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1997 Howard County cotton harvest expected to start in earnest this week

By STEVE REAGAN
Staff Writer

It was a sight and sound that's been missing from this area for quite a while.

At Harry Middleton's farm near Vealmoor, stripping machines were out in force Thursday to jump-start the cotton harvest season. Along row after row of Middleton's three-acre plot, the automated pickers plucked cotton bolls from their plants and dumped the material in large cages trailing the machines.

In reality, it was just normal activity for this time of year, but after years of drought, "normal" was almost cause for celebration.

Many area farmers began defoliating their crops last week

in preparation for harvest.

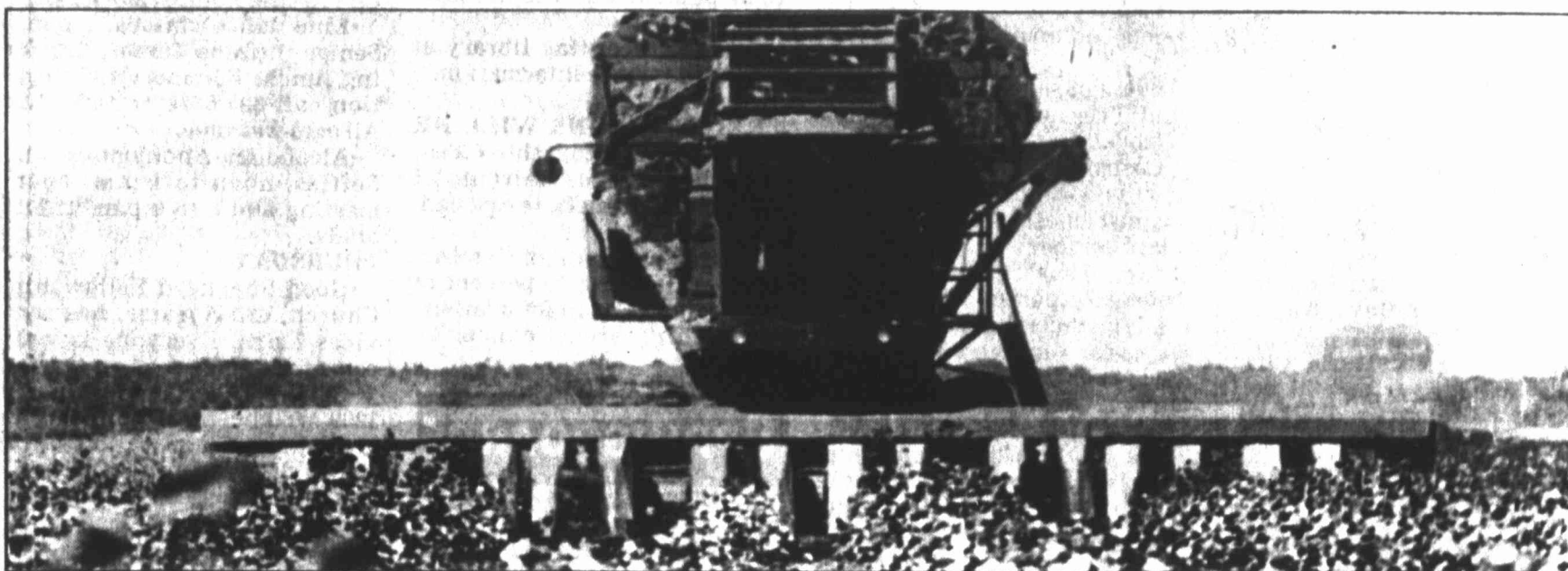
Middleton's harvesting was basically a one-farm show, as many other farmers are still waiting for another week or two before they begin stripping their fields.

And area gins also report that things are quiet right now, although that's liable to change in the very near future.

"We'll get started next (this) week for sure," said Brad Mikeska of Big Spring Gin.

Mikeska's operation was one of the few in the area that actually ginned cotton last year, although operations were far below normal. Initial indications show that things are looking up this year, he said.

"It's hard to tell right now, but I think it's going to be an average crop," Mikeska said. "Maybe a little better than average."



More and more cotton pickers will be seen in the fields this week as the harvest of the 1997 cotton crop nears. Harry and Johnny Middleton got a head start on everyone else last week when they picked cotton near Vealmoor.

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Boys' Club offers chance to interact, grow

Editor's Note: This is the second in a series of reports looking at the 10 agencies the United Way funds. The United Way is currently raising money for the various organizations with its 1997 campaign goal set at \$212,500. NEXT WEEK: Buffalo Trail Council Boy Scouts of America.

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

Having something to do after school that allows young boys to interact with their peers and in some cases continue the learning process is a big part of what the Big Spring's Boys' Club is all about.

The Big Spring Boys' Club is another one of the 11 agencies assisted by the annual campaign drive of the Big Spring/Howard County chapter of the United Way.

Approximately 2,000 to 3,000 boys have passed through the doors of the Big Spring Boys Club since it opened in July 1967.

Boys' Club Director Bert Andries was with the club then as president and says results sometimes come in increments, but the on-going programs of the Boys' Club are effective and give boys something constructive to do as well as guidance and supervision.

"A lot of our members are second generation. Some of the boys can see their own fathers in some of the pictures we've hung," Andries said.

The Boys' Club is an all-boy daily building-centered pro-



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Donovan Grissom receives instruction on the Boys' Club computers from Tony Gonzales. Donovan and his brother, Jacob, are among the dozens of boys ages 6 through 17 who participate in various Boys' Club activities after school.

gram where boys, six through 17 years of age, may go any weekday afternoon and evening until 7:45 and Saturday's from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Summer hours are 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Last year the United Way allocated more than \$32,000 to the Boys' Club plus the organization received approximately \$1,200 in combined federal campaign designations, totaling almost 50 percent of the Boys'

Club budget. The remainder of the club's budget is derived through donations.

"We keep a variety of activities for boys here at the Club. Computers and educational type games to go with them, table games, wood working and a small shop, a gym, study hall and a swimming pool operated on Big Spring's northside in the summertime," Andries said.

From playing checkers to pool to foosball or learning

something on a computer, the boys who make their way to the Boys' Club each afternoon say it's a lot of fun and they are not bored.

David Anderson and Chris Castro are two 10-year-olds who recently started attending the Boys' Club and have enjoyed every minute.

"I've been here for three weeks and I like everything,"

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Garbage hike

New city budget didn't raise taxes, but did increase garbage rates by \$1 per month

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

Upon finalizing the city budget for the 1997-98 fiscal year, the Big Spring City Council also approved an ordinance allowing for an increase in the rate local residents pay for municipal waste collection.

For single family homes, the charge for waste collection will be \$8.50 per month and \$8.50 per month for each unit or space in multi-family (apartments) or mobile home parks.

Both fees are up from last year's rate of \$7.50.

Where multi-family units are concerned, a vacancy rate of 5 percent is allowed on each complex where the total number of units are greater than 20.

The rate for balefill use for city of Big Spring and Howard County residents is a minimum charge of \$10 per vehicle for waste between one pound and 1,000 pounds.

All other waste is charged \$22 per ton.

For non city/county residents, there is a vehicle surcharge of \$10 and a per ton waste charge of \$44.

Each unit being serviced for municipal waste collection will be charged an environmental fee of \$1.25, an increase of 25 cents over last year's fee.

Where the permit fee for private collectors is concerned, the amended ordinance states a permit fee of \$350 shall be charged for each vehicle than an appli-

cant uses in his or her business.

According to the ordinance, the fee will not be prorated and is payable in advance before the permit is issued. Holder of this type of permit will also be required to pay the balefill dumping fee of \$22 per ton as well as any other related surcharges.

Last year, the city raised the sanitation rate by \$1 to \$7.50 generating approximately \$115,000 in additional revenue to handle the city's landfill and compost facility.

The idea behind last year's increase was to continue to save space in the city's landfill.

By saving space, the city will save \$1 million a year by staying in its current landfill space because the city is not putting trash on top of trash and are not having to line out landfill like other communities.

Midland is paying about \$1 million a year for its landfill because it does not have a baler system like Big Spring.

Having the sanitation fee at \$8.50 still puts the city of Big Spring among the lowest rates in the area for residential sanitation fees.

Sanitation fees for cities comparable to Big Spring include Andrews, \$9.50; Borger, \$12.50; Brownfield, \$17.25; Fort Stockton, \$12.27; Sweetwater, \$15; and Monahans, \$14.

Because the city is saving space and recycling, the projected lifespan of the current landfill is December 2020.

Texas Tech exes will gather Tuesday at BSCC

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN
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Former students and friends of Texas Tech University will gather Tuesday for a program at Big Spring Country Club.

Along with a chance for visiting and listening to speakers, including Texas Tech Chancellor John Montford, the gathering is hoped to lead to the formation of a Tech-exes Association locally.

"We're hoping it will really generate some interest in forming a group here," said Stephanie Putnik, field representative for the ex-students association.

TEXAS TECH EXES

For more information about the formation of a local Tech Exes' Association, call McDaniel at 267-3388 or Nancy Welch at 267-9702.

Roxie McDaniel, Big Spring resident and graduate of Texas Tech, is spearheading the effort. She said she hopes the group will promote the university with local youth, and raise money for scholarships.

"Why go somewhere else for college when you have the best within 100 miles?" McDaniel said.

When Putnik and McDaniel

began looking into forming a local association, they discovered there were 588 graduates of Texas Tech in Howard, Glasscock and Martin counties. Many Texas Tech graduates are leaders in Big Spring's business community.

All were sent invitations to the event.

But activities of the association will not be limited to grad-

uates. Also friends of the university who want to help promote Tech locally are welcome to join, McDaniel said.

"I know there are a lot of people who are interested in Tech," she said. "There's a lot of good (an exes' association) can do for our community."

Putnik said Texas Tech is preparing for the Horizon Campaign in February 1998. This will be a major effort to raise the level of education and research at the university, and increase its endowment.

"People think of Tech as someplace out in the weeds. We're really going to show what type of quality we have," she said.

Time flew for astronaut on Mir

SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP) — If nothing else, dealing with the constant problems on Mir helped the time fly by for American astronaut Michael Foale.

The 40-year-old physicist was more than glad to move out Sunday, ending his difficult and sometimes scary 4-month mission aboard the timeworn Russian space station.

Foale helped his successor, David Wolf, settle into Mir today. Foale sounded excited in his morning conversations with

flight controllers; Wolf was laid-back as usual.

"I wouldn't be honest to say that I was not happy," Foale said hours after swapping places with Wolf, who began a four-month stay after arriving on the space shuttle Atlantis.

Foale, who had worried that debate about Mir's safety might delay the Atlantis and his ride home, was visibly moved during a broadcast interview when he spoke of his wife, his 5-year-old daughter and his 3-year-old son.

WEATHER

Tonight:



Tues:



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Tonight, fair. Lows 55-65. Tuesday, mostly sunny. Highs lower to mid 90s. Tuesday night, fair. Lows upper 50s to lower 60s. Extended forecast, Wednesday through Friday, fair. Lows from the upper 50s to lower 60s. Highs from the upper 80s to lower 90s.

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"I've nothing better to do, and there's a friendly atmosphere."



"I enjoy it and it's better than going to a bar."



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"There's nothing else to do and I enjoy playing."



"I love it, and it's a good pastime."



"I like it, and it's easy money."



"We're using up our children inheritance."



"We enjoy it, but we like it better when we win."

Citing abuses, Arney promises to overhaul Internal Revenue Service

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House will pass legislation this year to rein in abuses by the IRS, Majority Leader Dick Arney promised. He suggested an overhaul is needed to counter such excesses as IRS targeting of conservative groups unfriendly toward the administration.

Also Sunday, Newsweek magazine reported the Internal Revenue Service responded to searing criticism in a Senate hearing of its treatment of taxpayers by suspending several district-level managers.

Newsweek said in its edition on newstands Monday that it had a memo signed by a suspended manager, Arkansas-Oklahoma district collection chief Ronald James. The document details how the IRS, in

apparent defiance of law, evaluates agents by the seizures and levies they make, the news-magazine said.

IRS spokesman Frank Keith said he couldn't comment on specific cases because of privacy laws, but he noted that agency's acting commissioner, Michael Dolan, promised the Senate Finance Committee to act immediately against abuses. That could entail suspensions of employees, Keith said.

Arney, R-Texas, told "Fox News Sunday" a bill is being put together to reform the IRS. He said it would be based on recommendations of a congressional commission headed by Rep. Rob Portman, R-Ohio, and Sen. Bob Kerrey, D-Nebr., that the responsibility for watching over IRS activities be moved

from the Treasury Department to a new board of directors.

"We'll pass that before this year is over. I expect the president will sign it," Arney said.

Senate action on an IRS bill this year is less certain, but Kerrey, appearing on CBS' "Face the Nation," said he thinks his colleagues will pass legislation as well. "There is an urgency to do so," Kerrey said.

In the hearings last week, taxpayers and IRS employees recited a litany of examples of IRS harassment and abuse, including targeting for audits lower-income citizens who lack resources to fight claims.

Arney carried that a step further. He said he "would not be surprised" if it were proven that the administration has used the IRS to attack anti-

Clinton groups and individuals.

"It's very hard to ignore the possibility that there may be a conscious singling out of people that are seen as not friendly to this administration," Arney said. He said two groups he was affiliated with faced audits for the first time after he became majority leader.

White House spokesman Barry Toiv, in Arkansas with President Clinton, denied White House involvement in IRS activities. Several weeks ago, friends of Paula Jones suggested she was being audited in retaliation for a sexual harassment lawsuit she has filed against President Clinton. White House press secretary Mike McCurry responded: "We have done some dumb things from time to time, but we're not certifiably insane."

Lawmakers appearing on Sunday's news shows stressed that any IRS bill enacted this year would be only a first step toward more fundamental changes in the way the government collects taxes. Some want a national sales tax. Arney and former presidential candidate Steve Forbes favor a flat tax in which everybody above a certain income level would pay the same tax rate, with few or no deductions.

Abuses revealed in the past week, Forbes told the International Conservative Congress meeting Sunday in Washington, "are a symptom of a grossly, corrupting complex tax code. If we don't get rid of the tax code, the IRS abuses will ultimately remain."

House Speaker Newt

Gingrich, R-Ga., speaking to the same group, said he hopes to introduce by May or June of next year a "dramatic bold tax reform bill" that would save time for the American people and "dramatically shrink the Internal Revenue Service."

On CBS, Senate Judiciary Committee Chairman Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, said: "Congress has created this monster. We need to change it. We need to simplify it."

Arney and other GOP leaders last week announced plans for a national tour to promote the need for tax reform. Gingrich told reporters Sunday that the goal is "increased awareness that will bring people to the need to replace the current tax code and replace the IRS as we know it."

Mass funeral held for unidentified in crash of Indonesian airplane

MEDAN, Indonesia (AP) — Weeping relatives threw flowers into a mass grave and called out the names of their dead as 48 bodies, mutilated beyond recognition in Indonesia's worst air disaster, were buried today.

One girl tried to push past police to the edge of the grave. "Papa, papa," she sobbed, as the officers held her back. She tossed flower petals into the pit, unsure which coffin bore the body of her father.

The other 186 killed Friday when a Garuda Airlines Airbus slammed into the jungle near haze-shrouded Medan airport were identified, officials said.

Most were turned over to their families Sunday for private burial after the harrowing identification process. Heartbroken relatives roamed among coffins and tarpaulin-covered remains in an open-air morgue, cloths pressed against their faces to fight the stench as they tried to identify their loved ones from scraps of clothing or body parts.

The dead included four Americans, two Britons, four Germans, three French, two Italians on their honeymoon, one Dutch, one Australian and six each from Taiwan and Japan.

Those who could not be identified were placed in coffins and buried in a half-hour ceremony today at the Mamborano Monument. The cemetery, just outside the fence of Medan's Polonia Airport, already contains 57 victims of a 1979 Garuda commuter plane crash.

A crowd of hundreds wept today beside the mass grave. As soil dropped onto the caskets marked with symbols for male or female, sobbing relatives pushed near to throw flowers and cry out names.

Investigators searched today in the mud and jungle growth of the crash site for the flight data and cockpit voice recorders that could explain why the plane crashed on approach to the Sumatra island airport.

President Suharto has asked Transportation Minister Haryanto Dhanutirto to move the airport, and in the meantime, to review all operations connected with flights, pilots and safety.

The official Antara news agency quoted State Secretariat Minister Mardiono as saying the relocation and safety check are being planned "because there have been accidents involving flights to Medan."

The haze that blanketed Medan on Friday and Saturday lifted enough Sunday to allow 300 mourners to fly in and attempt to claim their dead.

Fifty-seven bodies were flown back to the capital, Jakarta, where relatives placed photographs and keepsakes on the coffins as they were unloaded for a memorial ceremony late Sunday.

The state-run insurance company, PT Jasa Raharja, said it will pay up to \$13,000 in compensation for each victim. It is awaiting details from Garuda to confirm the identity of the passengers.

The haze that enshrouded the airport, caused by hundreds of forest and brush fires on Indonesia, is one of the possible causes being investigated. However, an airport official said the plane had been on instrument approach for the main runway.

The crash was only one in a series of disasters to hit Indonesia in recent days.

A magnitude-6 earthquake shook the island of Sulawesi on Sunday, killing 16 and injuring 331, news reports said. Indonesia also is coping with choking air pollution from the wildfires, a series of ship collisions and a grinding drought.

Law firm's ethics challenged after discovery of client-prepping memo

DALLAS (AP) — Judges and defense lawyers are questioning the ethics of a Dallas law firm that uses a controversial document to prepare clients with asbestos damage claims.

At stake is the credibility of millions of dollars in claims by Baron & Budd clients nationwide, according to The Dallas Morning News' editions Sunday.

Defense attorneys for asbestos manufacturers claim in court records that a 20-page memorandum Baron & Budd gives clients before they testify is designed to "create evidence that would perpetuate a fraud."

Last week, state District Judge John Marshall in Dallas referred the issue to a State Bar of Texas grievance committee.

The document, titled "Preparing for Your Deposition," lists products that contained asbestos, along with descriptions of packaging and a list of asbestos-related health symptoms that could enhance legal damages.

One section tells clients: "You may be asked how you are able to recall so many product names. The best answer is to say that you recall seeing the names on the containers or on the product itself. The more you thought about it, the more you remembered!"

Another portion states: "If there is a MISTAKE on your Work History Sheets, explain that the 'girl from Baron & Budd' must have misunderstood

what you told her when she wrote it down."

Firm founder Fred Baron told a San Antonio judge on Sept. 18 that he had been unaware of the document, but that legal experts have since found it "perfectly appropriate ... there has been absolutely no foul committed here."

The controversy is a defense tactic to sabotage legitimate cases, said Bob Greenberg, who represents the firm.

But a defense lawyer in an Ohio asbestos case filed by Baron & Budd describes the document as a "psychological masterpiece" meant to induce false testimony.

"Step by step, it leads the client to the conclusion that in order to win money, the client must be free with his answers and in disregard of the truth," said Tom Riley, a Cedar Rapids, Iowa, attorney for Raymark Industries. "It tells how to lie. Do it with confidence. The more confident you are, the more money you'll get."

Thousands of Baron & Budd clients contend that they have been injured by exposure to asbestos, a fibrous substance

known to cause cancer and other health problems.

Hundreds of millions of dollars in judgments and awards have been paid out nationally as a result of the litigation, which has forced some of the largest asbestos manufacturers into bankruptcy. Last year, according to Mealey's Litigation Reports, Owens-Corning alone paid out \$267 million in damages and defense costs.

Baron & Budd's document surfaced Aug. 27 when one of its asbestos claimants referred to it during a deposition in Corpus Christi. Defense attorneys filed it as an exhibit a week later and within days, the memorandum began appearing in courtrooms from San Antonio to Cincinnati.

Over the last two weeks, Baron & Budd attorneys have appeared in at least six courts in Texas and Ohio, arguing that the document is protected by attorney-client privilege and relates only to the Corpus Christi case.

Defense attorneys are asking the courts to suspend Baron & Budd cases until they can determine if the document has influenced testimony.

USDA to inspect another Nebraska packing plant after E. coli report from Virginia market

NORFOLK, Neb. (AP) — A routine federal inspection has turned up E. coli in meat at a Virginia supermarket and records indicate the tainted beef came from a packing plant in Norfolk, Neb.

An inspector from the USDA was expected today at the BeefAmerica plant. The company is cooperating with the investigation, said Jacque Knight, a USDA spokeswoman in Washington.

The bacteria was found in fresh ground beef in Emporia, Va., as part of the USDA's random sampling program, she said.

No illnesses traced to the tainted meat have been reported, Knight said. The Great Valu Supermarket in Emporia is conducting a voluntary recall of any fresh ground beef sold in the store Sept. 3 or 4. No other recalls have been implemented.

E. coli can cause serious illness or even death if the meat is not

cooked properly. The bacteria was blamed for a recall of 25 million pounds of ground beef from a Hudson Foods plant in Columbus, Neb.



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"A robin redbreast in a cage
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OUR VIEWS

Tell us what's good about Big Spring

Perhaps you saw Nancy Koger's guest column in Sunday's *Herald*. If not, please take the time to find a copy of the newspaper and read it, because we believe she makes some excellent points.

Just as has Nancy, over the years we've heard about why someone would never want to do anything in Big Spring ... about how there's nothing to do here on the weekend and why you would want to live someplace else.

The solicitation for your thoughts about what's good in our community is one of those exercises we hope is contagious. If enough people ask someone else what they like about our town and then listen to the response, those speaking up about the positive could drown out the nay-sayers.

We do, by the way, have a lot to offer as a community.

People from all over West Texas come to Big Spring to take advantage of Comanche Trail Park and Scenic Mountain ... they visit the spring and the lake and the playgrounds and they see and are envious of what we have in our community.

We have a symphony orchestra that more than holds its own with those in our neighboring communities and we have an active arts community as well.

As for nothing to do on the weekend, we've listed more than 500 weekend events and activities over the past year in our Friday "Weekend Ticket" feature.

Our community is blessed with a low crime rate and a high number of people who will stop and help someone in need. Ours is a community in which we can wave goodbye to our children as they head down the sidewalk on their way to school and not worry about them.

Yes, we believe our town to be a special place and we think that if you will take part in Nancy's project, you, too, will feel the same way.

So, please ... take the time to let us know what you think is good about Big Spring and then watch for the results later next month.

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Should lack of originality be punished?

By CHARLES McDOWELL
Media General News Service

WASHINGTON — The front page of the Washington Post on Sept. 20 was dominated by photographs of Michael Chang and Pete Sampras winning the opening matches of the Davis Cup tennis semi-finals here against Australia. The caption in big type at the top of the page said: "Creating Quite a Racket."

I did not let the gasping banality of the pun deter me from going on to the actual coverage in the sports section. Well, there a big streamer headline said: "United States Puts Australia in Check, Mate."

At the office I asked a colleague why he supposed good newspapers were getting into this silly-headline game on their sports pages. He looked up from the Post and said, "I don't know — maybe because they're doing it on the other pages."

He was holding the front page of the business section. A

three-column story on thievery by employees in hotels was headed: "An Inside Job."

I made a point of checking that day's Richmond Times-Dispatch, of course, out of sheer fairness. No puns caught my attention in the news pages but sports had one on the front of the section. The University of Richmond Spiders were preparing for a football game, and somehow somebody had thought to write: "Spiders spinning web for Hopkins."

When I telephoned a friend in Richmond to scoff, I lost control of the critique because I thought the Spiders were playing Johns Hopkins, which doesn't play football. The Hopkins in the headline was a running back at Virginia Military Institute, and I was an old fogey opposed to bright writing.

Anyway, there were many sports puns in my pile newspapers. For instance: "Barber finds Big Apple tasty". What could that be about? Well, one Tiki Barber, formerly at the University of Virginia, was

enjoying playing football for the New York Giants. Or try this: "No. 2 Washington suffers Frost(bite)". Which is to say that Scott Frost, a Nebraska back, was too good for 'em.

At my request, Jerry Finch, the Times-Dispatch's cheerful ombudsman, passed along a collection of puns, many cited by protesting readers. The most awesomely weird one Finch had found in another newspaper. It was a headline on Seattle's defeat of Cleveland in a baseball playoff game in 1995: "Seattle Sews Cleveland". Yes, a racehorse named Seattle Slew won the triple crown in 1977. So what? So memory counts. Along with real respect for irrelevance.

The Oxford English Dictionary dates the pun from the 1660s. It is "the use of two or more words of the same or nearly the same sound with different meanings, so as to produce a humorous effect, a play on words."

We probably should try to remember that Jonathan Swift, 1667-1745, spoke of "God's

revenge against punning."

The New Encyclopedia Britannica says: "Most puns strike one as atrocious, perhaps because they represent the most primitive form of humor — two disparate strings of thought tied together by an acoustic knot."

For example, Sigmund Freud, 1856-1939, the father of psychoanalysis, mentioned a person who called the Christmas holidays the "alcohololidays."

Dorothy Parker, 1893-1967, admirably rose above puns most of the time but did write: "A girl's best friend is her mutter."

Groucho Marx, 1896-1977, recounting a safari to Africa, said, "We shot two bucks, but that was all the money we had."

As Britannica tells us, Max Eastman, in "The Enjoyment of Laughter" (1936), remarked of a labored pun by Ogden Nash, "It is not a pun but a punitive expedition."

Yes, most puns are bad. The ones that pass for good have to be bad in very ingenious ways.

Making a government promise and keeping it

By ROBERT D. BEHN
Governing Magazine

During Republican Tom Ridge's 1994 campaign for governor, Pennsylvania's citizens from business executives to municipal officials to homeowners — complained to him about how long it took the state to issue environmental permits.

So Ridge pledged that, as governor, he would, by executive order, set a deadline for reviewing each permit.

After his election, Ridge did just that. And he added a money-back guarantee: If the Department of Environmental Protection failed to make a decision by the deadline, the agency would have to refund the applicant's permit fee.

James Self, the new department secretary, went even further. He promised that if DEP had to return a permit fee, he would personally deliver the check. And when he did so, he would have his picture taken with both the applicant and the member of the DEP staff who

was responsible for the delay.

DEP issues 120 types of permits that are covered by the guarantee. Some are simple water permits where the fees are as low as \$25 and the time necessary for approval as brief as 30 days. Others are complex, hazardous-waste permits that can cost up to \$36,000 and require close to two years to review.

The money-back guarantee has been in operation for more than two years now. During this time, the department has issued more than 15,000 permits. And it has not missed a single deadline. As one DEP manager explained, "No one wants to get his picture taken with the secretary."

Merely saying that you'll meet a deadline is no big deal. Businesses and governments make such promises all the time. And we, the citizens, rarely believe either. When the promise comes with a money-back guarantee, however, we pay attention.

But the managerial challenge is not merely to convince cus-

tomers or citizens that the deadline is serious. The organization's leaders also have to convince their own employees. Most of the time, most people will dismiss a new initiative as simply another nutty idea that soon will go away: "If we just ignore it, the boss will forget all about it."

So how do public managers ensure that their employees understand that they are irrevocably committed to an idea or action?

By making that commitment very public. Once Ridge signed the executive order, he put his personal and political reputation on the line. He could not retreat. Similarly, once Self told everyone in his department that he would have his picture taken — and theirs — if anyone missed a deadline, he, too, could not retreat.

By issuing its permits on time, DEP has not, of course, actually improved the quality of the air or water. But it has improved the department's reputation with the state's citizens. Self has used the money-

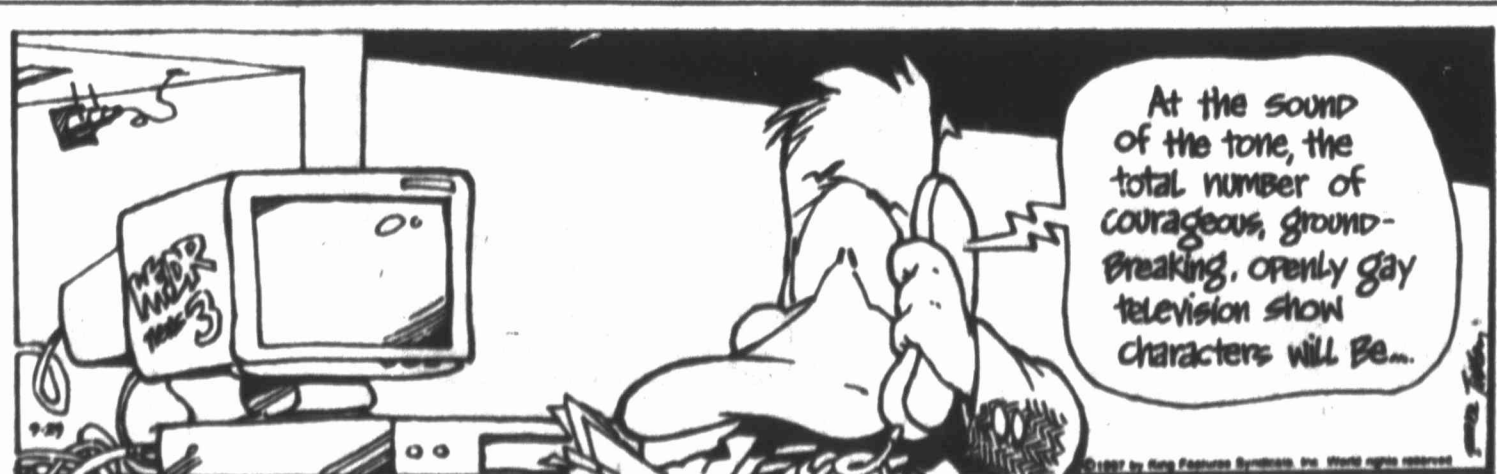
back guarantee as a way to establish his department's competence. The public hears about the efficiency of the permit process and thinks, "They know how to run the place."

In this age of citizen cynicism, having a reputation for knowing how to run the place is a prerequisite for actually doing it. To accomplish anything, public agencies first need a reputation for competence.

Making a public commitment to achieve a particular result by a particular time is risky. One governor once told his department heads, "Never put a number and a date in the same sentence." But without a very explicit, very public commitment, it is difficult to mobilize the people and resources necessary to achieve the desired result.

(Robert D. Behn is director of the Governors Center at Duke University and the author of "Leadership Counts: Lessons for Public Managers." Harvard University Press.)

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Cowboys win, but still disappointed, confused by sluggish start

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

IRVING — After two weeks of trying to work themselves out of an early season funk, the Dallas Cowboys had expected to take out all their offensive frustrations on the injured, winless Chicago Bears.

Instead, the Cowboys came out of Sunday's unimpressive 27-3 victory still scratching their heads and wondering if they will ever start clicking again.

"We just can't allow ourselves to accept the mediocrity we've put out on the field the last three weeks," said quarterback Troy Aikman, who was 12-of-27 for 144 yards.

"I think that if we execute in practice and we pay attention to detail and

there's some emphasis the things that are important, we can have an excellent offensive football team. But if we continue to go through the motions like we have, I'm going to stand up here each and every Sunday and talk about how we need to improve."

Dallas looked like it had its world-beating offense back in blowing out Pittsburgh 37-7 in the opener. The passing game was wonderful and Emmitt Smith seemed recovered from an injury filled 1996.

But the Cowboys have scored just four offensive touchdowns in the 12 quarters and an overtime since then. Of their two offensive touchdowns Sunday, one came on a 6-yard drive.

"I guess everybody expects to play at a certain level and when you don't do

it, it's pretty frustrating," said Smith, who had just 43 yards on 13 carries and has yet to score this season. "We just expect a lot more of ourselves."

All-out blitzing by Arizona, Philadelphia and Chicago has thrown Dallas out of whack. Aikman is constantly trying to avoid oncoming defenders — many of whom are never even bumped — and that leaves him little time to look for receivers star receivers Michael Irvin and Anthony Miller.

The Cowboys worked on trying to beat the blitz during their bye week, but even Aikman said they obviously didn't spend enough time on it.

"We've got to do a better job picking up the blitzes," Aikman said. "Until we do, we're doing to keep seeing it

week in and week out."

Running backs coach Joe Brodsky said Aikman was hit hard 20 times. He was sacked three times and had five knockdowns.

"I don't care if I get hit," Aikman said. "It's when we're not making plays, not moving the ball and not scoring points — that's when I get frustrated."

The Dallas offense was especially lousy in the first half, gaining no yards rushing and only 46 passing. The Cowboys led 7-3 mainly because of a Kevin Smith interception at the Chicago 6 that set up an Aikman touchdown pass to Miller.

Things improved after some halftime adjustments, but not enough to make the Cowboys believe they've solved

their problems.

"The reason we were able to score in the second half was because we were able to make plays," Aikman said. "We were unable to do that in the first half and we were unable to do that against Philadelphia."

Despite it all, the Cowboys are 3-1.

Dallas players know they better get their act together quickly if they want to make another Super Bowl run because four of their next five opponents are likely playoff teams, and only one is at home.

"After what we went through last year, I think there needs to be more sense of urgency on this football team," Aikman said. "How does that come about? I don't know if I can answer that."

Ryder Cup: Ballesteros inspires Europeans to victory

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

SOTOGRADE, Spain — The Americans had Tiger Woods. They had three of this year's major winners. They had eight of the world's top 13-ranked players.

What they didn't have was Seve Ballesteros.

The Europeans did — and he's the main reason the Ryder Cup is staying on this side of the Atlantic.

"Seve wasn't just a captain — he was like a father to the players," rookie Ignacio Garrido said after Europe retained the Cup with a 141/2-131/2 victory Sunday. "Our hands were on the clubs, but it was like Seve was hitting the shots."

Ballesteros was everywhere, scooting around the Valderrama course on his golf cart, stopping to cajole, advise, encourage, hug and sometimes even scold his players.

They didn't always appreciate his meddling, but they understood that this was his team, his country and, for all intents and purposes, his Ryder Cup.

Even when Europe clinched at least a tie — enough to retain the Cup as defending champion — Ballesteros didn't celebrate. He wanted outright victory, which finally came when Colin Montgomerie secured a half-point on the final hole against Scott Hoch.

It wasn't until then, during a driving rainstorm, that Ballesteros could flash that famous smile and savor the soccer-style chants of "Ohhh-laaaay ... Olay-Olay-Olaaaay ... Ohhh-laaaay ... Ohhh-laaaay" which swept across the grounds.

"(U.S. captain) Tom Kite wanted it badly, but maybe Seve wanted it a little bit more," Montgomerie said. "He's intense, that's for sure. I'm glad he left me to my own devices on the last two holes."

All 12 Europeans players contributed at least one point over the three days, with Montgomerie, Bernhard Langer and Costantino Rocca providing the vital points Sunday to hold off a furious American rally that nearly produced the greatest comeback in history.



Sands' Holly Zant (left) crosses the finish line to take first-place individual honors at the Soreheads Cross Country Meet in Stanton Saturday. Seconds later, teammate Jessica Dewett took second place, as the Lady Mustangs swept the first three individual spots and won the girls' division team title.

Sands posts 1-2-3 sweep to win Soreheads meet

HERALD Staff Report

Sands' Lady Mustangs swept the first three places en route to a first-place team finish in Saturday's first Soreheads Cross Country Meet hosted by Stanton High School.

Holly Zant posted a 13:51 clocking to take first place in the girls' individual standings, edging out teammate Jessica Dewett who was 12 seconds back at 14:03. Trisha Nichols completed the 1-2-3 sweep with a 14:09 clocking.

Teammate Laci Webb also earned a medal, finishing the two-mile circuit around the Martin County Country Club in ninth place with a 15:07 clocking.

A total of 73 runners took part in the girls' division.

In addition, the Lady Mustangs got strong finishes from Starr Hopper, who was 18th, Mindy Floyd (19th) and Shelly Blagrove (36th).

Stanton's host Lady Buffs finished fourth in the six-team field, paced by Erika Benevidez, who was fourth individually with a 14:32.67 clocking.

The Lady Buffs were without the services of Wendy Woodfin and Tiffany Madison. They might have helped improve Stanton's team finish, but could not run.

Emily Woodfin finished 17th in the standings, while Jonna Moore was 22nd, Jessica Carroll was 23rd, and Rachel Madison finished 25.

Stanton's only junior varsity entrant, Christy Salgado, finished 27th.

In the boys' division, where Robert Lee held off Monahans for the team title, Stanton's Julio Cazares was fifth in a field of 31 runners with a 18:37.27 clocking, while teammate David Butler joined in the individual medals with a 19:21.18 that was good enough for eighth place.

Stanton also got a 14th place finish from J.D. Ramos, while Angel Salazar was 19th. Kory Waters was unable to compete Saturday.

While the Lady Mustangs take a week off before running in the Big Spring Cross Country Meet on Oct. 11, Stanton's runners will travel to Lubbock for a meet Saturday at Mae Simmons Park.

Kujawski wins at Irion County's meet

Garden City's Tiffany Kujawski turned in a personal best of 12 minutes and 15 seconds Saturday in taking first place at the Irion County Cross Country Meet.

Kujawski's teammate Megan Goodwin finished 39, while three other Lady Bearcats — Aaron Medner, Kina Lankford and Maggie Lopez — also took part in the meet.

The Lady Bearcats will take a week off before competing in the Big Spring meet.

Forsan runners post personal bests

For a second straight week, every member of Forsan's cross country program posted personal bests while competing in the Irion County meet.

And for LaDonna Dennis, who finished 15th in the girls' race, it was her second medal finish of the season and led the Lady Buffs to a ninth-place finish in the team standings.

Tonnie Loera finished 27th in the girls standings, followed by Sarah Harrison in 54th place, while Melanie Crouch and Amanda Epley finished 60th and 68th, respectively.

Adam Dunlap led Forsan's group of four boys' entrants, finishing 37th. Brandon Bingham finished 40th, Jeremy Becerra was 40th across the finish line and Matt Mims was 61st.

The Buffs and Lady Buffs will also take a weekend off before taking part in the Big Spring meet.

FINISHES VAULT



Amber Nichols finishes a vault while warming up before the second round of the district qualifying meet for Level 4-6 gymnasts hosted by the Big Spring Sidewinders at the YMCA on Saturday.

Bonds looks for redemption, Griffey looks toward big October

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

For Jeff Bagwell, Gary Sheffield and Rod Beck, at last there's a reason to stick around after the regular season.

The playoffs are starting and, for the first time, they'll be part of them.

"There's not a sweeter moment in the world," Beck said after the San Francisco Giants clinched the NL West during the weekend. "I've been waiting a long time for this."

Greg Maddux will throw the first pitch of the 1997 postseason Tuesday when the NL East champion Atlanta Braves take on Bagwell and the Central champion Houston Astros at Turner Field at 1:07 p.m. EDT.

Later in the afternoon, Sheffield and the wild-card Florida Marlins make

their first playoff appearance against the visiting Giants.

The AL playoffs begin Tuesday night when the wild-card New York Yankees begin defense of their World Series title at home against the Central champion Cleveland Indians.

On Wednesday night, Cal Ripken and the East champion Baltimore Orioles face the West champion Mariners at the Kingdome.

First-round matchups in the division series are best-of-5.

"We got plenty of rest and prepared to play the Braves, so we should be excited," said Bagwell, who set an Astros record with 43 home runs. "We go there and work out tomorrow afternoon and then sleep fast and play a day game. We won't have much time to think about it."

Barry Bonds, though, has had a long time to reflect on his past playoff performances.

The last time we saw Bonds in the postseason, he was sitting in left field in stunned silence, his throw home at Atlanta having come too late to stop Francisco Cabrera from beating the Pittsburgh Pirates in Game 7.

"This is great," Bonds said when the Giants won the West. "Nobody expected us to do anything. I just wanted to be like the Green Bay Packers and jump into the stands."

The Giants became only the fourth team to go from last place to first place in the following season, winning their first title since 1989. They did it despite being outscored, the first playoff team to do that since the 1987 Minnesota Twins.

Bonds has been to the playoffs three times, but his Pirates failed to reach the World Series in 1990-92. Despite his three MVP awards, Bonds never has starred in the postseason, batting .191 with only one homer.

With 40 homers and more than 100 RBIs this season, Bonds will look to atone for past performances and try to lead the Giants to their first World Series championship since 1954, when they played at the Polo Grounds in New York.

Ken Griffey Jr. also is seeking his first World Series title. He hit six home runs and batted .364 in the 1995 postseason, but the Mariners were beaten by Cleveland.

The Orioles finished with the best record in the league, but must travel cross-country to face Randy Johnson

and the Mariners in Game 1.

Griffey hit his 56th home run and Johnson became the first 20-game winner in Mariners' history Saturday.

"It's a great feeling," Johnson said. "This game is all numbers. If anybody tells you that sports aren't made up of numbers, then all you've got to do is to tell them to look at the Mariners' season this year."

The wild-card Yankees, with David Cone back in the rotation, will be home for the first two games against the Indians. The Yankees won the season series 6-5 and are one of the few teams to have consistent success at Jacobs Field.

The NL East champion Braves, having reached four of the last five World Series, begin another bid against Central champion Houston.

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6	News (CC) WV Fortune	Simpsons Home Imp.	Science Guy Creatures	Again	News (CC) Grace Under	News (CC) WV Fortune	News Seinfeld (CC)	Who's Boss? Who's Boss?	Mi Querida Isabel	Movie: D3: The Mighty	Dukes of Hazzard	(10) National Lampoon's	On the Set	"	"	Light of the Southwest	Law & Order (CC)	Gimme Shelter	Lois & Clark: Superman	Pennant Sports News	NFL Prime	Movie: On Moonlight	Planet Groove
7	Timecop (CC)	Malcolm Place (CC)	Full Circle (CC)	"	Cosby (CC) Raymond	Timecop (CC)	Suddenly Fired Up (CC)	(05) Movie: Dark Night of	El Alma No Tiene Color	Ducks (CC)	Today's Country	The Don's Analyst	Stargate SG-1	Real Sports (CC)	"	Jay Sekulow	Wild Discovery	WCW Nitro (CC)	This is the PGA Tour	Monday	Bay	"	
8	NFL Football: San Fran-49ers at Carolina	Aly McBeal (CC)	American Experience (CC)	Movie: Diagnosis of Murder (CC)	Cybill (CC) George & Leo	NFL Football: San Fran-49ers at Carolina	Caroline Naked Truth	The Scarecrow	Alma No Tiene Color	Pee-wee's Big Adventure	Prime Time Country (CC)	Movie: Showgirls	Movie: Species (CC)	Movie: Waiting to	Charisma Duplantier	Poison	Elephant Man	USISL Soccer: A-	Figure Skat- ing: Legends	Movie: Hombre	Hi List	"	
9	Panthers (CC)	Home Imp. Mad Abc. You	News-Letter	700 Club	News (CC) (35) Late	Panthers (CC)	News Tonight Show	(05) Movie: Silver Bullet	P. Impacto Noticiero Uni.	the Shaggy Dog	Dallas	(15) Movie: Showgirl	Movie: Girl 6 (CC)	Law & Order (CC)	Justice Files	"	FOX Sports News	Cheerleading Sportscenter	Movie: Battle Cry	BET Tonight	"		
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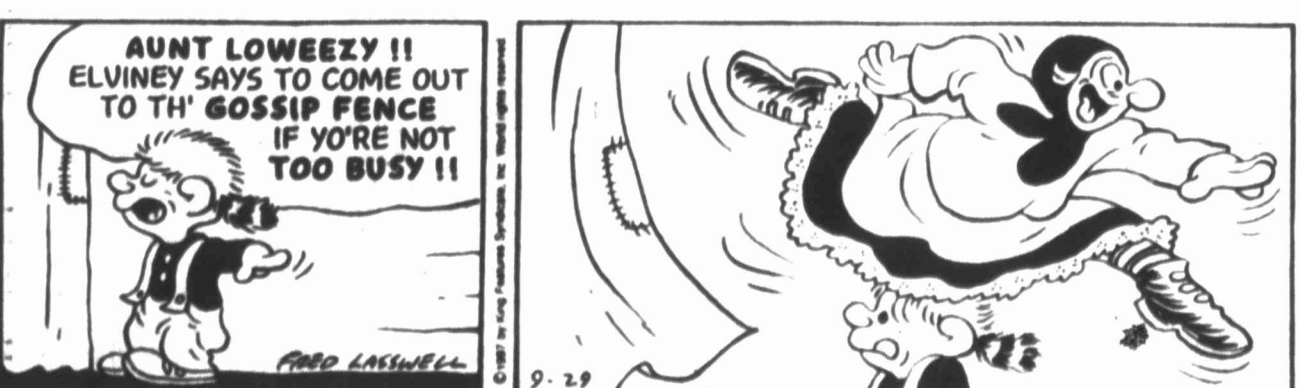
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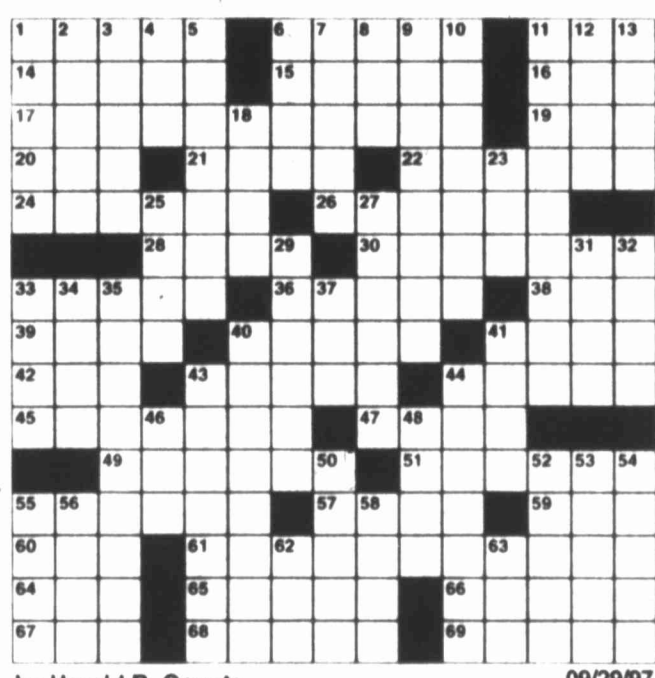
days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:
On Sept. 29, 1789, the U.S. War Department established a regular army with a strength of several hundred men.

On this date:
In 1758, English Admiral Horatio Nelson was born.

THE Daily Crossword

ACROSS
1 Former title of respect
6 Analyze a sentence
11 Droll one
14 Suburb of Minneapolis
15 Off-Broadway awards
16 Everything
17 Make waves
19 Inventor's monogram
20 Crude boat
21 Handbag
22 Cinema term
24 Shoe part
26 One who surfaces a roof
28 — the Red
30 Rings of color
33 Mails
36 Is esteemed
38 Call — day
39 Chills and fever
40 Terrific!
41 Apartment
42 Priestly garb
43 Suffix for confirm or affirm
44 Singer Crystal
45 Fish that attach to sharks
47 Ruler
49 Loved fondly
51 Ring of flowers
55 King of Mycenae
57 Moby Dick's pursuer
59 Half a dance?
60 Garland
61 Coast Guard detail
64 — Arbor, MI
65 Duck
66 Silly creatures
67 Sault — Marie
68 Garden tool
69 Soothers



by Harold B. Counts

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Saturday's Puzzle solved:



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In 1829, London's reorganized police force, which became known as Scotland Yard, went on duty.

In 1902, impresario David Belasco opened his first Broadway theater.

In 1918, Allied forces scored a decisive breakthrough of the Hindenburg Line during World War I.

In 1943, General Dwight D. Eisenhower and Italian Marshal Pietro Badoglio signed an armistice aboard the British ship Nelson off Malta.

In 1955, the Arthur Miller play "A View From the Bridge" opened at the Coronet Theater in New York City.

In 1957, the New York Giants played their last game at the Polo Grounds, losing to the Pittsburgh Pirates, 9-to-1. (The Giants moved to San Francisco.)

In 1963, the second session of Second Vatican Council opened in Rome.

In 1978, Pope John Paul I was found dead in his Vatican apartment just over a month after becoming head of the Roman Catholic Church.

In 1982, seven people in the Chicago area died after unwittingly taking Extra-Strength Tylenol capsules laced with cyanide.

Ten years ago: Henry Ford II, longtime chairman of Ford Motor Company, died in Detroit at age 70.

Five years ago: Magic Johnson, infected with the AIDS virus, announced he was returning to basketball (however, he scrapped his comeback attempt the following November). Lawmakers in Brazil voted overwhelmingly to impeach President Fernando Collor de Mello.

One year ago: The organization that supervised Bosnia's first postwar elections officially certified the results — with victories by nationalist parties and the country's Muslim president, Alija Izetbegovic.

Today's Birthdays: Former singing cowboy and baseball owner Gene Autry is 90. Movie director Michelangelo Antonioni is 85. Movie director Stanley Kramer is 84. Actress Elizabeth Scott is 75. Actor Steve Forrest is 73. Actress Anita Ekberg is 66. Singer Jerry Lee Lewis is 62. Actor Larry Linville is 58. Actress Madeline Kahn is 55. Actor Ian McShane is 55. Jazz musician Jean-Luc Ponty is 55. Television-film composer Mike Post is 53. TV personality Bryant Gumbel is 49. Rock singer-musician Mark Farner (Grand Funk Railroad) is 49. Rock musician Mike Pinera (Iron Butterfly) is 49. Country singer Alvin Crow is 47. Singer Suzzy Roche (The Roches) is 41. Actor-comedian Andrew Clay is 39.