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Small is focus for senate candidate Jones

Current Railroad Commissioner calls for smaller, smarter government

Elizabeth Ames Jones: Making bid for senate spot to be vacated by Kay Bailey Hutchison.

By Mella McEwen
Oil Editor

Small was the focus Thursday as Elizabeth Ames Jones announced her candidacy for the U.S. Senate.

In Midland on Thursday as part of her "whistle-stop tour" of Texas following her announcement, Jones said she decided to seek the seat being vacated by Kay Bailey Hutchison because "the way the government has been doing things isn't working."

"Because my new vision, vigor and energy is desperately needed to limit government to its basic responsibilities, and then make it get out of the way so people and small businesses can innovate and create the jobs America so desperately needs," she said.

It's time, said Jones, currently a railroad commissioner, "to think small and smart. Smaller government that doesn't crush small businesses with small-minded policies that only an old Soviet central planner could love. As Texas' next U.S. senator, I will stand up for small businesses. I will fight against burdensome regulations. I will demand we repeal Obamacare and the small businesses-killing regulations that come with it." The same government, she said, that can't secure the nation's borders "has no business running health care and forcing small businesses to pay the price."

Jones said that as she flew over the Permian Basin, she knew she was crossing over the heart of the nation's oil country. "It made me proud that Texas has made us more energy-secure and will produce more energy and make us energy-secure for decades to come."

She criticized President Obama's call in his State of the Union speech Tuesday for more taxes on the oil and gas industry, pointing out that small independent operators produce 80 percent of the nation's oil and promised to challenge the administration's energy stance "when I get to

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Michael Williams to vacate Railroad Commission spot, seek Kay Bailey Hutchison's senate seat.

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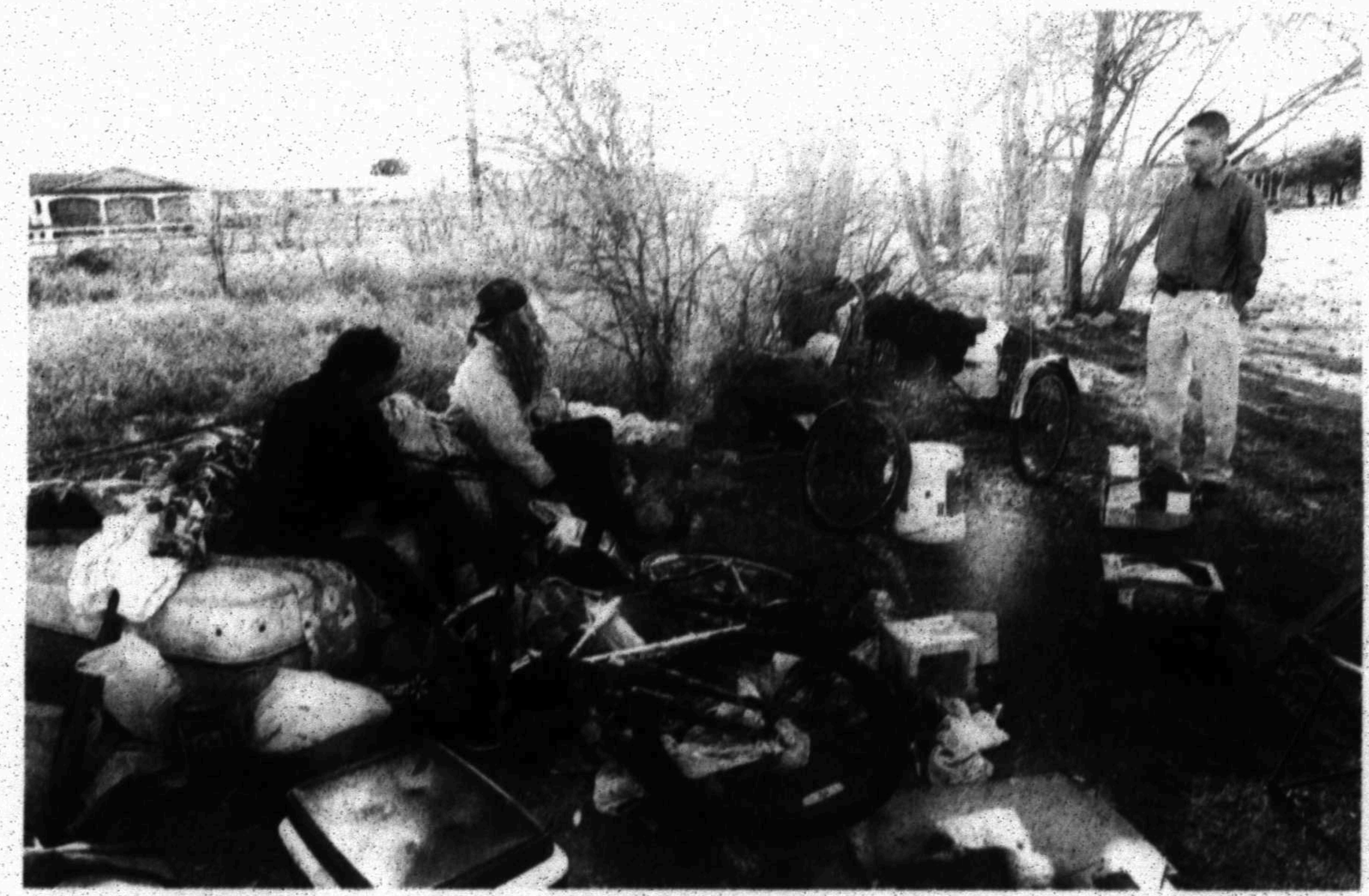

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Javier Gonzales, right, with the Midland Homeless Coalition talks to members of the homeless community Thursday during his count for the Texas Homeless Network's "Making our Numbers Count" survey.

Count aims to better understand needs of homeless

By Kathleen Thurber
Staff Writer

Volunteers scoured the city Thursday, working to accurately count and better grasp the needs of homeless people living throughout Midland.

Describing the group as one that's both difficult to tally and sometimes complicated to understand, volunteers with Midland's Homeless Coalition said they hope organizations can better target the community if they understand its needs.

"Mostly it's affordable housing, loss of job," said Cheree Smith, a volunteer from the Region 18 Education Services Center.

Their count was part of a statewide effort that took place Thursday through the Texas Homeless Network. The effort is meant to raise awareness that homelessness exists and to tabulate data necessary for certain grant applications. By conducting the survey during the time period, the groups hope to avoid counting individuals more than once.

"Everything throughout the state had to be done in this time period," said Dale Seago, who helped organize the count.

Smith and Frank Gomez, also of Region 18, said they encountered a growing population of unaccompanied youth who have become part of the homeless population. When teens leave home because of abuse, because their parents have moved from the area or for some other reason, Smith said they aren't old enough to go to shelters and often end up "couch-surfing" instead.

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Consumers, watch your wallets in Texas

- State Legislature's budget writers looking for ways to fill holes without raising taxes.

By Ben Wermund
Cox Newspapers

AUSTIN — Texas lawmakers may end up looking to drinkers, drivers and shoppers to rake in hundreds of millions of dollars to help fill the state's massive budget gap.

Even though the Legislature is trying to fill the hole without raising taxes, its budget-writing arm is recommending hundreds of ways to raise money — some of them targeting consumers.

The Legislative Budget Board, in its biennial recommendations for making government more efficient, has proposed repealing the ban on Sunday liquor sales, adding a surcharge to the purchase of gas-guzzling vehicles and doing away with the August sales tax holiday. Those efforts could raise $220 million over the next two years.

Critics say the recommendations are ill-timed, hitting consumers when they're already down, and would do little to fill the projected $30 billion shortfall in state and federal revenue over the next two years.

"I applaud them for looking for ways to save money," said Talmadge Heflin, director of the Texas Public Policy Foundation's Center for Fiscal Policy, a conservative think tank. "We just feel like it's the wrong time to be trying to come in with new fees and to squeeze more out of the taxpayer."

Allowing liquor sales on Sundays

The state could bring in an estimated $7.4 million by repealing the ban of liquor sales for off-site consumption on

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Ritz organization to take ownership of historic building

By Sara Higgins
Staff Writer

The Ritz Cultural Event Center Inc. will sign papers today to close its purchase of the Ritz building, thanks to Midlander Steve Burleson's $30,000 contribution.

Though the nonprofit group already had a contract in place, it still required $20,000 to be able to buy the building, according to president Martha Dunham.

Money leftover from the contribution will be used to start the "tremendous amount of demolition" required to begin the restoration project, which should begin next week, according to Dunham. She said local construction businesses have volunteered to help with the demolition. The group currently is in negotiations with city officials for reduced landfill and construction Dumpster rental fees.

"Plus, we've had several organizations tell us that once we own the building, they'll be willing to accept a grant application," Dunham said.

One of the group's pending grants could come from the Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone board, which the group approached in December to ask for financial support in rebuilding the Ritz's original facade based on an archival photo taken in 1936. Dunham said that the cost of the facelift accounts for approximately $150,000 of the project's $973,000 budget.

The group had hoped to open the historic building by the beginning of this year, Dunham said, but it now has shifted the completion time to before the first day of summer.

After demolition, Dunham said the team hopes to tackle foundational problems by tearing out the building's original wood decking and pouring concrete levels. Other projects will include fixing the air conditioning and heating systems, replacing the entire roof and repairing the building's plumbing.

"We're pretty much going to gut the theater on the inside," she said. "We're completely redesigning the sound, lighting and acoustics."

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MRT file photo

This Sept. 9, 2010, photo shows the Ritz Theatre. Ritz Culture Events Center Inc. will sign papers today to close its purchase of the building.

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Nursing homes, advocates warn of mass closures

By April Castro
Associated Press

COMING SUNDAY
Read about how Medicaid reimbursement rate cuts could mean severe reduction in services for local nursing homes and how nonprofits will work to try and make up the difference in this Sunday's Midland Reporter-Telegram

AUSTIN — In the tiny town of Schertz, Darlene Evans is worriedly watching Medicaid cuts being considered by the Legislature.

It's not the impact that budget proposals would have on her own salary that concerns her most. Or even the 95 employees at her Autumn Winds Retirement Lodge who could be left unemployed. Rather, she's most scared for the 92 elderly residents who she says would be left homeless if current budget proposals to cut funding for Medicaid are signed into law.

"We've had our ups and downs in terms of funding," Evans said of the 15 years she and her husband have owned the nursing home, about 60 miles south of the Capitol. "This by far is the most scary for me in all the years I've been in this profession.

"I feel like I'm in a fight of my life, not only for our residents but for my staff as well."

Autumn Winds is one of hundreds of nursing homes in Texas that largely depend on Medicaid for funding. As the Legislature grapples with a revenue shortfall of at least $15 billion — $27 billion by some estimates — one of the most agonizing cuts being proposed is slashed reimbursement rates for nursing homes, hospitals and physicians that offer Medicaid. Advocates say about 550 nursing homes in Texas, serving about 45,000 patients, depend on Medicaid.

"We are not crying wolf. Pieces of the sky are falling," said Tim Graves, president and CEO of the Texas Health Care Association. "There's no way the major nursing home stream in Texas can be cut by a third and not cause significant bankruptcies, closures, widespread displacement of patients and frontline health care workers will just be going to unemployment lines in local communities.

"The real concern for us is where do the patients go? Where do the residents go? These are the most frail, fragile Texans that the health care system takes care of. That's our main concern. How is this going to work out?"

Early budget proposals have cut Medicaid reimbursement rates by 10 percent, in addition to a 3 percent rate reduction that state leaders requested in the current budget.

But Graves and other advocates say the true cut is closer to 33 percent because of changes in the federal-state share formula that resulted from the economic stimulus package. The state's funding share has increased, but budget proposals are not paying for that increase.

For Evans, each percent is the equivalent of about $25,000.

"Do the math of a 33 percent cut. That's absolutely devastating," she said. "It's impossible to continue the operation of the business with that size of cut."

House and Senate budget leaders have released their proposals for the 2012-13 state budgets, but the budget still has far to go before being finalized next summer.

A spokeswoman for House Speaker Joe Straus did not immediately respond to requests for comment Thursday. House budget writer Rep. Jim Pitts, R-Waxahachie, has said finding ways to save in an already lean budget is a difficult but necessary process.

"I am committed to thoroughly examining ... issues to determine whether the priorities provided for in this initial budget proposal are appropriate, and ensuring that we protect essential services while staying true to our core missions," Pitts said last week shortly after introducing the budget proposal. "Through the process, we will make adjustments as determined necessary by this body."

The nursing homes in Texas that depend on Medicaid as a major funding stream employ about 62,000 people.

"We don't want to give them the best care money can buy, we want to give them better and we ... don't know how we're going to get a good answer for that," Evans said. "This is not our state's finest hour, when the care for our elderly is jeopardized."

DA expands inquiry into Texas lawmakers

Associated Press

AUSTIN — Prosecutors have expanded a criminal inquiry into Texas lawmakers' double-dipping on expenses after one representative said he was auditing his spending practices and then repaid his campaign more than $15,000, an official told the Associated Press on Thursday.

The official, who has knowledge of the investigation by the Travis County District Attorney's office, spoke on condition of anonymity to avoid endangering the investigation.

Prosecutors already have acknowledged a criminal investigation into state Rep. Joe Driver, but not Rep. Dan Flynn, the only other lawmaker identified by the AP to have possibly double-dipped.

The "review has expanded to include other members that have engaged in conduct similar to Driver's," the official said Thursday.

Flynn cut a check to his campaign for $15,790.28 after conducting an audit into his own spending practices, records show. A former bank examiner and self-described expert in financial management, Flynn had promised to review his expenditures after the Associated Press presented him last month with the findings of an investigation that showed he submitted travel expenses to the state even though they had been paid for by his campaign.

He disclosed the reimbursement on reports submitted to the Texas Ethics Commission earlier this month.

The bills, most of them incurred for out-of-state travel, had been described as political expenditures at one agency and official state business at another.

"We made the adjustments that we felt like were appropriate that needed to be done," Flynn told The AP Thursday. "You brought something to our attention. We did it, and we did what needed to be done." The reimbursement was several thousand dollars higher than the amount of questionable billings uncovered by The AP. Flynn said he knew of no investigation of his spending practices by the district attorney's office.

TEXAS ROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

NEW MEXICO

Body in freezer could be that of missing man

CARLSBAD — Eddy County sheriff's officers say a body found in a freezer in a home near the southern New Mexico city of Carlsbad could be that of a man who has been missing since 1997.

The body was discovered Monday night by the daughter and son-in-law of Barbara Sharpe, who died in November.

Sheriff's Capt. Jeff Zuniga said the body may be that of Sharpe's husband, James Sharpe.

Investigators say information uncovered so far indicates James Sharpe may have died from a health condition in 1997 when he would have been in his early 70s.

Zuniga said investigators found a note Barbara Sharpe's daughter identified as being in her mother's handwriting.

He said the woman was apologetic in the note but said she needed Sharpe's pension to live on.

CORPUS CHRISTI

Nueces County judge nominated to federal bench

State District Judge Nelva Gonzales Ramos of Corpus Christi has been nominated by President Barack Obama to succeed retired U.S. District Court Judge Hayden Head.

Head is a former chief judge of the Southern District of Texas and went to senior status after announcing his retirement in 2009. He joined the court in 1981.

The 45-year-old Gonzales is a Democrat and a native of Port Lavaca. She was a municipal court judge in Corpus Christi from 1997 to 1999, worked in private practice and has been elected a state district judge in Nueces County since 2000.

Her nomination, announced by the White House on Wednesday, requires U.S. Senate confirmation.

The Corpus Christi division of the federal bench covers 10 South Texas counties.

AUSTIN

1 killed, 1 injured in scaffold fall

One worker is dead and another is hospitalized after they fell 20 feet from a wooden scaffold on which they were working at an Austin apartment complex.

Warren Hassinger, a spokesman for Austin-Travis County Emergency Medical Services, said it's unclear whether the workers fell form the scaffold or the scaffold collapsed under them in the Thursday afternoon accident in south Austin. The U.S. Occupational Safety and Health Administration is investigating.

Hassinger says the surviving worker was taken to University Medical Center Brackenridge with injuries not thought to be life-threatening.

No identities were available.

BRYAN

Woman gets 25 years for killing common-law spouse

A Bryan woman whose common law husband was found fatally shot in their home has been sentenced to 25 years in prison.

Courtney Keefer pleaded guilty to murder as part of a plea agreement.

The victim was 24-year-old Marco Anthony Sifuentez-Carillo. His body was found last January.

Keefer on Wednesday expressed regret for the killing. She told the judge that she and her common-law spouse had been having problems and she shot him because she "thought that was the way out."

Keefer told police that Sifuentez-Carillo had been abusive to her and to their 2-year-old daughter. The girl has been placed with relatives.

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FELONY ARRESTS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Unauthorized use of a motor vehicle:
Stefanie Ann Aranda, 25, of Midland, was arrested Wednesday by Midland police in the 500 block of West Indiana Avenue on a charge of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.

Engaged in organized criminal activity:
Ryan Adam Day, 17, of Midland, was arrested Wednesday by Midland County deputies in the 400 block of West Illinois Avenue on four charges of engaged in organized criminal activity.

Burglary of a habitation, violation of parole:
Eric Michael Haenel, 29, of Odessa, was arrested Wednesday by Midland County deputies at the Tom Green Jail on a charge of burglary of a habitation and a charge of violation of parole.

Possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram:
Jorge Levario, 24, of Odessa, was arrested Wednesday by Midland County deputies at the Ector County Jail on a charge of possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram.

Violation of probation:
Jared Anthony Morrison, 34, of Midland, was arrested Wednesday by Midland County deputies in Ector County on a charge of violation of probation.

Injury to a child, elderly and/or disabled with intent to cause bodily injury:
Benjamin Hugh Murray, 28, of Midland, was arrested Wednesday by Midland County deputies in the 300 block of South Main Street on a charge of injury to a child, elderly and/or disabled with intent to cause bodily injury.

Violation of probation:
Rachael Amber Reeves, 30, of Andrews, was arrested Wednesday by Midland County deputies in Andrews on two charges of violation of probation.

Violation of probation:
William Whitley Shields, 41, of San Angelo, was arrested Wednesday by Midland County deputies in Tom Green County on two charges of violation of probation.

Theft of service between $1,500 and $20,000:
Grady E. Sins, 40, of Midland, was arrested Wednesday by Midland County deputies in the 12300 block of West County Road 40 on two charges of theft of service between $1,500 and $20,000.

Theft less than $1,500 with two or more convictions:
Lakesha Williams, 33, of Midland, was arrested Wednesday by Midland County deputies in Midland on a charge of theft less than $1,500 with two or more convictions.

Source: Midland County Sheriff's Office

Driver arrested in fatal crash involving deputy

From staff reports

ODESSA — Police have arrested the driver who led law enforcement on a pursuit that resulted in a fatal crash.

Saul Benivides Acosta Jr. was arrested Thursday by Ector County Sheriff's deputies in the Jan. 1 incident that claimed the lives of two individuals.

He evaded officers during the early morning hours of Jan. 1, which then led police to pursue his vehicle.

Authorities said that responding officer David Escudero collided with another vehicle when trying to assist in the chase.

Anthony DeWayne Neel died at the scene, and passenger Brenda Sue Madrid died Jan. 13 at Texas Tech Medical Center in Lubbock from injuries she sustained in the wreck.

Escudero was transported to Medical Center Hospital in critical condition and has had numerous operations, authorities said. He has since been released and is currently continuing rehabilitation.

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Shanna Sissom
Tuesdays in the Reporter-Telegram

Relative: Violence worried slain missionary

By Paul J. Weber
Associated Press

MONTE ALTO — A Texas couple who were attacked at an illegal roadblock in one of Mexico's most violent areas had been delivering babies and doing missionary work in the country for three decades, and they had come to expect such confrontations, the couple's son said Thursday.

Nancy Davis, 59, was shot in the head Wednesday while her husband, Sam, was trying to speed away from suspected drug cartel gunmen who may have wanted to steal their pickup, authorities said. Sam Davis frantically raced to the Pharr International Bridge border checkpoint with his wife bleeding beside him, but she was declared dead at a McAllen hospital.

"It would be easier to count the times they weren't chased," the couple's son, Joseph Davis, told the Associated Press outside his family's home in the remote South Texas town of Monte Alto.

Sam Davis' mother, Francille Davis, told the AP that her son and daughter-in-law were in Mexico Wednesday to pay pastors in some of the village churches the family had established, but that they had recently put off trips to Mexico because of the spiraling violence.

She said the drug war had prevented Sam from reaching the churches earlier in the month. "Sam had gone in and there were dead bodies all over the place," Francille recalled, explaining that Nancy had stopped making some of those trips because of the risks.

"But for some reason Nancy went in (on Wednesday) and did not come out" alive, she said.

The Davises were driving along the two-lane road that connects the city of San Fernando with the border city of Reynosa, about 70 miles north, when they came upon the roadblock, an official in Mexico's Tamaulipas state attorney general's office, who would not be identified because he is not authorized to discuss the case, told the AP.

The area where the couple were attacked is dominated by the Gulf Cartel, which has been waging a fierce turf war in northeastern Tamaulipas with the Zetas cartel for control of lucrative smuggling routes to the U.S. The area has had 40 violent car thefts in the last two months, the official said.

Sam Davis told U.S. investigators that he tried to speed away from the gunmen, and that they gave chase in a pickup truck and opened fire, hitting his wife.

Pharr police said Thursday that the couple's 2008 Chevrolet pickup is the kind of heavy-duty, high-profile truck prized by cartels, and that it's likely the reason the Davises were targeted. Damage to the truck's quarter-paneling suggests the gunmen tried to ram them, Pharr police Chief Ruben Villescas said.

Wednesday's killing echoes the September attack on American tourist David Hartley and his wife on Falcon Lake, on the U.S.-Mexico border. Tiffany Hartley said she and her husband were Jet-Skiing in Mexican waters when pirates fired on them, striking her husband and forcing her to flee. His body was not recovered.

"I just thank God that he was able to get back across the border with her," Hartley told the AP.

Concerns about the investigation into David Hartley's death led Texas Gov. Rick Perry to call for a stronger response from Mexican authorities. On Thursday, Perry's spokeswoman, Katherine Cesinger, said Nancy Davis' slaying underscores the need for greater border security.

There were conflicting reports about exactly where along the road the attack occurred. Pharr police said it happened near San Fernando, but the Tamaulipas official said it happened about 7 miles south of Reynosa.

Joseph Davis said his parents were well aware of the risks of travelling to Tamaulipas.

Joseph Davis said his mother often text-messaged him after crossing the border to let him know they arrived safely.

Tamaulipas is one of three Mexican states that accounted for 50 percent of the country's more than 15,000 murders last year, according to the Mexican government.

The Mexican government in November sent more troops and federal police there in what it called a major operative to control drug violence, but drug gangs still roam freely in caravans of SUVs and trucks, attacking rivals, terrorizing locals and in some cases emptying entire towns.

2 TxDOT execs leaving after criticism in review

Associated Press

AUSTIN — The head of the Texas Department of Transportation and a top deputy have announced they will retire this year, just weeks after a review criticized the agency's leadership and dealings with the public.

Executive director Amadeo Saenz Jr. on Wednesday advised his staff that he will retire at the end of August. TxDOT deputy executive director Steve Simmons also has given his notice to retire, effective Aug. 31.

Saenz, 55, informed the TxDOT commission Monday, in a letter, that he will retire after 33 years with the department. He has been executive director since 2007.

Simmons is a former Fort Worth district engineer.

The leadership changes come as Texas lawmakers wrangle with a projected budget shortfall of at least $15 billion for the next two-year spending period and state agencies face possible cutbacks.

A report from a three-member review council, released Jan. 5, said the 12,000-employee Texas Department of Transportation needed new leadership, consolidated financial operations and better communication with the public.

"TxDOT will continue to evolve and I recognize a need to clear a path for the next person fortunate enough to occupy the position of executive director," Saenz wrote.

Deirdre Delisi, Texas Transportation Commission chairwoman, praised Saenz for his service.

"Throughout the course of his career, Amadeo has earned a reputation as a leader and coalition builder, and earned the respect and trust of his peers across the country, our partners here in Texas, and most importantly, his employees," Delisi said in a statement. "Amadeo has served his state with honor and integrity. TxDOT is a better agency today thanks to his leadership."

Saenz said his immediate goal is to guide the TxDOT workforce through "upcoming changes until you have selected a new executive director."

The review panel that issued the report critical of TxDOT was appointed last summer by the Texas Transportation Commission. The recommendations were based on an examination of a May 2010 external audit of TxDOT.

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MFD hoping to upgrade education initiative

By Kathleen Thurber
Staff Writer

The Midland Fire Department is hoping to add some realism to its education programs.

The department is applying for funds to purchase a new fire safety trailer that would help teach children and adults how to properly extinguish fires, create escape plans and avoid other hazardous situations through high-tech simulations, Assistant Fire Marshal David Hickman said.

"Education is very, very important," Hickman said. "When the fire truck's in front of your house it's kind of a little too late."

Officials with the department already do conduct several training sessions each year both with elementary school children and business professionals. However, Hickman said, the trailer they're utilizing to perform demonstrations is outdated and means they have to describe most scenarios instead of allowing students to interact.

"In the trailer now we have a stove and a pan and we say, 'This is where fires happen,'" he said. "This new type of training allows you to use an inferred signal on a fire extinguisher and you apply (the) imaginary agent on the fire."

An application for funding is being submitted next week to the Assistance to Firefighters Grants, a federally funded program. If accepted, federal funding would pay for $95,000, or 80 percent of the trailer's cost while the city would pay for $19,000, or 20 percent of the total price tag, according to documents filed with the city secretary's office.

City Council members passed a resolution this week authorizing the fire department to apply for the grant. City funding for the trailer would come out of unappropriated money in the fiscal year 2011-2012 general fund budget.

"We're so happy the city's supporting us on this," Hickman said.

With first- and second-graders now, Hickman said they teach the basics of stop, drop and roll as well as pointing out ignition sources by showing children everything in their home that gets hot enough to start a flame. Officials also are capable of pumping smoke into the trailer to let kids learn the importance first-hand of staying low if a room fills with smoke.

Through technology similar to that used in false fireplaces, Hickman said with the new trailer they'd be able to not only point out heat sources but also show what a fire in a microwave, stove or trash can would look like. The simulation makes it so students have a certain amount of time to target the flames and smoke with their fire extinguisher before they have to evacuate like they would in a real fire.

"We explain to them it's normal to be curious about fire, but fire is a very powerful phenomenon, it can get beyond your control very quickly," Hickman said. "The consequences for that can be devastating."

A television in the trailer simulates an emergency weather alert and lets MFD officials take kids through the protocol necessary for responding to tornados and other severe weather.

Over the last 15 years, the trailer being used presently has delivered programs to about 100,000 children. With the new trailer, Hickman said they would significantly expand their program and also work to reach more adults through presentations at churches and civic groups.

"A fire, it's a very scary situation and not knowing what to do is very bad and people panic," Hickman said. "We just give 'em some guidelines to follow."

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COUNT

From 1A

"They're kind of caught," she said.

Others interviewed adults who have shelter but are living in substandard conditions, including apartments that may be lacking water and electricity.

Behind the Bradford Inn & Suites, one couple had set up camp with a mattress and several boxes of food. At night, they said they're typically joined by about five others who sleep in the open field or up next to a building. Other volunteers reported hearing from individuals who live in cars or stay with friends when they're able.

In 2009, the last time a street count was conducted, the Midland Homeless Coalition reported there were just more than 300 people living in shelters or on the street.

Shelters such as the Salvation Army, Safe Place of the Permian Basin and Dismas Charities also were included in the count Thursday. Staff surveyed those who woke up in their shelters Thursday morning about things such as their age, reason for being homeless, education level and family situation.

Outside of the shelters, volunteers also stopped at the Midland Soup Kitchen, Breaking Bread, the Midland County Public Library, various hotels and parks.

"You're not going to absolutely count them all," Seago said.

Because some people won't be completely honest in answering survey questions or prefer not to answer specific questions at all, Seago said the count typically provides only a rough estimate of what the population looks like.

At Breaking Bread, Robert Dorn said their population fluctuates but that need steadily exists. He said when oil prices spike in Midland, they often see people who've moved to town but can't yet afford housing and instead live in their trucks.

Thursday, several clients said they're not without homes but come to Breaking Bread so they can save their money for rent and other necessities.

"The only criteria you need to get in here is an appetite," Dorn said.

Midland's Homeless Coalition will compile the data collected Thursday and report its numbers to the Texas Homeless Network in the coming months.

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JONES

From 1A

Washington."

Though the president called for more use of natural gas as a clean energy source, the call for more taxes, she said, "shows not just a disregard of reality but a tremendous ignorance of who is producing our oil and the fact that they also produce natural gas with the oil. I don't know how he thinks we will get it out of the ground when he's crippled the industry that finds it.

"We all heard President Obama tell us the other night that the state of our union is 'strong,'" she said. "I don't see strength in 15 million Americans out of work. I don't see strength in falling deeper and deeper in debt to the Chinese and other foreign interests. I don't see the strength in tax policy and health care policy that cripples small businesses."

Small businesses, she said, are collapsing under the burden of government regulation and interference. "If Washington met its most basic federal obligations — like securing our borders — and then got out of the way, we wouldn't be in the fix we're in," she said. "Instead of focusing on how government can be more a part of our lives and our businesses, Washington should unshackle and unleash those engines of ingenuity and commerce and job creation — small businesses."

As a senator, Jones promised, "I will make the tough decisions, regardless of the political consequences." And, she said, it will be important to follow her conservative principles: "I will fight to ensure my fellow Republicans hold true to our conservative principles because if we don't, then we have no authority to lead."

The country, she said, has seen how things work the other way. "A little regulation here ... A few trillion in debt there ... A few tax increases ... And pretty soon 15 million Americans are out of work.

"I know we won't spend our way to a better future. I know adding people to the government payroll is not the way to create jobs. And I know we never will tax our way back to prosperity," she said.

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JONES ON MAJOR ISSUES

On the future of the Railroad Commission, which may change to one elected commissioner and renamed the Oil and Gas Commission:

"I would hope the Legislature sees fit to recognize the tremendous contributions of energy to this state and that industry decisions are made in concert with the regulatory agency and maintain a balance of regulation and the economies of drilling in Texas. It's very critical to the state's economy."

On the EPA versus Texas:

"I have personally seen firsthand the aggressive overreach of the EPA relative to oil and gas drilling and production. They seem to be stopping at nothing to fulfill an agenda that is the president's as I heard in the State of the Union address and that is to move the country off oil. President Obama called it yesterday's fuel, but it is today's fuel and will be tomorrow's fuel for a long time to come. We've got natural gas to offset the use of imported oil, and I will be working to promote the development of natural gas."

On health care:

Health care reform "is an attempt to take over more than the health care industry. It is, again, a fulfillment of a centralized planner's dream. Costs already are going up. It's another tax on the American people, and burdens such as requiring businesses to send 1099s when they buy more than $600 in goods and services. The administration can't understand that left alone, businesses will thrive and it's the people who run and own businesses that are the job creators, not the government."

Williams campaigns on record of conservative values

By Mella McEwen
Oil Editor

Confirming his announcement last week that he planned to run for the U.S. Senate seat now held by Kay Bailey Hutchison, Michael Williams officially launched his campaign Thursday.

He also confirmed he will leave the Railroad Commission on April 2. He has served on the commission for 12 years — the equivalent of two senatorial terms, he pointed out — and currently is chair.

"It is extremely important for the candidate to express and demonstrate that the voter is more important than the candidate," he explained. "That is why I'm leaving the commission. It's important to me to run as a citizen than to be seen as trying to hold on to power."

Speaking from Austin, he said he believes he can serve Texas and its oil and gas industry better in the U.S. Senate than remaining with the Railroad Commission, where he has served since being appointed by then-governor George W. Bush. His concern over the actions of the Obama administration and some of its agencies, particularly the Environmental Protection Agency, also played a role.

He strenuously denied speculation he is positioning himself to become the sole Railroad Commissioner should the Legislature enact reforms to the agency suggested by the Sunset Review Commission. "I have not spoken to the governor or any member of the governor's staff, and no one has spoken to the governor or any of his staff on my behalf" on the subject, he said.

He explained that he came out in support of moving to one elected commissioner because he felt it was preferable to an earlier suggestion to move from three elected commissioners to five part-time advisers appointed by the governor.

As he prepares to campaign, the Midland native said he wants to remind voters of his established record of conservatism and willingness to "confront the Washington establishment." He said he feels he is the right messenger, who has the right message and the ability to incite the passion of voters. That is how some candidates who were not the mainstream candidates of the two major political parties won election back in November, he said.

He said he plans to campaign on his record of supporting the values held by most Midlanders, Texans and Americans. "It's extremely important to me and to most Americans that we have individual liberty, individual freedom, individual responsibilities and put government back in its proper place," he said, calling for cuts in government spending to "unleash the marketplace so it can create jobs and wealth."

Government, he said, should be concerned with controlling the border and energy security. It will be important for a senator from the south, and from a border state, to demonstrate how to protect the border. It's important, he said, for a senator from Texas, the nation's energy capital, to demonstrate how to safely produce energy.

"I have a vision and a record of achieving what matters to the voter," Williams said. "They want to know you'll be a voice for them and stand up against the Washington establishment. Voters want to be inspired to take that next mountain."

He is not taking votes for granted, he said, and especially not from the residents of his hometown.

"I will work extremely hard to earn the trust and the vote of Texans," he said, adding, "I hope I earn the support of Midlanders. I look forward to earning that support."

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> — MICHAEL WILLIAMS
> Seeking Senate seat

WALLET

From 1A

Sundays, the budget board recommended. Currently, liquor can only be purchased on Sundays for on-site consumption — in restaurants and bars — while beer and wine can be sold after noon without any restrictions.

"Sunday sales is a great, innovative way for legislators to raise revenue without having to raise taxes," said Ben Jenkins, vice president of the Distilled Spirits Council of the United States.

Jenkins said the recommendation falls in line with a national trend toward modernizing laws to respond to consumer demand and bring more money into the economy.

"Sunday is the second busiest shopping day of the week," Jenkins said. "Consumer demographics have changed since these laws were put in place. People are out shopping on Sundays, they're out at malls. They're eating and drinking on Sundays."

But David Jabour, president of Austin-based Twin Liquors, said the demand wouldn't be high enough to warrant another business day.

"Based on some analysis that we have done, it would actually simply spread the business over seven days," Jabour said.

Jabour also said the guarantee of having Sundays off attracts higher quality employees.

Suzii Paynter, director of the Christian Life Commission of the Baptist General Convention of Texas — a group that opposes the expansion of alcohol availability — said the money raised by Sunday sales would be a drop in the bucket.

By comparison, raising the tax on beer to a level similar to the tax on cigarettes would bring in nearly $700 million, she said.

Adding a fuel inefficiency surcharge

Tacking a $100 surcharge onto the purchase of new vehicles that fail to meet federal fuel efficiency standards would raise $115.3 million over the next two years, according to the report.

Last year alone, 565,873 new vehicles were registered in Texas that did not meet federal fuel economy standards, which were 27.5 miles per gallon for passenger vehicles and 23.5 miles per gallon for light trucks.

"Inefficient vehicles contribute more to the overall cost of transportation by emitting more pollutants and using fuel less efficiently than the average vehicle," the report says. "However, they do not pay any additional taxes or fees to operate and use roads in Texas."

Environment Texas director Luke Metzger said heavier gas-guzzlers tend to cause more wear and tear on roads.

"If the direction lawmakers are going is increased fees, that's one fee that certainly makes sense — as a way to recoup from the damages they cause and to encourage the production of more environmentally friendly vehicles," Metzger said.

Metzger said his group would prefer that lawmakers "take on some of the biggest polluters with direct taxes on the industries themselves, rather than regular Texans. But this is a reasonable next-best policy we could hope for."

The Texas Automobile Dealers Association did not respond to requests for comment.

Axing the August sales tax holiday

The report suggests suspending the annual sales tax holiday when the state is facing economic woes. Doing away with the holiday, a period when taxes are dropped from clothing, footwear, backpacks and school supply purchases under $100, would bring in $14.5 million this year and $97.3 million over the next two years, the report said.

Texas Retailers Association president Ronnie Volkening said he would urge the Legislature to be cautious in repealing the sales tax holiday, because sales tax collections historically go up on the holiday.

"It encourages consumers to go out and buy those school supplies, and coincidentally, they also buy other things," Volkening said.

Dick Lavine, senior fiscal analyst at the Center for Public Policy Priorities, which advocates for low- and middle-income Texans, said the holiday was originally intended to help lower-income families. But most of the savings actually go to higher income families that can afford to purchase a full year's worth of school supplies and clothing tax-free, he said.

RITZ

From 1A

The Ritz has raised $80,000 from individual contributors, according to Dunham, along with a $10,000 grant from the Permian Basin Area Foundation for sound and lighting equipment. Dunham said the group hopes to form a capital campaign committee by next week to help determine how to raise more money toward the rehabilitation of the building. One task at hand, she said, is to discuss pricing of naming rights for different areas of the Ritz.

Dunham said the group is hoping the Ritz project will be the catalyst that primes Midland's downtown as an entertainment area.

"Our research has shown that most of downtown revitalizations that happen in a city the size of Midland or smaller have started with the renovation of a historical theater," she said.

The board hopes to use the building to host a variety of entertainment throughout the year, including live theater, cultural events and a possible annual film festival, according to Dunham. She said the building also will act as a home for entertainment acts like the Maverick Players and the West Texas Jazz Society.

"There'll be something for everybody," Dunham said.

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Challenger: 25 years later, a still-painful wound

By Marcia Dunn
Associated Press

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. —

For many, no single word evokes as much pain.

Challenger.

A quarter-century later, images of the exploding space shuttle still signify all that can go wrong with technology and the sharpest minds. The accident on Jan. 28, 1986 — a scant 73 seconds into flight, nine miles above the Atlantic for all to see — remains NASA's most visible failure.

It was the world's first high-tech catastrophe to unfold on live TV. Adding to the anguish was the young audience: School children everywhere tuned in that morning to watch the launch of the first schoolteacher and ordinary citizen bound for space, Christa McAuliffe.

She never made it.

McAuliffe and six others on board perished as the cameras rolled, victims of stiff O-ring seals and feeble bureaucratic decisions.

It was, as one grief and trauma expert recalls, "the beginning of the age when the whole world knew what happened as it happened."

"That was kind of our pilot study for all the rest to come, I think. It was so ghastly," said Sally Karioth, a professor in Florida State University's school of nursing.

The crew compartment shot out of the fireball, intact, and continued upward another three miles before plummeting. The free fall lasted more than two minutes. There was no parachute to slow the descent, no escape system whatsoever; NASA had skipped all that in shuttle development. Space travel was considered so ordinary, in fact, that the Challenger seven wore little more than blue coveralls and skimpy motorcycle-type helmets for takeoff.

In a horrific flash, the most diverse space crew ever — including one black, one Japanese-American and two women, one of them a Jew — was gone. The name of NASA's second oldest shuttle was forever locked in a where-were-you moment.

"You say 'Challenger,' and then we see that figure of smoke in the sky," said Karioth, who teaches death and dying classes.

There has been a growing list of calamities since then.

Waco. Oklahoma City. Columbine. 9/11. Shuttle Columbia. Katrina. Virginia Tech. And now, Tucson.

With so much carnage, another space catastrophe wouldn't have the same impact as Challenger, Karioth noted. "We're used to everybody dying now," she said.

The death of a young, vivacious schoolteacher, combined with NASA's stubborn refusal to share information about the accident and the realization that America's space program was fallible, added to the nation's collective pain.

President Ronald Reagan's poetic tribute soothed the day's raw emotions.

"The crew of the space shuttle Challenger honored us by the manner in which they lived their lives," Reagan told a grieving nation after canceling that night's State of the Union address. "We will never forget them, nor the last time we saw them, this morning, as they prepared for their journey and waved goodbye and 'slipped the surly bonds of Earth' to 'touch the face of God.'"

NASA safely had launched shuttles 24 times before, and a sense of routine and hurry-it-up had crept in. The space agency wanted to pull off 15 missions in 1986. Repeated delays with Columbia on that year's first flight and then with Challenger were spoiling the effort.

The first federal Martin Luther King holiday had just been observed. NASA's Voyager 2 probe, flying farther than any previous spacecraft, had swung past Uranus, discovering 10 new moons. "That's What Friends Are For," the AIDS charity anthem, topped the music charts. And a 37-year-old schoolteacher from Concord, N.H., was about to rocket into orbit.

"Imagine a history teacher making history," McAuliffe observed before the flight. She got an apple from a technician atop the ice-encrusted launch pad, before boarding Challenger one final time.

In the 20s at daybreak, the temperature had risen only into the mid-30s by the time Challenger blasted off at 11:38 a.m. "Go at throttle up," radioed commander Francis "Dick" Scobee.

What happened next was unthinkable, his widow says.

"It was really a shock wave that went across our country and around the world," June Scobee Rodgers said in an interview this week with the Associated Press. "People witnessed the loss of Challenger over and over on their televisions."

Dick Scobee. Michael Smith. Ellison Onizuka. Judith Resnik. Ronald McNair. Christa McAuliffe. Gregory Jarvis. The first of the shuttle astronauts to die on the job.

Seventeen years later, almost to the day, seven more astronauts were killed, this time at the end of their mission. Instead of booster rockets and freezing launch weather, fuel-tank foam insulation was to blame. The similarities between Challenger and Columbia, though, were haunting. Another multiethnic crew lost, more poor decision-making, an intolerant work culture, drum-beating pressure to launch.

For their part, the families of the lost Challenger crew dwell on the good that came out of the accident: a network of education centers. The 48th Challenger Learning Center opens Friday in Louisville, Ky.

Rodgers, an educator, was the founding board chairman of the Challenger Center for Space Science Education.

As she has on every Challenger anniversary, Rodgers will visit a learning center to watch the children in action. First, she will take part in NASA's public memorial service this morning at Kennedy Space Center, some 10 miles from Challenger's grave. The remains of the spacecraft — what was retrieved from the ocean — are buried in a pair of abandoned missile silos on Air Force property.

"I wonder if it's because the image is so ingrained in our brains, that it seems like yesterday," Rodgers said.

Almost as many years have passed since the accident, as the span of her 26-year marriage to Dick Scobee.

"Isn't it interesting about the number 25?" she asked softly. "Challenger was the 25th mission. This is 25 years."

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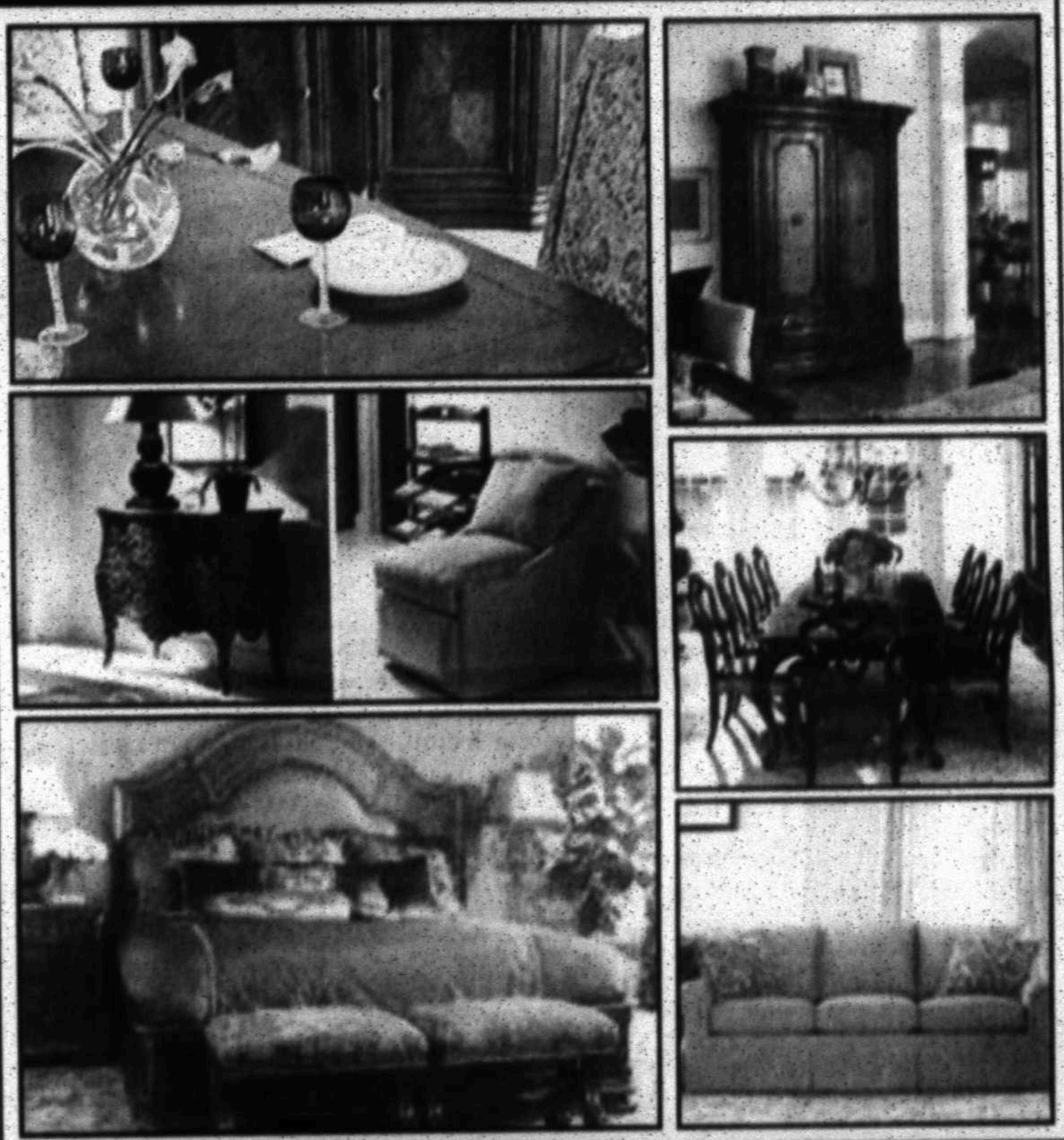

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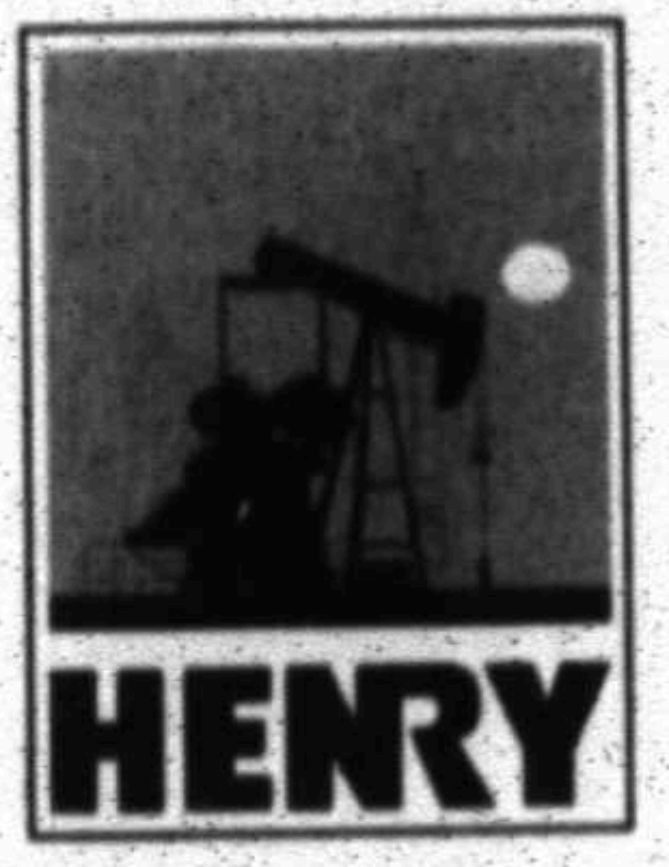

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Conservatives must free us from our addiction to government

■ It's time to ask the serious questions and bring to light examples of conservative spending that have made a difference.

CAL THOMAS
Tribune Media Services

By now those holiday bills have arrived. Those who have charged too much have cut back on spending until the bills are paid. Some have gone on the spending wagon, cutting their plastic into tiny pieces.

Not the U.S. government. Unlike mere mortals, the government can print and borrow seemingly limitless amounts of money and so has little incentive to stop spending. Some blame China for our predicament, but that's like blaming American Express for your monthly bill. China is merely the banker. Our spending habits are the problem.

Just as Democrats have increased the national debt to record levels these last two years, Republicans are now proposing to ratchet it down to more manageable levels.

Freshman conservatives in the House have united behind a proposal to cut at least $100 billion in non-defense spending. Rep. Jim Jordan, (R-Ohio) chairs a study committee made up of economic and socially conservative members. He says with a $14 trillion debt, "it seems to me we should be able to find $100 billion" to cut.

Because each dollar spent by government immediately attracts people and groups who have a vested interest in keeping the money flowing, conservative House members need to personalize spending reductions to counter the liberal argument that cutting anything will mean starving grandmothers and abandoning children to the streets.

"Ask not what your country can do for you, ask what you can do for your country," said John F. Kennedy in his inaugural address, recalled recently as we marked the 50th anniversary of that event. "Ask what you can do for yourself" might be the updated Republican version.

Each program Republicans want to cut should be subject to four questions: 1. Is it necessary? 2. Could it be done better and more responsibly in the private sector? 3. Is it constitutionally justifiable? 4. Can we afford it?

Don't families have to ask similar questions about affordability and necessity when trying to reduce their debt? Why can't government do the same?

Members should embrace the work of Citizens Against Government Waste, www.CAGW.org, which has compiled 763 recommendations for cutting wasteful spending it calls "Prime Cuts." CAGW estimates that if all its suggestions were adopted, taxpayers would save $350 billion in the first year and $2.2 trillion over five years.

Take one of their many examples: elimination of the Essential Air Service, which Congress established as part of the Federal Aviation Act, to ensure that, following airline deregulation, smaller communities would retain a link to the national air transportation system, some by way of federal subsidy.

According to CAGW, "the most absurd recipients of EAS subsidies is the Johnstown, Pa., airport, tirelessly defended by the late Congressman John Murtha (D-Pa.), but from which just 18 flights leave each week. Johnstown is only two hours east of Pittsburgh International Airport by car." And, as noted by the Los Angeles Times in 2009, "The Essential Air Service spends as much as thousands per passenger in remote areas ... much of the money provides service to areas with fewer than 30 passengers per day."

There are thousands of programs like this. Each one needs to be exposed as wasteful and unaffordable. The "granny" and "what about the children?" argument should be confronted and shown to be the fraud that it is and a manipulative technique for maintaining the status quo. So should threats to close libraries, as Mayor Christopher Coleman of St. Paul recently suggested might happen without a tax increase. That's diversionary talk designed to switch attention from unnecessary spending.

Liberals have long played political theater by bringing people to Washington with sob stories about their supposed inability to help themselves without government. Conservatives should do the same, but with people who have overcome their dependency on programs and government checks and have been transformed into independent producers. Their stories, the real stories of America, are legion. Their coverage in the media has been minuscule.

So, let the spending cuts begin, but let Republican conservatives demonstrate a better way, which is freedom from addiction to government. The addicted will learn that economic freedom is on a par with political freedom. It begins when federal and state governments start cutting up their "credit cards."

OUR VIEW

Bob Fu does yeoman's work bringing awareness to human rights' issues

Laurels

■ For the Buffalo Trail Council Boy Scouts of America: Statistics show the longer boys stay in scouting the more likely they will graduate from high school. Scouting is making an impact in the area, and the Buffalo Trail Council serves more than 7,000 area students. Currently, the BTC is in the middle of a $365,000 fundraising effort. If you have the ability, they would appreciate your support.

■ To Bob Fu of Midland: The China Aid Association president was in Washington last week raising awareness about human rights issues in China. We agree with Fu that those issues were side-stepped during Chinese President Hu Jintao's U.S. visit — put on the back burner while economic issues were given top priority. We also believe Fu's question, "Can the U.S. afford to rise and fall with the Chinese communist regime?" is one our leaders and citizens should give considerable thought.

■ To the Texas Senate: Passing voter ID was the right thing to do. Anytime we can stand in the way of someone committing voter fraud, we should do it. We also see little inconvenience in asking someone to provide a form of identification.

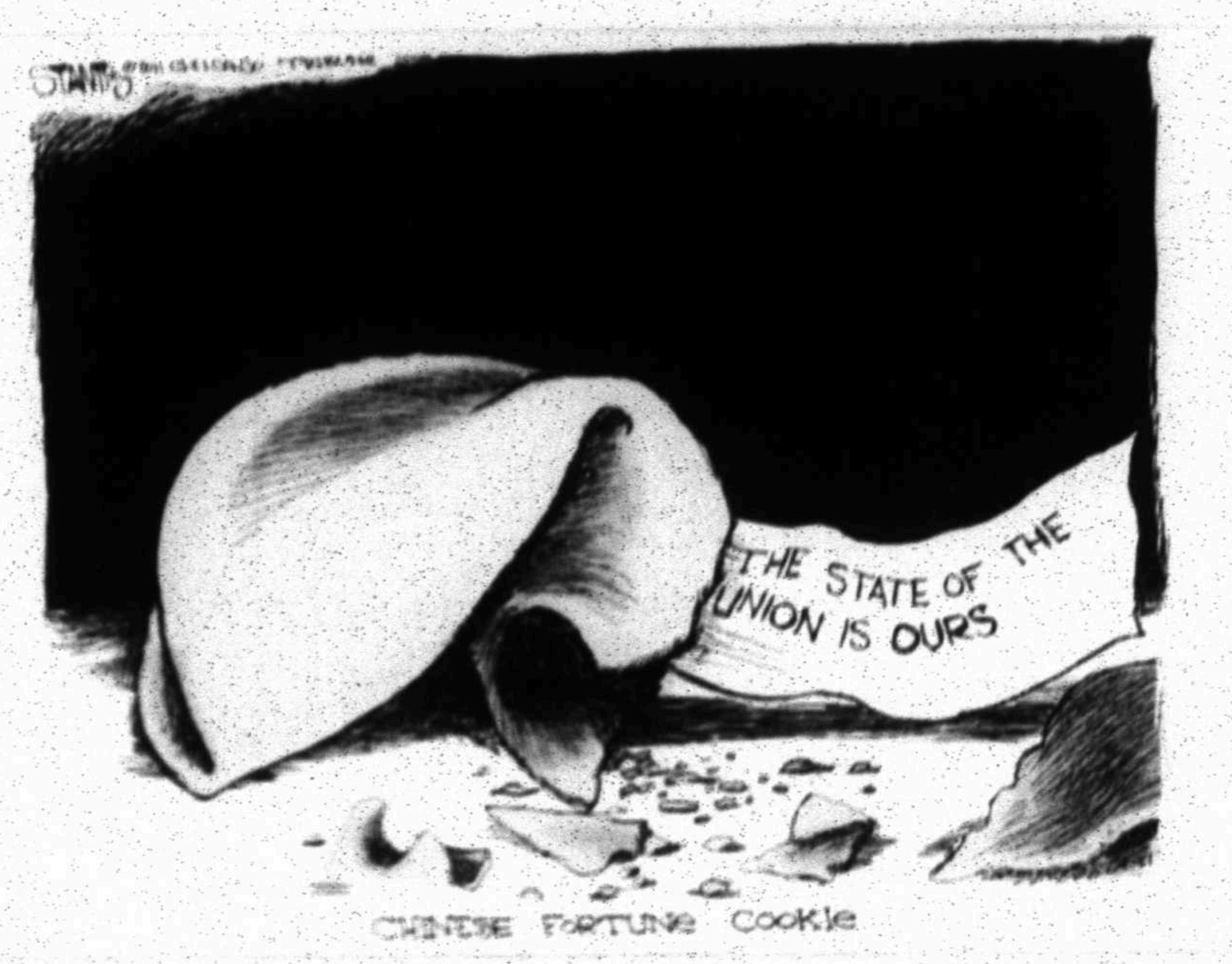
■ To Marcus Johnston: We will miss the assistant city manager when he retires next week. He always was open with the Reporter-Telegram whenever we needed information, even when issues were controversial. We wish him well.

Arrows

■ For the NFL Players Association executive director De Smith: He was quoted in a New York Times report saying the NFLPA was "at war" with the NFL. We have grown tired of war references that have nothing to do with war. This isn't being politically correct. This is being respectful of those soldiers making the sacrifice in actual war zones. They can tell you what war actually is.

■ For those pushing Obama citizen questions: There are serious issues to address, and it seems like every Sunday we see politicians being asked if they believe the president is a citizen. Unless there are past statements to indicate otherwise, it is probably time to move on from this tired notion that the president isn't a citizen and trying to trap politicians into doubting his status.

■ For President Obama: He said during the State of the Union address that "We need to get behind this innovation — and to help pay for it, I'm asking Congress to eliminate the billions in taxpayer dollars we currently give to oil companies." Obama said money "we give," as if it was the government's money. The government may have great expectations (the first country to have 1 million electric vehicles on the road by 2015), but to transfer wealth to the auto industry doesn't, on the surface, seem like the right answer.



TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Friday, Jan. 28, the 28th day of 2011. There are 337 days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history:

On Jan. 28, 1986, the space shuttle Challenger exploded 73 seconds after liftoff from Cape Canaveral, killing all seven of its crew members, including schoolteacher Christa McAuliffe.

On this date:

In 1547, England's King Henry VIII died; he was succeeded by his 9-year-old son, Edward VI.

In 1853, Cuban revolutionary Jose Marti was born in Havana.

In 1909, the United States withdrew its forces from Cuba as Jose Miguel Gomez became president.

In 1911, the notorious Hope Diamond was sold by jeweler Pierre Cartier to socialites Edward and Evalyn McLean of Washington, D.C., for $180,000.

In 1915, the United States Coast Guard was created as President Woodrow Wilson signed a bill merging the Life-Saving Service and Revenue Cutter Service.

In 1916, Louis D. Brandeis was nominated by President Woodrow Wilson to the Supreme Court; Brandeis became the court's first Jewish member.

In 1945, during World War II, Allied supplies began reaching China over the newly reopened Burma Road.

In 1960, the National Football League awarded franchises to Dallas and Minneapolis-St. Paul.

In 1973, a cease-fire officially went into effect in the Vietnam War.

In 1980, six U.S. diplomats who had avoided being taken hostage at their embassy in Tehran flew out of Iran with the help of Canadian diplomats.

Ten years ago: Only a week after naming a record-setting 37 new cardinals, Pope John Paul II announced five more cardinals — two Germans, one each from South Africa, Bolivia and Ukraine. The Baltimore Ravens' brazen defense backed up its bragging, beating the New York Giants 34-7 in Super Bowl XXXV.

Five years ago: A memorial service was held at the Kennedy Space Center to honor the crew of the Challenger on the 20th anniversary of the shuttle disaster. Sixty-five people were killed when the roof of an exhibition hall in Katowice (kah-toh-VEET'-sah), Poland, collapsed during a racing pigeon fair. Amelie Mauresmo (AM'-ah-lee maw-REHS'-moh) won her first Grand Slam singles title when Justine Henin-Hardenne (EH'-nihn ahr-DEHN') retired in the second set of their Australian Open final because of stomach pain. Mauresmo led 6-1, 2-0.

One year ago: Major world powers opened talks in London seeking an end to the conflict in Afghanistan. President Barack Obama and Vice President Joe Biden announced $8 billion in federal grants for high-speed rail projects nationwide during a visit to Tampa, Fla.

Analyzing Obama's move to the center

■ Lowering the corporate tax rate, endorsing tort reform and bringing high-speed Internet to the masses highlighted the president's State of the Union roadmap.

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Not every speech has to be Kennedyesque, and the one President Obama gave Tuesday evening certainly wasn't. It was a traditional State of the Union speech, tending more toward a laundry list than a thematic summing up of where he intends to take the country. But if you parse the laundry list of ideas and proposals he offered as a roadmap to "win the future," there are some big changes that underscore Obama's shift to the center.

First, he endorsed lowering the corporate tax rate, a radical position for a Democrat who's been accused of being a socialist. "Over the years, a parade of lobbyists has rigged the tax code to benefit particular companies and industries," he said. "Those with accountants or lawyers to work the system can end up paying no taxes at all. But all the rest are hit with one of the highest corporate tax rates in the world. It makes no sense. It has to change."

Some billed this as a nod to Republicans, but it's really more a concession to reality. Obama recognizes if American companies want to compete in global markets, they need a more level playing field. He said he would work with Congress to simplify the tax code to create a more favorable environment for business to grow and expand.

Second, he endorsed tort reform, a long-running GOP goal generally opposed by Democrats, who enjoy the support of trial lawyers. He said he will continue to stand by the health care law passed by the last Congress, but is "willing to look at other ideas to bring down costs, including one that Republicans suggested last year: medical malpractice reform to rein in frivolous lawsuits." Tort reform means different things to different constituencies, with Republicans likely to push for federal caps on compensation for patients injured by medical negligence, and Democrats wanting to define "frivolous" much more narrowly.

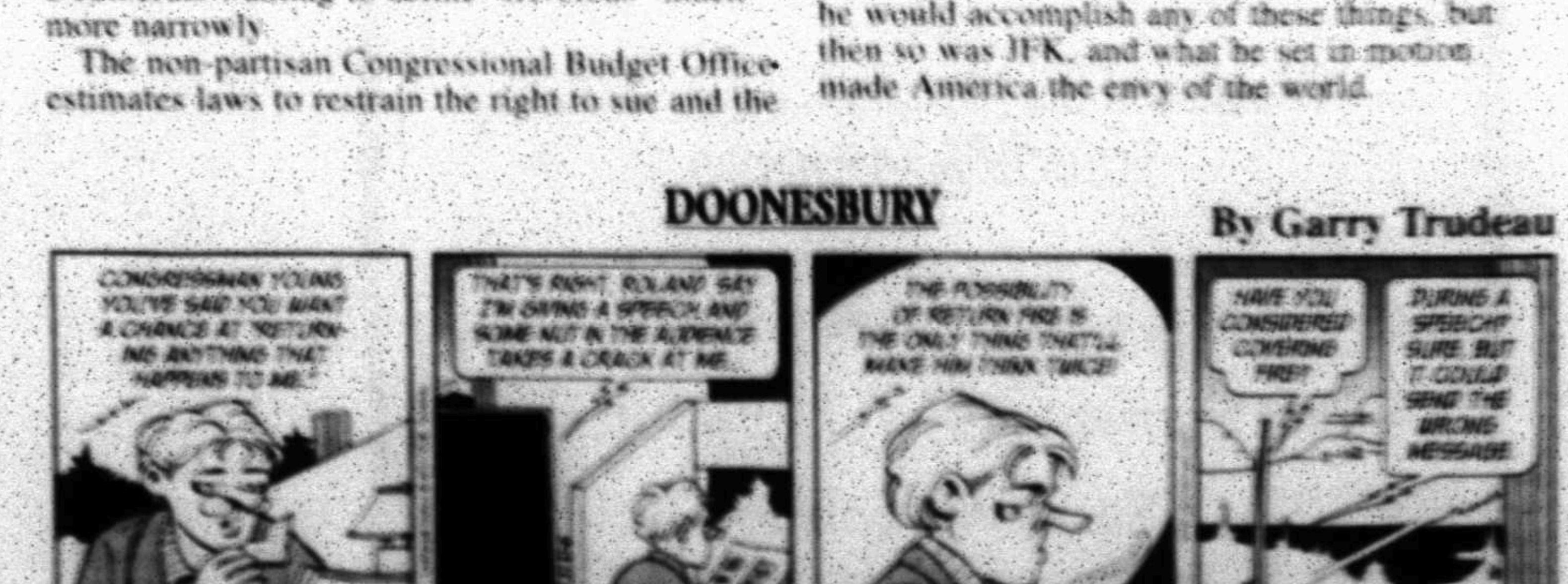
The non-partisan Congressional Budget Office estimates laws to restrain the right to sue and the compensation that can be awarded would save 0.5 percent in health care costs, a very small amount and not the main driver of rising costs. But ask doctors and that's not the perception. If they're honest they'll tell you they order up any number of unneeded tests because of the fear of being sued. The high cost of malpractice insurance has driven some physicians, especially obstetricians, to either limit or shut down their practices. Democrats often blame greedy insurance companies, but by implication, Obama targeted lawyers. Either way, the problem needs fixing, and the newly pragmatic Obama seems ready to take on his party to see if some accommodation that can be made.

Third, Obama embraced a five-year plan to bring high-speed Internet to 98 percent of Americans. "We're the nation that put cars in driveways and computers in offices, the nation of Edison and the Wright brothers, of Google and Facebook," he said. "In America, innovation doesn't just change our lives. It is how we make our living." Noting that China now claims the fastest super computer in the world, Obama urged Congress to support his investments in education and infrastructure and innovative research or risk falling behind. Expanding access to high-speed Internet is the modern equivalent of President Eisenhower building the interstate highway system. It puts a library in every child's hands, and as Obama put it in his speech, "just about any company can set up shop, hire workers, and sell their products wherever there's an Internet connection."

It's proper for a president to set a goal, as President Kennedy did when he declared we would put a man on the moon and bring him back. Obama was vague in his speech about how he would accomplish any of these things, but then so was JFK, and what he set in motion made America the envy of the world.

DOONESBURY

By Garry Trudeau



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Filibuster lives: Senate rejects changes in rules

By Jim Abrams
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The filibuster lives on. The Senate voted overwhelmingly late Thursday to reject efforts to change its rules to restrict the blockades that have sown gridlock and discord in recent years on Capitol Hill.

Instead, senators settled on a more modest measure to prevent single lawmakers from anonymously holding up legislation and nominations, and the parties' Senate leaders announced a handshake deal to conduct business in a more efficient and civilized way.

The two leaders — Democrat Harry Reid, of Nevada, and Republican Mitch McConnell, of Kentucky — also endorsed legislation, to be drawn up later, to break the logjam of confirmations of presidential appointments by reducing by as much as a third the number of appointees subject to Senate approval.

Senators were emphatic in their votes against limiting the filibuster, a treasured right of minorities trying to prevent majorities from running roughshod over them. Many Democrats, while now in the majority, envisioned a day, perhaps as early as after the 2012 election, when they would return to the minority.

None of Thursday's series of votes would have eliminated all filibusters, which are used to stall action on bills or nominations and require 60 votes to override in the 100-member body. Instead, Democrats pushing for change sought to get rid of filibusters that specifically stop bills from being brought to the Senate floor, and to require senators imposing a filibuster to stay on the floor debating the issue. One proposal would have gradually reduced the 60-vote threshold to a simple majority of 51 as debate proceeded.

The votes were 84-12 against the proposal by Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, to gradually reduce the threshold and 51-44 to reject a proposal by Sens. Tom Udall, D-N.M., Jeff Merkley, D-Ore., and Harkin to end filibusters on motions to advance a bill to the floor, require those initiating filibusters to stay on the floor and to shorten debate time on nominations. A third resolution by Merkley that focused on requiring those filibustering to keep talking on the floor went down, 49-46. All the proposals to change Senate rules would have required two-thirds majorities for approval.

But recognizing the frustration of many senators over the delaying tactics and partisan battles that have paralyzed the Senate in recent years, Majority Leader Reid and Republican leader McConnell said they had agreed on nonbinding steps to restore comity and cooperation in the Senate. Under the agreement, McConnell said minority Republicans would block fewer bills and nominations in exchange for a guarantee of more chances to amend legislation.

The Senate has been plagued in recent years by procedural delays, often the result of partisan differences, and public displeasure with Congress was a key factor in the fall midterm elections that saw Republicans recapture the House and increase their strength in the Senate. A recent Associated Press-GfK poll showed that 69 percent of the people disapprove of Congress and only 26 percent view it favorably.

Reid defended the central premise of the filibuster, saying debate without time limits was "in our DNA" in the Senate. But he also said, "We have to act because when abuses keep us from doing our work, they deter us from working together and they stop us from working for the American people."

He said he and McConnell would both avoid use of the so-called "constitutional option" where the majority could change filibuster and other Senate rules with a simple 51-vote majority in the 100-member chamber.

McConnell said he was optimistic that he and Reid could "convince our colleagues that we ought to get back to operating the Senate the way we did as recently as three or four years ago, when bills came up and they were open for amendment, and we voted on amendments, and at some point the bill would be completed."

High court: Emanuel can run for mayor

Associated Press

CHICAGO — Illinois' highest court put Rahm Emanuel back in the race for Chicago mayor Thursday, three days after a lower court threw the former White House chief of staff off the ballot because he had not lived in the city for a full year.

The state Supreme Court ruled unanimously in Emanuel's favor, with a majority of justices concluding that the earlier decision was "without any foundation" in the law because it said a candidate must be physically present in Chicago.

"As I said from the beginning, I think the voters deserve the right to make the choice of who should be mayor," Emanuel said after getting word of the high court's action. "I'm relieved for the city. I'm relieved for the voters because they need the certainty that's important for them."

Emanuel lived for nearly two years in Washington working for President Barack Obama. He moved back to Chicago in October, after Mayor Richard M. Daley announced he would not seek another term, and soon became the heavy favorite to lead the nation's third-largest city. He also has raised more money than any other candidate.

After learning of Thursday's decision, Emanuel said he took a congratulatory call from his old boss, the president.

Political observers said the ruling resurrecting Emanuel's candidacy probably would give him added momentum heading into the last month of the campaign.

Don Rose, a longtime analyst of Chicago politics, said the saga would bring Emanuel "even greater sympathy" and could lift him to victory.

"It's over," Rose said. "The only open question is whether he wins it in the first round or whether there's a runoff."

But the other contenders in the race did not give any ground.

"Game on," said Gery Chico, the city's former school board president and one of Emanuel's rivals. He complained that the recent "drama" surrounding Emanuel had "made this election into a circus instead of a serious debate about the future of Chicago."

Former Sen. Carol Moseley Braun said she did not question the court's decision.

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Oklahoma official questions hiring pregnant woman

By Murray Evans
Associated Press

OKLAHOMA CITY — A member of Oklahoma's Board of Education drew heated reaction Thursday after saying a newly hired administrator would be "worthless" as a legislative liaison if she took immediate maternity leave.

Shortly after the board voted to hire Jessica Russell, who is due to give birth in April, former state Sen. Herb Rozell noted that she was pregnant and questioned whether she would be around for key days of the upcoming legislative session.

Russell was hired to represent the state Department of Education's interests at the Capitol. The Oklahoma Legislature reconvenes Feb. 7 and must end its business by May 27.

"If she has that baby in April and takes off six weeks, she's worthless to us," Rozell said.

While there was some laughter in the room, state schools Superintendent Janet Barresi rebuked Rozell and ordered a 10-minute recess. Russell left the room in tears.

"Your comment is inappropriate and not worthy of this board and this department," Barresi said.

After the meeting, Rozell said his words came out wrong.

"I didn't mean to interfere. I was just hoping we could have her in April and May, because that's when everything gets tied up," he said.

Gov. Mary Fallin called Rozell's remark "demeaning" and "disgusting," while Sen. Clark Jolley and Sen. John Ford called for Rozell to resign. Jolley said Rozell's comment was "archaic, misogynistic and deplorable."

Rozell didn't immediately return a phone message seeking comment about calls for his resignation.

Oklahoma has about 660,000 students in its public education system.

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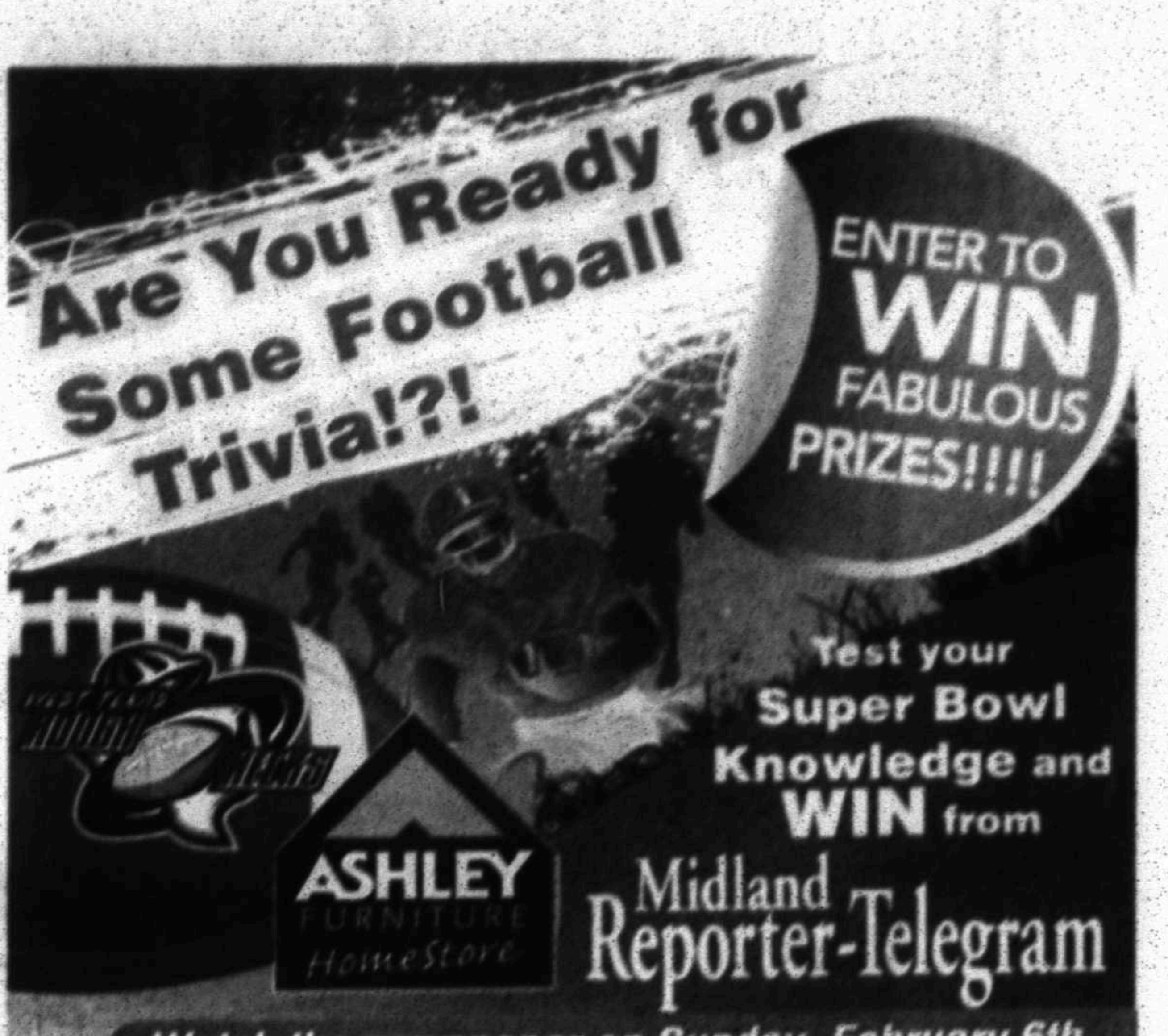

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The American Boychoir will perform 7:30 p.m. Feb. 8 at St. Luke's United Methodist Church, 3011 W. Kansas Ave. Admission is free and child care will be provided.

Comprised of boys in grades four through eight, the American Boychoir was founded in 1937 in Ohio and now is located in Princeton, N.J. Boys in the choir embark on a rigorous musical and academic program that includes national and international tours.

The choir's stop in Midland is one of 21 shows scheduled during their 2011 Southwest Winter Tour through Texas, New Mexico and Arizona. Auditions for boys in grades three through six will be held after the concert. For more information on The American Boychoir, visit www.americanboychoir.org. For more information on the concert at St. Luke's, call Catherine Bartoli, director of music ministries, at 694-2571.

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SISTINE CHAPEL

lost manuscripts

Sistine Chapel books on display

Associated Press

DALLAS — Forty books once used by popes and other church dignitaries for services in the Sistine Chapel, largely forgotten after they were spirited away from Rome in 1798, are featured in a new exhibit.

For its only U.S. stop, the display of the books with vibrant illustrations complementing liturgical writings opened Sunday at the Meadows Museum at Southern Methodist University.

"The Lost Manuscripts From the Sistine Chapel: An Epic Journey From Rome to Toledo," which was on view at the National Library of Spain in Madrid in the fall, will run through April 23 in Dallas before the books, called codices, go back to their respective archives at three libraries in Spain, away from public view.

The show is the culmination of more than a decade of research that began when Italian scholar Elena De Laurentiis, while doing research in Spain, happened upon several photographs of the books with a papal seal and wondered how they had made their way to Spain.

Her research took her to the mountaintop Spanish city of Toldeo that spreads out with a maze of streets. She found

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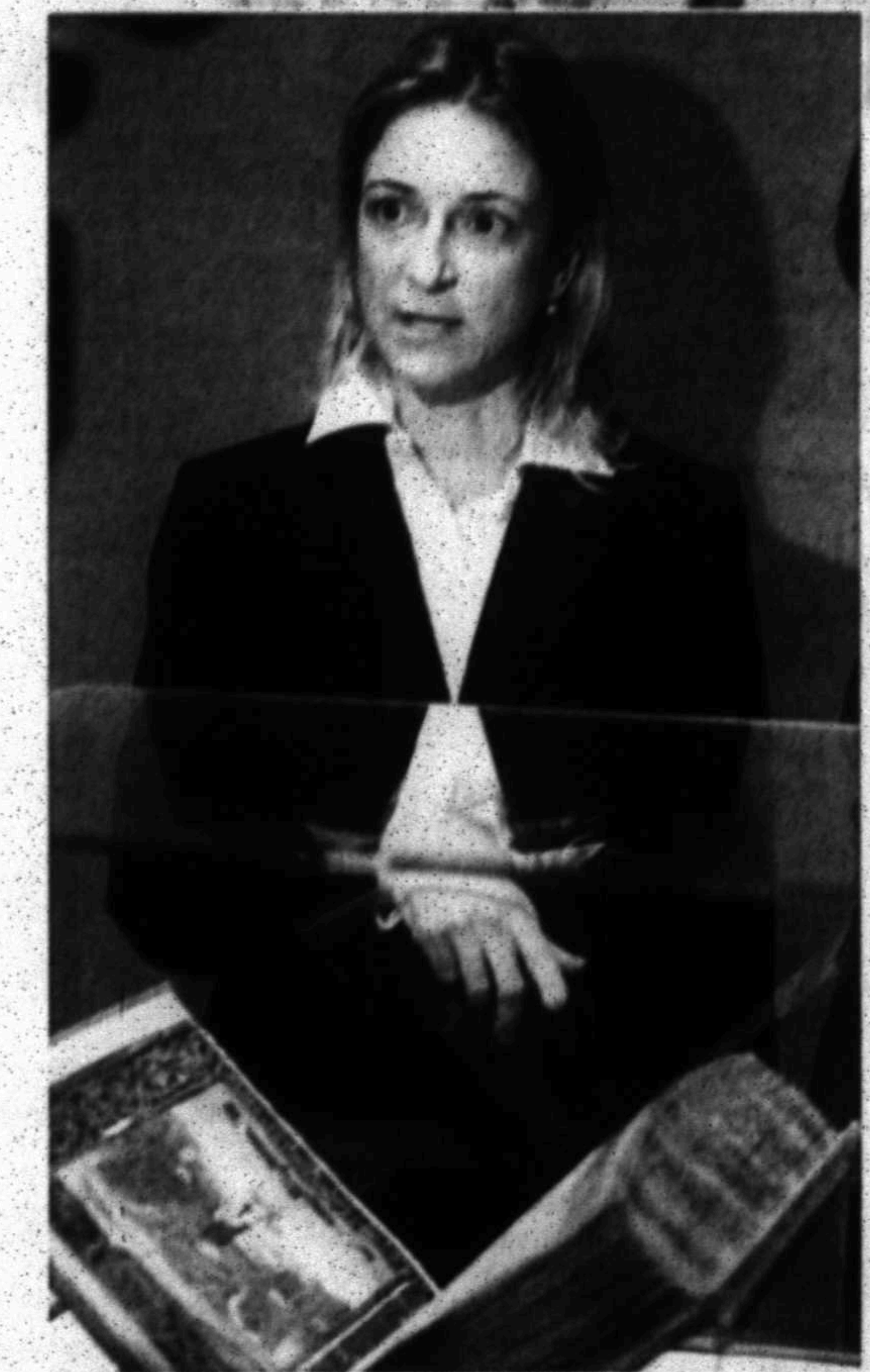

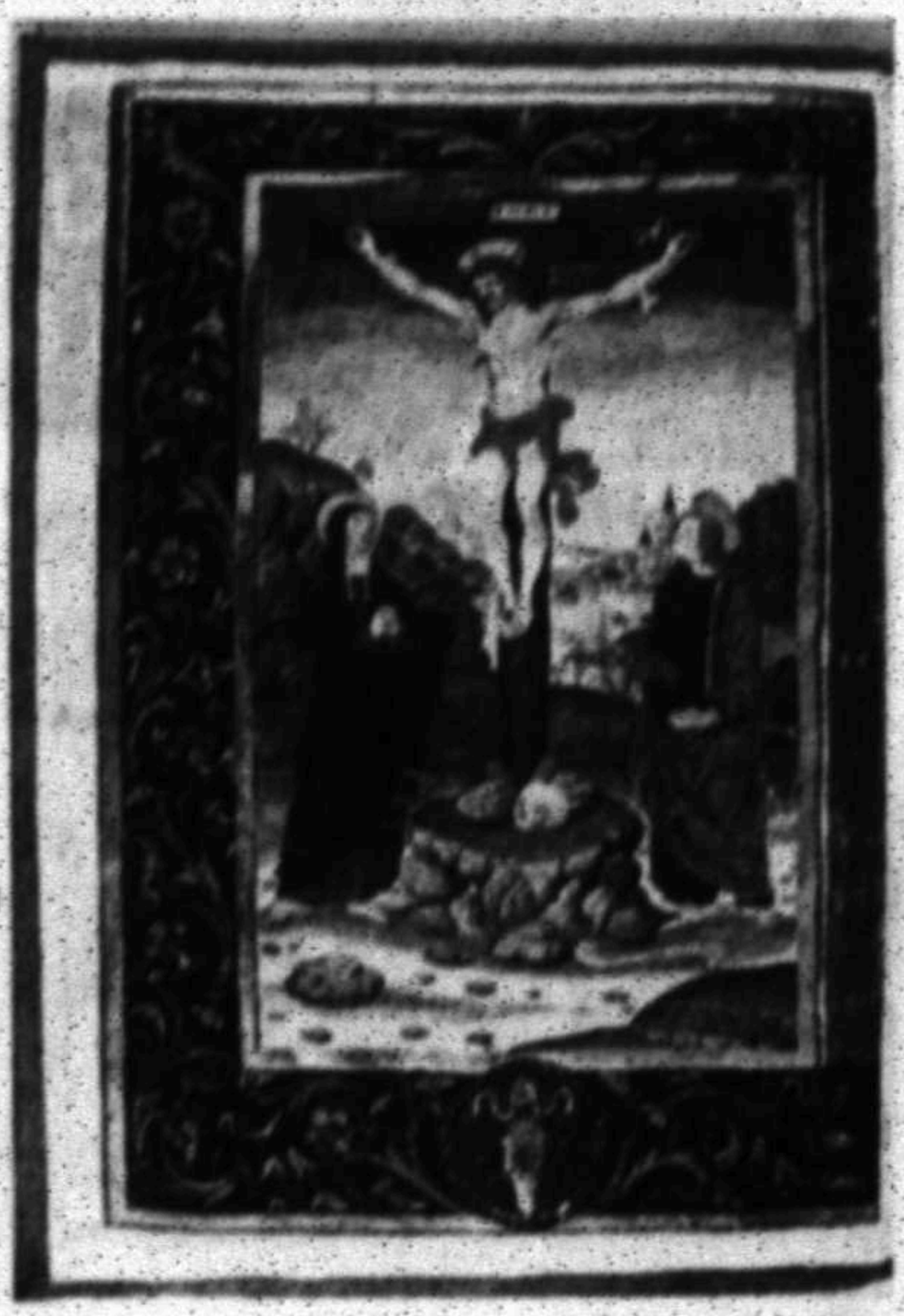

Books on display for "The Lost Manuscripts from the Sistine Chapel: An Epic Journey from Rome to Toledo," exhibit are seen Jan. 20 at the Meadows Museum at SMU in Dallas. LEFT Italian scholar Elena De Laurentiis talks about the exhibit at the Meadows Museum. ABOVE This undated handout photo released by SMU, shows "Perugino," The Crucifixion, c. 1495-99, from a book in the exhibit.

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APOLOGY The Rev. Steve Jones, left, Gov. Robert Bentley, center, and Rabbi Jonathan Miller attend a news conference Jan. 19, in Montgomery. Gov. Bentley is apologizing for his remarks about only Christians being his brothers and sisters.

Amanda Sowards/AP

New governor's words don't upset many in Alabama

By Bob Johnson
Associated Press

MONTGOMERY, Ala. — You can spot a Baptist church from almost any hilltop in Alabama, so it's not hard to find people who agreed with their new governor this week when he said only Christians are his brothers and sisters.

Even so, some of his brothers and sisters thought he could have found a nicer way to say it.

It's unlikely Republican Gov. Robert Bentley will suffer politically from his inauguration day remarks, which he made from a church pulpit at a Martin Luther King Jr. holiday service Monday.

"I don't think he was too smart to say that," 72-year-old Ron Brooks said as he was getting his hair cut at a barber shop in Wetumpka, a suburban town about 20 miles north of Mont-

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that the archbishop of Toledo — Cardinal Francisco Antonio de Lorenzana y Buitron — had taken the books from Rome as Napoleon's armies invaded in 1798. He donated the works to the cathedral's library, even putting a handwritten note in the books about the rescue.

"There's not a lot known about how he acquired them," she said through a translator. "In order to save them, he sent them to the cathedral."

The books, which specifically come from the Sacristy of the Sistine Chapel, have more importance than those held by the Sistine Chapel. Those from the Sistine Sacristy, which is a room where sacred texts are kept, were used by popes and other dignitaries, and had more intricate designs than those of the Sistine Chapel, which were used by singers, De Laurentiis wrote in a book that accompanies the exhibit.

Mark Roglan, director of the Meadows Museum, said the archbishop's actions resulted in the works being preserved in their entirety, which stands in contrast to the other known volumes that were cut apart for individual designs or even destroyed.

"They are so extraordinary because they are completely preserved," he said. "It really provides for the first time a sense of how the book was."

Roglan said there are so many exquisite pages in the books, which range in date from the 11th century to the 18th century, that it was often difficult to pick which page to display. The books with liturgical writings, such as blessings and missals, have illustrations in vibrant hues.

Scholars and curators agree that De Laurentiis' work revealed the importance of the books to art history.

"Elena's research made possible everyone to know them," Angel Fernandez Collado, a priest who directs the Cathedral of Toledo's library, said through a translator.

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gomery. But Brooks, a retired employee of a defense contractor, said he's "inclined to agree" with Bentley's statement.

Baptist churches are a fixture in every tiny corner of the state, many of them Southern Baptist, the same denomination Bentley follows.

There are about 1.1 million members of about 3,300 Southern Baptist churches in Alabama, said Keith Hinson, a spokesman for the Alabama Baptist State Board of Missions. There are believed to be as many as 600,000 others who are members of Baptist churches not affiliated with the Southern Baptist Convention.

Keith Nicholls, a pollster at the University of South Alabama, said in his polls of Alabama residents, often as many as 70 percent identify themselves as "born-again Christians."

Bentley's comments shocked and offended some nonbelievers and members of other faiths and stoked criticism from across the country. The governor apologized last Wednesday for the remarks after meeting with leaders of Alabama's Jewish community.

A lifelong Baptist who works at a two-pump gas station in rural Rock Creek, Angel Byram said she understands what Bentley meant with his original comments.

"I get what he was saying. It didn't bother me," said Byram, who was selling a soft drink and headache powders to a coal miner at the small store on Warrior River Road.

"But being in a public office like that (Bentley) should have thought of others," she said. "If I wasn't Baptist and didn't believe that way, I would have been offended."

Byram said it was good that Bentley apologized. "But I wonder if he really meant it or was just saying it like politicians do," she said.

Kay Cummins of Hueytown said she wasn't offended by Bentley's speech and didn't think he should have apologized.

"I wouldn't have," said Cummins, working in the fellowship hall at First Cumberland Presbyterian Church, which she attends.

"I see really nothing wrong with what he said. I think it was innocent, and people are trying to make a mountain out of a molehill," said Cummins, who voted for Bentley. "I was offended that he hadn't even been in office as hour and they were already taking him apart word by word."

Talk radio shows in Montgomery were full of chatter after Bentley's remarks, with some callers saying the governor shouldn't have apologized.

Retired Auburn history professor Wayne Flynt, who has written a book about the history of Baptists in the state, said the controversy won't damage Bentley in Alabama, where candidates typically portray themselves as Christians, with campaign commercials often showing them at church.

"I don't think this hurts him at all within the state. I think it really helps him with his very conservative base," said Flynt.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Religion opportunities in the Permian Basin Jan. 28-Feb. 3

TODAY

Youth retreat

St. Stephen's Catholic Church, 4600 W. Neely Ave., and the Diocese of San Angelo, will be hosting a YOUTH 2000 Retreat Friday through Sunday.

The event will begin at 7 p.m. today, and will continue all day Saturday, and conclude with Mass on Sunday.

For more information or to request registration forms, please call Dennis Robson at St. Stephen's Parish, 520-7394.

SATURDAY

Conference

Stonegate Fellowship Church, 6000 W. Wadley Ave., will host The Voice of the Martyrs Conference 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday. The theme is "Bound With Them." Speakers include Gracia Burnham, a missionary who kidnapped from the Philippines in 2001 and held in captivity by a militant Muslim group for 376 days; Bob Fu, founder of China Aid Association; Getaneh, a Christian man who was arrested and tortured by the Mengistu regime in Ethiopia; and Robert Brock, a staff member of The Voice of the Martyrs for more than 15 years. Worship and music will be lead by Amy Shreve. Doors open at 8 a.m. for registration, resource center (with books, DVDs, T shirts, etc.), and prayer room. Conference will break for lunch from noon-1:30 p.m. There will be no child care. There is no cost to attend but an offering will be received. To register and for more information, visit www.vommeetings.com or e-mail conference@vom-usa.org with your name, phone number and the number attending.

MONDAY

Ministers Gospel Bowl

ODESSA — New Dimensions Worship Center, 2121 East 9th St., will host Ministers Gospel Bowl No. 2 at 7:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Ministers from Midland, Odessa, Lubbock and Dallas will participate. For more information, call Quincy Randall, pastor, at 853-8058.

WEDNESDAY

Comedy

First United Methodist Church, 300 N. Main St., is hosting "The Skit Guys" 7 p.m. Wednesday. "The Skit Guys" are longtime friends Tommy Woodard and Eddie James who use comedy and drama to teach the Gospel. The event is free and open to the public. For more information, contact Jay Gage, FUMC youth pastor, at jaygage@firstmethodistmidland.com or 682-3701.

Worship group

New Dimensions Worship Center hosts P.I.E., or People in Evangelism, 7 p.m. today and every other Wednesday at Barnes and Noble Booksellers, 2617 West Loop 250 N. For more information, call Quincy Randall, pastor, at 853-8058.

THURSDAY

Discussion

Permian Basin Coalition for Healthy Families will host a discussion with author and activist Marilyn Grambell 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Feb. 3, at the Carrasco Room at Midland College. Speakers and organizations include Judge Robin Malone Darr, U.S. Probation, Midland Regional Parole, Odessa District Parole, Safeplace, Rays of Hope, People of Principle, Texas Arms of Love and Midland College. Continuing Education Credits are available. For more information or to register, contact Mindi Fires at 618-9836.

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Devotional

African Methodist Episcopal

Greater St. Luke, AME Church
Sun. School - 9:30 am, Morn. Worship - 11:00 am, Wed. Bible Study - 6:30 pm. Pastor Rev. James Greene, 401 S. Adams ... 6846785

Anglican

Christ Church Midland - Anglican Communion
5901 N. Midkiff Rd., north of Loop 250 at Midkiff & Mockingbird • (432) 6839292, www.christchurchmidland.org • Sunday Worship 8:00 am Traditional, 9:15 am Family, 11:00 am Contemporary Family • Sunday School for all ages at 10:10 am • Wednesday 7:00 am Morning Prayer, 5:15 pm Eucharist, 6:00 pm Dinner, 6:30 pm Teaching & Ministry • Fr. Tom Freese, Rector • Fr. Jonathan Hartzer, Associate Rector • Fr. Eric Bowles, Associate Rector • Fr. Bill Sepley, Pastoral Associate ... 6839292

Assemblies of God

Abundant Life Worship Center
Sun. 10:00 am & 6:00 pm, Wed. 7:00 pm, 4801 Princeton ... 5207122

Calvary Assembly of God
Sun. 8:30 am, 10:40 am, Sun. School 9:45 am, Evening Worship, 6:00 pm, Wed. 7:30 pm, 908 S. Johnston ... 6828475

Calvary Christian Fellowship
10:00am Sun. Service, Wed. Service 7:00pm, www.ccmidland.com, 10244 Andrews Hwy ... 9673604

This Generation Church
Sunday 10:00am & 6:00pm
409 W Pine ... 685-3919

First Assembly of God
Sun. School 9:30 am Sun. Worship 10:30 am & 6 pm, Wed. Family Night 7:00 pm, 100 W. Wadley ... 6844613

Baptist

Alamo Heights Baptist Church
Sunday School 9:30 am, Services 10:45 am & 6:00 pm, Wednesday 6:30 pm. 1305 N. Midland Dr ... 697-3101

Antioch Baptist Church
Sun. School 9:45 am, Sunday 11 am, Wed. Bible Study 7 pm, 1400 E. Golf Course Rd ... 683-3711

Bellview Baptist Church
Sunday School/Bible Study 9:30am, Worship 10:50am & 6:30pm, Worship & Prayer 6:30pm. Mission Kids, Youth, Bible Study 6:30pm, Choir Rehearsal 7:00pm. 1710 N. Big Spring ... 6829474

Bethel Missionary Baptist
Sunday Church School 10:00 am, Worship 11:00 am, Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 pm, Wed. Bible Study 7:30 pm, 1410 S. Calhoun ... 6839465

Cotton Flat Baptist Church
Sunday School 9:45 am Discipleship Training 5:00 pm, Sunday services 11:00 am & 6:00 pm, Wednesday 7:00 pm, 6409 S. Hwy 349 ... 6847562

Crestview Baptist Church
Sun. 9:00 am (Sanctuary), 10:21 am, Bible Study 9:00 & 10:30 am, Wednesday Activities 6-7:30pm, 901 N. Loop 250 West (at Thomason Dr.) ... 681-8200

Cuthbert Ave. Baptist Church
Sun. School 9:45 am, Worship Service 11:00 am & 7:00 pm Wed. 6 pm, 3208 W. Cuthbert

Ebenezer Baptist Church
Sun. School 9:30 am, Sun. Services 11 am Wed. 7 pm, 2400 N. Tyler, Midland

Fannin Terrace Baptist Church
Services: Traditional 8:30am Contemporary 11:00am., Sun. School 9:45, 2800 Moglord

First Baptist Church
Bible Study: 8:30, 9:50 am & 11:11 am, Worship 8:30 am - Traditional, 9:50 am, 11:11 am - Contemporary, Wednesday 7:05 pm - 2104 W. Louisiana ... 6830600

Goodwill Baptist Church
Sun. School 9:45 & 11:00 am Main Worship, Wed. Youth & Adult Bible Study, 1508 S. Main

Greater Ideal Baptist Church
Services 8:00 am & 11:00 am, Church Nurturing Wed. 7:00 pm 411 S. Tyler ... 6828169

Greater Mt. Zion Baptist Church
1700 Cloverdale Rd, Midland, TX 79701. Sunday school 9:45 AM Bible class, Wednesday at 7:00 PM. Sunday morning worship 11:00 AM Pastor Alvin Mills ... 685-1301

Greater New Hope Baptist
Sun. School - 9:30 am, Worship 11:00 am & 7:00 pm, Wed. Bible Class 7:00 pm, 2400 E. New York ... 6846893

Greenwood Baptist Church
Sunday School - 9:45 am, Sunday 11:00 am, Wednesday Prayer Service - 7:00 pm, Small Group Bible Studies, 10909 FM 307 Midland ... 685-1249

Harvest Baptist Church
Sunday School 9:45 am, Sunday 7 pm - Wed. 7:30 pm, 907 S. Terrell ... 5707524

Heart of Worship Baptist Fellowship
VFW - 1406 E. Taylor Ave. Midland, TX 79701 - Services start 11 a.m. on Sundays. Pastor: Michael Thurman ... 6827608

Hillcrest Baptist Church
Sun. School 9:45 am, Sun. 11 am & 6 pm Wed. 7 pm, 5200 W. Illinois ... 5207733

Macedonia Baptist Church
Sun. School - 9:30 am - Praise & Worship 10:45 am, Morn. Worship 11:00 am, Disciple All 8:30 am-Sunday, Wed. 7:30 pm, 201 S. Carver ... 6827120

Midland Korean Baptist Church
Sunday: English - 9:00 am, Korean 10:30 am; Wed. - Korean Language School 6:00 pm, 5001 W. Sinclair ... 4139593

Mount Calvary Missionary Baptist
Sun. School & BTU 9:00 am. Sun. Worship 11:00 am, Wed. Bible Study 6:00 pm, 303 E. Shandon ... 682-4931

Mt. Rose Baptist Church
Sun. School 9:30 am, Service 11:00 am Wed. 7 pm, 211 N. Tyler ... 682-4777

New Jerusalem Missionary Baptist
Sunday School 9:30 am, Sunday 10:45 am, Wednesday 8:15 pm, Youth Activities meet @ 6:30 pm on Monday Eve. - 1801 N. Carver ... 682-6457

Northwestern Baptist Church
Sunday 9:30 a.m. Bible Study, 10:30 a.m. worship, Wednesday Bible Study 6:30 p.m. 3901 Mockingbird

Primitive Baptist Church
Services: 2nd and 4th Sunday at 10:30 am, 411 W. Shandon ... 757-620-6627

Ranchland Heights Baptist
Sun. School 9:30 am, Morn. Worship 11 am, Evening Service 6 pm, Wednesday Prayer & Bible Study 6:30 pm, 3203 S.C.R. 1211 Gary Douglas, Pastor ... 697-4471

Second Baptist Church
Sun. Services 8:30 am & 11:00 am, Bible Study for all ages 10:00 am, 3125 Travis

South Memorial Baptist Church
Sun. Worship 10:30 am & 6:00 pm, 1700 W. Carter ... 682-5733

Southwest Baptist Church
Sunday 10:30 am & 6:30 pm, Wednesday 7:00 pm, 8006 Hwy. 191 ... 561-8885

Stonegate Fellowship
Sunday- 8:30 am, 10 am & 11:30 am, Various Evening/Weekday activities, www.stonegatefellowship.com
6000 W. Wadley- ... 6945100

Tall City Baptist Church
Sunday 10am, 11am, 5:30 pm & 7:00 pm, 3500 Anetta Drive ... 6947515

Temple Baptist Church
Sun. School 10:00 am, Sun. 11:00 am & 6:30 pm, Wed. Youth B.A.S.E. Club 7:00 pm, Wed. Bible Study 7:00 pm, 4301 Thomason Dr ... 6943634

Travis Baptist Church
Bible Classes 9:45 am, Sun. Worship Services 11:00 am & 6:00 pm, Wed. Service, 1000 E. Gist ... 6827812

Valley View Baptist Church
Sun. School 10 am Services 11:00 am & 7:00 pm, Discipleship Training 6:30 pm, Wed. Choir Practice 7 pm, Prayer Meeting 7 pm, 5500 FM 1213 - Midland

Victory Fellowship
Sunday School 10am, Sunday Services 11am & 6pm, Wednesday 7pm.
Pastor Teddy Seals,
3500 Anetta ... 563-2353

West Kentucky Baptist Church
Sunday School 9:45 am, Services 11:00 am & 7:00 pm, 1507 W. Kentucky Ave

Westside Baptist Church
Sun. School 10 am, Sun. Services 10, 11 am & 6 pm, 4201 W. Illinois

Wilshire Park Baptist
Worship 9:50 am & 6:15 pm - Sun., 6:00 pm Wed., Sun. School - 11:00 am, 801 S. Bentwood ... 6947787

Kelview Heights Baptist Church
Sunday Worship Services & Bible Classes 9:15 am, 10:30 am & 6:30 pm, www.kelview.com
402 W. Scharbauer Drive ... 682-3842

Bible

Calvary Chapel of Midland/Odessa
Sun. 10:30am- Wed. 7:00pm- Highway 191 & FM 1788 - www.calvarywesttexas.com ... 561-9141

Colonial Bible Church
Teaching 10 am Worship 11 am Traditional Worship, Biblical Teaching & Preaching
5711 Whitman ... 686-2612

Midland Bible Church
Sunday: 1st Service 9:00-10:10 Sunday School 10:20-11:10 2nd Service 11:20-12:30 Wednesday AWANA 6:15-8:00 www.midlandbible.org, 2800 North "A" Street ... 6849722

Catholic

Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church
Mon.-Fri. 12:05 Noon Eng., Mon., Tues., Thurs. 6:30 pm Span., Wed. & Fri. 6:30 pm, Saturday 8:00 am (Bilingual) & 5:00 pm Vigil Mass (Bilingual), Sunday 8:00 am (Spanish) 10:00 am & 12:00 pm (Eng.) 1:30 pm (Span.), www.olgmidland.com
1301 E. Garden Lane ... 682-2581

Our Lady of San Juan Catholic Church
Weekends: Sat. 4:30 pm (English); Sun. 8:30 am (Spanish) 10:30 am (English) & 12:30 pm (Spanish). Weekdays: Mon.-Wed.-Fri. 6:00 pm (Bilingual), Tuesday & Thursday 8:00 am (Bilingual). Confessions Saturday 3:45-4:15. 1008 New Jersey ... 570-0952

St. Ann's Catholic Church
Weekend Mass Schedule: Saturday - 5:00 pm, Sunday - 8:30 am - 10:45 am - 5:00 pm, Confession Saturday 4:00 - 4:45 pm, Illinois & "M" - www.stanns.us ... 682-6303

St. Michael The Archangel Traditional Catholic Church
The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass in the Latin Tridentine Rite, as approved and encouraged by Pope Benedict XVI in his encyclical Summorum Pontificum, is said several times each month on a variable schedule. Please call for Mass times.
3001 W. Golf Course Rd ... 6867709

St. Stephen's Catholic Church
Saturday 8:00 am & Mass 5:00 pm- Sunday Masses 8:00 am, 10:30 am, 12:30 pm (Spanish) & 5:00 pm, Daily Masses 7:00 am 12:15 & 5:30 pm, Confession heard 20 minutes before each Mass
4601 Neely Avenue ... 520-7394

Christian

Christian Church of Midland
Sun. School 9:30 am, Service 10:30 am, Sun. Night Small Groups, Wednesday Bible Study 6:30 pm, www.ccofm.com, 2608 Neely ... 684-7681

Community of Christ
10:00am Sunday School, 11:00am Worship, 3603 Douglas, www.cofchrist.org 694-3929

Christian Disciples of Christ

Church on the Journey (Disciples of Christ) 1001 Andrews Highway (Home of Memorial Christian Church) across from Albertsons on Andrews Highway, Midland TX. Sunday School for all ages 9:40 am Sunday Worship 10:50 am in the fellowship Hall. Rev Gary Groves, Minister www.churchonthejourney.org (432) 413-8326

First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
Contemporary Service 9 - 10 am in the Family Life Center, Sunday School for all ages 10 - 11am, Traditional Service 11 am; www.fccmidland.org
1301 W. Louisiana ... 682-2541

Memorial Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
Sun. School - 9:40 am, Sanctuary Worship 10:50 am, www.mccmidland.org
1001 Andrews Hwy ... 694-5321

Christian and Missionary Alliance

Fellowship Community Church
9:30 Family Bible Hour, 10:45 am - Morning Celebration, www.midlandfellowshipchurch.org
5206 N. Midland Dr ... 699-6068

Christian Science

Christian Science Church
Sunday Worship & Sunday School at 10:00 am, Wed. Service at 7:30 pm, 1001 W. Tennessee ... 682-8197

Christian Science Reading Room
Mon.-Thurs. 11:00 am - 3:00 pm, Mission Sq. Ste. A-10 4400 N. Big Spring St. 79705 ... 432-682-8476

Church of Christ

Andrews Hwy. Church of Christ
Sun. Worship 10:30 am & 5:00 pm, 4603 Andrews Hwy ... 694-2394

Church of Christ in Greenwood
Sun. 9:30 am - Bible Study, Worship 10:30 am & 6:00 pm Wed. 7:00 pm - Bible Study ... 684-8050

Eastside Church of Christ
Sunday Bible Study 9:45 am Sunday 11:00 am & 5:00 pm Wednesday 7:00 pm, 611 S. Webster ... 684-4733

Fairmont Park Church of Christ
Sun. Morn. Bible Class 9:00 am Worship Service 10 am & 5 pm; Wed. Eve. Bible Study at 7 pm, 3813 N. Midland Dr ... 699-7064

Golf Course Road Church of Christ
Sun.: First Worship: 8:15 am; Bible Class 9:45 am; Second Worship: 11:00 am (translation for the hearing impaired); Tuesday: Men's Prayer Breakfast: 6:30 am; Ladies Class 9:45 am; Wed.: PowerPoint 7:00 pm

Lamesa Rd. Church of Christ
3409 N. Lamesa Rd. Sunday school at 9:30 AM Sunday morning worship at 11AM Tuesday night singing practice at 7PM Wednesday night bible class at 7PM Minister Melvin Williams ... 685-0885

Lee Street Church of Christ
Sun. School 9:30 am, Worship 11:00 am & 6:30 pm, Wed. Bible Study 7:30 pm, 101 N. Lee Street

Main Street Church of Christ
Sunday Services 10:30 am & 5:00 pm, Wednesday Service 7:30pm,
101 W. Parker ... 570-1212

North "A" Church of Christ
Sun. Services 9:30 am, 10:30 am & 6:00 pm, Wed. Service 7:00 pm,
505 San Angelo St ... 682-8653

Northside Church of Christ
Bible 9:30 am, Sunday Services 10:30 am & 6:00 pm, Wed. 7:30 pm ... 682-1553

Spanish Church of Christ
Sun. Services 10 am & 6 pm, Wed. Services 7:00 pm Bilingual Services. Orchard Lane & Lamesa Road

Westside Church of Christ
4410 W. Illinois Ave., 694-3614. Bible class at 9am, AM Worship at 10am, Evening worship at 5pm. Wed. Evening worship at 7pm ... 694-3614

Woodcrest Church of Christ
1401 Woodcrest Drive,
Sunday Bible Study - 9:30am,
Sunday Assembly - 10:30am, Sunday Assembly- 4pm, Wed. Bible Study - 7pm,
Preacher: Jay Martin ... 689-0955

Charismatic

Midland Christian Fellowship
(The Joyful Church)
Sun. School 9:30 am, Celebration Service 10:30 am, Wed. Family Night 7:00 pm; nursery and children's church for every service, 2301 W. Indiana ... 685-1981

Church of God

Church of God
Sun. School 10:00 am, Sun. Services 11:00 am & 6:00 pm Wed. 7:30 pm, 5300 Thomason Dr ... 694-7586

Church of God in Christ

Alexander Temple Church of God in Christ
Wed. 7:30pm, Sun. School 9:45 am, Sun. Morn. 11:00 am 200 N. Tyler ... 684-5466

Faith Temple Church of God in Christ
Sunday School 9:45 am, Morning Worship 11:30 am, Bible Study 6 pm Evening Worship 7 pm, Wednesday 7 pm.
1605 N. Terrell ... 684-5253

Holy Trinity Church of God in Christ
Sun. School 10:00 am Morning Worship 11:15 am, Bible Study Wednesday 7:00pm, 1301 E. Cowden ... 682-9273

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints: Ward 1 at 9:00 am Sun., Ward 2 at 11:30 am Sun., Ward 3 at 9:00 am Sun., Branch for Spanish at 10:20 am, Wards 1 & 2 meet at 4805 Gateway St., Midland, Ward 3 meets at 2101 Tarleton St.

Episcopal

Episcopal Church of the Holy Trinity
Sunday Holy Eucharist: 8am, Rite I, 10 am, Rite II; 9:00 am Education Monday Holy Eucharist & Healing: 5:15 pm. www.holytrinity.org,
1412 West Illinois ... 683-4207

St. Nicholas' Episcopal Church
Sunday Services 9:30am & 5:30 pm, Sun. School & Adult Forum - 10:30am, Healing Service Wed. 5:30pm, Dinner 6pm, Choirs & Programs, 4000 W. Loop 250 North ... 694-8856

St. Paul's Episcopal Church
Sunday Service 10:30am 2900 Princeton Fr. Mark L. Cannaday, Rector, Fr. Charles E. Hageman, Rector Emeritus Affiliated with the Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth, Southern Cone. Rt. Rev. Jack L. Iker, Bishop ... 432-699-4088

Foursquare Gospel

Living Way Church Foursquare
Midland Church - Sunday 10 am, Wednesday 7 pm Children & Youth Activities, Wednesday 7 pm
415 Alta ... 683-1750

Camino de Vida Midland Hispanic Foursquare Church
Sunday Services 10:00 am & 11:00 am, Tuesday 7:00 pm, Thursday 7:30 pm, 100 West Oak ... 352-9524

Full Gospel

Jesus Way House of Prayer
Sun. 10:30 am & 7:30 pm, Tues. & Thurs. 7:30 pm, 3600 Andrews Hwy ... 520-0357

Living Hope Church
Services: Sun. 10:30 am, Thurs 7 pm, 2911 CR 1140 ... 693-6398

Voice of Victory - A Word Church
Sun. 10:30 am & 6 pm, Wed. 7 pm.
1001 S. Main St ... 686-7566

Hindu

Hindu Association of West (HAWT):
Service Times: Weekdays 8 am & 7 pm to 8 pm, Saturday 9 am to 10:30 am, Sunday 10 am to 12:30 pm & 4 pm to 6 pm, Religious Study & Sunday School for Children
4401 Cardinal Ln ... 520-4298

Interdenominational

Center for Spiritual Living
10am Sunday - Book Study, 11am Sunday, scm@nts-online.net, 2311 Elizabeth ... 684-4230

Christian Life Center
Sunday School 9:30-10:20, Worship 10:30-12 pm, Home Care Fellowships varied times, Wednesday Bible Studies 6:30 pm,
2901 W. Kansas ... 683-4506

West Texas Cowboy Church
12144 E. Hwy 158, Gardendale, Texas, Sunday 10 a.m., Wed at 7 p.m.
www.wtcchurch.org ... 488-8588

Jewish

Avdey Torah Hayah
meets third or fourth Saturday of the month at Voice of Victory Church, 1001 S. Main, Midland. Service times Saturday 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Adult services and Tot Shabbat, Sunday 1-4 p.m. Sunday school for adults and children. Rabbi Yosef Garcia. For more information, call Synagogue President Samuel Saldana www.cryptojew.org ... 6349191

Temple Beth El
Friday Services 8 pm, Rabbi Sydney Zimelman
1501 N. Grandview ... 550-5111

Lutheran

Good Shepherd Evangelical Lutheran Church
Sunday School & Bible Class 9:30 am,
Sunday Worship at 10:30 am,
3800 Bluebird Ln ... 694-4971

Grace Lutheran Church Lutheran Church Missouri Synod
Sun. School 9:00 am, Service 10:30 am, Monday Worship Service 7:00 pm, 3000 W. Golf Course Rd. ... 697-3221

Holy Cross Lutheran Church
Traditional Service 9:30 am,
Sunday School 10:45 am,
5110 North Garfield
www.hclc4u.org ... 570-8149

Hope Lutheran Church Worship
9:00 am, Sunday School 10:15 am, Adult Bible Study 10:15 am,
2003 North A St ... 683-1936

Lutheran Church of the Risen Lord
9 am Adult Sunday School, Women's Bible Study Families together class, Nursery 0-2, Young Children's Sun. School (3&4 yr), Kids Quest, K-6, 10:15 am. Worship Service, 5-7 pm, 1603 N. Grandview, Odessa ... 362-2549

Midland Lutheran Church
Sun. School at 9:15 am, Sun. Worship, 10:30 am, Tuesday bible study at 7:00 pm 2705 W. Michigan ... 694-1373

Our Savior Lutheran Church
Sun. School 9:00 am, Worship Celebration 10:15 am, Pastor Steve Mahr, 3309 Neely ... 694-4517

Messianic

Beit Haderekh located at Mission Dorado Baptist 4142 Faudree Road, Odessa, TX 79765, Worship: Sat. 10:30 am. Call 561-8486

Methodist United

Resurrection United Methodist Church
Sun. School 10:00 am, Worship 11:00 am, 9541 W. 57th St., Odessa 385-1212

St. Mark's United Methodist
Sunday School 9:45 am, Sunday Service 11:00 am, Wednesday Choir 6:30 pm, Home Bound Communion - First week of month, 1701 N. Main ... 683-3339

& Church Listings

First United Methodist Church (Midland)
Traditional Sun. Worship 8:30 am & 10:45 am- sanctuary, 10:45 am Contemporary Worship- Fellowship Hall, Main & Ohio St. www.firstmethodistmidland.com 682-3701

First United Methodist Church (Goldsmith)
Sun. Service 9:00am, 600 N. Goldsmith St., Goldsmith 385-1212

St. Luke's United Methodist Church
Sunday School 9:30 am, Services 8:30 am & 10:50 am, WWW.StlukesUMCMidland.org 3011 W. Kansas 694-2571

St. Paul's Methodist
4501 Thomason Drive, Midland, Tx. 79703 Sunday School 8:45am, Worship Services 10am, Children/ Youth meet at 6pm 694-2544

Visionary Hollowell Community UMC
Sunday School 10:00am, Worship Service 11:00 am, Mid-Week Bible Study, Prayer & Praise, and Fellowship - Wednesday - 6:30 pm; 400 South Marshall St. 682-1574

Muslim

Muslim Association of West
Jumu'ah Prayer - Friday 1:30 pm
Religious study group Sunday 12 pm, 1200 S. Midland 520-4689

Pak-American Muslim Association
Jumu'ah Prayer - Friday 1:30pm, 5010 W. Loop 250 N. Apt 10E 520-3751

Nazarene

The Gathering @ Midland (A Church of the Nazarene)
Sunday Worship 10:30 am, 2001 Culver www.thegatheringmidland.com

Non-Denominational

Believers Way Church Permian Basin
Sun. Service 10 am, 4400 N. Midland Dr. www.believersway.com 689-7284

Church of God 7th Day
609 N. Dallas, Midland, Texas 79701
Pastor Joe V. Romero 218-8595

Church of New Beginnings
4309 W. Illinois, Suite A
Sun. School 10 am, Sun Service 11:30 am Bible Study for all ages Wednesday 7 pm
Pastor Norman Lewis 553-1400

Cornerstone Christian Fellowship
Sun. Service w/Children's Church 10 am, Bible study for all age groups 6 pm. Wed. Evening 7pm, 901 N Midland Dr. www.cornerstonemidland.com 689-8898

Dominion Outreach Ministry
Sunday Service 10:30 am Wednesday 7:00 pm, 7909 Hwy. 307 686-9468

LifeHouse Fellowship
3205 W. Cuthbert, Ste. A-9, Midland, TX 79707; services on Sunday at 10am and Wed. at 7 pm, Pastor Jeremy Sutton, www.lifehousefellowship.net 432-853-8823

Marina For Life Ministry
Sun. School 10 am, Worship 11 am, Wed Prayer Meeting 7pm, Wed. at 6pm, Sisters For Life Meeting, Fri. at 7pm Prophetic Night 701 S. Calhoun 432-684-8668

Mid- Cities Community Church
Sunday Morning 9:15am & 11 am
8700 W. Hwy 191 522-1330

Midland Bible Church
Sunday School 10:20am-11:10, First Service 9:00-10:10am, Second service 11:20-12:30pm. AWANA 6:00 pm Wednesday, www.midlandbible.org
2800 North "A" St 684-9722

The Cowboy Church of the Permian Basin
Sunday Services: 10:30 am - 3900 North FM 1788, Midland, TX,
Pastor Jerry Ralston 432-563-0928

Apostolic Assembly in the Faith Christ Jesus:
Wednesday 7:30 pm, Sunday Services 9:45 am & 3:30 pm
2309 South Fort Worth 686-8526

Beacon Light Outreach
Sun. School 10:30 am, Wed. Prayer 7:00 pm, 907 S. Terrell 686-9850

Bible-Way Apostolic Church of Jesus Christ
Sunday School 10:00 am, Morning Worship 11:30 pm, Tuesday/ Mission 6:30 pm, Wed. /Bible Study 6:30 pm, 1201 E. Spruce 570-1665

Christian Outreach Center
Sun. Services 10:00 am & 5:00 pm, Wed. Service 7:30 pm, Located in Odessa South of I-20 off of West County Rd. (corner of Cole & Sergeant)

Christian Motorcycle Association
Contact Mike Kiselwick 520-8241

Christian Tabernacle Church
Sunday Services 10:00 am & 7:00 pm, Wednesday Service 7:00 pm, 10807 W. CR 145, Midland 262-5072

Centro Familiar Cristiano Vida
Sunday Services: 10 am, 5 pm, Wednesday Services 7 pm; Friday Youth Services 7 pm, 505 W. Parker

Church in the Wind
Sunday Service 10:30am and Wednesday Service 7:00 pm
1001 Austin 556-2062

Communidad Alabare,
Community of Praise
Saturday 9:30 am, Monday 7:30 pm, 1100 Dayton Rd 682-8433

Crossway Church Adult
Sunday School 9:30 am, Worship Service 10:30 am Children's Christian Education 10:50 am, www.crosswaychurchofgod.org, 1000 Upland 528-8541

Destiny by Grace Christian Worship Center
Sun. 9:30 am, 10:30 am & 6 pm Wed., 7 pm, 3303 S. Hwy 349 556-6638

Faith Apostolic Church
Thurs. Service 7:30 pm, Sun. Services 9:40 am - Traditional Service, 11:00 am Contemporary Service & 7:30 pm,
4001 W. Illinois Avenue 520-5371

Faith Country Church
Sunday Service 9:30 am Wednesday 7 pm Youth Service Wednesday 7 pm, www.faithcountry.org Exit 143 off I-20 E. to FM 1208, 5 miles 458-3580

Faith Tabernacle
Sunday School 10:00a m, Morning Worship 11:00 am, Wed. night prayer Bible Class 7:00 pm, Friday Evangelistic Night 8:00 pm, 301 S. Fairgrounds Rd.

First Apostolic Church
Sunday School 10:00 am, Sunday Services 11:00 am & 6:00 pm, Wed. Prayer 7:30pm, 710 S. Baird St.

Greater Grace Temple Christian Faith Center
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Harvest Time Church
Sunday Services 9:45 am, 10:30 am & 6:00 pm, Wednesday 7:00 pm, 8300 W. Hwy. 191 563-5683

Heart of Worship Baptist Fellowship
Sunday Service 11:00 am,
1306 East Taylor 337-9372

Iglesia de Cristo
Sun. 9:00 am & 4:30 pm, Wed. 7:00 pm- Bilingual, 1501 E. Cherry 557-4999

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Wed. 7 - 8 pm, Friday 7 - 8 pm,
Sat. 10am -12 pm, 4 pm- 6 pm,
405 E. Stokes 684-8541

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Thursday 7:00 pm, Sunday 10:00 am, 6:00 pm, 5301 Thomason 689-8277

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Sun. 11:15, Wed. 7:30, Overseer E.M. & Lady S.R. Jackson, Pastors
www.ictabernacle.com 694-4233

New Day Christian Fellowship
Wed. 7 pm & Sun. 10:30 am & 6 pm, 4200 W. Illinois Suite 280 694-4233

New Springs Family Life Church
Sunday Service 10:45 am, Wednesday Night Bible Study 7 pm, 350 N. Midland Drive #F 689-8567

North East Community Church
Sun. 9:30am, 10:30 am, & 6:30 pm, Wed. 7:00 pm Bible Study, Bebo Lucas 410 N. CR 1130 699-5821, 853-9830

Nuevo Trigo (New Wheat) Church
Sunday Services at 10:30 am; Wed. Service at 7:30 pm 2406 W. Wall

Prophet of the Word Ministries
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Redeemer Christian Fellowship
Full-Gospel Ministry Sunday 10 am & 6 pm, 3000 W. Franklin 686-9112

Rock Fellowship Church
Sun. Worship 10:00 am, Wed. A.C.T.I.O.N. Night 7:00 pm, Extreme Youth 6:30 pm, 410 S. Pecos 685-3858

Salvation Army
Sunday School 9:45 am, Worship 11 am & 6 pm, Wednesday 6:30 pm,
3500 Park Lane 697-7264

Shambhala Center
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Solid Rock Fellowship Outwest
Sun School 10, Sun Services 11
Wed 7 4601 W. Interstate 20 (South Service road Between Midkiff and Loop 250) 664-4279

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Fridays 7pm, 6901 S. CR 1200, Midland 687-0348

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11:00 am Sun. 711 S. Main 686-2525

Templo Betesda - Interdenominational
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Templo Peniel Church
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611 S. Terrell 683-6836

Templo Jerusalem
Prayer Mon - Fri 6 am, Tue evening 7 pm; Wed Ministerios - Femeniles 7:30 pm, Fri. Varones/ Jovenes alternate 7:30 pm, Sun Escuela Dominical 9:45 am, Sun. Evening Culto Evangelistico 5 pm
1205 South Belmont 683-4806

The World Wide Church of God Bible Study
Wed. at 7:30 pm, Sun. Service 11am, 1207 W. 10th St., Odessa 381-8352

True Life Christian Fellowship Church
Dev. starts 9:15 am; Sun. School 9:30-10:30 am, Sun Services 11 am to 1 pm, 3001 North "A" St., Midland 687-3077

Victorious Ministries International
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432-559-0793

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Sunday School 10am, Sun. Services 10 am & 6pm, Wed. Service 7:30 pm, Fri. Youth, 5110 W. Illinois Ave. 697-4007

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Sun. School 10 am, Worship 11am & 6 pm, Wed. 7:30 pm, 3110 W. C.R. 116 694-8702

Presbyterian

First Presbyterian Church
Sun. School 9:30 am, Sun. Services 8:15 am, 11am, "The Bridge" at 11am, 800 W. Texas 684-7821

Grace Presbyterian Church
Church School 9:30am, Sun. Service 11am 2801 N. Garfield 684-6542

Providence Presbyterian Church (PCA)
Services 10:50 am, Sunday School 9:30 am, www.providencemidland.org, 2900 Princeton 520-5255

Trinity Presbyterian Church
Sun. School 8:45 am Service 10am, 2800 W. Louisiana 682-2514

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Fri. 8pm to 9pm, Sat. 10am to 12pm , Sat. Evening 5pm to 7pm
609 N. Dallas 570-0634

Iglesia Amistad Cristiana
9:45 am Sun. School, Services 11am & 6 pm, 401 S. Main 686-0427

Iglesia Adventista Del Septimo Dia
Cerca de Big Spring
9:30 Escuela Sabatica, 11:00 Culto Divino, 7:00 Culto de Miercoles,
110 W. Pennsylvania 620-8882

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Sat. Services 9:45 -11 am, Wed. Prayer 7 pm, midland.netadventist.org,
3114 Travis 694-2746

Southern Baptist

Iglesia Bautista El Buen Pastor,
4712 Shadylane, Midland, Tx 79703

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Egyptian unrest may set off vicious economic cycle

Associated Press

CAIRO — Fueled by fury over financial deprivation, the unrest roiling Egypt threatens to undermine the country's economic growth and further weaken the government.

The third straight day of protests sent the stock market plummeting Thursday, rattled investors and clouded what the government has portrayed as its crowning legacy: rising GDP and a surging private sector led by a construction boom and vibrant, seemingly recession-proof banks.

Many say the fruits of growth in this formerly socialist economy have been funneled almost entirely to a politically connected elite, leaving average Egyptians surrounded by unattainable symbols of wealth such as luxury housing and high-priced electronics as they struggle to find jobs, pay daily bills and find affordable housing.

The 10.5 percent plunge in the market left its year-to-date losses at more than 20 percent, and traders warned that economic damage could widen if huge protests materialize today, as threatened by the opposition.

"(Today) will be a trigger," said Mostafa Abdel-Aziz, a broker with the Cairo-based investment bank, Beltone Financial. "If things pass quietly, there should be a technical rebound" when the market reopens on Sunday.

"But I don't think the overall sentiment will be reversed," he said.

The sustainability of most of the government's key foreign revenue sources — tourism, the Suez Canal, and foreign investment — hinges on investors' perception of stability in this nation of 80 million, the Arab world's most populous.

It's an image the government carefully has tried to craft for years, looking to buck a socialist legacy characterized by inefficiency, a bloated bureaucracy and waste, and fitful moves toward a free-market economy in the early 1980s.

The prime minister and the finance minister "have undertaken enormous reforms, but they're trying to undo more than 50 years of economic damage," said Angus Blair, Beltone's head of research.

Following a banking crisis in the late 1990s, the government enacted sweeping changes aimed at better regulating the financial sector and boosting private sector development. It set up a credit bureau, a mortgage law was passed and lavish housing communities sprang up around the outskirts of crowded Cairo.

The growth rate shot up from almost 4.1 percent in 2004 to almost 7.2 percent in 2008 before the global financial meltdown sent the world economy crashing.

Even then, Egypt fared well. While much of the West was in a recession, Egypt's gross domestic product came in at 4.7 percent in 2009 and 5.15 percent in 2010. Relying on buyers' advance payments instead of risky credit, the real-estate sector was one of the few in the world that escaped the global crisis largely unscathed.

But critics argue the gains were little more than window dressing. Roughly 40 percent of Egyptians struggle along at the World Bank-set poverty level of under $2 per day.

Food prices have steadily increased over the past three years, sustaining their elevated levels even as global commodity prices fell. Beef, which sold at $3.20 per pound a few months ago, now hovers at $5.13 per pound — making it a luxury many taste once a month or less.

"Food price and inflation is a crucial issue in Egypt," said Ann Wyman, head of emerging markets at Nomura. "Egypt ranks, for us, as one of the most vulnerable countries for high food prices. It's something you're seeing in the popular response."

Analysts estimate that food price inflation is currently at an unsustainable 17 percent yearly.

Clashes in January 1977 over an increase in the price of bread — known in colloquial Egyptian Arabic as Aish, or life — ended with several killed.

Housing remains another key sticking point. While villas in new communities with names like Beverly Hills and Allegria are abundant for the wealthy or the upper middle class, the rest of the population struggles even to find one-bedroom apartments.

The government faced an uphill economic battle even before the protests. Subsidies are expected to consume about $17.4 billion of the country's budget this year, and any attempts at cutting these benefits are dangerous.

The problem becomes more dire if the tensions persist or shift to Red Sea coastal hotspots where tens of thousands of tourists flock to escape frigid winters.

So far, tourism appears to be largely unaffected, with operators across Europe saying cancellations have yet to really surface. Only side-trips to Cairo and Luxor have been cut, while resorts like Sharm el-Sheikh are still on the itinerary.

Egypt: Internet down, police counterterror unit up

Associated Press

CAIRO — Internet service in Egypt was disrupted and the government deployed an elite special operations force in Cairo today, hours before an anticipated new wave of anti-government protests.

The developments were a sign that President Hosni Mubarak's regime was toughening its crackdown following the biggest protests in years against his nearly 30-year rule.

The counter-terror force, rarely seen on the streets, took up positions in strategic locations, including central Tahrir Square, site of the biggest demonstrations this week.

Facebook and Twitter have helped drive this week's protests. But by Thursday evening, those sites were disrupted, along with cell phone text messaging and BlackBerry Messenger services. Then the Internet went down.

Earlier, the grass-roots movement got a double boost — the return of Nobel Peace laureate Mohamed ElBaradei and the backing of the biggest opposition group, the Muslim Brotherhood.

The real test will be whether Egypt's fragmented opposition can come together, with today's rallies expected to be some of the biggest so far.

Social networking sites were abuzz that the gatherings called after today's prayers could attract huge numbers of protesters demanding the ouster of Mubarak. Millions gather at mosques across the city on Fridays, giving organizers a vast pool of people to tap into.

The 82-year-old Mubarak has not been seen in public or heard from since the protests began Tuesday with tens of thousands marching in Cairo and a string of other cities. While he may still have a chance to ride out this latest challenge, his choices are limited, and all are likely to lead to a loosening of his grip on power.

Obituaries

Billy Ray Gilbreath

Billy Ray Gilbreath, 72, of Odessa left this earth on Saturday, January 22, 2011 to join the love of his life and best friend Ann Gilbreath. He was born June 24, 1938 in Alba, TX. He grew up in Lamesa, TX and later moved to Odessa, where he lived until his death. He worked for Key Services for years until his retirement.

Billy is preceded in death by his parents, Walter & Ola Gilbreath, brother, Buck Gilbreath, sister, LaVern Vaughn, son, Felix Glen Gilbreath and his loving wife, Ann Gilbreath.

He cherished his family and loved life. He never met a stranger or passed one by. He was very compassionate when it came to others. He always took a drive in the oilfields in the area to see old friends he used to work with and sit and chat for hours.

He is survived by his sons, Barry Gilbreath of Ruidoso, NM, Cody Gilbreath & wife Pam of Odessa, daughter, Gina Mize & husband Bill of Brownwood, sister, Avis Robertson of Midland, (5) grandkids, Ginger, Jimmy, Harvey Newton, Toby & Corky Gilbreath, (6) great-grandkids, Aleia, Jessie, Baily, Christian, Haily, Haven, and numerous nieces & nephews.

Funeral services will be held at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, January 29, 2011 at Hubbard-Kelly Funeral Home Chapel. Interment will be at 2:00 p.m. at the Lamesa Memorial Park in Lamesa.

Services entrusted to Hubbard-Kelly Funeral Home.

Hubbard-Kelly Funeral Home
Dignity [illegible]
Condolences may be offered at [illegible]

Questions about death notices or online Guest Books? Email: obits@mrt.com

Ricardo (Ritchie) D. Marquez

Ricardo (Ritchie) D. Marquez, 70, passed away peacefully surrounded by his loving family on Wednesday January 26, 2011 at the Hospice Inpatient Unit at Midland Memorial Hospital. He was born on June 21, 1940 in El Parron Manuael Benavidez, Chihuahua Mexico to the late Jesus and Rita Marquez. He was raised and educated in Mexico

Ricardo met and later married "el Amor de su Vida", Eva Caballero on December 10, 1960 in Providencia, Chihuahua Mexico. The couple lived in various cities before settling in Midland. Ricardo enjoyed spending a lot of his time at his ranch raising his goats. He also enjoyed listening to his music especially "Corridos". Ricardo will be greatly missed by his loving wife, children and great grandchildren.

Ricardo is preceded in death by his parents; three brothers, Ramon Marquez, Reyes Marquez and Reydesel Marquez; sister, Rosa Caballero and one grandson, Roy Rios Jr.

He is survived by his wife, Eva Caballero Marquez of Midland; son, Ricardo Marquez Jr and wife Imelda of Midland; daughter, Norma Rios and husband Fidencio of Midland; two brothers, Roberto Marquez of Presidio and Reyes Marquez of Los Temporales, Chihuahua; three sisters, Carolina Villarreal of California, Angela Urias of Midland and Hortencia Valdez of Los Temporales, Chihuahua. He is also survived by his grandchildren, Veronica and husband Jose Herrera, Randy and wife Veronica Marquez, Ronnie Marquez and Destiny Rios.

A rosary will be held tonight at 7:00pm at Lewallen-Garcia-Pipkin Chapel. A Funeral Service is set for Saturday January 29, 2011 at 11:00 am at Lewallen-Garcia-Pipkin Chapel with Pastor Rogelio Flores officiating. Interment will follow at Serenity Memorial Gardens.

Funeral service is under the direction of Lewallen-Garcia-Pipkin Funeral Home. Family messages and condolences may be emailed to: pipkin@nts-online.net.

Rosco Thomas 1934-2010

Funeral services for Mr. Rosco Thomas Sr. of Stanton have been set for 11:00 a.m., Friday, January 28, 2011, at the Evergreen Cemetery with Danny Bisbee officiating. A reception will follow at Belvue Church of Christ.

Rosco was born June 1, 1934 in McLean, TX and passed away January 25, 2011 in Midland.

He was a graduate of Stanton High School. He was also a Veteran of the U.S. Airforce. He worked as a truck driver and was a greeter at the Wal-Mart in Big Spring.

He is preceded in death by his wife, Barbara Thomas. Survivors include one daughter, Charlotte Bosecker and husband, Ted Bosecker of Midland, TX; two sons, Rosco Thomas, Jr. and wife, Rebecca Thomas of Midland, TX and Eddie Thomas and wife, Regina Thomas of Roswell, NM; two sisters, Mary Jones of Big Spring, TX and Emma Bickley of Robert Lee, TX. He also had 7 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren.

The Midland Fire Department will be serving as Honorary Pallbearers. Please send any donations to MARC in Midland and the Midland Fire Fighters Association.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Stanton Memorial Funeral Home & Chapel.

Death Notices

Allie Martin

Allie Jo Saunders Martin, 90, of Stanton, died on Thursday, Jan. 27.

Services will be at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 29, at the Blocker Chapel at Evergreen Cemetery, Stanton. Arrangements under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home of Stanton.

Survived by eight nieces and one nephew.

Amador Perez

Amador Perez, age 65, died on Wednesday, Jan. 26, at home in Odessa.

Services are pending with Sunset Memorial Funeral Home.

David Olgin

David Sanchez Olgin, 43, died on Friday, Jan. 21.

Funeral Mass will take place on Friday, Jan. 28, at 1:00 p.m. at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church with. Interment will follow Serenity Memorial Gardens. Services are under the direction of Heavenly Gate Funeral Home.

Survived by daughter, Amanda Tarrango; one granddaughter; brother, Raymond Olgin (Liz); sisters, Connie Villa (Jesse), Laurie Mancha; step-brother, Paul Robledo; step-sisters, Candy Robledo, Brandy Robledo; numerous uncles, aunts, nephews, nieces, and cousins.

James Allgood

James Bannister "Bill" Allgood, 88, of Big Spring died on Tuesday, Jan. 25.

Services will be at 11:00 a.m. Friday at the First Baptist Church in Barstow, with burial to follow in Barstow Cemetery. Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Survived by two nieces; and four nephews.

Johnny Currie

Johnny Currie, 91 of Midland, died on Tuesday, Jan. 25.

No Services will be held. Arrangements were made with Lewallen-Garcia-Pipkin Funeral Home.

Survived by sons, Johnnie Currie, Arlie Currie; daughters, Nora Watkins, Bonnie Lashley, Carolyn Drewery; twelve grandchildren, thirty-three great-grandchildren, four great-great-grandchildren, and numerous nephews and nieces.

Mideast unrest a test of US response

By Bradley Klapper
Associated Press

■ Analysis

WASHINGTON — The United States has had it two ways for years in the Middle East: Funding and defending authoritarian regimes while encouraging some political dissent and condemning human rights abuses by the governments it considers crucial partners in an unstable region.

That disconnect explains why no U.S. official has given full-throated support to the popular unrest rippling across the Middle East this week. Leaders from President Barack Obama down have noted the help the U.S. gets from Egypt, in particular, while urging reform on that country's three-decade central ruler, Hosni Mubarak.

"Egypt's been an ally of ours on a lot of critical issues," Obama said in a YouTube interview Thursday. "Mubarak has been very helpful on a range of tough issues," Obama said, adding that he has argued to Mubarak that political and economic reform "is absolutely critical to the long-term well-being of Egypt."

"You can see these pent-up frustrations that are being displayed on the streets," Obama said.

From Tunisia to Egypt to Yemen, the Obama administration's immediate interests are stability and cooperation on counterterrorism operations and Israeli-Palestinian peace talks. Long-term U.S. interests are helping to introduce greater democracy and open up the region's markets.

That's the same calculus that faced George W. Bush's administration, which irritated Egypt with a "freedom agenda," but maintained close military, intelligence and diplomatic ties and disappointed democracy activists in the end.

Now the United States is struggling to come up with a regional strategy that acknowledges the thirst for change and incorporates the differences in each of the countries now in flux.

"People are watching what has happened in Tunisia, country by country, population by population, they're drawing lessons from what is happening," State Department spokesman P.J. Crowley said Thursday.

Crowley said the protests should be allowed to continue, but he added that "change can happen in a stable environment."

The U.S. response has grown slightly bolder as the protests have spread, but it remains cautious.

Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton shifted from voicing her belief in the stability of Egypt's government to more forceful calls for reform. She was on the phone Thursday with Egypt's longtime foreign minister to encourage "restraint and dialogue," a State Department Twitter feed said.

White House spokesman Robert Gibbs sidestepped an opportunity Wednesday to directly reaffirm U.S. backing for Mubarak.

"The administration has been caught off guard, but then the entire world has been caught off guard," said Robert Danin, a senior fellow at the Council on Foreign Relations and a State Department specialist on the Middle East under Bush. "We have a crisis, and U.S. near-term interests and long-term interests are in conflict. The administration is trying to balance these."

The opposition suddenly on display from Tunis to Cairo and beyond represents a confusing mix of ideologies and agendas.

In Tunisia, activists are struggling with the remnants of their deposed leader's regime to steer a democratic path.

Any Egyptian transition would be complicated by Islamic hard-liners who've now backed the revolution but whose views on Israeli-Palestinian peace and other topics run completely against U.S. plans.

"This clearly isn't a coherent opposition rising up and trying to seize power," said Jon Alterman, Mideast director at the Center for Strategic and International Studies.

A blind push for democracy could hamper U.S. interests in countries with wide support for hard-line Islamists. Limits to the Bush administration's hopes for a wave of democratic revolutions in North Africa and the Middle East were clearly seen with Hamas' 2006 electoral victory in Palestinian elections.

And it does little to help in Lebanon, where Hezbollah has used parliamentary procedure to emerge as the dominant force.

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TODAY'S SERVICES

Time	Service for	Service Location
1:00pm	David Sanchez Olguin	Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church

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GREENWOOD HIGH SCHOOL HONOR ROLL

"A" & "A/B" Honor Roll Students for the Third Six Weeks, 2010-2011 School Year

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9TH GRADE

"A" HONOR ROLL

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FRANKLIN JEFFERY
HARMON KELCIE
MORGAN LAUREN
RIVERA AUBREE
SPENCER STEPHEN
SULLIVAN ASHLEY
SUNDERLAND NATALEA
TOVALIN MARISSA
WATKINS BRANDI

"A/B" HONOR ROLL

BEGGS BRITTANI
BLEVINS SARAH
BROWN JAMES
CAVE DAX
CLANTON REID
COBB SAWYER
COWAN BRANDON
CULWELL MACKENZIE
EBENSTEIN KAMBREE
ELLIOTT BRANDON
FITZPATRICK-TRUELOVE DEREK
FOWLER CASEY
GILLIAM ASHLEA
GRAFE ZACHARY
GRAY KAMRY
HERNANDEZ JOSE
HILLGER STETSON
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LUJAN CHRISTOPHER
MADRID ANTHONY
MARTIN MARISSA
MARTINEZ CLARISSA
MULDROW HALEY
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URIAS ARNOL
URIAS SAMUEL
VARGAS HUGO
WATKINS BRITTANI

10TH GRADE

"A" HONOR ROLL

BROOKS BAILY
HANSARD KYLE
HIGHTOWER AMANDA
KING KANADA
LARSON JARID
MURPHEY TIMOTHY
ROBEY KASEY
ROUSSELOT AMY
SITZMAN MEGAN
THOMPSON MAYSON
WILLIAMS KAM

"A/B" HONOR ROLL

CAIN SAVANNAH
CASTANEDA DALLAS
COLLINS WHITNEY
DESANTIAGO YAHIR
FRALEY MASON
GAMBOA CALEB
GERIES LANIE
GRIMALDO MICHELE
HOLLINGSWORTH TAYLOR
JONES CADE
KELLEY SHELBE
KEMP HALEY
KING DEVIN
KINGSTON CANDACE
LATHAM BLAIN
PANDO LUZ-ELENA
ROUSSELOT AUDREY
SCHUMANN ALYSON
TENA GUADALUPE
TIMM AUSTIN
WATERS COURTNEY

11TH GRADE

"A" HONOR ROLL

ADAMS THOMAS
ARENAS HUGO
ARMENDARIZ ELOY
BARRON KATHARINE
CULWELL TAYLOR
DYE EMILY
HERNANDEZ BRANDON
HOLLIS SAWYER
JOHNSON HAYLI
KENNA RICHARD
KNIPPA CALLIE
MAYERS DUSTIN
NAVAREZ TONY
REYES ISABEL
RICKETSON KELSEY
RIMER KYLE
ROGERS SHELBY
URIAS HERNANDEZ EDGAR

"A/B" HONOR ROLL

BARRANDEY SAVANNAH
BRADEN KATHRYN
CAMPBELL REBECCA
CARRUTH ALICIA
CASTILLO RAYMOND
CAVE THEODORE
COLLINS KACEY
COTTRELL MICHAEL
DOVE KELSEY
ERIVES EDGAR
FLETCHER TABITHA
HALL BAILEE
JONES TARA
KAUFMAN SHERRI
KINNEY JESSIE
KNAPP RAEANN
MADDOX KENDALL
MADRID MARTINA
MARTIN AMANDA
MARTIN TONYA
MARTIN ZACHARY
MOORE JUSTIN
NELSON TAMMIE
NGUYEN MICHAEL
ONZURES DANIELA
PANDO AARON
RAMOS MARISA
RANSOM KATY
RHYNES HANNAH
ROBINSON KENDALL
ROSE HUNTER
SNELL COLT
SOTELO VALERIE
WEAVERING CALEB

12TH GRADE

"A" HONOR ROLL

CAMPBELL AARON
COLLINS TAYLOR
CROW WILLIAM
DRENNAN JOCELIN
ELLIOTT ERIN
ELLIOTT KASSANDRA
FLETCHER SUMMER
GONZALES ROBERT
GONZALES RYAN
HANSARD MAYGEN
HILLIS KRYSTAL
HULSLANDER ELIZABETH
JOINER LOGAN
JONES CALEB
NOLAN TREVOR
PATE MADISON
SANCHEZ BLAKE
SPISER MITCHELL
STACY JOHN
TULLOS RIDGE
ULCAK MATTHEW

"A/B" HONOR ROLL

ABALOS CELINA
BROWN HAYDEN
CASAS BRIANNA
COTTRELL RYAN
EARNEST TANNER
ERIVES JANET
FREEMAN RANDA
FULTON KAYLA
GIFFIN JONATHAN
HILLIS KANDACE
KING KATER
KINGSTON PATRICIA
LEDBETTER ELIZABETH
LORD KAYLEE
MCCARTY BRAXTON
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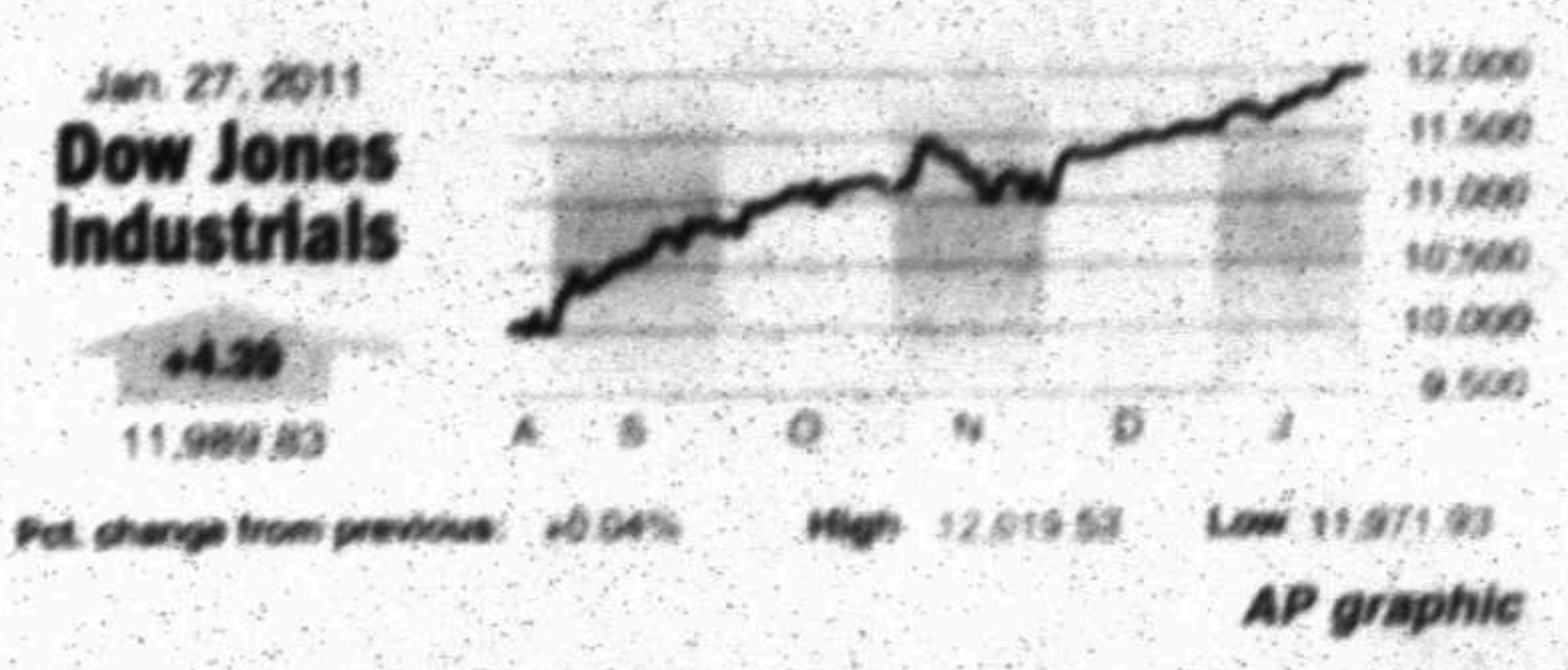

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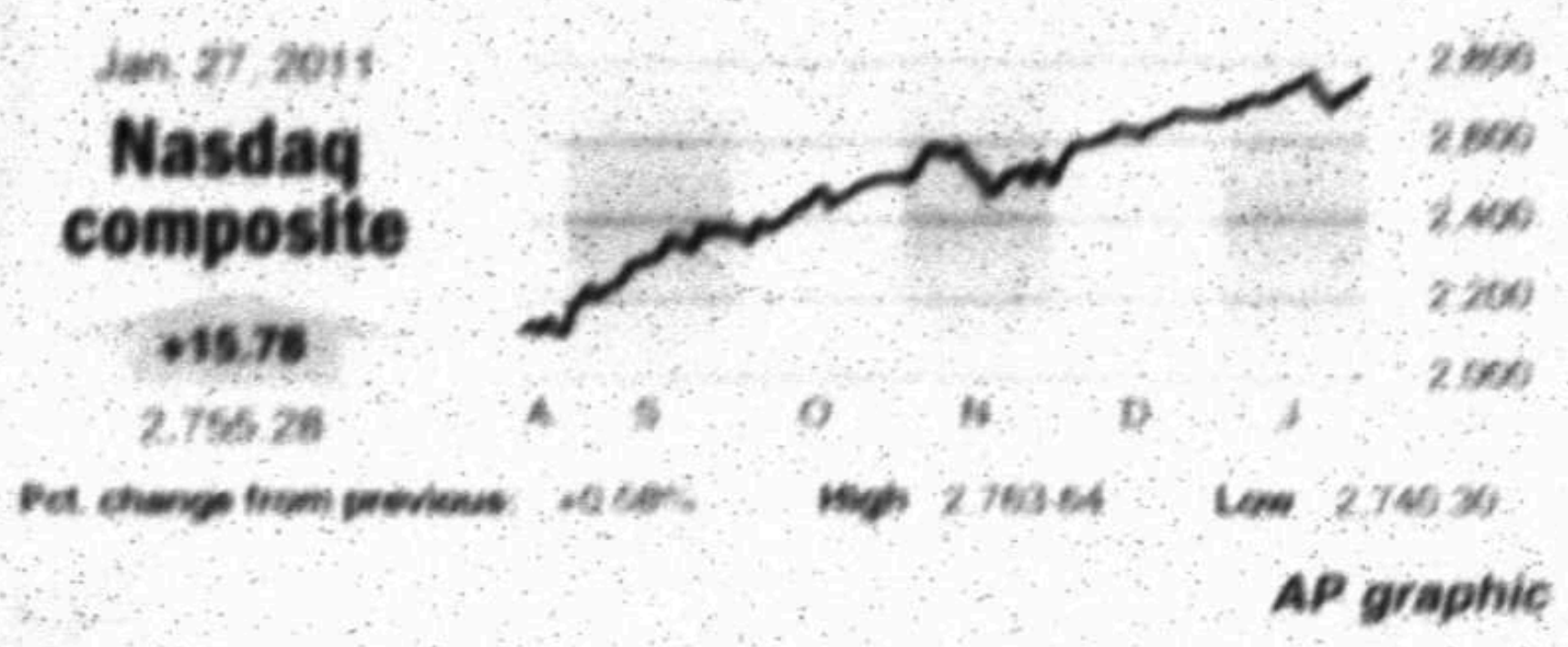

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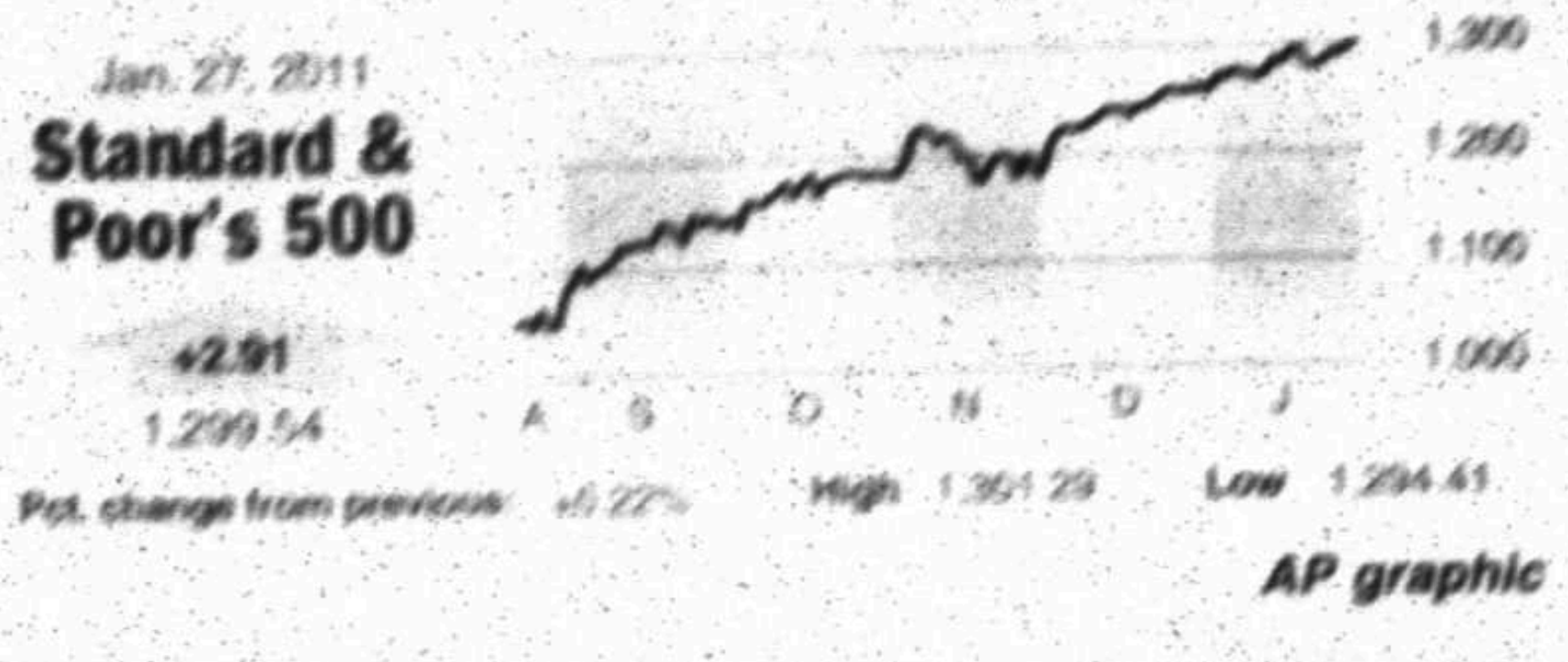

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OIL PRICES

FUTURES

Thursday:	$85.64
Previous:	$87.33

POSTED

Thursday:	$82.00
Previous:	$83.75

WEST TEXAS SOUR

Thursday:	$77.45
Previous:	$79.20

NATURAL GAS

Thursday:	$4.319
Previous:	$4.501

NYSE

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
Citigrp	2591971	4.83	+.02
BkofAm	1475299	13.67	+.12
S&P500ETF	1057487	129.99	+.32
iShEMkts	775485	46.81	-.16
SPDR Fncl	701064	16.54	+.14

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Teradyn	16.35	+1.72	+11.8
UndrArmr	59.79	+5.91	+11.0
MPG OffTr	3.83	+.36	+10.4
TAL Ed n	13.55	+1.20	+9.7
HelmPayne	56.74	+4.90	+9.5

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
CashStr gn	14.18	-2.81	-16.5
QntmDSS	3.01	-.58	-16.2
MotrlaMo n	30.51	-4.32	-12.4
MurphO	65.74	-7.49	-10.2
Greenhill	73.97	-8.07	-9.8

DIARY

Advanced	1,702
Declined	1,329
Unchanged	101
Total issues	3,132
New Highs	252
New Lows	9
Volume	4,304,011,975

AMEX

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
RareEle g	53596	13.29	+.62
NthgtM g	53532	2.58	-.13
NovaGld g	43166	13.20	-.58
MdwGold g	43124	1.20	+.11
GrtBasG g	39060	2.68	

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
VantDrl un	2.60	+.40	+18.2
Quepasa	14.68	+1.96	+15.4
ATS Corp	3.69	+.34	+10.1
YM Bio g	2.36	+.17	+7.8
EverGlory	2.56	+.17	+7.1

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
ChMetRur	4.22	-.58	-12.1
Barnwell	6.47	-.70	-9.8
MincoG g	2.11	-.16	-7.0
EngySvc un	5.46	-.37	-6.4
EndvSilv g	5.90	-.36	-5.7

DIARY

Advanced	208
Declined	256
Unchanged	41
Total issues	505
New Highs	15
New Lows	2
Volume	139,560,759

NASDAQ

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
Microsoft	1391748	28.87	+.09
MicronT	798010	10.59	+.64
Intel	569081	21.75	
Qualcom	482157	54.90	+3.04
PwShs QQQ	481803	57.18	+.35

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
BassettF	6.42	+1.87	+41.1
CT BkTr	7.24	+1.73	+31.4
MidPenn	9.00	+1.90	+26.7
BerkstBcp	7.70	+1.34	+21.1
SevernBc	5.34	+.89	+20.0

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
PluristemT	3.09	-1.11	-26.4
Hawkins	38.82	-7.32	-15.9
PrincNtl	4.72	-.68	-12.6
Earthstn n	14.32	-1.88	-11.2
CanterPk	13.35	-1.65	-11.0

DIARY

Advanced	1,362
Declined	1,279
Unchanged	128
Total issues	2,769
New Highs	158
New Lows	13
Volume	1,975,249,414

JOB SEEKER SIGN-IN

Associated Press

JOBS NEEDED Job seekers line up for a job fair at a hotel in Dallas on Wednesday. The number of people applying for unemployment benefits rose sharply last week, but the figures largely were distorted by rare snowstorms that swept through the Southeast, the Associated Press reported Thursday.

Requests for unemployment benefits up due to snow

By Jeannine Aversa
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The number of people applying for unemployment benefits rose sharply last week, but the figures were largely distorted by rare snowstorms that swept through the Southeast.

Applications surged last week by a seasonally adjusted 51,000 to 454,000, the highest level since late October, the Labor Department said Thursday.

A government analyst said that a major reason for the spike was the harsh weather in Alabama, Georgia, North Carolina and South Carolina. That forced many companies to shut down temporarily and also prevented many people from applying for benefits in the previous week.

When state offices, which had closed, reopened and people were able to file applications that pushed the number of requests up sharply, the analyst said.

The four southern states reported large increases in the number of requests for unemployment benefits. Trucking companies, delivery firms, construction companies and others were affected.

Applications had been declining steadily for several weeks. Requests for unemployment benefits fell sharply in the previous week to 403,000.

Many economists consider data in January less reliable because of seasonal fluctuations.

Applications below 425,000 tend to signal modest job growth. But they would need to dip consistently to 375,000 or below to indicate a significant decline in the unemployment rate.

The four-week average, a less volatile measure, also rose last week by 15,750 to 428,750.

The average had hit a two-year low of 411,250 on Jan. 1. That had suggested companies — operating with lean work forces — may need to add more workers as the economy gains momentum.

Even with last week's increase, economists are optimistic that layoffs will slow and that hiring will pick up this year.

"We expect claims to drop next week, and we then anticipate further declines as the return of bank credit to small firms allows them to ease off on the pace of layoffs," said Ian Shepherdson, an economist at High Frequency Economics.

Employers will create a net total of 2.2 million jobs in 2011, according to a new AP Economy Survey. That would be double the number generated last year. The economists predict consumers will spend more, allowing the economy to grow at a faster clip of 3.2 percent this year.

Yet the economy would need to grow faster — closer to 5 percent for a full year to reduce unemployment by one percentage point. The nation's unemployment rate now stands at 9.4 percent. By the end of this year, it is expected to slip to 8.9 percent, according to the AP survey.

Thursday's Labor Department report also showed that number of people on the unemployment benefit rolls increased by 94,000 to 3.99 million in the week ended Jan. 15. That data is one week behind the figures for benefit applications.

It doesn't include millions more unemployed people who are receiving benefits under emergency federal programs enacted during the recession. Overall, some 9.4 million people are receiving unemployment benefits.

Dollar jumps against yen

The dollar jumped against the Japanese yen Thursday after ratings agency Standard & Poor's, citing extensive debt, cut the nation's credit rating.

The dollar rose to 82.82 yen late Thursday from 82.45 yen Wednesday.

Meanwhile, the euro continued its rally of the past two weeks notching a fresh two-month high of $1.3759 earlier in the day. By late Thursday, it was worth $1.3729 up from $1.3687 Wednesday.

In other trading Thursday, the British pound rose to $1.5935 from $1.5885. The U.S. dollar gained to 0.9458 Swiss franc from 0.9438 franc but dipped to 99.40 Canadian cents from 99.55 Canadian cents.

Gold for February delivery dropped $14.60 to settle at $1,318.40 an ounce.

Natural gas prices fall

Natural gas prices fell Thursday as winter headed into its final months with plenty of gas still on hand across the country.

Natural gas futures for March gave up 18.2 cents, or 4 percent, to settle at $4.319 per 1,000 cubic feet on the New York Mercantile Exchange. That's a 10 percent drop from Jan. 21.

The winter has been colder than normal in many parts of the country, but some forecasts see temperatures moderating around mid-February. That has created uncertainty about how much more natural gas will be used before spring and warmer weather arrive.

The latest report from the Energy Department on Thursday said the amount of natural gas in underground storage fell last week, but supplies remain above the five-year average.

PFGBest analyst Phil Flynn said temperatures need to fall a lot more than they have so far this winter to see an impact on natural gas prices.

MIDLAND STOCKS

Midland-Headquartered Publicly Traded Companies

Basic Energy Services (BAS)
Closing Price $17.84 Up 0.63

Clayton Williams Energy (CWEI)
Closing Price $84.59 Down 0.40

Concho Resources (CXO)
Closing Price $87.65 Down 2.67

Dawson Geophysical (DWSN)
Closing Price $32.68 Down 0.02

Legacy Reserves (LGCY)
Closing Price $28.88 Down 0.15

Mexco Energy (MXC)
Closing Price $8.32 Up 0.03

Natural Gas Services Group (NGS)
Closing Price $18.15 Down 0.10

PERMIAN BASIN STOCKS

How stocks of local interest fared

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
AT&T inc	1.72f	8	28.13	-.60	-4.3
AbtLab	1.76	12	46.38	-.37	-3.2
Abraxas	...	...	**4.46**	**-.20**	**-2.4**
AdamsEx	**.51e**	...	**11.23**	**+.05**	**+4.6**
AMD	...	12	7.75	+.26	-5.3
Alcoa	.12	72	16.47	-.13	+7.0
AlonUSA	.16	...	7.20	+.08	+20.4
Amgen	...	**12**	**56.48**	...	**+2.9**
Anadarko	**.36**	**43**	**75.36**	**-1.43**	**-1.1**
Apache	**.60**	**14**	**116.33**	**-5.77**	**-2.4**
ApldMatl	**.28**	**23**	**16.10**	**+.64**	**+14.6**
ATMOS	**1.36f**	**15**	**32.97**	**-.05**	**+5.7**
AutoData	1.44f	20	48.66	+.19	+5.1
BP PLC	...	...	**46.68**	**-.08**	**+5.7**
BakrHu	.60	33	66.67	+.88	+16.6
BcoSantand	.78e	...	12.31	+.43	+15.6
BkofAm	.04	21	13.67	+.12	+2.5
BasicEnSv	...	...	17.84	+.63	+8.3
BerkHa A	...	**17**	**124300.00**	**-250.00**	**+3.2**
BerryPet	**.30**	**20**	**43.96**	**-.35**	**+.6**
BlkHillsCp	**1.44**	**18**	**31.38**	**+.20**	**+4.6**
BrMySq	**1.32f**	**13**	**26.35**	**+.42**	**-.5**
BrownFA	**1.28a**	**22**	**67.00**	**-.25**	**-3.5**
BrownFB	**1.28a**	**22**	**67.12**	**-.15**	**-3.6**
CVS Care	.50f	14	35.71	+.11	+2.7
Cameron	...	25	52.46	-.89	+3.4
Caterpillar	1.76	32	96.63	+.88	+3.2
Celestic g	...	15	9.99	+.50	+3.0
CntryLink	2.90	12	43.54	-.29	-5.7
ChesEng	.30	19	27.70	-.35	+6.9
Chevron	**2.88**	**11**	**94.75**	**+.11**	**+3.8**
Chicos	.16	18	11.25	+.39	-6.5
Chimera	.69e	6	4.22	+.04	+2.7
Cimarex	.32	15	100.49	-.32	+13.5
Cirrus	...	18	21.29	+3.37	+33.2
Cisco	...	16	21.44	+.02	+6.0
Citigrp	...	14	4.83	+.02	+2.1
ClayEng	...	...	**84.59**	**-.40**	**+.7**
CocaCl	**1.76**	**19**	**62.70**	**-.26**	**-4.7**
ColgPal	**2.12**	**16**	**77.39**	**-2.61**	**-3.7**
CompPrdS	...	...	27.73	+.74	-6.2
ConAgra	**.92**	**15**	**22.87**	**-.19**	**+1.3**
ConchoRes	...	...	**87.65**	**-2.67**	...
ConocPhil	**2.20**	**11**	**69.39**	**+.14**	**+1.9**

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
CrackerB	.88	13	51.88	+.26	-5.3
CrosTim	**2.62e**	**16**	**42.62**	**+.01**	**+6.9**
DCP Mid	2.44	56	38.65	-.05	+3.3
DTE	2.24	14	47.01	+.48	+3.7
Dataram h	...	...	1.94	+.12	+23.6
Dawson	...	...	**32.68**	**-.02**	**+2.4**
Dell Inc	...	12	13.44	-.33	-.8
DeltaAir	...	13	12.30	+.32	-2.4
DevonE	**.64**	**8**	**83.90**	**-1.86**	**+6.9**
DrSCBear rs	...	...	14.75	-.15	-5.5
DirFnBear	...	...	8.38	-.19	-11.3
DrxFBull s	...	...	30.78	+.68	+10.5
Disney	**.40f**	**19**	**39.46**	**+.02**	**+5.2**
DowChm	**.60**	**24**	**35.57**	**+.26**	**+4.2**
EMC Cp	...	28	24.96	+.23	+9.0
EOG Res	**.62**	**52**	**103.25**	**+.97**	**+13.0**
EKodak	...	...	3.81	+.10	-28.9
ElPasoCp	.04	12	15.58	+1.13	+13.2
EmpDist	**1.28**	**17**	**21.92**	**-.05**	**-1.3**
Energen	.54f	14	55.10	+.11	+14.2
EngyTsfr	3.58	37	53.80	+.06	+3.8
EnPro	...	**37**	**42.61**	**+.12**	**+2.5**
EntPrPt	2.36f	21	43.45	+.23	+4.4
EricsnTel	.28e	...	12.55	+.06	+8.8
ExterranH	...	**4**	**24.18**	**+.17**	**+1.0**
ExxonMbl	**1.76**	**14**	**79.88**	**+.22**	**+9.2**
FifthThird	.04	24	14.79	+.22	+.7
FordM	...	10	18.79	+.42	+11.9
ForestOil	...	23	37.14	-.24	-2.2
FrozenFd	...	...	**4.14**	**+.09**	**-6.1**
GATX	**1.12**	**20**	**34.27**	**+.66**	**-2.9**
GabGloM	**.80**	...	**8.61**	**+.08**	**+4.9**
GAInv	**.43e**	...	**27.54**	**+.19**	**+2.7**
GenElec	**.56f**	**20**	**20.28**	**+.36**	**+10.9**
Golfsmith	...	...	3.95	+.19	+63.2
Goodrich	**1.16f**	**22**	**91.71**	**+.35**	**+4.1**
GtPlainEn	**.83**	**12**	**20.06**	**+.20**	**+3.5**
Hallibrtn	**.36**	**21**	**43.17**	**-.23**	**+5.7**
HanmiFncl	...	...	1.43	+.28	+24.3
Heinz	**1.80**	**17**	**48.15**	**-.39**	**-2.6**
Hitachi	...	...	**56.05**	**+1.02**	**+5.1**
HuntBnk	.04	38	7.30	+.23	+6.3
iShSilver	...	...	26.29	-.60	-12.9
iShEMkts	.64e	...	46.81	-.16	-1.7

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
iShR2K	.89e	...	79.35	+.23	+1.4
IntegrysE	2.72	29	48.59	+.29	+.2
Intel	**.72f**	**11**	**21.75**	...	**+3.4**
InterDig	.40	14	48.54	-.12	+16.6
JPMorgCh	.20	11	45.10	+.12	+6.3
JohnJn	**2.16**	**13**	**60.68**	**+.08**	**-1.9**
KimbClk	**2.80f**	**14**	**65.13**	...	**+3.3**
KindME	4.52f	37	72.33	+.59	+2.9
KindMM	4.52f	82	64.10	+.50	-4.2
LDK Solar	...	13	12.91	-.11	+27.6
LSI Corp	...	...	6.26	+.40	+4.5
LVSands	...	...	46.92	+.89	+2.1
LegacyRes	2.10f	...	28.88	-.14	+.8
Lubys	...	...	**6.13**	**+.15**	**-2.2**
MGM Rsts	...	...	15.20	-.05	+2.4
Marshlls	.04	...	7.17	+.04	+3.6
MassCp	**2.16**	...	**30.27**	**-.55**	**-.9**
McDnlds	2.44	16	74.35	-.82	-3.1
Merck	1.52	17	33.25	+.05	-7.7
MeritMed	...	**31**	**14.79**	**+.32**	**-6.6**
MexcoEn	...	40	8.32	+.03	+8.8
MicronT	...	6	10.59	+.64	+32.0
Microsoft	.64	7	28.87	+.09	+3.4
Nabors	...	...	24.28	+.89	+3.5
NatGrid	**7.04e**	...	**44.17**	**+.10**	**-.5**
NOilVarco	.44f	18	70.87	-.65	+5.4
Netflix	...	71	210.87	+27.84	+20.0
NokiaCp	.56e	...	10.56	-.17	+2.3
NvMAd	**.99**	...	**12.71**	**-.04**	**-2.8**
NvPMI	**.87**	...	**12.65**	**+.02**	**-3.1**
NuvPI	**.92**	...	**12.76**	**+.07**	**-.5**
NSTFI3	**.64**	...	**12.97**	**-.06**	**-1.0**
NTXQI	**.86**	...	**15.38**	**-.14**	**+3.1**
OcciPet	**1.52**	**17**	**96.97**	**+.03**	**-1.2**
Oracle	.20	25	32.92	+.36	+5.2
ParTech	...	**34**	**6.05**	**-.04**	**+6.0**
ParkDrl	...	...	**4.10**	**+.01**	**-10.3**
PattUTI	**.20**	**77**	**22.39**	**+1.05**	**+3.9**
PenRE	**.60**	...	**14.09**	**+.35**	**-3.0**
Prmian	1.38e	15	20.82	-.10	-8.1
Pfizer	**.80f**	**10**	**18.48**	**+.12**	**+5.5**
PioNtrl	.08	18	89.38	-1.98	+2.9
PlainsAA	**3.83f**	**29**	**64.92**	**+.38**	**+3.4**
PwShs QQQ	.33e	...	57.18	+.35	+5.0
Praxair	**2.00f**	**23**	**91.91**	**+.42**	**-3.7**

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
PrmEgy	...	...	**20.84**	**+.41**	**+7.7**
PrUShS&P	...	...	22.23	-.09	-6.4
ProctGam	**1.93**	**16**	**64.18**	**-1.93**	**-.2**
ProLogis	.45m	...	15.87	+1.17	+9.9
Qualcom	.76	25	54.90	+3.04	+10.9
QntmDSS	...	...	3.01	-.58	-19.1
RAM Engy	...	55	1.66	-.07	-9.8
RangeRs	.16	...	47.92	+.02	+6.5
RegionsFn	.04	...	7.15	+.18	+2.1
RiteAid h	...	...	1.27	+.17	+43.8
Rowan	...	**14**	**34.98**	**+.19**	**+.2**
RoyDShllA	3.36e	28	70.72	+1.03	+5.9
SpdrDJIA	2.92e	...	119.64	+.03	+3.5
SpdrGold	...	...	127.93	-3.24	-7.8
S&P500ETF	2.37e	...	129.99	+.32	+3.4
SabnR	3.80e	17	58.85	+.55	-1.2
SanderFm	**.68f**	**7**	**41.78**	**+.14**	**+6.7**
SandRdge	...	**7**	**7.16**	**-.12**	**-2.2**
Sapient	**.35e**	**17**	**12.53**	**-.05**	**+3.6**
SaraLee	.46	23	17.64	-.88	+.7
Schlmbrg	1.00f	25	85.98	-1.47	+3.0
SigmaAld	**.64**	**21**	**63.82**	**-.52**	**-4.1**
SiriusXM	...	81	1.62	+.02	-.7
Smucker	1.72f	14	61.73	-.61	-6.0
SprintNex	...	...	4.59	+.09	+8.5
SPDR Fncl	.16e	...	16.54	+.14	+3.7

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
SunocoLg	4.68f	9	87.24	-.01	+4.4
Symantec	...	23	17.91	+.12	+7.0
TaiwSemi	.47e	...	13.31	+.07	+6.1
TelefEsp s	**1.75e**	...	**25.48**	**+.25**	**+11.7**
Teradyn	...	11	16.35	+1.72	+16.5
Tesoro	...	24	18.92	+.25	+2.0
3M Co	2.10	16	89.19	-.38	+3.3
Trchmrk	**.64**	**11**	**63.52**	**+.74**	**+6.3**
TriContl	**.25e**	...	**14.18**	**+.01**	**+3.1**
TylerTech	...	**31**	**21.08**	**+.19**	**+1.5**
UBWV	**1.20**	**18**	**29.39**	**+.06**	**+.7**
US NGsFd	...	...	5.88	-.21	-1.9
Vale SA	.76e	...	35.50	-.69	+2.7
ValeroE	.20	54	25.37	+.07	+9.7
VangEmg	.82e	...	47.48	-.16	-1.4
VerizonCm	1.95	28	36.49	+.09	+2.0
VulcanM	**1.00**	...	**43.16**	**+.12**	**-2.7**
Walgrn	**.70**	**18**	**41.07**	**-.22**	**+5.4**
WellsFargo	.20	15	32.50	+.05	+4.9
WstnRefin	...	...	10.99	-.01	+3.9
WhitingPet	...	33	118.13	-.73	+.8
WmsCos	.50	37	26.97	+.10	+9.1
XcelEngy	**1.01**	**14**	**24.02**	**+.07**	**+2.0**
Xerox	**.17**	**15**	**10.79**	**+.26**	**-6.3**
Yahoo	...	18	16.20	+.63	-2.6

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12,020.52	9,614.32	Dow Jones Industrials	11,989.83	+4.39	+.04	+3.56	+18.47
5,256.80	3,742.01	Dow Jones Transportation	5,135.31	+28.56	+.56	+.56	+30.33
416.47	346.95	Dow Jones Utilities	414.42	+1.03	+.25	+2.33	+8.88
8,204.32	6,355.83	NYSE Composite	8,207.06	+13.42	+.16	+3.05	+17.97
2,225.48	1,689.19	Amex Index	2,166.43	-8.43	-.39	-1.90	+20.29
2,766.17	2,061.14	Nasdaq Composite	2,755.28	+15.78	+.58	+3.86	+26.45
1,299.74	1,010.91	S&P 500	1,299.54	+2.91	+.22	+3.33	+19.83
13,770.32	10,596.20	Wilshire 5000	13,772.83	+35.54	+.26	+3.09	+22.27
807.89	580.49	Russell 2000	795.43	+1.71	+.22	+1.50	+30.84

AT&T CEO: We'll push Android phones

Associated Press

NEW YORK — The CEO of AT&T Inc. on Thursday said the company will start "very aggressively" marketing smart phones based on Google Inc.'s Android software now that it will no longer be the exclusive carrier for Apple Inc.'s iPhone in the U.S.

So far, Verizon Wireless, AT&T's chief competitor, has been the biggest supporter of Android. But it will start selling the iPhone on Feb. 10 and is likely to shift resources away from Android.

Motorola on Wednesday said it's already seeing a drop-off in sales of its Android phones in Verizon stores, as customers are holding off, waiting for the iPhone.

In effect, AT&T and Verizon Wireless are set to swap strategies in the high-stakes smart phone market, with AT&T turning to Android and Verizon to the iPhone.

"We're going to be a heavy participant in the Android market this year, so you're going to see a significant shift in mix" of the phones sold by AT&T, CEO Randall Stephenson told analysts on a conference call. Apart from Motorola Mobility Holdings Inc., major makers of Android phones are Samsung Electronics Corp. and HTC Corp.

AT&T, the nation's largest telecommunications company, also provided an earnings forecast for the year that disappointed analysts, and said it signed up a net of just 400,000 new customers on contract-based wireless plans in the last three months of last year. It was the lowest quarterly number in at least five years.

Shares of AT&T, which are part of the Dow Jones industrial average, fell 77 cents, or 2.7 percent, to $27.96 in afternoon trading.

The low number of new contracts demonstrated that even though AT&T activated a lot of iPhones — 4.1 million — the iconic phone has lost much of its power to attract customers from other carriers. Since it launched in 2007, the iPhone has been driving millions of high-paying subscribers to AT&T, and it now earns more per subscriber than any other carrier. If its per-subscriber revenue was in line with Verizon's, AT&T would pull in $7.7 billion less every year.

Subscribers who sign two-year contracts are the most lucrative for wireless carriers and are an important measure of their performance. Verizon Wireless, AT&T's chief competitor, on Tuesday reported adding more than twice as many subscribers under contract. However, the difference is exaggerated by the fact that Verizon sells tablets with contracts, while AT&T doesn't.

Stephenson said the company expects to continue to add contract-based subscribers this year, partly thanks to significant network upgrades last year. Complaints about dropped calls and other network problems have haunted the company for years.

"We're really starting to feel good about the network situation. We're making a lot of progress here," the CEO said.

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	Channels	G	S	R	C	W	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
BROADCAST	KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	Jeopardy!	Wheel of Fortune	Supernanny Jo gets updates on some families.		Primetime: What Would You Do?		20/20		News	(:35) Nightline	(:06) Jimmy Kimmel Live	
	KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	CBS 7 News at 6	Entertainment Tonight	NCIS: Los Angeles "Past Lives"		CSI: NY "Damned if You Do"		Hawaii Five-0 "Ohana"		CBS 7 News at 10	(:35) Late Show With David Letterman		Late
	KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	That '70s Show	That '70s Show	Smallville Zod worries Chloe may be a traitor.		Supernatural "Like a Virgin"		Married... With	Married... With	The King of Queens	The King of Queens	South Park	South Park
	KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Two and a Half Men	Two and a Half Men	Kitchen Nightmares "Classic American"		Fringe Walter worries about Peter.		The Simpsons	How I Met/Mother	How I Met/Mother	Everybody-Raymond	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "SVU"	
	KMLM IND	11	11	12	11	11	Doorways to Wisdom		Update News	Dr. Hollins [illegible]	Light of the Southwest Authors, musicians.				J.R. Church	Rico Cortes	Dr. Ron Charles	Joe McGee
	KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	News	Be a Millionaire	Minute to Win It Players compete for $1 million.		Dateline NBC				News	(:35) The Tonight Show With Jay Leno		(:37) Game Time
	KBPT PBS	13	13		13	8	PBS NewsHour		Washington Week	Need to Know		Daytripper	Masterpiece Classic Rivalry between sisters Mary and Edith.			Charlie Rose		Tavis Smiley
	KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	Llena de Amor		Eva Luna		Triunfo del Amor		Mujeres Asesinas "María, Fanática"		Noticias Tejas	Noticiero Univision	La Verdad Oculta	
	MyTV	16	16		16		Earl	Smarter	Monk		Monk		My News	Access H.	Earl	Family Guy	Curb	Entourage
PREMIUM	FLIX	246	65		166		"Racing Moon"		*** "Scream 3" (2000) David Arquette.				* "Island of the Dead" (2000)			(:35) *** "Scary Movie" (2000)		
	HBO	306	68	14	14		"The Day the Earth Stood Still"			The Eagle	R. Gervais	Eastbound	Real Time/Bill Maher		Real Time/Bill Maher		Funny, Die	R. Gervais
	HBO2	302	69	15	101	23	Boxing's Best of 2010		REAL Sports Gumbel		** "Fast & Furious" (2009) Vin Diesel.				* "The Final Destination" (2009)			Terminator
	HBOS	304	70	16	102		(:15) * "Whiteout" (2009) Kate Beckinsale.				Big Love		** "Valentine's Day" (2010) Jessica Alba.				(:10) Six Feet Under	
	MAX	300	71	17	120	24	(5:45) ** "Starsky & Hutch"			** "Observe and Report" (2009)			*** "Independence Day" (1996) Will Smith. PG-13					Life on Top
	MAX2	302	72	18	122		(:15) ** "Red Heat" (1988, Action)				*** "The Blind Side" (2009) Sandra Bullock.				"Busty Cops: Protect and Serve!"			Last Sam
	PLEX			96			(4:50) ** "Marigold"		(6:50) *** "Parenthood" (1989) Steve Martin.				*** "The Mask" (1994)			(:45) "A River Runs Through It"		
	SHOW	320	66	19	140	25	*** "Adventureland" (2009) Jesse Eisenberg.				** "The Twilight Saga: New Moon" (2009)				(:15) "Suicide Girls Must Die"			Inside NFL
	TMC	326	67	22	155	26	(5:25) "Clockstoppers"		"Take" (2007, Drama) Minnie Driver.				*** "You Kill Me" (2007)			(:35) ** "Grand Theft Parsons"		
CABLE	A&E	27	32	28	35	47	Criminal Minds "Omnivore"		Criminal Minds "House on Fire"		Criminal Minds Serial killer targeting coeds.		Criminal Minds "A Shade of Gray"		Criminal Minds "The Big Wheel"		(:01) Criminal Minds "House on Fire"	
	AMC	46	21	23	42	51	"High Plains Drifter"		*** "El Dorado" (1967, Western) John Wayne, Robert Mitchum.						*** "True Grit" (1969) John Wayne.			
	BET	58	26		40		106 & Park: Top 10 Live		The Game	The Game	Together	Together	** "Kingdom Come" (2001) LL Cool J.				Wendy Williams Show	
	BRAV	55	63		61		Real Housewives		Real Housewives		*** "Something's Gotta Give" (2003) Jack Nicholson.					*** "Something's Gotta Give"		
	CNBC	46	45		39	72	The Kudlow Report		60 Minutes on CNBC		The Sky's the Limit		Crackberry'd: The Truth		Mad Money		60 Minutes on CNBC	
	CNN	43	24	51	38	56	John King, USA		Parker Spitzer		Piers Morgan Tonight		Anderson Cooper 360				Piers Morgan Tonight	
	DISC	56	28	31	24	42	Swamp Loggers		Gold Rush: Alaska		Flying Wild Alaska		Gold Rush: Alaska		Gold Rush: Alaska		Flying Wild Alaska	
	DISN	56	27	36	25	36	Phineas	Phineas	Phineas	Fish Hooks	Suite/Deck	Wizards	Wizards	Wizards	Wizards	Phineas	Phineas and Ferb	
	ESPN	32	29	48	31	36	Winter X Games From Aspen, Colo. (Live)							NBA Basketball Boston Celtics at Phoenix Suns. (Live)				
	ESPN2	34	28	49	32	31	SportsCenter		Track and Field Millrose Games. (Live)				Boxing Friday Night Fights. (Live)				X Center (Live)	
	FAM	53	54	34	42	33	Funniest Home Videos		Funniest Home Videos		Funniest Home Videos		Funniest Home Videos		The 700 Club		Whose?	Whose?
	FNC	45	58	53	23	55	FOX Report		The O'Reilly Factor		Hannity		Greta Van Susteren		The O'Reilly Factor		Hannity	
	FOOD	64	59	27	58	54	Bobby Flay	Best Thing	Chopped		Diners	Diners	Food	Best Thing	Unwrapped		Diners	Diners
	FSSW	37	43	55	46	29	Profiles	Pro Football	Replay		Boxing [illegible]				Mavericks Insider	The Final Score	Cowboys Insider	Raider Power
	FX	31	31	59	54	55	Two Men	Two Men	*** "Dr. Seuss' Horton Hears a Who!" (2008)				*** "Kung Fu Panda" (2008) Angelina Jolie				Lights Out "The Shot"	
	HALL	54	46	58		34	The Boss	The Boss	Little House		"Backyard Wedding" (2010) Alicia Witt.				Gold Girls	Gold Girls	Gold Girls	Gold Girls
	HGTV	63	56	26	48	44	Hunters	House	Property	Property	Hunters	Hunters	Hunters	Hunters	Dream Home 2011		Hunters	Hunters
	HIST	71	62	29	56	43	Modern Marvels		Modern Marvels		Modern Marvels		American Pickers		MonsterQuest		(:01) Modern Marvels	
	LIFE	28	25	25	28	46	How I Met/Mother	How I Met/Mother	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba	How I Met/Mother	How I Met/Mother	Reba	Reba
	MSNBC	47	51		49	73	Hardball Matthews		Countdown		Rachel Maddow Show		The Last Word		Countdown		MSNBC Documentary	
	NICK	55	34	39	34	37	iCarly	iCarly	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	Chris	George	George	G. Martin	The Nanny	The Nanny	The Nanny	The Nanny
	SPIKE	30	22	55	53	58	Ways Die	Ways Die	Ways Die	Ways Die	Ways Die	Ways Die	Ways Die	Ways Die	Entourage	Entourage	"Days of Thunder"	
	SYFY	66	64	41	57	67	(5:00) * "Catwoman"		WWE Friday Night SmackDown!				Merlin "Gwaine"		Being Human		Merlin "Gwaine"	
	TBS	25	11	44	66	41	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	** "Get Smart" (2008) Steve Carell. Agent Maxwell Smart battles the KAOS crime syndicate.				The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	** "Legally Blonde" (2001, Comedy)	
	TCM	41	61	24	63	66	"Trouble in Paradise"		*** "Tunes of Glory" (1960) Alec Guinness.				** "The Odessa File" (1974) Jon Voight.				(:15) "Hopscotch"	
	TELE	20	8	16	20		Caso Cerrado: Edición		Aurora		Herederos-Monte		Alguien te Mira		Noticiero	Titulares	Decisiones	
	TLC	51	33	32	38	52	Four Weddings ...and Dancing Zombies		Say Yes to the Dress	Say Yes to the Dress	Say Yes to the Dress	Say Yes to the Dress	Four Weddings Biggest Blunders		Say Yes to the Dress	Say Yes to the Dress	Four Weddings Biggest Blunders	
	TNT	24	23	46	26	50	Bones Partially skeletonized body is found.		**** "The Dark Knight" (2008, Action) Christian Bale, Heath Ledger, Aaron Eckhart. Batman battles a vicious criminal known as the Joker.						(:15) *** "Lethal Weapon" (1987, Action) Mel Gibson, Danny Glover, Gary Busey.			
	TVL	45	48	35	54	35	All-Family	Sanford	Sanford	Sanford	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Cleveland	Roseanne	Roseanne	Roseanne
	USA	26	36	42	27	49	NCIS A Navy lieutenant is poisoned.		CSI: Crime Scene Investigation "Caged"		CSI: Crime Scene Investigation		CSI: Crime Scene Investigation		CSI: Crime Scene Investigation "Ellie"		CSI: Crime Scene Investigation	
	VS.	38	39				Spo Soup	Sports	NHL All-Star Fantasy Draft (Live)			NHL All-Star Fantasy Draft			NHL Hockey From Jan. 25, 2009 in Montreal.			
	WGN-A	19	18				Old Christine	Old Christine	Old Christine	Old Christine	How I Met/Mother	How I Met/Mother	WGN News at Nine		Scrubs	Scrubs	South Park	South Park

New credit deal gives Borders a lifeline

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Borders Group has received a commitment for a $550 million credit line from GE Capital, a lifeline that will help the struggling bookseller pay its vendors and stay afloat — but it indicated that bankruptcy protection might still be an option.

Its shares jumped 28 percent in aftermarket trading on the news.

The $550 million senior secured credit facility matures in 2014 and refinances the company's existing debt.

Borders, based in Ann Arbor, Mich., sparked fears it would file for bankruptcy in December after it said it would delay payments to some vendors.

The company said it is still working with landlords to restructure financing arrangements.

The GE refinancing agreement is subject to some conditions, including securing $175 million in credit from other lenders as well as $125 million in junior debt financing provided by some vendors and other lenders.

Borders and other booksellers have been hit hard as more people buy books online and at discount stores and grocers. Borders reported sales at its superstores open at least a year fell 14.6 percent for the crucial holiday period this year. That measurement is considered an important yardstick of a retailer's health, because it excludes the effects of stores that open or close during the year.

Borders says the financing will help it fix its business, expand online and into the fast-growing electronic book business and cut costs. It said it was still considering "the possibility of an in-court restructuring," implying a Chapter 11 reorganiztion.

Exxon: Global gasoline demand to fall over 20 years

Associated Press

NEW YORK — There will be 400 million more cars on the world's roads 20 years from now, yet gasoline consumption will decline, according to a projection from Exxon Mobil Corp. in its long-term energy outlook released Thursday.

The world's biggest investor-owned oil and gas company expects energy use overall will grow 35 percent by 2030. But that growth would be three times higher if people used as much energy per capita as they do now.

Nowhere is that more apparent than in projections of gasoline demand. People in developing countries, especially China, will drive millions more cars and gas demand will grow, but the cars will be more efficient than those of the past.

Meanwhile, improvements in fuel efficiency in the U.S. and Europe will create a drop in demand that more than matches Asia's growth. Demand for fuel for passenger vehicles will decline by 20 percent in the U.S. and by one-third in Europe by 2030.

Exxon's long-term energy analysis, updated and released to the public every year, paints a picture of what Bill Colton, vice president, Corporate Strategic Planning called a "tale of two worlds."

In developed countries like the U.S., Japan, and the nations of Europe, demand for energy will stay flat even as economic activity increases by 60 percent. In developing countries like China, India and Brazil, demand for energy will rise more than 70 percent as more and more people gain access to electricity and transportation.

Exxon's annual analysis differs from similar projections done by the U.S. Energy Information Administration in that it incorporates expected policy changes in its forecasts.

"The degree of analysis that goes into their projections is as rigorous as you get from any other institution," says Lawrence Eagles, an analyst at JP Morgan, of the report. "It provides a good framework to look into the future."

While demand for gasoline is expected to stay flat, demand for oil is expected to grow. Diesel, jet fuel and other oil-derived transportation fuels are expected to more than make up for the small decline in gasoline demand.

Exxon projects annual oil demand of 100 million barrels per day by 2030. Worldwide demand for 2011 is expected to be about 88 million barrels per day, according to the analysis firm Wood Mackenzie.

Colton said Thursday that the oil industry will have "no problem whatsoever" meeting the increased oil demand. He expects the industry to have 5 million to 6 million barrels per day of excess capacity throughout the next 20 years.

Despite the BP oil spill in the deep waters of the Gulf of Mexico, much of the new supplies needed to meet growing demand will come from deep water drilling throughout the world. By the end of the decade, Colton said, deep water production will outpace production from Saudi Arabia.

BP PLC also issues an annual energy forecast. BP's forecast, which was released Jan. 19, predicts a 39 percent jump in global energy demand, also driven by the growth of developing countries. Like Exxon, BP predicts large improvements in energy efficiency.

Exxon does predict a few other major shifts in energy demand. Natural gas is expected to displace coal as the second most important worldwide fuel by 2020.

Exxon has already acted on that projection: Last year it completed a $31 billion purchase of the natural gas producer XTO.

The shift to natural gas is being driven by new drilling technology that allows companies to tap huge reserves of natural gas. And Exxon expects that clean air and climate change regulations around the world will make coal more expensive.

Nuclear power will grow steadily, Exxon says, and renewable power will grow fastest of all, about 10 percent per year. Still, by 2020, Exxon predicts only 2.5 percent of global energy demand will be met with renewable power.

Among the biggest wild cards that could upset Exxon's forecasts: Batteries for electric cars. Colton said a cheap, lightweight battery that stores a lot of energy and can be easily recharged could cut sharply into demand for transportation fuel.

"We don't see breakthroughs coming," he said. "But we're watching it closely."

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MIDLAND HIGH SCHOOL Honor Roll

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CALDWELL LOIS
CAMARILLO LAUREN
CAMPOS ANDREW
CANNON JACQUETTA
CANO AMANDA
CANTWELL SAVANNAH
CARLETON MADISON
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CLAYTON BRITTANY
COATS ADRIENNE
COFFMAN KENNEDY
COWAN SIERRA
CURTIS ZACHARY
DE BIVAR-BRANCO CAITLYN
DIXON ABBYE
DON JUAN-REYNOLDS WESLEY
DOWNING WILLIAM
DRIVER MICAH
DROZD CORA
EDGE DEARL
ELLIS KIMBERLYNN
ENGLESTAD HOPE
ESTES ASHLEY
ESTRADA MICHAEL
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GABRIEL CHRISTOPHER
GALARZA BRIYITTE
GALINDO JOSEPH
GARZA JOSEPH
GERALD VICTORIA
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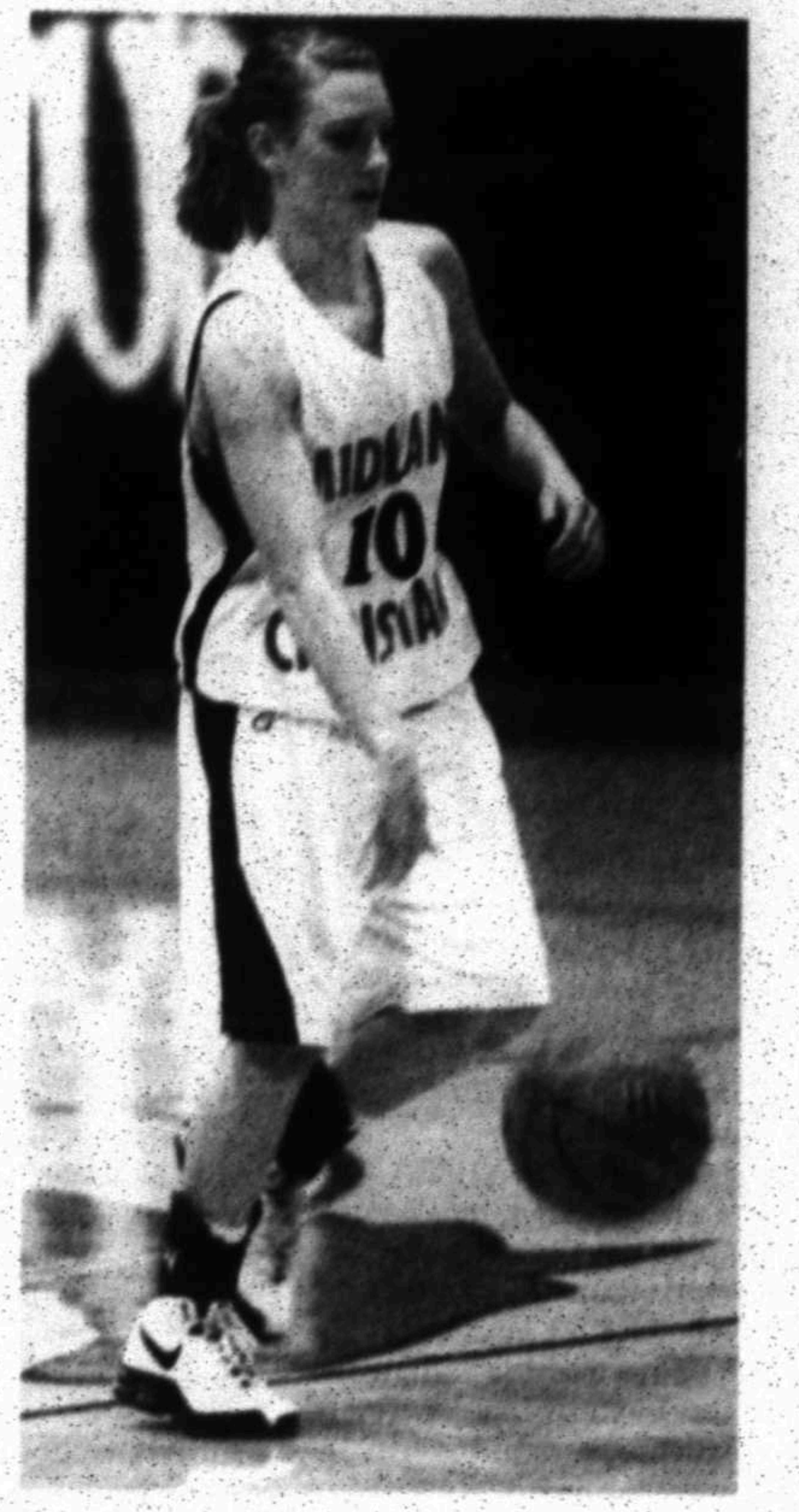

DOWN COURT Midland Christian freshman Morgan Ashton brings the ball down court in a recent game.
Tim Fischer Reporter-Telegram

Freshman fitting in well at MCS

■ Morgan Ashton key part in Mustangs' offense.

By Jonathan Hull
Sports Writer

In any sport, coaches are often hesitant to put the keys to their offense in the hands of a freshman.

But Midland Christian's Morgan Ashton isn't the typical freshman.

Ashton hasn't been merely an integral part of what the No. 18 Lady Mustangs try to do on the hardwood this season. Her role goes beyond that as the freshman has served as the catalyst to Midland Christian's offense, serving as the team's point guard.

It's a position Ashton has easily taken to, said MCS coach Robin Reed.

"She's fit into that role very well," Reed said. "The girls know what kind of presence she has on the floor. If she can talk the talk and walk the walk, then she's going to earn their respect."

And basketball isn't the

■ Girls' report

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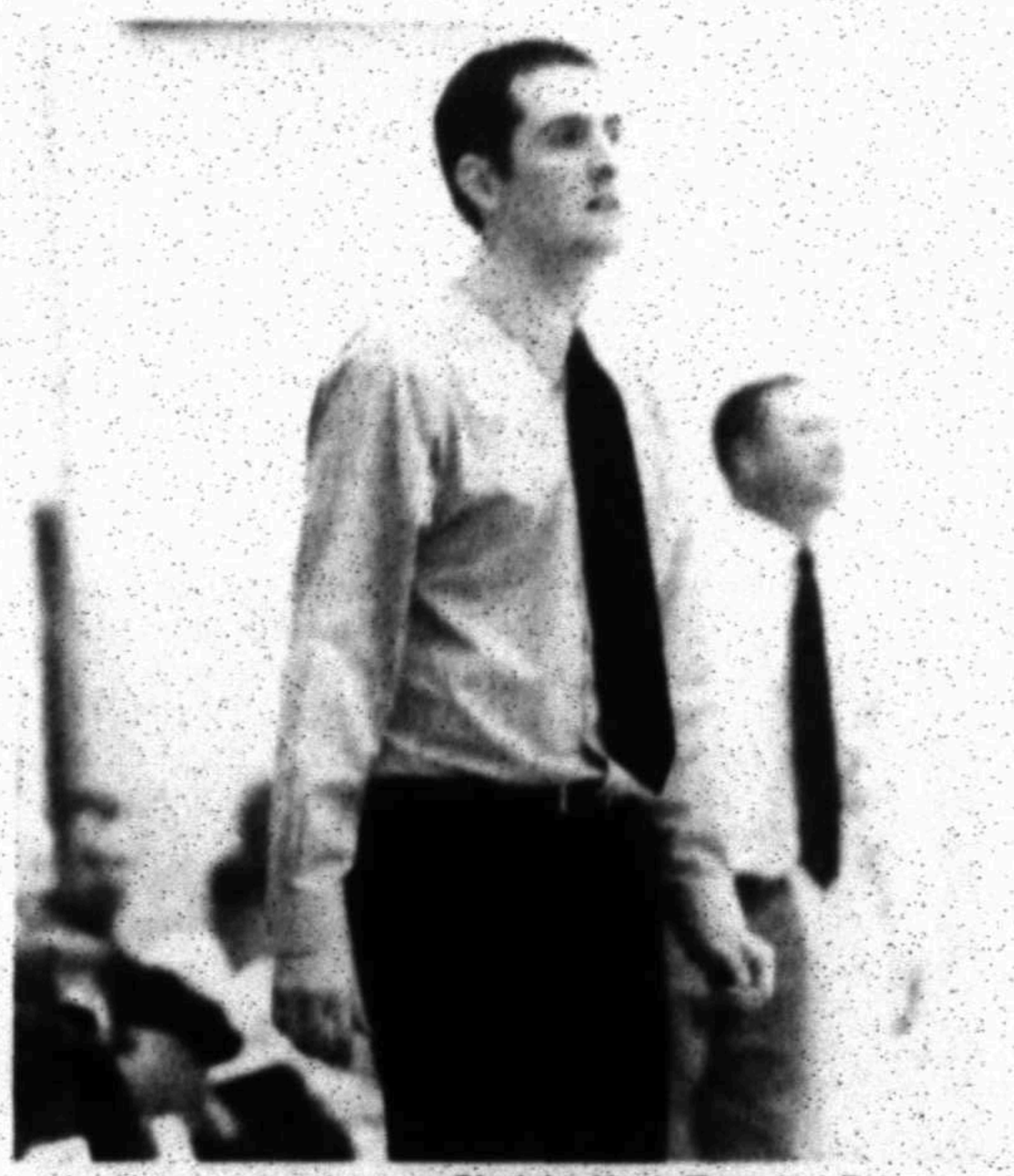

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FROM THE SIDELINES Big Spring High School basketball coach Cliff Thompson watches his team during their game against Greenwood.

Thompson steers Big Spring in right direction

■ First-year coach helping Steers continue their success.

By Shawn Shroyer
Sports Writer

More times than not, a first-year coach takes over a program in need of a turnaround. That wasn't the case when Cliff Thompson was named Big Spring's boys basketball coach before this season.

Of course, not many first-year coaches have a player of Luke Adam's quality on their roster. The combination of Thompson's coaching and the play of Adams and his supporting cast have the Steers ranked No. 21 in the state with a 19-6 record and a 3-0 mark in District 5-3A play.

"He's been great," Adams said of Thompson. "He's great at player development. He puts players in position to be successful. He does a really good job of letting us do what we do best and use our athleticism."

The Steers have run the gauntlet since non-district

■ Boys' report

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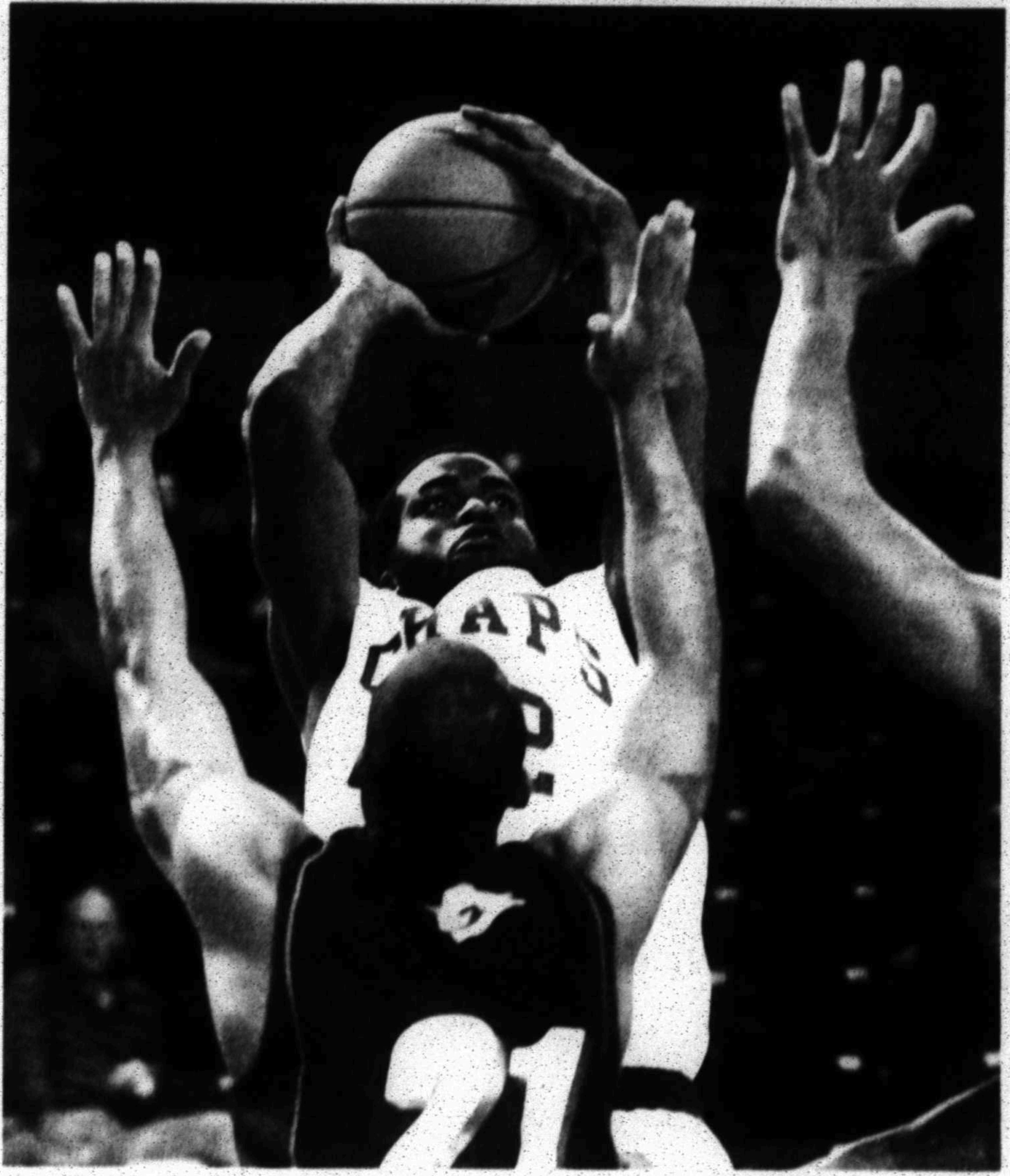
CHAPS CLEAN UP



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GOING FOR IT Midland College guard Dwayne Davis takes the shot for two as he is defended by Western Texas College's Reggie Slaton on Thursday at Chaparral Center.

Men dominate Western Texas College

By Oscar LeRoy
Sports Writer

Chaps	**88**
Westerners	58

The way the No. 10-ranked Midland College men's basketball team came out shooting the ball on Thursday night, Western Texas College had no chance.

And even though the 3-point shot kept the Westerners close early, the 71 percent shooting by the Chaps in the first half and 63 percent for the game was too much for Western Texas College to overcome as MC rolled to an 88-58 Western Junior College Athletic Conference victory at Chaparral Center.

Dwayne Davis had another big night for the Chaps (20-2, 6-0 in WJCAC) with 23 points and seven rebounds, Dwight Miller had probably his best game as a Chap with 18 points, Ty Nurse added 12 points and Jordan Walker chipped in with 10.

The way the Chaps were able to jump out to a hot shooting performance even surprised MC coach Ross Hodge. MC took a 56-30 lead at the half.

"I told the guys that as far as our offensive execution in the first half, that was probably one of the best halves of basketball that I've ever had a team play," Hodge said. "I really felt like our guys took good shots made sure the right guy took the right shot in the right possession. It was really fun to watch our guys play that way."

Miller said the Chaps were urged by their coach to come out strong in both halves because that wasn't always the case in each of the last two games -- victories against Howard College and New Mexico Military Institute.

"We wanted to come out strong and play 40 minutes," Miller said. "We wanted to make sure we focused on that. We're coming into that time in the season when everybody should be hitting their stride. It feels like we're starting to hit our stride and we've got a better feel for our teammates' tendencies and the offense. It kind of

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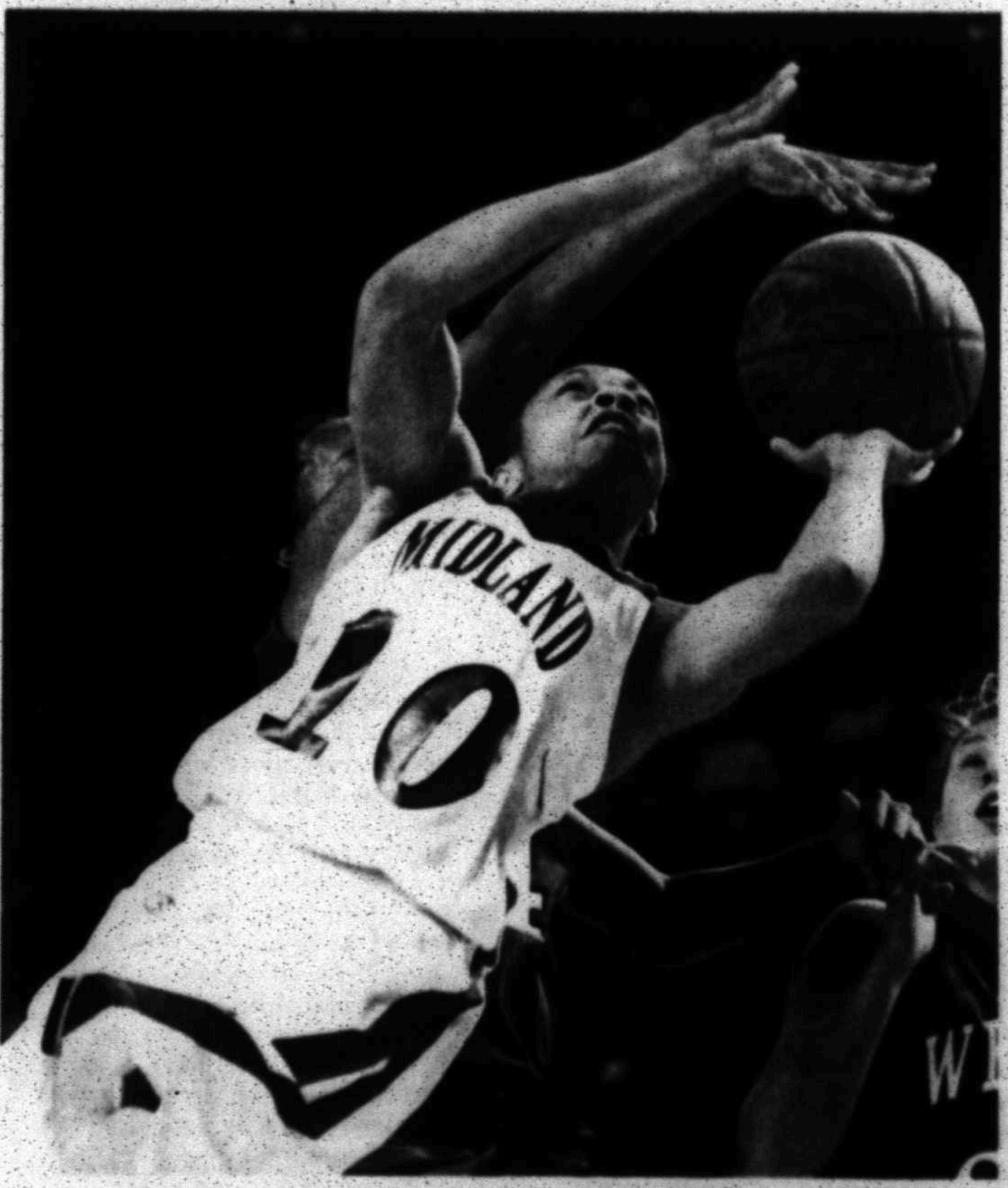
Lady Chaparrals pull through rough win



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TOUGH SHOT Midland College guard Tanica Anderson takes the off-balance shot to score two as she's guarded by Western Texas College's Wykeia Sanders on Thursday at Chaparral Center.

By Oscar LeRoy
Sports Writer

Chaps	**86**
Westerners	60

It was apparent that the Midland College women's basketball team had just been in a very physical game against Western Texas College on Thursday night with the way the Lady Chaparrals came out of the locker room wrapped and asking for ice from the trainers.

Because of the physical play, the game resembled more of a wresting match underneath the basket and it dragged a bit with the number of fouls and turnovers committed from both teams.

But the No. 18 Lady Chaps proved to have a little too much firepower and played solid defense as they withstood the Lady Westerners' tough brand of play and eventually pulled away for an 86-60 victory at Chaparral Center.

Five Lady Chaps (19-4, 4-1 in Western Junior College Athletic Conference) were in double figures. Morgan Schwartz led the way with 16 points and nine rebounds, Tanica

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HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL CAPSULES

Girls

ODESSA PERMIAN AT LEE

When/where: 6 p.m. today, Chaparral Center

Records: Permian 17-9, 7-2 in District 3-5A; Lee 9-16, 2-6.

Last game: Permian 51, Odessa High 31; Midland High 66, Lee 32.

Last meeting: Permian 68, Lee 43 on Jan. 4.

Notes & Quotes: Wins are becoming more vital for Lee with each game as the regular season winds down. Currently, Lee sits a half game back of Odessa High for the fourth and final playoff spot available out of District 3-5A. ... Permian continues to thrive against every district opponent not named Midland High. The Lady Panthers improved to 7-2 in 3-5A with a 51-31 win against cross-town rival Odessa High on Tuesday. Both of their district losses have come at the hands of Midland High. ... In Lee and Permian's first meeting, Odessa Permian's high-pressure defense kept the Lady Rebels from setting up its offense consistently, forcing them into 29 turnovers during the game. Permian junior guard Cheyenne Swoopes had a strong showing. While Swoopes only scored six points, Swoopes also had eight assists and five steals to lead the 68-43 rout of Lee. ... Alex Ramos was the top scorer for Lee in the first game against Permian, putting up 19 points, while also pulling down eight rebounds. ... With Lee battling for the final playoff spot in the district, the regular season is coming close enough to an end to look at potential playoff matchups. Should the Lady Rebels qualify as the No. 4 team, it currently appears they would be pitted against No. 8 North Crowley, which currently sits atop District 4-5A.

Next: San Angelo Central at Odessa Permian, 6 p.m. Tuesday; Lee at Abilene Cooper, 6 p.m. Tuesday.

MIDLAND HIGH AT ODESSA HIGH

When/where: 6 p.m. today, OHS Fieldhouse

Records: Midland High 25-4, 9-0 in District 3-5A; Odessa High 11-15, 3-6.

Last game: Midland High 66, Lee 32; Odessa Permian 51, Odessa High 31.

Last meeting: Midland High 58, Odessa High 13 on Jan. 4.

Notes & Quotes: Midland High can clinch at least a share of the District 3-5A title with a win against Odessa High today. The Lady Bulldogs can clinch the district championship outright should they win and Odessa Permian loses to Lee. ... If Midland High can get the type of shooting performance from Kelsey Hoppel that she delivered on Tuesday against Lee, the Lady Bulldogs are going to be tough to beat. Hoppel seemingly couldn't miss, scoring 28 points and hitting a total of five 3-pointers in the 66-32 victory. The senior guard did that despite not playing in the fourth period. ... With a loss to MHS and a Lee or San Angelo Central win today, Odessa High could find itself out of fourth place in District 3-5A. The Lady Bronchos are 3-6 in district play with Lee and Central holding 2-6 marks. Those three teams seem to figure into the battle for the league's final playoff spot. ... With the district title starting to seem like a formality, Midland High would be pitted against the fourth-place team in District 4-5A in the opening round of the playoffs. That currently appears to be a two-horse race with Arlington Martin (17-10, 4-4) and Arlington Sam Houston (10-13, 3-7) currently fighting for that spot. Martin and Sam Houston still have one more game against each other on Tuesday, although Martin won easily in the first meeting, 54-28.

Next: Midland High at Abilene High, 6 p.m. Tuesday; Abilene Cooper at Odessa High, 6 p.m. Feb. 4.

Midland High
Season Stats (Through 28 games)

Player	G	FG	FTM-FTA	PTS	PTS/G	REB	REB/G
Kelsey Hoppel	29	173	44-63	479	16.5	99	3.4
Dreamika Merchant	29	190	39-79	430	14.8	313	10.8
Paris Webb	29	151	41-63	351	12.1	88	3.0
Krystal Valdez	29	93	23-37	233	8.0	47	1.6
Sabona Banks	29	37	21-45	95	3.3	114	3.9
Calanna Rendon	14	11	9-17	31	2.2	25	1.8
Rebecca Gallegos	26	17	2-8	42	1.6	25	1.0
Megan Hopper	27	15	9-19	40	1.5	15	0.6
Skeetha Bowers	27	16	8-22	40	1.5	60	2.2
Andrea Sadler	25	8	7-12	23	0.9	9	0.3
Meg Woodard	28	9	2-7	20	0.7	36	1.3

ABILENE COOPER AT SAN ANGELO CENTRAL

When/where: 6 p.m. today, Central High School, San Angelo.

Records: Cooper 1-24, 1-7 in District 3-5A; Central 12-14, 2-6.

Last game: Abilene High 46, Cooper 40; Midland High 50, Central 35 on Jan. 21.

Last meeting: Cooper 34, Central 30 on Jan. 4.

Next: Lee at Abilene Cooper, 6 p.m. Tuesday; San Angelo Central at Odessa Permian, 6 p.m. Tuesday.

DISTRICT 4-3A
Greenwood at Fort Stockton

When/where: 6:30 p.m. today, Fort Stockton High School

Records: Greenwood 12-18, 4-1 in District 4-3A; Fort Stockton 0-5 in 4-3A.

Last game: Andrews 49, Greenwood 47; Seminole 54, Fort Stockton 26.

Last meeting: Greenwood 48, Fort Stockton 22 on Jan. 11.

Next: Seminole at Greenwood, 6:30 p.m. Tuesday; Fort Stockton at Monahans, 6:30 p.m. Tuesday.

Boys District 3-5A Standings

Team	District W	District L	Overall W	Overall L
Midland High	7	0	16	9
Odessa High	5	2	13	11
San Angelo Central	4	2	16	9
Abilene Cooper	4	3	10	15
Lee	3	4	10	13
Odessa Permian	1	6	2	14
Abilene High	0	7	2	23

Tuesday's Scores

Midland High 41, Lee 37; Odessa High 56, Odessa Permian 43; Abilene Cooper 53, Abilene High 48; San Angelo Central was open.

Today's Games

Odessa Permian at Lee, Chaparral Center; Midland High at Odessa High; Abilene Cooper at San Angelo Central; Abilene High is open. All games at 7:30 p.m.

TAPPS 1-4A
FORT WORTH SOUTHWEST CHRISTIAN AT No. 18 MIDLAND CHRISTIAN

When/where: 6:30 p.m. Friday, Midland Christian McGraw Gym

Records: FWSW 13-12, 1-6 in TAPPS 1-4A; MCS 17-9, 3-3.

Last game: Grapevine Faith 28, FWSW 25; MCS 45, Midland Classical 32.

Last meeting: MCS 55, FWSW 34 on Jan. 8.

Next: Fort Worth Southwest Christian at Lubbock Trinity, 1 p.m. Saturday; Grapevine Faith at Midland Christian, 1 p.m. Saturday.

TAPPS 1-3A
No. 14 AMARILLO ARBOR AT MIDLAND CLASSICAL

When/where: 5:30 p.m. today, Midland Classical Academy

Records: Arbor 11-4, 1-1 in TAPPS 1-3A; MCA 4-15, 0-1.

Last game: Amarillo San Jacinto 48, Arboy 45; Trinity 29, MCA 26.

Next: Amarillo Arbor at Amarillo San Jacinto, 6:30 p.m. Tuesday; Lubbock Christian at Midland Classical, 6:30 p.m. Tuesday.

Boys

District 3-5A
ODESSA PERMIAN AT LEE

When/where: 7:30 p.m. today, Chaparral Center

Records: Permian 2-14, 1-6 in District 3-5A; Lee 10-13, 3-4

Last game: Odessa High 56, Odessa Permian 43; Midland High 41, Lee 37

Last meeting: Lee 55, Odessa Permian 43

Notes & Quotes: Following Lee's loss to Midland High on Tuesday, coach Mark Coffman said the Rebels needed to win out if they wanted to qualify for the postseason. That quest begins tonight against an Odessa Permian team that is also coming off a loss to its rival. Unlike the Rebels, the Panthers are all but eliminated from playoff contention. With five District 3-5A games to go, the best the Panthers can finish is 6-6 while all four teams occupying playoff spots have at least four district victories. Lee fell from fourth place to fifth place with its loss Tuesday and Abilene Cooper's victory against Abilene High. Lee has already beaten Cooper, though, so the Rebels are in position to claim the advantage in any tie-breaker situation with the Cougars if they can win in Abilene next week. ... However, the Rebels' focus is solely on the Panthers tonight and they'll be looking for a better shooting night than they had Tuesday. Against the Bulldogs, the Rebels made just 9 of 34(26 percent) shots from the field. ... The Rebels did have success at the free throw line, though, sinking 17 of 22 attempts and turning the ball over just nine times. Permian turned the ball over 18 times against Odessa High. ... The battle of the boards could be the deciding factor as both Lee and Permian were outrebounded on Tuesday by about the same margin.

Next game: San Angelo Central at Odessa Permian, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday; Lee at Abilene Cooper, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday

Lee
Season Stats

Player	G	FG	FTM-FTA	PTS	PTS/G	REB	REB/G
Tray Collins	22	121	56-84	345	15.7	87	4.0
Devin Savage	23	90	80-129	262	11.4	199	8.7
Jordan Salazar	9	23	19-34	77	8.6	15	1.7
Corey McPherson	23	75	25-40	181	7.9	143	6.2
Jake Huck	23	36	26-46	107	4.7	50	2.2
Austin Brown	13	10	11-18	36	2.8	16	1.2
Ray Douglas	21	21	5-10	52	2.5	14	0.7
Gabriel Portillo	20	9	12-17	36	1.8	17	0.9
Adrian Horton	23	17	5-11	39	1.7	81	3.5
Kelsey Maddy	17	7	3-4	21	1.3	10	0.6
Zane Cox	15	2	3-9	7	0.5	23	1.5
Austin Kourice	2	0	1-2	1	0.5	1	0.5
Ryan Russell	5	1	0-0	2	0.4	3	0.6
Justin Tarango	3	0	0-0	0	0.0	1	0.3
Totals	23	413	246-404	1166	50.7	660	28.7

MIDLAND HIGH AT ODESSA HIGH

When/where: 7:30 p.m. today, Odessa High, Odessa

Records: MHS 16-9, 7-0 in District 3-5A, OHS 13-11, 5-2

Last game: Midland High 41, Lee 37; Odessa High 56, Odessa Permian 43

Last meeting: Midland High 65, Odessa High 58

Notes & Quotes: Both Midland High and Odessa High were regarded as playoff contenders entering the season, but here they are more than halfway through the District 3-5A season setting themselves apart as district title contenders.

Girls District 3-5A Standings

Team	District W	District L	Overall W	Overall L
x-Midland High	9	0	25	4
x-Odessa Permian	7	2	17	9
Abilene High	6	3	10	14
Odessa High	3	6	11	15
Lee	2	6	9	16
San Angelo Central	2	6	12	14
Abilene Cooper	1	7	1	24

Tuesday's Scores

Midland High 66, Lee 32; Odessa Permian 51, Odessa High 31; Abilene High 46, Abilene Cooper 40

Friday's Games

Midland High at Odessa High; Permian at Lee, Chaparral Center; Abilene Cooper at San Angelo Central. All games at 6 p.m.

The Bulldogs are alone at the top at 7-0 in 3-5A play, but the Bronchos at 5-2 could pull within a game with a victory tonight. ... At Chaparral Center earlier this month, the Bronchos were competitive, trailing just 42-39 going into the fourth quarter before the Bulldogs pulled out a seven-point victory. Plus, the Bronchos defeated the Bulldogs, 47-44, during the Tall City Oilman's Tournament in December, so actually getting to play Midland High in Odessa could swing the advantage Odessa High's direction. ... Bronchos guard Darrian Samuels went off on the Bulldogs in their last meeting, leading all scorers with 20 points while Aaron McMaryion added 11 points. Midland High was led by Mercedes Lane and Kionne Lewis' 18 points while T.J. Brown, who leads the Bulldogs in scoring on the season, was limited to eight points. Brown, Lane and Lewis are all capable of scoring in double figures, but it ws Jamal Sanders who picked up Midland High on Tuesday against Lee. Sanders tied for the team lead in scoring with 11 points and eight of which came off tip-ins or put-backs. He also pulled down a team-high eight rebounds with six coming on the offensive end.

Next game: Abilene High at Midland High, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Chaparral Center; Abilene Cooper at Odessa High, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 4

Midland High
Season Stats

Player	G	FG	FTM-FTA	PTS	PTS/G	REB	REB/G
T.J. Brown	25	122	111-147	376	15.0	101	4.8
Mercedes Lane	25	114	70-105	324	13.0	56	2.7
Kionne Lewis	25	70	48-94	190	7.6	43	2.0
Harley Davis	24	35	35-56	110	4.6	86	4.3
Jamal Sanders	24	33	6-13	72	3.0	49	2.1
Donovan Lee	24	29	10-21	68	2.8	23	1.2
Jordan McReynolds	22	17	6-11	40	1.8	42	2.0
Jacolby Jeffries	25	13	11-32	42	1.7	26	1.2
Brandon Wright	21	12	2-7	28	1.3	17	0.9
Mazelle Justice	19	7	8-18	23	1.2	22	1.2
Sean Matchus	19	8	4-6	23	1.2	5	0.3
Ryan Evans	23	2	3-7	8	0.3	6	0.3
Josh Miller	20	1	0-0	2	0.1	0	0.0
Totals	25	475	331-539	1350	54.0	475	21.6

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ABILENE COOPER AT SAN ANGELO CENTRAL

When/where: 7:30 p.m. today, Central High, San Angelo

Records: Cooper 10-15, 4-3 in District 3-5A; Central 16-9, 4-2

Last game: Abilene Cooper 53, Abilene High 48; Midland High 72, San Angelo Central 52

Last meeting: San Angelo Central 75, Abilene Cooper 60

Next game: Lee at Abilene Cooper, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday; San Angelo Central at Odessa Permian, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday

District 4-3A
GREENWOOD AT FORT STOCKTON

When/where: 8 p.m. today, Fort Stockton

Records: Greenwood 22-6, 2-1 in District 4-3A; Fort Stockton 13-13, 0-3

Last game: Greenwood 51, Andrews 42; Seminole 77, Fort Stockton 56

Next game: Seminole at Greenwood, 8 p.m. Tuesday; Fort Stockton at Monahans, 8 p.m. Tuesday

TAPPS 1-4A
SOUTHWEST CHRISTIAN AT MIDLAND CHRISTIAN
GRAPEVINE FAITH AT MIDLAND CHRISTIAN

When/where: 6:30 p.m. today, MCS gym; 2 p.m. Saturday, MCS gym

Records: SWC 4-8, 2-4 in TAPPS 1-4A; GFC 8-16, 2-4; MCS 3-20, 0-6

Last game: Grapevine Faith 67, Southwest Christian 59; Midland Christian 40, Alpine 28

Next game: Lubbock Trinity at Midland Christian, 8 p.m. Tuesday

TAPPS 1-3A
ARBOR CHRISTIAN ACADEMY AT MIDLAND CLASSICAL

When/where: 7 p.m. today, MCA gym

Records: ACA 4-8, 0-2 in TAPPS 1-3A; MCA 0-1 in TAPPS 1-3A

Last game: Midland Classical 58, Trinity 41

Next game: Lubbock Christian at Midland Classical, 8 p.m. Tuesday

TCAF DIVISION II
TRINITY AT EL PASO IMMANUEL

When/where: 12:30 p.m. Saturday, El Paso

Records: Trinity 7-11, 0-1 in TCAF Division II

Last game: Midland Classical 58, Trinity 41

Next game: Midessa Warriors at Trinity, 6 p.m. Tuesday

HIGH SCHOOL SOCCER

Girls

LEE 6, WACO UNIVERSITY 1

MANSFIELD — Lee played one of its best offensive games of the season at the Mansfield Tournament on Thursday, but one of the biggest tests of the Lady Rebels' season awaits them today.

The Lady Rebels scored three goals in each half to easily rout Waco University, 6-1. Emily McBride led Lee with two goals, scoring the game's first and last point.

Haley Smith, Kendall Stark, Tori Rackow and Samantha Stewart also found the back of the net for Lee.

"We were able to spread the ball around and move it left and right," Lee coach Brian Pollard said. "We finished nearly every opportunity. I don't know that we had many more than six shots."

The Lady Rebels meet tournament host Mansfield Summit — a perennial playoff team in Class 4A — at 1:45 p.m. today and then take on San Angelo Lake View at 5:15 p.m.

Summit set the schedule for this tournament and Pollard would like to see host teams to start feeling uncomfortable with scheduling Lee.

"We always seem to play the host team now," Pollard said. "I think that's a motivation for us. We don't want to be the team the host always wants to play."

James, Wade voted All-Stars; Rose, Amare get spots

By Brian Mahoney
Associated Press

NEW YORK — LeBron James and Dwyane Wade of the Miami Heat are headed to the NBA All-Star game together, and Derrick Rose gave the Chicago Bulls their first starter since Michael Jordan.

They will be joined in the Eastern Conference starting lineup by Amare Stoudemire, who will become the first New York Knicks player to start in nearly two decades, and Orlando center Dwight Howard, the leading vote-getter in the conference with nearly 2.1 million.

The Lakers' Kobe Bryant earned his 13th straight All-Star selection for the Feb. 20 game at his home arena. He is one shy of the record held by Jerry West, Shaquille O'Neal and Karl Malone.

Bryant, a three-time MVP of the All-Star game, was the overall leading vote-getter with more than 2.3 million.

The other starters announced Thursday were Hornets guard Chris Paul, forwards Kevin Durant of Oklahoma City and Carmelo Anthony of Denver, and Houston center Yao Ming, who is injured and will be replaced on the roster by a player of commissioner David Stern's choosing.

James and Wade, who both received more than 2 million votes from fans, will become the first set of teammates to start for the East since Wade and O'Neal represented the Heat in the 2007 game in Las Vegas.

"We try to represent our team; try to represent our franchise the right way every time we go out on the basketball court, and the fact that we've had so many votes by these fans, like I said it's very humbling and we appreciate it," James said before the Heat faced the New York Knicks.

Rose beat out Celtics guard Rajon Rondo to earn his first All-Star start and the first by a Chicago player since Jordan started the 1998 game.

"I think it's recognition for the job he's done this year," Bulls coach Tom Thibodeau said. "All-Star games, those are great. He certainly earned it, but ... I'm more concerned with what he's done for our team. And he's done a lot for the team."

Fans voted for the starters, but the reserves will be chosen by the head coaches in their respective conferences. Their votes must be submitted to the league office by next Tuesday, and the announcement will come next Thursday night.

Stoudemire has revitalized the Knicks since arriving from Phoenix in the summer. He beat out perennial starter Kevin Garnett for the second forward spot and is just the fifth Knicks player to be selected a starter since fans began voting in 1974-75. Patrick Ewing was the last one to start in 1992, though he was elected again in 1997 but couldn't play because of a strained left groin.

In a rarity in All-Star balloting, the fans nailed it in the East. Stoudemire, James and Wade all rank among the league's top five in scoring, and Rose and Howard are right there with them as MVP candidates.

Wade was the MVP of last year's game in Dallas Cowboys Stadium and hit the winning shot in the East's 2006 victory in Houston.

"It's an honor," Wade said of his election. "It's not as big a deal as it was when I first came in. It was like my heart was racing the day of the final vote hoping I get in. It continues to be an honor to get the same respect from the fans."

The West vote was flawed by the election of Yao, who despite missing nearly the entire season continues to earn a huge vote total from his native China. West coach Gregg Popovich of the San Antonio Spurs will pick one of his reserves to start.

Paul is the first player in Hornets franchise history to twice be voted a starter.

AP Sports Writers Rachel Cohen in New York and Andrew Seligman in Chicago contributed to this report.

MCS

From 1C

only sport Ashton has been a central figure for at Midland Christian during her freshman year. She also served as the setter on the volleyball team, again holding the pressure of instigating the squad's offensive attack.

But with the acceptance of her teammates, Ashton didn't find adjusting to the varsity level of play in both sports too difficult.

"It's easy because my teammates have faith in me," Ashton said. "They don't treat me like 'the freshman.' They treat me just like anyone else. That makes it better and makes me feel more confident."

Reed describes Ashton as very quick and agile with the ability to push the ball through tight spaces. Most nights, the freshman point guard is one of the game's top scorers.

For example, in MCS' last game — a district matchup against Arlington Pantego on Saturday — Ashton scored a game-high 17 points to lead the Lady Mustangs to a 60-38 victory.

Ashton has assisted the Lady Mustangs to a 17-9 overall record with a 3-3 mark in TAPPS 1-4A play. MCS plays in a challenging district that features three other state-ranked teams other than the Lady Mustangs with No. 10 Fort Worth Christian, No. 14 Lubbock Trinity and No. 22 Arlington Grace Prep.

MCS' three district losses have come to those three squads, too. Playing in a district as competitive as TAPPS 1-4A could easily be overwhelming for a player competing in her first year of varsity athletics.

Ashton admits she was nervous for her first few varsity games, but quickly began feeling comfortable with the level of play.

"I was nervous I wouldn't be good enough," Ashton said. "But they pushed me and that helped a lot. I just listen and try to be coachable."

Reed says Ashton has proven she more than capable of excelling at this level.

"She has played beautifully in this district," Reed said. "I really don't try to build her up to scare her. I tell her that as long as she plays the game the way she knows how to then she'll be fine."

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STEERS

From 1C

when they scheduled such Class 5A schools as Odessa Permian, San Angelo Central, and Abilene Cooper and wound up playing Greenwood three times. But thus far every test has made them stronger and they enter today's game against Abilene Wylie at 7:30 p.m. in Big Spring riding an eight-game winning streak.

With a victory tonight against the Bulldogs, who are also 3-0 in 5-3A, the Steers would have first place all to themselves.

"The last two days, we've been preparing for what they do offensively and defensively," Thompson said. "They're the kind of team that doesn't do anything spectacular. But they don't turn the ball over, they don't take ill-advised shots and don't make any mistakes. You have to beat them because they won't do a lot to help you out."

With home court advantage and Adams in the starting lineup, the Steers may not need much help.

Adams, who is the son of Howard College men's basketball coach Mark Adams, has averaged an astounding 25.8 points per game this season with a high of 46. While his overall field goal percentage is a solid 44 percent, he's connected on a remarkable 47 percent of his 173 3-point attempts. But he's not just a scorer. The 5-10 senior guard also leads the team with 3.5 assists and 3.4 steals per game.

Needless to say, opposing coaches have taken notice and experimented with every defense imaginable in hopes of slowing him down.

"He's been unbelievable," Thompson said. "It's hard to completely take him out of a game. He's just a smart player, he knows if teams take him away, other players are going to be open."

Adams credits what was a trying junior season for his success as a senior.

Adams said he played with a fractured foot last season, needing a carbon fiber plate in his shoe for protection. The plate allowed him to play through the pain, but he didn't have his usual quickness. He had to play smart and his basketball IQ has been a key to his stellar play this season.

"I can't take any game lightly," Adams said. "Every game is a battle and I have to come in mentally ready to play and be ready for everything they bring. I'm a lot more confident (since last year). I had to play a lot smarter because I was limited in my athletic ability. I learned more of the mental side of it."

Needless to say, college coaches have taken notice and he's received interest from schools such as UT-Arlington, North Texas, UT-Pan American and Montana.

But Adams isn't the only reason the Steers are in contension for a district title.

Thompson also credited the unselfish play of guard Tristian Clay and posts Dayvion Young, Mike Menefield, Seth Pearson and Chazzell Robertson for doing the dirty work inside. As much as anything, Thompson appreciated taking over a team that wasn't only talented, but also understood the finer points of the game.

"(Former coach) Marcus Morris did such a good job teaching them basketball, it was an easy transition for them," Thompson said. "They didn't just understand what he did, they understood basketball."

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TABC

Tex Preps basketball rankings

SUGAR LAND (AP) — High school basketball rankings as compiled by the Texas Association of Basketball Coaches and Tex Preps Basketball magazine for the week of Jan. 24:

BOYS

Class 5A

1. Garland Lakeview Centennial 24-1 2. Lewisville Marcus 25-1 3. DeSoto 25-2 4. Cedar Hill 23-2 5. North Crowley 21-5 6. Pflugerville 21-4 7. SA Reagan 22-4 8. SA Churchill 23-4 9. Killeen Harker Heights 22-3 10. Fort Bend Bush 16-5 11. Katy Morton Ranch 23-2 12. Richardson Berkner 20-7 13. South Grand Prairie 19-5 14. Duncanville 18-6 15. Fort Bend Travis 20-4 16. SA Taft 23-4 17. Houston Strake Jesuit 19-3 18. Edinburg 22-2 19. Katy Seven Lakes 24-5 20. Austin High 21-2 21. Humble Dekaney 21-5 22. N. Richland Hills 22-2 23. The Woodlands 23-3 24. League City Clear Creek 17-6 25. Laredo United 20-5

Class 4A

1. Dallas Kimball 23-2 2. Dallas Lincoln 21-2 3. Galveston Ball 23-2 4. La Marque 23-2 5. Houston Yates 17-3 6. FW Arlington Heights 20-3 7. FW Trimble Tech 21-4 8. Ennis 21-4 9. Killeen 24-3 10. Austin LBJ 16-4 11. Dallas Wilson 19-5 12. New Braunfels Canyon 21-4 13. Mansfield Summit 19-7 14. Bryan Rudder 23-3 15. Pflugerville Hendrickson 22-7 16. Rosenberg Terry 17-8 17. SA Alamo Heights 23-3 18. Azle 18-4 19. Everman 20-4 20. Nederland 22-4 21. Denton Ryan 16-8 22. [illegible] 18-9 23. Northside Brennan 18-8 24. Boerne Champion 24-6 25. Houston Jones 14-6

Class 3A

1. Lubbock Estacado 24-1 2. Argyle 22-2 3. Cleveland 21-4 4. Burkburnett 21-2 5. [illegible]

Class 2A

[illegible]

Class 1A Division I

[illegible]

Class 1A Division II

[illegible]

Large Private Schools

[illegible]

Small Private Schools

[illegible]

GIRLS

Class 5A

[illegible]

Class 4A

[illegible]

Class 3A

[illegible]

Class 2A

[illegible]

Class 1A Division I

[illegible]

Class 1A Division II

[illegible]

Large Private Schools

[illegible]

Small Private Schools

[illegible]

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Men

Thursday's Scores

SOUTHWEST

Arkansas St. 62, Louisiana-Monroe 61
Howard Payne 98, Mary Hardin-Baylor 65
McMurry 85, Schreiner 62
Sul Ross St. 100, Concordia-Austin 99

SOUTH

Asbury 95, Alice Lloyd 77
Austin Peay 61, E. Kentucky 52
Bellarmine 100, Ill.-Springfield 74
Benedict 82, Claflin 71
Charleston Southern 79, Radford 62, OT
Chattanooga 111, UNC Greensboro 110, 2OT
Coastal Carolina 82, High Point 58
Cumberland, Tenn. 61, Fisk 47
Cumberlands 79, Pikeville 68
Duke 84, Boston College 68
Elizabeth City St. 83, Chowan 72
Florida Atlantic 62, Middle Tennessee 51
Freed-Hardeman 83, Lyon 70
George Mason 84, Towson 58
Georgetown, Ky. 73, St. Catharine 61
LeMoyne-Owen 86, Fort Valley St. 62
Liberty 83, UNC Asheville 81, OT
Lindsey Wilson 78, Virginia-Wise 70
Louisiana Tech 71, Idaho 56
Louisiana-Lafayette 93, North Texas 86
Maryland 66, Virginia 42
Morehead St. 72, Tennessee St. 65
Mountain St. 88, Indiana-Southeast 56
N. Kentucky 68, St. Joseph's, Ind. 59
Randolph-Macon 90, Roanoke 53
Reinhardt 91, Tenn. Wesleyan 89, OT
Samford 69, Elon 67
South Alabama 83, Troy 76
South Florida 71, DePaul 60
Union, Tenn. 68, Trevecca Nazarene 65
VMI 85, Gardner-Webb 66
Va. Commonwealth 82, Hofstra 67
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MIDWEST

[illegible]
Kent St. 66, Ball St. 53
Loyola of Chicago 84, Youngstown St. 73
Maranatha Baptist 66, Lakeland 61
Miami (Ohio) 68, Cent. Michigan 58
Michigan 61, Michigan St. 57
N. Dakota St. 87, S. Utah 75
Northwood, Mich. 69, Michigan Tech 55
Oakland, Mich. 88, Oral Roberts 85
South Dakota 90, Houston Baptist 73
Tennessee Tech 77, E. Illinois 74
UMKC 69, S. Dakota St. 58
Viterbo 72, Waldorf 67

EAST

Brooklyn 95, John Jay 78
C.W. Post 79, St. Thomas Aquinas 65
Cabrini 89, Keystone 84
Castleton St. 75, Daniel Webster 74, OT
Cent. Connecticut St. 71, Mount St. Mary's, Md. 52
Colgate 79, Holy Cross 72
Dominican, N.Y. 72, Philadelphia 62
La Salle 76, Saint Joseph's 72
Lake Superior St. 78, Ohio Dominican 59
Long Island U. 97, Fairleigh Dickinson 89
Marywood 83, Phila. Biblical 55
Pitt.-Johnstown 88, Ohio Valley 81
Point Park 90, Malone 80
Post, Conn. 69, Caldwell 58
Quinnipiac 69, Robert Morris 61
Rider 61, Iona 59
St. Francis, NY 62, Monmouth, N.J. 61
St. Francis, Pa. 88, Sacred Heart 86, OT
St. Peter's 65, Marist 53
Wagner 80, Bryant 75, OT
Washington, Md. 88, Ursinus 79

FAR WEST

Southern Cal 63, Arizona St. 61

Women

Thursday's Scores

SOUTHWEST

Concordia-Austin 88, Sul Ross St. 52
McMurry 83, Schreiner 31
UTEP 69, Tulsa 66
Wayland Baptist 72, Mid-Am Christian 66

SOUTH

Ala.-Huntsville 61, Lambuth 51
Albany, Ga. 71, Miles 63
Alice Lloyd 70, Asbury 66
Arkansas 53, LSU 45
Bellarmine 79, Ill.-Springfield 59
Benedict 76, Claflin 57
Bethel, Tenn. 86, Martin Methodist 78
Brescia 46, Berea 38
Chowan 61, Elizabeth City St. 53
Cumberland, Tenn. 50, Fisk 48
E. Kentucky 61, Austin Peay 56
East Carolina 71, UAB 64
[illegible] 78, Virginia 45
Florida 70, Alabama 64
Fort Valley St. 89, LeMoyne-Owen 68
Freed-Hardeman 77, Lyon 58
Georgia Tech 78, Virginia Tech 57
Houston 71, UCF 68
Kentucky 74, Mississippi 68
Lindsey Wilson 98, Virginia-Wise 62
Lipscomb 73, Belmont 59
Memphis 69, Marshall 44
Miami 84, N.C. State 77
Morehead St. 84, Tennessee St. 82
N. Kentucky 62, St. Joseph's, Ind. 57
North Florida 58, Jacksonville 44
Old Dominion 68, William & Mary 56
Pikeville 77, Cumberlands 75, OT
Quincy 86, Kentucky Wesleyan 70
Rice 74, Tulane 70, OT
South Carolina 57, Georgia 48
Southern Miss. 75, SMU 63
Tennessee 81, Mississippi St. 55
UNC Wilmington 65, Hofstra 42
Union, Tenn. 83, Trevecca Nazarene 56
Va. Commonwealth 67, Georgia St. 52
Washington, Md. 49, Ursinus 41
West Liberty 86, Bluefield St. 49

MIDWEST

Creighton 66, Missouri St. 56
Edgewood 61, Maranatha Baptist 47
Hillsdale 76, N. Michigan 73
Ill.-Chicago 84, Wright St. 69
Illinois St. 82, S. Illinois 44
Indiana St. 75, Evansville 67
Iowa 66, Michigan St. 64
Jacksonville St. 51, SE Missouri 49
Loyola of Chicago 88, Detroit 77, OT
Marian, Wis. 79, Moody Bible 65
Michigan 69, Ohio St. 66
Michigan Tech 85, Northwood, Mich. 66
Minnesota 63, Northwestern 58
North Dakota 76, Texas-Pan American 63
Penn St. 67, Illinois 65
Purdue 69, SIU-Edwardsville 39
South Dakota 62, Houston Baptist 33
Tennessee Tech 60, E. Illinois 56
Viterbo 58, Waldorf 47
Walsh 87, Ursuline 57
Wichita St. 66, Drake 57
Wis. Lutheran 56, Alverno 35
Wis.-Green Bay 66, Butler 62
Wis.-Milwaukee 73, Valparaiso 61

EAST

Ashland 81, Wayne, Mich. 61
Brooklyn 78, John Jay 66
Cabrini 63, Keystone 57
Caldwell 65, Post, Conn. 61
DeSales 91, Albright 57
Florida St. 102, Boston College 93
George Mason 51, Delaware 48
James Madison 66, Drexel 60
Lake Superior St. 58, Ohio Dominican 46
Malone 55, Point Park 53
Marywood 63, Phila. Biblical 42
Muhlenberg 67, Haverford 57
Northeastern 58, Towson 56
Philadelphia 79, Dominican, N.Y. 69, OT
Pitt-Johnstown 88, Ohio Valley 64
Salve 66, Mount St. Vincent 53
St. Thomas Aquinas 62, C.W. Post 51

FAR WEST

Chicago St. 84, Utah Valley 57
Gonzaga 106, Saint Mary's, Calif. 77
Idaho St. 65, Sacramento St. 63
Louisiana Tech 83, Idaho 56
N. Colorado 72, N. Arizona 56
New Mexico St. 87, Boise St. 71
Stanford 91, Oregon 56
Utah St. 52, Hawaii 4

NBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	34	10	.773	—
New York	24	21	.533	10 1/2
Philadelphia	20	25	.444	14 1/2
New Jersey	14	32	.304	21
Toronto	13	33	.283	22

Southeast Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Miami	31	14	.689	—
Orlando	30	16	.652	1 1/2
Atlanta	29	17	.630	2 1/2
Charlotte	19	25	.432	11 1/2
Washington	13	31	.295	17 1/2

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	31	14	.689	—
Milwaukee	17	26	.395	13
Indiana	16	26	.381	13 1/2
Detroit	17	29	.370	14 1/2
Cleveland	8	37	.178	23

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
San Antonio	39	7	.848	—
Dallas	30	15	.667	8 1/2
New Orleans	31	16	.660	8 1/2
Memphis	22	24	.478	17
Houston	22	26	.458	18

Northwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Oklahoma City	29	16	.644	—
Denver	27	18	.600	2
Utah	27	19	.587	2 1/2
Portland	25	21	.543	4 1/2
Minnesota	10	35	.222	19

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
L.A. Lakers	33	13	.717	—
Phoenix	20	24	.455	12
Golden State	19	26	.422	13 1/2
L.A. Clippers	17	28	.378	15 1/2
Sacramento	10	33	.233	21 1/2

Thursday's Scores

New York 93, Miami 88
Dallas 111, Houston 106
Boston at Portland, late

Today's Games

New Jersey at Indiana, 6 p.m.
Memphis at Philadelphia, 6 p.m.
Milwaukee at Toronto, 6 p.m.
New York at Atlanta, 6:30 p.m.
Denver at Cleveland, 6:30 p.m.
Detroit at Miami, 6:30 p.m.
Orlando at Chicago, 7 p.m.
Washington at Oklahoma City, 7 p.m.
Minnesota at Utah, 8 p.m.
Charlotte at Golden State, 9:30 p.m.
Sacramento at L.A. Lakers, 9:30 p.m.
Boston at Phoenix, 9:30 p.m.

MAVERICKS 111, ROCKETS 106

HOUSTON (106): Battier 2-6 4-6 10, Scola 14-21 2-2 30, Hayes 8-10 0-2 16, Lowry 2-10 3-3 9, Martin 7-15 11-12 27, Patterson 3-4 0-0 6, Brooks 2-10 0-0 6, Lee 1-2 0-0 2, Budinger 0-2 0-0 0, Hill 0-4 0-0 0. Totals 39-84 20-25 106.

DALLAS (111): Pavlovic 4-7 0-0 11, Nowitzki 7-16 3-4 18, Chandler 5-8 11-12 21, Kidd 5-9 0-0 11, Stevenson 1-4 0-0 2, Marion 5-11 0-0 10, Terry 4-12 6-6 15, Barea 8-10 3-3 19, Mahinmi 1-1 0-0 2, Haywood 1-4 0-0 2, Cardinal 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 41-82 23-25 111.

Houston	15	32	34	25	— 106
Dallas	33	31	24	23	— 111

3-Point Goals—Houston 8-22 (Battier 2-4, Brooks 2-4, Lowry 2-6, Martin 2-7, Budinger 0-1), Dallas 6-16 (Pavlovic 3-4, Nowitzki 1-2, Kidd 1-3, Terry 1-5, Barea 0-1, Stevenson 0-1). Fouled Out—Battier. Rebounds—Houston 50 (Hayes, Scola 8), Dallas 43 (Chandler 15). Assists—Houston 18 (Lowry 5), Dallas 25 (Kidd 10). Total Fouls—Houston 21, Dallas 24. A—20,098 (19,200).

KNICKS 93, HEAT 88

MIAMI (88): James 7-24 10-12 24, Jones 5-9 0-0 15, Ilgauskas 0-1 0-0 0, Chalmers 1-4 5-5 7, Wade 14-22 6-14 34, Anthony 3-5 2-2 8, Miller 0-3 0-0 0, House 0-1 0-0 0, Arroyo 0-1 0-0 0, Dampier 0-0 0-0 0, Howard 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 30-72 23-33 88.

NEW YORK (93): Gallinari 5-15 7-10 20, Chandler 3-14 0-0 7, Stoudemire 10-17 3-4 24, Felton 1-6 4-4 6, Fields 6-11 4-4 19, Douglas 1-5 2-2 5, Turiaf 0-1 1-2 1, Williams 4-11 2-2 11, Walker 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 30-83 23-28 93.

Miami	24	24	25	15	— 88
New York	23	23	18	29	— 93

3-Point Goals—Miami 5-19 (Jones 5-8, Arroyo 0-1, House 0-1, Miller 0-2, Wade 0-2, James 0-2, Chalmers 0-3), New York 10-33 (Fields 3-6, Gallinari 3-7, Stoudemire 1-1, Williams 1-4, Chandler 1-4, Douglas 1-5, Walker 0-2, Felton 0-4). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Miami 59 (Wade 16), New York 51 (Fields 13). Assists—Miami 13 (James, Wade 5), New York 24 (Felton 7). Total Fouls—Miami 22, New York 22. Technicals—Howard, New York defensive three second. A—19,763 (19,763).

NHL

Standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	GP	W	LOT	Pts	GF	GA
Philadelphia	50	33	12	5	71	174	130
Pittsburgh	50	31	15	4	66	154	114
N.Y. Rangers	52	29	20	3	61	148	126
N.Y. Islanders	49	15	27	7	37	119	162
New Jersey	49	16	30	3	35	101	146

Northeast Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Boston	50	28	15	7	63	152	112
Montreal	50	27	18	5	59	130	129
Buffalo	49	23	21	5	51	137	144
Toronto	49	19	25	5	43	128	153
Ottawa	50	17	25	8	42	108	160

Southeast Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Tampa Bay	51	31	15	5	67	154	154
Washington	51	27	15	9	63	140	129
Atlanta	52	24	19	9	57	152	166
Carolina	50	25	19	6	56	153	155
Florida	49	22	22	5	49	131	131

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Detroit	49	30	13	6	66	166	143
Nashville	50	27	17	6	60	134	119
Chicago	50	26	20	4	56	157	139
Columbus	49	23	21	5	51	130	152
St. Louis	49	22	20	7	51	130	146

Northwest Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Vancouver	50	31	10	9	71	165	121
Colorado	50	25	19	6	56	161	165
Minnesota	49	25	19	5	55	130	134
Calgary	51	24	21	6	54	144	152
Edmonton	49	15	26	8	38	122	168

Pacific Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Dallas	50	30	15	5	65	147	137
Anaheim	52	28	20	4	60	145	146
Phoenix	51	25	17	9	59	149	145
San Jose	50	25	19	6	56	139	138
Los Angeles	50	27	22	1	55	143	124

NOTE: Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss.

Leaders

Through Wednesday

Goal Scoring

Name	GP	G
Steven Stamkos, Tampa Bay	51	38
Sidney Crosby, Pittsburgh	41	32
Ryan Kesler, Vancouver	50	27
Daniel Sedin, Vancouver	50	27
Danny Briere, Philadelphia	47	26
Patrick Sharp, Chicago	49	26
Corey Perry, Anaheim	52	25
Eric Staal, Carolina	50	25
Jeff Carter, Philadelphia	50	23
Rick Nash, Columbus	48	23
Logan Couture, San Jose	49	22
Jarome Iginla, Calgary	51	22
Bobby Ryan, Anaheim	52	22
Johan Franzen, Detroit	48	21
Brenden Morrow, Dallas	50	21
Matt Duchene, Colorado	50	20
Mikhail Grabovski, Toronto	48	20
Milan Lucic, Boston	47	20
James Neal, Dallas	50	20
Brad Richards, Dallas	50	20
Martin St. Louis, Tampa Bay	51	20
Claude Giroux, Philadelphia	50	19
Phil Kessel, Toronto	49	19
Alex Ovechkin, Washington	51	19
Ryan Smyth, Los Angeles	50	19

Assists

Name	GP	A
Henrik Sedin, Vancouver	50	50
Martin St. Louis, Tampa Bay	51	40
Brad Richards, Dallas	50	37
Daniel Sedin, Vancouver	50	37
Henrik Zetterberg, Detroit	49	37
Mike Ribeiro, Dallas	50	36
Keith Yandle, Phoenix	51	36
Lubomir Visnovsky, Anaheim	51	35
Nicklas Backstrom, Washington	51	34
Sidney Crosby, Pittsburgh	41	34
Kris Letang, Pittsburgh	50	34
Tobias Enstrom, Atlanta	50	33
Anze Kopitar, Los Angeles	50	33
Loui Eriksson, Dallas	49	32
Alex Ovechkin, Washington	51	32
Nicklas Lidstrom, Detroit	49	31
Joe Thornton, San Jose	48	31
Martin Havlat, Minnesota	49	30
Mike Richards, Philadelphia	50	30
Teemu Selanne, Anaheim	43	30
Jack Johnson, Los Angeles	50	29
Mikko Koivu, Minnesota	49	29
John-Michael Liles, Colorado	50	29
Steven Stamkos, Tampa Bay	51	29
Claude Giroux, Philadelphia	50	28
Tomas Kaberle, Toronto	49	28
Brian Rafalski, Detroit	38	28
Tuomo Ruutu, Carolina	50	28
James Wisniewski, NYI-MON	46	28

Power Play Goals

Name	GP	PP
Steven Stamkos, Tampa Bay	51	15
Daniel Sedin, Vancouver	50	11
Patrick Sharp, Chicago	49	11
Sidney Crosby, Pittsburgh	41	10
Ryan Kesler, Vancouver	50	10
Teemu Selanne, Anaheim	43	10
Ryan Malone, Tampa Bay	49	9
Corey Perry, Anaheim	52	9
Thomas Vanek, Buffalo	49	9

Short Handed Goals

Name	GP	SH
Brad Marchand, Boston	47	4
Matt Cullen, Minnesota	46	3
Claude Giroux, Philadelphia	50	3
Milan Michalek, Ottawa	46	3
Frans Nielsen, NY Islanders	42	3
Brandon Prust, NY Rangers	52	3
Mike Richards, Philadelphia	50	3
Craig Adams, Pittsburgh	48	2
Jamie Benn, Dallas	46	2
Patrice Bergeron, Boston	50	2
Matt Cooke, Pittsburgh	49	2
Brandon Dubinsky, NY Rangers	47	2
Pascal Dupuis, Pittsburgh	49	2
Jordan Eberle, Edmonton	37	2
Curtis Glencross, Calgary	48	2
Lauri Korpikoski, Phoenix	51	2
Andrew Ladd, Atlanta	51	2
Bryan Little, Atlanta	46	2
Greg Mauldin, Colorado	29	2
Steve Ott, Dallas	50	2
Corey Perry, Anaheim	52	2
Patrick Sharp, Chicago	49	2
Eric Staal, Carolina	50	2
Marc Staal, NY Rangers	52	2
R.J. Umberger, Columbus	49	2
Stephen Weiss, Florida	48	2

Power Play Assists

Name	GP	PPA
Martin St. Louis, Tampa Bay	51	23
Nicklas Lidstrom, Detroit	49	20
Keith Yandle, Phoenix	51	20
Tomas Kaberle, Toronto	49	19
Lubomir Visnovsky, Anaheim	51	19
Jack Johnson, Los Angeles	50	18
Brad Richards, Dallas	50	18
Henrik Sedin, Vancouver	50	18
Tobias Enstrom, Atlanta	50	17
Joe Thornton, San Jose	48	17
James Wisniewski, NYI-MON	45	17
Dan Boyle, San Jose	50	16
Ray Whitney, Phoenix	49	16
Kris Letang, Pittsburgh	50	15
Daniel Sedin, Vancouver	50	15

Short Handed Assists

Name	GP	SHA
Gregory Campbell, Boston	48	3
Matt Cooke, Pittsburgh	49	3
Barret Jackman, St. Louis	37	3
Josh Bailey, NY Islanders	37	2
Brian Boyle, NY Rangers	52	2
Kyle Brodziak, Minnesota	49	2
Ryan Callahan, NY Rangers	32	2
Andrew Cogliano, Edmonton	49	2
Jake Dowell, Chicago	48	2
Dan Girardi, NY Rangers	50	2
Claude Giroux, Philadelphia	50	2
Chris Kelly, Ottawa	50	2
Brooks Orpik, Pittsburgh	44	2
Brandon Prust, NY Rangers	52	2
Mike Richards, Philadelphia	50	2
Marc Staal, NY Rangers	52	2
Jarret Stoll, Los Angeles	50	2
Ryan Whitney, Edmonton	35	2

GOLF

PGA

Farmers Insurance Open Par Scores
Thursday
At Torrey Pines South Course; 7,698 yards; Par 72
At Torrey Pines North Course; 7,067 yards; Par 72
San Diego
Purse: $5.8 million
First Round
a-denotes amateur

Sunghoon Kang	33-31 — 64n
Alex Prugh	34-31 — 65n
Rickie Fowler	34-31 — 65n
Chris Kirk	32-34 — 66n
John Daly	33-34 — 67s
Brandt Jobe	33-34 — 67n
Bill Haas	33-34 — 67n
Keegan Bradley	35-32 — 67n
Fabian Gomez	34-33 — 67s
Ryuji Imada	33-34 — 67n
Fredrik Jacobson	33-34 — 67n
Y.E. Yang	34-33 — 67n
Phil Mickelson	35-32 — 67s
Marc Leishman	34-33 — 67n
Anthony Kim	34-34 — 68n
Matt Jones	34-34 — 68s
Ben Martin	34-34 — 68n
Paul Stankowski	35-33 — 68s
Rory Sabbatini	33-35 — 68n
David Mathis	33-35 — 68n
Kyle Stanley	33-35 — 68n
Scott McCarron	34-35 — 69n
Kevin Sutherland	36-33 — 69s
Jhonattan Vegas	32-37 — 69n
Hunter Mahan	37-32 — 69s
Tiger Woods	34-35 — 69n
Brian Davis	34-35 — 69s
Zack Miller	34-35 — 69n
Michael Thompson	33-36 — 69s
Jamie Lovemark	33-36 — 69s
Kevin Streelman	35-34 — 69s
Dustin Johnson	36-33 — 69s
Camilo Villegas	33-36 — 69n
Pat Perez	35-34 — 69n
Jason Gore	34-36 — 70n
Brandt Snedeker	34-36 — 70s
Carl Pettersson	34-36 — 70s
Nick Watney	35-35 — 70n
Ben Crane	35-35 — 70s
Andres Romero	36-34 — 70n
Ben Curtis	35-35 — 70n
David Duval	33-37 — 70s
Tommy Gainey	34-36 — 70n
Brendan Steele	34-36 — 70s
Bobby Gates	33-37 — 70s
Hunter Haas	35-35 — 70n
Billy Mayfair	34-36 — 70s
Stewart Cink	33-37 — 70s
Lucas Glover	33-37 — 70s
Chris Couch	34-36 — 70s
a-Anthony Paolucci	33-37 — 70s
Steven Bowditch	35-35 — 70n
Martin Piller	35-35 — 70n
Blake Adams	36-35 — 71n
Chris DiMarco	34-37 — 71n
Derek Lamely	37-34 — 71s
Robert Allenby	35-36 — 71s
Charlie Wi	34-37 — 71n
Rocco Mediate	34-37 — 71n
Gary Woodland	35-36 — 71n
Bio Kim	34-37 — 71n
Colt Knost	37-34 — 71s
Justin Hicks	35-36 — 71n
Joseph Bramlett	34-37 — 71n
Scott Stallings	36-35 — 71n
Jarrod Lyle	35-36 — 71n
Michael Connell	35-36 — 71s
Len Mattiace	34-37 — 71n
Tag Ridings	36-35 — 71n
Spencer Levin	37-34 — 71n
Johnny Walker	37-34 — 71n
Bubba Watson	35-36 — 71s
Bill Lunde	35-36 — 71n
Charles Howell III	36-35 — 71n
Cameron Tringale	36-35 — 71s
Chris Baryla	38-33 — 71n
Greg Chalmers	37-35 — 72n
Harrison Frazar	37-35 — 72s
J.J. Henry	36-36 — 72s
Stuart Appleby	35-37 — 72s
Shane Bertsch	36-36 — 72s
Michael Bradley	34-38 — 72n
K.J. Choi	35-37 — 72s
Josh Teater	35-37 — 72n
D.J. Brigman	39-33 — 72n
Joe Durant	35-37 — 72n
Paul Goydos	36-36 — 72s
Tom Gillis	38-34 — 72s
Chris Riley	35-37 — 72n
Matt Bettencourt	37-35 — 72n
Mike Weir	36-36 — 72n
Justin Rose	33-39 — 72s
Vijay Singh	35-37 — 72s
J.B. Holmes	36-36 — 72s
Scott Gutschewski	38-34 — 72n
Daniel Summerhays	35-37 — 72n
Rich Beem	36-37 — 73n
Lee Janzen	34-39 — 73n
James Driscoll	36-37 — 73n
Garrett Willis	36-37 — 73n
Arjun Atwal	35-38 — 73s
Chad Campbell	**36-37 — 73s**
Brian Smock	39-34 — 73s
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Andres Gonzales	40-37 — 77s
Robert Garrigus	41-37 — 78s
Michael Sim	37-41 — 78s
Jon Fiedler	40-39 — 79n
Kris Blanks	36-43 — 79s
Joe Affrunti	36-43 — 79n
James Oh	41-41 — 82s

European

Volvo Champions Leading Scores
Thursday of Week
At Royal Golf Club
Riffa, Kingdom of Bahrain
Purse: $1.7 million
Yardage: 7,224; Par: 72
First Round

Johan Edfors, Sweden	31-33 — 64
Pablo Larrazabal, Spain	33-33 — 66
Peter Hanson, Sweden	33-33 — 66
Francesco Molinari, Italy	33-33 — 66
Graeme Storm, England	34-32 — 66
Jeev Milkha Singh, India	32-35 — 67
Alexander Noren, Sweden	33-34 — 67
James Kingston, South Africa	33-34 — 67
Richard Green, Australia	33-34 — 67
Sergio Garcia, Spain	33-34 — 67
Alvaro Quiros, Spain	34-33 — 67
Matteo Manassero, Italy	34-33 — 67
Paul Casey, England	31-36 — 67
Raphael Jacquelin, France	34-34 — 68
Alejandro Canizares, Spain	35-33 — 68
Miguel Angel Jimenez, Spain	34-34 — 68
Steve Webster, England	35-33 — 68
Peter Lawrie, Ireland	33-35 — 68
Paul Lawrie, Scotland	35-33 — 68
Maarten Lafeber, Netherlands	36-32 — 68
Anders Hansen, Denmark	32-36 — 68
Scott Strange, Australia	32-36 — 68
Edoardo Molinari, Italy	34-34 — 68
Christian Nilsson, Sweden	35-33 — 68
Paul Broadhurst, England	35-34 — 69
Anthony Wall, England	34-35 — 69
Darren Clarke, N. Ireland	36-33 — 69
Andrew Dodt, Australia	34-35 — 69
David Horsey, England	35-34 — 69
Thongchai Jaidee, Thailand	33-36 — 69
Robert Karlsson, Sweden	34-35 — 69
Noh Seung-yul, South Korea	34-35 — 69
Rafael Cabrera-Bello, Spain	36-33 — 69
Mark Foster, England	33-36 — 69

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TURNER CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Bloomington	38	23	13	2	48	111	108
Colorado	39	22	15	2	46	145	123
Rapid City	42	21	17	4	46	136	143
Wichita	39	21	15	3	45	150	133
Missouri	38	20	14	4	44	115	108
Quad City	40	22	18	0	44	115	111
Dayton	38	20	15	3	43	114	115
Evansville	40	14	21	5	33	118	147
Fort Wayne	36	13	18	5	31	96	115

BERRY CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Allen	36	28	7	1	57	159	115
Bossier-Shreveport	41	22	17	2	46	145	131
Odessa	**39**	**19**	**15**	**5**	**43**	**143**	**139**
Tulsa	41	21	19	1	43	146	144
Texas	36	19	13	4	42	121	116
Mississippi	41	20	20	1	41	126	134
Arizona	40	17	18	5	39	124	149
Rio Grande Valley	41	16	22	3	35	122	144
Laredo	39	14	19	6	34	122	136

NOTE: Two points are awarded for a win, one point for an overtime or shootout loss. Overtime or shootout losses are only denoted in the OL column, not the loss column.

Today's Games

Wichita at Dayton, 6:30 p.m.
Quad City at Evansville, 6:35 p.m.
Fort Wayne at Bossier-Shreveport, 7:05 p.m.
Bloomington at Mississippi, 7:05 p.m.
Rapid City at Odessa, 7:05 p.m.
Allen at Laredo, 7:30 p.m.
Texas at Rio Grande Valley, 7:30 p.m.
Missouri at Tulsa, 7:35 p.m.
Colorado at Arizona, 8:05 p.m.

Saturday's Games

Dayton at Evansville, 6:35 p.m.
Laredo at Allen, 7 p.m.
Fort Wayne at Bossier-Shreveport, 7:05 p.m.
Bloomington at Mississippi, 7:05 p.m.
Tulsa at Missouri, 7:05 p.m.
Rapid City at Odessa, 7:05 p.m.
Texas at Rio Grande Valley, 7:30 p.m.
Colorado at Arizona, 8:05 p.m.

Fight Schedule

Today

At Salle Harcha, Algiers, Algeria, [illegible] vs. Ali Chebah, 12, WBC junior welterweight eliminator.

At Temecula, Calif. (ESPN2), Cristobal Arreola vs. Joey Abell, 10, heavyweights; Michael Dallas Jr. vs. Josesito Lopez, 10, junior welterweights.

At UIC Pavilion, Chicago, David Diaz vs. Robert Frankel, 10, lightweights.

Saturday

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...Judah vs. Kaizer Mabuza, 12, for the vacant IBF light welterweight title.

At the Honda Center, Anaheim, Calif. (HBO), Saul Alvarez vs. Matthew Hatton, 12, junior middleweights.

March 12

At Glasgow, Scotland, Ricky Burns vs. Joseph Laryea, 12, for Burns' WBO junior lightweight title.

At Foxwoods Resort Casino, Mashantucket, Conn. (HBO), Sergio Gabriel Martinez vs. Serhiy Dzinziruk, 12, for Martinez's WBC middleweight title.

ON THE AIR

What's on TV

AUTO RACING

NASCAR, pole qualifying for All-Star Showdown, at Irwindale, Calif., 10 p.m., SPEED

ATHLETICS

Millrose Games, at New York, 7 p.m., ESPN2

BOXING

Heavyweights, Chris Arreola (29-2-0) vs. Joey Abell (27-4-0), at Temecula, Calif., 9 p.m., ESPN2

EXTREME SPORTS

X Games, at Aspen, Colo., 11 a.m., ESPN2

X Games, at Aspen, Colo., 6 p.m., ESPN

GOLF

European PGA Tour, Volvo Champions, second round, at Bahrain (same-day tape), 8:30 a.m., TGC

PGA Tour, Farmers Insurance Open, second round, at La Jolla, Calif., 2 p.m., TGC

NBA

Boston at Phoenix, 9:30 p.m., ESPN

TENNIS

Australian Open, women's championship match, at Melbourne, Australia, 2 a.m., ESPN2

WHAT'S ON DECK

HIGH SCHOOL BOYS BASKETBALL

Odessa Permian at Lee, 7:30 p.m., Chaparral Center
Midland High at Odessa High, 7:30 p.m.
Greenwood at Fort Stockton, 8 p.m.
FW Southwest Christian at Midland Christian, 8 p.m.
Garden City at Veribest, 8 p.m.
Coahoma at Stanton, 7:30 p.m.
Amarillo Arbor at Midland Classical, 7 p.m.
Trinity at El Paso Faith, 8:30 p.m.
Monahans at Andrews, 8 p.m.
Grady at O'Donnell, 8 p.m.
Abilene Wylie at Big Spring, 7:30 p.m.

HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS BASKETBALL

Midland High at Odessa High, 6 p.m.
Odessa Permian at Lee, 6 p.m., Chaparral Center
FW Southwest Christian at Midland Christian, 6:30 p.m.
Greenwood at Fort Stockton, 6:30 p.m.
Trinity at El Paso Faith, 7 p.m.
Garden City at Veribest, 6:30 p.m.
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Grady at O'Donnell, 8 p.m.
Abilene Wylie at Big Spring, 6 p.m.

HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS SOCCER

Midland High at Brazos Valley Cup, Bryan
Lee at Mansfield Tournament

HIGH SCHOOL BOYS SOCCER

MHS at Round Rock Tournament
Lee at Marcus Cup, Flower Mound

HOCKEY

Rapid City at Odessa, 7:05 p.m., Ector County Coliseum

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

American League

KANSAS CITY ROYALS—Agreed to terms with LHP Braydon Sisk on a minor league contract.

National League

CHICAGO CUBS—Agreed to terms with RHP Braden Looper and INF Augie Ojeda on minor league contracts.

CINCINNATI REDS—Announced the retirement of Gene Bennett senior special assistant to the general manager.

HOUSTON ASTROS—Agreed to terms with 3B Chris Johnson and C J.R. Towles on one-year contracts.

MILWAUKEE BREWERS—Agreed to terms with INF Erick Almonte on a minor league contract.

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

NBA—Suspended Memphis G O.J. Mayo 10 games for violating the terms of the NBA/NBPA Anti-Drug Program.

CHICAGO BULLS—Assigned F James Johnson to Iowa (NBADL).

PHOENIX SUNS—Signed G Zabian Dowdell to a second 10-day contract.

FOOTBALL

National Football League

CAROLINA PANTHERS—Named Scott Turner offensive quality control coach.

DENVER BRONCOS—Named Keith Burns special teams coach and Sam Garnes secondary coach.

OAKLAND RAIDERS—Named Steve Wisniewski offensive line coach.

TENNESSEE TITANS—Announced coach Jeff Fisher will not return next season.

SEATTLE SEAHAWKS—Signed DT Jay Alford, S James Brindley and WR Chris Carter to future contracts.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

NHL—Announced Rob Blake will join the NHL's Hockey Operations Department as a manager.

CAROLINA HURRICANES—Reassigned F Zach Boychuk to Charlotte (AHL).

DALLAS STARS—Assigned C Aaron Gagnon and C Travis Morin to Texas (AHL).

NASHVILLE PREDATORS—Assigned F Chris Mueller and reassigned F Matt Halischuk to Milwaukee (AHL).

NEW JERSEY DEVILS—Assigned D Mark Fraser, RW Nick Palmieri, LW Mattias Tedenby and RW Vladimir Zharkov to Albany (AHL).

NEW YORK ISLANDERS—Sent D Dylan Reese and G Kevin Poulin to Bridgeport (AHL). Agreed to terms with F Matt Moulson on a three-year contract.

PHOENIX COYOTES—Sent F Mikkel Boedker, F Andrew Ebbett and D Chris Summers to San Antonio (AHL).

SAN JOSE SHARKS—Reassigned F Jamie McGinn and F Benn Ferriero to the Worcester (AHL).

ST. LOUIS BLUES—Assigned F Philip McRae and G Nikita Nikitin to Peoria (AHL).

WASHINGTON CAPITALS—Signed RW Alexander Semin to a one-year contract extension.

American Hockey League

GRAND RAPIDS GRIFFINS—Announced G Cory Emmerton and RW Jan Mursak were assigned to the team by Detroit (NHL).

CONNECTICUT WHALE—Assigned F Brytton Cameron to Stockton (ECHL), F Chris Chappell to Greenville (ECHL) and F Tyler Doriet to Elmira (ECHL).

MANITOBA MOOSE—Released G Dusty Collins.

SOCCER

Major League Soccer

LA GALAXY—Named Curt Onalfo assistant coach and reserve team head coach.

COLLEGE

BIG 12 CONFERENCE—Promoted Bob Burda to associate commissioner-communications, Ed Stewart to associate commissioner football and student services and Ken Boyce to assistant commissioner-compliance. Named Neisha Quinn assistant business manager. David Flores assistant commissioner for governance/academics.

FCA WRESTLING—Named Carl Perry director.

BELMONT ABBEY—Announced the resignation of Robert Lane women's soccer coach.

OHIO STATE—Named Stan Drayton wide receivers coach.

SKI REPORT

ROCKIES

New Mexico

Angel Fire — Thu 7:21 am packed powder machine groomed 20 - 29 base 50 of 75 trails

74% open, 6 of 7 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat-Sun: 9a-4p.

Pajarito — Thu Reopen 01/28 variable machine groomed 18 - 18 base 35 of 44 trails

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9 of 12 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat-Sun 8:30a-4p.

Kendall Mountain — Operating Fri-Sun no details Fri: 11a-4:30p Sat/Sun: 11a-4:30p

Open Fri-Sun.

Keystone — Thu 7:05 am 1 new powder machine groomed 41 - 41 base 135 of 135 trails

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Jacks ready to move forward with new start

By Len Hayward
Sports Editor

The Odessa Jackalopes came back from their annual "Rodeo Road Trip" a little worn out as the final week of the trip was spent playing three games in Arizona.

But as the Jackalopes return home tonight for the first of two games against Rapid City at the Ector County Coliseum, the Jackalopes are looking more like the team that many were expecting when the season started.

After a start to the season where Odessa was 2-11-1, the Jacks have rebounded from the being near the bottom of the Berry Conference standings to working their way back to the top of the standings in third place.

Odessa is 19-15-5 heading into this weekend with 43 points, and will face the Rush today and Saturday in games beginning at 7:05 p.m., and the Jacks are 17-4-4 in their last 25 games.

"I think at the beginning of the season, when the guys were trying to figure everybody out with chemistry we were thinking too much and just not working," said veteran forward Mike Ramsay. "We were just kind of sitting back. Now we are comfortable with each other and know our tendancies. We are putting it all together and working hard."

The rough start to the season was something the Jackalopes hardly faced at all during the 2009-10 campaign where Odessa finished with the league's best record.

Ramsay said the adversity the team faced earlier this season could go a long way in helping them as the season progresses and, more importantly, in the playoffs. Plus, even as the Jacks were struggling looking for a win, Ramsay said no one pushed the panic button.

"When the whole team faces adversity everybody knows what it takes to come back from that," said Ramsay, who is fourth on the team in points this season with 34, including 21 goals. "Late in the season when we are facing adversity, we might not just fold up the tent and we might just jump past it."

As the stretch run of the long CHL season gets going, the Jacks find themselves with a solidified playoff spot and a little bit of experience they weren't expecting to have when the season started.

"We have to all be on the same page and work hard," Ramsay said. "Our skill is going to come out as long as we are working 100 percent every night. I think that's when you get in trouble is when you don't give it your best effort every night. As (the season) has gone on, I think we are realizing that."

RAPID CITY AT ODESSA

When/where: today and Saturday, 7:05 p.m. Ector County Coliseum.

On the air: KFZX (102.1 FM)

Records: Odessa 19-15-5 (43 points), Rapid City 21-17-4 (46 points)

Notes: Veteran forward Mike Ramsay had 16 shots on goal in last Saturday's game against Arizona. It was the most shots by a single player in a game since the CHL/WPHL merger in 2001. The CHL record is 19. ... The Jackalopes were 3-1-3 on their annual "Rodeo Road Trip." Prior to the road trip starting on Jan. 8, Odessa had won five straight games. ... The Jackalopes won the two previous meetings with Rapid City earlier this season, both were on the road. Odessa won 8-0 on Nov. 26 and 3-2 in a shootout on Nove. 27. ... Forwards Sebastien Thinel and Todd Robinson are each still near the top in scoring in the CHL. Thinel leads the lead with 66 points as he has 18 goals and 48 assists, and Robinson is third with 62 points (20 goals, 42 assists). ... This weekend will be "Pink at the Rink" weekend as the Jacks will wear pink jerseys and play with pink sticks. After Saturday's game, the jerseys and sticks will be available at an auction as all the proceeds will go to benefit the American Cancer Society.

Next: Texas at Odessa, Tuesday, 7:05 p.m. Ector County Coliseum.

Associated Press

Houston Rockets point guard Kyle Lowry (7) defends Dallas Mavericks shooting guard Jason Terry (31) during the first half of Thursday's game in Dallas.

Mavericks hang on, beat Rockets

Associated Press

Mavericks	111
Rockets	106

DALLAS — Tyson Chandler matched his season high with 21 points and had 15 rebounds, reserve J.J. Barea added 19 points and the Dallas Mavericks hung on after wasting most of a 25-point first-half lead in a 111-106 victory over the Houston Rockets on Thursday night.

Dirk Nowitzki had 18 points and Jason Terry contributed 15 points for Dallas. The Mavericks have won four of five following a six-game losing streak.

Luis Scola led Houston with 30 points, and Kevin Martin had 27.

Houston pulled to 104-103 with 51.8 seconds left when Scola completed a 12-2 run with a tip-in.

But Barea hit a 13-footer with 32.9 seconds to go, and Nowitzki converted one of two free throws with 23.1 seconds left to make it 107-103.

Aaron Brooks missed a layup with 17.8 seconds remaining, and Terry made two free throws with 14.3 seconds left for a 109-103 lead, icing the victory.

Houston put together a 26-6 surge to narrow the huge first-half deficit to 77-75 with 4:06 left in the third quarter. Scola had 10 points and Shane Battier hit a pair of 3-pointers during the spurt.

Astros OK deals with Johnson, Towles

Associated Press

HOUSTON — The Houston Astros have agreed to $424,000, one-year contracts with third baseman Chris Johnson and catcher J.R. Towles.

The 26-year-old Johnson hit .308 in 94 games last season, the best average among rookies with at least 300 at-bats. Johnson finished with 22 doubles, 11 home runs and 52 RBIs and three four-hit games. He spent part of the season at Triple-A Round Rock, where he hit .329 with eight homers and 33 RBIs in 38 games.

Towles, also 26, was Houston's starting catcher at the start of last season, but hit only .191 with a home run and eight RBIs in 17 games before being optioned to Double-A Corpus Christi on May 4. He played five games for Corpus Christi and missed the rest of the season after tearing a ligament in his right thumb. He had surgery in July.

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Woods starts year with 69, trails by 5 strokes

By Doug Ferguson
Associated Press

SAN DIEGO — Tiger Woods began his new season with no bogeys, no birdies on the par 5s and no drama.

Looking for a new start after a disastrous year on and off the golf course, Woods felt little stress Thursday in the Farmers Insurance Open with a 3-under 69 on the North Course that left him five shots behind South Korean rookie Sunghoon Kang.

If the setting was familiar for Woods, so was his middle-of-the-pack position. In four of his six wins at this tournaments, he has been at least five shots behind after the opening round.

"I'm happy with the way I played, absolutely," Woods said. "I could have been a lot better if I took care of the par 5s a little bit more, but obviously, I didn't do that."

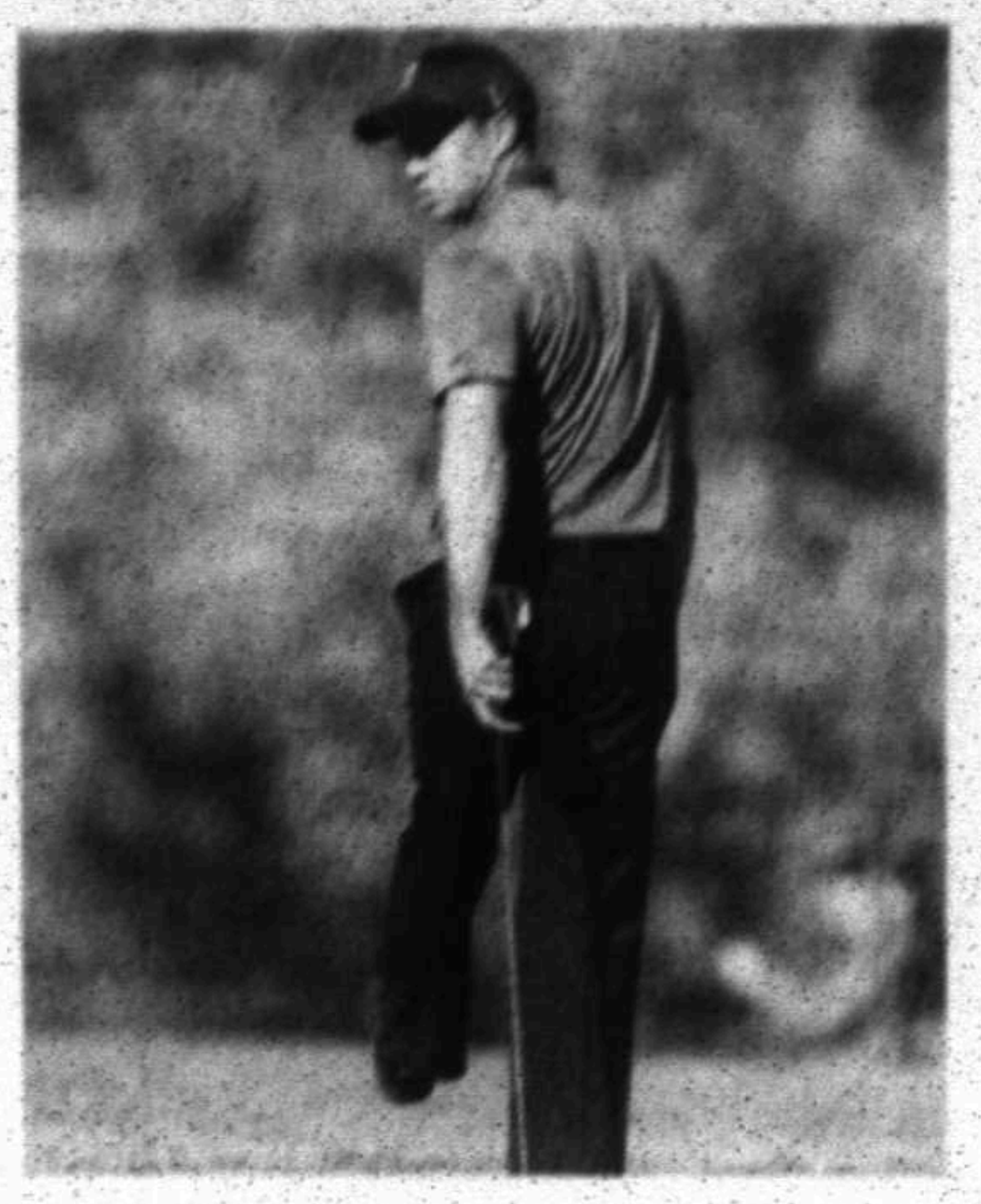
Kang, a 24-year-old rookie, finished with back-to-back birdies on the North Course for an 8-under 64, giving him a one-shot lead over Alex Prugh and Rickie Fowler. Another rookie, Chris Kirk, was another shot back at 66.

Phil Mickelson shot 32 on the back nine for a 5-under 67 to match the best score on the tougher South Course, which hosted the 2008 U.S. Open that Woods won in a playoff. Also at 67 on the South was John Daly, whose last win came in 2004 at this tournament. He is the last player to win at Torrey Pines when Woods was in the field.

"This place means a lot to me," Daly said. "The top golfers play here every year. That says something."

Woods no longer is No. 1 — he has slipped to No. 3 in the world ranking and can't improve on that this week — but he has not played the public course he has practically owned since that U.S. Open in 2008. He missed the next year because of knee surgery, and last year while in a Mississippi addiction clinic after being caught in extramarital affairs.

"Welcome back to Torrey," was a popular phrase from the gallery throughout his round, in which Woods played solidly except on the greens. He made only two putts longer than 3 feet — a 10-foot par save on No. 8, and a 25-foot birdie putt on the par-3 sixth that bounced along until catching the right corner of the cup.



SO CLOSE Tiger Woods reacts to just missing a birdie putt at Torrey Pines during the first round of the Farmers Insurance Open golf tournament in San Diego, Thursday.

Associated Press

Packers, Steelers conjure agony for Cowboys

By Jaime Aron
Associated Press

DALLAS — Jethro Pugh has some advice for folks who consider it a cruel twist of fate that the first Super Bowl hosted by the Dallas Cowboys features the Green Bay Packers and the Pittsburgh Steelers.

Get over it. He has, and if anyone deserves to hold a grudge, it's him.

Big-game losses to the Packers and Steelers were agonizing bookends to Pugh's career as a defensive tackle on the Cowboys. There were losses to Green Bay in the 1966 and '67 NFL championship games, with trips to the first two Super Bowls on the line, and to the Steelers in the Super Bowls following the 1975 and '78 seasons. He was the only Dallas player in uniform for all four of those games.

Those losses were excruciating for many reasons, from the high stakes to how close they all were — each decided in the final minutes, all by a touchdown or less. The most famous finish was in the "Ice Bowl," the '67 NFL championship, when Bart Starr scored on a fourth-down quarterback sneak in the final minute. It was especially tough on Pugh because he was the guy knocked out of the way to clear Starr's path into the end zone.

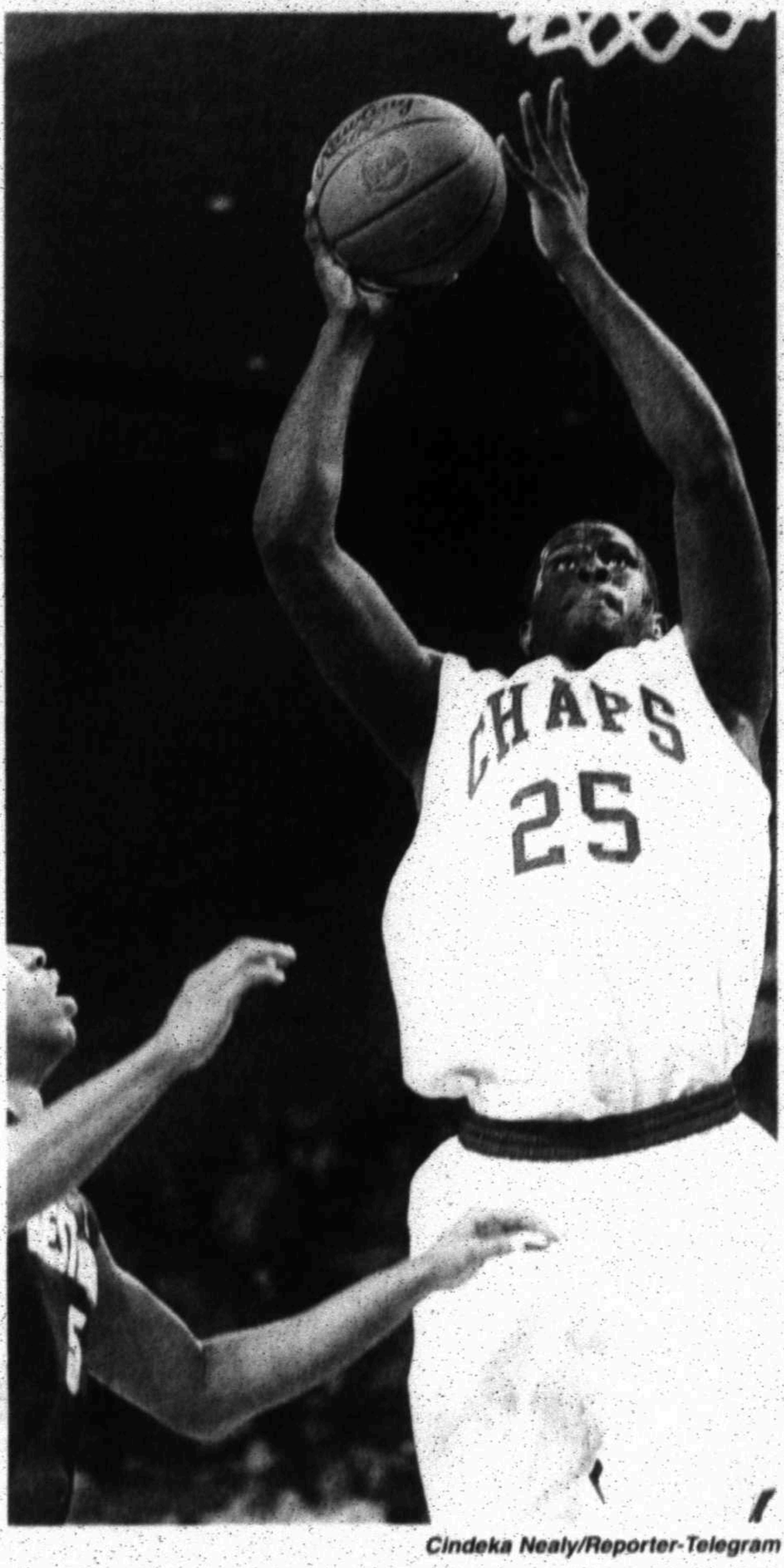
The fallout was so harsh that Pugh asked coach Tom Landry for help.

Pugh wanted Landry to remind reporters and fans that other plays factored into the outcome, too. He also wanted it known that there was more to Starr's touchdown than what was captured in still pictures, from his contention that Packers guard Jerry Kramer moved before the snap to how tough it was to get any traction on the frozen field.

"I said, 'Coach, they won't listen to me, but they'll listen to you,'" Pugh said. "He told me, 'Jethro, this play is going to be part of NFL history. You just need to sort of put it behind you.'"

Pugh eventually did. Whenever it pops up now, "I don't think nothing about it."

But in the late 1960s and early '70s, the Packers represented a hurdle the Cowboys couldn't clear. A sign in the locker room read, "The Packers owe us blood, sweat, tears and money." Folks around Dallas were so anti-Packers that former Green Bay star Herb Adderley stopped wearing his Super Bowl ring when he played for the Cowboys.



Cindeka Nealy/Reporter-Telegram

JUMP SHOT Midland College forward Dwight Miller goes to the air to take the shot for two Thursday night during their game against Western Texas College at Chaparral Center.

MEN

From 1C

makes it a lot easier when it comes to scoring because we expect where everyone is going to be on the court.

"Coach doesn't do it often but he paid us a compliment tonight. Maybe we can take that, run with it and hopefully keep it up."

Miller and Davis both had big first halves to help MC take that big lead against the Westerners (16-5 2-4). Miller had 13 of his points and Davis had 12 of his total in the first half. Hodge said it was good to see the 6-foot-8 sophomore from the Bahamas have a breakout game.

"He was really aggressive early and assertive," Hodge said. "He's a guy that works really, really hard and puts a lot of pressure on himself to play well. He really came out and played well tonight."

Added Miller, a transfer from the University of Pittsburgh, about his play, "Tonight, I was a little more vocal and asked for the ball. Anybody who knows me knows what I can do. I wanted to come out and show what I could do. Hopefully I stay consistent with that and look forward to keeping it going."

Coming into the game, Hodge's biggest concerns lied on WTC's guard play and how well the Westerners shot the ball from the outside. It was that outside shot early in the game that kept Western Texas stay with the Chaps and the teams were tied at 20.

"I was disappointed with the first 10 minutes because we knew from their last game against Howard that they could really shoot the 3," Hodge said. "That was one of the things we talked about. I don't think they missed one in the first 10 minutes. After that first (timeout), I thought we did a better job of tightening up and closing out a little hard and making sure we were getting those shots contested."

A 10-0 run by the Chaps helped them to finally separate and the shorthanded Westerners — down to just seven players because of injuries and suspensions — could not hang with Midland.

Malcolm Herron and Reggie Slaton each had 12 points, while Brandon Johnson added 11 for Western Texas.

"It never feels (like it's easy)," Hodge said. "You never expect to play a conference game and expect to win by this much."

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NO. 10 MIDLAND COLLEGE 88, WESTERN TEXAS COLLEGE 58

Western Texas College (16-5, 2-4) -- Deverell Biggs 3-10 3-4 9, Malcolm Herron 3-2 3-4 12, Monzaigo Williams 3-8 0-0 8, Reggie Slaton 3-6 4-6 12, Lonnie Robinson 2-3 0-0 6, Brandon Johnson 5-9 1-4 11, Aru Kok 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 19-48 11-18 58

Midland College (20-2, 6-0) -- Bobby Hatchett 1-1 2-3 5, Marcel Campos 0-0 0-0 0, Ty Nurse 4-6 1-2 12, Guy Landry 2-4 0-0 5, Xavier Jones 0-0 0-0 0, Majok Majok 1-2 0-0 2, Jamaal Trice 1-4 0-0 2, Rodney Milum 3-7 1-2 9, Darren White 1-2 0-1 2, Dwight Miller 8-8 2-3 18, C.J. Johnson 0-1 0-0 0, Dwayne Davis 10-14 0-1 23, Jordan Walker 3-5 4-6 10. Totals 34-54 10-18 88

Halftime -- MC 56, WTC 30. 3-point goals -- WTC 9-20 (Herron 3-8, Williams 2-4, Slaton 2-3, Robinson 2-2, Biggs 0-3), MC 10-16 (Nurse 3-4, Davis 3-4, Milum 2-4, Hatchett 1-1, Landry 1-1, White 0-1). Total fouls -- WTC 16, MC 20. Fouled out -- None. Technical fouls -- Davis. Rebounds -- WTC 18 (Williams 4), MC 40 (Landry 7, Davis 7). Assists -- WTC 7 (Herron 3), MC 17 (Nurse 4). Turnovers -- WTC 14, MC 15. Steals -- WTC 8 (Biggs 5), MC 5 (Hatchett 2).

Next: Midland College at Western Texas College, 7:45 p.m Monday

WOMEN

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Anderson had 13 points, five assists, four rebounds and three steals. Danesha Long added 12 points and Jessi Cowden and Lindsay Ansley each had 10.

"I think having the intensity on defense, getting into the passing lanes and staying aggressive is what helped our offense," Anderson said. "It was a tough game but we had to stick it out and separate from them."

The Lady Westerners (11-13, 1-5) were led by Midland High grad Avian Brown with 15 points and Wykeia Saunders with 10.

The teams also combined for 43 turnovers and 48 fouls. MC took advantage at the free-throw line by hitting on 32 of 42 attempts.

"I like the way Western Texas plays because they want to try to play physical," MC coach Ron Jones said. "We had turnovers because we were too soft sometimes. That's good for us as a team but it was probably a pretty hard game to officiate because there were a lot of hard fouls.

"You take away the post entry turnovers, I liked everything we did offensively. Our posts and the person passing it, don't trust each other and our feet aren't moving enough. That's something we've got to get better at, but it's an important win and every conference win is important."

A Lady Chap who was getting the ball inside was Schwartz, who was a rebound shy of a double-double.

"She's getting better and better," said Jones about the freshman from Garden City. "She's had several good scoring and rebounding games since we've gotten back from Christmas. She's still getting used to the college game and physical play, but she does a good job for us."

Western Texas stayed close with MC for most of the second half and it wasn't until the Lady Chaps began to come up with turnovers that they were finally able to separate and take a 37-25 lead at the half.

The Lady Westerners pulled to within 46-38 early in the second half but MC pulled away by holding WTC to 33.3 percent shooting in the period.

"I thought for quite a while we were getting (the Lady Westerners) to take contested jump shots and they weren't getting offensive rebounds," said Jones, whose team dominated the boards 49-24. "There was also a lot of clock stops with us shooting free throws and that allowed us to separate."

It was the first game for Midland College in a week when it lost a 74-71 decision at Howard College. Anderson said this was a good game for her team to get its confidence back.

"It gets us back motivated and doing what we need to do to win the conference," she said.

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NO. 18 MIDLAND COLLEGE 86, WESTERN TEXAS COLLEGE 60

Western Texas (11-13, 1-5) -- Kulia Wilson 3-6 0-0 6, Presley Gann 1-3 1-1 3, Tiffani Jones 1-5 1-2 4, Lindsey Palmer 0-0 0-0 0, Tenisha Palmer 0-1 0-0 0, Jamie Wilson 1-6 0-1 3, Elissa Betts 3-5 2-3 8, NaStashia Atkins 2-5 2-2 6, Wykeia Sanders 3-9 4-4 10, Avian Brown 5-8 3-6 15, Sarah Lain 2-4 1-3 5. Totals 21-52 14-22 60

Midland College (19-4, 4-1) -- Denaya Brazzle 2-3 4-4 8, Tanica Anderson 3-8 5-6 13, Anfisa Shulha 2-3 0-0 6, Jessi Cowden 3-8 2-5 10, Titania Simmons 2-3 0-0 5, Lindsay Ansley 1-5 8-9 10, Traci DeVance 0-0 0-0 0, Morgan Schwartz 5-8 5-6 16, Danesha Long 3-7 6-10 12, Ornela Bacchini 0-4 0-0 0, Nety Sousa 2-4 2-2 6. Totals 23-53 32-44 84

Halftime -- MC 37, WTC 25. 3-point goals -- WTC 4-15 (Brown 2-3, Jones 1-5, Wilson 1-5, Gann 0-1, Betts 0-1), MC 8-18 (Anderson 2-5, Shulha 2-3, Cowden 2-5, Simmons 1-1, Schwartz 1-2, Ansley 0-2). Total fouls -- WTC 27, MC 21. Fouled out -- Atkins, Ansley. Rebounds -- WTC 24 (Atkins 5), MC 49 (Schwartz 9). Assists -- WTC 2 (Brown 2), MC 8 (Anderson 5). Turnovers -- WTC 22, MC 21. Steals -- WTC 16 (Saunders 5), MC 9 (Anderson 3).

Next: Midland College at Western Texas College, 5:45 p.m Monday

Women's WJAC Standings

	Conference W	Conference L	Overall W	Overall L
Midland College	4	1	19	4
New Mexico JC	4	1	16	4
Howard College	3	2	17	5
South Plains	3	2	13	6
Odessa College	3	2	13	9
Western Texas	1	5	11	13
Frank Phillips	0	5	4	17

Thursday's Scores

Midland College 86, Western Texas 60; Odessa 60, Howard College 45; New Mexico JC 73, Frank Phillips 48; South Plains 103, Clarendon 58

Monday's Games

Midland College at Odessa College; Howard College atFrank Phillips; South Plains at New Mexico JC; Western Texas is open

Men's WJAC Standings

	Conference W	Conference L	Overall W	Overall L
Midland College	6	0	20	2
Odessa College	4	2	18	4
Howard College	4	2	14	6
New Mexico JC	3	3	16	4
South Plains	3	3	14	7
Western Texas	2	4	16	5
Frank Phillips	2	4	10	12
New Mexico Military	0	6	8	12

Thursday's Scores

Midland College 88, Western Texas 58; South Plains 78, New Mexico Military Institute 55; Howard College 52, Odessa College 48; New Mexico JC 75, Frank Phillips 56

Monday's Games

Midland College at Odessa College; Howard College atFrank Phillips; Western Texas at New Mexico Military Institute; South Plains at New Mexico JC

Australian Open Results
Thursday
At Melbourne Park
Melbourne, Australia
Purse: $24.7 million (Grand Slam)
Surface: Hard-Outdoor
Singles
Men
Semifinals
Novak Djokovic (3), Serbia, def. Roger Federer (2), Switzerland, 7-6 (3), 7-5, 6-4.
Women
Semifinals
Li Na (9), China, def. Caroline Wozniacki (1), Denmark, 3-6, 7-5, 6-3.
Kim Clijsters (3), Belgium, def. Vera Zvonareva (2), Russia, 6-3, 6-3.

Australian Open Show Court Schedules
Today
At Melbourne Park
Melbourne, Australia
Rod Laver Arena
Not before 2:30 a.m. Friday: David Ferrer (7), Spain, vs. Andy Murray (5), Britain

Djokovic knocks off Federer, headed to Australian Open final

By John Pye
Associated Press

MELBOURNE, Australia — Roger Federer saved a parting shot for anyone who thinks his time is up and a changing of the guard in tennis awaits.

"Yeah, I mean, they say that very quickly. ... Let's talk in six months again," he said.

The heavily hyped duel between Federer and Rafael Nadal will not happen in Melbourne, opening a rare window for someone else.

Federer, the defending champion, lost to Novak Djokovic 7-6 (3), 7-5, 6-4 in the Australian Open semifinals Thursday night. It marks the first time since 2008 neither of tennis' most dominant men will play in a Grand Slam final. Less than 24 hours earlier, an ailing Nadal's pursuit of a Rafa Slam evaporated in a quarterfinal loss to fellow Spaniard David Ferrer.

Djokovic will play Ferrer or Andy Murray in the final. On the women's side, the title match is set with Kim Clijsters facing Li Na. Clijsters beat Vera Zvonareva 6-3, 6-3, and Li eliminated top-ranked Caroline Wozniacki 3-6, 7-5, 6-3.

DJOKOVIC DOWNS FEDERER Roger Federer, right, shakes hands with Novak Djokovic at the net after their semifinal at the Australian Open Thursday.

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TODAY
Sunny
high 67
low 30

SATURDAY
Mostly sunny
high 70
low 31

SUNDAY
Sunny
high 65
low 28

LOCAL FORECAST

Expect sunny skies today with a high around 67 and west winds between 5 and 10 mph. Tonight's forecast calls for partly cloudy conditions with a low around 30 and south winds around 5 mph.

Saturday, look for mostly sunny skies with a high around 70, a low around 31 and southwest winds around between 5 and 15 mph.

Sunday, the forecast calls for sunny skies with a high around 65 and a low around 28.

The high on Thursday reached 62 while the low dropped to 21. The record high for Jan. 27 is 80 set in 1970. The record low is 9 set in 1948.

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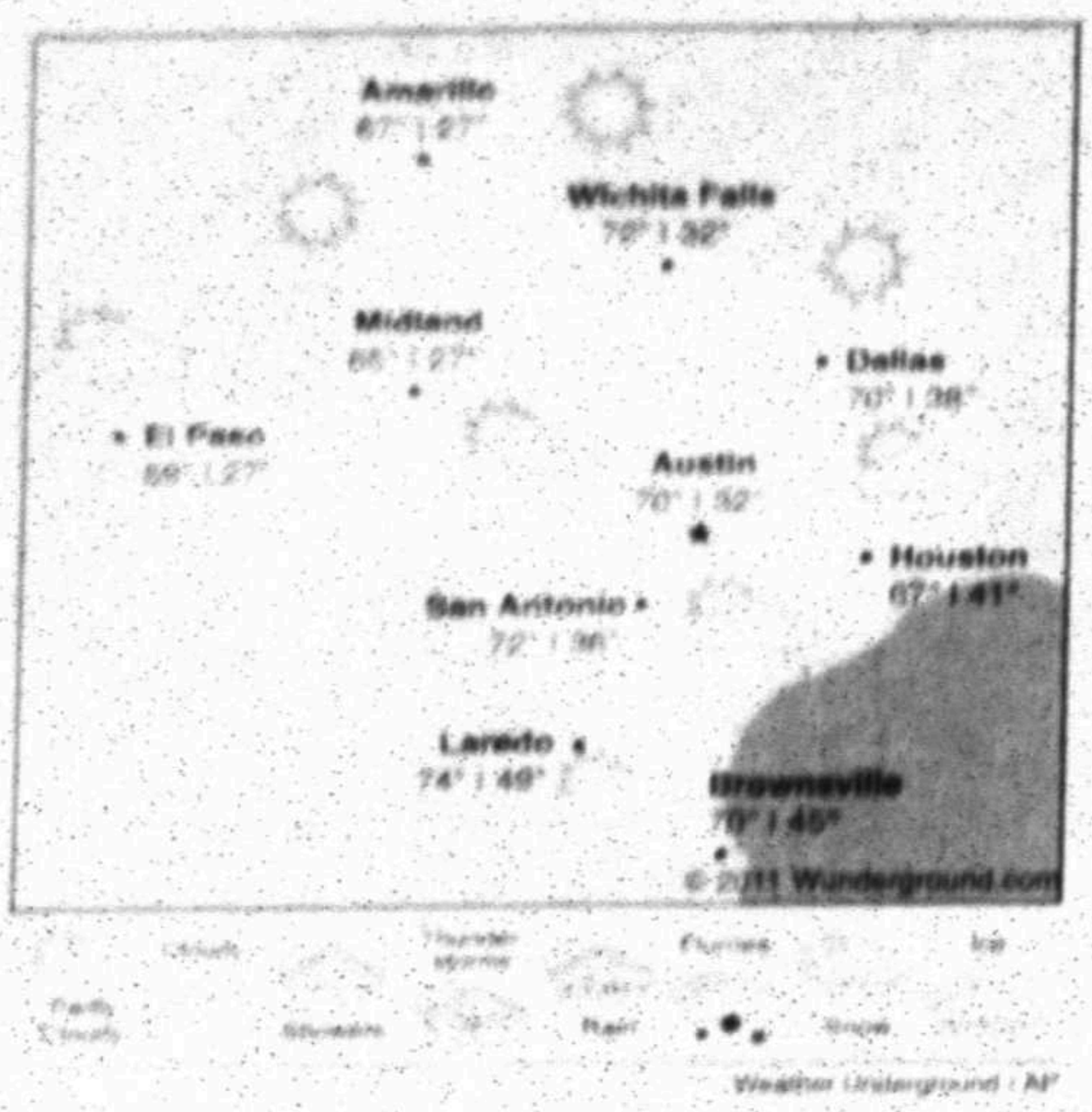
A sunny and warm day is in store for Texas, but changes are coming in the weather over the weekend, according to the National Weather Service.

Other than some increasing cloudiness in the lower Rio Grande Valley, skies will be clear to partly cloudy statewide today with highs around 70, except for around 60 in El Paso. Winds would be from the southwest at 5 to 10 mph.

Cloudiness will continue increasing across South Texas tonight and early Saturday, while the rest of the state remained under clear-to-partly cloudy skies. Lows would be in the mid-20s in the Panhandle and South Plains, around 30 in the Permian Basin and West Texas lowlands, low 40s in North and East Texas, mid-40s in south Central Texas and the upper Gulf Coast, and mid-50s in South Texas. Winds would be from the south to southwest at 5 to 10 mph.

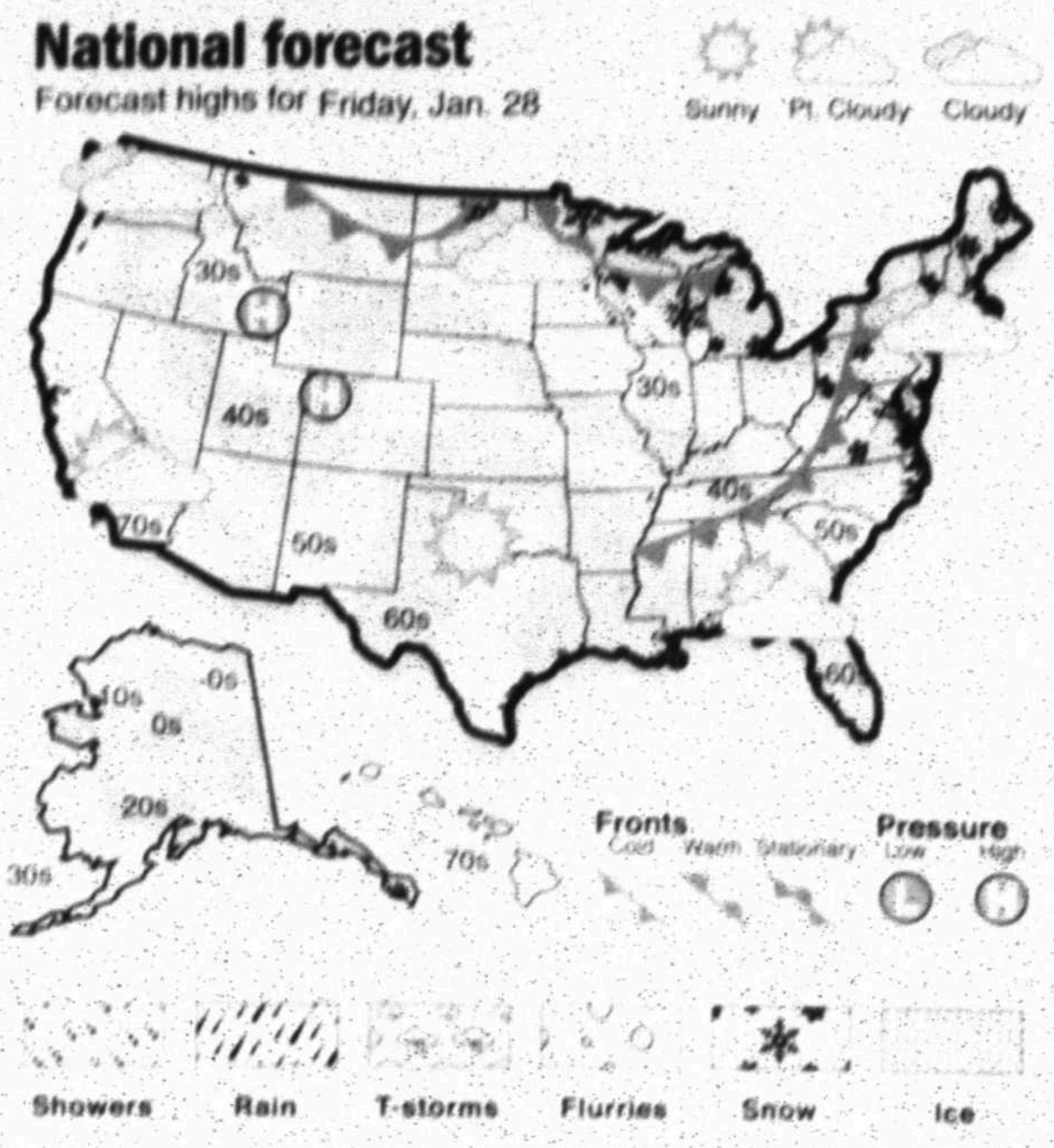


Precipitation

Rainfall Wednesday	0.00 in.
Rainfall Thursday	0.00 in.
Total for month	Trace
Total for year	Trace
Normal total (year to date)	0.45 in.

Thursday's temperatures

High	62
Low	21
Normal high	58
Normal low	31
Sunrise	7:45 a.m.
Sunset	6:19 p.m.



End of longtime friendship causes lots of pain

DEAR ABBY

Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069. Her column is distributed by Universal Press Syndicate.

DEAR ABBY: How do I cope with the ending of a very long friendship? I saw warning signs for a couple of years, and tried many times to talk to my best friend about what seemed to be happening. Her values and priorities are moving in other directions now. I no longer feel appreciated as her friend.

My heart is breaking. We have been friends for half our lives. This is more devastating than any divorce, death or heartache I have ever experienced. She is how I have gotten through my life thus far.

There are support groups out there for everything under the sun except for losing a best friend due to indifference and lack of caring. Please advise me. — THROWN AWAY IN PASADENA, TEXAS

DEAR THROWN AWAY: I know you are hurting, and I am sorry. But friendships are not always made up of [illegible] each other through the [illegible] times; there is also [illegible] celebrating the good ones. While [illegible] [illegible] worse ... back off.

While there are no support groups for people in your situation, there are counselors who can help you sort through your feelings [illegible] experience has been [illegible] you should talk with one.

DEAR ABBY: I'm a 16-year-old girl from a religious home. When I was 7, my father got very drunk and molested me. It had a terrible impact on me.

He has apologized for what happened and knows I hate him for it and can't forgive him. It hasn't happened since and I know he's telling the truth. I feel the next step in my healing is to confide in my friends and ask them to pray for me. But I can't. I know they won't look at me the same. I'm afraid they'll [illegible] something will happen to Dad. That's the last thing I want. Should I tell? — NEEDS SUPPORT IN [illegible]

DEAR NEEDS SUPPORT: You appear to be an intelligent young woman. But [illegible] [illegible] against someone [illegible]. The person [illegible] consequences of his actions. [illegible] were when your father molested you.

Ask yourself: Did he quit drinking and get help for his alcohol problem? Did he talk to his minister and confess what he did? Did he seek professional help of any kind? Are there little girls in your extended family?

You are exhibiting two classic signs of an abuse victim. One is thinking that people will regard you differently if you disclose that you were victimized. Another is the impulse to "protect" your abuser.

I'm all for the power of prayer, but rather than tell your girlfriends, is your mother aware of what happened? If she is unavailable to you, then you should talk to your minister or a trusted counselor at school. If you're afraid this will "betray" your father, call the Rape, Abuse and Incest National Network (RAINN) toll-free at (800) 656-4673. You can speak to one of the counselors there in complete confidence. They are experienced and can guide you about what ... or what not ... to do next.

JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Friday, Jan. 28, 2011: This year, funnel your energy into networking and achieving a long-term desire. [illegible] If you are single, [illegible] If you are attached, [illegible] SAGITTARIUS keeps making you smile.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★★ Often, what seems complicated seems impossible, but your ability to detach and see different paths pushes you toward success. You like problems; you love finding solutions. A meeting or friendship goes beyond the edge of normal. Tonight: Take off ASAP.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★★★ Note someone's effort to enlist your help. Whatever the issue might be, you have a lot to gain by participating. An older person or boss actively pushes you. A key associate points the way. Tonight: Visit with a special friend.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★★ You might feel as if you are giving up your power, but honestly, that isn't what's going on. Others simply take the stage, demonstrating their personalities and ideas. Through this process, more opportunities emerge. New facts come forward. Tonight: Join your friends.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★ Try to be easygoing. A partner, friend or associate assumes a dominant role concerning a mutual interest. Know when it is worth fighting city hall. Let others express their personality, wishes and ideas. Just be a listener. Tonight: Get some exercise.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★★ The twinkle in your eye and even the way you walk announce the weekend. Still, focus on certain tasks at hand. Express your unusual ingenuity when clearing your desk and setting up a meeting next week. Tonight: Lead the gang. Frolic away.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★ The less said, the more you will accomplish. Consider adding a new touch to your work area. Funnel your attention carefully. Someone might be doing a lot of squawking, trying to get you to notice him or her. Which is more effective: Ignoring this person, or giving him or her a few minutes? Tonight: Squeeze in a stress-buster. No excuses, please.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★★ You have the gift of telling someone off, yet he or she might not realize it until hours later. How you use your innate charm and verbal skills is your call. A child or new friend keeps trying to get your attention. Your creativity flourishes when you feel cared for. Tonight: Favorite person, favorite spot.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★ Know when to turn in a new direction. Presently, you might want to do some reflecting and evaluate your choices. A personal or domestic problem dominates, despite your attempt to mentally let go. Tonight: Take a break with friends.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★★ Move with confidence, knowing your choices are sound. Someone in your immediate environment might decide to confront you. Listen rather than trigger. Know that his or her criticism might have more to do with perception than reality. Tonight: Soaring like an eagle into the weekend.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★ Take your time. Understanding will evolve the more you eye a problem. There are answers, though you might not see them immediately. Your instincts beat heavily, especially concerning money. Still, walk a conservative path for now. Tonight: Get much-needed peace and quiet.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★★ You are about to succeed in a major goal or desire. Funnel your energy into clearing out a last-minute boulder, and don't allow frustration to beam in. A meeting could focus you once more. Others want to participate in a key goal. Tonight: Finally, relax with friends. Celebrate.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★ You could be more irritated with a boss, older friend or relative than you realize. The other party receives a lot of your subconscious signals. Focus on the immediate, and stay out of emotional politics. Tonight: Schedule some talk time.

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BORN TODAY

Artist Jackson Pollock (1912), actor Alan Alda (1936), pastor Rick Warren (1954)

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

Each Trick in Its Turn

East-West vulnerable. South deals.

NORTH
♠ 9 7 6
7 5 3 2
J 7 3
♣ A 6 4

WEST
♠ K 10 8 5 2
K 10 4
8 6 5 2
♣ 10

EAST
♠ Q J 4
Q J 9
10 9 4
♣ J 8 7 5

SOUTH
♠ A 3
A 8 6
A K Q
♣ K Q 9 3 2

The bidding:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
2♣	Pass	2	Pass
2NT	Pass	3NT	Pass
Pass	Pass		

Opening lead: Five of ♠

Here's another deal from Eddie Kantar's excellent series "Thinking Bridge," designed for players anxious to improve their game and published in the Daily Bulletins of the ACBL Fall North American Championships held in Orlando.

"The bidding is routine. You showed 22-24 balanced and partner had enough to raise you to three no-trump.

"You have five tricks outside of clubs, the suit you plan to use for your extra needed tricks. Translation: You only need four club tricks to make your contract. However, if you give up the lead in clubs and spades are 5-3 (47 percent) as opposed to 4-4 (33 percent), you are headed for the water cooler.

"To give yourself the best chance of taking five club tricks, duck the spade lead, winning the second round in case spades are 6-2, and then make the key play of a high club from your hand before crossing to the ace. If you play clubs as suggested and West has a singleton 10 or jack, you will be in dummy having seen West show out on the second club, and be able to lead a club to the nine safely. If you start by leading a club to the ace, you can't be sure to finesse the nine on the way back because West may have J 10 doubleton or even J 10 x and be playing games with you."

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DAILY CROSSWORD

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ACROSS
1 Plain type?
5 Company whose name is quacked in ads
10 Finishing hair
14 Work
15 Sporty Mazda
16 Sick
17 Where to sleep off a bender?
19 Alt. republic since 1944
20 Aurora's counterpart
21 Smart guy?
22 Pivoting points
24 Anxious campus society?
27 La ___ Tar Pits
28 Yankee nickname
29 Worked with horses, in a way
31 2008 Libertarian presidential candidate
33 Like some rugs
37 Pool shade
38 Hair styling prodigy?
39 Off the mark
40 Abbr. followed by a year
41 Part of the dog days of Dijon
42 Fund
43 Friend of Dali
45 Attleboro Street gallery
46 Talented jazzman?
53 Dag Hammarskjold's successor
54 Cramming method
55 Disturb, as the balance
56 Frost, say
57 "Airport music so early?"
60 Regarding
61 Dino's love
62 Lhasa ___
63 Headlights starer
64 Mearth's mother, in a '70s-'80s sitcom
65 Funky

DOWN
1 Pianist Hofmann
2 "I'm just a poor wayfaring stranger" song lyric
3 More than just into
4 Indirect route
5 Earhart of the air
6 Sole order
7 Door fastener
8 Scarfed up
9 Frequent Martha's Vineyard arrival
10 Is, when simplified
11 "Sleepy Hollow" actress
12 Olds that replaced the Achieva
13 Singer/songwriter born Robert Zimmerman
18 Spoke uncertainly
23 Card game with a pre-victory warning
25 Stays afloat, in a way
26 Fateful card
29 MS. enclosure
30 Operations ctrs.
31 Diner option
32 ___ Dhabi
34 Incriminating record, maybe
35 Footarаw
36 Kareem, at UCLA
38 Competitive missile hurlers
42 More than ready
44 German article
45 Big name in tea
46 Missile-shooting god
47 Make restitution
48 "Ta-da!"
49 Town on the Firth of Clyde
50 Emulate Scrooge
51 Playground retort
52 Watch from the trees, say
58 Feature of a two-ltr. monogram
59 "The Gold-Bug" monogram

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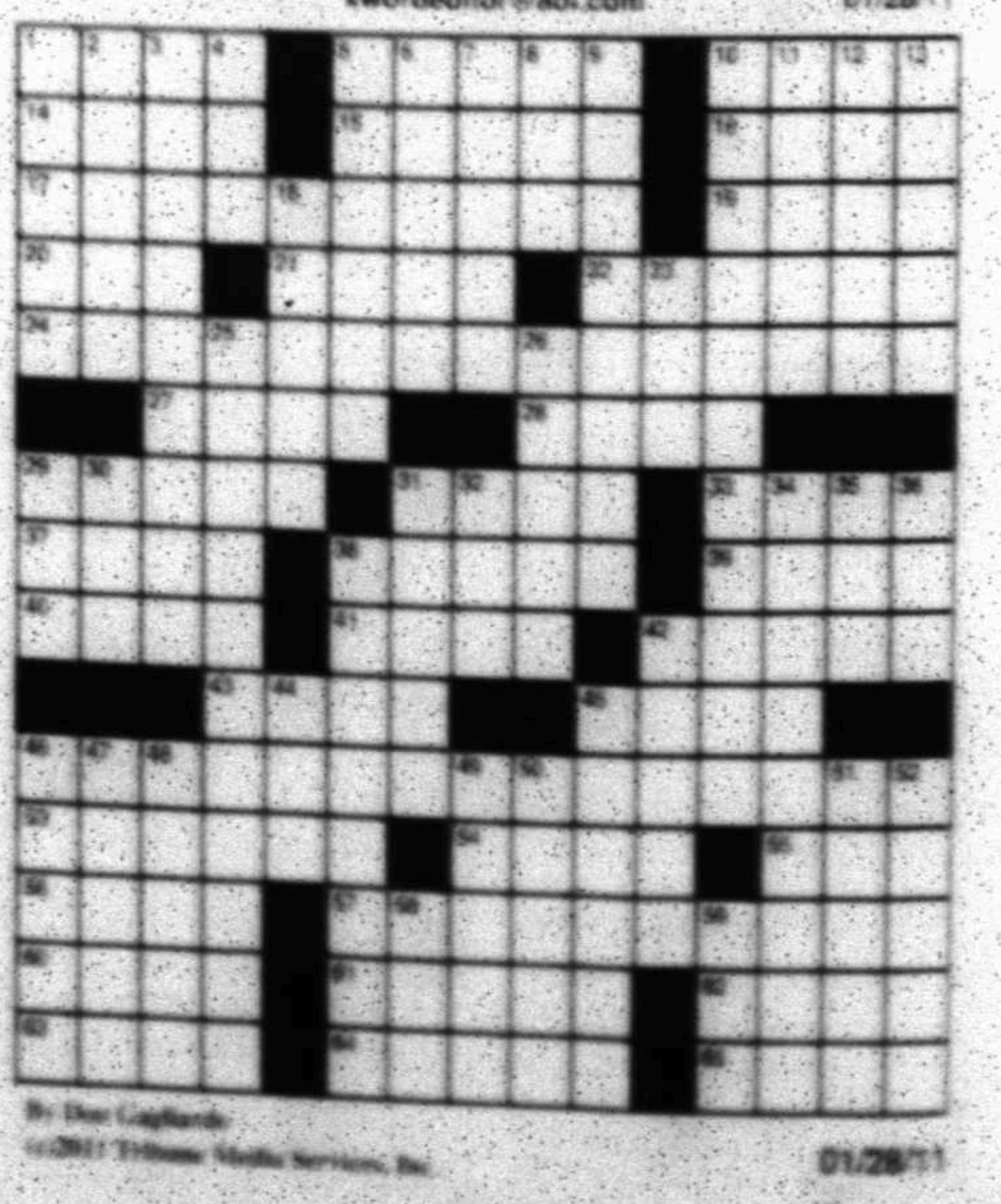

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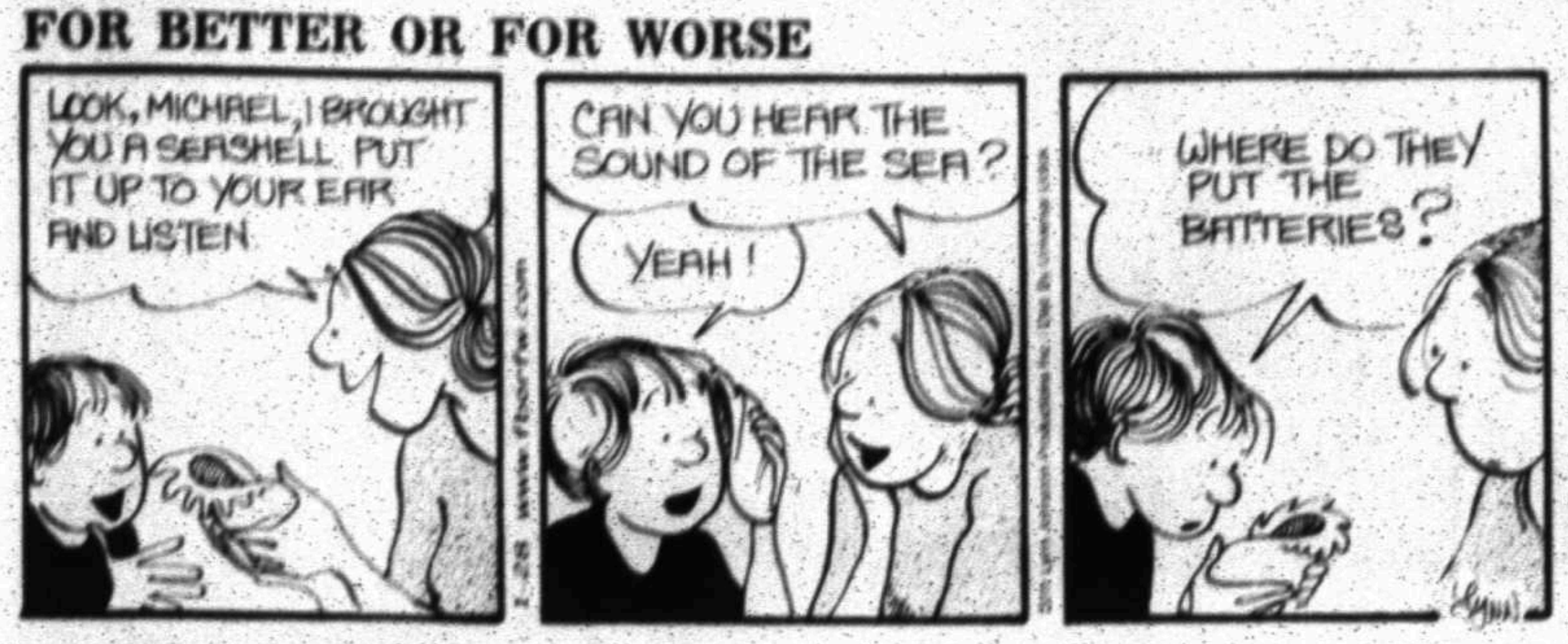
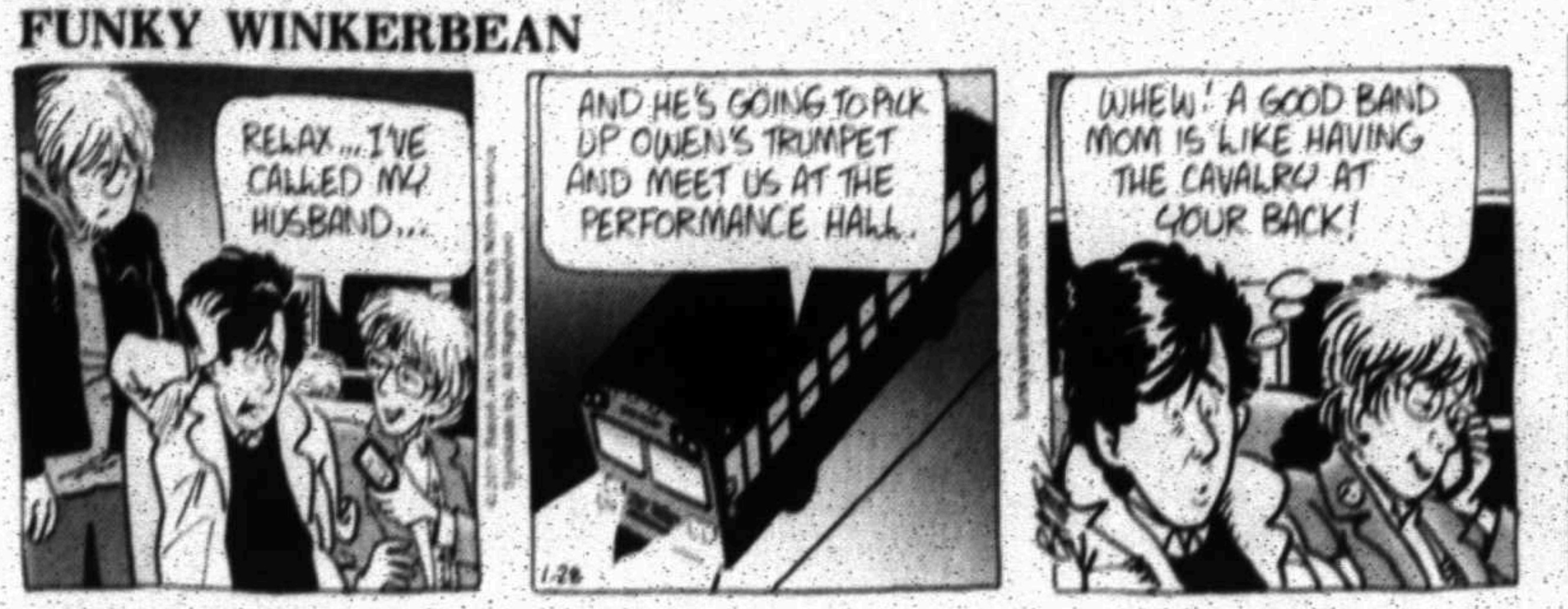
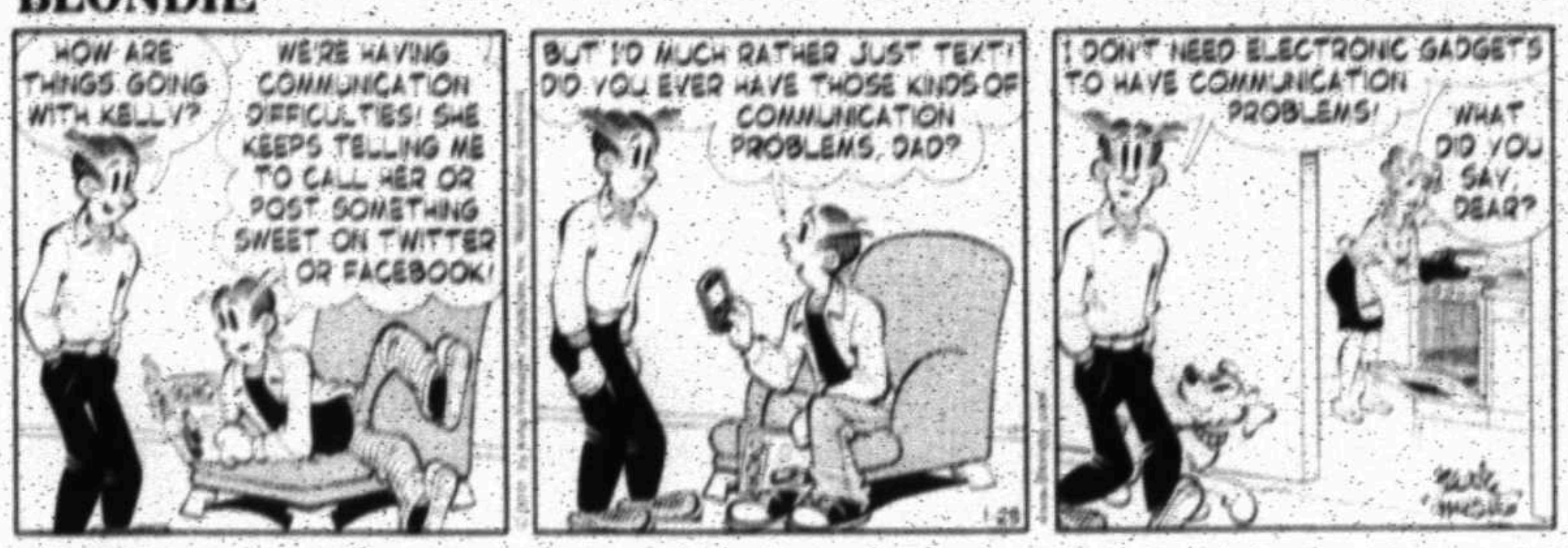

LOOK, MICHAEL, I BROUGHT YOU A SEASHELL. PUT IT UP TO YOUR EAR AND LISTEN.
CAN YOU HEAR THE SOUND OF THE SEA?
YEAH!
WHERE DO THEY PUT THE BATTERIES?

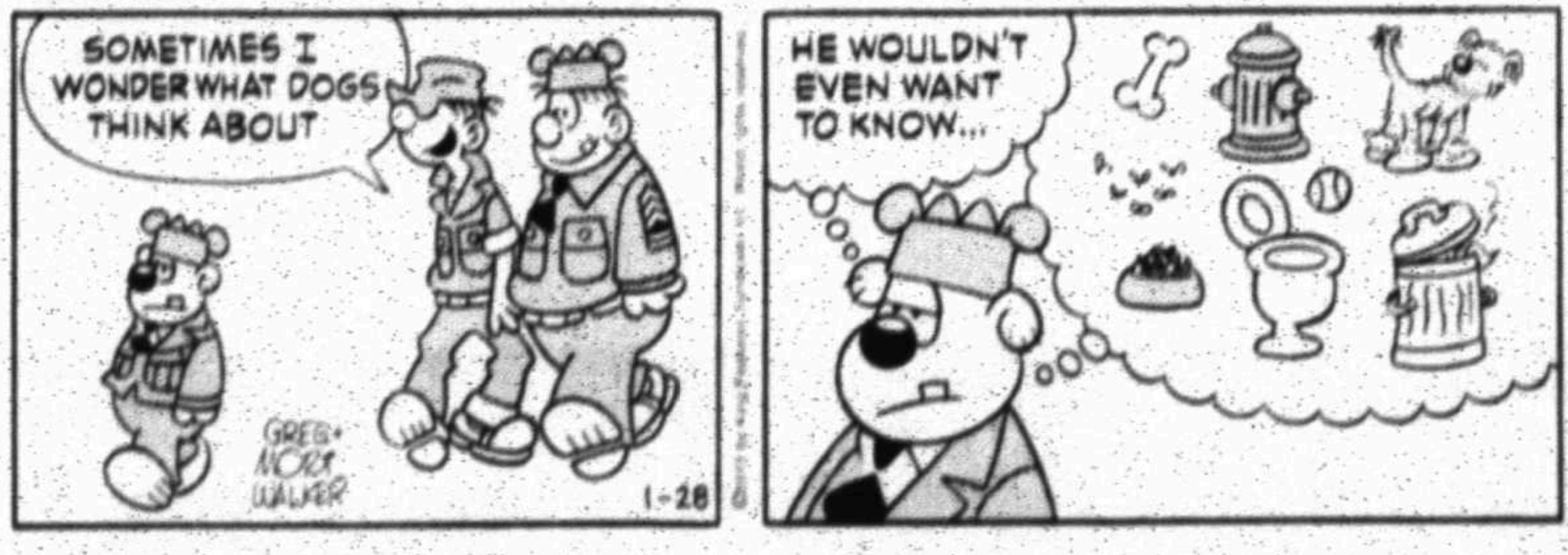
FUNKY WINKERBEAN


RELAX... I'VE CALLED MY HUSBAND...
AND HE'S GOING TO PICK UP OWEN'S TRUMPET AND MEET US AT THE PERFORMANCE HALL.
WHEW! A GOOD BAND MOM IS LIKE HAVING THE CAVALRY AT YOUR BACK!

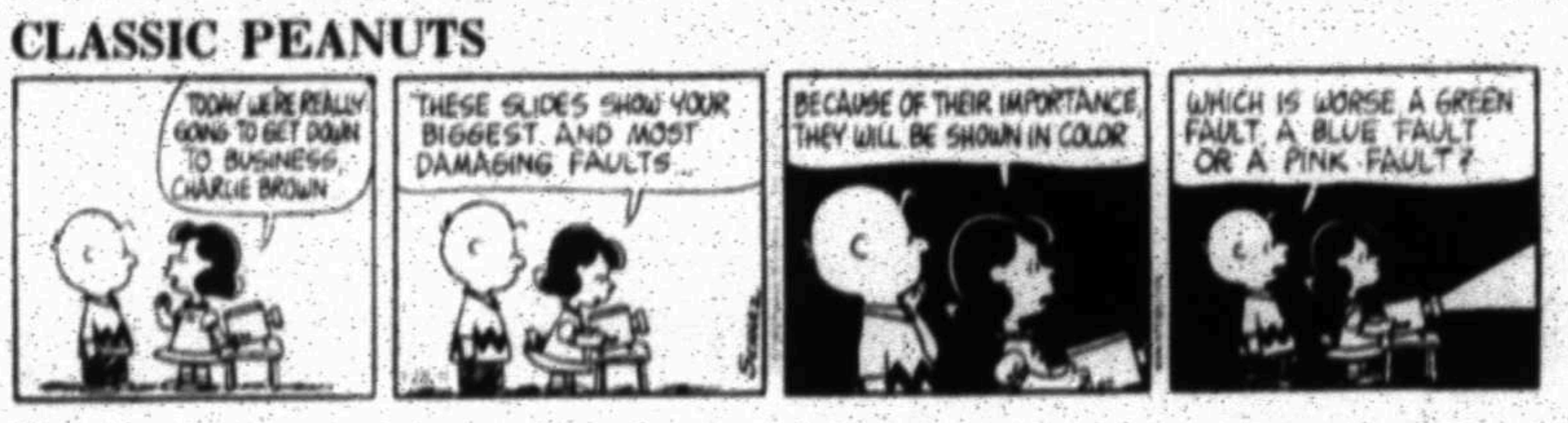
BLONDIE


HOW ARE THINGS GOING WITH KELLY?
WE'RE HAVING COMMUNICATION DIFFICULTIES! SHE KEEPS TELLING ME TO CALL HER OR POST SOMETHING SWEET ON TWITTER OR FACEBOOK!
BUT I'D MUCH RATHER JUST TEXT! DID YOU EVER HAVE THOSE KINDS OF COMMUNICATION PROBLEMS, DAD?
I DON'T NEED ELECTRONIC GADGETS TO HAVE COMMUNICATION PROBLEMS!
WHAT DID YOU SAY, DEAR?

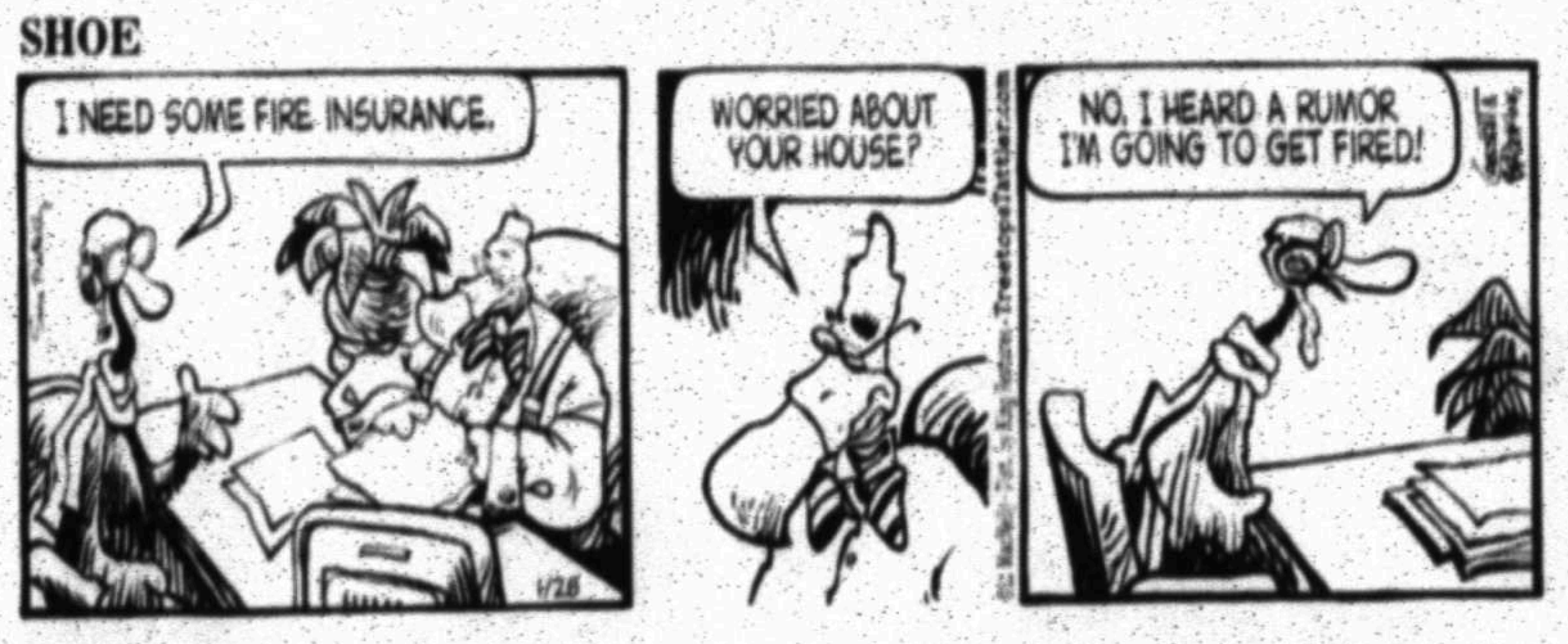
BEETLE BAILEY


SOMETIMES I WONDER WHAT DOGS THINK ABOUT
HE WOULDN'T EVEN WANT TO KNOW...

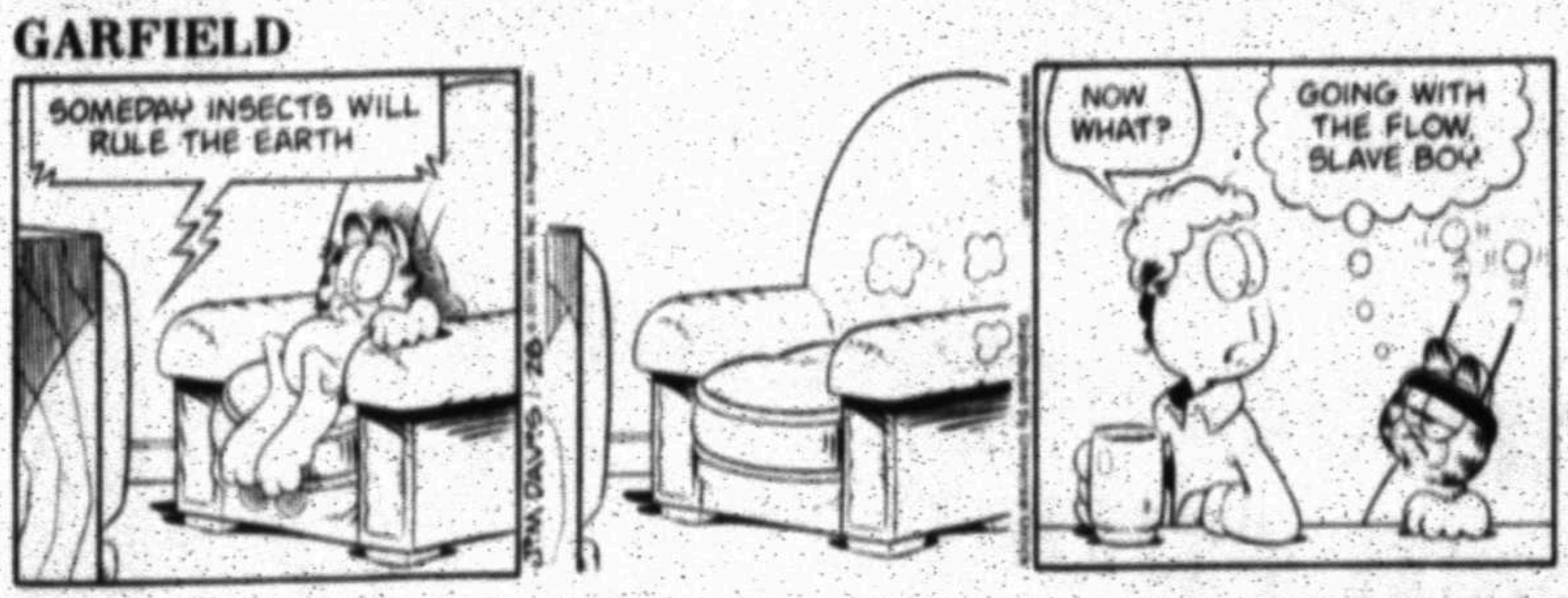
CLASSIC PEANUTS


TODAY WE'RE REALLY GOING TO GET DOWN TO BUSINESS, CHARLIE BROWN
THESE SLIDES SHOW YOUR BIGGEST AND MOST DAMAGING FAULTS...
BECAUSE OF THEIR IMPORTANCE, THEY WILL BE SHOWN IN COLOR
WHICH IS WORSE, A GREEN FAULT, A BLUE FAULT OR A PINK FAULT?

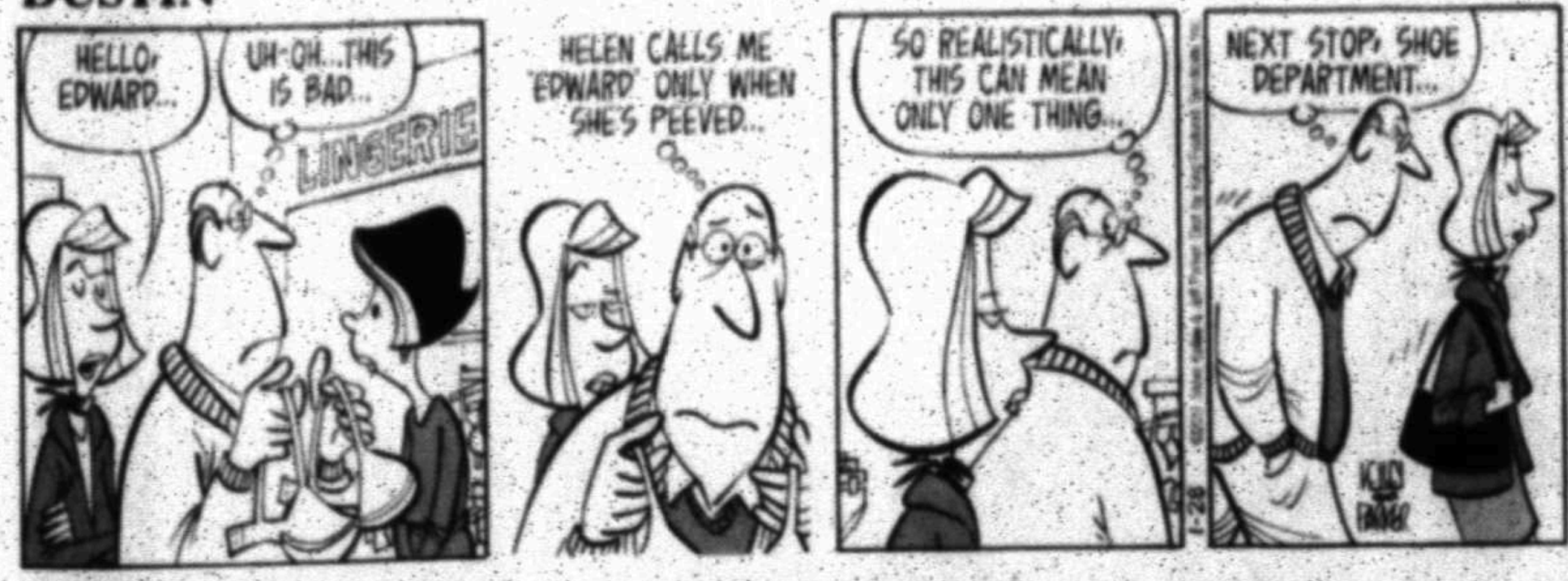
SHOE


I NEED SOME FIRE INSURANCE.
WORRIED ABOUT YOUR HOUSE?
NO, I HEARD A RUMOR I'M GOING TO GET FIRED!

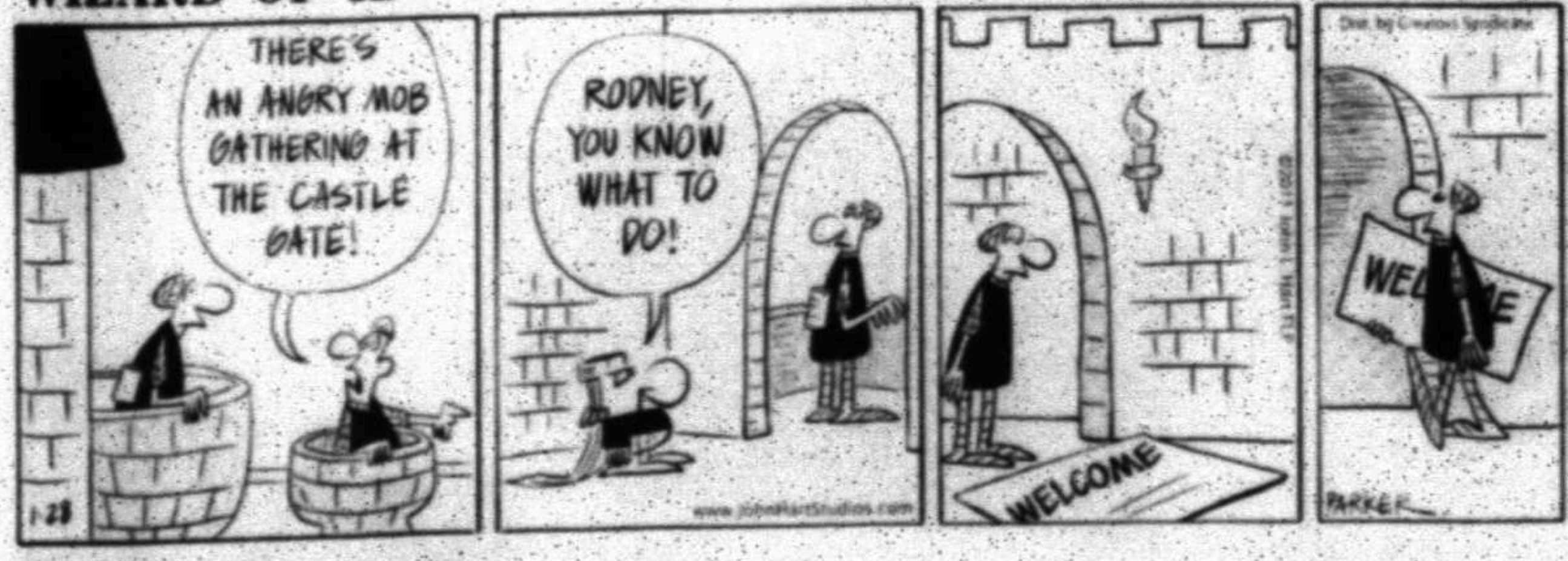
GARFIELD


SOMEDAY INSECTS WILL RULE THE EARTH
NOW WHAT?
GOING WITH THE FLOW, SLAVE BOY

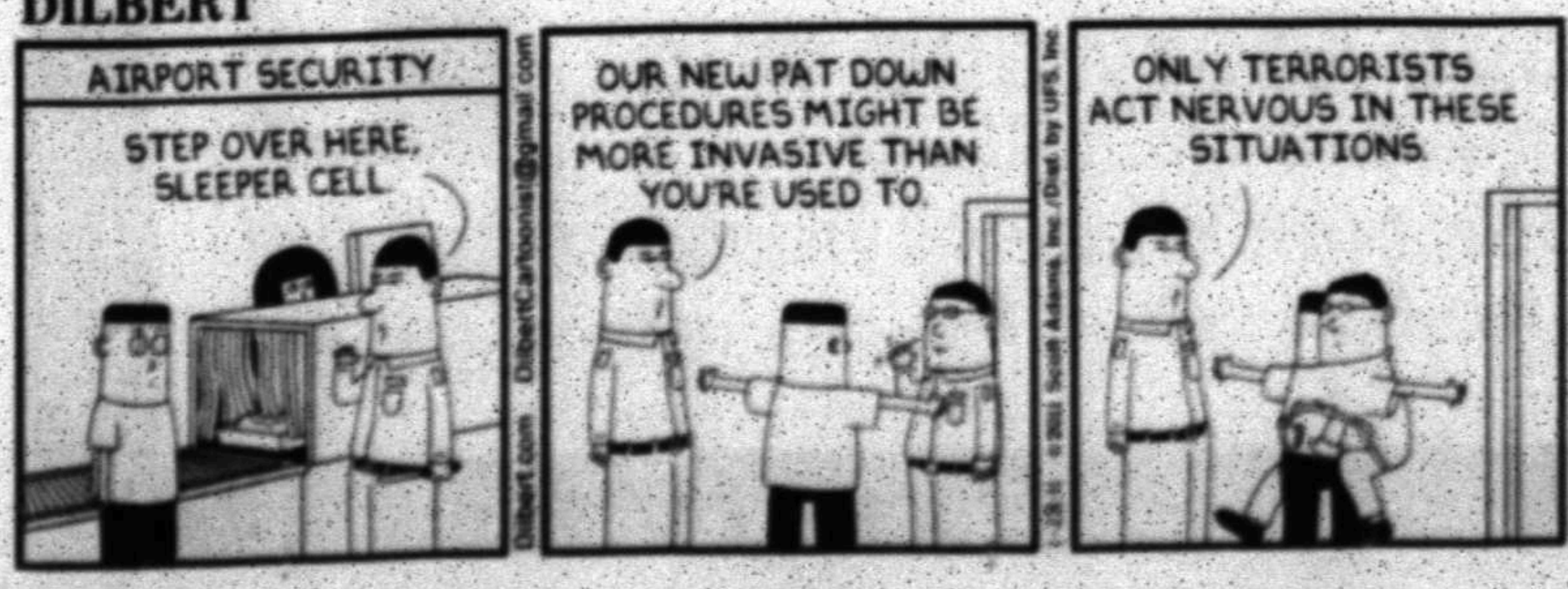
DUSTIN


HELLO, EDWARD...
UH-OH... THIS IS BAD...
LINGERIE
HELEN CALLS ME 'EDWARD' ONLY WHEN SHE'S PEEVED...
SO REALISTICALLY, THIS CAN MEAN ONLY ONE THING...
NEXT STOP, SHOE DEPARTMENT...

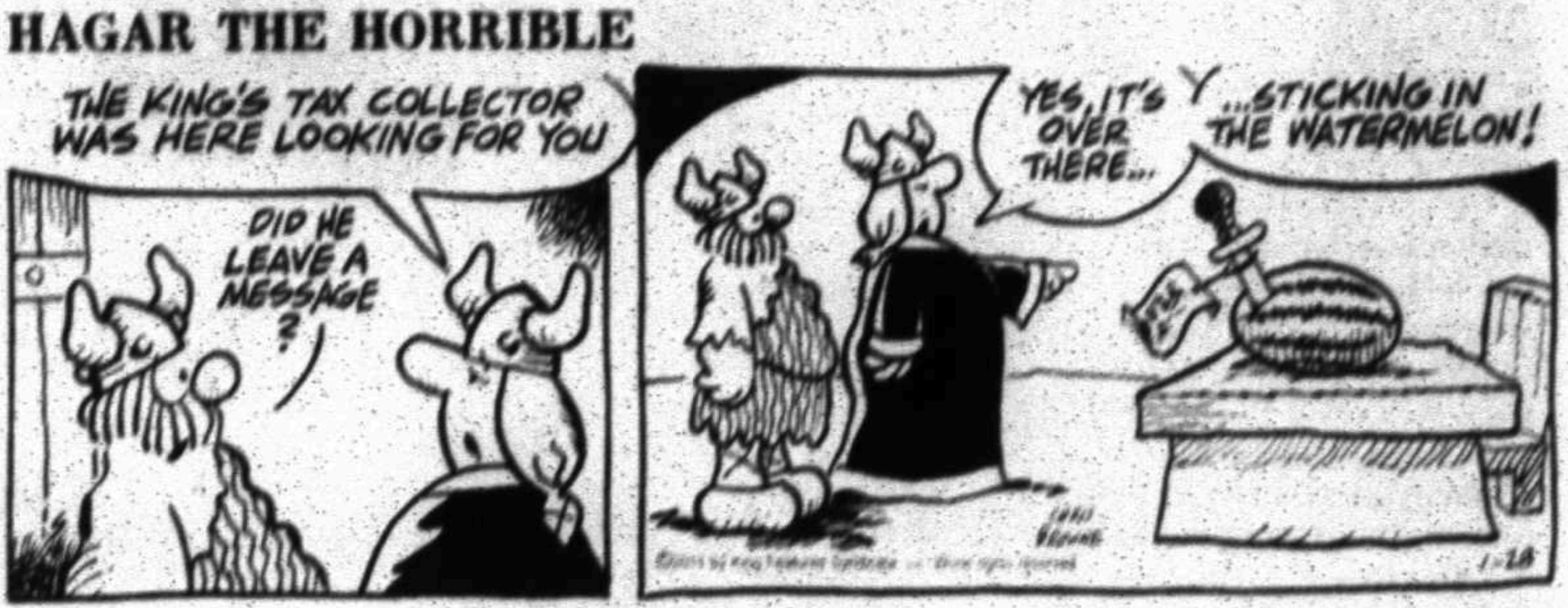
WIZARD OF ID


THERE'S AN ANGRY MOB GATHERING AT THE CASTLE GATE!
RODNEY, YOU KNOW WHAT TO DO!
WELCOME
WELCOME

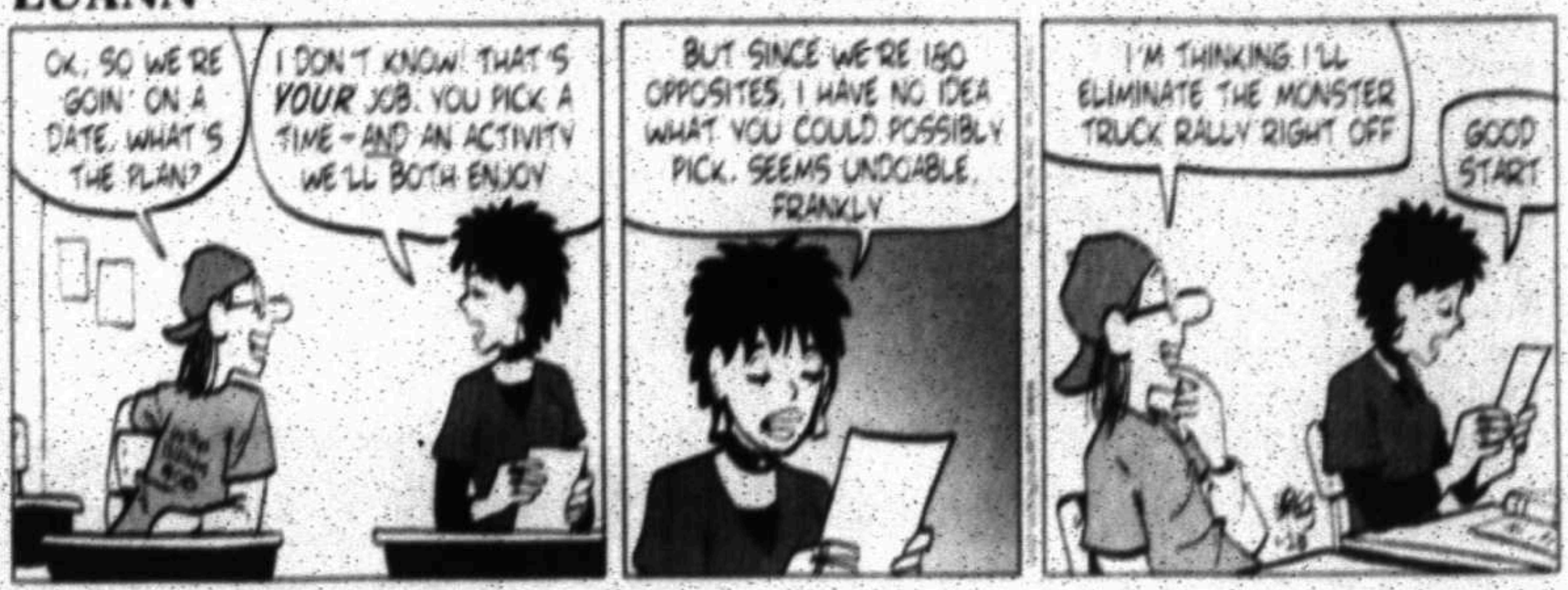
DILBERT


AIRPORT SECURITY
STEP OVER HERE, SLEEPER CELL.
OUR NEW PAT DOWN PROCEDURES MIGHT BE MORE INVASIVE THAN YOU'RE USED TO.
ONLY TERRORISTS ACT NERVOUS IN THESE SITUATIONS.

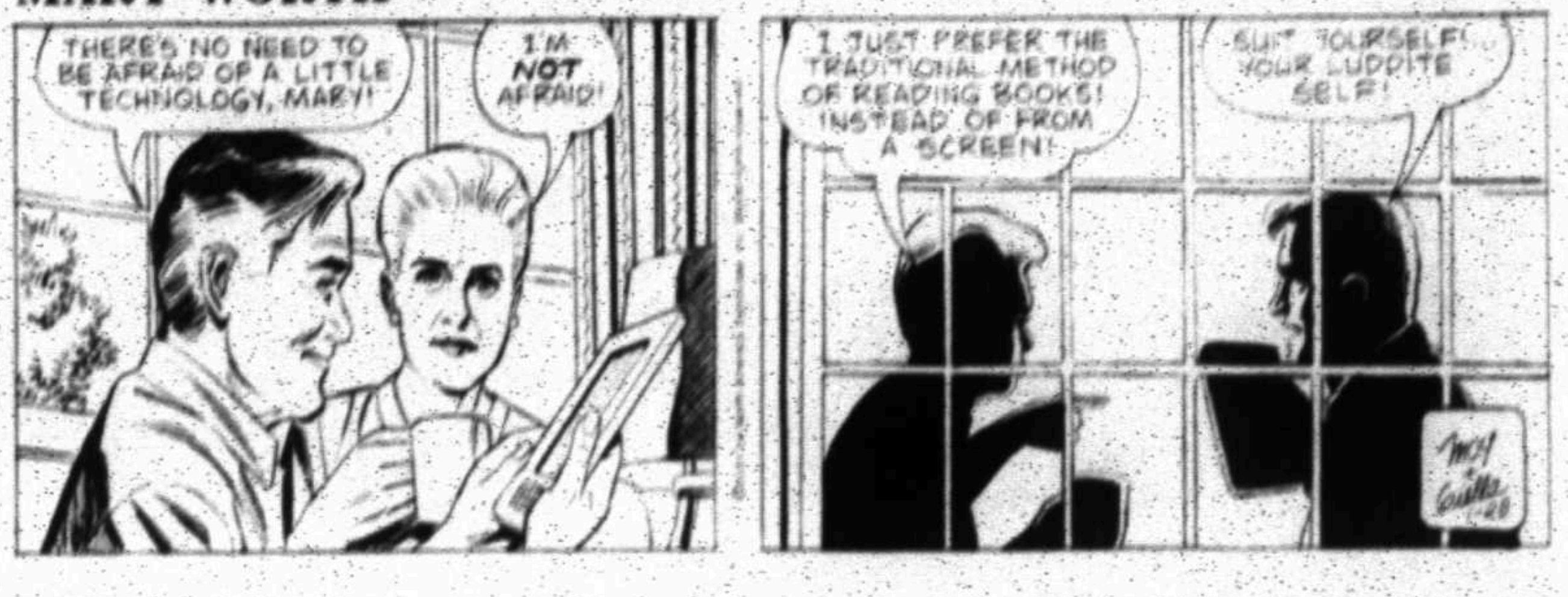
HAGAR THE HORRIBLE


THE KING'S TAX COLLECTOR WAS HERE LOOKING FOR YOU
DID HE LEAVE A MESSAGE?
YES, IT'S OVER THERE...
...STICKING IN THE WATERMELON!

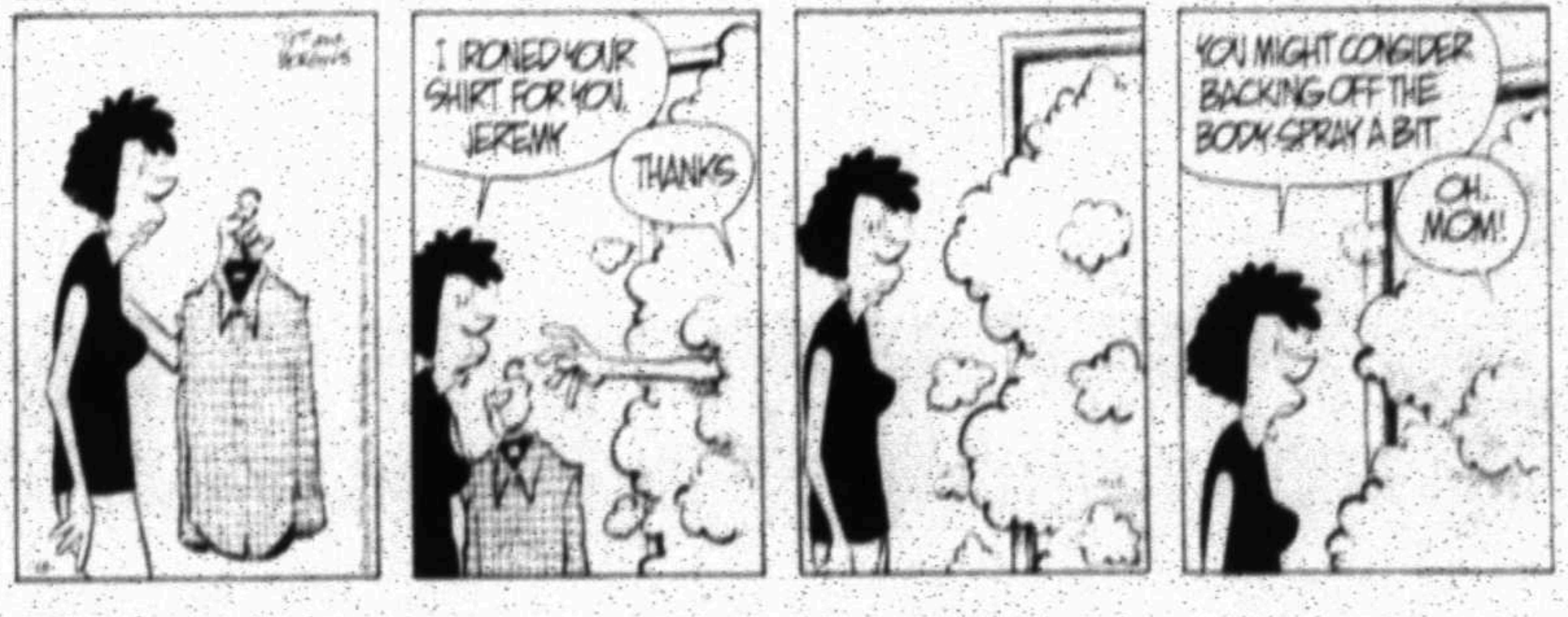
LUANN


OK, SO WE'RE GOIN' ON A DATE. WHAT'S THE PLAN?
I DON'T KNOW! THAT'S YOUR JOB. YOU PICK A TIME – AND AN ACTIVITY WE'LL BOTH ENJOY
BUT SINCE WE'RE 180 OPPOSITES, I HAVE NO IDEA WHAT YOU COULD POSSIBLY PICK. SEEMS UNDOABLE, FRANKLY
I'M THINKING I'LL ELIMINATE THE MONSTER TRUCK RALLY RIGHT OFF
GOOD START

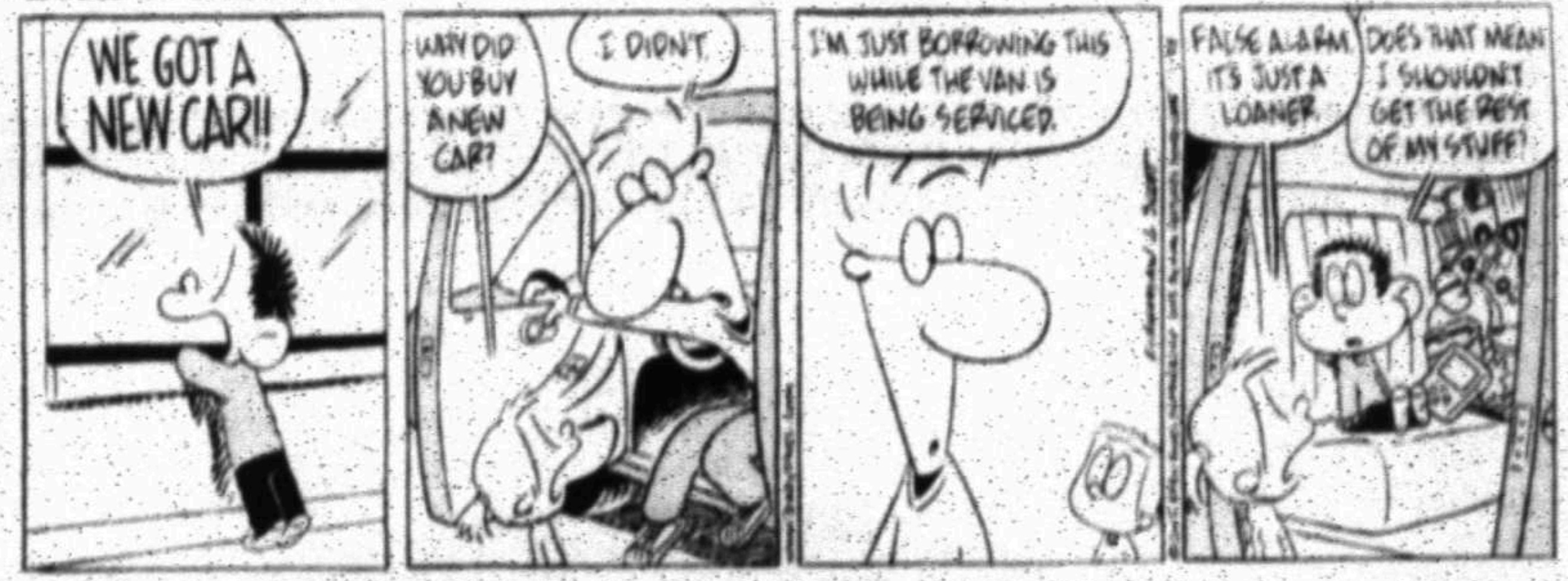
MARY WORTH


THERE'S NO NEED TO BE AFRAID OF A LITTLE TECHNOLOGY, MARY!
I'M NOT AFRAID!
I JUST PREFER THE TRADITIONAL METHOD OF READING BOOKS! INSTEAD OF FROM A SCREEN!
SUIT YOURSELF! ...YOUR LUDDITE SELF!

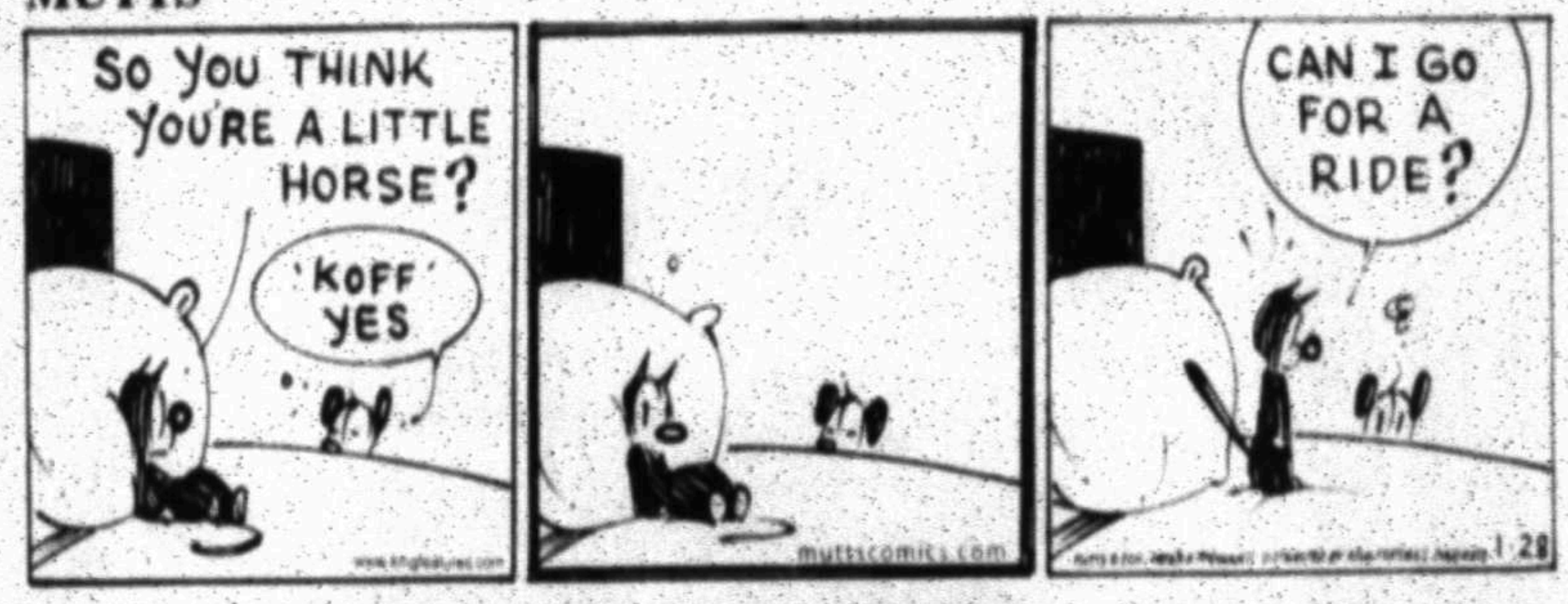
ZITS


I IRONED YOUR SHIRT FOR YOU, JEREMY
THANKS
YOU MIGHT CONSIDER BACKING OFF THE BODY-SPRAY A BIT
OH, MOM!

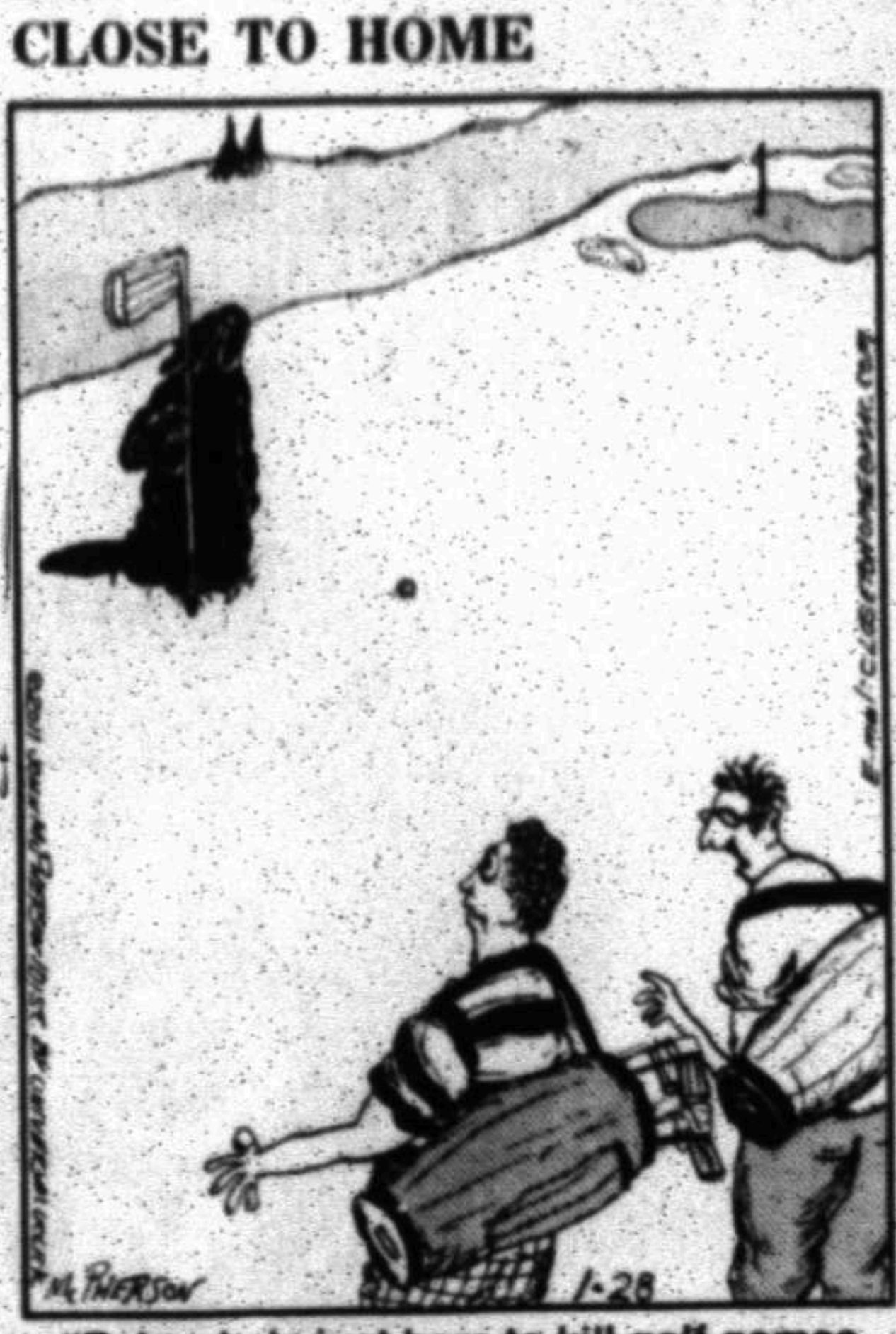
BABY BLUES


WE GOT A NEW CAR!!
WHY DID YOU BUY A NEW CAR?
I DIDN'T.
I'M JUST BORROWING THIS WHILE THE VAN IS BEING SERVICED.
FALSE ALARM. IT'S JUST A LOANER.
DOES THAT MEAN I SHOULDN'T GET THE REST OF MY STUFF?

MUTTS

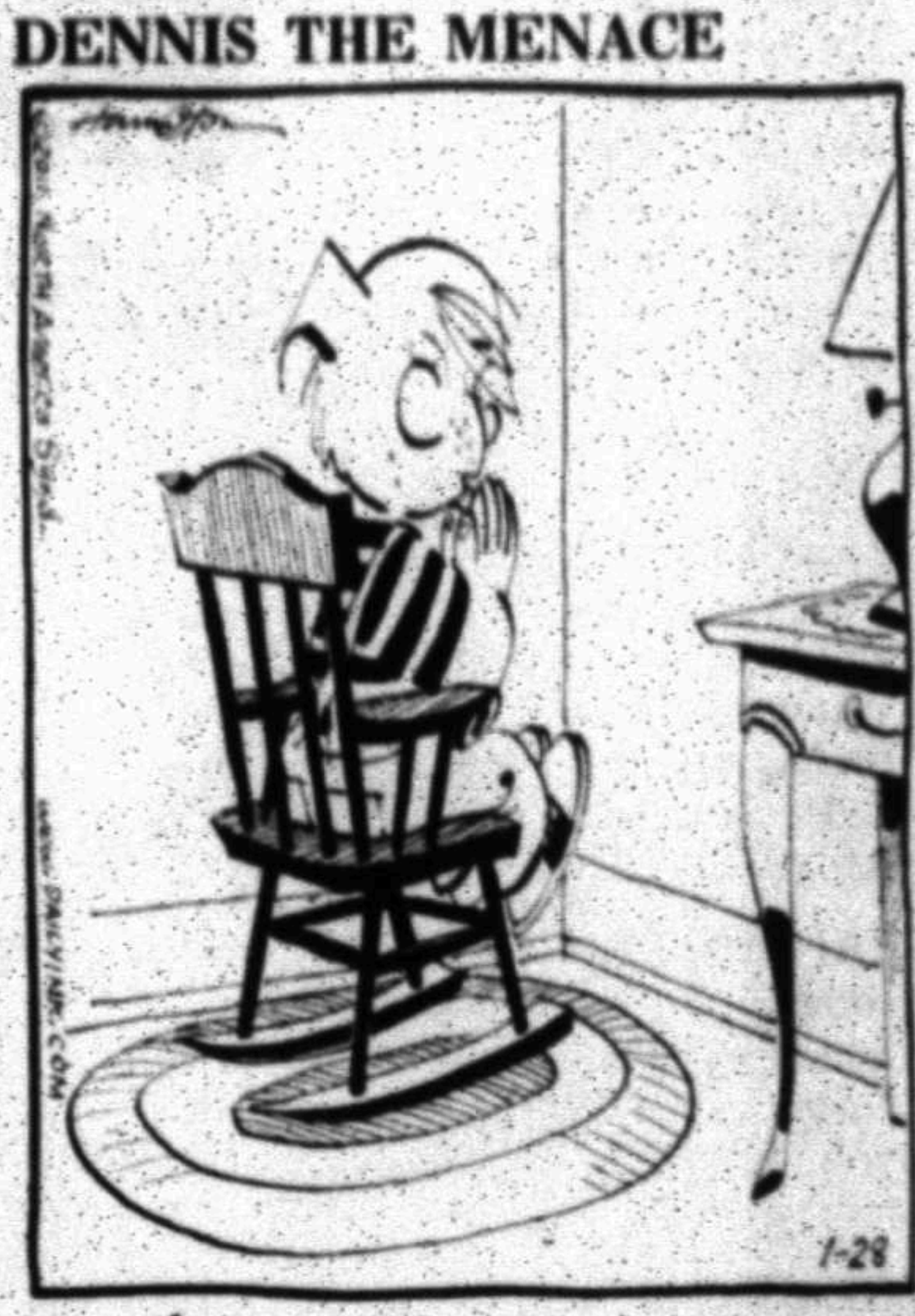

SO YOU THINK YOU'RE A LITTLE HORSE?
'KOFF' YES
CAN I GO FOR A RIDE?

CLOSE TO HOME



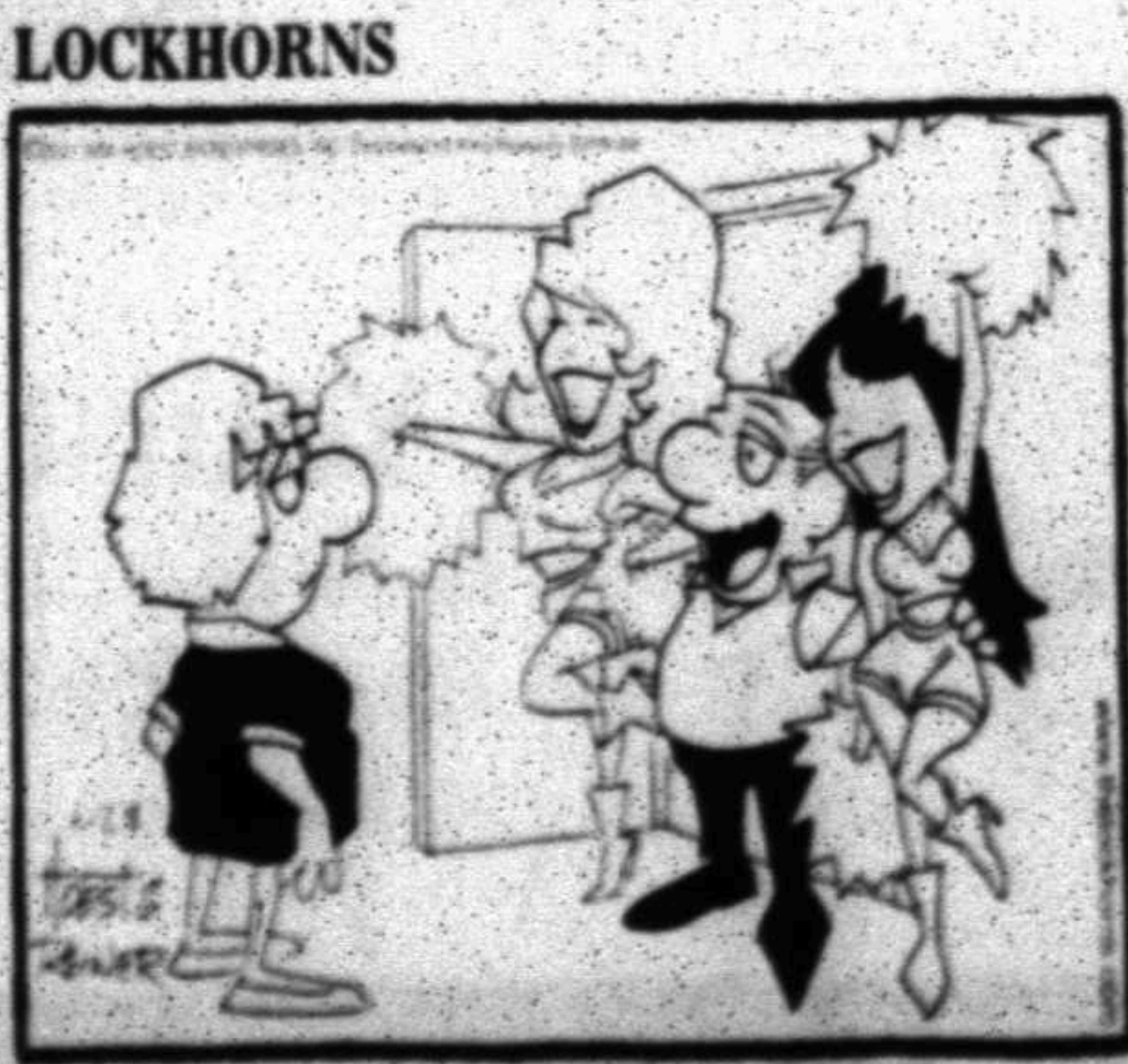
"Relax, he's just here to kill golf games. He's going to send your drive three fairways over."

DENNIS THE MENACE



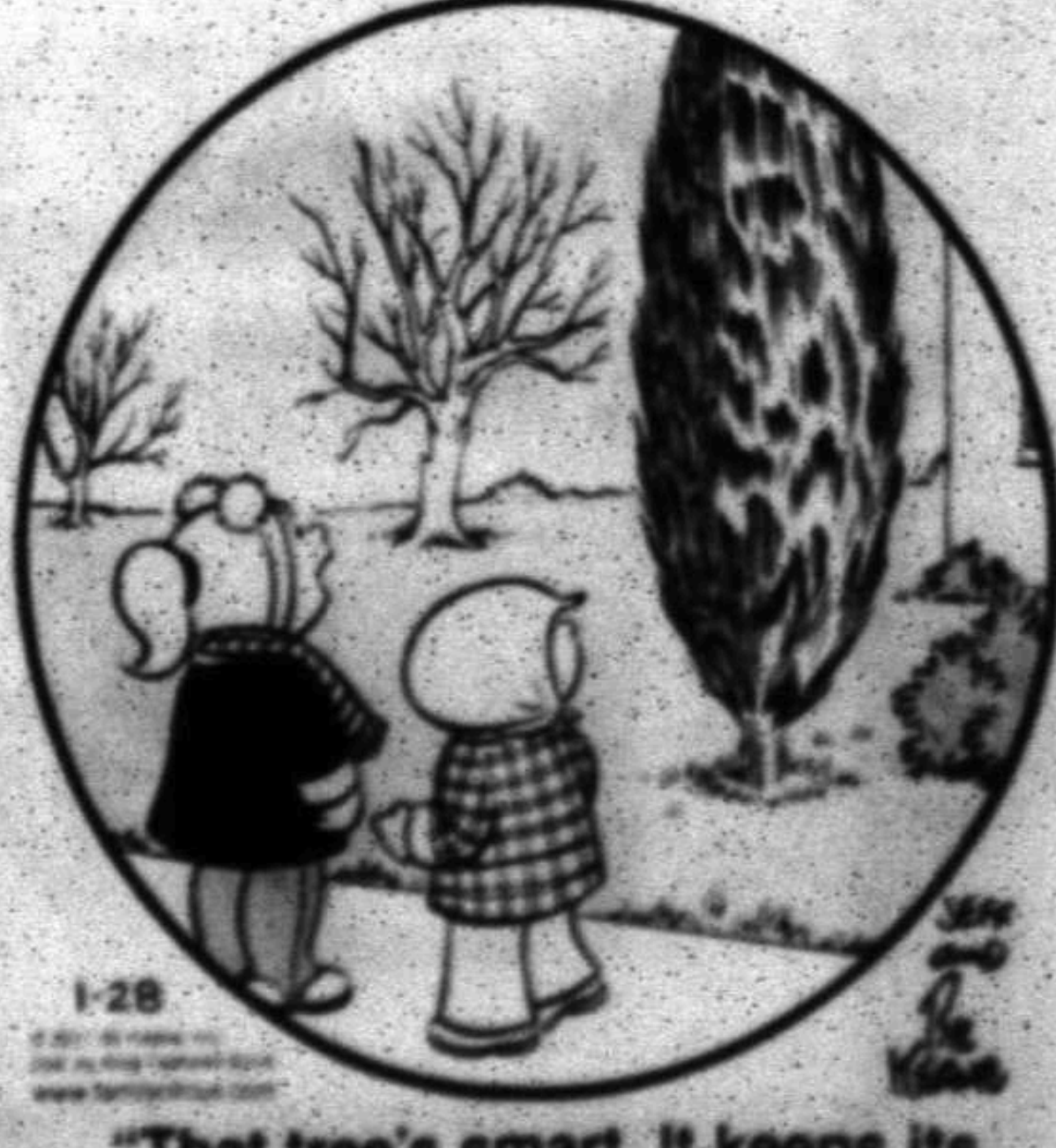
"...AND I'D LIKE A NEW GUARDIAN ANGEL, PLEASE."

LOCKHORNS

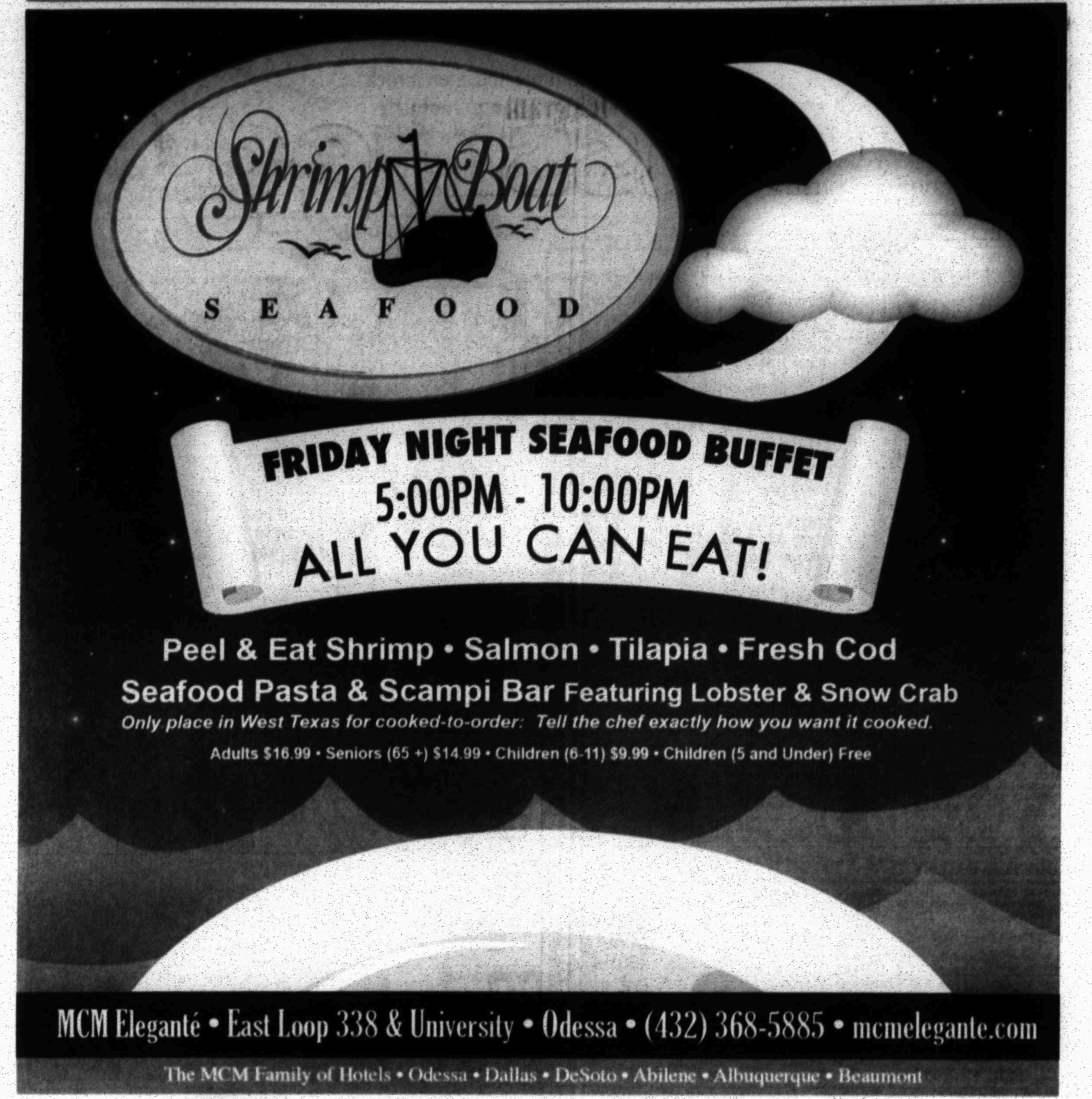


"I WON THE FOOTBALL POOL!"

FAMILY CIRCUS



"That tree's smart. It keeps its clothes on in the winter."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City of Midland

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Interim City Secretary

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RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

Rule 38 Case No. 08-0268972
Status/Permit No. 708264

DISTRICT 7C
DATE OF ISSUANCE: Jan 14, 2011
NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Feb 25, 2011
Address: Railroad Commission of Texas
ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit
P. O. Box 12967
Austin, Texas 78711-2967
Fax: (512) 463-7324
Email: SWR37@RRC.STATE.TX.US

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC., [RRC Operator No. 665748] has made application for a density exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 38 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.38). Applicant seeks exception to the DENSITY requirement of the field rules for the NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 7, Bk. 39 T5S, T&P RR CO Survey, A-426, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Field, UPTON County, being 27.3 miles NW direction from RANKIN, Texas.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted **WITHOUT A HEARING** if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission's Docket Services Department at **(512)463-6848.**

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FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name :	WINDHAM "Q"
Lease/Unit Well No.	6
Lease/Unit Acres :	240.0
Nearest Lease Line (ft)	1318.0
Nearest Well on Lease (ft)	931.0

Lease Lines :	1320.0 F SOUTH L, 1318.0 F WEST L
Survey Lines :	1320.0 F SOUTH L, 1320.0 F EAST L

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:

SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) : Special Rules 467/660, 80.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 11300 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, MANDY HEDGPETH, at (972)969-3873.

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Status/Permit No. 708271

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Nearest Lease Line (ft)	595.0
Nearest Well on Lease (ft)	861.0

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Purchasing Division
City of Midland, Texas

ORDINANCE NO. 8870

AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE ZONING USE CLASSIFICATION OF THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS LOT 1, BLOCK 8, POLO PARK, SECTION III, CITY AND COUNTY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS (GENERALLY LOCATED ON THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE INTERSECTION OF NORTH GARFIELD STREET AND WEST LOOP 250 NORTH), WHICH IS PRESENTLY ZONED PD, PLANNED DISTRICT FOR A SHOPPING CENTER, BY PERMITTING SAID PROPERTY TO BE USED UNDER A SPECIFIC USE PERMIT WITH TERM FOR THE SALE OF ALL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES IN A BAR FOR ON-PREMISES CONSUMPTION, MAKING SAID PERMIT SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS CONTAINED HEREIN; CONTAINING A CUMULATIVE CLAUSE; CONTAINING A SAVINGS AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A MAXIMUM PENALTY OR FINE OF TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS ($2,000.00); AND ORDERING PUBLICATION

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ORDINANCE NO. 8868

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING A SITE PLAN FOR LOT 16, BLOCK 9, NORTHWOOD ADDITION, SECTION 7, CITY AND COUNTY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS (GENERALLY LOCATED ON THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF WADLEY AVENUE AND MAMIES CIRCLE); SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS; CONTAINING A CUMULATIVE CLAUSE; CONTAINING A SAVINGS AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A MAXIMUM PENALTY OR FINE OF TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS ($2,000.00); AND ORDERING PUBLICATION

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ORDINANCE NO. 8872

AN ORDINANCE DESIGNATING AND APPROVING PARKING SPACES ON THE EAST SIDE OF LORAINE STREET BETWEEN TENNESSEE AVENUE AND MICHIGAN AVENUE AND ON A PORTION OF THE NORTH SIDE OF TENNESSEE AVENUE BETWEEN MAIN STREET AND LORAINE STREET AS RESERVED FOR THE PARKING OF MOTOR VEHICLES OPERATED BY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS; AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE TRAFFIC ENGINEER TO ERECT APPROPRIATE SIGNS; DECLARING ANY VEHICLE IN VIOLATION OF THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ORDINANCE A NUISANCE AND PROVIDING FOR THE REMOVAL OF SAME; CONTAINING A CUMULATIVE CLAUSE; CONTAINING A SAVINGS AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A MAXIMUM PENALTY OR FINE OF TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS ($200.00); AND ORDERING PUBLICATION

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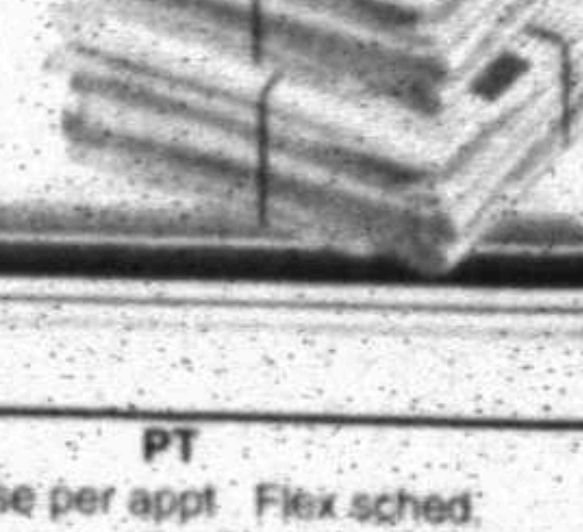

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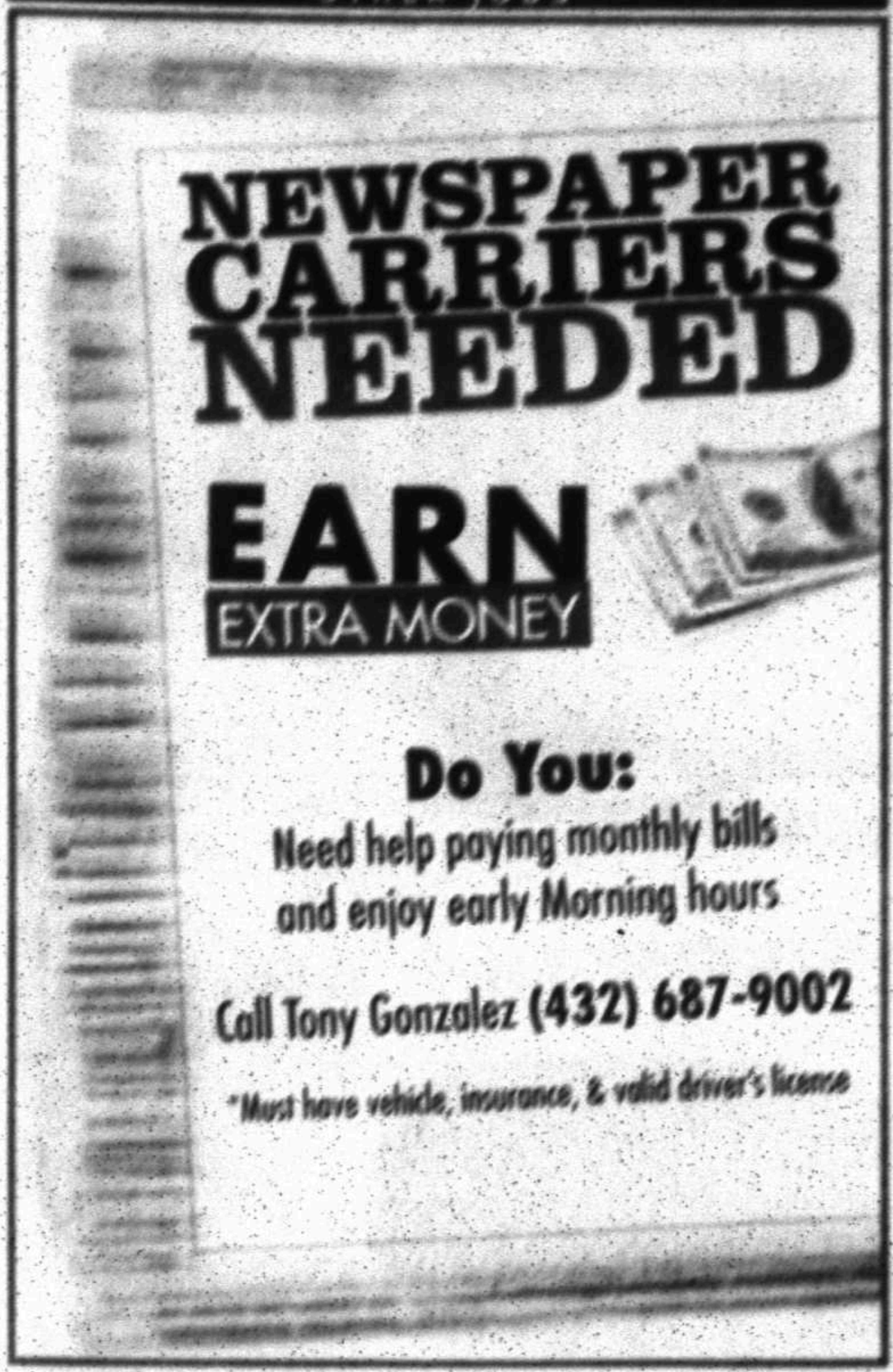

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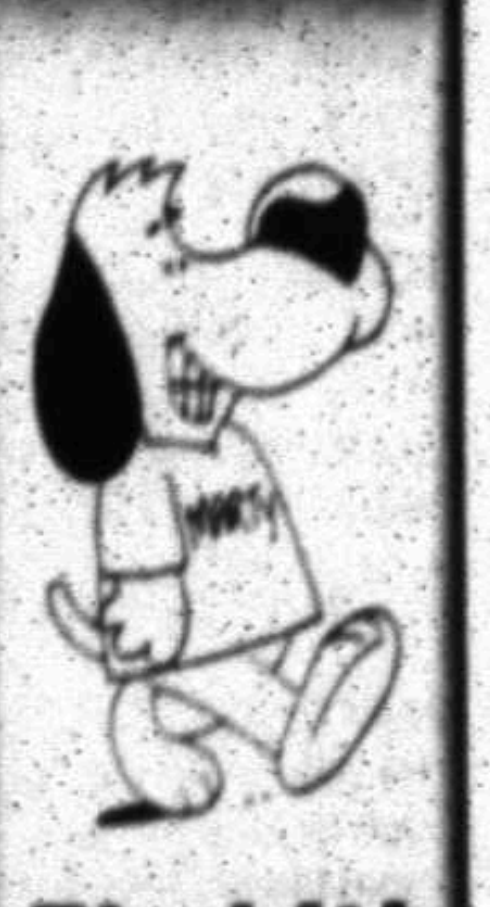

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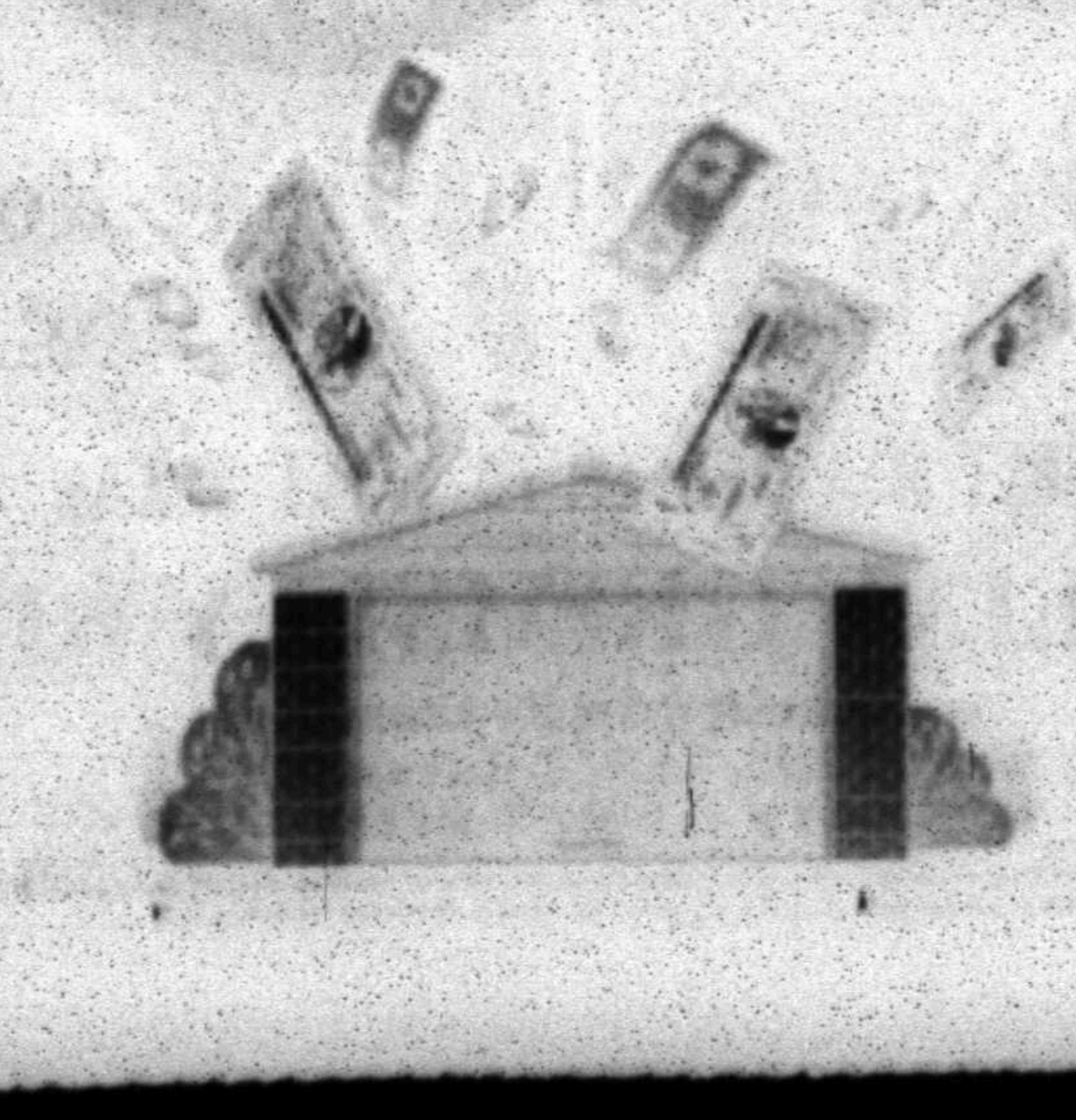

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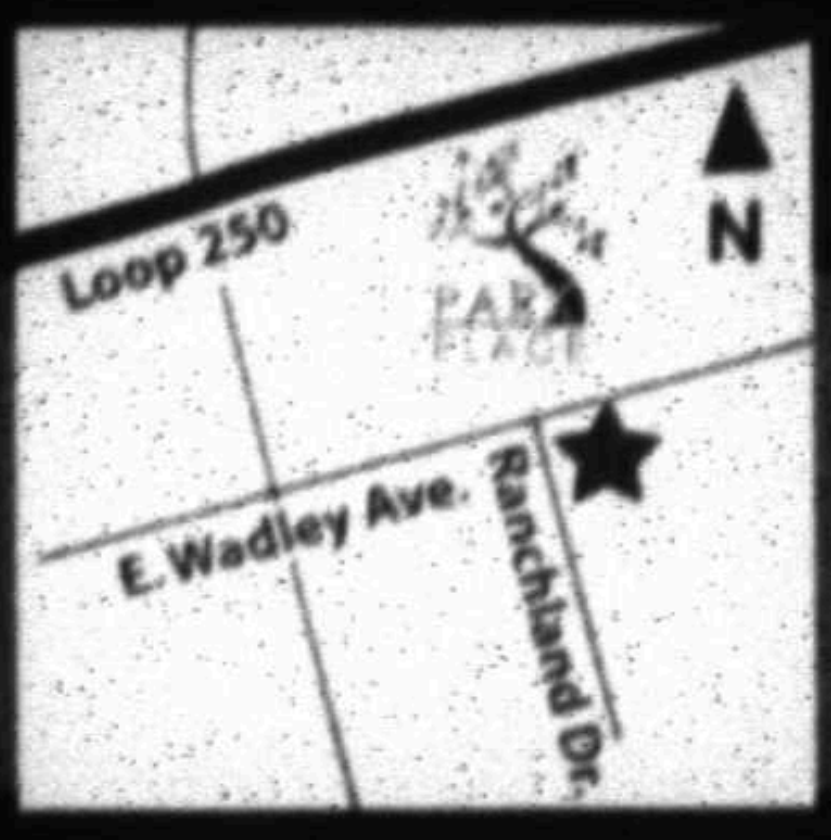

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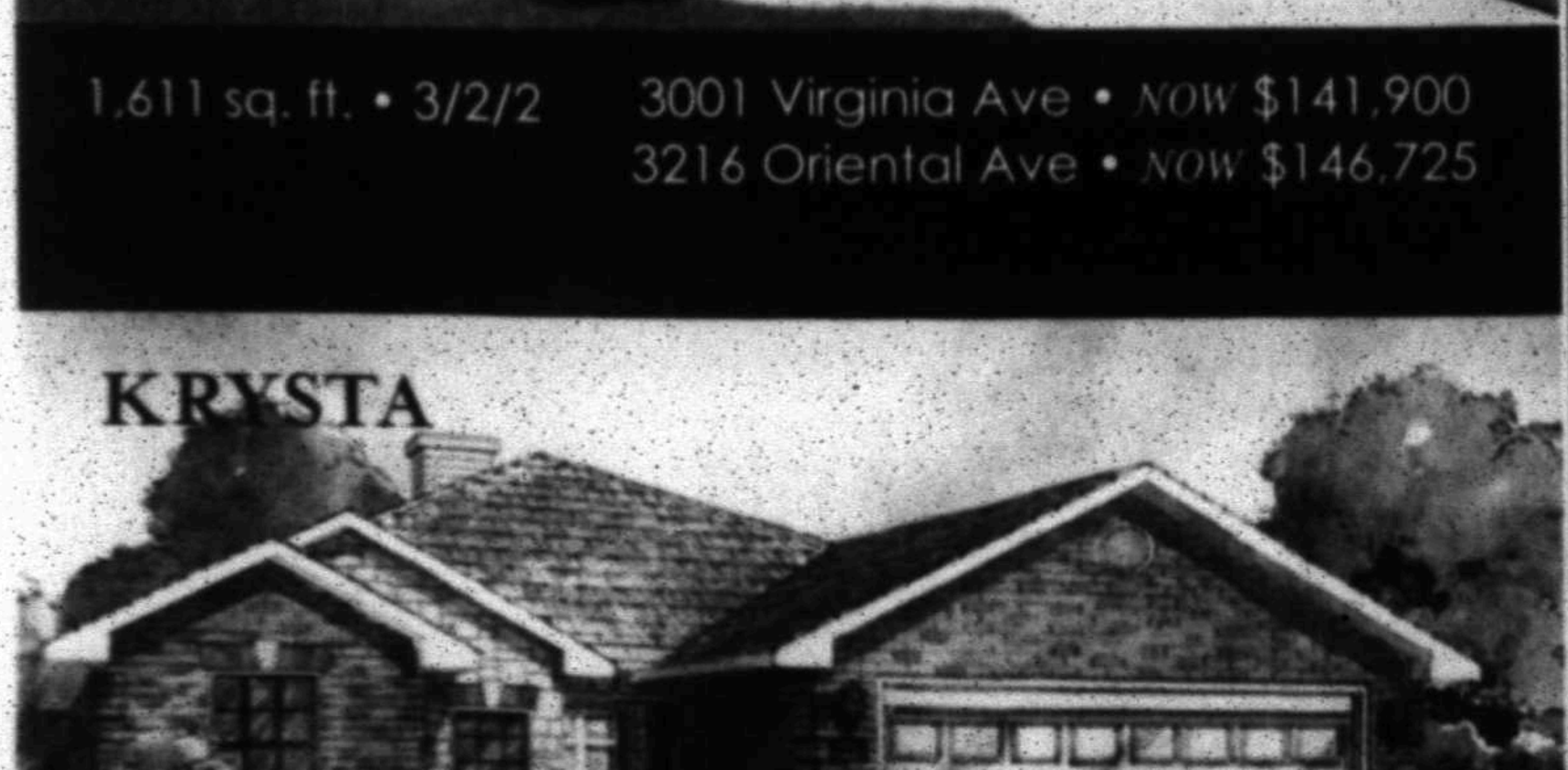

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