake, the Democrats are prepared to seize anything that could give them partisan advantage with this key group.

Mindful of the tricky political terrain, House Speaker Dennis Hastert sought bureaucratic cover. He created a 16-member bipartisan committee that included representatives of several religious denominations, including three Catholics. The committee interviewed 40 candidates before settling on three finalists, whose names they forwarded to Hastert. Of the three, Father Tim O'Brien had the most support. In one tally where members placed checkmarks next to their three favorite contenders, O'Brien received 14 votes while the two runner-ups got 10.5 and 9.5.

Here's where it gets murky. According to his spokesman, Hastert purposefully did not want to know how the committee ranked the three finalists. He wanted to decide based on the personal interview that each finalist would have with the Republican leaders. After the interviews, Hastert announced that the Rev. Charles Wright, a Presbyterian minister, was his choice for chaplain.

Wright had received the fewest votes of the three from the 16-member committee. A lot of people cried foul, including Father O'Brien, who said publicly that he believed he was passed over because he is a Catholic.

That's a serious charge, and without a window into Hastert's heart, hard to prove. Republicans say they decided against O'Brien based on his interview. "He wasn't warm, he wasn't commanding, and he talked about fund raising," says a Republican aide. O'Brien's apparent error was to commiserate with the Republicans about their fund-raising needs instead of discussing "pastoral concerns."

There were no details leaked about Rev. Wright's interview, but he is a regular on the prayer-breakfast circuit frequented by the GOP leaders, and therefore no stranger. As charges of favoritism mushroomed into darker accusations of anti-Catholic bias, the Republican leadership postponed the vote to confirm Wright. The House chaplain is typically installed by acclimation from both parties. Republicans don't want to risk a contentious floor fight that would catapult this internal fight into a national embarrassment.

In the meantime, Wright's pastoral skills will be tested. If he can't convince Democrats to back his candidacy, he is expected to withdraw his name.

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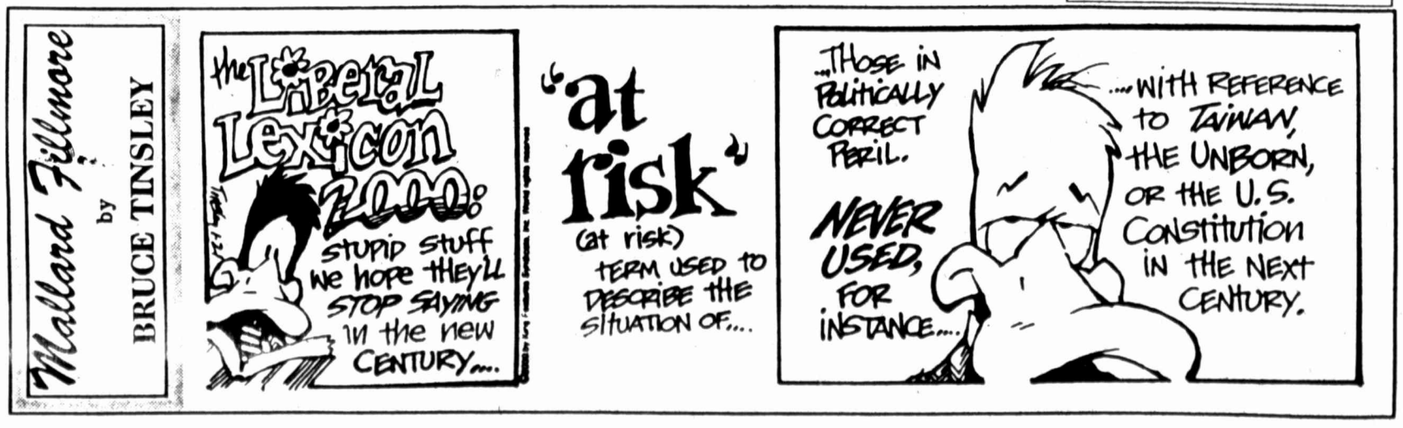
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Elian's grandmothers to visit U.S.

WASHINGTON (AP) — The custody fight over Elian Gonzalez took a new turn Thursday as the grandmothers of the 6-year-old made plans to travel to the United States to make their case that the boy should be returned to his father in Cuba.

The U.S. diplomatic mission in Cuba issued visas to the two women Thursday afternoon as a group from the National Council of Churches was flying to Havana from New York to meet with them and with Cuban government officials.

They were expected to fly to the United States on Friday, apparently escorted by the church group. There were contradictory reports in official circles as to the women's U.S. destination but one possibility mentioned was New York.

It is believed the welcome in New York would be far friendlier than in Miami, where Elian has been living with relatives for almost two months and where sentiment for his remaining in the United States is strong.

Elian survived a shipwreck in late November. The boat on which he was heading for south Florida capsized, killing his mother and nine other would-be refugees.

The United States refused to return Elian immediately to Cuba, aggravating the already hostile relationship between Washington and Havana.

Roger Bernstein, one of the lawyers retained by Elian's Miami relatives, said the family is pleased about the grandmothers' visit and hopes Elian will get to see them.

He said their visit will not affect the proceedings in federal court to determine Elian's fate.

Attorneys for Lazaro Gonzalez, the boy's great-uncle, went to federal court Wednesday to challenge the Immigration and Naturalization Service's ruling that Elian must to be returned to his father in Cuba.

The legal team filed a lawsuit accusing the INS of violating Elian's due-process rights and asked the judge to prevent the agency from returning the boy before it gives him an asylum hearing.

"It is about protecting Elian's civil and constitutional rights, the same as if he was any other child," said Spencer Eig, a lawyer for the great-uncle.

Many legal experts insist that Elian's U.S. relatives have no legal standing because their rights do not trump those of his father, his closest relative.

"All along, the legal issue has been who speaks for a 6-year-old boy, and the answer is the closest surviving relative," said David Abraham, an immi-

Digging ends at Juarez ranches; nine bodies found

MEXICO CITY (AP) — After months of digging at a mass grave at the U.S.-Mexican border, authorities have ended their search after turning up nine bodies, Mexican prosecutors said.

Officials began digging this fall near Ciudad Juarez, just across the border from El Paso, Texas, after an informant said drug smugglers might have buried as many as 100 bodies at the ranches.

The digging at four ranch sites was called off Wednesday, Attorney General Jorge Madrazo said. Investigators were interviewing more witnesses to drug slayings, but no new locations had been identified.

Of the nine bodies found near Ciudad Juarez, seven were identified tentatively and thought to have been killed by a drug-smuggling gang headed by the Carrillo Fuentes family, said Jose Larrieta Carrasco, head of the Mexican attorney general's organized crime unit.

Five people have been detained in the case, Madrazo said, but gave no details.

"What we have developed in this investigation will lead to very interesting things," Larrieta said. "We will find the people responsible."

Madrazo said all the victims were men, four in their late 30s and five more than 50 years old. He said six of the remains had been bound with duct tape and the others appeared to have been blindfolded. Four were shot to death. The cause of death of the other five is still under investigation.

Neither of the officials would give the victims' identities, saying they have yet to be confirmed.

Madrazo also said a building on one of the ranches was a drug laboratory, and that agents found chemicals and equipment used to process cocaine there.

The announcement of the graves' existence in late November set off a massive operation, with hundreds of soldiers, federal police and FBI forensic experts poring over the digging sites.

At the time, an FBI agent who asked not to be identified told the AP that an informant had said as many as 100 bodies could be found on the ranches.

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Dying teen sees organ donation as chance to help

CAMP HILL, Pa. (AP) — A 14-year-old boy dying from a brain tumor wants to make a gift of himself as his final act.

Nicholas Breach, an eighth-grader who learned in November that a brain-stem tumor — the second diagnosed by doctors — is terminal, has asked to donate his organs.

"When I found out about the second tumor, I wanted to give up hope, but now I can help other people," said Nicholas, whose mother, Kim, helped to interpret the sentences the boy struggled to speak.

"I've always said somewhere in your job, you should help someone."

Officials with the Gift of Life Donor Program in Philadelphia said they will do their best to honor the boy's wish.

Nicholas was told his case was terminal shortly after Thanksgiving, and his parents brought the subject of donation up one evening last month.

Mrs. Breach said her son at first worried that agreeing to the donation would cause doctors to give up on saving his life, a fear common among potential donors.

He consented after his parents assured him that would not happen, Mrs. Breach said.

The request prompted representatives of the Gift of Life program to meet with the family and explain the process.

"He was amazingly courageous," said Patti Mulvania, a transplant coordinator who met with Nicholas.

"For a 14-year-old (who is) facing death, he had more courage and compassion than some of us might have in a lifetime," she said.

Daughter chained dad to toilet to keep him safe

ADAMS, N.Y. (AP) — A woman who has been charged with chaining her 73-year-old father to a toilet told investigators she did it for his own good.

Carolyn White, 45, was charged with first-degree unlawful imprisonment after troopers found her father, Jack Wolfe, bound to the toilet in their Adams home, about 140 miles northwest of Albany.

"If that place had caught fire, he would have been unable to get out," state police Senior Investigator Richard Ladue said.

White was arraigned Wednesday and ordered held on $10,000 bail. The charge carries a penalty of up to four years in prison.

Acting on a tip when White was out, state police on Wednesday found Wolfe alone in a small upstairs bedroom, sitting on a portable toilet and handcuffed to an adjacent bed rail and to the toilet. Wolfe also had a chain around his waist that was padlocked to the toilet, troopers said.

"She had turned off the lights and he was in the dark," said Investigator Mary Clark. "I had to call out his name in order to find him."

White's father has physical and mental disabilities, troopers said. He was taken to a hospital for evaluation and placed under the care of county social services. He was listed in stable condition Thursday.

White told investigators that about 10 years ago her father started scratching himself until he bled. She began restraining him so he wouldn't hurt himself, damage his room or awaken her, troopers said.

"Then she decided if she had to leave the house that would be the best way to handle the situation," Clark said. "Her reasoning was she didn't want him to hurt himself or destroy the house."

Doctor carved his initials in skin of new mother

NEW YORK (AP) — A woman has filed a $5.5 million lawsuit against a doctor who carved his initials — "A" and "Z" — into her stomach after delivering her baby girl by Caesarean section.

Dr. Allan Zarkin used a scalpel to carve the 3-by-1-inch letters into the skin of Liana Gedz on Sept. 7, according to lawyers on both sides of the case. The baby was healthy.

"I feel like a branded animal," Gedz, 31, told the Daily News. "I feel like I was raped, like I was violated.

She said she will need extensive plastic surgery to remove the marks.

Barry Fallick, Zarkin's lawyer, said the doctor admits carving the letters as a sedated Gedz was recovering. Fallick says the doctor blames a "frontal lobe disorder" affecting his personality and behavior that was diagnosed after the incident.

Zarkin, 61, agreed to suspend his medical practice two weeks ago after state health authorities launched a probe, the newspaper reported, citing an unidentified Health Department spokeswoman.

Beth Israel Medical Center, where the delivery was performed, has suspended Zarkin's right to practice there. The hospital is also named in the lawsuit.

Fire in Amish farmhouse claims four young lives

FRYBURG, Pa. (AP) — Four children of an Amish couple died when a fire tore through their farmhouse, trapping them inside a structure that was not wired for electricity and had no smoke alarms or telephone.

Clarion County coroner Roland Burns said a kerosene lamp is presumed to be the cause of Thursday's fire, though the exact cause had not been released by a state fire marshal.

The children's parents were working in a nearby barn when the fire started at about 7:30 a.m. Their father, Levi Mast, tried to get into the house to rescue them but was turned back by the heat and flames, Fire Chief Ed Hoffman said.

By the time firefighters arrived, the entire house was ablaze, Hoffman said. "There was no chance for us to make a rescue."

The two-story brick and wood house collapsed in the blaze. The bodies of the children — Moses, 5, Alvin, 3, Martha, 2, and Amanda, 1 — were found in rubble below their first-floor bedrooms.

Jason Hoffman, the assistant fire chief, did not know who reported the fire but said the nearest telephone was in a home owned by a non-Amish farmer, about a half-mile away.

"You're looking at a lot of time between when the fire would have been noticed and we would have been dispatched," he said.

The children's grandfather, Elmer Mast, confirmed that there was a kerosene lamp in the children's bedroom.

The burned farmhouse is near a potato farm and sawmill along a rural road where 30 Amish families live about 60 miles southeast of Erie.

Some Amish arrived in buggies to visit the children's relatives, and about 30 of them gathered in Mast's nearby barn.

Elmer Mast said the community will first turn to rebuilding a house for his son and his wife.

"The community is going to pull together," he said.

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Prayer seminar not just how-to session

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN
Features Editor



Paul and Kathie Grant will speak Sunday at First Baptist Church.

At First Baptist Church, the word for 2000 is prayer.

"Jesus said, 'My Father's house is a house of prayer,'" said pastor Eddie Tubbs. "What God does through us is done through prayer."

That is one reason the church is bringing in prayer scholars Paul and Kathie Grant. The Littleton, Colo., couple will speak during Sunday morning worship, and present a two-hour seminar beginning that evening at 6.

"We believe the real growth for First Baptist and the community is going to happen with prayer," Tubbs said. Each week, the church offers prayers of thanksgiving for other churches in the community.

Most of the faithful pray, but don't "practice" prayer, Tubbs said.

That's where the ideas collected by the Grants come in. Kathie Grant has written a book, "The Key to His Kingdom: Praying in the Word of God," which serves as a kind of "road map" for people who want to make prayer part of their lives.

Her husband, Paul, is a retired dermatologist who was a co-inventor of Rogaine, the treatment to grow hair. He left his career in 1992 to work with his wife in their charitable organization, The Bread of Life Foundation.

During the Sunday seminar, the Grants will use the book and its concepts to work with the audience. They will break the congregation into small groups and, using the book's guidelines, share some time of prayer.

Kathie said the audience will learn to use the book like serving themselves at a buffet, taking a small amount at a time and, bit by bit, trying everything that is available.

The Grants said their seminar should appeal to people from teens to seniors, since most of the faithful feel the need to pray.

"The essence of prayer says we are dependent on God, that anything I do for God's kingdom comes through him," said Paul. "The church has fallen away from some of these most basic things."

To demonstrate what the book and seminar are about, Grant offers the following acrostic made from the word "prayer."

- Pulse of your Christian life — the revelation of prayer.
- Rely on the Word and the Spirit — the how of prayer.
- Advance God's Kingdom — the purpose of prayer.
- You are important — the character of prayer.
- Everything, everybody and everywhere — the scope of prayer.
- Revival is the result — the results of prayer.

Copies of the book and an accompanying tape will be available during the Grant's visit.

Call First Baptist at 267-8223 for more information about the free seminar.

Catholics to start three-day period of prayers for rain

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN
Features Editor

On Thursday, Catholic churches in the area will start a series of prayers for rain.

Bishop Michael Pfeifer of the Diocese of San Angelo, recently sent out letters to all churches in the area, asking that they commit to three days of special prayer services, fasting, rosary and making the Stations of the Cross. All of the traditional rituals are designed to ask that the drought end.

"We have been including a prayer for rain in our regular worship services," said the Rev. Chris Coleman of Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church. "But this is upping the pressure, if you will. This is raising the volume."

The letter from Pfeifer says, "As we look at ways of conserving water and studying new sources of water for West Texas, more than ever we need to turn in faith and hope to our God in this situation, beseeching our heavenly Father to send us the moisture we so much need. Our faith plays an important part in this situation."

Pfeifer asks that congregations pray also in their homes, and encourage those of other denominations to do the same.

Coleman said the special time of prayer is referred to as a "triduum," meaning a three-day period focused on intercession, or asking for something.

"We will ask our Lord to open the skies and send down his rains upon us," Coleman said. He acknowledged that meteorologists say the conditions that produce rain are not present.

"We will ask that they come," he said.

Why we are blessed to be home in West Texas



KEN McMEANS

Those who know me are aware that my family and I recently moved "back" to West Texas from a mission area in Southern Idaho. A valid question might be, "Why would a minister leave an area where churches are few and congregations are small, to return to the 'Bible Belt,' where there are an abundance of churches of every size and flavor?" I think you deserve an answer.

First and foremost, we returned because we sensed the call of God back to Big Spring.

For many this is difficult, if not impossible, to understand. My first love is my Lord! My heart beat is to help others understand how they can know Him as I do. With great confidence, I know that God loves me enough to help me through this life, and promises me a much greater home with Him after I die. Because He loves me, He personally leads me daily through His Word (the Bible), through others who love Him, and through circumstances. I owe God my very life.

"John 3:16" is so much more than a verse from Sunday School. It addresses my need for Him, and His great plan for me. I am so glad to be a part of His plan and to live back here to assist you in knowing and serving Him.

Next, we returned because we love West Texas, and, of greater significance, West Texans.

This peculiar corner of the globe where trees are few and rain scarce; where we call hills, mountains, and trickling streams, rivers. A place where we take our sports a little too seriously (probably because there's nothing else to do), but work long and hard to support our families. West Texas people are extremely friendly, especially to those we know and understand.

We resist change, even to our own hurt. I suppose that's why a 20-year transplant from "somewhere else" will say he still feels like an "outsider." I grew up here. Borden County, Post, Texas Tech, and Big Spring each helped in my development, both emotionally, and spiritually. We are home! and we're blessed to be home!

Finally, I'm back because I see great spiritual need across the area. I understand, now, that my family and I needed some time in a "far off" land to help us better understand ministry here. Historically, the term "Bible Belt" has been used favorably. It holds the concept that our region's Christian heritage and strong Judeo-Christian ethic help bring stability and life to the rest of the nation, and even the world. Countless missionaries, intentional and unintentional, have gone out from here to make the world a better place through their strength in Jesus Christ.

My great concern is that we are losing our effectiveness in ministering outside of ourselves. Hard times and an influx of thought from around the world have caused us to move from offense to defense.

Our new "Missions Statement" seems to be "hang on for dear life," rather than, "and the gates of hell will not prevail."

As West Texans we understand well another use for the "Belt." It may be that a little loving discipline has become necessary to put us back on the right track. After all, God really is the one who controls the wind and the rain. Even OPEC is in His hand.

We are glad to be back! Come and see us!

Ken McMeans is pastor at College Baptist Church.

HERALD photo/Debbie L. Jensen

Girl Scouts, from left, Cheyenne Rawls, Misty Hein and Kendra Sparks, show the order forms they are using in the youth organization's annual cookie sale fundraiser. The girls are going door-to-door now and later this month, will set up booths at local stores to sell the popular treats.



CHURCH NEWS

Centurymen

Just in time for the new century: The world-renowned men's chorus, The Centurymen, and their most recent CD release, "Beautiful Star," have been nominated for the 2000 Grammy Award for Best Classical Crossover Album.



WHITTEN

Joe Whitten, of Big Spring, has been a member of The Centurymen since 1970.

The Centurymen, established in 1969, comprises more than 100 men, each a director of music from Baptist Churches across America and representing 22 states and two foreign countries.

Grammy Award winners are to be announced on the Grammy Awards Show, Feb. 23, 8 p.m. on CBS.

Victory Baptist

The church family at Victory Baptist wants you to know that you are loved and that God has a really awesome plan for your life. Come and worship with us this Sunday and let us share the Lord's love with you.

Our services Sunday morning begin with Bible study at 10, followed by the praise and worship service at 11. Come and join us as we life up our hearts and hands unto the Lord, glorifying and magnifying Jesus Christ. Pastor Jeff Janca has been preaching on the subject of "Revival - God's Way."

Victory Baptist is located at the corner of FM 700 and E. 11th Place. Please call the church at 264-0734 and leave a message if you have any questions, have a prayer request, or would like a free New Testament.

First United Methodist Church

"The Best Agreement You Can Agree to Make" (Isaiah 30:21) is Dr. Ed Williamson's message this Sunday at the First United Methodist Church, 400 Scurry. Worship is at 8:30 and 10:50 a.m.

Youth meet on Sunday afternoon with Mid-High youth meeting at 5 p.m. Youth Choir is meeting at 6 p.m. and Senior Highs meeting at 7 p.m. There is also a Bible study for senior highs on Wednesday night at 101 Washington. Children also have a great time in our Sunday School at 9:40 a.m. every Sunday morning. We also have children's vocal and hand-

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CLUB NEWS

DAR

The Captain Elisha Mack Chapter, NSDAR, met Jan. 8, at the Big Spring Country Club.

Regent Lora Mae Pollard read an invitation from the Pochahontas Chapter in San Angelo inviting the members to a tea on Feb. 15, to meet some of the Texas State DAR slate of officers for the state elections.

June Reid, Chapter Chairman of the Nominating Committee, presented the following slate of officers, who were unanimously elected for the 2000-02 term; Regent — Lola Kelly, Vice Regent — Sherri Key, Chaplain — June Reid, Recording Secretary — Katie Lara, Corresponding

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SLICE of *life!*

PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

ARLINGTON, Va. (AP) — Leonardo DiCaprio says his role as a rootless backpacker in Thailand in "The Beach" reflects his own life search.

"It was the only thing that I really connected with and really thought meant something," he said in Wednesday's USA Today.

"Not to say that I only want to do projects that have some sort of message to society, but I really identified with this character's search for getting out of a robotic existence and trying to find some sort of real sensation of emotion."

"The Beach" opens Feb. 11.

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LOS ANGELES (AP) — The Isley Brothers' music catalog was pulled off the auction block after an investment group proposed a $6.5 million deal that would let Ronald Isley retain his share of the rights to such songs as "Shout" and "It's Your Thing."

The catalog, which also includes "Twist and Shout," went on the auction block after Isley declared Chapter 7, or involuntary, bankruptcy. A large part of his debt is from an Internal Revenue Service claim of nearly $5 million.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

BAPTIST TEMPLE CHURCH WILL offer a divorce workshop starting Monday, March 6, at 7 p.m. and continuing for the next eight consecutive Mondays.

This workshop is for any divorced, separated or widowed person and the cost is $35 (which includes materials, workshop and refreshments). The deadline to register is Feb. 21. Call the church at 267-8287 for more information.

Child care will be available upon request.

THE LAST WORD

"I can't do it" never accomplished anything. "I will try" has performed wonders.
George P. Burnham

You can either complain that rosebushes have thorns — or rejoice that thorn bushes have roses.
Anonymous

You have got to get to the stage in life where going for it is more important than winning or losing.
Arthur Ashe

Dallas' Victory Outreach offers hope for the hopeless

DALLAS (AP) — It's the first Sunday of the new year and the Rev. Jesse Perez is tending his flock.

His Victory Outreach International church on Main Street near Fair Park in East Dallas is rocking. Eighty people have filled the old warehouse, which looks nothing like a church except for the simple pulpit with worn maroon carpet. The 37-year-old preacher doesn't much look like a preacher, either, all tidy and presentable. He wears his jet-black hair brushed tightly back, and his trademark handlebar mustache has been more than a decade in the making. Like most of the men here, he has tattoos crawling down his stocky arms.

As a Southside Gang member in San Jose, Calif., addicted to marijuana, PCP and the thrill of gang life, Perez found Jesus in a church much like his own.

His sister, once stabbed by members of his own gang, led Perez to the Victory Outreach in San Jose. His first visit came only after six or seven stays at juvenile hall for everything from brandishing a weapon to vandalism to assault. It came only after his father was shot in the arm and chest in a drive-by shooting. It came only after he got tired of it all at 19.

"I had heard that the church could help people like me. I never knew anyone could help us," he recalls.

Victory Outreach saved his pastor, who was also an addict and a gun- and heroin-trafficking gang member. It was his pastor's pastor, Sonny Arguinzoni, who founded the ministry and network of churches that now reach gang members and drug addicts worldwide. The Los Angeles church has 3,500 members.

Some of the junkies discipled by Arguinzoni launch their own Victory Outreach ministries in inner-cities. The more than 200 churches in America and 100 elsewhere receive financial support from the mother church for one year. After that, they are on their own.

Perez and his future wife, Valerie Varela, threw themselves into the San Jose ministry. In 1991, he was licensed by Victory Outreach as a minister and in 1994 he chose Dallas as the place to start his own church to reach "the unreachables" - gang members, addicts, convicts and prostitutes. He wanted those like him to know there was a place that could help them.

"We came in our 1987 Nissan Sentra with our two kids, and all we had were just the things in our car," he says. "But look how God has blessed us."

Members of his ministry, many of whom live in Victory Outreach's rehabilitation home for men and women, walk the streets handing out fliers. They talk to street people about what the ministry can do for them. And they talk about Jesus. They also visit housing projects, setting up in the bare courtyards with a microphone and witnessing to residents. Some people come out and ask for prayer. Others peek through windows and doors, listening but not wanting to be seen.

Perez keeps those he is discipling deep in the Word. Services are held at the church just about every day. Bible studies are conducted twice a day at the rehabilitation home, where about 20 people stay. Men and women are not allowed to hang out together, and only relatives are allowed to visit.

In Dallas, men at the home work jobs such as event parking or cleanup duty at Reunion Arena. All their pay goes toward room and board at the rehabilitation home, say the pastor and his wife. Other contributions to the ministry help keep up the home, the church and the pastor's household, and some money is sent to the church's headquarters in Los Angeles. This year, for the first time since he's been in town, Perez will receive a salary of about $200 a week.

"It's not a lot, but it's something," says Mrs. Perez.

In Los Angeles, former pastors and former members have accused Victory Outreach of using participants as slave labor and spending money with little accountability. Church officials have defended the ministry, saying that participants' income helps pay for the rehab program.

At the Dallas home, not everyone who comes stays. Perez says about 45 percent stick around long enough to make a change; some go back on the streets, and some go to other ministries.

"They gotta be tired of being tired," he says. "Some come in thinking it's a shelter and can come and go as they please with no regimen or rules. The motivation for us comes from looking at the ones who finish the program and change their lives."

So here stands Perez, on this Sunday morning, preaching about what happens when you don't walk close to God.

"When you follow at a distance, you develop your own way of serving God. When you follow at a distance, you warm yourself up with the enemy's fire, just as Peter did, and you're headed for a burn," he says, his voice rising.

"Preach it, pastor," his disciples shout.

Bridget Arroyo is one of them, as is the former gang member and drug addict she'll marry, Guillermo "Memo" Ornelas. A 30-year-old woman named Wanda, who says she's spent half her life on the streets, hasn't missed a Sunday in the 10 months she's been clean. And Francisco "Cisco" Cerda and his wife, Rina, who saved their marriage by coming here, are disciples.

All come because they've found something they couldn't find in their old lives. All come because they say it is their life.

RELIGION NEWS IN BRIEF

BOSTON (AP) — The Right Rev. M. Thomas Shaw, the Episcopal bishop of Massachusetts, is trading the Lord's house for the U.S. House of Representatives, become an intern there for one month.

The 54-year-old Shaw said, "I want to go discover something of what the role of the church should be in public life."

The bishop will work for a longtime friend, Rep. Amo Houghton, a New York Republican and active Episcopalian.

Shaw may be the first sitting bishop to serve as an intern. Congressional internships and fellowships are dominated by students. Unlike other interns, Shaw will get a desk with a window, unrestricted access to the congressman and invitations to meetings with top officials.

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HUNTINGTON, Ind. (AP) — The states of California, New York and Texas continue to report America's three biggest Roman Catholic populations and together have a third of the church's U.S. membership of 62,018,436, according to the 2000 Catholic Almanac.

The states with the highest Catholic percentages in the population are Rhode Island (63.7 percent), Massachusetts (48.9 percent), New Jersey (41.8 percent) and Connecticut (40.9 percent).

The almanac, published by Our Sunday Visitor, Inc., shows that as of 1999, Catholics were 22.7 percent of the U.S. population, as in 1998. Catholic membership increased by less than 1 percent from 1998, but by 13 percent since 1989.

The almanac reported the U.S. church has 47,210 priests, 84,034 sisters and 5,970 brothers, all slight decreases from 1998, though the 12,675 permanent deacons represent an increase.

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VALLEY FORGE, Pa. (AP) — The Rev. Daniel Weiss has announced he will retire Aug. 31 as chief executive of the American Baptist Churches in the USA, a denomination with 1,503,207 members and 5,797 congregations.

Weiss, 62, completes his third four-year term that month. Before becoming general secretary in 1988 he led the denomination's education board and served as president of Eastern College and Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary.

During Weiss's time as leader, the American Baptists emphasized evangelism, ecumenism and social justice.

In an announcement letter, Weiss said, "This is a great denomination, a clear reflection of God's new humanity in Jesus Christ. I am grateful for the opportunities given to me to be part of it."

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bell choirs led by John and Denise Ross. Single Adults have a class all their own, taught by Jackie Henry, on Sunday mornings at 9:40.

There is a Wednesday noon Bible study class and meal each week in Garrett Hall and everyone is invited to attend.

For more information call the church office at 267-6394.

First Assembly of God

"Salvation, the Beginning to the End," will be the title of Pastor Havener's sermon this Sunday morning at 10:40. This sermon will be taken from Titus 2:11.

In the evening service at 6, Pastor Havener will preach the second sermon in a series of messages on the "Fruit of the Spirit." The message this Sunday night will be on "Joy."

Pastor Havener and the congregation of First Assembly, located at Fourth and Lancaster, invite you to join them this Lord's Day.

First Baptist Church

This Saturday evening at 7, we will be having an informal meeting with Paul and Kathy Grant. Kathy is the author of the prayer book, "The Key To His Kingdom." Come enjoy some cookies and punch in the parlor and enjoy meeting the Grants. They will share in the Sunday morning worship which begins at 10:45 and again at 6 p.m.

Do you play an instrument and have no outlet for your talent? Our instrumental ensemble will meet at 8:30 a.m. Sunday in the sanctuary to practice the songs that will be used during the 10:45 a.m. service. Come be a part of this group.

If you would like to know more about our church, you may log onto our Web sight at www.fbcbigspring.org and see all the different organizations and their ministries.

You are invited to come be a part of First Baptist Church. If you need information about any aspect of our ministries, call the church office at 267-8223.

This Sunday, we will be thanking God for Trinity Baptist Church and for her ministry in our community.

College Park Church of God

College Park Church of God, 603 Tulane, will have a rummage sale starting at 8 a.m. Saturday. They have a variety of items for sale to benefit church programs. Also at the same time, they will have a bake sale at Wal-Mart.

Berea Baptist

Berea Baptist Church, 4204 Wasson Road, will show the video "The Ride" Sunday evening at 6. This film is put out by Billy Graham Ministries and is a family adventure about cowboys, kids and God's grace. Refreshments will be served and the public is invited.

Baptist Temple

Sunday at 6 p.m., Baptist Temple Church will be showing the movie, "A Vow To Cherish." It's a movie about one believer's impossible challenge of faith, temptation and commitment profoundly affects his entire family. This is the deeply moving love story of John and Ellen Brighton. Together they face a merciless illness that will either confirm or destroy their marriage. "A Vow To Cherish" illustrates the importance of living by Godly principles in front of a world searching for answers. Please come join us for this enlightening and encouraging movie. Everyone in the community is welcome.

There will be a divorce workshop on March 6. Registration goes through Feb. 21, and child care is available upon request. For more information call 267-8287.

Deaf Worship

Paramount Baptist Deaf Church of Amarillo will be in Big Spring to lead in a Deaf Worship Service on Saturday, Jan. 29, at 3 p.m. We will meet in the South West Collegiate Institute for the Deaf Maddux Student Union Building. Pastor Darrell Bonjour and his music minister, Kelvin Jackson and the Praise Team, will provide a complete church experience.

There will be interpreters provided for the hearing. We will take a love offering to help with the travel expenses of Paramount B.D.C. The event is sponsored by SWCID Baptist Student Ministry in coordination with Central Baptist Church, Elbow community. We will not have child care.

Everyone is welcome to attend. This is a great opportunity to see and experience a different and refreshing worship experience of our deaf community.

Contact Kelli Ballard at 398-5551 or swcidbsm@crcom.net for more information.

The Potter's House

Special revival services are planned Sunday at 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m., and Monday through Wednesday at 7 p.m. each day. Guest speaker will be Eric Apodaca. Everyone is welcome and a nursery will be provided.

The Potter's House is at 301 E. Second Street, on the corner of Second and Johnson. For information, call 264-0819.

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Martha Cummings was elected as the voting delegate to the State Conference in San Antonio in March. Sue Ann Damron was elected first alternate and Sara Tipton was elected second alternate. The next meeting will be a George Washington luncheon at the Big Spring Country Club at noon on Feb. 19.

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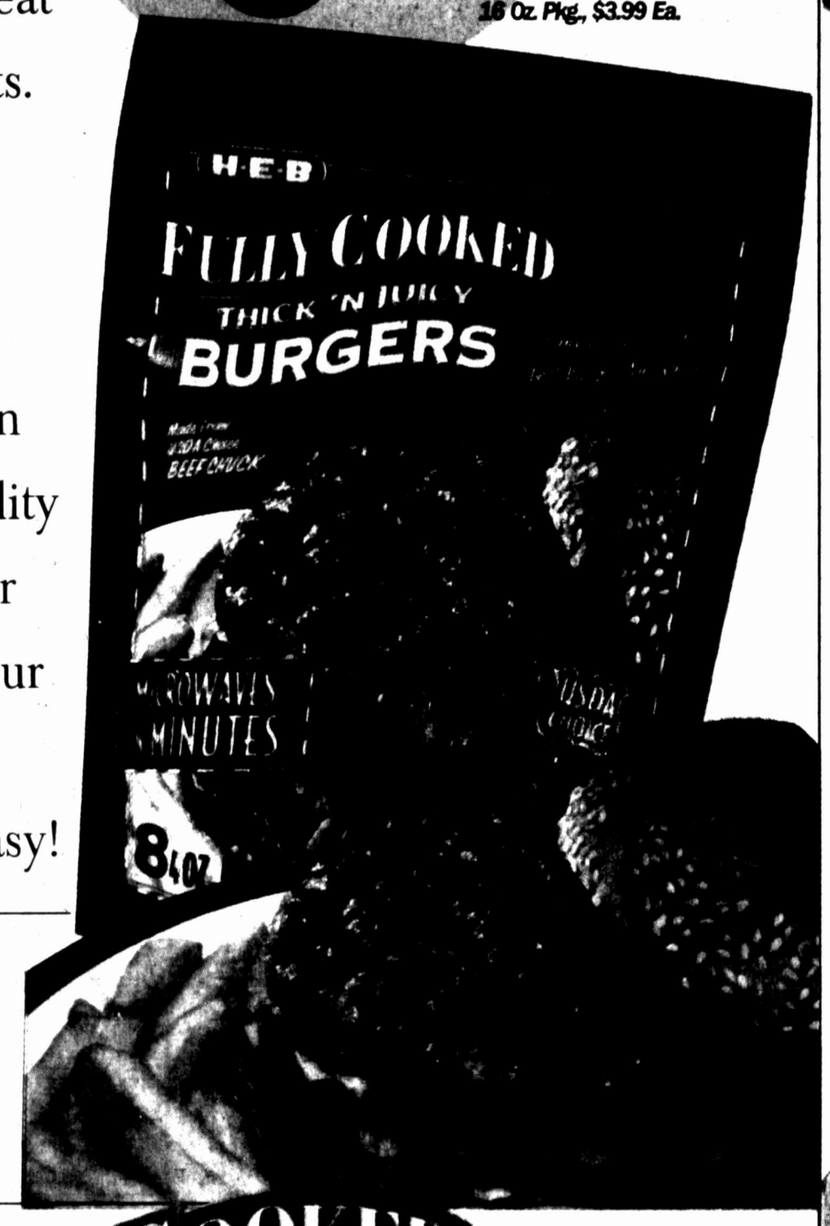
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IN BRIEF

BSYBA players perform tonight at BSHS games

Youngsters from the Big Spring Youth Basketball Association will perform during halftime breaks of tonight's Steers and Lady Steers games against Fort Stockton.

In addition, members of the Big Spring Lady Steers Booster Club will be selling hot dogs for 50 cents and chili dogs for $1 during the games.

Boys basketball boosters set meeting on Jan. 21

The Big Spring Boys Basketball Boosters Club has scheduled its next meeting for 5:15 p.m. Friday, Jan. 21, at Big Spring Junior High School.

Parents of all Big Spring High School boys' basketball players and others interested in the program are urged to attend.

Baseball boosters slate next meeting for Jan. 24

The Big Spring Steers Baseball Booster Club will meet at 6:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 24, at the Big Spring High School Athletic Training Center.

All parents of high school players are encouraged to attend.

Members will turn in completed ads for the program and outfield fence signs, discuss a picture session and plan their annual hot dog supper.

For more information, call Jim Clements at 267-1069 after 6 p.m..

National Little League meeting set for Feb. 3

The National Little League of Big Spring will hold a meeting at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 3, at Allan's Furniture.

Officers for the league will be elected during that meeting.

For more information, call Jim Wilson at 263-0062 or Jerry Baker at 263-3242..

Hunter education class scheduled for Feb. 12-13

A hunter education course, required of all Texas hunters born on or after Sept. 2, 1971, will be held from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 12-13, in the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce conference room.

Boyce Hale and Steve Poitivent will be instructors for the class.

For more information, call Hale at 267-6957 or Dibrell's Gun Shop at 267-7891.

Semi-pro football team being formed locally

Efforts are currently under way to field a team in the Texas semi-Pro Football League this season.

Players are working out at 10 a.m. on Saturdays and 2 p.m. on Sundays at Blankenship Field.

The team would like to have a roster of 25 to 30 players and its season will begin in mid-February.

For more information, contact Rick Boles at 264-1111.

AREA GAMES

TODAY

HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

6 p.m.

* Fort Stockton at Big Spring (VG-VB)

6:30 p.m.

- Coahoma at Post (VG-VB)
- Junction at Forsan (VG-VB)
- Plains at Stanton (VG-VB)
- Westbrook at Borden County (VG-VB)
- Sterling City at Garden City (VG-VB)
- Grady at Sands (VG-VB)

ON THE AIR

Television

NBA

7 p.m. — Atlanta Hawks at Miami Heat, TNT, Ch. 28..

NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE

7 p.m. — St Louis Blues at Chicago Blackhawks, ESPN, Ch. 30 .

SKIING

6 p.m. — World Cup Super G (same-day tape), ESPN, Ch. 30.

AFC title game features different teams, different models

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (AP) — When people tell Wayne Weaver that his Jacksonville Jaguars have never dealt with failure in their five years of existence, the team's chairman protests:

"You forget our first year. We were 4-12."

When everyone thinks of the Tennessee Titans, they think 8-8, 8-8 and 8-8 in consecutive years in different stadiums before a 13-3 finish when they finally found a home this season.

Yes, the contestants in Sunday's AFC title game like to think of themselves as underdogs working their way up in the world.

But the facts are different, particularly with Jacksonville, which followed up that 4-12 freshman year with a trip to this same title game their second. That raised expectations so high that they're viewed around here as a disappointment after going 1-2 in the playoffs the past two seasons and 14-2 this season without beating a plus .500 team.

So while Tennessee, 13-3 plus two playoff wins, has already had a successful season after those three .500 years, the Jaguars still have a chip on their collective shoulders.

"We were there a little sooner than we thought and the reality of us being just a moment away from being in The Game that soon has had a significant bearing on us," says Michael Huyghue, the Jaguars' senior vice president for football operations.

"Since then, we've been mindful of how precious it is to be in this situation and the significance of having advanced this far."

This year, in a way, was worse.

The Jaguars entered the season as the AFC favorite and were, as one team official put it, "an uncomfortable 14-2," drawing criticism in print, on the air and from the ubiquitous callers on talk radio.

The only team the Jaguars played with a winning record was Tennessee, and they lost twice, making this game even more pivotal.

Before this season, Tennessee had been playing on the road for three years, even when the team was nominally at home. So even despite a solid nucleus of talent, the team was 8-8 for three straight seasons.

In 1996, the lame-duck Houston Oilers drew less than 20,000 to most of their home games and went 6-2 on the road and 2-6 at home. The next year, their stadium in Nashville still under construction, they played in the Liberty Bowl in Memphis, averaged about 30,000 per home game and again went 8-8.

And last season, when Adelphia Coliseum remained under construction, they played in Vanderbilt's stadium, where for some reason the Nashville fans gave them only a lukewarm receptions. Again, they were 8-8 and considered underachievers.

This year, Titans fans in their new home are among the loudest in the NFL, and they finished 13-3 and won their first two playoff games, including "the Music City Miracle," decided on a last-second lateral-kickoff return.

"For three years, we were lame duck teams," said running back Eddie George, whose 68-yard touchdown run was the

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Lady Hawks double up on NMJC, 92-46

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Sports Editor

Playing perhaps their best basketball of the season, Howard College's Lady Hawks took no prisoners Thursday night in soaring to a 92-46 win over New Mexico Junior College's Lady Thunderbirds.

The win allowed the Lady Hawks to remain atop the Western Junior College Athletic Conference (WJCAC) women's basketball standings with a perfect 4-0 mark and improved their overall record to 16-4.

The Lady Hawks were so dominant, in fact, that head coach Ron Mayberry simply beamed while offering praise for his team.

"We put it all together tonight," Mayberry said after watching Howard outscore the Lady Thunderbirds 51-16 in the final 14 minutes of play. "We played like I've known we were capable of playing all along. This was easily the best I've seen us play."

Indeed.

Having previously faced NMJC twice this season, the Lady Hawks had suffered a one-point scrimmage loss and followed that with a two-point win in a non-conference meeting.

And for the first 17 minutes or so of Thursday's matchup, it appeared as if a similar result was in store.

While Howard had twice pulled away to eight-point leads early in the first half, the Lady Thunderbirds repeatedly stemmed the Lady Hawks' tide and with 3:14 remaining before intermission trailed by just four.

But sophomore posts Caryn Ross and Yolanda Grant scored rapid-fire goals to ignite an 11-2 run to the buzzer that allowed the Lady Hawks to enjoy a 34-21 halftime advantage.

NMJC returned from the break intent on getting back into the game, and following a Grant jumper from the paint, started a run of their own — outscoring the Lady Hawks 9-2 to pull within eight, 38-30.

At that point, Mayberry called for a timeout in order to give his team a chance to regroup.

They did just that.

Sophomore point guard Ashanti Nix got the flood started by draining a three-point shot and freshman Koretha Johnson caught fire, scoring nine of the Lady Hawks' next 15 points, as they all but put a lit on things by taking a 56-32 edge.

There was simply no stopping the Lady Hawks at that point, however.

Although NMJC got a couple of free throws from freshman post Arijana Sizercic and five points from guard Alexis Marshall on a couple of impressive plays, Howard was in the process of a 12-7 run.

Things only got worse, even though Mayberry called off the Lady Hawks press.

"It kind of got out of hand, but there wasn't a thing we could do about that ... they (Lady Thunderbirds) basically quit during the last eight minutes," Mayberry noted. "We quit pressing, but you can't quit playing and our kids were really in a groove."

As a result, the Lady Hawks outscored NMJC 24-6 down the stretch.

All 10 players on the Lady Hawk roster contributed to the lopsided win, while five of them finished the night in double figures.

Johnson led the way with a game-high 19 points, while Nix added 14 more.

Freshman post Grace Gantt added 12 points, while Grant and Ross rounded out the double-digit scoring for Howard with 10 points apiece.

The Lady Hawks were stifling defensively, allowing just two NMJC players to finish in double figures. Erica Gonzalez paced the Lady Thunderbirds with 15 points, while Marshall added 11.

The loss left NMJC with a 7-10 mark overall and evened their WJCAC record at 2-2.

The Lady Hawks will return to action Monday night when they travel to Odessa where they'll face Odessa College's Lady Wranglers at 6.

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LADY HAWKS 92, NEW MEXICO JC 46

NMJC — Tiffany Brown 0 0 1-2 1, Thorian Buchanan 1 0 3-5 5, Connie Beyer 0 0 0-0 0, Jennifer Rogers 0 0 0-0 0, Alexis Marshall 4 0 3-4 11, Marquitta Ryan 4 0 0-1 8, Shalonda Scott 1 0 2-4 4, Erica Gonzalez 1 2 7-9 15, Arijana Sizercic 0 0 2-2 2, Clatossica Williams 0 0 0-0 0. Totals 11 2 18-27 46.

HOWARD — Taneisha Harris 3 0 0-1 6, Shaketha Ashley 2 0 0-0 4, Ashanti Nix 3 2 2-3 14, Tashean Thomas 1 1 1-2 6, Caryn Ross 4 0 2-2 10, Vanessa Lehrmann 2 0 0-0 4, Grace Gantt 6 0 0-0 12, Yolanda Grant 5 0 0-0 10, Koretha Johnson 6 1 4-4 19, Latonya Jackson 2 0 3-4 7. Totals 34 4 12-16 92.

Halftime score: Howard 34, NMJC 21.

Three-point goals: NMJC 2 (Gonzalez 2); Howard 4 (Nix 2, Thomas, Johnson). **Total fouls:** NMJC 16, Howard 19. **Fouled out:** None. **Technical fouls:** None. **Records:** NMJC 7-10, 2-2; Howard 16-4, 4-0.



HERALD photo/Jim Fierro

Howard College guard Shaketha Ashley (12) applies pressure against a New Mexico Junior College counterpart during the second half of Thursday night's game at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. The Lady Hawks remained unbeaten in conference play with a 92-46 win over the Lady Thunderbirds.

First-half blitz guarantees win for 'hot' Hawks

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Sports Editor

Howard College's Hawks jumped on New Mexico Junior College's Thunderbirds early Thursday evening en route to a 78-63 win in Western Junior College Athletic Conference (WJCAC) action.

The Hawks, who improved to 11-8 overall and 3-1 in conference play, outscored the Thunderbirds 27-5 during the first eight minutes of play and simply coasted to the 15-point win.

Howard head coach Tommy Collins, was anything but pleased.

"I thought we played a pretty good first half, but we didn't do a good job of keeping our concentration in the second half," Collins complained after seeing the Thunderbirds outscore Howard 44-34 in the second half.

It was the fourth straight conference game in which the Hawks limited an opponent to 24 or less points in the first half, only to lose their intensity in the final 20 minutes.

"We're a potentially great basketball team, but we've only been great 20 minutes a game," Collins added. "That's got to stop.

"Until we start playing better in the second half, I'm convinced it's a matter of conditioning," he continued, promising that the Hawks wouldn't get their normal day off from workouts today. "When you're tired, it's hard to stay focused. So, we're going to be doing something about that."

As Collins observed, the Hawks were nothing short of stifling with their defensive play in the first half.

NMJC's only lead of the game came in the opening minutes when Anthony Harley answered a three-pointer by Howard's Vasilis Tsimpliaridis with a trey of his own and added a pair of free throws on the Thunderbirds' next trip down the floor.

What followed, however, was a 24-0 run by the Hawks, as Derrick Franklin and fellow sophomores Donald "Yogi" Ceasar and Darryl Martin led the way.

Another brief flurry in the final three minutes allowed the Hawks to take a 25-point margin into the halftime intermission at 44-19.

The Hawks would increase that lead to as many as 30 points twice in the second half before allowing a late NMJC run.

Collins did admit that part of the Hawks' lack of solid play in the closing minutes could be attributed to his decision to empty his bench and give a handful of players unaccustomed playing time.

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Motivated by past failures, Kraft gets another shot at Hope

BERMUDA DUNES, Calif. (AP) — During the last two months of the year when most players were recharging their batteries, Greg Kraft was in the gym at 5 a.m., driven by past failures to win a PGA Tour event that counted.

The reward for his hard work did not come Thursday in the Bob Hope Classic, where Kraft had a second straight round of 7-under 65 to take a 1-stroke lead after 36 holes.

The five-round tournament is ultimate birdiefest on the PGA Tour. Kraft only has to look back one year at David Duval's final-round 59 to realize this event, more than any, doesn't really start until Sunday.

Even a glance at the second round, again played on four calm, sun-baked desert courses, show how much work he has left.

Brent Geiberger had back-to-back eagles and birdied the last six holes for a 61, the lowest round of the tournament so far. That put him at 13-under, along with Rich Beem (63) and Andrew Magee (65).

Another stroke back was a group that included Barry Cheeseman, who had a 62.

"Anything in the mid-60s every day keeps you in contention," Magee said.

For now, that's enough to give Kraft another chance.

"I know 14-under is not going to win," he said. "I just have to keep making birdies ... and see how far I can go; wait until the last nine holes on Sunday and see if I'm still around, and what might happen."

Casey Martin might not be around to watch.

In his debut as the first cart-riding member of the PGA Tour, Martin struggled again with his putter and bombed his approach over a hospitality suite on the 18th hole of Bermuda Dunes. He managed only an even-par 71 and was 10 strokes back.

"If I can keep hitting it like this and make some putts, I can have a low round," Martin said. "I'm just not putting with a lot of confidence."

One thing he didn't have to worry about Thursday was any tension while playing with Richard Ferris, the chairman of the PGA Tour policy board who testified against Martin two years ago in his federal lawsuit over the right to ride a cart.

"I got a chance to know him and he's a very nice man," Martin said.

After the round, Martin had to call Ferris over to sign the card, and a television camera moved in to capture the scene. Martin discreetly moved to the left to block the camera, then rolled his eyes when more cameras moved in for the kill.

"Got to be sure to get this monumental moment," Martin said, as Ferris laughed.

First-round leader David Toms had one of those moments a professional dreads when one of his amateur partners told him, "Wish I could trade my par for your double."

Toms fell out of the lead with a double bogey on No. 13, but scratched out a 68 at Bermuda Dunes and was two strokes back, along with Bob Tway and J.L. Lewis.

Duval had a 67 at La Quinta and was at 9-under, along with Ryder Cup star Hal Sutton. Fred Couples, in his first tournament of the year, was another shot back.

Only 13 players remained over par through two rounds, including John Daly and 70-year-old Arnold Palmer, who has missed only one Hope Classic in its 41-year history.

The pros play with three amateurs for the next two days, then have the final round Sunday to themselves at Bermuda Dunes. By then, Kraft may still be around to get rid of the bitter taste from two close calls last year.

At Doral, he needed a par on the 18th hole to get into a playoff. He decided to attack the flag, chunked a 5-iron into the water and was lucky to make bogey for second place alone. Two months later, he had a three-stroke lead at the turn on Sunday until hitting a tree twice for double bogey and failing to give himself a birdie chance on the 18th for a playoff.

"In both events, I wasn't playing my best golf," he said.

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Saturday, Jan. 15
Jacksonville 62, Miami 7
Tampa Bay 14, Washington 13
Sunday, Jan. 16
St. Louis 49, Minnesota 37
Tennessee 19, Indianapolis 16
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Conference Championships
Sunday, Jan. 23
Tennessee at Jacksonville, 11:35 a.m. (CBS)
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Sunday, Jan. 30
at Atlanta, 5:25 p.m. (ABC)
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Sunday, Feb. 6
at Honolulu, 4:30 p.m. (ABC)

TOP 25 - MEN

The top 25 teams in The Associated Press' men's college basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses and records through Jan. 16:

	Record
1. Cincinnati (61)	16-1
2. Arizona (4)	15-2
3. Stanford (1)	14-1
4. Auburn (3)	15-1
5. Duke	13-2
6. Syracuse (1)	14-0
7. Kansas	14-2
8. Connecticut	12-3
9. Florida	13-2
10. Michigan St.	12-4
11. Indiana	13-2
12. Oklahoma St.	13-1
13. Ohio St.	11-3
14. Texas	11-4
15. Tulsa	16-1
16. Tennessee	15-2
17. Oklahoma	14-2
18. Kentucky	11-5
19. St. John's	12-2
20. Vanderbilt	12-2
21. North Carolina	11-6
22. Utah	13-3
23. DePaul	12-4
24. Maryland	11-5
25. UCLA	10-4

TOP 25 - WOMEN

The top 25 teams in The Associated Press' women's college basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses and records through Jan. 16:

	Record
1. Connecticut (45)	14-0
2. Tennessee	13-2
3. Louisiana Tech	11-2
4. Penn St.	15-2
5. Notre Dame	13-2
6. N.C. State	14-1
7. Georgia	16-2
8. Iowa St.	12-2
9. Duke	16-1
10. Auburn	14-2
11. Rutgers	11-3
12. UCLA	9-4
13. Illinois	14-5
14. LSU	12-3
15. Texas Tech	13-2
16. Arizona	14-2
17. UC Santa Barbara	13-3
18. Old Dominion	11-3
19. Purdue	10-5
20. Boston College	15-3
21. Tulane	14-2
22. Mississippi St.	12-2
23. Kansas	11-4
24. George Washington	13-2
25. Oklahoma	13-3

JUCO - MEN

The top 20 teams in the National Junior College Athletic Association Division I men's basketball poll with first-place votes in parentheses and records through Jan. 18:

	Record
1. Barton County, Kan. (14)	19-0
2. SW Missouri State (1)	19-1
3. Indian Hills, Iowa (1)	18-2
4. Arizona Western	17-2
5. Vincennes, Ind.	14-1
6. Shelby, Tenn.	17-2
7. Okaloosa Walton, Fla.	17-2
8. Copiah-Lincoln, Miss.	15-2
9. Allegany, Md.	17-1
10. Dodge City, Kan.	18-1
11. Tallahassee, Fla.	18-2
12. Bacone, Okla.	17-2
13. San Jacinto, Texas	16-2
14. Salt Lake, Utah	16-2
15. Pasco-Hernando, Fla.	18-1
16. Champlain, Vt.	13-1
17. Sheridan, Wyo.	17-1
18. Three Rivers, Mo.	17-1
19. Southern Union, Ala.	12-1
20. Southeastern, Iowa	19-3

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New Jersey	16	23	.410	9
Orlando	16	24	.400	9 1/2
Washington	12	28	.300	13 1/2
Central Division				
Indiana	26	12	.684	—
Charlotte	21	17	.553	5
Detroit	21	17	.553	5
Milwaukee	22	19	.537	5 1/2
Toronto	20	19	.513	6 1/2
Cleveland	16	23	.410	10 1/2
Atlanta	13	24	.351	12 1/2
Chicago	6	30	.167	19
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Midwest Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Utah	25	12	.676	—
San Antonio	25	15	.625	1 1/2
Minnesota	20	16	.556	4 1/2
Denver	17	20	.459	8
Houston	15	24	.385	11
Dallas	13	25	.342	12 1/2
Vancouver	10	28	.263	15 1/2
Pacific Division				
L.A. Lakers	33	7	.825	—
Portland	29	10	.744	3 1/2
Sacramento	25	12	.676	6 1/2
Seattle	27	13	.675	6
Phoenix	21	15	.583	10
L.A. Clippers	10	28	.263	22
Golden State	7	30	.189	24 1/2

Thursday's Games
New Jersey 122, Detroit 120
Charlotte 109, Philadelphia 100
Seattle 104, Milwaukee 96
Houston 122, Denver 115
Utah 94, Vancouver 89
Sacramento 111, Orlando 103

Today's Games
Seattle at Boston, 6 p.m.
Indiana at Washington, 6 p.m.
Atlanta vs. Miami, 7 p.m.
Phoenix at Denver, 8 p.m.
Minnesota at L.A. Clippers, 9:30 p.m.
Cleveland at Golden State, 9:30 p.m.

Saturday's Games
Dallas at New Jersey, Noon
Orlando at Vancouver, 2 p.m.
Utah at Sacramento, 5 p.m.
New York at San Antonio, 5 p.m.
Washington at Atlanta, 6:30 p.m.
Boston at Charlotte, 6:30 p.m.
Indiana at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.
Detroit at Chicago, 7:30 p.m.
Portland at L.A. Lakers, 7:30 p.m.
Cleveland at Phoenix, 8 p.m.

Sunday's Games
Seattle at Toronto, Noon
Dallas at Detroit, 6 p.m.
Miami at Houston, 7:30 p.m.
Minnesota at Golden State, 8 p.m.
Orlando at L.A. Clippers, 9:30 p.m.

JUCO - WOMEN

The top 25 teams in the National Junior College Athletic Association women's basketball poll and records through Jan. 18:

	Record
1. Seward County, Kan.	18-0
2. Grayson County, Texas	18-0
3. N.E. Oklahoma A&M	16-0
4. Central Florida	21-2
5. Gulf Coast, Fla.	14-2
6. Central Arizona	17-0
7. Tyler, Texas	17-1
8. Utah Valley State	16-2
9. Weatherford, Texas	16-1
10. Cowley County, Kan.	16-1
11. Copiah-Lincoln, Miss.	15-2
12. State Fair, Mo.	18-0
13. Trinity Valley, Texas	12-4
14. Southwestern Illinois	13-1
15. Daytona Beach, Fla.	21-2
16. Barton County, Kan.	16-2
17. Seminole, Fla.	20-3
18. Snow, Utah	15-4
19. Midland, Texas	13-5
20. Otero, Colo.	16-2
21. Jones, Miss.	15-2
22. John A. Logan, Ill.	16-2
23. Ricks, Idaho	15-3
24. Bacone, Okla.	12-2
25. Jefferson, Mo.	15-2

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
American League
ANAHEIM ANGELS—Named Zeke Zimmerman pitching coach for Boise of the Northwest League. Named Don Wakamatsu manager for Erie of the Eastern League.
TAMPA BAY DEVIL RAYS—Agreed to terms with RHP Terry Mathews on a minor league contract.
National League
ATLANTA BRAVES—Agreed to terms with OF Trenidad Hubbard on a minor league contract.
CINCINNATI REDS—Agreed to terms with OF Deion Sanders, RHP Mark Portugal and RHP Johnny Ruffin on minor league contracts.
BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association
CHICAGO BULLS—Signed G Chris Carr to a 10-day contract. Released G Dedric Willoughby.
FOOTBALL
National Football League
NFL—Fined Minnesota Vikings WR Randy Moss $40,000 for squirting water at an official during the playoff game against St. Louis on Jan. 16.
MINNESOTA VIKINGS—Announced the resignation of Bernal Buhler, director of corporate sponsorships.
SEATTLE SEAHAWKS—Named Gil Haskell offensive coordinator.
GOLF
PGA TOUR—Named James Cramer manager of communications and media operations.
HOCKEY
National Hockey League
DALLAS STARS—Placed C Joe Nieuwendyk on injured reserve. Recalled C Derek Plante from Michigan of the IHL.
NASHVILLE PREDATORS—Claimed F Niklas Andersson off waivers from the New York Islanders.
TAMPA BAY LIGHTING—Assigned RW Dale Rominski to Detroit of the IHL.
WASHINGTON CAPITALS—Claimed LW Jim McKenzie off waivers from the Anaheim Mighty Ducks.
COLLEGE
LINDSEY WILSON—Named Willis Pooler women's soccer coach.
STONY BROOK—Announced the resignation of Teri Tiso, women's volleyball coach.

NHL

Thursday's Games
N.Y. Rangers 4, Carolina 1
Ottawa 1, Philadelphia 1, tie
Boston 4, Tampa Bay 2
Phoenix 2, Buffalo 1
Dallas 5, Los Angeles 2

Today's Games
N.Y. Islanders at N. Jersey, 6:30 p.m.
Florida at Atlanta, 6:30 p.m.
St. Louis at Chicago, 7 p.m.
Nashville at Calgary, 8 p.m.
Colorado at Anaheim, 9:30 p.m.

Saturday's Games
Buffalo at Carolina, 12:30 p.m.
Washington at Toronto, 6 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Montreal, 6 p.m.
Detroit at Ottawa, 6 p.m.
Tampa Bay at N.Y. Islanders, 6 p.m.
Boston at Florida, 6:30 p.m.
N.Y. Rangers at St. Louis, 7 p.m.
Vancouver at Edmonton, 8 p.m.
Anaheim at San Jose, 9:30 p.m.

Sunday's Games
Colorado at Los Angeles, 3 p.m.
Philadelphia at Pittsburgh, 7 p.m.
Dallas at Chicago, 7 p.m.
San Jose at Phoenix, 7 p.m.
Nashville at Vancouver, 9 p.m.

MEN'S SCORES

EAST
Dayton 57, Massachusetts 52
Temple 44, Penn 40
Villanova 66, Providence 57

SOUTH
Louisiana Tech 88, Ark.-Little Rock 69
La. Monroe 77, SW Texas 68
Louisville 72, DePaul 59
Murray St. 84, E. Kentucky 77
Tennessee Tech 88, Tennessee St. 70

MIDWEST
Ohio St. 78, Michigan St. 67
Youngstown St. 66, UMKC 61, OT

SOUTHWEST
Fresno St. 101, TCU 96
Hawaii 68, Rice 65
Lamar 61, SE Louisiana 55
SMU 104, UTEP 87
Tulsa 67, San Jose St. 41

FAR WEST
Air Force 81, San Diego St. 77, 3OT
Arizona 76, UCLA 61
BYU 87, Wyoming 78
Long Beach St. 78, New Mexico St. 66
Oregon 76, Washington 74, OT
Oregon St. 77, Washington St. 73
Pacific 77, North Texas 65
Southern Cal 95, Arizona St. 92, OT

TABC POLL

The weekly high school basketball poll as compiled by the Texas Association of Basketball Coaches. Records are through Jan. 15.

GIRLS
Class 5A
1. Copperas Cove (19-1)
2. Alief Hastings (26-1)
3. Mansfield (23-2)
4. Lubbock Coronado (20-3)
5. Corpus Christi Carroll (24-0)
6. Flower Mound Marcus (20-5)
7. League City Clear Creek (22-3)
8. Plano East (21-2)
9. Georgetown (19-5)
10. DeSoto (21-4)

Class 4A
1. Granbury (23-4)
2. Canyon (21-2)
3. Canyon Randall (16-6)
4. Plainview (21-2)
5. Waxahachie (22-3)
6. Amarillo Palo Duro (22-3)
7. Little Cypress-Mauriceville (21-1)
8. Bay City (17-0)
9. Palestine (22-2)
10. Conroe Oak Ridge (22-5)

Class 3A
1. Winnsboro (27-1)
2. Shallowater (19-2)
3. Seminole (17-2)
4. Canton (25-2)
5. Crandall (19-5)
6. Smithville (21-4)
7. Quinlan Ford (23-1)
8. Bowie (17-5)
9. Mont Belvieu Barbers Hill (16-7)
10. Lufkin Hudson (20-4)

Class 2A
1. Hughes Springs (19-2)
2. Crawford (22-3)
3. Farwell (17-4)
4. Port Aransas (21-2)
5. Honey Grove (23-1)
6. Boyd (19-2)
7. Kerens (19-1)
8. Godley (18-3)
9. Woden (18-4)
10. Ozona (20-2)

Class A
1. Valley View (23-1)
2. Sudan (19-1)
3. Nazareth (20-4)
4. **Gail Borden County (18-3)**
5. Vega (11-9)
6. Moulton (22-2)
7. Karnack (19-2)
8. Huckabay (20-2)
9. Tenaha (17-1)
10. Windthorst (19-2)

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BOYS
Class 5A
1. Fort Bend Willowridge (21-1)
2. The Colony (22-0)
3. San Antonio Jay (22-2)
4. Alief Elsik (19-4)
5. Mansfield (19-4)
6. Corpus Christi Miller (19-3)
7. Duncanville (18-5)
8. Galena Park North Shore (20-5)
9. Alief Hastings (21-3)
10. Humble (18-5)

Class 4A
1. Port Arthur Lincoln (18-2)
2. North Crowley (19-2)
3. Canyon Randall (19-2)
4. Austin LBJ (19-3)
5. Dallas Lincoln (21-3)
6. Dallas Madison (19-2)
7. Cedar Hill (20-4)
8. Texas City (19-1)
9. Weatherford (17-4)
10. Palestine (18-4)

Class 3A
1. Glen Rose (20-1)
2. Waco LaVega (21-2)
3. Seminole (19-5)
4. Burna (18-5)
5. Gainesville (16-7)
6. Hitchcock (18-7)
7. Canton (22-2)
8. Mexia (15-4)
9. Henrie (18-3)
10. Taylor (19-3)

Class 2A
1. Nacogdoches Central Heights (18-4)
2. Van Vleck (16-4)
3. Krum (19-4)
4. Pearsall (18-4)
5. Port Aransas (22-2)
6. Bogata Rivercrest (22-1)
7. Woden (19-2)
8. Big Lake Reagan County (18-5)
9. Hale Center (15-4)
10. Hutto (21-2)

Class A
1. Moulton (21-2)
2. Sudan (19-1)
3. Lanesville (18-3)
4. **Borden County (18-3)**
5. Meadow (20-1)
6. Henrietta Midway (20-1)
7. Kennard (19-3)
8. Ira (20-2)
9. Calvert (16-3)
10. Lorenzo (16-7)

Rams have a defense too; plan to prove it to Bucs

ST. LOUIS (AP) — The St. Louis Rams have a defense, too.

Maybe it doesn't measure up to the team's overpowering offense. Or even to Tampa Bay's rugged defensive unit, led by NFL Defensive Player of the Year Warren Sapp.

It does, however, deserve some credit, even if it tends to get ignored.

"With an offense like ours, it's understandable if people forget about our defense," middle linebacker London Fletcher said as his team prepared for Sunday's NFC championship game with the Buccaneers. "Hey, offense draws everyone's attention, especially one that scores the way our offense scores.

"But we've got some playmakers on our defense, and we've done our share of good things."

—Such as score seven times on interceptions returns, led by outside linebacker Mike Jones and end Grant Wistrom with two apiece.

Such as get a league-high 17 sacks from All-Pro end Kevin Carter. In all, the Rams had 57 sacks, most in the conference and tied with Jacksonville for the NFL lead.

—Such as rank first against the run, yielding only 74.3 yards a game. No runner got 100 yards on the ground against them.

It will be the chore of Warrick Dunn and Mike Alstott to break that streak. If they can't get something going on the ground, the Bucs could be in trouble with a rookie quarterback in Shaun King and a so-so group of receivers.

NFC PREVIEW

Tampa Bay's offense has been good at making even mediocre defenses such as Washington's look intimidating. The 'Skins shut out the Bucs deep into the third quarter last weekend before Tampa rallied, sparked by All-Pro safety John Lynch's interception.

This is no mediocre average defense the Bucs will face, however. Like the St. Louis offense, it is aggressive and fast.

"They make plays," Dunn said, "and when you make mistakes they take advantage of it."

Added Bucs coach Tony Dungy, considered a defensive mastermind:

"The thing people do not talk that much about is they have been playing great defense and their special teams and defense are creating field position. This is a well-rounded team."

The Bucs have three All-Pros on their defense in Sapp, Lynch and outside linebacker Derrick Brooks.

Carter is the only one for the Rams, but they have several topnotch defenders.

Fletcher, the Rams' leading tackler, is extremely active and gets to the sidelines quickly. Jones is a ball hawk. Todd Lyght has had a strong season at cornerback. D'Marco Farr is a run-stopper at tackle who also can penetrate the passing pocket. Wistrom, who faces backup tackle Pete Piersen, has come on all season and was the Rams' best defensive lineman against the Vikings in last Sunday's victory.

"A lot of people talk about Tampa Bay and all its Pro Bowl players and that is a great defense," Lyght said. "We feel we are an elite defense, too."

Lyght emphasizes the collective skills of the unit. It might not have a Sapp or Brooks or Lynch, but it has lots of talent.

"This team is bigger than one individual," he said. "We're a team. We like each other and play for each other.

"With the way the league is and free agency, it's difficult to remain a cohesive unit, but this team has found that."

Can the Bucs find enough holes in the St. Louis defense to control the ball and keep that scintillating Rams attack off the field?

"We are not coming to be a foil for an unstoppable team," Dungy said.

HAWKS

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"You expect some drop off when you don't have your top nine or 10 players on the floor," Collins acknowledged, "but I wanted to give all of our kids some playing time. They deserve it, because they work just as hard every day during workouts as everyone else."

Still, Collins stressed that his team should never have seen NMJC pull to within 25 points in the second half.

"That's been a concern all season ... we just haven't played as well in the second half of games as we have in the first, and that could be disastrous," he noted. "We should have beaten these people 30 or 40 points and didn't because we didn't keep our intensity."

Howard did, however, manage to put five players in double figures. Franklin leading the way with 14 points. Martin added 13 for the Hawks, while Ceasar and freshman post Kresimir Tomorad had 12 apiece. Tsimpliaridis finished the game with 10.

New Mexico, on the other hand, got 19 game-high points from Harley and 12 more from post James Felder, as they remained in the WJCAC cellar with an 0-4 conference slate and a 6-13 record overall.

The Hawks, who currently stand third in the WJCAC standings one game behind co-leaders Midland and South Plains, travel to Odessa for an 8 p.m. Monday tip with Odessa College's Wranglers.

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HAWKS 78, NMJC 63

NMJC — Chris Ford 0 1 0-0 3, Tony Slater 1 0 0-0 2, Ryan Chancler 0 1 0-0 3, Kemar Burrowes 2 0 2-2 6, Don Fleming 1 0 4-6 6, Anthony Harley 1 5 2-2 19, Vincent Richardson 4 0 0-0 8, Anthony Moncrieft 0 0 0-0 0, Matt Boling 2 0 0-0 4, Jason Stephens 0 0 0-0 0, James Felder 5 0 2-3 12. Totals 16 7 10-13 63.

HOWARD — Derrick Franklin 5 1 1-2 14, Justin Rhodes 0 1 2-2 5, Terrence Radford 0 0 0-0 0, Chris McKelvey 1 0 1-2 3, Vasilis Tsimpliaridis 2 2 0-0 10, Anthony Thorton 0 0 0-0 0, Darryl Martin 6 0 1-2 13, Winston Brooks 0 0 2-2 2, Doug Whittler 3 0 1-4 7, Donald Ceasar 6 0 0-3 12, Kresimir Tomorad 6 0 0-0 12. Totals 29 4 8-17 78.

Halftime score: Howard 44, NMJC 19.
Three-point goals: NMJC 7 (Ford, Chancler, Harley 5); Howard 4 (Franklin, Rhodes, Tsimpliaridis 2). **Total fouls:** NMJC 16, Howard 12. **Fouled out:** Fleming. **Technical fouls:** None. **Records:** NMJC 6-13, 0-4; Howard 11-8, 3-1.

TEAMS

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key play in the playoff win over Indianapolis. "The organization was in disarray. It wasn't easy for us to get organized and it wasn't easy to win."

Best of all, they got Jevon Kearse — "the Freak" — with the 16th overall pick in the draft. He had 14.5 sacks, forced 10 fumbles and allowed the Titans to play the conservative style preferred by coach Jeff Fisher — running, defense and field position.

Still, the Jaguars seem confident.

"We have every psychological edge except one — that they beat us twice," Jaguars coach Tom Coughlin said.

"But we have the big one — we're at home."

WJCAC STANDINGS

WOMEN

	Conf. W	Conf. L	Season W	Season L
Howard College	**4**	**0**	**16**	**4**
Midland College	3	1	15	5
Odessa College	3	1	13	7
New Mexico JC	2	2	7	10
South Plains	2	2	10	9
Clarendon	1	3	7	9
Frank Phillips	1	3	7	10
Western Texas	0	4	2	17

Thursday's Results
Howard 92, New Mexico JC 46; Midland 110, Clarendon 43; Odessa 71, Frank Phillips 57, South Plains 98, Western Texas 47.
Monday's Games
Howard at Odessa, Midland at South Plains, Western Texas at New Mexico Junior College, Frank Phillips at Clarendon.

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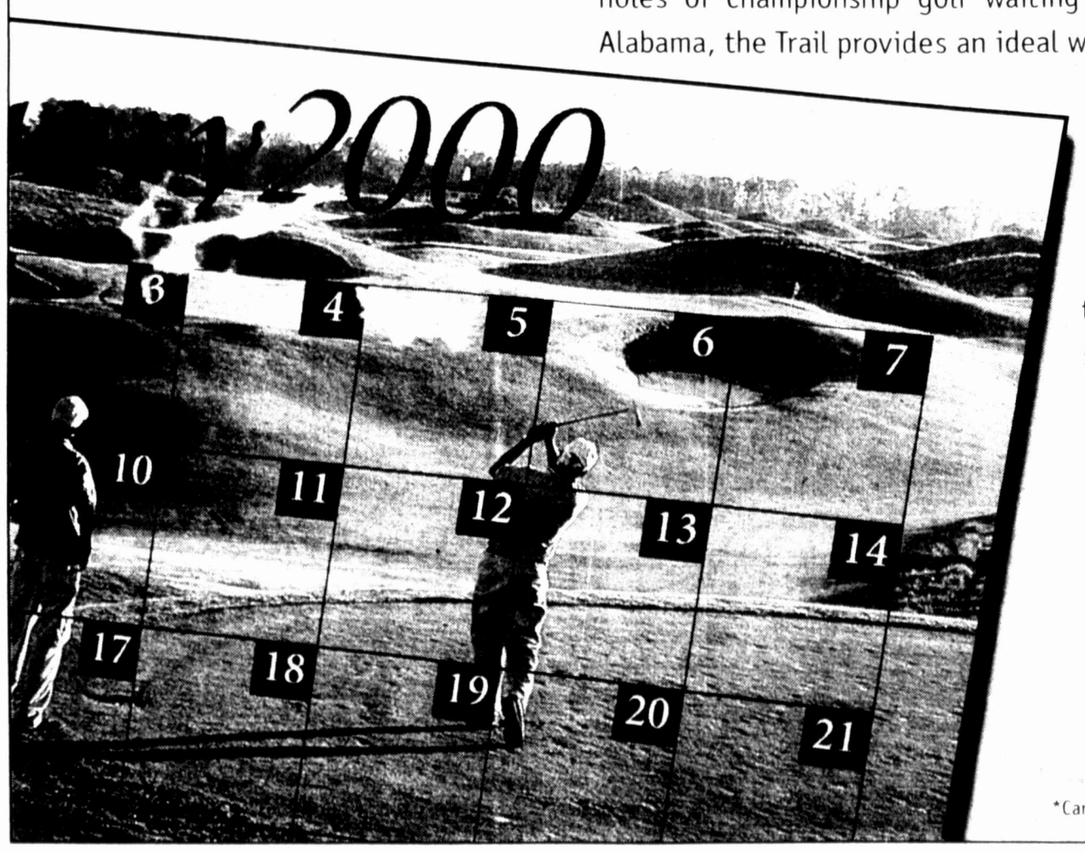
MEN

	Conf. W	Conf. L	Season W	Season L
Midland	4	0	17	3
South Plains	4	0	10	9
Howard	**3**	**1**	**11**	**8**
NMMI	1	3	10	8
Clarendon	1	3	9	8
Frank Phillips	1	3	5	11
Odessa	1	3	5	14
New Mexico JC	0	4	6	13

Thursday's Results
Howard 78, New Mexico JC 63; Midland 106, Clarendon 71; Odessa 102, Frank Phillips 92 OT; South Plains 82, New Mexico Military 71.
Monday's Games
Howard at Odessa, Midland at South Plains, New Mexico Military at New Mexico JC, Frank Phillips at Clarendon.

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No more Bud Lite: Commish has power

PHOENIX (AP) — Bud Selig was given a huge bat by baseball owners — unprecedented power that might be enough to win the salary cap many teams want.

Or, if he wants to avoid another labor war, he'll have the power to negotiate an extension of baseball's collective bargaining agreement.

"The developments of the last two days in any historical context are staggering, inconceivable 10 or 12 years ago," Selig said Thursday after a meeting that reversed years of erosion of the commissioner's authority. "I don't think people understand the significance of what's happened here in the last 24 hours."

Owners voted Thursday to give all their Internet rights — including radio broadcasts and video when technology becomes available — to the commissioner's office.

A day earlier, they gave Selig power "without limitation" to ensure "there is an appropriate level of long-term competitive balance among the clubs" and told him to use it.

He can override all of baseball's rules — even blocking trades — and attempt to impose a salary cap if he thinks bargaining with players after the 2001 season has reached an impasse.

"It will strengthen the position of major league baseball," Houston Astros owner Drayton McLane said. "He's had best-interests power over the integrity of the game. Now he has best-interests power over the economics of the game."

Baseball, which has had eight work stoppages since 1972, is still recovering from the last one, a 232-day strike in 1994-95 that wiped out the World Series for the first time in 90 years.

The sport's labor contract runs through this season, but the players association is expected to exercise its right to a one-year extension.

Then, barring an extension, it's back to the bargaining table, and many teams want a salary cap that will allow them to compete with the large markets. While the New York Yankees had baseball's highest payroll last year — $92 million — Florida spent less than one-sixth of that, $15.15 million.

Under the current contract, approval of the players association is needed for any revenue-sharing changes, one of the reasons large-market teams didn't object to Selig's new power, several high-level baseball and team officials said on the condition they not be identified.

They think the union wouldn't approve radical change because it would take money away from baseball's biggest spenders, who raise the top salaries, the officials said.

Selig has also gained the power to ignore the ownership hawks who want a salary cap at all costs. He could negotiate the best extension he can get with the union and say it's in baseball's best interests to avoid another work stoppage. Another change made this week requires each team to act in the "best interests" of the sport.

Union head Donald Fehr wouldn't comment extensively on Selig's increased power, other than to say the players association has a duty to ensure that "the collective-bargaining process and our agreements are adhered to."

Selig, while not saying what he would do, agreed with commissioner Bowie Kuhn's June 1976 decision to stop Oakland owner Charlie Finley from selling pitcher Rollie Fingers and outfielder Joe Rudi to Boston for $2 million and pitcher Vida Blue to the Yankees for $1.5 million.

"In his mind, at that time, he was protecting the best interests of the game," Selig said. "In the end, I was supportive of Bowie's decision."

Selig said he would await the report of baseball's latest economic study committee before using his new power.

"I will do it very judiciously, but I will do it with great determination," he said.

With the elimination of the league offices, baseball's staff, including umpires, will be centralized under Selig.

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GARAGE SALES

❑ 3 Family yard sale. 400 Washington Blvd. Children's bedroom furniture, glasses, books, toys, gas grill, household goods, linens, curtains, kitchen items, records, CDs, lots of stuff. Sat. Jan. 22nd 8-1. CANCELLED

❑ Back yard Sale, 2610 Albrook. Organ, baby items, shower doors, clothes,computer, Misc., Fri & Sat 8-12.

❑ Garage Sale: 2502 Carol. Saturday 8am - 12-noon. Stuff, Stuff and more stuff.

❑ Garage Sale: Sat. only 7:30-12. Couch, recliner, bikes, power rider, sega, nintendo & games, misc. 2516 Central.

GARAGE SALES

❑ PJ'S Resale Shop: 2210 Main. Fri. & Sat. 10-5. Dining table, queen size mattress & springs, TV, recliners, lot's of misc.

❑ Rummage Sale, Sat. 8-?. Collectables, toys, baby clothes, misc. College Park Church of God, behind College Park, 603 Tulane.

❑ Sale: 701 Settles. Sat. & Sun. Baby items, folding doors, baby bed, lot's of misc.

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FOR LEASE: building on Snyder Highway. Approx. 1800 square feet with office on 1 acre. $250 per month 100 deposit. Call Westex Auto Parts 263-5000.

CEMETERY LOTS FOR SALE

Two lots in Trinity Memorial Park - Olivett. (North side) Valued @ $1900 will take $1150. 806-537-5246

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2 or 3 bedroom homes. Owner Financing Provided. Low monthly payments. Use Your Income Tax. Call Kelly 425-9994.

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For Sale By Owner: 3 bdr. 2 bth. 2 car garage, carport, fireplace, & more. 505 Highland Drive. Call Tom @ 263-3916, office 263-2300.

For Sale By Owner 3 Br - 2 bath home in Kentwood. 2100 Merrily Assumable loan at 7% Call 263-4922

FOR SALE BY OWNER Owner Financing Provided
Very nice clean 2 bdr. 1 bth. great neighborhood. 1610 Bluebird. Call Kelly 425-9994

Payments less than rent on this nice brick 3/1, home on corner lot, warm and inviting kitchen with custom oak cabinets. Call Janet at 267-4147 or Home Realtors 263-1284.

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Boosie Weaver Real Estate 267-8840

LOTS FOR SALE

3 lots, small trailer house. 1 1/2 lots in fence. Ideal for trialer home. $5000. Call 915-697-6003.

MOBILE HOMES

2 bdr. 2 full bath Mobile Home partially furnished on Gail Hwy. Well water furnished. No Pets. $300/mn. $ 100/dep. Call 267-2889.

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Repo for sale. 3 Bedroom 2 baths. Great shape. Call Dimas Avalos (915)363-0811.

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FURNISHED APTS.

Apartments, Unfurnished houses, Mobile Home. References required. Call 263-6944, 263-2341.

Clean, attractive, large, 1 Br apt. 11th Pl. shopping area. CH/A. 1104 11th Pl. w/covered parking. No bills paid, no pets. $275/mo + dep. Call 267-7628.

Large 1 Br, fully furnished. Bills paid. $240/mo. ! block East of HEB. 264-0510.

OFFICE SPACE

OFFICE SPACE--FOR RENT
4 rooms & bath, 900 sq.ft., water paid, CH/A. Nice building, 307 Union, next door to Downtown Car Wash 1301 E. 4th. Head in parking. Call for info., Bill Chrane, 263-4011 - Chuck Chrane 263-0844. 1 year lease required.

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UNFURNISHED HOUSES

2 bedroom, 11/2 bath, 304 E. 5th. No pets. Call 267-3841 or 270-7309.

UNFURNISHED HOUSES

1 br. 1 bath, 1102 Sycamore. No Pets ! ! Call 267-3841 or 270-7309.

1 Br, range & refrigerator, shower, **East 12th**, HUD OK.
3 Br home, HUD OK, **Robin St.**
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2 bdr mobile home 1407 B Mesquite $265/mn. $150/dep. Also: 2 bdr. mobile 1410 rear Harding $265/mn. $150/dep. water paid. Call 267-6667.

2 Bedroom, 1 bath. 105 E.17th. Call 267-3841 or 270-7309.

2 Br, gas fireplace, fenced. $300/mo., $175/dep. Call 267-7666.

2507 Albrook 3/1 $450
1115 Lloyd 3/1 $395
1804 B State 1/1 $175
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(915) 520-7577

3 bdr. 1 1/2 bath, fenced, C/H/A. 4220 Hamilton. $450/mon. 1 yr lease. Owner/Broker. 263-6514

3 Br, 1 1/2 bath, 42[illegible] Call 267-3841 or 270-7309.
RENTED

3 Bedroom, 1 bath. 1602 E.5th. Call 267-3841 or 270-7309.

3/2 207 Jefferson newly remodeled $625/mn + dep.
1 bdr. apt. stove & refrigerator 407 1/2 E. 8th. $225/mn. Call 267-2296

406 E. 10th
2 bdr. C/H/A. $350 mn. Call 263-5818.

Attractive, clean 3Br, 2bth, CH/A, carpet. $400/mo. No bills paid, no pets. References. 1702 Laurie (off Parkway). Call 267-7628.

For Lease: 2809 Lawrence, brick 3/2 w/garage & large carport, fenced yard. $350/dep., $650/mo. for local info. 267-5967 or 830-899-5560. OPEN HOUSE 10-4, JAN. 22 &23.

For Lease or Sale by owner. 1413 Sycamore. 2 bdr. C/H/A, large back yard. $300/mn. or $2000 minimum down $350/mn. to buy. 915-695-6100.

FOR RENT
2111 Runnels 3 bdr. 1 bth. HUD ok!
205 E. 22nd (upstairs) utilities pd. $100/dep. $250/mn. . 915-363-8243.

For rent. Newly remodeled 1 bdr. stove furn., all utilites paid. $375/mn. + dep. Call 263-6678.

FOR RENT: Nice farm house. 2 mi. North Coahoma. 3 br. 1 bth. new paint, carpet. Garage, free water. $300/mo. 394-4284

One two bdr. & 1 three bdr. Stove & ref. furn., Call 264-0793 or 270-2405 after 4 pm.

Two nice houses -2 bdr. each. No Pets. Ref. required. For further information. Call 263-7854.

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THE HOWARD COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE WILL ACCEPT APPLICATIONS FOR PART-TIME JAILERS, FROM JANUARY 15 THRU JANUARY 31, 2000. APPLICATIONS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE, 1ST FLOOR OF THE COURTHOUSE, MONDAY THRU FRIDAY, 8:00 A.M. TO 5:00 P.M.
Howard County is an equal opportunity employer.
2580 January 14; 16 & 21, 2000

PUBLIC NOTICE

THE PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF BIG SPRING, TEXAS, WILL HOLD A MEETING ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2000 AT 5:30 PM, IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS 307 EAST 4TH (HANDICAPPED ACCESS AVAILABLE), BIG SPRING, TEXAS TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING REQUEST FOR A REZONE
The City of Big Spring is requesting a zone change from Office (O) to Light Commercial (LC) of Lot 1 Block 1, Spring Creek Subdivision, location of Schlotzsky's Deli, 1513 E FM 700, Big Spring, Texas
2589 January 21 & 23, 2000

PUBLIC NOTICE

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BIG SPRING, TEXAS AMENDING CHAPTER 18, ARTICLE 3, SECTION 18-74, SUBSECTION (P) (1) DESIGNATING THE MAXIMUM SPEED LIMIT AT 45 MILES PER HOUR; PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND FINDING AND DETERMINING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS ORDINANCE WAS DISCUSSED WAS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AS REQUIRED BY LAW
Tami Matthews
Assistant City Secretary
2586 JANUARY 21 & 23, 2000

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF
DORIS ELIZABETH KNOCKE
Notice is hereby given that original Letters of Testamentary for the Estate of DORIS ELIZABETH KNOCKE were issued on January 18, 2000 in Cause No. 12,631 pending in the County Court of Howard County, Texas, to RICHARD LEE KNOCKE.
The residence of such RICHARD LEE KNOCKE is Big Spring, Texas, the post office address is 720 Colgate, Big Spring, Texas 79720.
All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and the manner prescribed by law.
DATED the 18th day of January, 2000.
RICHARD LEE KNOCKE
2585 January 21, 2000

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of JOY VINSON WEAVER, Deceased, were issued on December 13, 1999, in Cause No. P-12,568, pending in the County Court of Howard County, Texas, to James William Weaver.
The residence of the Independent Executor is 529 Methodist Encampment Road, KERR County, Texas; the post office addressed is
c/o **Lavern D. Harris, Attorney at Law, P.C.**
815 Jefferson Street, Suite C
Kerrville, Texas 78028-4558
All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.
DATED the 19 day of January, 2000.
Lavern D. Harris,
Attorney at Law, P.C.
815 Jefferson Street - Suite C
Kerrville, TX 78028
By: Lavern D. Harris
Attorney for the Estate
State Bar No. 09079000
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR SATURDAY, JAN. 22:

Go with the flow and take advantage of opportunities this year. Many possibilities are put on your plate. Pick and choose carefully. You have a naturally appealing manner; others gravitate toward you. Communication is pleasant, though at times the activi ty can be excessive. You might buy a new vehicle and spend more than you intended. You will love it, though! If you are single, romance surrounds you. You'll enjoy having so much of it in your life, but you could choose someone who disillusions you. Be s elective. If attached, you enter one of the most romantic years of your life. You see each other in a brand-new light. LEO adores you.

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
*****zest to your life as well as another's. Your laughter adds a lot to the moment. Make a long-distance call. Reach out for others. Invite a loved one to join you on a day trip and do some midwinter exploring. Tonight: Play the night away.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
*** Emphasis is on family and the pursuit of happiness. Be willing to share more of yourself. A partner or close relative adds his personal touch to your life. Making an extra effort counts for a lot, in your book. Let feelings flow. Tonight: Cozy at hom e.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
*****Reach out for friends. Make plans, but they don't have to be complicated. You love browsing and chatting together. Catch up on news, and bond your relationship even more deeply. You don't have to work for togetherness. Tonight: Out and about.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
****You tend to go to extremes, and right now you are in the mood to indulge and live life to its fullest. Spending can get out of whack. You seem willing to do more than your share to get where you need to be. Pace yourself. Tonight: Enjoy the moment.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
*****Invite others to join you, and take off for an escape. Whether you hop in the car or go to the movies, you'll recharge in a different environment. Another reaches out to you. Be responsive. Find out how life is treating someone close. Tonight: It i s your call.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
***Take the day off. Make time for an important partner in your life. In a quiet environment, you can relax together. You have a great time on your own as well! You can come up with many ways to amuse yourself, whether solo or with another. Tonight: Do your thing.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
*****Aim for what you want. Allow another to give you important feedback. Understanding is enhanced because of an important conversation. Naturally, you put your best foot forward. Another responds in Kind. Tonight: Make the most of the moment.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
*** Accept others' attention. You could be very busy taking care of everyone else. Responsibilities might feel heavy, but in many ways you enjoy making others happy. Consider a new exercise and health plan now that the holidays are over. Tonight: Bring o thers together.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
*****Your efforts gain another's appreciation, and you feel well-rewarded. Plan an outing doing something you both love. Indulge in a favorite pastime or a special hobby. You feel like a kid again when you're together. Enjoy the moment. Tonight: Share a dream.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
*****One-on-one relating brings a lot of happiness and caring. Build on what you have together. Family and home life bring rewards. Check out an investment or a piece of property. If single, you could be thinking about making a commitment. Tonight: Let it all hang out.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
***** Let others discuss what is on their minds. A whole new panorama spills out in front of you. You enjoy getting to know others in a new and vital light. Recharge your relationships by getting to know those close to you again. You feel renewed. Tonigh t: Out together, but it feels like a first date.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
*****You cannot seem to refrain from living the good life on your terms. Be careful with spending unless you have done some unusual planning. Everything is possible if you plan. Talk about goals with a dear friend whose judgment you respect. Tonight: Wha tever you do, make it easy!

BORN TODAY
Actress Linda Blair (1959), singer Steve Perry (1949), actor John Hurt (1940)

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Husband suffers double-dealing by wife who's cheated twice

DEAR ABBY: You have helped so many people, I hope you can help me. I have been married more than 20 years, and we have two lovely daughters. Everything was fine until my wife started to work as a secretary for a bank branch manager.



ABIGAIL VAN BUREN

When I found out they had been having an affair for nearly two years, it crushed me. I asked my wife if she wanted a divorce, and she said, "No." I didn't either for the sake of the children and, strange as it sounds, I still loved her.

She agreed to quit working there, and about the same time the branch manager got transferred to a branch in another city, so I thought everything was all right.

She then took a job as a secretary to an attorney in a law firm. I became suspicious when I would call her at the office at 2 or 3 in the afternoon and was told, "She and Mr. 'Jones' went to lunch and then to see a client to take a deposition."

A private detective discovered that the "deposition" was taking place in a motel! When I confronted her, she admitted that she and her boss were having an affair.

We saw a counselor and our pastor, but my wife insisted it was no big deal and everyone was doing it. She still doesn't want a divorce and assured me it was over as far as her cheating goes.

She now works in an office with only women, so I'm hopeful her cheating is a thing of the past.

Abby, how do I cope with the second infidelity, since it, too, lasted more than a year? I want to save our marriage because of the kids. I saw a psychiatrist, but he didn't help much. Any advice, Abby? I'm really hurting. — CAN'T FORGET IN THE MIDWEST

DEAR CAN'T FORGET: I respect you for wanting to save your marriage for the sake of the children, but one person can't do it alone. A successful marriage takes the effort of two people working together.

I also admire the fact that you sought professional help in order to put these traumas behind you. However, I am troubled by your wife's attempt to excuse her infidelity by claiming, "It's no big deal and everyone is doing it." That is far from the truth, and a lame excuse at best.

If the marriage is to be healed, your wife must agree to marriage counseling to work on the issues that caused the infidelities in the first place. You have done everything you can; now the ball is in her court.

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FRIDAY JAN. 21

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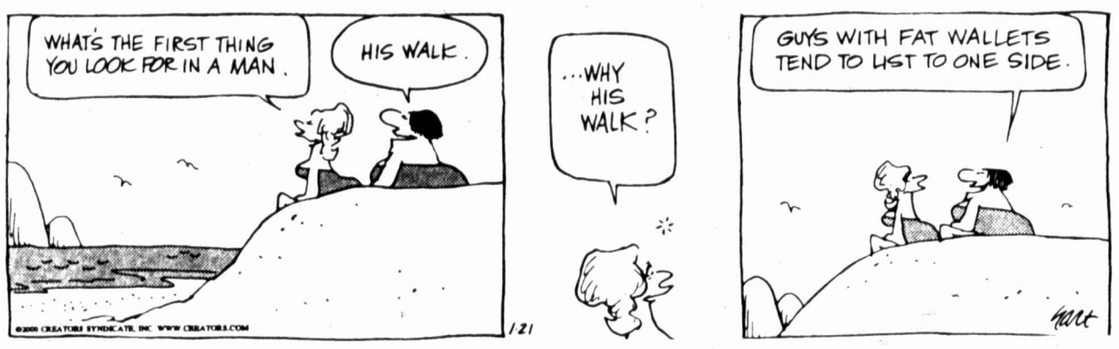
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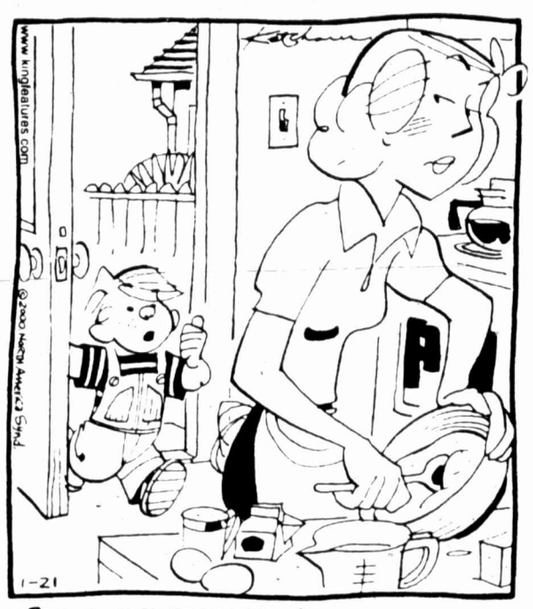


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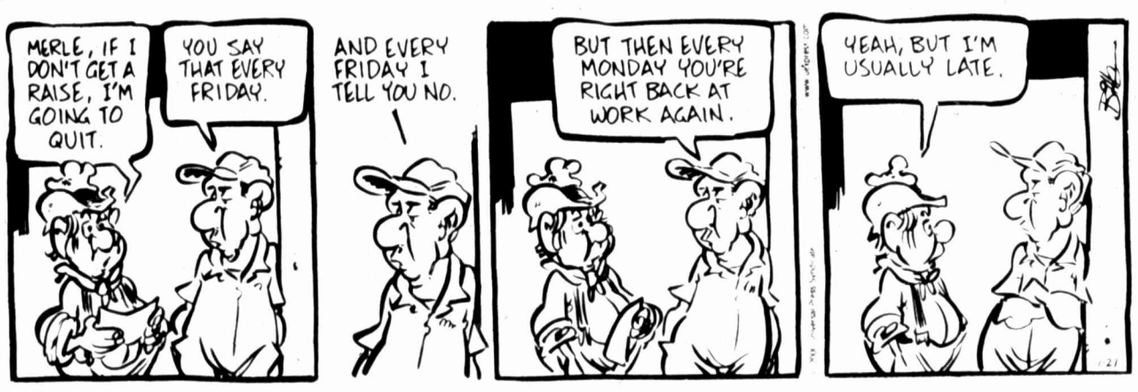
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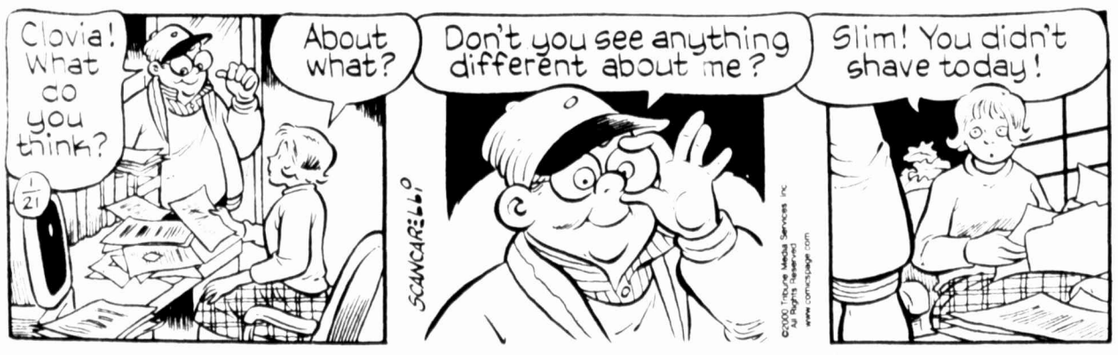
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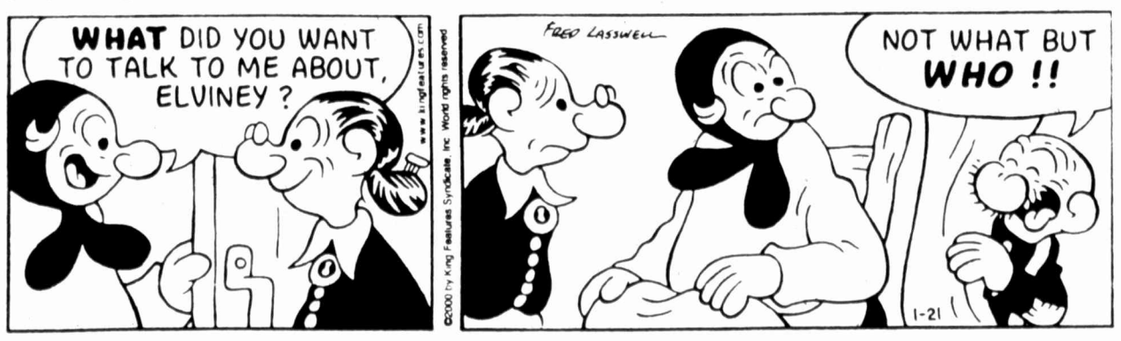
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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

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Today is Friday, Jan. 21, the 21st day of 2000. There are 345 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Jan. 21, 1950, former State Department official Alger Hiss, accused of being part of a Communist spy ring, was found guilty in New York of lying to a grand jury. Hiss, who always maintained his innocence, was sentenced to five years in prison; he served less than four.

On this date:

In 1793, during the French Revolution, King Louis XVI was sent to the guillotine for treason.

In 1861, Jefferson Davis of Mississippi and four other Southerners resigned from the U.S. Senate.

In 1915, the first Kiwanis Club was founded in Detroit.

In 1924, Russian revolutionary Vladimir Ilyich Lenin died at age 54.

In 1950, George Orwell, author of "1984" died in London.

In 1954, the first atomic submarine, the USS Nautilus, was launched at Groton, Conn.

In 1976, the supersonic Concorde jet was put into service by Britain and France.

In 1977, President Carter pardoned almost all Vietnam War draft evaders.

In 1997, Speaker Newt Gingrich was reprimanded and fined as the House voted for the first time in history to discipline its leader for ethical misconduct.

In 1998, President Clinton angrily denied reports of an affair with former White House intern Monica Lewinsky and that he had tried to get her to lie about it.

Ten years ago: In the Soviet republic of Azerbaijan, mutinous military cadets fired on troops patrolling the capital during a crackdown on a nationalist uprising.

Five years ago: President Clinton, addressing the Democratic National Committee, implored members to "bear down and go forward" despite results of the 1994 elections.

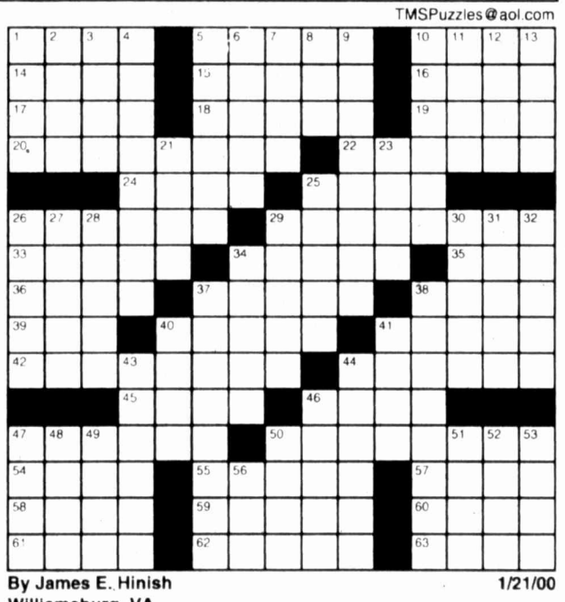
One year ago: Former Sen. Dale Bumpers, an Arkansas Democrat, told the Senate impeachment trial of Bill Clinton the president was guilty of a "terrible moral lapse" but not of conduct warranting or even permitting his removal from office. Raul Salinas de Gortari, brother of a former Mexican president, was convicted of masterminding the murder of rival Jose Francisco Ruiz Massieu and sentenced to 50 years.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Paul Scofield is 78. Actor Steve Reeves is 74. Actress Ann Wedgeworth is 65. Blues singer-musician Snooks Eaglin is 64. Golfer Jack Nicklaus is 60. Opera singer Placido Domingo is 59. Singer Richie Havens is 59. Singer Mac Davis is 58. Singer Edwin Starr is 58. Actress Jill Eikenberry is 53. Singer-songwriter Billy Ocean is 50. Actor Robby Benson is 44. Actress Geena Davis is 43. Actress Charlotte Ross is 32.

THE Daily Crossword

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ACROSS
1 Type of pear
5 Bigot
10 Wound crust
14 Austen novel
15 Smell
16 Model MacPherson
17 Track tipster
18 Soft palate
19 Garden bloom
20 Sixty-three gallons
22 Ho Chi Minh City, formerly
24 Equivocal humor
25 Wage-slave's refrain
26 Successor of Westmoreland
29 Auricula
33 Staffs
34 Whip wounds
35 Meadow
36 Headgear
37 Medieval capital of Flanders
38 Gloomy
39 __ Marie Saint
40 Jennifer or Meg
41 Skater Sonja
42 Menial worker
44 Piece of farm equipment
45 Lion's hairdo
46 Signal giver
47 Academic specialties
50 Frozen-meal pioneer
54 Wicked
55 Chicken caller
57 Tie tie
58 Shed
59 Durkheim or Zola
60 Swenson of "Benson"
61 Temple team
62 "Star Trek" co-star
63 Talon

DOWN
1 Henley or Daniel
2 Melville novel
3 Complacent
4 Dupes
5 Sanctuaries
6 Zones
7 Related
8 Flightless Australian bird
9 English seaport
10 Letter flourishes
11 Stop up
12 Furthermore
13 __ there, done that
21 Droning sounds
23 Ventilates
25 Actor Savalas
26 Was sore
27 Enthusiastic cheer
28 Mark sale prices
29 Abdomen
30 Antelope with twisted horns
31 Eagle's home
32 Gardener, at times
34 Writer Oscar
37 Jaws of death
38 Buck's hide
40 Ski tow
41 Listen to
43 Young salmon
44 English poet executed for treason
46 Puccini aria, "__ e mar"
47 Office note
48 Admit frankly
49 Jack's companion
50 Fedora feature
51 Sicilian resort
52 Hindu mystic
53 And others, in brief
56 French pal

Thursday's Puzzle Solved

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