



REVIEWS & PREVIEWS

Schindler's List

The Holocaust drama has become a classic, but can it work on television? The test comes Sunday night./8B



SPORTS

LHS swimmer

Amber Goodwin didn't reach the state meet by laughing and joking, although it appeared at times she could have./1C

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A.M. BRIEFING

TODAY
Partly cloudy
with high
around 50.
Weather on 4A

**Rapist arrested**

Lawrence Singleton was arrested Wednesday on suspicion of the murder of Roxanne Hayes, whose body was found in his Tampa home. Singleton served eight years in a California prison for the rape and mutilation of a teen-age hitchhiker.

Story 7A

Deng's legacy

BEIJING — Ten thousand people — none of them foreigners — will be invited to the memorial for Deng Xiaoping, an event that will be low on pomp but will bring together the heirs who will govern China without its greatest modern reformer. On Day 1 of the post-Deng era Thursday, there were few outpourings of grief for the tiny man whose economic revolution transformed China from the rice-roots up.

Story 5A

Texas missteps

AUSTIN — The arrest of a state senator in an undercover prostitution sting is the latest in a long line of missteps that have helped give Texas politics its rogue's gallery reputation. Those deeds ranged from resume padding to paying college football players to a legislator having himself shot. An agriculture commissioner stuck his arm down a fire ant mound and was bitten 32 times. A gubernatorial candidate listed his occupation as "alleged racketeer."

Story 3B

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Abolish TAAS, say 5 state board members

■ Recommendation that TAAS be replaced by another test surprises local parents, educators.

By Myra Lee Salcedo
Staff Writer

In an announcement that surprised Midland educators, the Associated Press reported that five of 15 members of the State Board of Education want to abolish the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS) test. The board members, described by the AP as being backed by religious conservatives, said the Texas exam ought to be replaced by a national standardized test.

When both parents and teachers are adamantly against something, elected offi-

cials better sit up and take notice," state board member Donna Ballard of The Woodlands said.

Joining in the call to replace TAAS with periodic administrations of another, nationally recognized exam were: board members David Bradley of Beaumont, Richard Neill of Fort Worth, Robert Offutt of San Antonio and Randy Stevenson of Tyler, according to Ms. Ballard. All are Republicans.

Their call to ditch the TAAS immediately was opposed by a number of state officials, including House Public Education Committee Chairman Paul Sadler, D-Henderson.

"It's ridiculous. I don't know what world they're living on, I really don't," Sadler said of the five members on the 15-member edu-

Please see TAAS/4A

**Air Force security**

A U.S. Air Force vehicle drives toward the highly secured entrance of the Prince Sultan Air Base in Al Kharj, Saudi Arabia, Tuesday. Because of the threat of terrorism, the Air Force has lined the base with 30 miles of concertina wire and employed sophisticated security systems. Story 2A

MILLION-MILE AWARD



Postal carriers James Cooper, seated, and Emmett Matlock each received an award Thursday morning for their years of safe driving with the U.S. Postal Service.

Council recognizes local postal workers

By Michael Kashgarian
Staff Writer

Two local postal employees were recognized Thursday for delivering mail for 30-plus years without a preventable vehicle accident.

James Cooper and Emmett Matlock each received a "million mile" award from the National Safety Council. "It's a pretty illustrious club. Not everyone gets one," Postmaster Stan Sartain said during a ceremony at Clay-Desta Station.

In fact, Sartain said, he recalls only presenting one other such award locally in the last 18 years.

"They're just letting us know it's time to retire," Cooper said kiddingly.

Cooper, 55, said he'll probably retire in a couple of years. Matlock, 59, said he plans to retire next winter.

Matlock began his career with the postal service almost 31 years ago in Albuquerque, N.M. He transferred to Midland a year and a half later.

Matlock applied for a postal service job at the recommendation of his brother, who worked for the postal service until his retirement about a year ago.

"It's been a good career," Matlock said.

Cooper sought a job with the postal service after having a casual conversation with a letter carrier. At the time, Cooper had recently got out of the Navy and was working at a convenience store.

Please see SAFETY/4A

Rain pushes precipitation above normal

By Joe Gaines
Staff Writer

Overcast skies that dominated the area in the middle of the week finally gave way to rain late Wednesday night and early Thursday.

After dumping more than an inch of rain, the storm quickly moved northeast, leaving partly cloudy skies.

The week's rain helped the area's precipitation levels reach above normal. February, a month more known for having the year's lowest recorded temperatures, may be one of the year's wettest. Rainfall amounts so far have already surpassed the month's average.

The average amount of rain for February is just above 1.0 inch, with totals so far at 1.63 inches, according to the National Weather Service.

Amounts for the year are also above normal. The average amount of rain for the year so far is 0.80 inches. With Thursday's rain, the total precipitation for the year has reached 1.84 inches.

The recent abundance of rain has brought the

amount of precipitation since Oct. 1 to 3.47 inches, with the normal being 3.8 inches.

Many residents are hopeful that the drought has subsided.

"It's nice to have so much rain after a lengthy drought," M. White said.

Other areas to the east saw more rain. Big Spring reported 2.54 inches.

The same upper level disturbance responsible for giving the area a good soaking was more destructive in other parts of the state. The storm that dumped up to 5 inches of rain is being blamed for four deaths since Wednesday.

The storm put many parts of the state under either flash flood warnings or tornado watches, but none were issued for the Midland area, the NWS reported.

Today's forecast calls for partly cloudy skies, breezy and cooler with a high around 50. Winds will be from the north, increasing to 15-25 mph and gusty, according to the NWS.

Please see RAIN/4A

Both sides call Supreme Court abortion protest ruling a victory

■ Local representatives say ruling affirms right of those seeking abortion to safety, free speech of protesters.

By Gary Shanks
Staff Writer

Wednesday's Supreme Court decision to partially overturn restrictions on anti-abortion protesters has local representatives of both sides of the controversial topic claiming victory.

Supreme Court justices ruled that protesters can confront abortion-clinic patients on public sidewalks as long as they stay at least 15 feet away from clinic entrances.

The court did not strip abortion clinics and patients of the considerable protection granted in recent years against violence and intimidation. But the justices said a federal judge went too far in restricting anti-abortion demonstrators in the Buffalo and Rochester, N.Y., areas.

The judge in New York had ordered protesters to stay 15 feet away from any clinic patient or staff member, no matter where they were. But the justices voted 8-1 that such "floating buffer zones" violate rights guaranteed by the Constitution's First Amendment.

By a separate 6-3 vote, however, the court upheld a "fixed buffer zone" that keeps demonstrators at least 15 feet away from clinic doors and driveways.

By upholding this part of the lower-court's ruling, pro-choice activists are claiming victory, even though some of the restrictions against protesters were overturned.

"Yesterday's ruling affirms that women and health-care workers are entitled to enter health-care facilities without harassment," said Carla Hoveva, vice-president of public affairs for Planned Parenthood of West Texas.

Planned Parenthood, which provides women's health and reproductive health services, is the only agency providing abortion services in the Permian Basin.

"We were really pleased with the court's ruling," Ms. Hoveva said.

Also pleased with the ruling, however,

Please see RULING/4A



Ten-year-old Shawn Bailey searches for frogs and tadpoles in the rain-filled basin of Hill Park Thursday afternoon.

Brian Adamcik
Reporter-Telegram

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Fearing terrorism, Air Force settles into Saudi desert behind barbed wire

PRINCE SULTAN AIR BASE, Saudi Arabia (AP) — The U.S. Air Force is hunkering down behind 64 miles of 8-foot fence, tons of barbed wire and a long stretch of scorpion-and-snake desert to escape the threat of terrorism in Saudi Arabia.

Eight months after 19 of their comrades were killed in the bombing of high-rise apartments in eastern Saudi Arabia, more than 4,000 Air Force men and women are settled into a gritty, dusty city of 700 dun-colored tents where security may be tighter than at any military base in the world.

Even the latrines get "security" handling. Sewage tank trucks from outside are not allowed to penetrate the base perimeter, so on-base tankers must empty the latrines and transfer their contents to civilian trucks miles away at the fence.

Incoming fuel and water are handled the same way because of the fear of truck bombs, tying up dozens of trucks and scores of Air Force security police who escort them.

"We don't do anything for convenience or effi-

ciency," base commander Brig. Gen. Daniel M. Dick said.

In fact, despite the cable TV and the Burger King trailer, the base operation could hardly be more inconvenient.

Airmen are

assigned for

short, three-

month tours

of hardship

duty, depriving

Dick of

anything but a

tiny cadre of experienced

"Prince Sul-

tan hands." And then, about 10 percent of his per-

sonnel are dedicated full-time to security, a force mul-

tiplied by fake defense positions, dummy patrol vehi-

cles and a platoon of bomb-sniffing dogs.

The cocoon is reassuring to many.

"I'm concerned, but more for my family than for

myself. I see the security that's here, but they don't,"

said Staff Sgt. John McCarthy, 27, of Elmira, N.Y.

McCarthy, on his fourth Saudi tour, thinks about terrorism every day. He was injured in last June's blast at the Khobar Towers high rise.

"It was hard to explain to my 6-year-old boy why I was going back. All he knows is that 'Daddy' is going to Saudi again," McCarthy said.

The June bombing, evidently bent on driving the U.S. military from Saudi Arabia, remains unsolved. Within two months, the Air Force was mounting a 45-day emergency move in which 78 aircraft and 25,000 tons of equipment were consolidated here from two air bases — at Dhahran, near Khobar, and at the Saudi Capital, Riyadh.

The move cost the United States \$150 million. This air base covers one-tenth of the area of a bare-

ly developed 250-square-mile Saudi military site, 80 miles south of Riyadh. Near the edge of the forbidding Empty Quarter desert, the air-conditioned tents will be challenged by summer temperatures climbing to 118 degrees.

The F-15s, F-16s and other planes in Dick's Air Wing, the 440th Provisional, fly 200 sorties every day over southern Iraq, enforcing the "no-fly zone" ban on Iraqi war planes in the region.

But Dick, an energetic, compactly built F-16 pilot, places another mission at the top of his agenda here. "Force protection — it's obviously 'job one' for us," he said.

An initial Pentagon investigation of the Khobar blast suggested Dick's predecessor had not given "force protection" sufficient priority. The attackers were able to park their bomb-laden truck too close to the air force quarters.

Here, the complex's outer fence lies no closer than three miles to the inner perimeter encircling the American-manned air base.

Tenacious Hezbollah turns south Lebanon into 'Israel's Vietnam'

Cox News Service

NABATIYAH, Lebanon — As Israeli combat jets high overhead sent sonic booms echoing through this southern Lebanese town, Sheik Nabil Kaouk coolly explained how his Islamic guerrillas are prevailing in the war against the Jewish state's military might.

On the Middle East's last active fighting front, Hezbollah, the Iranian-backed Party of God, has seized the initiative in its hit-and-run offensive against Israeli troops in southern Lebanon.

"Israel has the best weapons, the newest technology. But we've been able to defeat the Israelis. Their weapons have become a burden to them," Kaouk, chief of Hezbollah in southern Lebanon, said in a rare interview.

Indeed, the hills of south Lebanon are being referred to by analysts on both sides of the border as "Israel's Vietnam," a quagmire in which Israeli forces leave themselves vulnerable to ambush and remote-controlled bombs while unable to rout the shadowy Hezbollah.

Hezbollah's leaders count as a moral victory the public debate within Israel to unilaterally withdraw from the zone after two heli-

copters ferrying troops there crashed in northern Israel earlier this month, killing 73.

While the helicopter disaster was apparently an accident, it came as yet another morale blow to Israel, which has lost more than 400 soldiers as a direct or indirect result of maintaining the nine-mile-wide buffer zone inside Lebanon.

"This reputation of a superior fighting force has for them become a weakness and they are not able to convince their own people that this myth is true," Kaouk said. "The Israeli soldier is not convinced of the mission, and this helps us in our battle against them."

Since its invasion of Lebanon in 1982, Israel's military has maintained a presence in southern Lebanon and the experience has been troublesome and bloody. It carved out the "security" zone in the south in 1985 in an attempt to prevent cross-border guerrilla attacks on north Israeli towns and villages.

Recent opinion polls in Israel showed that nearly 80 percent of Israelis oppose a unilateral withdrawal. But an equal proportion of Israelis also believe that their troops will never be able to destroy

Hezbollah.

The comparison with America's misfortune in Vietnam — a classic armored fighting force with unclear objectives against highly motivated and well-supplied guerrillas — echoes throughout the debate.

Punitive efforts by Israel to expand the war, including a major operation last April dubbed "Grapes of Wrath" and a similar offensive in July 1993, resulted in high Lebanese civilian casualties and international condemnation, with little apparent impact on Hezbollah's activities.

While the exact numbers are difficult to determine, Israeli and Lebanese security sources agree that in recent months Hezbollah has managed to reduce its losses and exact a greater toll on Israeli forces — by one estimate from a ratio of about 30 Hezbollah dead to every one Israeli to a ratio closer to three to one today.

Gone are the days when human waves of Hezbollah attackers sacrificed themselves against well-fortified Israeli positions.

Now, the fighting force is estimated to consist of no more than 400 guerrillas, who have been most effective at planting roadside bombs to ambush Israeli convoys moving between their bases. The Hezbollah fighters reside among

the scores of villages in the south, operating at night in small, secretive units.

"Over the past year, Hezbollah has shied away from the tactic of banging away at the Israelis," said Timur Goksel, spokesman for the U.N. forces in southern Lebanon. "They've become more selective in their targets — more selective and more effective."

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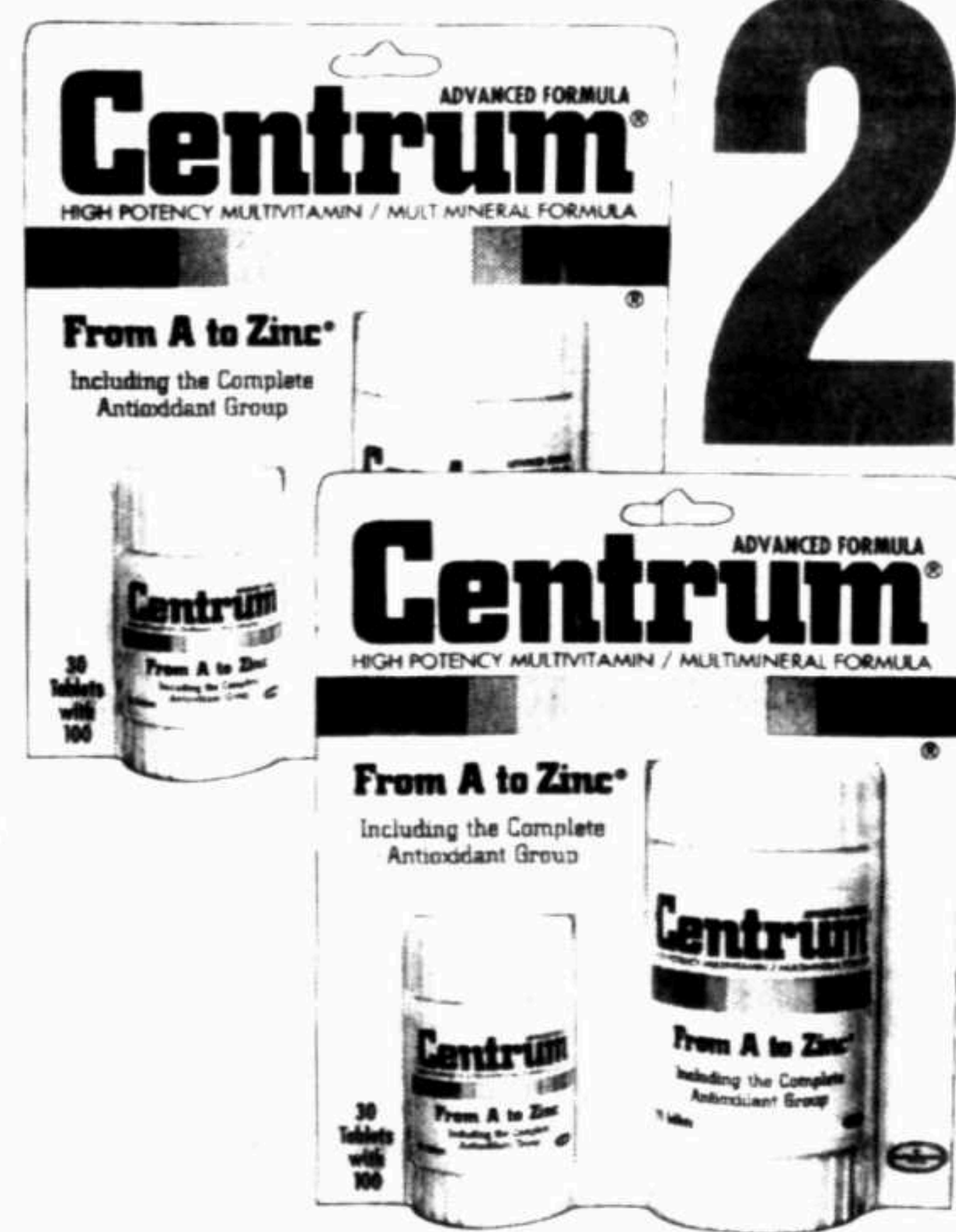
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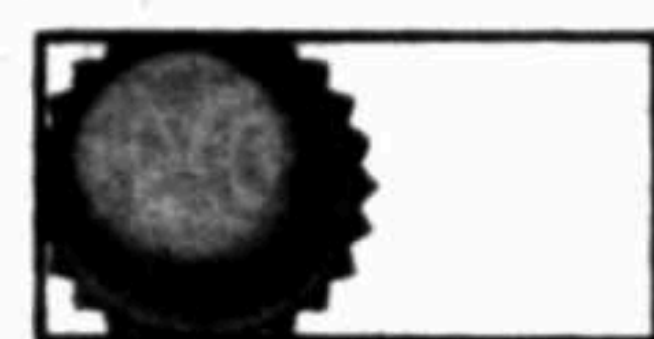
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WEATHER

Midland forecast

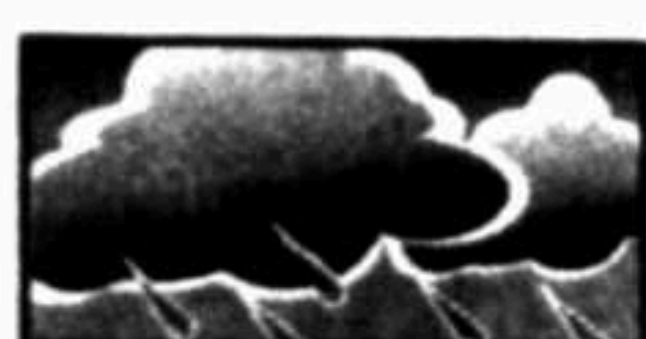
3-day forecast



Saturday
Sunny
High 55
Low 26



Sunday
Partly cloudy
High 45
Low 34



Monday
Rain
High 44
Low 33

RAIN: Forecast calls for fair skies, 50s

(From 1A)

Tonight's forecast calls for fair skies with a low expected in the mid-20s.

Saturday's forecast calls for mostly sunny skies with a high

expected in the lower 50s.

The high for Thursday was 62, compared with the record of 86, set in 1986.

Thursday's low was 46, compared to the record low of 18, set in 1955.

Yesterday's precipitation

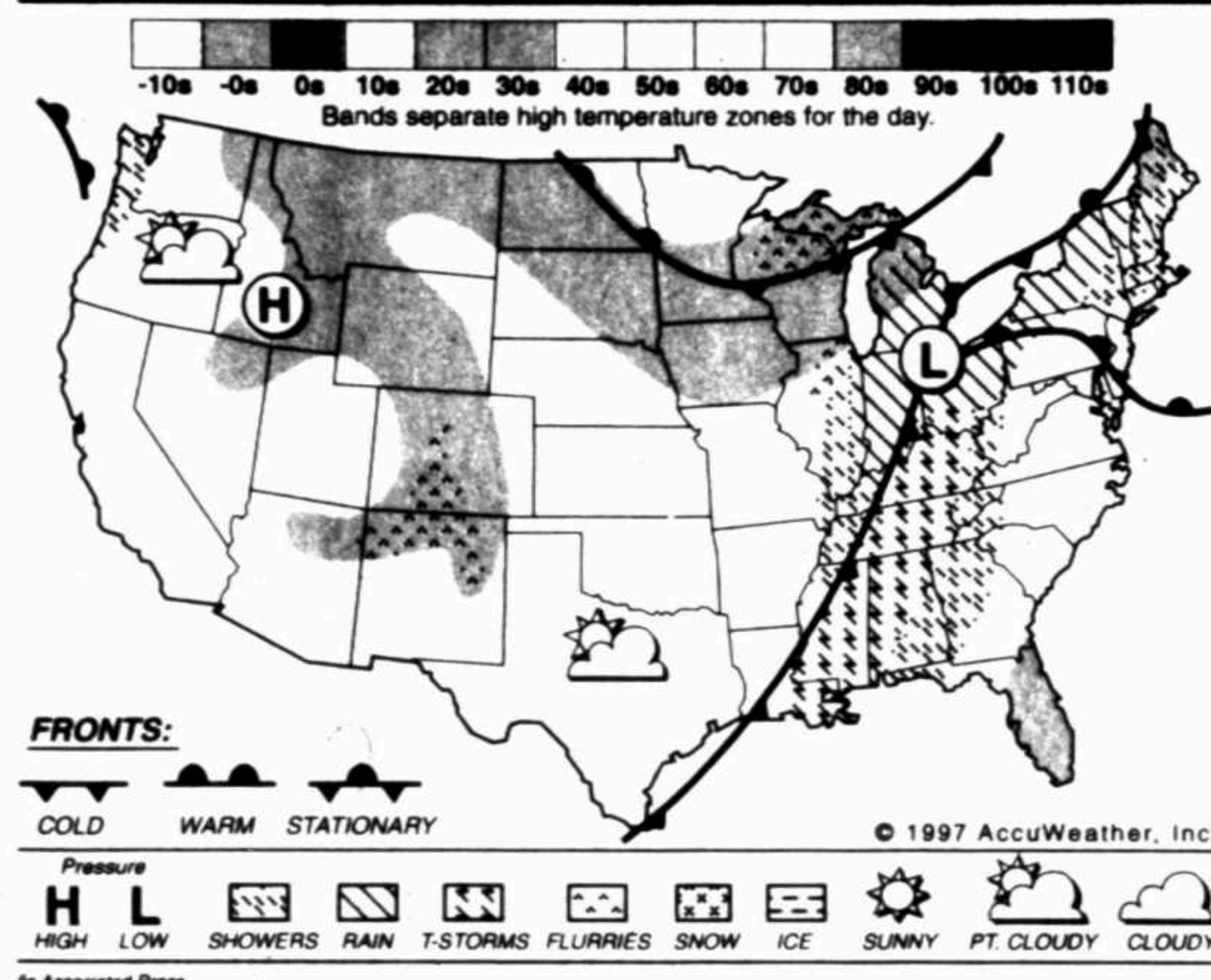
Rainfall Thursday77 in.
Rainfall Wednesday55 in.
Total for month1.63 in.
Total for year1.84 in.

Yesterday's temperatures

High62
Low46
Normal high63
Normal low34

Sunrise 7:25 a.m. Sunset 6:40 p.m.

National forecast

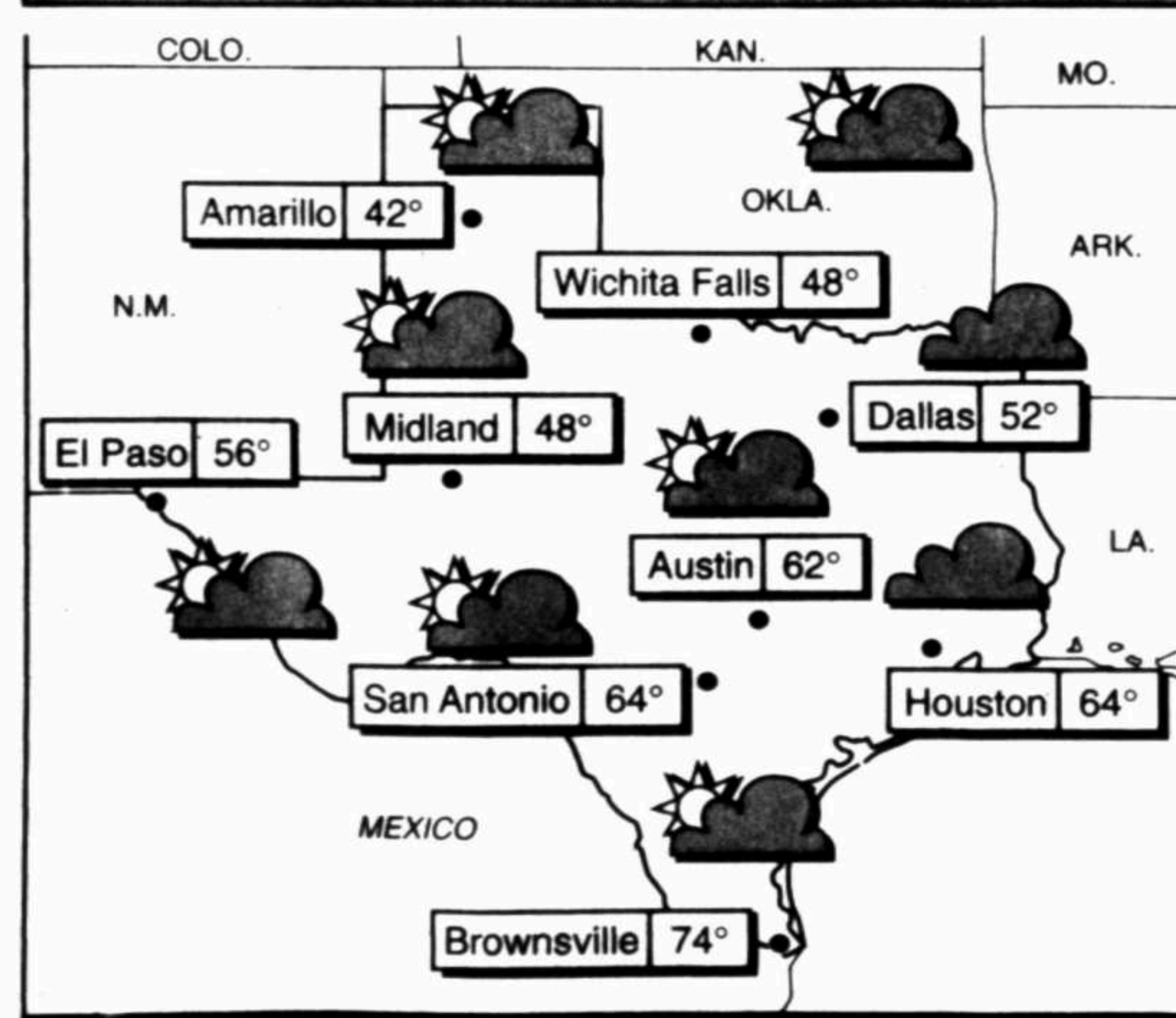


United States temperatures

Temperatures indicate previous day's high and overnight low to 7:32 p.m. EST.

Low to 7:32 p.m. EST								Las Vegas	65	46	cl
	HI	Lo	Prc	Obs				Little Rock	72	54	04
Albany, N.Y.	39	29	02	m				Los Angeles	79	63	00
Albuquerque	60	32	00					Louisville	75	48	00
Anchorage	33	25	00					Memphis	77	55	00
Asheville	66	37	00					Miami Beach	83	72	00
Atlanta	77	53	00					Milwaukee	44	25	00
Atlanta City	73	36	00					Mpls.-St. Paul	41	23	00
Baltimore	58	41	00					Nashville	76	53	00
Billings	41	35	00					New Orleans	80	66	01
Birmingham	75	37	00					New York City	50	40	00
Bismarck	42	24	00					Norfolk, Va.	57	46	00
Boston	44	27	00					North Platte	54	28	00
Boulder	42	36	01	cdy				Oklahoma City	62	56	1.53
Brownsville	82	69	00	clr				Omaha	53	36	01
Buffalo	47	26	00					Orlando	82	64	00
Burlington, Vt.	35	22	03					Philadelphia	54	41	00
Casper	40	25	00	m				Phoenix	75	50	00
Charleston, S.C.	78	49	00	cdy				Pittsburgh	60	28	00
Charleston, W. Va.	69	37	03					Portland, Maine	36	29	02
Charlotte, N.C.	74	47	00					Portland, Ore.	50	40	01
Chicago	45	23	00					Providence	47	36	07
Cincinnati	65	33	00	m				Raleigh-Durham	70	42	00
Cleveland	56	29	03	m				Rapid City	44	36	00
Columbus, S.C.	77	46	00					Reino	49	34	00
Columbus, Ohio	59	27	06					Richmond	65	41	00
Concord, N.H.	39	29	00					Sacramento	63	45	00
Dayton	52	26	08	m				St. Louis	63	44	96
Denver	43	32	00					St. Louis City	43	32	11
Des Moines	47	33	00					San Diego	66	54	00
Detroit	42	24	00					San Francisco	62	46	00
Duluth	43	18	00					San Juan, P.R.	81	72	01
Evansville	73	44	04					Santa Fe	58	26	00
Fairbanks	19	2	00					Seattle	49	41	00
Fargo	40	25	00					Shreveport	76	61	00
Flagstaff	47	25	00					Sioux Falls	38	33	00
Grand Rapids	43	24	00					Spokane	42	32	00
Greenville	44	33	00					Syracuse	44	26	00
Greensboro, N.C.	68	42	00					Tampa-St. Pburg	87	67	00
Hartford	44	34	01	cdy				Topeka	57	43	50
Helena	41	33	00					Tucson	75	44	00
Honolulu	84	77	00					Tulsa	65	56	1.74
Indianapolis	59	31	03	m				Washington, D.C.	64	46	00
Jackson, Miss.	79	61	00					Wichita	56	51	59
Jacksonville	78	59	00	cdy				Wilmington-Barre	47	32	00
Jameau	39	34	00					Wilmington, Del.	54	38	00

State forecast



Showers T-storms Rain Flurries Snow Ice Sunny Pt. Cloudy Cloudy

Texas temperatures

Highest temperature last 12 hours, lowest past 18 hours and precipitation for 24 hours ending at 7 p.m. CDT:

HI	Lo	Pcp	HI	Lo	Pcp
Abilene	54	0.64	Houston Hobby	71	0.44
Alice	66	0.13	Houston Intercontinental	72	0.61
Amarillo	68	0.13	Junction	65	1.32
Austin	62	0.11	Killeen	67	0.98
Beaumont-Port Arthur	76	0.43	Lubbock	53	0.78
Brownsville	74	0.48	Lufkin	71	0.80
Bryan-College Station	62	1.34	Marfa	61	1.03
Childress	54	0.7	McAllen	87	0.70
Corpus Christi	68	0.07	Midland-Odessa	82	1.31
Corpus Christi NAS	78	0.6	Mineral Wells	64	1.67
Cotulla	68	0.48	Palacios	73	0.64
Dallas	55	0.01	Paris	73	0.57
Dallas Love Field	59	0.66	San Antonio	61	0.23
Del Rio	73	1.63	Shreveport, La.	78	0.29
Denton	66	0.5	Texasville, Ark.	72	0.06
El Paso	70	0.84	Tyler	71	0.83
Fort Stockton	66	0.4	Victoria	74	0.13
Fort Worth	71	0.84	Waco	69	0.58
Fort Worth Meacham	70	1.20	Wichita Falls	65	1.11
Galveston	69	0.2	Wink	68	0.38

SAFETY: Letter carriers earn award

(From 1A)

Cooper has worked for the postal service more than 31 years, all in Midland. "It's doesn't seem like 30 years. It passes fast," he said.

Among what they like best about their jobs, both letter carriers said they enjoy the people they work with.

And both said working in the cold weather tops their lists of dislikes.

But that doesn't stop the two from living up to the saying about letter carriers doing their jobs in

rain, sleet or snow. "You don't have to like it, you just do it," Cooper said.

And more and more letter carriers are relying on postal trucks to help deliver the mail.

"It used to be when we first started we did a lot more walking — parked and walked. Now we do a lot more driving," Matlock said.

Cooper attributed 30 years as a postal worker without a preventable accident to "defensive driving and luck."

TAAS: Test has supporters, despite criticism

(From 1A)

cation board.

"This is a surprise," said Steve Buck, Lee High School teacher, coach, and president of Midland Federation of Teachers. He said tossing the TAAS appeared to be a hasty decision. "We have always modified tests when needed. Modifying would be better than changing course in the middle of the road."

Richard Kouri, president of Texas State Teachers Association, told the Reporter-Telegram in a telephone interview from Austin that Texas teachers have never had serious problems with the TAAS test.

"Our concern is not with the test. It's the way it's used that we have concern with," Kouri said, noting that "too much emphasis is placed on a limited assessment of student achievement. Students are taking a lot more courses and learning a lot more than is tested on the TAAS. The TAAS is a fairly simplistic model to make a determination about how much any student is really learning. But, we have certainly never called for the elimination of the test."

The AP report on SBOE members' complaints about the test did not say which national exam opponents of the TAAS would rather use to assess achievement of Texas students.

"We shouldn't abolish the TAAS unless we have a good reliable assessment replacement test," said Midland parent Jeanette Dragisic. She said she was surprised to learn religious conservatives would want a national test. "Most religious conservatives don't want the government trying to run our lives and telling us what

to teach," she said. "The TAAS is not a real reliable assessment. I've got copies of several different grade levels. My third-grader passed the reading portion of the eighth-grade test. How reliable is that?"

Despite its flaws, however, Ms. Dragisic said she would prefer a Texas exam over a national test. "There has to be some way to hold districts accountable," she said, "and I don't want the government coming up with some kind of national test."

On the other side, high school science teacher Kerri Hatchett of Greenville, in a letter to The Associated Press, called the TAAS "a disaster."

"I see the beginning and the end of teaching a test for 12 years of a child's life. They lose all interest and enthusiasm for school. Learning one test for 12 years is boring! They do not know how to think for themselves. They do not trust themselves when the correct answer is not in front of them," she wrote.

Jack Christie of Houston, a Republican who heads the education board, said the test is "good, tough, reliable."

"With any degree of accountability, you're going to find the detractors. But my job and education's job is to make sure children are getting a better and more stringent education than previous years, and the test verifies that," he said.

Midland Independent School District Superintendent Joseph Baressi Jr. and Greenwood ISD Superintendent Quentin Burnett both said the TAAS is a valid test to access students' mastery of reading, writing and math skills.

"The TAAS is a valid test, no question about that," Baressi said.

Coming Saturday

■ The question of how geology shapes international politics will be answered by geologist Anthony Reso in a story in Saturday's Reporter-Telegram.

■ Two members of the U.S. Air Force's Thunderbirds will be checking out the airport in preparation for AirSho '97. Meet them and their mission in Saturday's Reporter-Telegram.

■ State Sen. Teel Bivins will be providing the Permian Basin Petroleum Association with a legislative update. See Saturday's Reporter-Telegram for what he told them.

Four deaths blamed on wet weather as rain soaks Texas

By Stefani G. Kopenec

Associated Press

Waterlogged Texans got another dose of heavy rain, causing flash flooding and conditions that were being blamed Thursday for four deaths across the state.

Storms stretched from the Red River to the South Texas coast, with rainfall amounts of up to 5 inches reported over portions of the state. Homeowners in some lakefront areas of North Texas braced for the worst, setting furniture on blocks and deploying sandbags as a precaution.

The threat of tornadoes also was looming. Nearly one-quarter of Texas was under a tornado watch Thursday, mainly in the central and eastern portions of the state. High winds damaged at least two houses in Arlington and also blew over fences and uprooted trees in the neighborhood.

Flash flood warnings were posted in north-central Texas, where rain and thunderstorms continued to dump large amounts of water — generally up to 1 inch per hour. Authorities reported numerous road closures.

Residents living along Lake Worth in Tarrant and Wise counties kept a close eye on rising water levels as a swollen spillway threatened to flood their homes. Back yards and boat docks already were submerged, and water had reached some foundations.

Mary Ford spent several hours taking everything out of the bottom cabinets in her home and moving them to higher ground.

"We didn't sleep all night last night because we were doing this,"



Rick Birkes, of Dave's Hi-Way Wrecker of Grand Prairie, Texas, walks back from a truck he is trying to get out of the water Thursday in Grand Prairie. Birkes eventually pulled the truck out. The driver, who was uninjured, was trying to get through high water in an off-road truck.

she said.

In Callahan County in north-west Texas, rain of up to 1 inch an hour was reported on top of 2.5 inches that fell overnight.

Up to 5 inches of rain fell over portions of south-central Texas and another 3 to 5 inches were expected. Rain was heaviest in Gillespie, Llano and Kerr counties. A flash flood watch was in effect through the afternoon for the Hill Country and adjacent areas.

Rain storms also were expected across much of Southeast Texas, with up to 5 inches possible and a threat of widespread flooding.

The Panhandle also experienced precipitation, with a light rain falling throughout the day in Lub-

bock. "I think it's a little too wet for me," said April Coleman, while waiting for a bus in that city's downtown station.

"It's all right I guess, though, since it hasn't been raining anywhere (recently)."

Meteorologist Robert Blaha of the National Weather Service in New Braunfels, north of San Antonio, said the rains helped a few cities reach normal levels for the year.

Del Rio had recorded only 0.64 inches of rain through Wednesday, compared with a normal 1.25. But, the city received 1.5 inches between midnight and 6 a.m. Thursday.

San Antonio, however, was still

below normal with 2.26 inches for the year, compared with a normal 2.99 inches.

Wet weather has been blamed for four deaths since Wednesday, including a Decatur toddler who drowned when the car driven by his mother was swept off a highway.

A Fort Worth man died when he was struck by lightning following an accident on Interstate 45 south of Dallas and a Wylie man died when his vehicle skidded out of control and struck another.

Farther south, a Burnett man was killed when his pickup truck hydroplaned on Texas 29 during heavy rain and struck an oncoming car.

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China wants low-key memorial service for Deng — with 10,000 people

BEIJING (AP) — Ten thousand people — none of them foreigners — will be invited to the memorial for Deng Xiaoping, an event that will be low on pomp but will bring together the heirs who will govern China without its greatest modern reformer.

On Day 1 of the post-Deng era Thursday, there were few outpourings of grief for the tiny man whose economic revolution transformed China from the rice-roots up. That the stock markets still traded, that offices still hummed, reflected the greater freedom Deng gave people to improve their lives.

Deng's successors in the Communist Party want to keep it that way — business basically as usual — during six days of official mourning that started Thursday with flags at half-staff and will end with

the memorial on Tuesday.

The Supreme People's Court said law enforcement would be strict to ensure social stability. Past demonstrations of grief have evolved into political protests — the 1989 Tiananmen Square demonstrations began after the death of ousted party leader Hu Yaobang. The military, too, pledged support to the government "at all times and under all circumstances."

A 459-member funeral committee led by Deng's handpicked successor, Communist Party leader and President Jiang Zemin, ordered sirens throughout China sounded for three minutes when the memorial starts in the mammoth Great Hall of the People beside Tiananmen Square.

The 10,000 invitees will include members of the Communist Party, government, mil-

itary and other influential groups. For Jiang and the collective leadership he heads, the memorial will serve to rally

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officials as they embark on a future without Deng.

No foreigners will be invited because Deng, who retired his last post in 1990, offi-

cially was a private citizen — a party member with no title higher than "comrade."

U.S. Secretary of State Madeleine Albright was cutting short a visit to China scheduled for Monday and Tuesday. Spokesman Nicholas Burns said in Moscow that Albright would finish her talks on Monday and leave for home early Tuesday.

In keeping with his wishes, Deng's eyes will be donated for transplant and his ashes scattered at sea. In a letter to the Communist Party, his family asked that there be no traditional bowing before Deng's corpse and that "our grief should be expressed in the simplest, solemnest way."

The low-key memorial, with Deng's ashes to be placed in a casket covered by the

Communists' red flag, reflects Deng's rejection of the slavish cult of personality that marked the later rule of Chairman Mao Tse-tung, Deng's predecessor, who died in 1976.

At the same time, Jiang and other party leaders cannot afford to play down the memorial. They need Deng's mantle for legitimacy and don't want to invite concerns that they will jettison his policies.

In announcing Deng's Wednesday night death from a lung infection and Parkinson's disease at age 92, the government portrayed the Communist Party as the protector of his legacy.

On Thursday, Cabinet member Luo Gan said that "although Comrade Deng Xiaoping has passed away, China will maintain its stable political atmosphere, rapid economic growth and secure environment."

Top civil servants to retain positions after China takes Hong Kong reins

HONG KONG (AP) — Hong Kong got a powerful confidence boost Thursday with the announcement that virtually all its top civil servants will stay in office after China takes over on July 1.

Although unconnected with the death Wednesday of Deng Xiaoping, the announcement was a timely one. It is likely to have a calming effect on those in Hong Kong who fear instability now that Deng, architect of Hong Kong's return to China, is dead.

The fate of the 23 top officials in the outgoing British colonial administration had aroused intense guesswork and fears that those seen as out of step with Beijing's thinking would be fired.

Hong Kong's future leader, Tung Chee-hwa, visited Beijing on Wednesday to seek its endorsement of his choices, and the list he disclosed showed only two departures: Attorney General Jeremy Mathews is British and wouldn't have met the nationality criteria for high office in post-colonial Hong Kong; and Michael Leung already had decided to retire as head of the Independent Commission Against Corruption.

Even the most sensitive positions are to remain unchanged: chiefs of police, security and immigration.

Most critical to the markets was Tung's decision to keep on Financial Secretary Donald Tsang, despite speculation that he might be dropped because of his public disagreements with Tung over economic policy.

The quest for continuity through the historic change of sovereignty was signaled weeks ago when Tung won the agreement of Anson Chan, deputy to outgoing Gov. Chris Patten, to stay on as his No. 2.

"The appointments ensure a very large measure of continuity," Tung said in a statement. They "will help to maintain the stability of Hong Kong."

Under the terms of the Chinese-British treaty ceding Hong Kong, the territory is to remain capitalist, highly autonomous and keep its legal code and freedoms.

Refugees fleeing war in Sri Lanka feared drowned

COLOMBO, Sri Lanka (AP) — A boat carrying ethnic Tamils fleeing Sri Lanka's civil war overturned Thursday off the north coast of the island nation and 165 people were feared dead, the military said.

Intercepted radio messages from Tamil rebels indicated 95 bodies had been recovered, military officials said. Seventy people were missing, including 22 children, the officials said on condition of anonymity.

The disaster could not be confirmed independently because the government does not allow reporters into rebel-controlled regions and there is no telephone link to the area.

The boat, carrying refugees to India, nearly 35 miles away, sank soon after it left the rebel base at Nachchikuddah village early Thursday, the officials said.

The rebels control the area and Sri Lanka's navy did not send rescue craft because it wanted to avoid a confrontation.

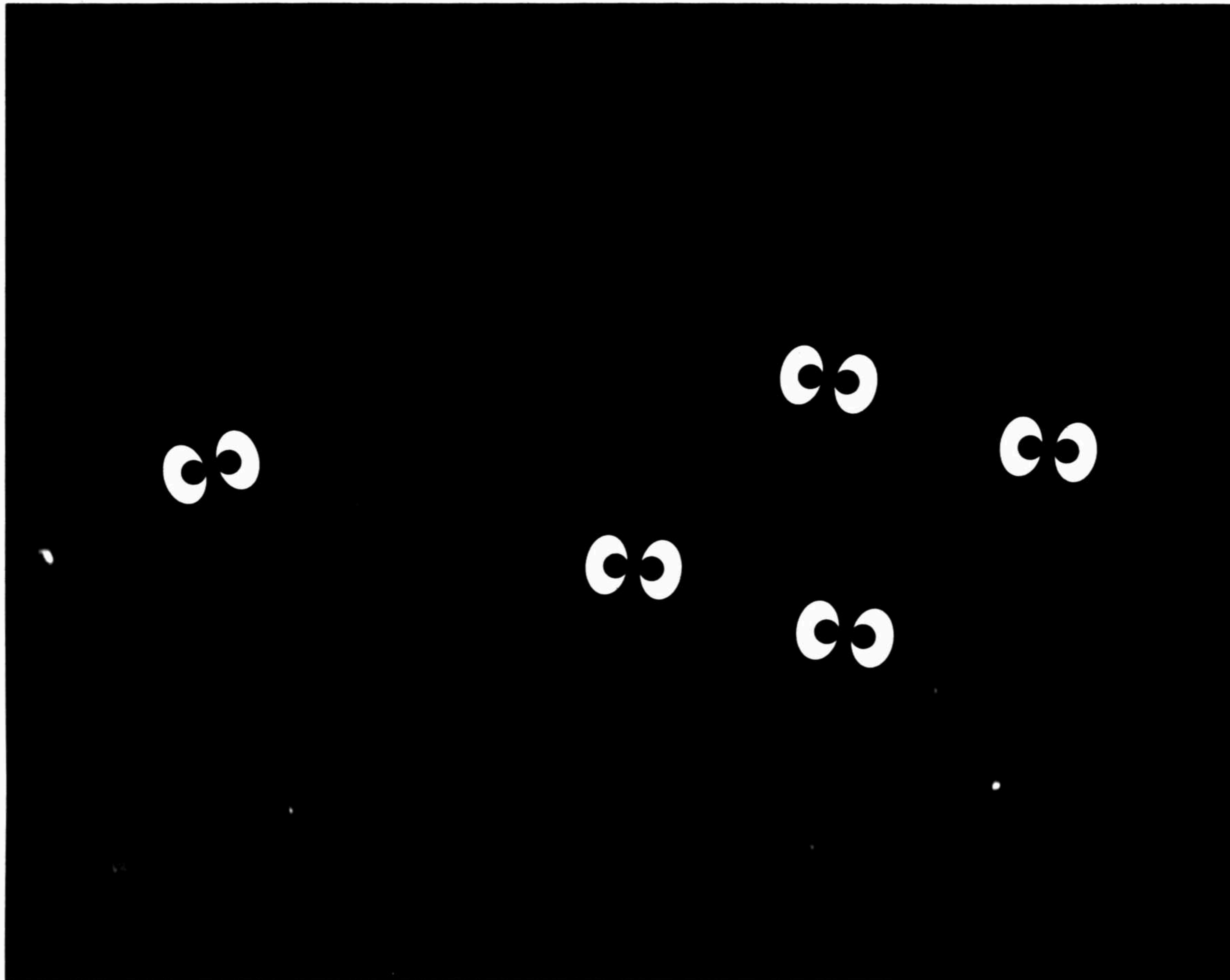
The military says rebels have been encouraging ethnic Tamils to flee to India since government forces started gaining ground in a series of offensives in the past 18 months.

Last October, 14 people, including eight children and four women, drowned when another boat carrying Tamil refugees capsized.

More than 50,000 Sri Lankan Tamils are living in refugee camps in the southern Indian state of Tamil Nadu, 20,000 of them having arrived there in the past year.

Since 1983, the Sri Lankan military has been fighting Tamil rebels who want a homeland in the north and east of the country. The rebels allege widespread discrimination by the majority Sinhalese, who control the government and the military, against minority Tamils. More than 47,000 people have been killed in the fighting.

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In Bosnia, former enemies find common ground: longing for home

More than a year after peace accord was signed, hundreds of thousands of refugees have been unable to return home.

Associated Press

TUZLA, Bosnia-Herzegovina — Defying leaders who want to entrench Bosnia's ethnic division, some Muslim, Croat and Serb refugee groups are pursuing a common goal together: going home.

More than a year after the Dayton peace accord was signed, few of the hundreds of thousands of refugees have been able to return to their homes. Often, resettlement by other refugees would make them a minority in their hometowns.

Many who tried to go home have been physically blocked and intimidated. Some have been attacked and had their houses burned.

The Coalition for Return, established by

nearly 50 refugee groups in late November, is the first attempt to bypass authorities and develop a grass-roots organization that cuts across ethnic lines.

"This was just people who deep down in their heart want to return home," said Hatidza Hren, president of the Tuzla-based Women of Srebrenica refugee group.

She attended the first meeting of the coalition in Mostar; the second is scheduled to be held in Tuzla from Saturday through Tuesday.

"Before, I could not even think of talking to Serbs from across the border," she said. "But now, if we want to go home, we need to talk, to build trust. The politicians have to realize that the civilians can agree."

At the coalition's first local and regional meetings, refugees from opposite sides of the front lines "were not talking to each other," said Ismet Seralic of the Sarajevo-based Jajce Displaced Persons Association.

"Now the situation is improving."

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— Hatidza Hren, president of Tuzla-based Women of Srebrenica refugee group

Seralic said. "We are trying to cross over these ethnic walls together."

The coalition was the brainchild of Carl Bildt, the international official in charge

of implementing civilian aspects of the peace accord. He has been frustrated by the refusal — especially by Bosnian Serbs — to let people return to their homes.

The leadership, especially among Serbs, did its best to keep people where they were. Serb leaders actively discouraged and even threatened Serb refugees if they tried to go home, in order not to give Muslim refugees a precedent for returning.

As Bosnia approaches its second spring of peace, one of the major issues is the expected return of up to 300,000 refugees living abroad and the desire of hundreds of thousands of displaced people already here to go home.

The refugees are mainly Muslims living in Germany, and the majority are from villages in the Serb-controlled half of Bosnia, where opposition to their return has been strong.

Hren, who heads the Srebrenica group,

said the main problem is finding "a system" for people to return home. "The international community has to find a solution," she said.

The NATO-led peacekeeping force has said the responsibility for protecting returning refugees lies with local police, who have been of little help so far. In some cases, they actually have led violence against refugees.

The coalition, in its inaugural statement, promised to keep pressing Muslim, Croat and Serb authorities and international authorities to allow the freedom of movement promised by the Dayton agreement.

"We know that we will only be able to return to our home towns and villages if we help others to return, too," it said. "And we consider that this will to return goes together with the will to live together, as we did before the war."

Hope dwindles for finding more who survived Peru's mudslide

LIMA, Peru (AP) — Rain slowed the grisly task of pulling cadavers from mud and rocks Thursday, and hope dwindled of finding more survivors of an Andean mudslide that killed as many as 300 villagers.

Rescue workers in rubber boots braved downpours to continue the search, and there were fears large numbers of bodies could provoke epidemics. Government workers vaccinated villagers against tetanus and other diseases.

Victims' arms and legs could be seen sticking out of the sea of mud that covered entire villages.

On Tuesday, the side of a hill saturated by rain let loose and roared down onto two sleeping mountain villages in the district of Tamburco, southeast of the capital, Lima. People, homes, livestock and crops were swept away.

Miriam Monzon Carrion, a nurse, said many people were crushed beneath the weight of their homes. Only two houses remained standing in the village of Cocha (pronounced HOH-cha), she said.

Many families, trapped on high ground surrounded by the impassable muck, were forced to spend the night outside, wet and cold.

"The families are desperate to find the bodies," Roman Catholic priest Tomas Garcia said in a radio interview from the disaster zone. The chances of finding any more survivors were slim.

Villagers in Tamburco prepared a collective funeral Mass on Thursday for the 41 victims whose bodies have been recovered thus far by rescue workers using picks, shovels, and crowbars.

President Alberto Fujimori, inspecting the disaster site Wednesday, said 250 to 300 people were buried in the mud.

Survivors awaited the arrival of much-needed food and medicine. A Chilean air force plane arrived in Peru Thursday with a shipment of tents, clothing, cots, bedding, disposable diapers and drinking water.

During his visit to the disaster zone, Fujimori placed a boy's slack body in a coffin. The president, known for his steely demeanor, was clearly moved by the tragedy.

"I have just seen 3-year-old children with their bodies limp," he said. "Two villages have almost completely vanished."

About 250 people were evacuated because of the threat of more mudslides and up to 600 may be moved to safer areas, Health Minister Marino Costa Bauer said.

Tamburco also was the scene of a mudslide Sunday that killed five people and left 40 families homeless.

Heavy rain in the highlands from December through March frequently cause flooding and landslides.

Portuguese may legalize abortion through week 12

LISBON, Portugal (AP) — Despite the impassioned arguments of the church, the Portuguese are considering easing restrictions on abortions in their Roman Catholic country, where an estimated 16,000 illegal abortions are performed each year.

The argument moves to Parliament today where lawmakers were to consider proposals by the Communist Party to legalize abortion through the 12th week of pregnancy in all cases and through the 22nd week in the case of "serious illness or deformation."

Noting that the vote could go either way, the Lisbon daily Publico carried the front-page headline: "Tension until the end."

Hundreds of anti-abortion campaigners took part today in a silent march on Parliament. Some held placards saying, "Thank you, Mother."

Dozens of pro-choice activists unfurled banners on the steps of Parliament late Wednesday. They planned a larger vigil outside Parliament today.

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Rapist driven from California arrested on murder charges in Florida

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — A neighbor walked over to Lawrence Singleton's door and saw pretty much what Californians feared 10 years ago when they drove Singleton out of town: There was Singleton, his face and chest covered with blood, a naked woman dead on the living room floor.

Singleton, 69, was arrested on murder charges Wednesday, a decade after being released from a California prison for raping a teen-age hitchhiker and hacking her forearms off with an axe.

Back in California, people responded with a collective I-told-you-so. In Florida, officials said they were angry that Singleton was out on their streets but said there was little they could have done to monitor him.

"It's a sad commentary on our criminal justice system that a person of this notoriety who has committed a crime this heinous is out on the streets," sheriff's Lt. David Gee said.

California Gov. Pete Wilson called the slaying a needless tragedy.

"This man should never, ever have been released from prison," Wilson said. "He was clearly dangerous. I think he is an animal."

Singleton had registered as a felon when he moved to Tampa in 1988 and had been arrested three times on shoplifting charges. But keeping watch over him would have been difficult, Gee said.

Singleton was paroled in 1987 after serving nearly 8 1/2 years of a 14-year sentence for the rape and dismemberment. His sentence had been reduced by good behavior and a law to relieve prison overcrowding. At the time, California officials said that under the law, they had little choice but to release him.

He retreated to his home state of Florida after being driven from several Northern California communities where residents were angry and fearful about his

release. After his arrival in Florida, neighbors protested and a car dealer offered him \$5,000 to leave the state.

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— Calif. Gov. Pete Wilson

Nancy Fahden, who was a Contra Costa County, Calif., supervisor when a mob of 500 people in the small town of Rodeo forced Singleton to leave, wasn't surprised by his arrest.

"It's as if someday, somewhere, I was expecting something," Fahden said. "I don't think he should ever have been let out of jail."

Donald Stahl, the former Stanislaus County District Attorney who prosecuted Singleton in 1978, said, "This was completely pre-

dictable."

"Give him some alcohol, put him in a pickup situation with a woman and he'll have her at home, use her

without a meal," said Clifford Tyson, her boyfriend of nine years and the father of two of the children.

The woman's family "is mad at the man who did it, and the man who saw it and didn't stop it," said 11-year-old Theo Robertson, a nephew of Hayes. "We are all broken up and crying."

Singleton was arrested after a painter who had been doing work inside the house arrived there and heard a commotion inside. He opened the door and saw a naked Singleton struggling with the nude woman, who was crying out for help.

"I think he was strangling her," the painter, Paul Hitson told WFTS-TV. "He told her to shut up and then hit her with his fist. I would have done something, but I was scared."

Instead, the man backed away and called 911. A sheriff's deputy went to Singleton's home with a neighbor, and when Singleton

answered his door, his chest and face were bloody. The officer saw a person's foot on the floor.

Singleton at first refused to let the deputy inside, but when Singleton went back in to answer the telephone, the officer could see the woman's body, said Danny Sales, the neighbor.

"They framed me the first time, but this time I did it," Singleton said as he left a police station with his hands cuffed behind his back.

Sales and several other neighbors said they didn't learn of Singleton's past until about three weeks ago, when Sales and his father pulled Singleton from his van, where he was apparently trying to kill himself by carbon monoxide poisoning.

At that time, police held Singleton and filed an attempted suicide report, Gee said. He was released from a mental health center. Details of the release were withheld Thursday on grounds of medical confidentiality.

Liz Taylor has brain tumor removed

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A brain tumor was removed from behind the left ear of Elizabeth Taylor Thursday in a three-hour operation.

"Everything went as planned," Cedars-Sinai Medical Center spokesman Ron Wise said.

The Hollywood legend, who turns 65 next week, was taken to the operating room about 8:15 a.m. and surgery began about an hour later. It was completed shortly after noon.

A neurosurgeon who successfully treated George Burns was leading the team of doctors in removing the growth in the lining of the left parietal lobe. The area is over and behind the left ear.

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What was found in Belize?

Researchers digging in parts of the ancient Mayan city of La Milpa broke into an undisturbed royal tomb and unearthed the body of a king dating back to the 5th century. The find is giving archeologists new insight into the royal families of this civilization.

The discovery is important because most other tombs were examined by researchers only after they had been looted. Finding this untouched tomb may offer clues as to how this society treated lesser royalty. The tomb was hidden 10 feet underground in an area only 15 miles east of Rio Azul in the Guatemalan jungle, a much more elaborate Mayan city than La Milpa.

The king was believed to be known as Bird Jaguar, or his successor. He was a short man who died between 35 and 50 years of age. He was wearing a light green jade necklace with a pendant in the shape of a vulture's head, a symbol for a lord or ruler at the time.

Researchers believe that the king was not prosperous when he died, but because he was buried in the shape of a vulture's head, no other valuables in the tomb were remarkable.



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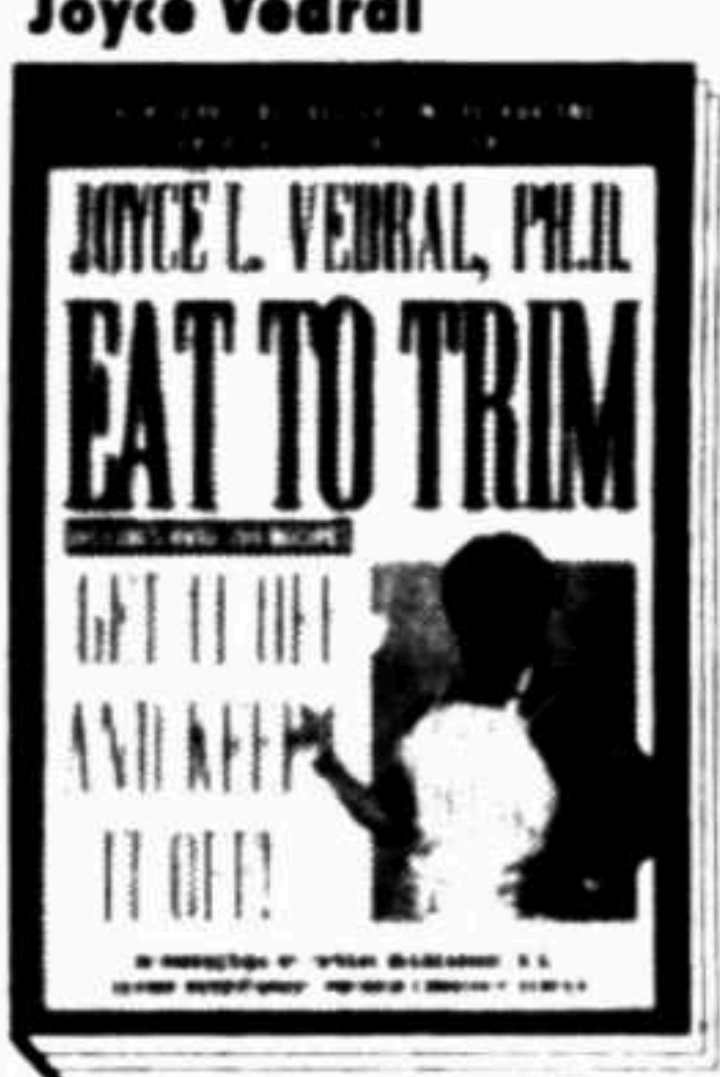


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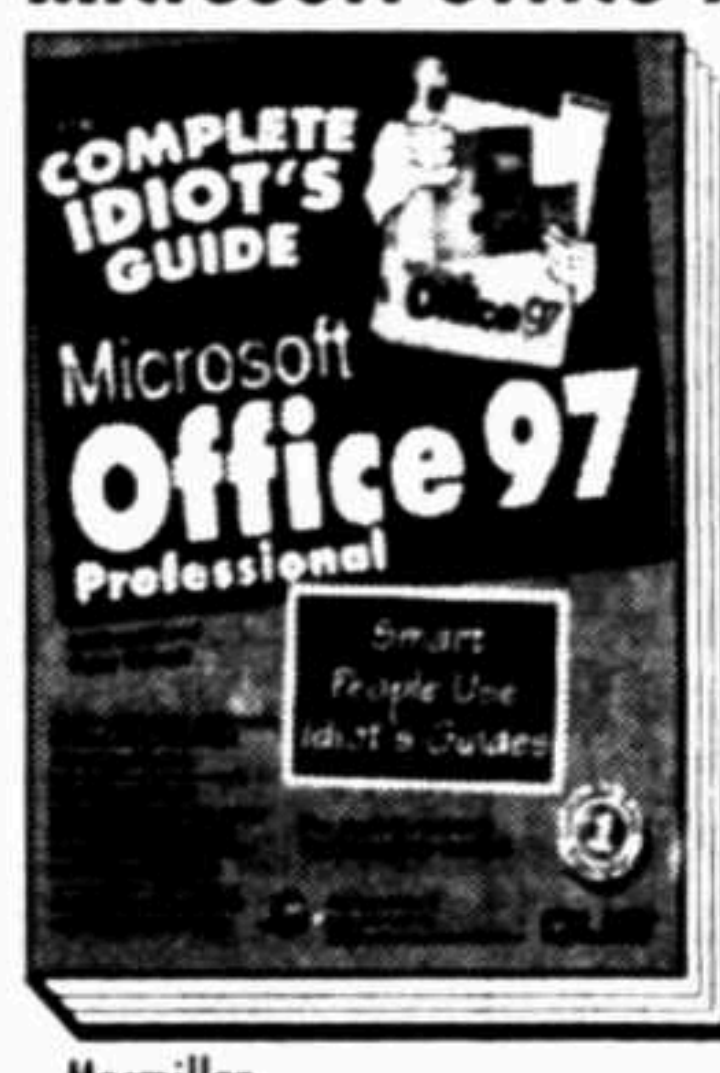


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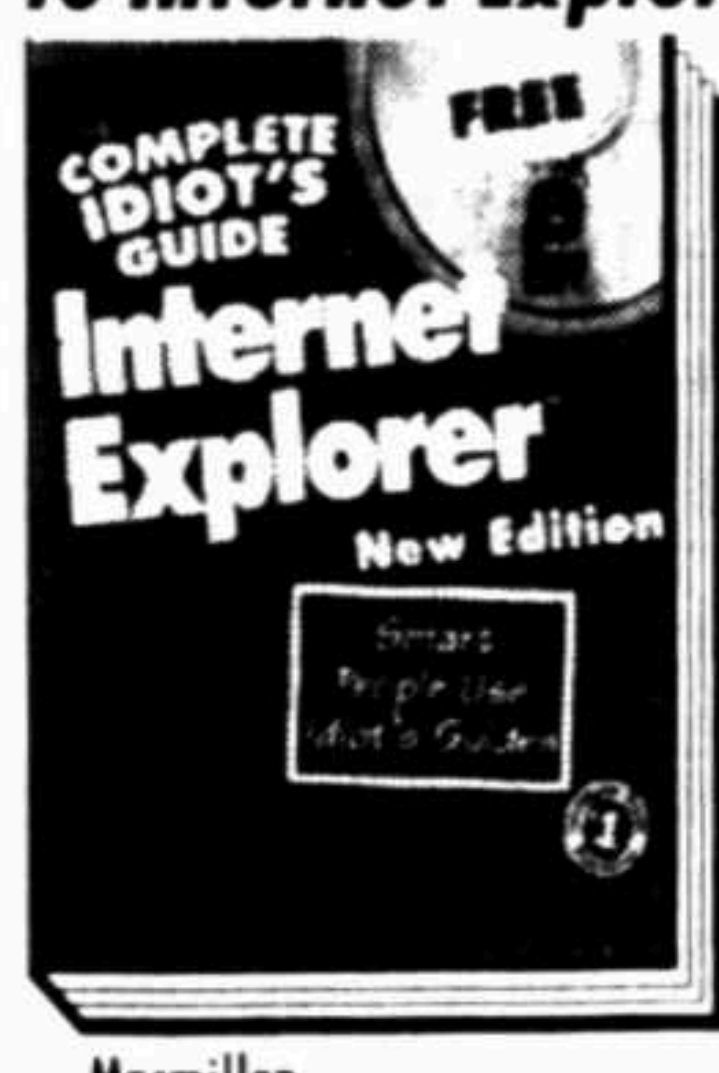


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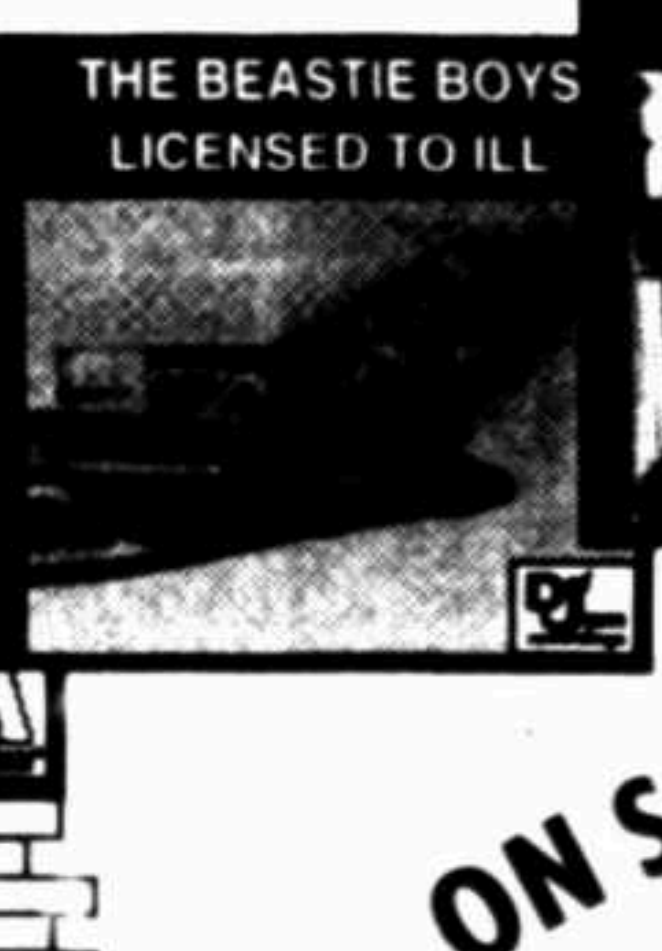
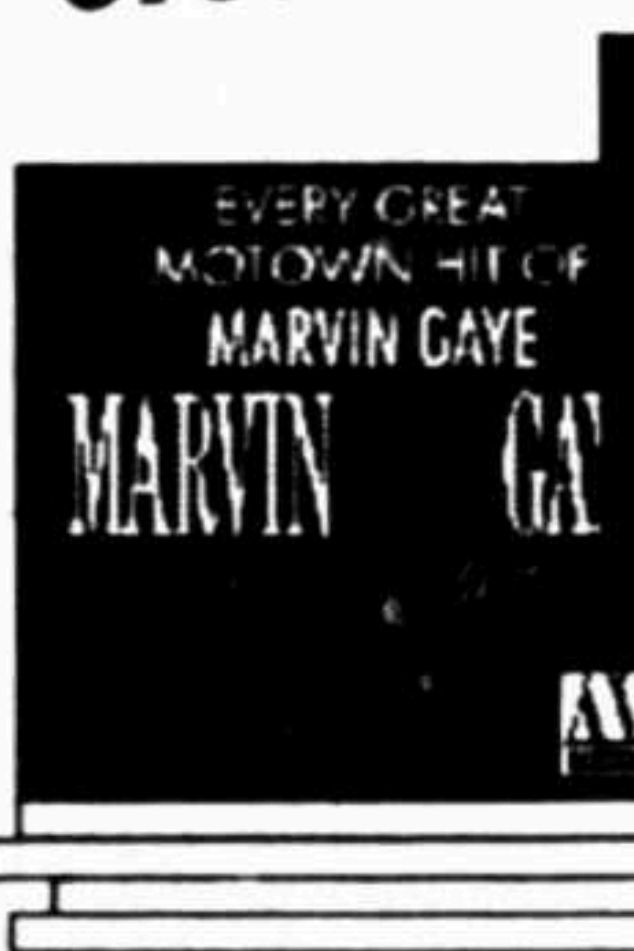
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Bush's tax plan needs close look

After Gov. George W. Bush put forward his school property tax relief plan, some of the politicians who had also been inching toward recognition that the Texas tax code needs serious reworking, started backpedaling.

One of the first was State Comptroller John Sharp who unsurprisingly may end up being Bush's Democratic opponent in the 1998 gubernatorial election.

Although Sharp had flirted with Bush's proposed business activity tax, a levy intended to help move Texas away from reliance on the property tax as a means of funding public schools, Sharp now calls the business activity levy a "job-killer tax."

While we anticipated that politics would enter into the fight over rewriting the tax code, one fact must be recognized by all the people of Texas. As long as the property tax remains the primary means of generating funds for public education in

Texas, the state will be relying on fewer and fewer Texans to fund the schools and that fact will be detrimental not only to the school children of Texas but to the state in general.

It isn't logical; it isn't even reasonable to expect property owners to fund the schools when some industries escape taxes entirely in Texas. This state must move away from the property tax to a broader and fairer tax to fund its schools. It's as simple as that.

Bush has suggested a reasonable approach for making a change. That doesn't necessarily mean it is the only alternative that can be considered. Fortunately, Sen. Ken Armbrister has said a Senate committee formed to look at Bush's plan will examine all aspects of the current system as well as Bush's recommendation.

That is as it should be, but it doesn't change the fact that getting away from reliance on the property tax is still essential for the future of Texas.

ANOTHER VIEW

Averting pilot strike wasn't a resolution

There is no happy resolution to the painful pilot contract dispute at American Airlines. Only the rather drastic step of intervention by the president of the United States averted a strike that would have crippled our air transportation system and caused severe economic hardship across the nation, especially here at home.

From now until mid-April, a three-member Presidential Emergency Board will study the issues, propose a settlement and try to bring the two sides together.

It is extremely important to preserve the progress that has been made toward an agreement. In

Washington, where last-minute talks failed late Friday night and the president immediately stepped in to halt a strike called by the Allied Pilots Association, reports during the weekend showed that American management and the pilots had significantly narrowed their differences.

The danger is that, with the intense pressures of a strike deadline having faded, the two sides will retreat to their respective corners and forget where they were Friday night. That would be a costly mistake.

— Fort Worth Star-Telegram

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Friday, Feb. 21, the 52nd day of 1997. There are 313 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On Feb. 21, 1965, former Black Muslim leader Malcolm X was shot and killed by assassins identified as Black Muslims as he was about to address a rally in New York City; he was 39.

On this date: In 1846, Sarah G. Bagley became the first female telegrapher as she took charge at the newly opened telegraph office in Lowell, Mass.

In 1866, Lucy B. Hobbs became the first woman to graduate from a dental school, the Ohio College of Dental Surgery in Cincinnati.

In 1878, the first telephone directory was issued, by the District Telephone Company of New Haven, Conn.

In 1885, the Washington Monument was dedicated.

In 1916, the World War I Battle of Verdun began in France.

In 1925, The New Yorker magazine made its debut.

In 1947, Edwin H. Land publicly demonstrated his Polaroid Land camera, which could produce a black-and-white photograph in 60 seconds.

In 1972, President Nixon began his historic visit to China.

In 1973, Israeli fighter planes shot down a Libyan Airlines jet

over the Sinai Desert, killing more than 100 people.

In 1975, former Attorney General John N. Mitchell and former White House aides H.R. Haldeman and John D. Ehrlichman were sentenced to 1 1/2 to 8 years in prison for their roles in the Watergate cover-up.

Ten years ago: The Tower Commission, appointed by President Reagan to investigate the Iran-Contra affair, interviewed former national security adviser Robert C. McFarlane.

Five years ago: Kristi Yamaguchi of the United States won the gold medal in women's figure skating at the Albertville Olympics; Midori Ito of Japan won the silver; Nancy Kerrigan of the United States the bronze. John Frohnmayer announced his resignation as chairman of the National Endowment for the Arts.

One year ago: The Space Telescope Science Institute announced that photographs from the Hubble Space Telescope confirmed the existence of a black hole equal to the mass of 2 billion suns in a galaxy some 30 million light-years away.

Today's Birthdays: Fashion designer Hubert de Givenchy is 70. Singer Nina Simone is 64. Actress Rue McClanahan is 63. Recording executive David Geffen is 54.

JACK ANDERSON

Clinton messes with success of patent office

WASHINGTON — Imagine a government agency that operated entirely free of taxpayer support, yet was still able to provide the public the kind of efficiency that other government agencies only dream about.

Such an agency does indeed exist. But that's not the hardest thing to believe.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office doesn't cost the federal government a dime. It's entirely self-funded, paid for by the fees charged to inventors who apply for patents.

But Congress — and the Clinton administration — haven't been able to leave well enough alone. In recent years, they've cut the agency's budget by tens of millions of dollars a year, imperiling the agency and the thousands of inventors who rely on its services.

Back in 1990, lawmakers decided to make the PTO entirely self-sufficient. Some 75 percent of the agency's budget was already funded by inventors applying for patents. Congress decided it wasn't unreasonable to ask inventors to also cover the rest of the costs.

So legislation was passed which added a "surcharge" to the processing fees paid by inventors, ending the PTO's reliance on taxpayer money. But there was a curious footnote to the 1990 legislation. The money generated by the surcharge was to be sent directly to Congress. While certainly inconvenient, patent officials lived with this bit of bureaucracy because Congress, at the president's request, would appropriate most — if not all — of the money right back to the PTO. At least that's what used to happen.

The PTO's experiment with self-sufficiency worked better than anyone had hoped. The agency began operating more like a successful business than a government agency. As efficiency increased, more and more patents were able to be processed each year. The agency's revenues skyrocketed, and their budget increased each year. PTO officials used the money to improve agency technology, enlarge the work force and enhance worker training programs.

While other government agencies were squandering money, the PTO increased revenue and productivity each year. This was a

tremendous plus for the economy. More American inventors being granted patents meant more new American products on the market each year.

Meanwhile, the tax money that once was used to fund PTO operations could instead be used to fund other government programs. Vice President Al Gore commended the agency when he conducted his National Performance Review in 1993.

But for some inexplicable reason, members of Congress — and now the Clinton administration — have decided to derail the PTO's momentum. Last year, Congress returned to the PTO just \$61 million of the \$115 million in surcharge funds. They put the other \$54 million into the Treasury as if it were tax revenue. This was by far the most Congress had taken from the PTO budget since the new system was started six years ago.

Patent officials weren't thrilled about last year's cuts, but at least they still had the president on their side — or so they thought.

Previously, Presidents Bush and Clinton had always asked Congress to return all of the surcharge money to the PTO. If Congress gave back less than the full amount, as it did last

year, it was against the chief executive's wishes.

But Clinton shocked patent officials earlier this month when he called for \$92 million of the surcharge money to be taken away from the PTO in 1998. Patent officials have been reluctant to criticize Clinton publicly, though an agency spokeswoman told our associate Aaron Karp that Clinton's proposal was "hard to swallow." Inventor advocates have blasted Congress and the president for imposing a de-facto "hidden tax" on inventors.

The PTO has now put a freeze on the hiring of new patent examiners, and is desperately trying to assess the damage. For starters, officials estimate that it will now take four months longer for the PTO to process patent applications.

A staffer on the House Appropriations Committee said the money is needed for "deficit reduction," and that the PTO must sacrifice like all other federal agencies in these belt-tightening times.

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WILLIAM MURCHISON

Society needs more religion in public life, not less

Should Etowah County, Ala., at the insistence of the American Civil Liberties Union, be required to take down the Ten Commandments from a courtroom wall?

It isn't the central question of our times — just a highly, and painfully, indicative one.

On rages the war against religion — the dumbest war in which our country has ever engaged, not excluding the Spanish-American tantrum of 1898.

Every year at Christmastime, people of sense and sensibility exclaim, "Oh, no!" Someone somewhere wants to dismantle a manger scene or prevent fourth-graders from warbling Christmas carols. We think it's gone as far as it's going. Then it goes further. Oh, no!

Take down the Ten Commandments in Alabama? That doesn't begin to represent what's going on at present, anti-religionwise.

In Milwaukee, Christian students went to federal court after a local school rebuffed efforts to display a poster enjoining abstinence from pre-marital sex. This awful and horrible poster touted the "True Love Waits" campaign, devised by evangelical Christians to promote chastity.



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Goodness, gracious! Christian support for chastity? Why, why, why... if we allowed that, next thing you'd know, Catholics would be forcing Holy Rollers to pray the Rosary and there'd be persecutions and stuff, and non-believers would have their feelings hurt, since anything can happen when Religion is on the prowl.

One day all this banality will wear out and go flat, like an overage two-ply tire. Meanwhile, an unanswerable question impends. The secularists who want to drive religion from public places — they would replace it with what, exactly? National Kindness Week? A Nightline forum on hidden cameras in Food Lions? These phenomena have lately passed before our eyes. I don't know that they have changed much. The main thing they reveal is the hollowness of moral inquiries unrelated to objective truths and standards.

We're not used to thinking about objectivity. Democratic politics conditions us to submit everything to subjective judgment: maybe yes, maybe no, whatever, whenever. This explains our dangerous footing today on urgent questions like, well, sexual morality. What's optional — i.e., just another piece of good advice, on the order of eat your green vegetables — is quickly and definitively sloughed off.

The ACLU and its, so to speak, Amen corner in the federal courts and the news media want religion kept in the churches. Bologna. We don't need less religion in public life, we need more.

Religion is at the core of citizenship, or citizenship doesn't exist. At or near the core of religion is the Ten Commandments. Which of the

ten specifically do the ACLU's intellectually challenged minions find objectionable? Thou shalt not kill? Thou shalt not steal? Honor thy father and thy mother? No, no. The trouble is with the first commandment: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God.

Yes, a religious injunction. Fine. Because, why follow the other commandments? One reason only: The Big Boss — "the Lord thy God" — saith so. An intuitive citizen can reason out the other commandments but not, with any finality, the reasons for obeying them. You've got to get some Authority in there.

Take sexual morality. You can plead for it on the basis of self-interest — as perhaps the educational authorities in Milwaukee do. But, as we know, good democratic Americans normally choose to define self-interest to suit themselves. What about Authority? What's right? What's wrong?

The secularist assault on religious understanding — the imputation that religion gums up our constitutional arrangements — is certain, as I say, to run its course.

Meanwhile, what a joy to see Alabama Gov. Fob James pledging use of the National Guard if force becomes necessary to let the Etowah Ten Commandments continue publicly encouraging the innocent, shaming the guilty. The century's ongoing finale hasn't banished foolishness, but the spines of the put-upon are growing pleasantly stiff.

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CHARLEY REESE

Leaders with bad character cause bad governance

The day after the State of the Union speech my newspaper ran color pictures of three psychopaths — O. J. Simpson, Newt Gingrich and Bill Clinton. You wouldn't find one conscience among the three of them.

It says a lot about the bankruptcy of the American culture that it is obsessed by three individuals who in a normal society would be hardly worthy of notice. But as polls have confirmed, character counts for nothing these days. Just fame, money and position.

There was a time in America when even a divorce could damage or end a public career. Today, almost nothing can damage one. Edwin Edwards, a colorful former governor of Louisiana, once quipped to the press, "The only thing that would hurt me politically would be to get caught in bed with a dead girl or live boy."

In Massachusetts, even that probably wouldn't matter. Rep. Gerry Studds got caught in bed with a live boy and was handily re-elected. Rep. Barney Frank fell in love with a mail-order male prostitute and got re-elected. Sen. Edward Kennedy would have gotten caught with a dead girl, but he left her to drown and then lied about it. He's considered the state's

most distinguished son.

Well, liberals who wanted to convince Americans that tolerance was the only virtue required of postmodern man ought to be happy. Americans are about the most tolerant people since the Romans of the fifth century.

It doesn't strike me as virtuous, however, to be tolerant of incompetence, stupidity, greed, vice, lying, irresponsibility and the breaking of oaths and vows. But what do I know? I'm well outside the mainstream, and considering what's floating in that mainstream, I'm darn glad I am.

It does kind of puzzle me, though, why folks think that they can be well-governed by liars, cheats, thieves and profligates. It may sound revolutionary in these dumber-down days, but there is a connection between the quality of government and the quality of the governors.

The system of government is just a mechanism. Whether the mechanism of the Justice Department, for example, is used to pursue justice or commit injustice depends on the character of the people in charge of it. Whether the power of an army defends liberty or snuffs it out depends on the character of its commanders.

The bureaucracy of the Third Reich was not evil. It was just a bureaucracy. It was used to commit evil acts. The government apparatus in any country, including ours, can also be used to commit evil if evil people command it.

Character doesn't matter? Great God, what a stupid belief that is!

Better take a tour of the killing fields and bone yards in Europe and the former Soviet

Union, in Cambodia, in Africa and in Asia. Do you think Fidel Castro's character doesn't matter? Hitler's? Stalin's? Pol Pot's? There you can see just what an evil government can do when men of bad character are in charge of it.

What makes Americans think they alone are immune to the consequences of allowing people of bad character to occupy the seats of government power? Do they think we can't lose our liberty? Do they think our economy cannot be looted and our families bankrupted? Do they think our children cannot be reduced to serfs? Do they think we can never know the firing squad and labor camp?

Wake up, brothers and sisters. Happiness and good government are the exceptions of human history, not the rule. We have been a lucky people and blessed surely beyond what we merit. Millions have died in our own century because of the evil character of men who ran their governments.

This nonchalant, flippant, cynical attitude that character doesn't matter can land us in a hellish situation if we don't wake up and attend to our civic responsibilities. Self-government means just that — that we have to attend to public business, and we do that by putting not the worst or most mediocre but the best and most outstanding people we can find in public office.

Remember, even God's patience has its limits, and luck changes.

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GOP received foreign money donations too

WASHINGTON (NYT) — When President Clinton announced last month that the Democratic National Committee would no longer accept contributions from American subsidiaries of foreign companies, he bristled at the Republicans' reluctance to join in that pledge.

"They raise more foreign money," Clinton said, somewhat bitterly. "They raise more money in big contributions. And we take all the heat. It's a free ride."

At least with respect to his "foreign money" arithmetic, the president was right. Analysis of the latest data filed by the parties with the federal Election Commission shows that in the 1995-96 election cycle, the Republicans' national committee and their Senate and House campaign committees raised a total of \$4.4 million — as against \$4 million raised by the counterpart Democratic committees — from foreign companies' U.S. subsidiaries, like Joseph E. Seagram & Sons Inc., Sony Corporation of America, Toyota Motor Sales USA and Nestle USA Inc.

But the Democrats have had to return far more so-called foreign money than the Republicans, because some of it is suspected of having come not from foreign companies' U.S. subsidiaries or from foreign nationals living legally in the United States (donations that are allowed by campaign law) but instead directly from foreign contributors (donations that are not).

The Democrats have given back a total of \$1.6 million in such money, \$949,300 of which was contributed in the 1995-96 cycle, the rest in the previous cycle. The Republicans, on the other hand, have had to return only a single, \$15,000 check from a Canadian ethanol company.

Nearly all the contributors at issue are large multinational corporations with a strong American presence, and several, like Burger King and Pillsbury, seem as quintessentially American as apple pie.

The biggest of them, including tobacco and pharmaceutical companies, have one thing in common: high-stakes issues pending on Capitol Hill and in the executive branch. Tobacco companies, for instance, are being investigated by the Justice Department to determine whether they suppressed evidence that nicotine is addictive, and so misled Congress. Also pending are the Food and Drug Administration's efforts to regulate tobacco as a drug.

The biggest foreign-owned donor in the last election cycle was Joseph E. Seagram & Sons Inc., the U.S. subsidiary of the Montreal-based distiller. Seagram gave \$650,000 to the various Republican committees and \$270,000 to the Democrats.

Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corp., whose parent is BAT Industries, a British company, donated \$565,000 to the Republicans. ICI Americas Inc., a British-owned chemical company, gave to both sides, contributing \$88,200 to the Republicans and \$48,750 to the Democrats. BP Exploration and Oil Inc. donated \$217,579 to the Republicans and \$52,000 to the Democrats. And Glaxo Wellcome Inc., an American pharmaceutical concern whose parent is based in London, contributed \$441,100 to the Republicans and \$46,400 to the Democrats.

Several companies with foreign parents directed all their largesse on the Republicans. Great-West Life and Annuity Insurance Co., which has headquarters in Englewood, Colo., but is owned by a Canadian insurer, gave the party \$155,000. News America Publishing, a subsidiary of Rupert Murdoch's News Corp., based in Australia, contributed \$129,700.

HMOs told not to limit treatment information to Medicaid patients

N.Y. Times Service

WASHINGTON — President Clinton on Thursday prohibited health maintenance organizations from limiting what doctors may tell Medicaid patients about treatment options. And he urged Congress to guarantee similar protections for more than 100 million Americans with private insurance.

In December, the Clinton administration said that HMOs and other health plans may not limit what doctors tell Medicare patients about treatment options. Nearly 5 million elderly people, about 13 percent of all Medicare beneficiaries, are in HMOs.

Thursday's action, for Medicaid, is more significant because it affects more people. About 13.3 million, or 36 percent of Medicaid recipients, are in HMOs, and states are rushing to increase the number because they see managed care as way to hold down costs.

In announcing his action on Thursday, Clinton declared that changes revolutionizing the health insurance and health care industries must not be allowed to erode the quality of medical care.

The president's comments foreshadow a battle over the role of government in regulating managed care, which has

reined in health costs in part by limiting the use of medical specialists and costly procedures. Three-fourths of all Americans with employer-sponsored health insurance are in managed-care plans.

Some health plans have discouraged doctors from telling patients about expensive treatment options like bone marrow transplants. Doctors who flout such "gag rules" say they face retaliation from the health plans for which they work. The managed-care industry recently promised not to restrict communications between doctors and patients on medical questions.

Surrounded by doctors and nurses in the Oval Office of the White House on Thursday, Clinton said: "On the whole, the growth of managed care has been a good thing for our country. But we also know, we've seen enough to know, that we have to make absolutely sure that this rapid transformation does not lead to a decline in the quality of health care. That's why I've been concerned about these so-called gag rules that some HMOs and other health care plans have."

HMO patients must be assured that "their doctors will give them the very best information" about medical treatments, Clinton said.

Astronauts prepare to land Discovery

HOUSTON (NYT) — Astronauts aboard the shuttle Discovery prepared Thursday to end their successful mission to upgrade the high-flying Hubble Space Telescope.

The shuttle crew was to touch down Friday at 1:50 a.m. EST at the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's Kennedy Space Center in Florida. Rain showers and low clouds posed a slight threat, forecasters said. There were backup landing opportunities in Florida as well as at Edwards Air Force Base, Calif., where high winds were a potential threat. If foul weather forced a 24-hour wave-off, the shuttle crew would try to land in Florida on Saturday, said NASA's Wayne Hale, who was to supervise the re-entry

operation.

"On Saturday, we really need to land," Hale said. Discovery's electrical power stores, drained by its long orbital encounter with the big space telescope, as well as life-support system supplies that scrub the breathing air of carbon dioxide will be depleted by Monday.

Aboard Discovery, mission commander Ken Bowersox, pilot Scott "Doc" Horowitz, flight engineer Steve Hawley and spacewalkers Mark Lee, Greg Harbaugh, Steve Smith and Joe Tanner were eager to return to Earth.

"We're ready to come home," Bowersox told a brief news conference from orbit. "We're happy with what we have done."

Following their Feb. 11 liftoff,

Discovery's crew members quickly caught up with the Hubble Space Telescope. After snaring it with the shuttle's long robot arm, Lee, Harbaugh, Smith and Tanner conducted five spacewalks to upgrade the telescope. "I'm still really pumped up and probably will be for a long time," Tanner said. The astronauts installed 10 major optical and electronic upgrades of the orbiting observatory during four planned spacewalks. A fifth spacewalk was added to the mission, so Lee and Smith could patch unexpected rips and blisters in the protective outer covering of the telescope caused by solar exposure and corrosive elements in Earth's thin upper atmosphere.

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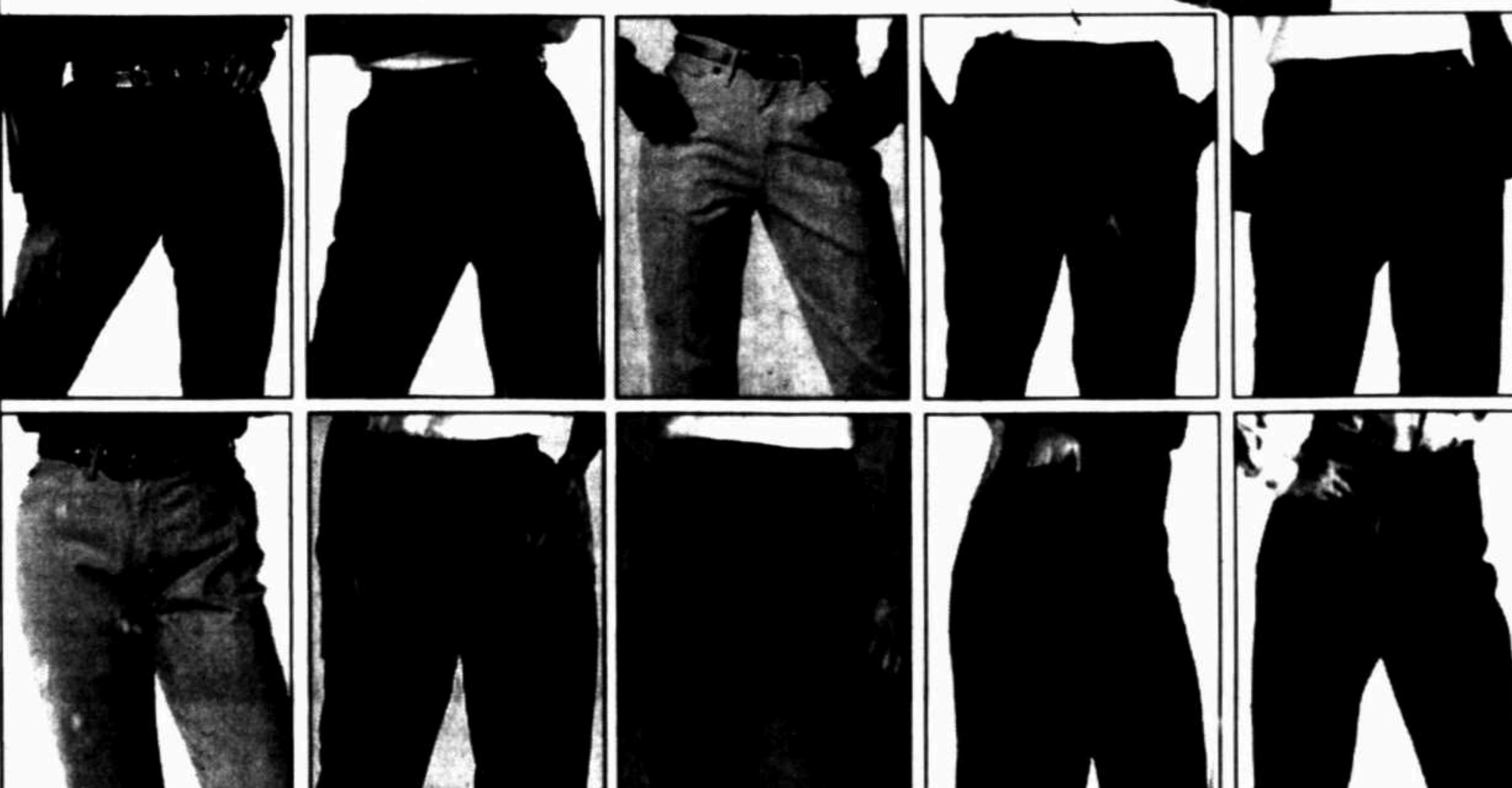
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Scientific panel urges further study of medical benefits of marijuana

BETHESDA, Md. (Hearst) — A government-sponsored panel on marijuana called Thursday for new scientific studies to determine whether the drug has significant medical benefits.

Dr. William T. Beaver of the Georgetown University School of Medicine, who heads the eight-member panel, said marijuana "looks promising enough so that there should be new controlled studies done."

Speaking at the end of a two-day conference here sponsored by the National

Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA), Beaver added that the feeling among panelists was "there is a rationale for looking at the therapeutic effects of marijuana" for some ailments.

He said marijuana — both in the legal pill form known as Marinol and the illegal plant form — appear to relieve nausea suffered by chemotherapy patients and the "wasting" disorder associated with AIDS known as Cachexia.

Dr. Paul Palmberg of the University of Miami School of Medicine, a panel mem-

ber, said marijuana also shows some promise in the treatment of glaucoma by lowering the pressure in the eye that can hasten the disease.

Palmberg cited a patient of his who has been using legally sanctioned marijuana cigarettes more than eight years as part of a small government program. The drug has been "very effective," and "it merits looking at" in a large study, he said.

Besides Beaver and Palmberg, the panel includes researchers from Stanford, Harvard and Northwestern Universities,

the Universities of Utah and Maryland, and the Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center.

Advocacy groups have claimed that marijuana cigarettes also relieve symptoms associated with certain neurological diseases such as multiple sclerosis as well as glaucoma, nausea and the "wasting" disorder.

The issue gained national attention when ballot measures passed last November in California and Arizona legalizing the medical use of marijuana.

Senior Clinton administration officials have spoken out against both measures, which have removed state criminal sanctions for use of the drug by seriously ill people whose doctors have recommended it.

The administration has sent letters to doctors in each state warning that marijuana remains illegal under federal law and threatening to revoke their prescription licenses if they recommend or prescribe it.

French Gulf War troops didn't take pills to protect against chemical weapons, but report no illnesses

N.Y. Times Service

French troops were the only NATO force in the Gulf who didn't take pills to protect themselves against chemical weapons, and they are the only ones who haven't reported any cases of so-called Gulf War Syndrome.

It could be a coincidence, or a failure by the French to acknowledge reports of sickness. But a growing number of scientists and political figures say it's one more reason to suspect that the pills, called pyridostigmine bromide (PB), contributed to the mysterious malady. Interest also is focus-

ing on the insecticides the French soldiers used and the vaccines they were given, which also apparently were different than those used by their allies.

"It's a perfectly reasonable approach, comparative populations are always fruitful if they're well characterized," said Dr.

Gareth Green, professor of environmental health at Harvard School of Public Health and chairman of a National Institutes of Health panel that reviewed Gulf illnesses.

Representative Christopher Shays (R-Conn.), whose House Subcommittee on Human

Resources and Intergovernmental Relations has been investigating Gulf ailments, agreed that "it's

clearly something that should be looked at." He promised to press the Pentagon to do so.

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BASIN BRIEFING

Top student

Lee High School student Rick Kimpel recently made a perfect score on the math section of the Scholastic Aptitude Test. "Math has always seemed to me to be the only course worth taking. It was the only one that I knew I could learn more about. I got my hands on everything I could regarding math," Kimpel said. "My father gave me copies of an appendix that had all sorts of formulas and calculations. I kept it and used it as long as I could until I lost it. I always try to lose myself in math. Probably a great help to me now is my tutoring students." Kimpel has earned the Achievement Award from the Midland Math and Science Boosters, and performed as a soloist in Lee High School choir performances, and has earned top ratings in marching band. He has won top honors for Bible quizzes at church competitions.

MCT auditions

Midland Community Theatre has scheduled auditions for "Wrong Turn at Lungfish" 7:30 p.m. Monday and Tuesday at the Redfern Room at Cole Theatre. The roles are a 60-plus blind male who is a college dean; a 30-ish, street-tough male with a violent temper; a 20-30-year-old under-educated, optimistic female; and a 20-plus, immature nurse.

Meeting change

Midland Independent School District's regular board meeting Tuesday will begin at 7 p.m. rather than the usual time of 4 p.m. The meeting is to be at MISD's downtown administration office, 615 W. Missouri Ave.

Support group

Evening Dialogue Cancer Support Group is to meet 7 p.m. Tuesday at Allison Cancer Center. Angela Peterson, social worker, will lead an open discussion. For more information call 685-6606.

Safety event

Camp Safety Day, an educational and awareness event for children through third grade, is scheduled for 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday at Midland Park Mall. The "campground," sponsored by the Junior League of Midland, will include campsites at which children can make "passports," have their faces painted, participate in self-esteem exercises or watch safety skits.

Community of Joy

"You Owe Me," a modern parable, is to be presented 10:35 a.m. March 2 at Community of Joy, which meets at Cole Theatre. For more information call First United Methodist Church, 682-3701.

Reception set

A retirement reception for Alamo and Abell junior high school teacher Loyce Martin is planned for 10 a.m.-noon Saturday at Grassland Estates Clubhouse.

TODAY'S AGENDA

Overeaters Anonymous, noon, 408 S. G Street. 694-4166; 580-7545; 684-8726 or 699-5563.

Midland Co. Library, volunteers from the Midland Genealogical Society are available 10-12 a.m. to help beginners search their family tree.

Evening for recreation and leisure for those with mental retardation, 682-9771.

Open duplicate bridge, Allison Bridge Center, 7 p.m., 682-4461.

Alpha/Omega Group, 11 a.m., 4400 N. Big Spring St., Suite C-41.

The West Texas Amputee Coalition, 11 a.m., HealthSouth Rehabilitation Hospital, 694-4206 in Midland or 366-5464 in Odessa.

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Grand jury indicts car dealer

Odessa man to stand trial for possession, intent to distribute cocaine

By Gary Shanks
Staff Writer

A Midland federal grand jury handed down an indictment Thursday against an Odessa used car dealer who is alleged to have sold two used cars for cocaine and cash.

Glen Ray Brown, 51, owner of Specialty Auto Sales, was arrested Tuesday after he allegedly tried to make a deal with an undercover agent, according to an agent with the U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency.

Brown was allegedly asking for eight ounces of cocaine and \$8,000 for the two restored Corvettes, agent William Leonard said.

After reviewing information presented by prosecutors with the U.S. Attorney's Office, the grand jury indicted Brown on a charge of possession of cocaine with intent to distribute.

Although authorities are investigating the possibility of further charges, grand jurors did not hand down a second indictment for conspiracy in the case.

Brown was released from the Midland County Central Detention Center Thursday after a federal magistrate set a \$5,000 bond.

Authorities suspect that Brown sold cars for drugs in the past and then resold the cocaine he received in the sale.

Brown and his used car lot have been under inves-

tigation since January, Leonard said. On his lot, Brown usually maintains an inventory of more than 20 vehicles, including Jeeps and pickups, according to investigator's reports.

Authorities are investigating the vehicles to see if any had been reported stolen. At least five of the vehicles have been impounded by the Midessa Auto Task Force for allegedly having altered vehicle identification numbers.

If convicted, Brown could face five years in federal prison for the charge handed down yesterday. In addition, both vehicles involved in the sale could be confiscated.

Library patrons find way around construction

By Ed Todd
Staff Writer

When the barricades are up, people dedicated to a mission somehow find a way to their objective.

And so it is at the Midland County Public Library where safety-ensuring construction barricades seemed to block access to the downtown library.

But patrons got in. "People had a lot of initiative when they found out ways to get into the building — to get around the construction," observed Midland County Librarian Sandra Wegner.

And so the patrons found their way through the maze, over the sandy mud, and between the heavy machinery used in constructing the north-south and east-west drive-through passageways bordering the library's east and south sides.

Albert Reece Inc. of Midland laid the eight-inch caliche base and the 1-3/4-inch hot-mix asphalt topping in the \$100,000 project that started late last year.

"People are so inconvenienced now, but they will be so pleased when it is all over," Ms. Wegner said.

"We have very patient people (using the library)," Midland County Commissioner Louisa Valencia said of the library's 50,000 card-holding patrons.

The work — which is nearing completion except for markings, striping, and sign-making — includes several wheelchair-accessible ramps and diagonal handicapped-parking spaces on the library's east side.

The bulk of the library's parking area is to the south and southeast of the library. The parking spaces, which are to be outlined by stripes, are bordered by chain-linked fences south and southeast of library on the east and west and along Front Street to the south.

There are about 100 spaces, according to Ms. Valencia.

Parking spaces immediately to the east of the library are privately owned and are not open to library patrons.

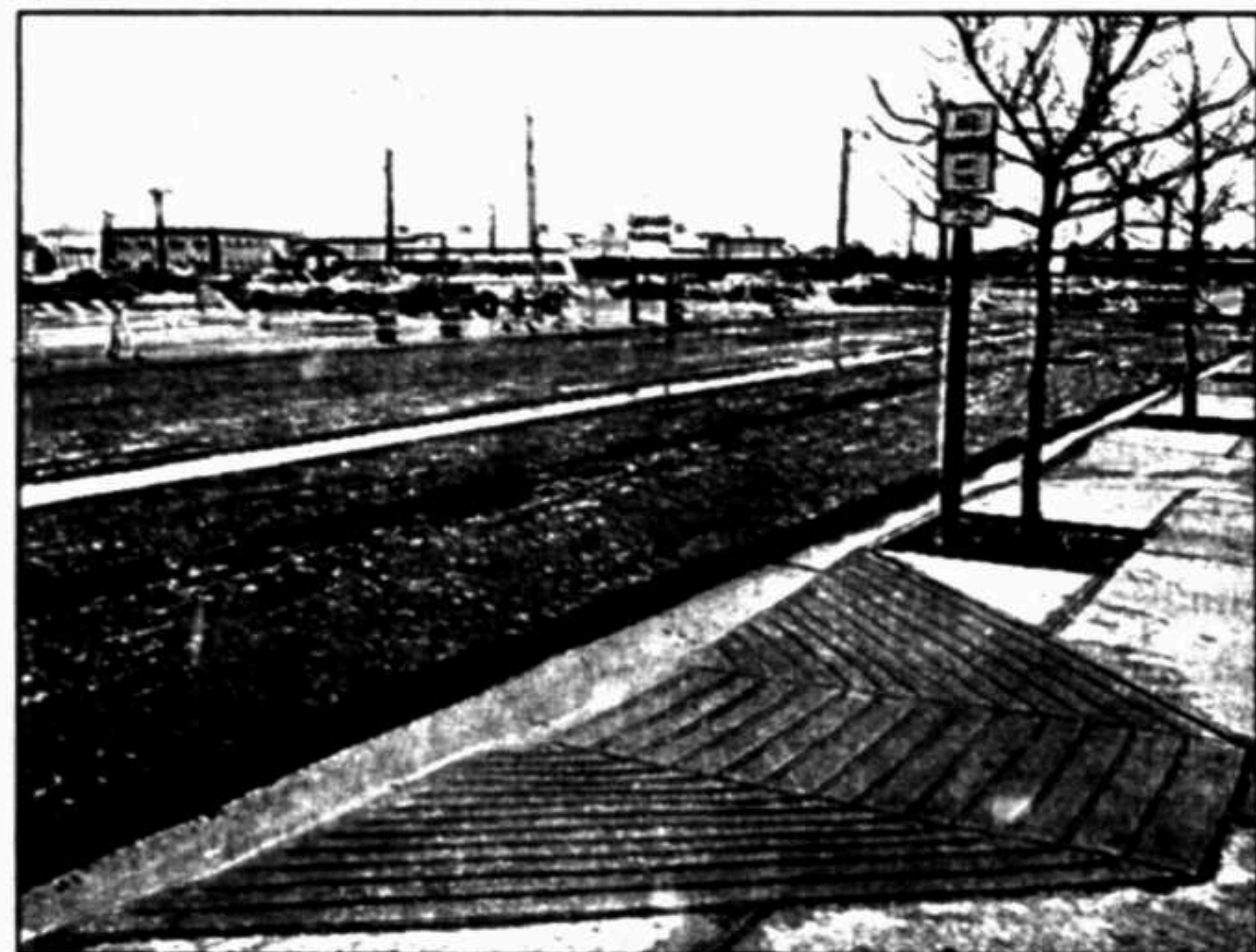
Ms. Valencia noted that the new paving on the library's south and east sides is designed to afford drainage onto Missouri Avenue to the north.

Library patron Ryan Fiske, who uses the library frequently for research, said that the construction made getting to and into the library inconvenient and a challenge. Getting there wasn't easy, he said.

"It's still pretty hard," Fiske said. Please see NEW/2B



Louisa Valencia, Midland County Commissioner, left, and Sandra Wegner, director of Midland County Library look at changes in the parking lot. A new addition, below, provides more parking for elderly and handicapped patrons and more ramps in front of the building.
Curt Wilcott
Reporter-Telegram



Odessa resident testifies against his son on trial for double murder

■ Man says his son confessed to killing 23-year-old woman and her 16-month-old daughter.

Associated Press

HUNTSVILLE — The father of a man accused in the 1993 deaths of his neighbor and her 16-month-old daughter said his son confessed to stabbing the woman and burying the child alive.

Raymond Cobb, 20, stared straight ahead Wednesday as his father, Charles Cobb of Odessa, testified about confronting his son nearly two years after the slayings.

"I told him I was tired of lies," the elder Cobb said. "I told him the only way I could help was if he told me the truth. He started crying. He said he killed her, stabbed her."

Raymond Cobb is charged with capital murder in the deaths of Margaret Owings, 23, and her daughter, Kori Rae. Their remains were found in a wooded area behind their home near Huntsville about two years after they disappeared in December 1993.

Cobb, then a high school student who lived with his sister and her boyfriend, eventually was charged with burglarizing the Owingses' home. He was not arrested in the slayings until November 1995, when his father turned him in. By that time, the son was living in Odessa.

The elder Cobb, a convicted thief, said he was unaware of a \$500 reward in the case but took it. He said he gave the \$500 to his father to replace money that he suspected Raymond Cobb had stolen.

Odessa Police Lt. Harold Thomas questioned Raymond Cobb about the slayings after his arrest. He admonished him that "God disapproves of Christians killing. It's a terrible burden to carry on your heart."

He said Cobb slumped and tears came to his eyes.

"He was trembling, shaking," Thomas testified. "He reached up for a cigarette and said, 'Light my cigarette and I'll go ahead and tell.'"

Thomas said Cobb told him he broke into the Owingses' home near Huntsville to steal a stereo. But Mrs. Owings, a decorated Navy veteran, jumped on his back to restrain him.

Cobb admitted stabbing her in the abdomen, dragging her body to the woods near her home and then bringing the sleeping child there, Thomas testified.

Cobb dug a shallow grave and the toddler fell into it when she awoke. He then placed Mrs. Owings' body on top of the child and buried them both, Thomas said.

Orbeck honored by Odessa group

By Joe Gaines
Staff Writer

ODESSA — The Heritage of Odessa Foundation honored 13 Odessans for their community service Thursday, including Betty Orbeck, director of archives at the Permian Basin Petroleum Museum.

She has been the administrator for the museum's archives center, library and artifact collection since 1976. Additionally, she serves as staff liaison to the Petroleum Hall of Fame Committee and the Permian Basin Petroleum Pioneer's Reunion Committee.

Her interest in Permian Basin history

began in 1957 when she asked a local newspaper for copies of its earlier papers, she said.

They told her they didn't keep them and that started her crusade to save and record local artifacts and history.

"I later found out they had them on microfilm."

A year later, she organized the Ector County Historical Survey Committee, a state-wide program for preserving history and marking historical buildings and sites. As the first chairwoman, she co-founded the Permian Historical Society, which collects and preserves Permian Basin history.

Please see HONOR/2B



Betty Orbeck, center, talks with two of her Petroleum Museum co-workers, William and Mary Robinson, at a banquet Thursday evening at which she was honored.

Tim Fischer
Reporter-Telegram

Behavioral health care available in Midland

By Mella McEwen
Staff Writer

Midland is now home to an out-patient day treatment program offering psychiatric and chemical dependency treatment to patients who need intensive care but not hospitalization.

"It's partial hospitalization," said Kenny Gallagher, administrator of Permian Behavioral Health Center. He said that until the center opened, the closest similar programs were in San Angelo and Lubbock. Among the advantages of a locally owned center is that it is approximately one-third the cost of in-patient care, which Gallagher said is very important in this era of controlling medical costs.

Also, out-patient care is less restrictive, allowing the patient to go home with his family and for family to be involved in treatment, Gallagher said.

Fridays are "family day," when patients can bring

in their families so everyone can better understand the illness and its treatment, he said.

Gallagher said some patients have come in after in-patient treatment. "They come in three days a week then cut back to two days a week and then one day a week," he said.

The center offers dependency treatment for alcohol and chemicals and for psychiatric disorders such as depression.

He said the center has many self-referrals; a staff psychiatric nurse and professional counselor do assessments on potential patients.

Medical director is Dr. Prerak M. Doctor, board certified in child, adolescent and adult psychiatry; program director is the Rev. Ronald E. Meyer, a licensed chemical dependency counselor and licensed marriage and family therapist.

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Kenny Gallagher is administrator of Permian Behavioral Health Center, a new out-patient day treatment program that offers psychiatric and chemical dependency treatment.

Brian Adamcik
Reporter-Telegram



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POLICE REPORTS

Crime Stoppers

Authorities are asking the public for information about the homicide of James W. Stewart.

Stewart, 68, was found dead at his residence, 4717 W. Industrial, Monday afternoon. Stewart had been shot once in the head. A weapon was not found at the scene.

Some personal items were missing and robbery is believed to be a motive, sheriff officials reported.

Crime Stoppers will pay a \$1,000 reward for information leading to the arrest or indictment of the suspect involved in the crime. Call Crime Stoppers in Midland at 694-TIPS or 1-800-7-LOCKUP. All callers can remain anonymous; caller ID is not used.

Midland Police Department Wednesday

Theft: A checkbook was taken at 2000 W. Cuthbert Ave., reported Carrie Adams at 8:15 a.m.

Theft: A quilt was taken at 3303 W. Illinois Ave., reported Midland Senior Center at 9:39 a.m.

Burglary of a residence: A report was made at 2613 N. Midland Drive by Nathan Maples at 12:39 p.m.

Burglary of a residence: A report was made at 307 Cloud Ave. by Hortense Brown at 1:27 p.m.

Theft: A report was made at 3200 N. Big Spring St. by Evelyn Leyva at 4:39 p.m.

Vandalism: Three tires were slashed at 903 E. Illinois Ave., reported Evelyn Mason at 4:43 p.m.

Theft: A wallet was taken at 3303 W. Illinois Ave., reported Bob Calender at 5:18 p.m.

Burglary of a residence: A report was made at 2304 W. Washington Ave. by Chris Wrinkler at 5:40 p.m.

Vandalism: A window was broken at Midkiff Road and Loop 250, reported Ronald Walker at 8:19 p.m.

Thursday
Burglary of a building: Cash was taken at 604 Andrews Highway, reported Village Car Wash at 7:24 a.m.

Burglary of a vehicle: A compact disc player was taken at 409 S. Main St., reported M&E Automotive at 8:52 a.m.

Assault: A juvenile pulled a knife on another juvenile at 4717 Cherokee Drive, reported Mary Ann Lopez at 9:12 a.m. No one was injured and no one was arrested, police reported.

Burglary of a residence: A television was taken at 1106 Moran St., reported Johnny Elrod at 12:53 p.m.

Police suspect man in purse snatchings

By Joe Gaines
Staff Writer

A Midland man, arrested for allegedly forging a check, may be linked to a string of purse snatchings, police reported.



Sutton

Danny Ray Sutton, 18, was arrested at Furr's Supermarket, 2208 N. Big Spring St., late Wednesday night. Sutton had allegedly tried to cash a stolen check for \$100, police reported.

A clerk at the store had called the owner of the check and the owner told the clerk that the check had been taken earlier during a purse snatching, police reported.

The man then ran from the store, but police were able to get his name and later arrested him at his residence, police reported.

In January, several small businesses around Midland Park Mall reported that two people had

entered their store and took wallets from purses.

The pair, described as a white male and female in their late teens, would ask the clerk if they could use the store's restroom. The restroom would usually be behind the counter, where employees' purses were kept.

After leaving the restroom, the suspects reached behind the counter, opened the purses and took the wallets, police said.

They took wallets from purses from at least four businesses, police said.

Sutton allegedly passed another forged check for \$100 at another supermarket earlier, police said.

Possible theft charges may be brought against him next week, pending further investigation, police said.

Police are also seeking warrants for two other suspects. Arrests are expected next week, police reported.

Sutton is being held at Midland County Detention Center on \$15,000 bond. He is charged with forgery of a financial instrument, a state felony.

HONOR: Petroleum Museum's archivist recognized at banquet

(From 1B)

The society's archive collection, with artifacts from Texas and New Mexico, is located at the University of Texas at the Permian Basin.

As director of the museum's archives, Ms. Orbeck gets to view each new item first, a privilege she relishes, she said.

Each new piece brought to the museum stirs her curiosity about the area's history.

"It's like a puzzle and each new piece is like filling in a gap. In history, you know one thing happened, but not how we got from here to there. For each question a piece answers, it brings up two or three more," she said.

During her research, she has spoken to many of the area's pio-

neers, taping and transcribing nearly 300 interviews.

"It's all a study of the land and it's people."

For her work, Orbeck was given a Community Statesman award in the field of humanities.

"Each of the 13 chosen to receive awards have made a significant impact with their volunteer time, energy, expertise for the growth, life and progress of Odessa," said Narita Holmes, Heritage of Odessa Foundation secretary.

The other recipients are Sonya Haynie, W.R. Hill, Arlene Campbell, Edith Libson, Jackie Sue Barnes, Bessie Lou Parker Doelling, Alex Ogilvy, Dr. Albert B. Finch, Ken Brodnax, Dr. David C. Mindel, Judge Tryon D. Lewis and Ted Roden.

HELP: Behavioral care available

(From 1B)

There is also a pharmacy director to ensure that patients are getting the correct medication and are not getting medicines that counteract each other, Gallagher said.

The center receives Medicare and private insurance, a process that Gallagher said is very stringent and becoming stricter.

"This is still a very difficult area because we're treating the mind, more or less," Gallagher

explained. "A cut on the arm eventually heals. But you can't X-ray the mind and say 'OK, you're not depressed anymore.'"

He said the center was opened for two reasons: "because there wasn't one in the area and because it was needed."

In the first six weeks it was open, he estimated that 15 to 20 patients were treated.

"Several of them have come back and thanked their therapist. And that's always a nice feeling."

NEW: Local library gets improvements

(From 1B)

now that construction is all but finished and the striping is to be done.

The downtown library counted 26,000 visits by patrons during January, Ms. Wagner said.

The library is open 62 hours a week during the school year and 57 hours a week during the summer.

The downtown library and the Midland Centennial Branch Library at Midland Park Mall hold about 250,000 items, mostly books. There are also audio and video cassettes, art works, maps, microfilm and microfiche, and compact disks. Of the total, about 300,000 represents books, including 12,000 volumes at the Centennial Branch Library.

OBITUARIES

Ryan William Benjamin Parker

MIDLAND — Ryan William Benjamin Parker, infant son of Gilbert and Monique Parker of Midland, died Monday, February 17, 1997, at Westwood Hospital.

Services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Friday, February 21, 1997, at Calvary Assembly of God Church with the Rev. Gale Reeves and Rev. Randall McDonald officiating. Burial will be at Resthaven Memorial Park.

Pallbearers will be Randy Gilbert and Mickey Duquette.

Ryan was born February 17, 1997, in Midland.

Arrangements are by Pipkin Funeral Home of Midland.

DEATH NOTICES

Ruthie Pearl Tillman

STANTON — Ruthie Pearl Tillman, 76, of Morgan, sister of Midlander J.C. Steward, died Wednesday, Feb. 19, in Fort Worth.

Graveside services are to be at 2 p.m. today, Feb. 21, at Evergreen Cemetery in Stanton with the Rev. Bob Porterfield officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home in Stanton.

She was born May 23, 1920, in Hugo, Okla.

She lived in Houston before moving to Morgan 1988. She was a member of Lakeside Village Baptist Church and Eastern Star.

Other survivors include her husband, Hank Tillman of Morgan; two sisters, Mildred Phillips of Stanton and Betty Jo Saunders of Monahans; and another brother, J.M. Steward of Stanton.

Services are to be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 22, at Mount Calvary Missionary Baptist Church with the Rev. Robert Latham officiating. Burial is to follow at Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Thomas Funeral Home.

She was born March 5, 1911, in Love, La.

She had lived in Midland since 1955.

She was preceded in death by her husband and a son.

Survivors include a son, Elijah Butler of Hawthorne, Calif.; a daughter, Vera Lacy of Midland; five sisters, two brothers and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to Community Children's Clinic, 307 12 N. Weatherford, 79701.

Services are to be at 3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 22, at Hubbard-Kelly Funeral Home in Odessa with the Rev. Johnny Witherspoon officiating. Burial is to follow at Sunset Memorial Gardens under the direction of Hubbard-Kelly Funeral Home.

She was born July 13, 1919, in Karkhoda, India.

She moved to Midland in 1989.

She was preceded in death by two brothers, Gopi Chand and Kashmuri Lal.

Survivors include a son, Dr. Prem Gupta of Midland; a daughter, Rageshwari Jam of Rohtak, India; a sister, Gando of India; five grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

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Services are to be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 22, at an Odessa hospital.

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Obituary & Death Notice policy

There is no charge for death notices of residents or former residents of Midland or for those who have Midland relatives. We also publish death notices for residents of the surrounding West Texas area.

Free death notices include date and place of death, service and burial information, funeral home handling arrangements, date and place of birth, brief biography, survivors and memorials. A longer, more detailed obituary is available for a charge. It may include tributes, expanded biography, organizational associations, notes of appreciation, pallbearers, honorary pallbearers and a photo.

Deadline for both free death notices and paid obituaries is 4:30 p.m. and information must be either received from or verified by a funeral home.

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Senator's arrest adds lore to rogue's gallery of Texas politicians

Associated Press

AUSTIN — The arrest of a state senator in an undercover prostitution sting is the latest in a long line of missteps that have helped give Texas politics its rogue's gallery reputation.

Those deeds ranged from resume padding to paying college football players to a legislator having himself shot.

An agriculture commissioner stuck his arm down a fire ant mound and was bitten 32 times. A gubernatorial candidate listed his occupation as "alleged racketeer."

Not even presidential hopefuls escaped. Petitions seeking places on the Texas ballot for three Republican candidates in the 1988 primary included numerous forgeries, including signatures of Democrats and the dead.

"Over the years, state officials and legislators have been indicted for bribery, perjury, promotion of prostitution, pornography, using state employees for campaign purposes, cocaine delivery and cattle rustling," says the "Political History of Texas," published by the Texas Almanac.

Sen. Drew Nixon, R-Carthage, whose official Senate biography describes him as favoring "a

strong criminal justice system," was missing from the Senate Thursday and has refused to comment on his arrest and jailing this week.

Austin police say Nixon, 37, was charged with offering undercover officer Christine Shelton \$35 to perform oral sex. Ms. Shelton also said Nixon had a 9-mm handgun in his car at the time.

Nixon's arrest made him the latest Texas pol to hit the headlines for something other than politicking. Newspaper archives and the Political History book are filled with stories.

■ Then-Rep. Michael Martin, R-Longview, in 1981 catapulted into the national spotlight after being shot in the arm. He blamed the shooting on a Satanic cult. His cousin, Charles Goff, said Martin hired him to shoot him with a shotgun as a publicity stunt in hopes of winning a Senate seat. Martin left office.

■ In 1982, Agriculture Commissioner Reagan Brown stuck his hand down a fire ant mound as TV cameras rolled. During that same losing campaign, Brown used a racial slur to describe black educator Booker T. Washington. He blamed the insult on food poisoning from a "bad turkey sandwich in Laredo."

■ Former Gov. Bill Clements acknowledged after taking office a second time in 1987 that, while he was chairman of the Southern Methodist University Board of Governors, the board authorized continued payments to football players. "Ponygate" brought a few calls for impeachment, but Clements served out the term.

■ Former House Speaker Gus Mutscher, an aide and another House member were found guilty of conspiring to accept a bribe in the Sharpstown stock fraud scandal. He completed four years' probation and later was elected a county judge.

■ Former House Speaker Gib Lewis, who held that post for a decade, bumped into ethics laws twice. In his first term as speaker he pleaded no contest to failing to disclose holdings in a number of firms in his official financial statements. In his last term, he pleaded no contest to ethics charges and didn't seek re-election.

■ Former Supreme Court Justice Don Yarborough was indicted for lying to a grand jury, faced impeachment proceedings and resigned in 1977, about six months after taking office.

■ Stanley Adams Jr., a former owner of Lamar Savings Associa-

tion who faced federal charges in the thrift's failure, entered the Democratic gubernatorial primary in 1990. On filing papers, he listed his occupation as "alleged white-collar

racketeer." He lost.

■ Former Rep. David London was found guilty of stealing five head of cattle from a Wills Point rancher in June 1982. He said he was framed by

political rivals but lost a re-election bid.

■ GOP presidential hopefuls found themselves with forged petitions in 1988.

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Psychological evaluation for 'cheerleader mom' denied

HOUSTON (AP) — The so-called "cheerleader mom" likely will be released from prison next week despite the prosecutors' contention that she needs ongoing psychological help and isn't a candidate for probation.

Wanda Holloway was accused of attempting to hire a hit man to kill the mother of her daughter's rival in cheerleader tryouts at a junior high school in suburban Channelview.

In 1991, a jury convicted Ms. Holloway of solicitation of capital murder and sentenced her to 15 years. The conviction was overturned when it was discovered that a juror was on probation.

She then pleaded no contest and was sentenced to 10 years in prison for her role in the 1991 murder-for-hire scheme.

She is scheduled to be released from prison on Feb. 28, the date when she will have completed a six-month term commonly called

"shock probation." State District Judge George Godwin has scheduled a hearing that day and is expected to place Ms. Holloway on probation.

Harris County prosecutors attempted Wednesday to convince the judge that she needs psychological help and is not ready to be released from prison.

The defendant Wanda Holloway is not a viable candidate for probation and would benefit from further incarceration in prison due to what appears to be a chronic

psychological disorder," according to the motion.

The judge took less than a minute to deny the request, said defense lawyer Jim Lavine.

"Clearly they are attempting to keep her in jail, but they are using mechanisms that are not approved or recognized by law," he said.

The defense lawyer said the judge told Ms. Holloway on Sept. 9 that if her behavior was good during six months in jail, she would be released on probation, he said.

9 Days Until Midland's Community Celebration



Lawmakers propose 15 percent cut in Texas' electric rates

AUSTIN (AP) — Electric companies would have to compete for the right to power Texans' homes and businesses and the companies that serve most Texans now would have to cut rates by 15 percent under bills introduced in the Legislature Thursday.

Rep. Mark Stiles, D-Beaumont, and Sen. Jerry Patterson, R-Pasadena, said now is the time to deregulate the state's electricity market. Both lawmakers said electricity can be sold cheaper in Texas and any deregulation plan should start with a rate cut.

"They are over earning," Stiles said of investor-owned utility companies, like Houston Lighting and Power. "This is something Texas needs."

Under the plan, investor-owned utility companies, which cover about 90 percent of Texas, would have to cut prices by 15 percent starting Sept. 1. Publicly owned utilities, like the city of Austin's, and cooperative utility companies would not have to cut rates.

A spokesman for the state's largest utility companies called the rate cut a gimmick.

Gary Rasp, a spokesman for the Association of Electricity Companies of Texas, said the identical bills filed by Stiles and Patterson would allow companies affected by the rate cut to appeal to the Texas Public Utility Commission if the cut would affect their ability to stay in business. He said that would result in many appeals.

"It's an effort to gain support," Rasp said.

Investor-owned utility companies have argued for months that electricity rates in Texas are below the national average. They say Texas doesn't need to deregulate the market.

Under the current, regulated system, Texas utility companies hold monopolies in the territories they serve.

Patterson said he isn't interested in how Texas rates compare to other states.

"Can they be lower?" he asked. "We know electricity can be cheaper," Stiles replied.

Stiles added that many of the companies arguing against deregulating the industry are giving cost breaks to large companies. He said if it's OK to cut rates for big business, it should be OK to do the same for small businesses and consumers.

Rasp said large companies can get lower rates because they use a lot of electricity. "That happens in any industry because of economies of scale," he said.

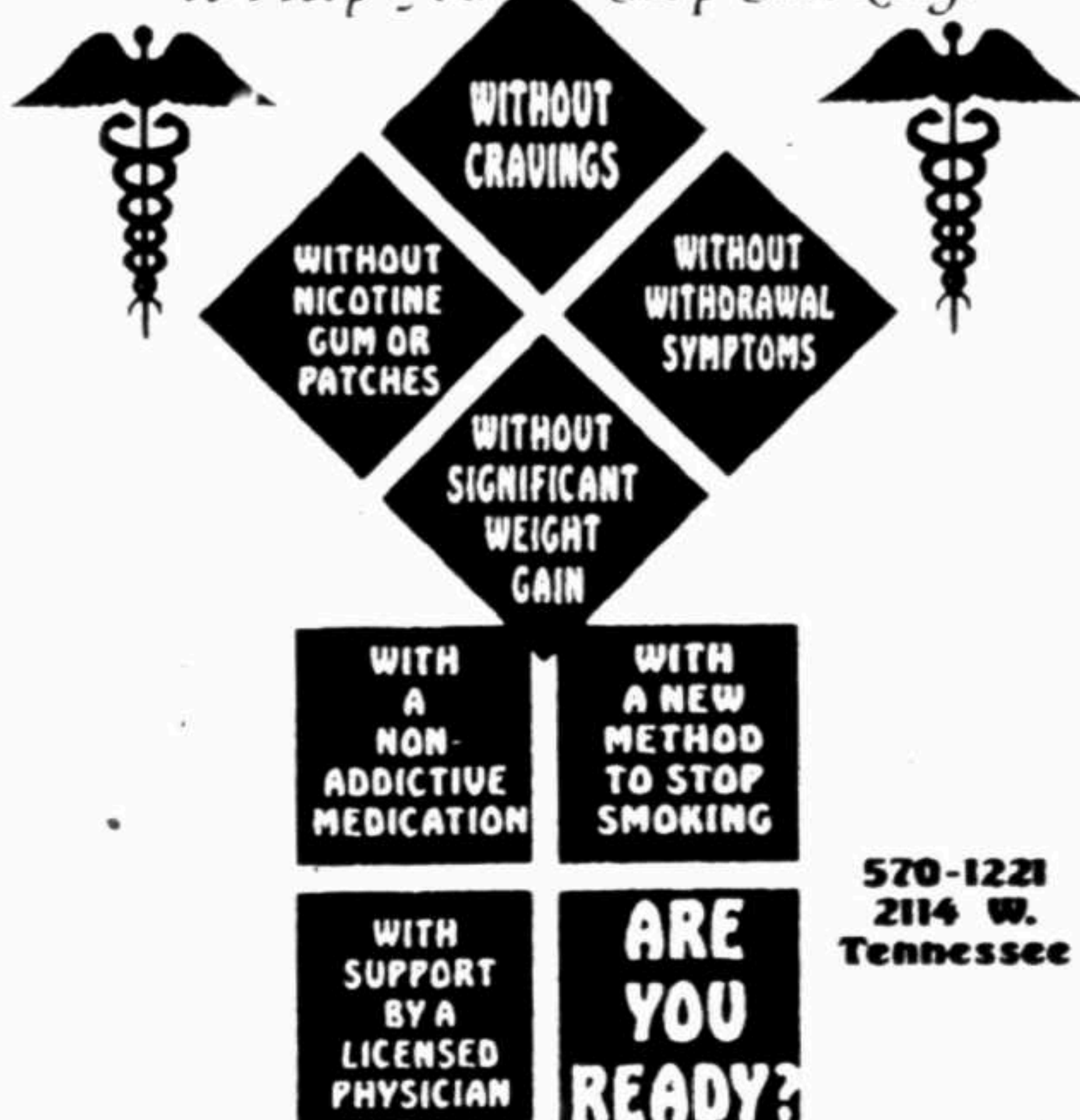
Meanwhile, Karl Rabago, a former PUC commissioner and energy program manager for the Environmental Defense Fund, said his group supports the ideas in the Stiles-Patterson bills. But he said they do enough for the environment or Texas consumers.

Tom Ryan, C.A.

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AROUND TOWN

An exhibit on "Light and Color" will open Feb. 22 at the Museum of the Southwest's Children's Museum.

Included in the exhibit will be a giant light bulb, a glowing red laser beam, life-like holograms and 18 hands-on activities for children of all ages and their adults to learn about light and color; how rainbows are made and how periscopes work, and other facts.

Kick-off celebration is planned for 10 a.m.-2 p.m. March 12 during spring break. Activities will include science demonstrations, art activities, storytime and refreshments. Louie the Lightning Bug will attend and Power 106 live remove with Matthew Blades will be on hand.

The exhibit, sponsored in part by TU Electric and Capp Electric of Midland, will be at the museum through April 13. It is an educational service of Cumberland Science Museum of Nashville, Tenn., and was designed and produced by Oregon Museum of Science and Industry with funding in part by National Science Foundation.

Museum of the Southwest, located at 1705 W. Missouri in Midland, is open to the public 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and 2-5 p.m. Sunday. For more information call 683-2882 or 570-7770.

MIDLAND ZETA Tau Alpha Alumnae chapter will have a dinner meeting 6:30 p.m. Feb. 27 at 4100 Springfield Court. Interior Designer Janice Henry will present a program on "Comfortable But Elegant Living." All area Zetas are encouraged to attend. For more information call 682-3847.

GRACE LUTHERAN Church's Early Childhood Program will have an Archy Christian Book Fair (a division of Concordia Publishing House) 9 a.m.-4 p.m. March 3-7 at the church library, 3000 W. Golf Course Road. Books for all ages will be on display. For more information call 684-3063.

EVENING DIALOGUE Cancer Support Group will meet 7 p.m. Feb. 25 at Allison Cancer Center. Angela Peterson, LMSW, will direct an open forum discussion. All cancer patients, their families and friends are invited to attend. For more information call 685-6606.

MIDLAND PORCELAIN Art Club will meet 10 a.m. March 1 at the Midland Woman's Club. After the business meeting, Cherry Meggs of San Antonio will demonstrate techniques of grisaille, black grounding and raised paste. Mrs. Meggs has been vice president of State Federation of Porcelain Arts Clubs of Texas, and demonstrates, conducts seminars and exhibits her art throughout Texas. She will conduct a seminar for members and other area china painters Feb. 26-28. For more information or luncheon reservations call 684-6051.

MIDLAND ALUMNAE chapter of Delta Delta Delta will have a luncheon meeting 11:30 a.m. Feb. 27 at Murray's Deli, 3211 W. Wadley Ave. Officers will be elected and plans for the annual fund-raiser will be discussed. All area members are invited to attend. Reservations are not required. For more information call 685-9100.

MEALS ON WHEELS orientation/training meeting for prospective volunteers will be 1 p.m. March 4 at Community and Senior Services. For more information call 689-6693.

MIDLAND CHRISTIAN Women's Club will meet for a "March Winds" luncheon 11 a.m.-1 p.m. March 4 at Midland Country Club. Talbots will present a spring style show and Tricia Cagle will provide musical entertainment. Frances Kinsley of Richardson will be guest speaker.

Cost of the luncheon is \$10 per person. Free nursery will be at Northwestern Baptist Church. Mothers are asked to bring sack lunches for their children.

All interested women are invited to attend. For lunch and nursery reservations call 570-8945 or 570-8946.

AUTISM SUPPORT Group will meet 6-8 p.m. today at Greenhouse Elementary School's music room. All interested parents or professionals are invited to attend. For more information call 625-4554.

FAMILY MATTERS

Blending families involves lots of time, effort

By Jim May, Ph.D.

DEAR FAMILY: This is the second marriage for both me and my husband, and we really want this one to work. We dated almost a year and have been married for nine months.

The problem is our children and his ex-wife. I have three children (boy, 6, girl, 5, and girl, 3) and he has two (girl, 10, and girl, 8).

When it is just us with my children, things are mostly fine except that he expects them to never fight or argue. He's also very bossy with them and jumps in when they are just arguing with me. When he does that, I don't like the tone of voice he uses with them and neither do my kids. My oldest daughter has gone running to her room crying a lot recently when he's done that.

I know that he's trying to help, but isn't it normal for children to argue with their parents? I think it is, but he says that means they don't respect me and he's going to stop it. This is causing a serious problem between us, so if you can tell me what to do I would really appreciate it.

He does do things with my son and I really appreciate that, because his real father barely even talks to him. But my daughter thinks that he likes her brother best because he never yells at him like he does her.

This all just adds to the next problem, which is that when his girls come over, he lets them do and say whatever they want. This really upsets my children, and especially my oldest daughter. The youngest probably wouldn't notice if her sister wasn't so mad.

To make matters worse, he make my daughters share



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their rooms with his. Once again, my youngest thinks it's great to have someone sleeping in her room, but my oldest hates it.

When it's their weekend to come over to visit, my oldest has started being upset and withdrawn on Friday morning, and I'm worried that it will affect her in school too.

The last problem is his ex-wife. She does everything she can to upset him and us. She never has the girls ready on time, but demands that he return them right on the minute. She knows that we go to church as a family, and many times won't send their Sunday clothes or will send them dirty.

She constantly calls my husband at work and complains because she's out of money and that the girls need money for something. When he doesn't give her money, then she tells the girls that they can't have or do something because their daddy won't pay for it! He's always paid his child support and more than his share of extra expenses.

Furthermore, she's the one who wanted the divorce so she could party. Which brings up another problem: She will call my husband to get us to keep the girls when she has plans, but will never swap or help us out when we want to do something.

Whenever I say too much about her, my husband gets defensive and won't talk to me, so I don't have anyone to talk to about my feelings on this.

I'm sorry this letter is so long, but really this is only the tip of the iceberg. I just want to have a good marriage and a happy life. Can you help? SECOND TIME BLUES

DEAR SECOND: Blending families is a challenge. The good news is that your experiences are common enough that there is ample research on your situation.

This blending process usually takes two to three years — or longer. Try not to get frustrated, since this blending just takes lots of time, even when everything works just

right. Start the process by establishing weekly family meetings to give your family a way to define itself, establish its operating rules and develop a problem-solving style that will work. The children all have a say in the forming of those rules and participate in the problem solving.

You can keep the format very simple: (1) each person first thanks every other member of the family individually for something he or she has done the prior week; (2) then address any problems anyone had — at first you will create rules and consequences during this time — and develop potential solutions to try the next week; (3) conclude the meeting with a reading from some inspirational text.

You might consider forming a circle and saying a sentence prayer at the end. God's help is vital in healing the damaged spirits that often arise from divorce.

Also, go to one of the local bookstores and get a book on blended families. You will be able to tell by the number of books on this subject just how difficult, and common, this process really is.

When dealing with his ex-wife, you and your husband may want to talk to your minister or a professional therapist about this situation. There are a number of ways that you and your husband can use his ex-wife's behaviors to actually strengthen your marriage. In many cases, the unresolved issues and anger from the failed marriage play themselves out through the on-going relationship necessitated by child-rearing.

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DEAR ABBY

Officer by any other name is being treated with some disrespect

By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: I must take exception to the letters from Joseph Murray and Emily Maheu about rank in the military.

I was with my husband during 29 years of military life, and during that time I realized that acknowledgment of military rank is nothing more than respect for position and achievement.

Let's face it, without such acknowledgment our society would be mediocre and achieve less than its full potential.

Our children should be taught to recognize success, achievement and experience. They can do that by addressing adults by the proper title, even if it is nothing more than "Sir" and "Ma'am."

If our children can address a doctor as "Doctor," they can address our military by rank, an expression of acknowledgment and respect. Your first response was more to the point. — HELEN A. FOWKES, PUNTA GORDA, FLA.



Van Buren

DEAR HELEN: From the mail I received from people formerly and presently in the military, you and I are in the minority, and only now am I receiving letters from people like you who agreed with my answer. Thanks for your support.

DEAR ABBY: One more word, please, on whether children should address military personnel by their rank.

Your correspondent, Joseph J. Murray, wrote that a 12-year-old girl shouldn't be expected to know the level of military ranks. She does not have to. She can call a lieutenant "Lieutenant" without knowing whether he outranks a captain.

The wife of a retired officer didn't want her children to "feel that one person deserves more respect than another just because of rank," so she did not teach her children to address their parents' friends by their rank.

Using the same reasoning, I assume she taught her children to call a doctor "Mister." After all, calling him "Doctor" might give him too much respect.

The fact is, it is just as wrong to address someone in the military as "Mr." or "Ms." as it is to call a physician "Mr. Jones." Those honorifics are applicable only to civilians.

The only exceptions are warrant officers and certain junior naval officers, who are properly addressed as "Mr." Parents who object to the proper use of titles are passing their ignorance along to their children. — WALTER H. INGE, LT. COL., USAF (RET.), ATLANTA

DEAR ABBY: I have a question that may be of interest to your other readers: Why do newspapers publish notices that state that on a particular day and between certain hours, the police will crack down on speeders along a specified highway in a special effort?

In my opinion, the disclosure defeats the purpose of the special effort. — CARL THOMPSON, CHULA VISTA, CALIF.

DEAR CARL: It depends on how you interpret the purpose of the special effort. Look at it this way: The crackdowns are usually announced at holiday time when highway traffic is particularly heavy and many of the drivers have been partying with alcohol.

Public warnings cause many drivers to slow down and pay closer attention to the road because they know the police are out in force and looking for "speeders."

The benefit is fewer out-of-control drivers on a holiday weekend, and let's hope, fewer accidents and tragedies.

Abby shares more of her favorite, easy-to-prepare recipes. To order, send a business-size, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, More Favorite Recipes, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

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'Around the World in 80 Bites' lets tasters vote for best chef

Staff Reports

BIG SPRING — Food tasters will have a chance to vote on the "World's Greatest Chef" at the Heritage Museum's "Around the World in 80 Bites" Saturday in Big Spring.

Fifty featured chefs will begin serving "bites" of their culinary repertoire from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Saturday. Tickets for the food sampling event are \$7.50 for adults and \$4 for children.

The winner will be presented an award in their honor.

This is the fourth year for Big Spring's Heritage Museum to sponsor the event. During the last two years, guests have feasted on foods with origins from Italy, Russia, Sweden, Germany, Mexico, Greece, Egypt, China, England, Scotland, Finland and, of course, Texas.

Tickets for the event are on sale and can be purchased by calling the Heritage Museum at (915) 267-8255.

Master of makeup offers 'brush with greatness'

By Meredith Moss

N.Y. Times News Service

DAYTON, Ohio — There are at least a couple of reasons it's a treat to spend an afternoon with George Masters. For starters, it's fun to watch a pro at work. And when the work he's doing is on your face, you can't help but be interested.

Then, too, a makeup session with Masters may be the closest many of us ever get to the lifestyles of the rich and famous. He gets a kick out of sharing stories of his celebrity clients: Jane Fonda, Nancy Reagan, Elizabeth Taylor, Rita Hayworth, Mia Farrow, Marlene Dietrich, Sharon Stone and Audrey Hepburn. And Dustin Hoffman (as Tootsie).

Masters, in town for Michael's Salons through March 8, is one of Hollywood's best-known makeup artists. "I'm not egotistical, but nobody in the United States is as good as I am," he states matter of factly.

His goal in coming to cities like Dayton? "To give women of Middle America a chance to look the best they can look." That chance doesn't come cheap — a 1-hour session runs \$250.

I admit I was dubious — whenever I sit down at a cosmetics counter and let clerks play with my face, I can't wait to get home to wash off the results. I figured a guy used to doing makeup on Hollywood sets would pile it on extra-thick.

I WAS WRONG. In this case, I liked the results. I emerged from Masters' chair looking natural, and I even slept with my makeup on that night, hoping it might last until the next day. (It didn't.)

It's his approach that makes Masters, 56, dramatically different from others in his field. Instead of concentrating on a woman's best features — her eyes, let's say, or her mouth — Masters zeroes in on her flaws.

Be forewarned and arrive wearing your thickest skin.

Masters begins his sessions by scrutinizing your face, then proceeds with a blow-by-blow account

of your imperfections. In my case, that meant drooping eyelids, dark under-eye circles, deep facial lines, sagging jowls.

Once I'd vetoed the idea of eye surgery ("but it only takes five days") or a face lift ("you should have started in your 30s when your skin had elasticity"), Masters got down to the business at hand. (After reminding me, once more,

the occasion and only wore one of them," recalls Masters. "She had 16 rooms in Washington — all for herself, for me and her nurse.")

Davies would hand him a book the size of a large telephone directory filled with color photos and descriptions of her jewelry.

"If I liked a particular bracelet she'd call the bank and they'd bring it from the vault for her to wear."

Masters says he lives in a world where some women have their hair done every day. "I know a woman who has a manicure twice a day."

It wasn't always that way. Masters grew up in Detroit, hated school and hid out in the Grosse Pointe beauty salon when the truancy officers came after him.

At 15, he left home and became a shampoo boy and apprentice at the Elizabeth Arden Salon in New York.

That's where he met actress Jennifer Jones, who invited him to come to Hollywood to do her hair for her films.

WHEN JONES was married to movie producer David O. Selznick, the couple entertained regularly on Sundays from morning until late at night.

Jones would buy three of the same dress, Masters says, then change it throughout the day so she'd continue to appear fresh. He'd arrive before the guests, then redo her hair and makeup at intervals throughout the party.

Among the most perfectly beautiful women, according to Masters, are Bo Derek, Grace Kelly and Ann-Margret. ("I've done her 1,000 times and she's one of the nicest people I know.")

He's recently been contracted to work with Demi Moore for an upcoming movie in 1997.

"When they go home, they're like ordinary people," Masters says of his famous clients.

On my way out the door, I ask one more question.

"Do you think they're happy?" Masters thinks a while, then responds with a smile: "Probably not."

OR THE TIME he accompanied actress Marion Davies — the mistress of William Randolph Hearst — to President Kennedy's inauguration.

"She had 18 fur coats made for

Dallas Arboretum plans floral event

Staff Reports

DALLAS — Set in one of the nation's finest gardens, The Dallas Arboretum, the 13th annual spring floral extravaganza, Dallas Blooms, will explore Planet Blooms from March 1-April 6. Millions of tulips, daffodils, azaleas and much more will enthrall visitors during the five-week, six-week-end event.

The 120,000 expected visitors will meet Galileo the Galactic Gardener and the Planet Blooms People such as Alien Azalea and the Mars Mums.

Visitors will travel via Constellation Boulevard, Planetary Pathway and Astronomers Alley, which host out-of-this-world constellation and solar system displays.

Each weekend, from 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Planet Blooms will be filled with activities just for kids. They will participate in such out-of-this-world activities as painting planets and wacky stars, making Greek planet heroes and creating Martian music with wind chimes.

Adults can choose from a vast array of short demonstrations from the area's most knowledgeable plant experts. Weekend seminars with various plant themes such as potpourri making, herbal

vinegars, turf care and floral design will be given throughout the event.

On March 29, Tom Thumb will present Dallas' Largest Easter Egg Hunt. More than 25,000 colorful candy-filled eggs will delight children up to 10 years of age. Included in the event will be a guest appearance by the Easter Bunny and the March Hare.

The Dallas Arboretum is located at 8525 Garland Road on White Rock lake in Dallas. It is open daily 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Admission to Dallas Blooms is \$6 for adults, \$5 for seniors, \$3 for members and free for children under age 6. Parking is \$2. Group rates and special packages are available.

A gift shop and food service are available. The gardens are wheelchair accessible and tram service is available for the mobility impaired.

Dallas Blooms is made possible by Coca-Cola Bottling company of North Texas-Official Beverage Partner, Bank One-Texas, Texas Commerce Bank and Promotional Partners WFAA-TV Channel 8, MIX 102.9 FM and Principal Partner The Dallas Morning News.

The Arboretum is supported, in part, by the City of Dallas Park and Recreation Department.

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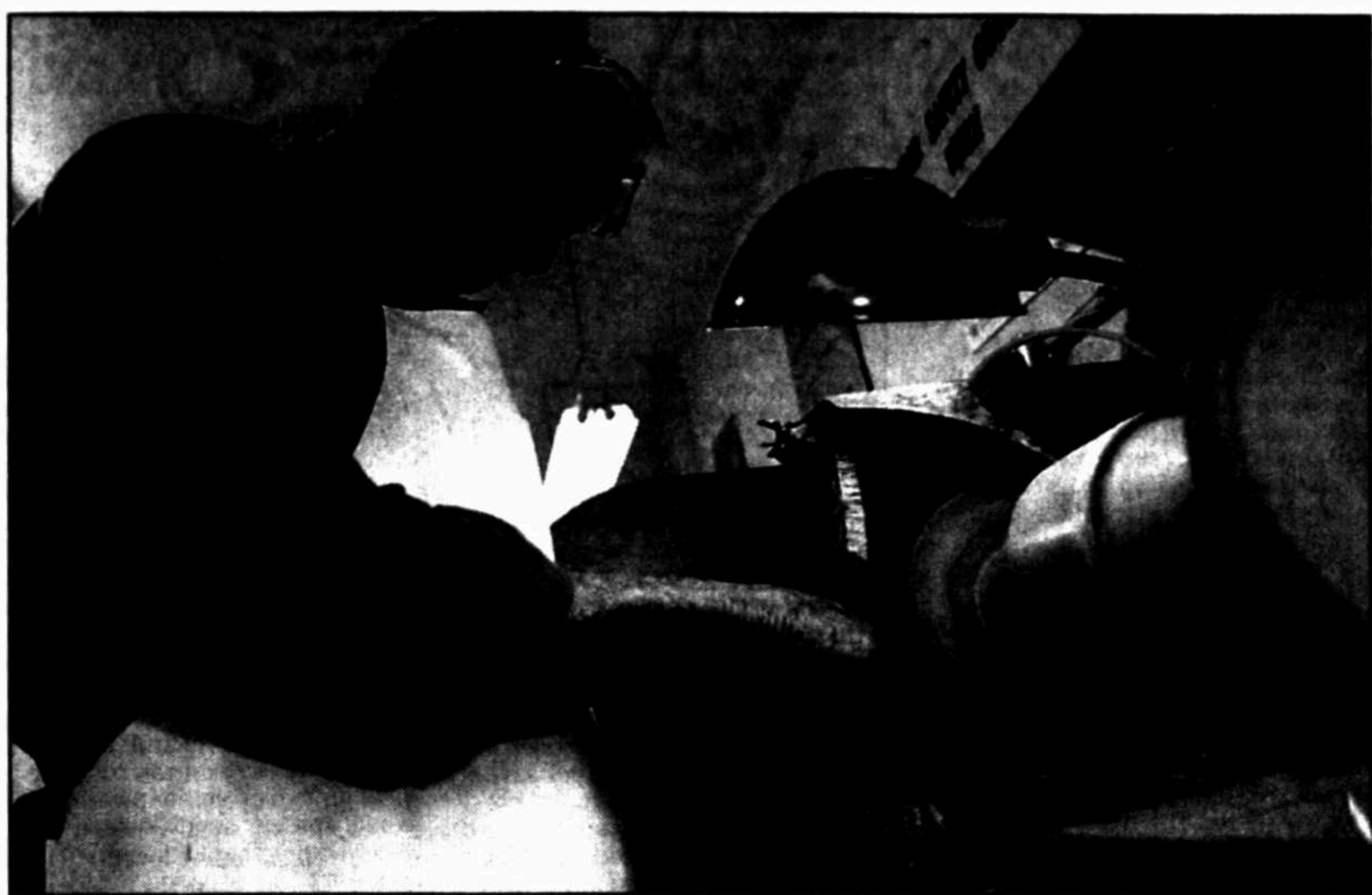
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Curt Wilcott/Reporter-Telegram

Dick Cassin, 77, is a retired geologist who hasn't retired his love of geology and his curiosity about the minerals of the earth. An active member of Midland Gem and Mineral Society, he spends part of his time teaching junior high and high school geology students.

Retired geologist teaching students his favorite subject

By Lana Cunningham

Picking up the black stone speckled with white "snowflakes," the man mused. "Now, how did it get like this?"

He knows how the white flakes got into the stone, but "I don't understand how it took those shapes."

Curiosity has kept Dick Cassin digging into the life of this earth and uncovering stories that are millions of years old. Once he finds the truth, he wants to share it with others, specifically high school geology students. It's a matter of passing it on so the knowledge never dies.

Cassin, 77, is a retired geologist and an avowed rockhound who spends numerous hours volunteering with the Midland Gem and Mineral Society. He claims to specialize in silversmithing and lapidary work, but his eyes sparkle like the polished stone in his hand as he talks about the students.

"I'm always trying to learn from outcrops. You find pretty rocks and wonder what outcrop they came from," he said, defying the words of a sign posted on the Society's bulletin board. "Old rockhounds never die; they just petrify."

He can relate stories of an unusual formation south of Marathon or one that extends into Mexico.

Or he can explain how the unusual transparent center of another stone was formed. "There's a Pennsylvania rock that's 240 million years old. Mexican agates that come from an area in Big Bend down into Mexico are 48 to 16 million years old. These agates started out as gas bubbles," Cassin said as he told the story of agates' formation.

"A geologist is interested in rocks," he said when asked about his involvement in the Gem and Mineral Society. And it takes a geologist with an artistic eye who can see the beauty in what many call a stone.

Cassin, raised in New York, earned bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of Illinois, with a four-year interruption caused by World War II. An ROTC student, Cassin served in the service field artillery. After graduating from college with his master's, Cassin headed for the booming oil fields of Illinois, where he joined Forest Oil. He had met his wife, Nancy, when he was a graduate student and she was a geologist.

Transferred to Midland in 1960, Cassin lived here until 1966, when he was moved to Denver. But he and his wife and six children returned to Midland in 1975. Upon retirement from Forest Oil, Cassin and his wife decided to stay instead of returning to their colder origins.

During his first sojourn in the Tall City, Cassin discovered the Gem and Mineral Society. It was no surprise that when the Cassins returned to Midland, they also renewed their Society involvement.

The organization was founded in 1957. Headquarters were located in several places until the group bought a building in 1984 and renovated it into a workshop. Today it houses the heavy equipment needed for the members' artistic work. Cassin walks through each room, explaining the equipment and how a stone is transformed from its raw form into a polished and shaped piece of art.

Midland Gem and Mineral Society's annual November show is "our sole outside source of money."

We get enough to pay rent and utilities and to give a scholarship award of \$1,000," he said. The scholarship goes to a Midland High or Lee High geology student and is based upon the applicant's grades and emphasis upon science.

Cassin and his wife work with the Lee High geology students when they visit the building. "They come over here for an overview on lapidary and they get to do 30x40 mm cabochons," he said. "Any student who wants to learn about polishing rocks can also learn about the history of that rock."

Students 12 to 18 years of age can join the Society for a yearly membership fee of \$2.50, which will get them into special programs and allow usage of the machines, according to Cassin. "We have a Saturday morning open shop and that's when junior high and high school kids can come in and work. We've had some crackerjack junior high students."

Indoor work isn't Cassin's only interest. "I like to do physical things because I feel better. I love to garden, to plant vegetables."

But that's only part of his physical fitness story. He walks, although he prefers jogging to stay in shape.

"I think it helps the circulation and maybe the brain. If you have a half hour, you can't spend it any better than jogging."

Admittedly, the physical exercise doesn't come as easy today as it used to. "A person has a gift of physical fitness to about age 16," quipped Cassin. "Then, it's downhill from there. At 77, it's quite a battle to tread water."

Learning, however, never stops. "You never lose the desire to know more — even in the simplest rock," he said.

elderly persons, particularly those who are alcoholic, use diuretics or have diabetes mellitus or cirrhosis, or are eating a cereal-protein type diet low in iron as found in many institutions.

Zinc and iron are most available and absorbable in red meat. Western cultures drift away from such, setting the stage for both Zn and Fe deficiency.

This in turn can result in poor wound healing, night blindness and impaired immune function.

It is of interest to note that high doses of zinc have been reported to slow the progression of age-related macular degeneration of the eye, a major source of blindness.

The exploring growth of knowledge regarding the action of zinc is exemplified by the fact that its effect on enzymes known 30 years ago was limited to only three substances, but now is understood in over 300.

Its involvement in the genetic expression of various growth factors and steroid receptors is stated to be rapidly galvanized biology and medicine.

All this raises the question: Can zinc supplementation in susceptible persons decrease the occurrence of length of morbidity of the common cold?

What a gigantic nutritional experiment possessing untold

consequences that would be!

To gain historical perspective, remember Confucius say: "Common cold is nothing to sneeze at!"

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Research studies effect of zinc on that scourge of mankind, the common cold

By Henry F. Page, M.D.

"Think zinc!" Such thoughts were originally expressed 50 years ago by Lincoln McNeil, the founder of the McNeil Pharmaceutical Lab, who thought that trace metals constituted the most fertile field for investigation.

Now at long last, one such — zinc — assumes clinical importance, particularly because a recent small but well-planned study demonstrated that lozenges containing zinc could often cut the duration of a common cold in half.

Further studies are underway to hopefully confirm this, but meanwhile such lozenges are disappearing from pharmacists' racks like dew before the sun.

They do have to be taken every two hours when awake, have a bad taste and may cause nausea. Their "modus operandi" remains unclear, with the possibility that one factor may be a sub-clinical zinc deficiency.

Surveillance for toxicity will be needed for a good many years.

Zinc deficiency is found in

ACTIVE TIMES CALENDAR

CASA DE AMIGOS

Casa de Amigos is located at 1101 E. Garden Lane. For more information about services provided call 682-9701. Activities include:

■ Monday: 9 a.m. billiards/bowling; 9:45 a.m. exercise; 10:15 a.m. crafts; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 12:15 p.m. games.

■ Tuesday: 9 a.m. billiards; 9:45 a.m. gem and mineral; 10:15 a.m. sing-a-long; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 12:15 p.m. bingo.

■ Wednesday: 9 a.m. billiards; 9:45 a.m. exercise; 10:15 a.m. advisory meeting; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 12:15 p.m. table games.

■ Thursday: 9 a.m. billiards; 9:45 a.m. adult class; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 12:15 p.m. games.

■ Friday: 9 a.m. billiards; 10:15 a.m. crafts; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 12:15 p.m. Bible study.

MIDLAND YMCAs

The Midland YMCAs have many activities scheduled for Prime Time adults. For more information regarding available activities and classes contact Central YMCA, 800 N. Big Spring, 682-2551; Alamo YMCA, 901 N. Midland Drive, 694-2528; Northeast YMCA, 2301 Butternut, 682-8469.

Scheduled activities at the Central YMCA are:

■ Monday, Wednesday and Friday: 8 a.m., 9 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Low impact aerobics; 7 a.m. YMCARDIAC (YCT) Therapy, call for appointment before beginning class.

■ Call for information, Y's Way to a Healthy Back.

■ By appointment, Specialized Strength Training for Seniors.

Scheduled activities for Alamo YMCA are:

■ Monday, Wednesday and Friday: 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. Arthritis Water Class.

■ Tuesday, Thursday and Friday: 10 a.m. Aqua Aerobics; by appointment, Water Rehab Therapy.

SOUTHEAST SENIOR CENTER

The Southeast Senior Center, 1803 E. Indiana, is open 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday. For more information about services offered, call 685-7231. Activities include:

■ Monday: 9:30 a.m. singing; 9:45 a.m. exercise; 10 a.m. ceramics, needlework and billiards; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. table games.

■ Tuesday: 9:30 a.m. singing; 9:45 a.m. exercise; 10 a.m. quilting, crafts and billiards; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. table games.

■ Wednesday: 9:30 a.m. singing; 9:45 a.m. exercise; 10 a.m. ceramics, choir and billiards; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. table games.

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■ Friday: 9 a.m. singing; 9:45 a.m. exercise; 10 a.m. Bible class and table games; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. movie and center bingo.

MIDLAND SENIOR CENTER

The Midland Senior Center is located in Kingsway Mall, 3303 W. Illinois, Space #18. For more information call 681-7636. Activities for Feb. 24-28 include:

■ Monday: 9 a.m. billiards, cards, dominoes and exercise; 9:30 a.m. art class; 10 a.m. Kitchennettes; 11:30 a.m. lunch; 12:30 p.m. ceramics; 1 p.m. bridge, dominoes and cards.

■ Tuesday: 9 a.m. billiards, exercise, cards, dominoes and ceramics; 9:30 a.m. blood pressure testing and line dancing for fun; 10:30 a.m. Alzheimers support group; 11:30 a.m. lunch; noon craft class (call center for details); 12:30 p.m. art class; 1 p.m. AARP tax assistance, bridge, dominoes, cards, billiards and ladies billiards.

■ Wednesday: 9 a.m. billiards, ceramics, cards, dominoes and exercise; 10 a.m. Gospel singing; 11:30 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. bridge, dominoes and cards.

FDA approves second Alzheimer's drug

By Dr. Michael L. Freedman

NEW YORK (AP) — A sign that progress is being made against Alzheimer's disease, the brain-weakening condition that affects older people, is approval by the Food and Drug Administration of a second drug that improves symptoms of the disease.

The new drug, donepezil, was first developed in Japan. In tests in the U.S., donepezil improved or preserved mental function in more than 80 percent of the 900 patients who took it regularly.

Like tacrine, the first Alzheimer's drug to be approved, donepezil improves the availability of acetylcholine, a chemical needed by brain cells for memory function. It appears also to have fewer side effects than tacrine.

A third drug, called ENA-713, has been effective in studies with more than 1,400 patients in 10 countries. There are hopes that these new medications can slow progression of Alzheimer's, in addition to reducing symptoms.

Older people are more likely to

be taking multiple medications, so it is important for them to be alert for possible damaging interactions between drugs. These steps are advisable:

■ When making a regular visit to a physician, bring a complete list of all the medications that are being taken, including both prescription and over-the-counter drugs such as aspirin, in case there are any questions.

■ When a new drug is prescribed, ask the doctor about possible interactions with medications that are already being taken.

■ Don't begin or stop a drug without the physician's advice.

■ For information about side effects and possible drug interactions, read the package inserts of prescription drugs.

■ Check the expiration dates on medications and discard any that are outdated.

■ A pharmacist can also be a

good source of information about medications. ...

Weight loss and reduction of salt intake are both effective measures for controlling high blood pressure in older people. A new study shows that diligent application of one or both of those measures can eliminate the need to take drugs for high blood pressure.

The study included nearly 1,000 persons aged 60 to 80, all of whom had been taking a single drug to control high blood pressure. In the study, one group concentrated on losing weight, while persons in another group reduced salt intake by 28 percent. A third group reduced weight and salt intake.

Nearly 40 percent of the people in all three groups were able to keep blood pressure within normal levels without taking drugs. The improvement lasted for the follow-up period of three years.

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WONDERS: U.S. music fans turn cold shoulder to Crowded House

(From 8B)

spreading over many years, is worrying the music industry as its leaders gather in New York City for the Grammy Awards this Wednesday.

U2, with a new album coming out March 4, is one of only a handful of artists who can be counted on repeatedly. Metallica and Smashing Pumpkins are others. R.E.M. and Pearl Jam were thought to be dependable, at least until the lukewarm responses to their most recent albums last year.

"People are starting to go. 'Eh, Pearl Jam,'" said Jim McGuinn, program director for WPLY radio in Philadelphia. "Three years ago, people would have bet on Pearl Jam becoming the next Beatles."

Changes in how the industry operates itself deserve a lion's share of the blame for the way things are.

A win-at-all costs mentality has infected the corporations that control most of the music released in this country, chewing up artists who are searching for their voice and an audience. Musicians are disposable now as never before.

Remember the Spin Doctors? They were thought to be in the vanguard of bands that made their mark through live performances in 1991. Their debut album, "Pocket Full of Kryptonite," sold 6 million copies. They made the cover of Rolling Stone.

Less than six years later, after two other albums flopped, the Spin Doctors lost their record contract. Their manager is forced to look hard for bright spots, such as a remake of "That's the Way I Like It," struggling up the charts in Japan.

He likens the Spin Doctors to John Travolta — a comeback in the waiting — but admits it will be tough.

"It would be easier to promote a band that nobody ever heard of than to come out with the Spin

Doctors," manager David Sonenberg said.

Crowded House is another sad story. Their debut a decade ago was bristling with pop smarts, and hits such as "Don't Dream It's Over." Their music only deepened in quality, and they were big stars internationally, but the United States subsequently turned a cold shoulder. That was a factor in their recent breakup.

Musicians love to ridicule the men and women in suits, often irrationally. Yet it's become clear that the music industry, as it matures, has become less about music and more about industry.

Although a healthy number of independent labels serve as farm systems for the industry's big players, most of the music released today is from labels that are part of huge corporate monoliths.

Reprise Records, for example, was started more than 30 years ago by Frank Sinatra. Now it's part of the Time Warner empire, a corporate partner of Time magazine, Cable News Network and dozens of other properties.

A&M Records stood for its founders, trumpet player Herb Alpert and partner Jerry Moss, and was run out of Alpert's garage when started in 1962. Now it's owned by Polygram, a division of Phillips Electronics, a Dutch company that manufactures televisions and VCRs.

In this atmosphere, music is not so much a passion as a commodity. Instead of being seen as an artist to be nurtured, a musician is like any other corporate employee who can be let go if they don't perform.

"Ten or 15 years ago, a first album was supposed to fail," said John Sykes, president of VHI and former chief of Chrysalis Records. "It was really the seeding phase for an artist's career. Now ... there's a lot more pressure on these artists to succeed immediately."

First tries often aren't a true

measure of an artist's worth. Bruce Springsteen's first album was a pale Dylan imitation, his second one a step up. His third album, "Born to Run," was his first triumph.

Although Billy Joel had an early hit with "Piano Man," his real commercial breakthrough didn't come until his fifth album, with "Just the Way You Are." Stevie Wonder's masterpieces came more than a decade after he dropped the "Little" from his name. And John Mellencamp might be just a trivia question — who was Johnny Cougar? — if he didn't have handlers who showed patience.

Freedy Johnston is just the type of artist today who would benefit from a deliberate approach.

A perceptive pop-rock songwriter with a plaintive voice, he released a much-praised album, "Can You Fly," on a small label in 1992. He was snapped up by Elektra, and his debut for them had the minor hit, "Bad Reputation."

His second album for Elektra will be released the last week of February. While happy with the support he receives from his record company, he knows the atmosphere now is different.

"If I was signed in 1974 instead of 1994, they'd sign me for seven records and just let me make records," he said. "If things started to happen, they would happen. There would be less risk. There would be less incentive to let me go if I didn't turn a profit ... Now they spend five times as much to make something happen, so they want five times the success."

Johnston considers himself lucky in one regard, though.

"I'd hate to be in the position of being in a young band that is the flavor of the moment," he said. "You come out with a second record, radio begins to back off and you're back working for your dad in Schenectady. That's terrible."

A track record of success seems to mean little to radio and

video channels who are on a relentless quest for what's hip these days. A few years ago a well-known band may have gotten the benefit of the doubt from radio stations, who might also play more than one song from an album. That happens less often now.

As a result, MTV's "Buzz Bin" is littered with fast flame-outs.

The Gin Blossoms' debut album was filled with classic singles that radio stations never seemed to tire of. They seemed primed for a healthy career.

The band didn't change focus with its second album last year; in fact, the critics' only complaint was it sounded too much like the first. None of the singles took hold and the band's future is now in doubt.

The "burnout" factor for bands is lightning fast these days, said veteran radio programmer McGuinn. Hootie & the Blowfish, 1995's biggest band and a Grammy winner last year, is already considered so unhip that his radio station won't play anything by them, no matter what the music sounds like.

"They went from phenom to joke in such a short period of time, and they're not doing anything different," he said. "It's ridiculous, but it's sort of the reality."

There's plenty of bands looking to take Hootie's place on the radio. Radio executives like McGuinn are deluged with music, a lot more than in the past. Some estimates are that only one or two albums out of every 10 released make money.

"Responsibly, a record company should not sign another act for a decade," Sonenberg said. "They've got more than enough artists now."

Artists also have to compete with dozens of television channels, the Internet, movies, videos and other entertainment options. It seems as if there's not enough time for everything.

WINNERS: Rimes, Mellencamp, Beatles could be big winners

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and actually has a real chance for an upset because, except for the Smashing Pumpkins, the other nominees are better-known for their singles. But the Pumpkins have a potent combination of critical and public acclaim that won't be denied.

SONG OF THE YEAR: Here's where Dion — or rather, songwriter Diane Warren — won't be denied. "Because You Loved Me" is an easy winner.

BEST NEW ARTIST: We have a hunch rock 'n' roll fans won't be able to decide between No Doubt, Garbage and Jewel — giving the award to teen-age country darling LeAnn Rimes. She's propped up the struggling country market almost by herself in recent months.

FEMALE POP VOCAL PERFORMANCE: Colvin's a quality nominee, but "Get Out of This House" is probably the least-heard song in this category. Dion is the choice.

MALE POP VOCAL PERFORMANCE: "Key West Intermezzo (I Saw You First)," despite the pretentious title, is fine work from John Mellencamp. And Tony Rich deserves some recognition. But

Clapton is the winner here. **BEST POP PERFORMANCE BY A DUO OR GROUP WITH VOCAL:** Yes, it's creepy. But if the Beatles don't win this award for "Free As a Bird," it will be the upset of the night.

BEST FEMALE ROCK VOCAL PERFORMANCE: We love Bonnie Raitt, mind you, but not everything she does deserves a Grammy nomination. Bonham's "Mother Mother" is the best vocal performance, if the category is taken seriously, but Chapman will win.

BEST MALE ROCK VOCAL PERFORMANCE: If a half-whisper, half-mumble is your idea of a fine rock vocal performance, Springsteen is your man. Beck is the deserving choice.

BEST R&B SONG: Since he has three of the five nominees in this songwriter's category, it's not going out on a limb to predict Babyface will win. But for which song? Take your pick.

BEST SPOKEN WORD OR NON-MUSICAL ALBUM: Do you think Hillary Rodham Clinton will show up to pick up her award? Or should she just send Chelsea, who would probably much rather be there?

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ROSEWOOD: Rhames heroic before massacre begins in Southern town

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Justice" and "Higher Learning" had little interest in repeating. In Singleton's "Rosewood," the blacks get some pay-back.

"If I made this movie straight, docu-style, nobody would go see it," Singleton said in an interview. "And that was my pitch to the studio: I said 'If I make this movie, these people are going to fight back!'"

Singleton worked closely with Arnett Doctor, whose mother, Philomena, saw the white woman being attacked by her white lover that New Year's Day in 1923. Philomena Doctor later huddled in fear as the mob shot up her family's house and killed her grandmother. Her uncle, Sylvester Carrier, fired back, killing two white men and wounding several others who were breaking down the front door.

That defensive act, which bought Carrier's family time to escape, is by all accounts the only retribution achieved by the 150 or so residents of Rosewood, who were quickly hunted down by more than 1,000 bloodthirsty whites from as far away as

Georgia. Those who survived were spirited away in the dark of night on a train that rolled quietly through the swamp.

Singleton, however, invents a black savior, a dashing World War I veteran played by Ving Rhames ("Pulp Fiction," "Mission: Impossible") who single-handedly shoots about a dozen whites in blazing daylight gun battles. Rosewood's residents — and the movie's audience — are allowed a few moments to cheer in triumph before the town is wiped from the map.

"I wanted to make a film that everybody will want to go see, to satisfy a hunger and a need," Singleton says.

"It's all in keeping with the hero — I wanted him to be like John Wayne used to be in those old movies. John Wayne used to come in and slap the Mexicans on the face and knock the Indians down, killing the Indians. I wanted a black man in a very strong role."

Singleton also shows a half-dozen blacks swinging from trees, when in reality only one was hanged: the blacksmith Sam Carter, who had unwittingly doomed Rosewood by helping the white lover escape.

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SCHINDLER: Trims from original version amount to 'less than a minute'

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moment of history to subsume the present.

And more than most dramas, this one needs to be unbroken. It is no dry history lesson but a work that offers peaks of suspense and individuality to follow: Oskar Schindler (Liam Neeson), the glamorous, self-centered factory owner, and Itzhak Stern (Ben Kingsley), his Jewish plant manager, who draws up the list of workers to be employed and therefore saved from Auschwitz.

But the film's depiction of the Holocaust, and of Schindler's awakening to the humanity of the Jews he employs, accumulates its pow-

er gradually. You cannot pinpoint the exact moment when an isolated event — the killing of one Jew, the odd act of kindness by Schindler — comes to seem part of a propelling forward motion.

The television package surrounding the film is tactful as well. There is a tastefully brief welcome from Ross Roberts, a Ford vice president, followed by an important introduction by Spielberg himself. (The texts of both were made available in advance.) Spielberg advises viewers, especially parents of small children, that depicting violence was necessary in order to be true to history.

"While every parent should make a judgment for their own

family," he says. "I do not personally believe this is a film for the very young. My younger children, for example, of elementary school age, have still not seen 'Schindler's List.' If they were of high school age I would want them to."

His words are far more useful than the network's rating of TV-M (mature audience only). And the film will be followed by a short public-service announcement for the Shoah Foundation, the organization formed by Spielberg to videotape and preserve the memories of Holocaust survivors.

Still, let's not be naive. Ford is buying a great deal of good will and positive publicity with its money. NBC is broadcasting the film during the February sweeps period (when rat-

ings determine what networks can charge advertisers), and it bought the broadcast rights to "Schindler's List" in a package with Spielberg's monster hit "Jurassic Park."

And there is no better evidence of a hard public relations spin than the needlessly tight control of information about small cuts in the film that Spielberg made for its television showing.

Representatives for both NBC and Dreamworks (Spielberg's new studio) say these are minor trims amounting to less than a minute, but they adamantly refuse to discuss what they are. Are they for nudity (there are some likely cuts in sex scenes that wouldn't harm the film)? Are they

for violence (a more serious matter in this context)? That secrecy is insulting to viewers, but maybe it's best to regard it as a minor glitch when so much more is at stake.

This presentation could have a phenomenal impact: on Americans' awareness of history and as an example of what prime time TV can do to shape cultural attitudes. It is likely that more people will see the film Sunday night than in its entire theatrical run in the United States.

NBC estimates that a huge audience of 30 million people will watch. In theaters here, it was seen by 25 million, and

that made it a huge success, especially for a long, serious film shot in black and white. (Many more people, of course, saw it around the world and on video.)

"Whoever saves one life saves the world entire" reads the Talmudic inscription on a ring given to Oskar Schindler by the people he saved. That line also stands for the film's firmest belief. On television, "Schindler's List" may not save lives, but it represents a chance to reach a vast audience, which may even be hungry for a work of artistry and substance.

EMPIRE: 'Absolute Power' fails to supplant 'Star Wars'; Pt. 2 next

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plans, they say. And betting on other mothballed pictures to do as well in re-release would be risky.

"There just aren't that many 'Star Wars,'" said Phil Barlow, distribution president for the Buena Vista unit of Walt Disney Inc. — which knows a thing or two about re-releasing movies.

When "Star Wars" returned Jan. 31, 20th Century Fox was cautiously optimistic. But it took just two weeks to rival "Gone With the Wind's" 1967 \$70 million reissue gross and hit a record total \$400 million.

"We're still numb," said Tom Sherak, chairman of 20th Century Fox Domestic Film Group.

Fox was said to have hoped for \$100 million from the trilogy, including "The Empire Strikes Back" (out today) and "Return of the Jedi" (March 7). Now, \$250 million is not a pipe dream, according to observers.

While it seems "Star Wars" is pushing other movies around like a bully with a Darth Vader complex, the result is more bruised egos than injured bottom lines.

"Star Wars" did cheat the \$115 million "Dante's Peak" out of the chance to debut at No. 1, but the volcano movie did manage to set a record February opening with \$18.1 million.

"If 'Dante's' had opened in the \$7 million to \$10 million range, you would have said, 'Wow, this isn't good.' But the level it opened at was the level you would have expected," said Richard Fay, president of AMC Film Marketing.

Clint Eastwood saw his "Absolute Power" come in an also-ran to "Star Wars" last weekend, but the new movie took in an impressive \$16.8 million in its debut. That's on a par with other Eastwood openings: \$15.2 million for "In the Line of Fire" in 1993 and \$15 million for "Unforgiven" in 1992.

Damage may have been done to smaller films, said John Miller, general manager for Springfield, Ill.-based Kerasotes Theatres.

"I think some pictures got lost in the shuffle in the past couple of weeks," Miller said, suggesting the comedy "Fierce Creatures" probably fell off screens sooner than it might have.

In general, "Star Wars" has contributed to a box-office expansion. Last weekend was one of the biggest four-day moviegoing weekends ever with about \$120 million total, said Exhibitor Relations Co. Inc.

One studio, however, has blinked at the prospect of facing the space adventure and its sequels: Paramount Pictures' "The Saint," starring Val Kilmer, will debut April 4

instead of March 14.

"One has to react to the phenomenon of 'Star Wars,'" Wayne Lewellen, Paramount distribution president, told Daily Variety. The move also avoids competition with Paramount's own "Private Parts," the Howard Stern film bowing March 7.

For now, others are standing their ground. Sony's release date for the crime drama "Donnie Brasco" with Al Pacino and Johnny Depp remains Feb. 28, the week after "Empire" returns. The Tim Allen comedy "Jungle 2 Jungle" from Buena Vista is unchanged from March 14.

The only studio publicly toying with the idea of changing its schedule was, ironically, Fox itself. Its plan to release the trilogy in quick succession may mean the studio doesn't milk each film for all it's worth: a bigger window between "Empire" and "Jedi" was at least briefly scrutinized.

"They're stepping on themselves almost worse than anyone else," said Buena Vista's Barlow. "Which has to make them actually quite happy."

However the "Star Wars" bonanza ends up, it seems huge enough now to whet the industry's appetite for reissues.

"I imagine there is a lot of reassessment going on," Barlow said. "I don't know if looking at things calmly it will cause a spate of these things."

Some already were in the pipeline. Steven Spielberg's "Close Encounters of the Third Kind" was long planned by Sony for a 20th anniversary re-release this year (the date is as yet unannounced).

The studio, however, is considering marketing the film more aggressively post-"Star Wars." Such an effort can be costly: Fox is spending \$15 million to support each part of the trilogy.

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One-hit wonders

Industry frets over stars with staying power

38th ANNUAL GRAMMY AWARDS



By David Bauder
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK — No Doubt stands at the pinnacle now. Blessed with photogenic front-woman Gwen Stefani and energetic songs, the young quartet has topped the music charts through the winter.

Ten years from now, where will they be?

They could be readying their sixth album. Stefani could be singing about motherhood or varicose veins, with the band exploring some musical style that hasn't yet been invented.

Fans may be clogging the Internet to talk about the meaning of the group's new songs. Or No Doubt could be a trivia

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question.

The Spin Doctors know what that's like — they were on magazine covers once. So was Belly. The Gin Blossoms, Candlebox, Tone Loc and Weezer. All are consigned to oblivion, or are racing toward it.

One-hit wonders have an honorable place in music history, but now they're the norm rather than the exception.

The paucity of artists who develop a brand name, with loyal fans who follow their careers through twists and turns

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GRAMMY PREDICTIONS

By David Bauder
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK — Don't clear a space on the bookshelf for those statuettes.

Mariah Carey learned that lesson at last year's Grammy Awards. Widely predicted to be a big winner — yes, we

■ The Grammy Awards will be telecast at 7 p.m., Wed., Feb. 26, on CBS (KOSA-Ch. 7).

were guilty, too — Carey went home empty-handed to stick pins in her Alanis Morissette doll.

Celine Dion may be in the same position this year. Her bombastic ballads are just the type conservative Grammy voters traditionally go for.

But voters may be ornery (tasteful?) enough to say no. It could be a fun night.

Here's some handicapping of the top Grammy races:

RECORD OF THE YEAR: A Morissette victory would annoy Grammarians everywhere. Chapman, Clapton and the Smashing Pumpkins are all deserving. "Change the World" is a superlative record that brings together artists the Grammys love, so it gets the narrow nod.

ALBUM OF THE YEAR: Beck was a daring nominee.

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SCHINDLER'S LIST



■ 'Schindler's List' airs Sunday at 6:30 p.m. on NBC (KWES-TV, Ch. 9).

At left and above, Ralph Fiennes as the sadistic Nazi lieutenant, Amon Goeth, in Steven Spielberg's haunting story of the Holocaust.

Bringing home the horror of the Holocaust

By Caryn James
N.Y. Times News Service

In the three years since it was released, "Schindler's List" — Steven Spielberg's harrowing, eloquent and ultimately hopeful drama about the Holocaust, and about one profiteering German who saved more than a thousand Jewish lives — has deservedly come to be considered a classic film.

But can "Schindler's List" work on television, as the dark isolation of the movie theater is replaced by the well-lit comfort of your living room? Does television know how to handle such a sensitive and significant work of art? The test comes Sunday night at 6:30, when NBC (KWES-Ch. 9) devotes three and a half hours to the film, showing it without commercial interruptions.

Watching "Schindler's List" on video sug-

gests that in one respect seeing it at home is even more intense than viewing it in a theater. Movies and television, after all, move in different directions. Films draw you into their world. Television intrudes into yours, and on a home screen "Schindler's List" achieves an unavoidable intimacy.

Individual Jews are casually shot in the head; families are dragged from their homes and shipped to camps; hundreds of Jews at a time are herded into cattle cars for shipment to Auschwitz. When such scenes enter your private space, the effect is personal.

The effectiveness of the film on a small screen is only one of the surprising facets of NBC's well-conceived packaging. The central issue, of course, is the film itself. Despite its grueling moments, its resonant message of hope makes "Schindler's List" an experience

to be grasped eagerly, not avoided.

But the manner of its presentation also speaks to the importance of television as a social force; it suggests that networks can handle weighty subjects well, though they rarely do.

On NBC, "Schindler's List" is being sponsored entirely by Ford, which will show only two commercials, one before the film begins and one after. Even those will be specially made spots, meant to enhance Ford's reputation rather than to pitch their cars. During two brief intermissions, the screen will display a countdown clock and, discreetly, the Ford logo.

There is no guarantee that the phone won't ring and the children won't fuss. But as much as possible, Ford and NBC are recreating the unbroken theatrical experience, which allows a

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REEL WORLD

Astounding re-release may bring only limited lessons and impact

By Lynn Elber
AP Entertainment Writer

LOS ANGELES — The unexpected box-office power of "Star Wars" should have competitors licking their wounds over moviegoers lost to a 20-year-old film. And it could have them licking their chops over the

■ "The Empire Strikes Back" opens today at the Tall City 10.

potential for exploitation of their own studio film libraries.

Not so fast on either count, say industry executives, exhibitors and observers.

"Star Wars" has enjoyed spectacular success in its return to theaters, remaining one of the biggest-grossing films in U.S. history. Yet experts say its impact may be less dramatic and more singular than first appears.

Part one of George Lucas' space trilogy hasn't done serious box-office damage to other movies or release

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Singleton remembers 1923 'Rosewood' massacre

By Michael Warren
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK — History is almost always written by the victors, but what happened to the prosperous black communi-

ty of Rosewood, Fla., in 1923 was so shameful that for generations, no one breathed a word. Spurred on by a white woman's claim that she was raped by a black stranger, white mobs burned down the town during a weeklong orgy of hate, lynching blacks and driving any survivors into the swamps, never to return.

At least two white men and six blacks died in the violence, which was front-page news throughout the nation at a time when Ku Klux Klan membership was at its peak and politicians didn't bother varnishing their racism.

But nobody was held responsible. Whites took over the land and soon dismissed the massacre as a nasty rumor. The



Director John Singleton, left, recalls the horrors that have been suppressed for almost 75 years in "Rosewood."

don't want to remember being the perpetrators of that kind of persecution," said John Singleton, director of "Rosewood," a shocking new film from Warner Bros. based on the massacre.

It wasn't until 1994, after a decade of fact-gathering by Rosewood's descendants, that the state of Florida finally acknowledged its utter abandonment of its citizens and granted \$2.1 million in reparations.

Rosewood remains a symbol of how, for much of this century, blacks were denied the right to life and liberty that many Americans take for granted — especially blacks who owned land and were becoming wealthy. No matter how well they did, they were helpless in the face of a mob of violent bigots.

But that's a story the acclaimed 29-year-old director of "Boyz in the Hood," "Poetic

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PREP BASKETBALL — Midland Lee boys vs. El Paso Eastwood, Class 5A area playoff, 5:30 p.m., Pecos High School gym.
Midland High boys vs. El Paso Franklin, Class 5A area playoff, 6 p.m., Sul Ross University, Alpine.
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Region I-5A Girls' Tournament, Chaparral Center, Amarillo High vs. Flower Mound Marcus, 6 p.m., and Lubbock Coronado vs. Duncanville, 7:30.
PREP GOLF — Tall City Invitational, Purple Division at Midland Country Club and Maroon Division at Ranchland Hills Country Club.
PREP SOFTBALL — West Texas Classic Fast-pitch Softball Tournament, Bill Williams Softball Complex.

Rain hits tourney

The first day of the West Texas Softball Classic was suspended by rain. Thursday's action, which was scheduled to start at 4:00 p.m., has been pushed to Friday at 9 a.m.
There will be no change in the tournament brackets, as it still follows a double elimination format, and there will be the same number of games. Division II teams, however, will start today's action at 9 a.m., and Division I teams, which include the Midland High, Midland Lee and Midland Christian varsities, start their tournament play at noon.

Mavs' trade done

DALLAS — The deal's on. Khalid Reeves, who was part of a staggering nine-player trade between the Dallas Mavericks and New Jersey Nets, passed his physical today.
Reeves, who told Mavericks' doctors about a childhood heart murmur during an examination Wednesday, successfully completed a stress test, team spokesman Tony Fay said.
"It means that he'll be coming to practice here in a few minutes and that the trade will be completed between Dallas and New Jersey," Fay said of the results.
The trade should have been finalized Wednesday evening, 48 hours after it was filed with the league, but the Mavericks received an extension until noon today. The trade Monday sent center Shawn Bradley, Reeves and three other players to Dallas for all-star forward Chris Gatling, Jimmy Jackson and three others. The NBA said the extension was granted to give the teams time to process the players and administer physicals.

Dolphin shot

DALLAS — Police are investigating a freeway shooting that wounded Miami Dolphins defensive tackle Daryl Gardener and two other people after they left a nightclub.
The 23-year-old former Baylor star was in satisfactory condition Thursday after being shot in the jaw. He had two bullet fragments removed from the base of his tongue during surgery at Presbyterian Hospital. Dolphins head trainer Kevin O'Neill said.
Also wounded in the 2:15 a.m. attack Thursday were ex-Baylor tailback Brandell Jackson, 23, of Waco, who was shot in the left arm and leg, and Tanisha Cormier, 21, of Garland, who was struck in the arm by glass fragments.

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Bulldogs finally return to court vs. Franklin

■ Midland High to play first real game in two weeks tonight vs. El Paso Franklin.

By Terry Williamson
Sports Editor

ALPINE — The waiting is finally over for the Midland High Bulldogs. After cruising through a perfect 12-0 District 4-5A campaign and a 28-3 season record for a No. 8 state ranking, the Bulldogs finally get a chance to play in the state playoffs, meeting El Paso Franklin (19-11) in the Class 5A area playoffs here at 6 p.m. today at Sul Ross.

Other than a practice game win against Class 2A, No. 5 state ranked Stanton, the Bulldogs have been idle from real competitive action since February 7 when they defeated Odessa High.

But the Bulldogs do own a 17-game winning streak and figure to be one of the top Region I teams in the playoffs. In fact, MHS is hoping to return to the state's Final Four, a position the Bulldogs last earned in 1994. Midland High will be a huge favorite against Franklin, which is making its first playoff push with the new school's first senior class under coach Carl Bailey. But if there is a negative for the Bulldogs, it is the fact that they have been idle for so long after winning a first round bye in the playoffs by virtue of winning the 4-5A

title. But MHS coach Jack Stephenson is not too concerned with the layoff.

"We really needed the time off to work on some things and add some things," Stephenson said. "I expect the team to play well. In fact, I've never been around a group of kids who like to play the game so much. I have to keep them from playing too much sometimes."

"They have these same kind of layoffs in the NFL and NBA where they get byes and it all seems to work out for them. There's not anything I can do about it anyway, so there is no reason to worry about it."

Franklin reached the area round with a 47-37 win over

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Purves puts 3 years of experience to use

■ Lee senior makes third playoff trip with Rebels in three years with varsity.

By Terry Williamson
Sports Editor

Midland Lee's 6-6 senior post John Purves has now played in the state basketball playoffs three years in a row, and it's beginning to pay big dividends.

The Rebels have been playoff bound five years in a row and Purves has been on the three-year run. And he knows he is a different player than when he entered the Jon House program as a sophomore.

"I am much more confident in what I can do than I was those first two years," Purves says. "Experience is a key factor. I think the qualities of experience and talent are both important, but experience may be more important because it helps you quite a bit, especially in certain situations."

"As a senior, you know what to do and what the team needs to do to make it happen. Especially as a sophomore, I just did what I was told to do."

House always likes to groom a sophomore on his varsity team and Purves was one of those young prospects.

"We always have one of those sophomores like Mark Holly and

Sean Low in the past and like we have Josh Ralston this year," House said. "Purves was one of those."

House says that Purves gives his team more than just points and rebounds on the floor.

"He's what I would call a quiet technician," House says of Purves. "He doesn't say a lot, but he comes to work every day and the kids respect him for who he is and what he can do on the floor."

And Purves has done a lot on the floor, especially this, his senior, year.

"He's made a couple of huge free throws for us that won games," House said. "He's a kid you can trust to do his job and the kids believe in him. He's actually turned into a pretty good post man this year."

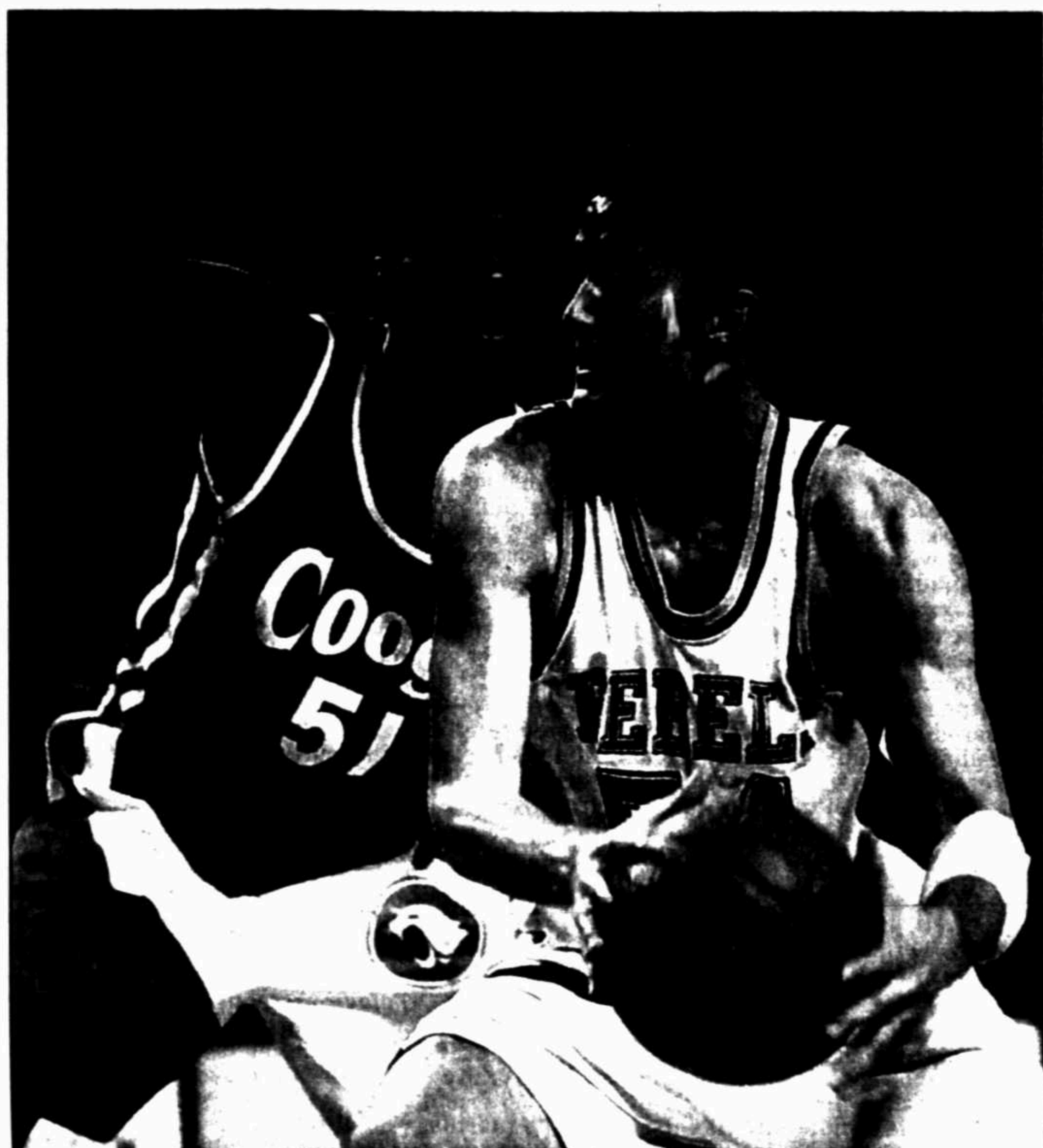
Purves isn't the kind of player that will hog the ball all night. He'll score when he gets the opportunity and is averaging in double figures this season and is always around seven or eight rebounds per game.

So, what is a successful game for John Purves?

"It's a good game for me if I do my part and we win," Purves said. "I may score zero points, but if we win and I contribute something positive, then I feel I've had a good game. It was a lot like that against Monterey (Tuesday in bi-district play)."

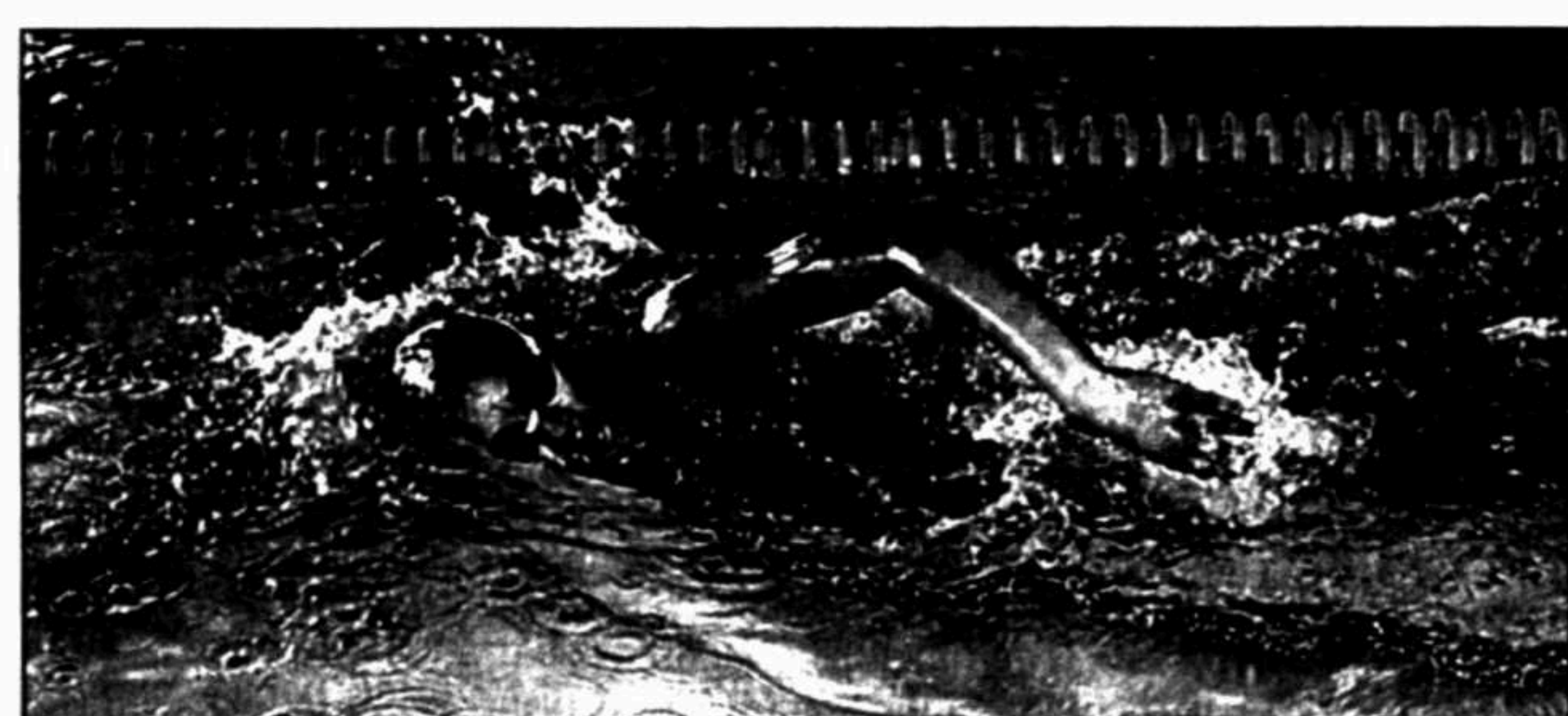
Against Monterey, Purves turned

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Lee basketball player John Purves, right, will use his three years of varsity experience to help the Rebels in their area playoff game against El Paso Eastwood at 5:30 p.m. in Pecos.

STATE SWIM MEET



Midland Lee junior Amber Goodwin practices her freestyle in preparation for the state swim meet, which starts today in Austin and continues Saturday. Goodwin will compete in two events.

Lee's Goodwin trying for two state championships in Austin

By Lee Passmore
Sports Writer

It's finally time for Amber Goodwin to get serious.

Not that the Midland Lee junior swimmer has taken her competition frivolously up to this point. Goodwin didn't reach the state meet, which starts today at the University of Texas in Austin, just by laughing and joking her way through district and regional competition, although it appeared at times she could have.

In two events, Goodwin is seeded no worse than second in the state in qualifying times. She is tied for the top time in the 50-yard freestyle (23.98



Goodwin

seconds) with Kelly Bolton of Houston Nimitz, and her 58.01 in the 100 backstroke is second-best time by only 12 one-hundredths of a second.

Impressive numbers to be sure, but Goodwin wonders if they're impressive enough.

"You have to go really fast just to make finals and if you make one mistake, you won't make it," Goodwin said. Today's preliminary heats will determine the finalists for Saturday's round.

Goodwin will probably have to make a mistake in either of her races to not be around come Saturday. She already has a medal from last year's meet, when she finished second in the 100 backstroke to Allen's Katie White. Goodwin also reached the finals in the 50 free, where she finished fifth.

This year, Goodwin would like a place

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Tahoka ends Stanton's year in bi-district game

By Oscar LeRoy
Sports Writer

SNYDER — It seems like a shame that two of the best teams in Class 2A had to meet so early in the playoffs.

The battle pitted the No. 5 Stanton Bulldogs against the No. 14 Tahoka Bulldogs at the Scurry County Coliseum in bi-district action.

It was a rematch of an earlier confrontation when the Bulldogs came out on top 64-60. With the Bulldogs looking for payback, the Bulldogs turned back the charge, ending Stanton's season with a hard-fought 78-69 victory on Thursday.

The Bulldogs conclude a tremendous season with a 28-3 record. Meanwhile, the Bulldogs (26-6) march on into the area round to face the winner of the Coahoma-Holly game.

"It was a tough ending but we had a great year," Stanton coach Doug Gordon said. "We finished undefeated in district, we won two tournaments and we went 28-3. I can't ask for anything more from these kids."

For Tahoka coach Toby Villa and his team the key to winning the game was to close the inside and limit Stanton's big gun in Leo McCalister from getting off easy shots.

"We knew that they had a great ball

club. We knew that they were going to try to get the ball to Leo — he's got so much elevation and he was shooting over our guards. What we had to do was take our post and move him out and hope he steps out. That was the only way we could contain him," Villa said.

"I hurt for coach Gordon and I hurt for those kids. I really believed that the team that won this game would have a chance to advance far into the playoffs. It was almost a shame that we had to play so early."

McCalister got his game-high 26 points, including four 3-pointers, but the inside game of Marcus Washington and Chad Smith was held for a combined 22 points.

"They kept us on the perimeter all night long and we weren't able to get down low. When the perimeter shots aren't falling, it's hard. In the second half, we couldn't get any second shots and that was killing us," Gordon said.

Villa said they worked all week long preparing to shut down Stanton's post players after getting beat by a team with a big lineup.

"I always go back to me being a young coach and first-year head coach. It really taught me to be pre-

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West Texas' most talented golf teams to invade local courses

By Oscar LeRoy
Sports Writer

Some of the best high school talent in the state will invade Midland's golf courses this weekend in the Tall City Invitational. A total of 205 boys from 41 teams from West Texas are expected to participate.

Starting today at Midland Country Club and at Ranchland Hills Country Club and continuing tomorrow at Green Tree and Hogan Park, high school golfers will compete in what may be the biggest test of the year other than the state tournament.

"This is the last big tournament that the teams will compete in before they start district play," said Midland Lee coach Bobby Dunn. "If they can play at Midland and a Green Tree, then they can play on any golf course in the state."

"I would say 10 to 12 teams participating in the invitational will probably make it to regionals and at least five will make it to the state tournament."

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Midland hosts Region I-5A tourney

By Lee Passmore
Sports Writer

It has become accepted in recent years that just to be in Midland at this time of the year for a Class 5A girls basketball team means you're doing something right.

Yet, doing something right isn't going to be enough to take home a title Saturday afternoon once the final game of the Class 5A Region I Tournament at Chaparral Center has concluded. Chances are, the

team which advances to the state tournament in Austin was almost perfect.

Another strong field will gather starting this evening to determine the Region I representative for the state championship, the way it always seems to be in Midland at the end of February. Tonight's action kicks off at 6 p.m. when Amarillo High plays Flower Mound Marcus. That game will be followed at 7:30 p.m. with a matchup between Lubbock

Coronado and undefeated Duncanville.

The semifinal winners will meet for the regional championship Saturday at 1 p.m.

Certainly, on paper, the favorite is Duncanville, which marches into Chaparral Center with a 36-0 mark. The Pantherettes advanced by surviving the slowdown tactics of Euleus Trinity to win the regional quarterfinal game 28-15.

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Nuggets beat deadline with three deals

By Chris Sheridan
AP Basketball Writer

The NBA trading deadline passed Thursday without the flurry of movement that many had expected, but six deals went through involving 15 players and four draft picks.

The Denver Nuggets were the busiest team, making two deals with Indiana and one with Charlotte.

The Hornets made two trades and the New Jersey Nets, who spoke to 21 of the other 28 NBA teams, made just one deal.

The biggest trade, in terms of volume, sent Mark Jackson and LaSalle Thompson from Denver back to their former team, the Indiana Pacers.

In return, the Pacers sent Vincent Askew and Eddie Johnson to the Nuggets along with two second-round draft choices.

The Los Angeles Lakers acquired a sharpshooting small forward to fill in for injured Robert Horry, getting George McCloud from New Jersey for center Joe Kleine, a 1997 first-round draft pick and a conditional second-round pick.

McCloud was one of nine players involved in Monday's stunning trade between the Nets and Dallas Mavericks.

The Nuggets were involved in two other trades. In a side deal with Indiana, Denver sent rookie forward Darvin Ham to the Pacers in exchange for second-year point

guard Jerome Allen. Denver also traded veteran guard Ricky Pierce to the Charlotte Hornets for guard Anthony Goldwire and center George Zidek.

The Hornets made one other deal, sending swingman Scott Brumfield to the Golden State Warriors for forward Donald Royce.

Toronto and Milwaukee also made a minor deal shortly before the 6 p.m. EST deadline. The Raptors sent center Acie Earl to the Bucks for guard Shawn Respert.

The biggest surprise was the absence of trades for Jim Jackson, Chris Mullin, Derek Harper, Clarence Weatherspoon and Dominique Wilkins.

Jackson, Mullin and Weatherspoon had been mentioned in trade

rumors for weeks, and Harper and Wilkins had been prominent in more recent scuttlebutt.

Harper, who wanted to be traded to Houston, vetoed a deal that would have sent him to the Utah Jazz.

"I'd liked to have been in Houston, but we couldn't work a deal there," Harper said. "I decided against the Utah deal. Do you want to go to Utah? I don't have anything against the city, I just don't want to play there. I'm resigned to being in Dallas."

The Nets had a plethora of offers for the players they received from Dallas.

"Jim Jackson and Chris Gatling drew a lot of attention. George McCloud drew a lot of attention," general manager John Nash said.

Miners shock 10th-ranked New Mexico

EL PASO (AP) — Texas-El Paso found No. 10 New Mexico in the best possible place Thursday night — on the road.

Winners of 25 straight home games, the Lobos' struggles on the road continued as UTEP held off New Mexico for a 71-62 victory. The Miners' defense was stingy but the Lobos were also to blame, shooting 33 percent to fall to 3-5 away from The Pit in Albuquerque.

UTEP's Kimani Jones-Young cautioned that UTEP should get its due, however.

"I don't know who ranks teams, but this is a tough place to play," said Jones-Young, who led the Miners with 21 points. "Don't try to take anything away from us. They came out flat and we put them away."

The victory increased the struggling Miners' (11-12, 5-9 Western Athletic Conference) slim chances of making the WAC's postseason tournament.

The top six teams in each of the WAC's two divisions will play in the tournament. UTEP is

one game behind sixth-place Rice in the Mountain Division.

"As I've said all year, our team's not that bad, it's just that the league is that good," UTEP coach Don Haskins said.

New Mexico (20-5, 9-4) entered the game tied for second place.

"Our troubles on the road are because there are a lot of good teams out there," Lobos coach Dave Bliss said. "I'm just grateful for all those wins in The Pit."

STANTON: Buffs end season at 28-3

(From 1C)

pared for every situation — whether it be a quick guard lineup or a big post lineup," he said. "That's why we worked all week on going up against a big lineup."

Tahoka was paced with a balanced attack of 6-6 post Lee Rash's 16 points and eight boards, Rocky Moore's 16 points and senior forward Randy Burleson, who maneuvered his way inside for a team-leading 23 points, including 12 in the second quarter, to give Tahoka a 32-29 lead at the half.

"I told him before the ball game,

"I'm putting the ball game in the seniors' hands. This is your season. Do with it what you want." And you saw what he did," Villa said.

"That's my game, I like penetrating. I felt good, I penetrated and I listened to my coach," Burleson said.

Stanton stayed in the whole game despite not getting the post penetration and the good perimeter shooting. But the biggest blow might have been the loss of point guard Kyle Herm late in the fourth quarter. Herm fouled out with the Buffs trailing 66-60.

"With Kyle fouling out and then

T-Bone (Tyron Davis) going out with a hip (injury), it put more pressure on us," Gordon said. "We kept Kyle in there with his fourth foul because if we were going down, we were going down with our best on the court."

The Buffaloes didn't go down without a fight as Smith hit two of his eight fourth quarter points on a turnaround jumper to cut Tahoka's lead to 70-69 with a little more than a minute to go. But a late turnover and some clutch free throw shooting by the Bulldogs down the stretch made it into the nine-point margin.

"Tahoka's got a great team and coach Villa does a nice job. Obviously, they've beaten us twice this year, so I can't complain," Gordon said.

Tahoka 78, Stanton 69
Stanton (28-3): Nathan Long 14, 6-12; Leo McCallister 9, 28-45; 26; Kyle Herm 25, 2-4; 7; Chad Smith 6-8; 4-8; 16; Marcus Washington 3-8, 0-0; 6; Josh Madison 2-4; 4-8; Tyron Davis 1-5, 0-0; 2; John Bryan 0-1, 2-2; 2; Total: 24-61, 16-24, 69.
Tahoka (26-6): Randy Burleson 9-11, 2-3; 21; Brad DeBsworth 1-1, 0-0; 2; Rocky Moore 4-10, 6-7; 16; Brad Long 2-4, 0-4; Lee Rash 7-12, 6-7; 21; Monte Hale 4-6, 1-2; 9; Adrian Graves 0-1, 2-1; Total: 26-48, 16-23, 78.
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TOURNEY: Duncanville has 36-0 mark

(From 1C)

Duncanville, which easily won District 6-5A, boasts the top offense and defense among 5A schools in the Dallas area. The undisputed star attraction for the Pantherettes is 6-foot senior Tamika Catchings, who is averaging 20.5 points and 9.6 rebounds a game. Catchings, who was ranked the No. 1 senior in the state by Texas Hoops magazine prior to the start of the season, has signed with powerhouse Tennessee to play her college ball.

Whether its Duncanville or some other school fortunate enough to score a surprise knockout of the Pantherettes, there is little doubt that the region winner will head to Austin on a roll.

"We always feel like Region I is the toughest in the state to come out of," said Coronado coach Shirlene Lilley, whose team defeated Midland Lee 82-72 in Lamesa Tuesday to advance. "We are just looking forward to com-

ing out and playing a team who is ranked one of the best in the nation."

Yet, Lilley thinks her team might have a trump card, making the playoffs as the District 3-5A runner-up. The winner of that district was Amarillo, who also happens to be the defending region champion. To advance to Midland, the Lady Sandies had to beat Lubbock Monterey — yet another 3-5A team — 54-30.

With three teams in the regional quarterfinals, 3-5A established itself as the toughest in the region, if not the state. That makes both Amarillo High (30-3) and Coronado (34-4) perhaps more battle-tested than their Metroplex counterparts.

Flower Mound Marcus was represented in Midland back in December when its football team came to town and shocked undefeated Lee 20-14 in the playoffs. In basketball, the Lady Marauders (29-6), winners of District 5-5A, are a little more of an unknown quantity. They advanced by beating Carrollton Newman

Smith 59-49.

Duncanville can claim victory over two teams in the regional, having beaten Marcus 65-41 in a non-district game and beating Amarillo High 73-54 in the championship game of its own tournament. Amarillo High, on the other hand, can boast of two district wins over Coronado.

It's only natural that Amarillo and Duncanville are headed on a collision course. In the first Region I finals held at Chaparral Center in 1981, Duncanville advanced to Austin. The next year at the Chap, Amarillo claimed the region crown, then in 1983, Duncanville won it back, and repeated the next year. The Pantherettes won the region again in 1988 before they were moved out of Region I. They returned this season.

Amarillo, meanwhile, has won three of the last four regional crowns.

This is the first trip to the regionals for both Marcus and Coronado.

GOODWIN: Junior swimming at state

(From 1C)

on the medal stand in both events. "I know I'm capable of doing it," Goodwin said. "I was seeded pretty well last year. (The seeding) really didn't mean anything but I was disappointed I didn't finish as high as my seed."

That occurred in the 50 free, which this year could be considered Goodwin's breakthrough. She wanted to crack 24 seconds in the 50, which she finally did in winning the Region I finals in Lubbock.

A similar performance will be needed in the state meet for Goodwin to have any chance of medaling.

"To medal she'll have to go a 23 again," said Ted Carson, Goodwin's coach. "In the 100 back we weren't real good on the turns and finishes but I think she can go a 56."

The 100 back has for the most part been Goodwin's strongest event the last two years, and in the regionals she was almost four seconds faster than the second-place finisher. Good as that was, it wasn't quite what Goodwin did last year, when she set a regional record in the event with a 57.21.

By Goodwin's standards, her success this season has been a mixed blessing.

"In my 50 I've done what I really wanted to do but in my backstroke I haven't been nearly as good," Goodwin said. "If I concentrate too much on one, I've found I don't do nearly as well in the other."

Unlike earlier in the season, Goodwin is no longer doing distance workouts in practice. She is now going for speed, as her yardage in the pool has been cut

down from about 8,000 yards a day down to under 4,000 a day. During workouts, Goodwin is sprinting more, with longer rests in between.

It's part of a ritual Goodwin has been going through since she was nine-years-old, when she joined the City of Midland swim program. That's when Carson first started coaching Goodwin at an age where swimmers can bloom quickly then subsequently burn out. That obviously didn't happen with Goodwin.

"It's the tenacity of staying with the program and staying consistent," Carson said. "She wasn't always making the finals but from what I've seen she's learned to be a fierce competitor."

That Goodwin is swimming competitively is almost something of a happy accident. Her parents,

Larry and Jeanette, wanted Amber and her older sister Joy to do something they couldn't.

"Me and my sister didn't know how to swim and they put us in (COM)," Goodwin said.

What began as a precautionary measure which could be a lifesaver evolved into a prestigious activity. Joy, who graduated from Lee last year, first swam competitively and Amber has followed her lead and thrived.

She's cautiously optimistic about her chances to stand atop the victory stand.

"It wouldn't be that big a leap (to win both events), but both the people who won last year (Bolton and White) are back," Goodwin said.

As is Goodwin, in a place she's gotten used to.

LOCAL SPORTS

Trio qualifies for Super Champs

Three Midland tennis players: Drew Branum, Matthew Gray and Beverly Dawson, qualified for Super Championships in Wichita Falls Sunday.

Drew Branum qualified for Girls 14s, Gray for the Boys 18s and Beverly Dawson for the Girls 18s.

Valdez, Giles win in TAM tourney

Marcus Valdez defeated Adam Carson 6-2, 6-1 to win the Tennis Association of Midland Tournament's Boys 16-18-year-old singles bracket on Feb. 9. Dana Giles defeated Haley Hightower, 6-1, 6-1 to win the Girls 16-18 title.

Other age group singles winners included Anthony Kent (Boys 14 singles), Kramer Schlaudt (Boys 12 singles), K.C. Beal (Girls 14 singles) and Alex Langford (Girls 10-12 singles).

Results from the Tennis Association of Midland Tournament held Feb. 9:

Boys 16-18 singles: Marcus Valdez def. Adam Carson 6-2, 6-1; Doubles: My. Valdez def. Piper-Hernandez 6-4, 6-2.

Boys 12 singles: Kramer Schlaudt def. Ryan Leeson 6-2, 7-5; Consolation: Andrew Kent def. Matt Callaway 6-0, 6-0; Doubles: Carstens-Johnson def. David Leeson 6-4, 5-7, 6-3.

Girls 16-18 singles: Dana Giles def. Haley Hightower 6-1, 6-1; Consolation: Elizabeth Webb def. Julie Hodgins 6-2, 6-1.

Girls 10-12 singles: Alex Langford def. Ashley Vasquez 6-2, 3-6, 7-5; Consolation: Landon Vinney def. Katie Beal 4-6, 7-6, 6-1; Doubles: Langford-Vasquez def. O'Brien-Prieto 6-4, 6-2.

Midland trio honored by Tech

Three athletes from Midland were among 30 Texas Tech athletes named to the inaugural Big 12 Conference Phillips 66 Classroom Champions for the 1996-97 school year.

Softball player Emily Hayes, football player Jeremy Hernandez and baseball player Kirk Ulrich were all honored for their achievements in the classroom as well as on the playing fields.

Hayes, a sophomore who is a 1995 Midland Lee graduate, had a 3.615 grade point average in chemical engineering. Hernandez, a junior who is a Midland High graduate, had a 3.530 GPA in biochemistry. Ulrich, a senior who graduated from Lee, had a

3.480 GPA in philosophy.

To qualify for the list, a student-athlete must have a GPA of at least 3.0 and have performed various community service projects.

Midland freshmen rout MC in soccer

The Midland High freshman soccer team rolled to a huge win Thursday, crushing Midland Christian 11-1. Ross Brenner and Steven Lozano each scored two goals for Midland High while DeJuan Andrews, Kyle Groves, Jeremy Tarter, Taylor Cheaney, Carlos Callo, Gerald Amezcua and Nick Quiroz all scored goals. Midland High is now 3-0-2 on the season.

SJ teams win in girls hoops

Two teams from San Jacinto Junior High scored wins in eighth grade girls basketball action Thursday, with San Jacinto Green beating Abell White 52-44 and San Jacinto White beating Abell Blue 36-33.

For San Jacinto Green, Jenny Jones scored 16 points, Laura Koch had 14 and Page Price added 10. For Abell White, Shandi Neatherlin had 16 points and 14 rebounds and Ashley Kellum scored 11 points.

Drew Branum had 13 points for San Jacinto White while Kaci Myers had 13 rebounds and Emily Kelly pulled down 12 boards. Shamira Bryson had 17 points for Abell Blue, while Desiree Early had 10 rebounds and three steals.

In another game, Goddard Red beat Alamo Red 55-34 to stay unbeaten in five games. Christy Burnett had 14 points for Alamo while Becky Valdez led Goddard with 17 as Goddard suffered its first loss in five tries.

Lee sophs beat Denver City JV

DENVER CITY — The Midland Lee sophomore baseball team defeated the Denver City junior varsity 13-9 Thursday.

Greg Moore drove in two runs, and Clint Frazier had one RBI. Scott Worley had a double, and Matt Solomon had a triple.

Solomon was the winning pitcher.

The sophomores (2-0) next play the Levelland JV at 1:30 p.m. Saturday in Denver City.

LEE: Senior leads Rebs into playoffs

(From 1C)

the game around, not with his offensive shooting skills, but with his defense. The Plainsmen's Dee Wilson roughed up Lee with 17 points in the first half alone. Purves held him to just five points in the second half as Lee sprinted to victory.

"I was fronting him (Wilson) in the first half," Purves said. "In the second half, I started playing up on his high side and not a full front. It stopped all those lobs they were getting to him. But I also think that Monterey stopped trying to get him the ball as hard as they were in the first half."

House added, "He only scored three points against Monterey, but he had a great game for us in the second half. It's those kind of things that don't get much play that win games for you."

Purves, however, almost didn't get this playoff opportunity after Lee started the district season with a woeful 2-5 run. It is a fact that hasn't escaped Purves.

"When you are a senior, this is your team," Purves said. "People remember the seniors, and if we hadn't made the playoffs, it would

have been a really tough thing to deal with."

"After the loss to San Angelo (to fall to 2-4 in the first half of district play), it entered my mind that (making the playoffs) might not happen. I knew we could do it, but we played it real close. It almost didn't happen, so we have to take advantage of this opportunity."

Purves says that the win over Midland High in the Tall City Oilman's Classic and the district playoff win by one point over Odessa Permian are two of the games he will always remember. But Lee has lost three games to MHS since winning that one game in early December. He would like another crack at that. And it can happen if Lee defeats El Paso Eastwood tonight in Pecos and MHS beats El Paso Franklin in Alpine.

"I would really love to play Midland High again," Purves said. "I think that game might create a little excitement in town. It'd probably be a packed house."

"But we have to take care of Eastwood first, or that won't happen."

And that seems to be the order of the day for both Lee and MHS.

GOLF: Top talents gather in Midland

(From 1C)

Maroon Division that includes most of the smaller schools and junior varsity teams, San Angelo Lake View usually provides a strong team as well as El Paso Burges.

The Rebels are coming into the invitational fresh off a third place finish at the Big Country Classic in Abilene. The Rebels shot a 313 in the weather-shortened 18-hole tournament. Seniors Chris Mertz and Thomas Brantley are the medalist hopefuls for the Rebels. Mertz finished second in Abilene with a score of 73.

"The key to winning the Purple Division is to play well at Midland Country Club," Dunn said. "If you can break 3:0 then you've got a real good shot. Scores should come down a bit at Green Tree if the weather conditions stay the same."

Even though Culley's Midland High team is young, the Bulldogs are appearing to gain confidence with each tournament. Leading MHS is sophomore Matthew Gearhard, who shot a 75 at Abilene.

"I would like to finish in the top third," Culley said. "It's just a matter of how you play that determines where you get situated. Playing on these golf courses should be a good test for these kids."

"I'm excited. It should be a fun tournament."

This year's Tall City Invitational marks the largest contingent of teams to participate. And chances are the tournament will include even more teams in the future. Both Dunn and Culley cite great community support for its success.

"All the golf courses have been real good to us. Without them it wouldn't be possible. Plus it's been a great joint effort between both booster clubs," Dunn said.

"It's just great how the whole town supports this tournament," Culley said. "I've talked to people in some other tournaments and they don't get as much support as we do."

Purple Division: Abilene High, Abilene Cooper II, Amarillo High II, Andrews II, Amarillo Palo Duro, Amarillo Caprock, Amarillo Tascosa, El Paso Burges, Midland Christian, Hereford, Midland High II, Midland Lee II, Monahans, San Angelo Lake View, Seminole, Lubbock Coronado, Odessa High II, Odessa Permian II, Lamesa II, Big Spring II.

MHS Basketball Playoff History

(Since 1960)

1960: Lost to Borger in bi-district, 0-1.
1971: Lost to Wichita Falls Rider in bi-district, 0-1.
1972: Defeated Wichita Falls Rider in bi-district; defeated Lubbock Monterey in region semifinals; defeated Highland Park in region finals; lost to San Antonio Jefferson in state semifinals, 3-1.
1973: Defeated Richland in bi-district; defeated Irving in region semifinals; defeated El Paso Austin in region finals; defeated Spring Branch in state semifinals; lost to Houston Wheatley in state finals, 4-1.
1979: Defeated Wichita Falls in bi-district; lost to Fort Worth Dunbar in region semifinals, 1-1.
1981: Defeated Denton in bi-district; lost to Fort Worth Dunbar in region semifinals, 1-1.
1984: Lost to Amarillo High in bi-district, 0-1.
1989: Lost to Amarillo High in bi-district, 0-1.
1991: Lost to Plainview in bi-district, 0-1.
1993: Lost to Amarillo Tascosa in bi-district, 0-1.
1994: Defeated Lubbock Monterey in bi-district; defeated El Paso Andrews in area; defeated Amarillo Tascosa in region quarterfinals; defeated Fort Worth Dunbar in region semifinals; defeated The Colony in region finals; lost to Sugar Land Willowridge in state semifinals, 5-1.
1995: Defeated Lub. Monterey in bi-district; lost to El Paso in area, 1-1.
1996: Lost to Amarillo High in bi-district, 0-1.
Overall Playoff Record: 15-13 (.536). Jack Stephenson's playoff record at MHS is 7-8.

around seven players, and you know how we play," said Stephenson, who uses about 15 players a

game. "That has to be in our favor."

Bailey says that this game will

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More Sports/9C

Maggert, Jones share lead at Tucson Open

By Mel Relsner
AP Sports Writer

TUCSON, Ariz. — The leaderboard for the Tucson Chrysler Classic was jammed until late in the afternoon when Jeff Maggert and Steve Jones came along.

Maggert eagled the second hole and birdied three of the last four holes to share the lead with Jones, who finished on the front nine, birdied four of the last eight holes to share the first-round lead of the \$1.3 million event.

They shot their rounds during the afternoon in dry, gusty conditions, usually the toughest combination on desert courses.

"There was a three-club wind," Jones said. "Every 100 yards, I would say it played anywhere from 10 to 20 yards longer, but it just depended on where you hit it."

Maggert noticed the shifts in direction and speed. "I struggled on club selection mainly," he said. "Luckily I made a few putts to make up for some of my mis-clubbing. I didn't hit a lot of greens, probably 11 or 12, so I missed a few mainly because of the wind, just trying to judge my club."

Bob Tway, Don Pooley, Clarence Rose, Scott Dunlap and

Jeff Hart, a shot back at 67, all started in the morning when the greens were softer.

So did Kirk Triplett, Brad Bryant and Mark Wiebe, who were bunched with Jay Don Blake two shots off the lead. And six of the seven players at 69 finished their rounds early, David Duval and Tom Kite among them.

Another 31 players shot better than par-72 on the 7,148-yard Tucson National course.

Among them was three-time champion Phil Mickelson (71), who successfully defended his title last year and then rode the momentum to a championship in Phoenix. This year, Tucson has a new sponsor and a new place on the PGA schedule four weeks after Phoenix, and only Jones has a chance for a double.

Jones led from start to finish in Phoenix and won with 26-under, one of the lowest 72-hole scores in PGA history. But he liked this score as well as any in his career.

"Six-under with the way the wind was blowing, an afternoon round with the greens hard, that's definitely one of my best rounds," Jones said. "The first round in Phoenix, 9-under was one of my best, too, but there wasn't any wind."

Noro paces LPGA Hawaiian Open

By Gordon Sakamoto
Associated Press Writer

HONOLULU — For a Japan LPGA player who wanted to use her first appearance in the U.S. as a learning experience, Natsuko Noro is doing quite well.

The six-year veteran of the Japan LPGA Tour shot an opening 7-under-par 65 on Thursday and held a two-stroke lead over a quartet of LPGA regulars, including two of the biggest names on the tour, Annika Sorenstam and Kelly Robbins.

Also at 67 were Hall of Famer Betsy King, who is making a bid to regain the form that put her in the top 10 on the money list for 12 consecutive years, and Tracy Kerdyk. Leta Lindley and Dale Eggeing were at 4-under 68, with Barb Whitehead and Meg Mallon, winners

of the last two Hawaiian Ladies Opens, among a group of six at 69.

"My goal was to observe other players and get familiar with these tournaments," Noro said.

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Tucson Classic

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — Scores Thursday after the first round of the \$1.3 million Tucson Chrysler Classic, played on the 7,148-yard, par-36-36 Tucson National Golf Resort & Spa.

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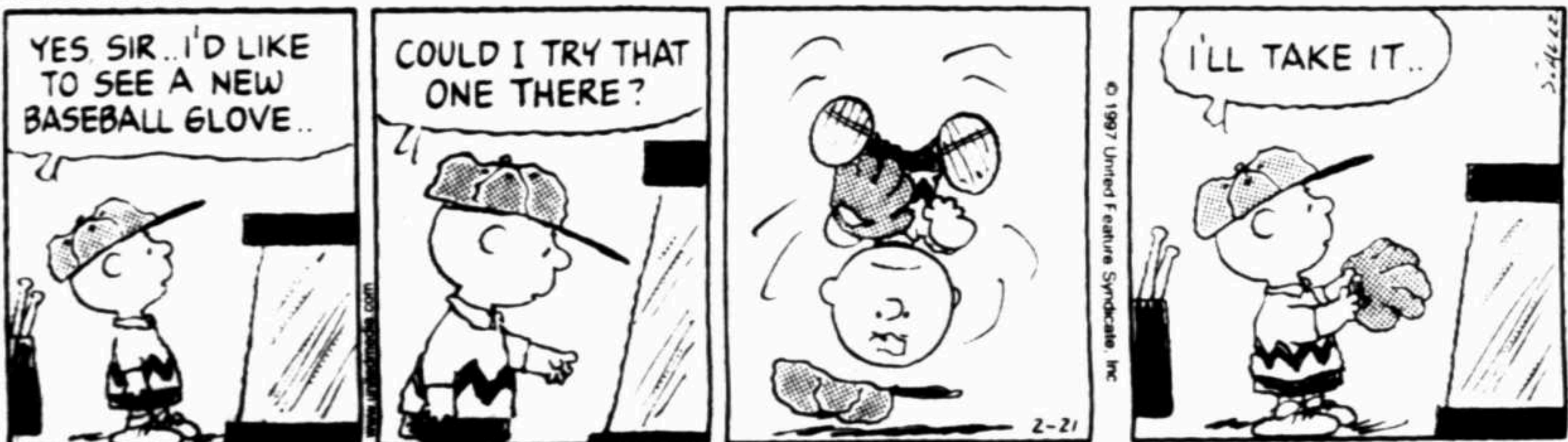
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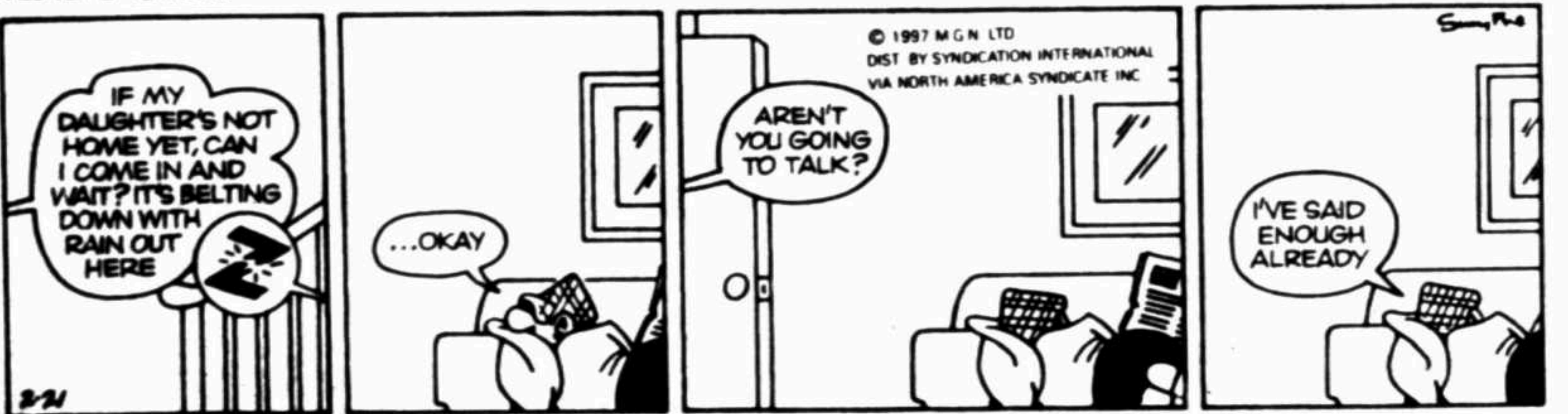
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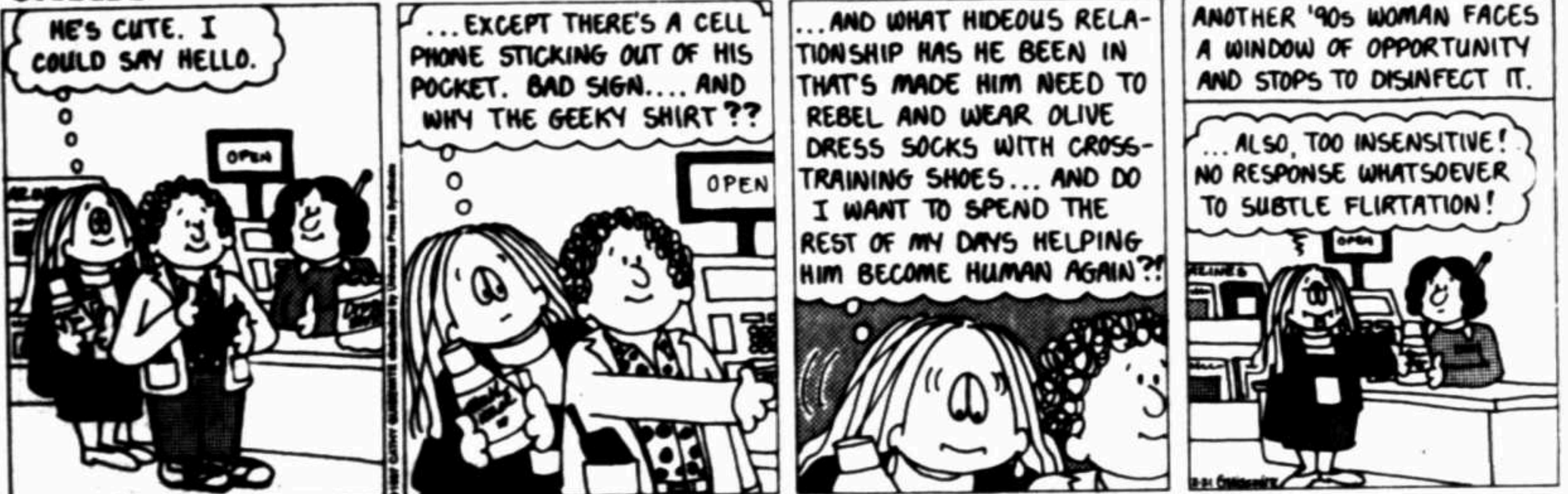
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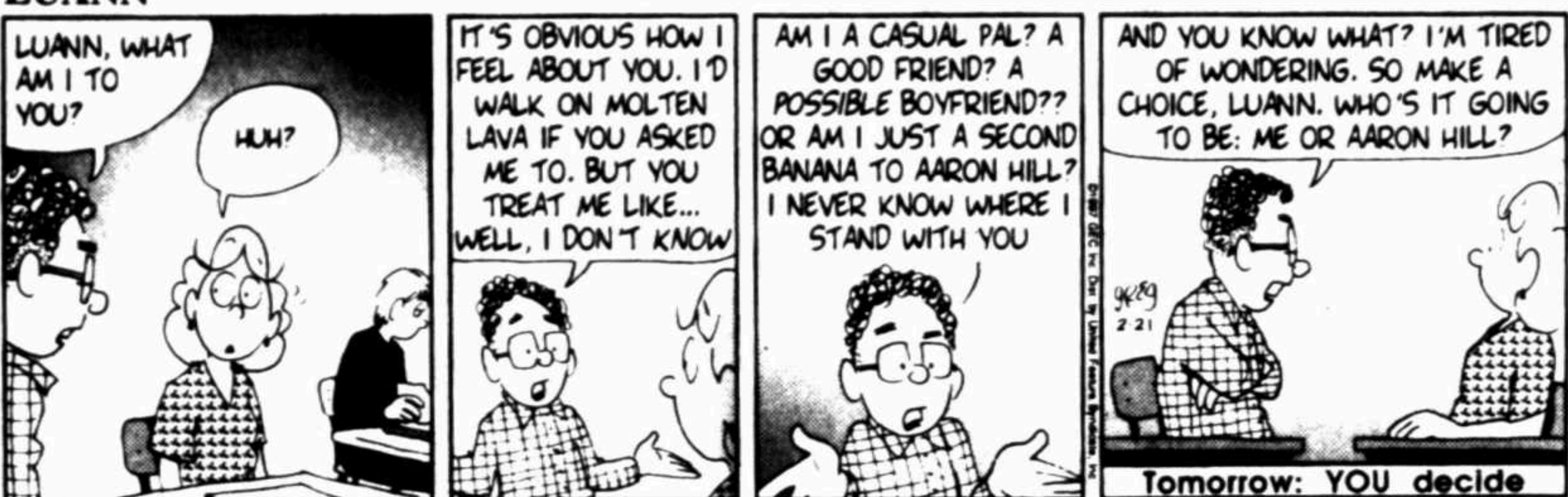
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Your Horoscope

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 1997

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! IN THE NEXT YEAR OF YOUR LIFE:

Your creativity or artistry could make you a fortune! Pursue a romantic interest that develops this coming spring. A financial windfall is likely if you reinvest business profits. Do something that has never occurred to your competitors. If you see a leadership vacuum next fall, fill the void. A salary increase or bonus will make Christmas especially merry. Plan to travel early in 1998. Promotional activities will require your special touch.

CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: actress Tyne Daly, jazz singer Nina Simone, baseball player Alan Trammell, beloved humorist Erma Bombeck.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Beware of get-rich-quick schemes. Someone who is envious of your success may want to take over your contacts and resources. Keep your investment strategies to yourself.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): If hoping to win the heart of a sensitive individual, keep your more aggressive impulses in check. Your charm convinces someone to say "yes" to an important question.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): An employment offer features an element of risk. Investigate a company thoroughly before agreeing to climb on board. Higher-ups will be impressed when you meet a difficult deadline.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): A domestic project may be more complicated than anticipated. An important lesson learned in the past can be applied to the present. An old school chum has good news to share.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Your excellent instincts will help you get a real estate venture off the ground. Pooling resources with an ally lets you feather your nest. Networking leads to valuable business connections.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Put a financial plan into motion without delay. Influential people will be astounded by your business acumen. Your intuition guides you to a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Make certain all financial details are worked out to your satisfaction. Spending quality time with your loved one draws you closer together. Keep a low profile if you attend a social function tonight.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Teamwork will boost productivity and profits. Be diplomatic with those you need to win over. A co-worker's support will ease any doubts. Get out and socialize this weekend.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Put your best ideas or products on display today. You have something that no one else can offer. Take a chance on romance. Less courageous types are awed by your daring.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): A new pairing looks promising. Give it your all, even if you must reschedule important appointments. An encounter with a stranger could leave you with certain questions.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Your legion of fans continues to grow. Take a business trip. Your superb conversational skills will help you drum up business. You and an ally see eye-to-eye.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): A renovation project will soon be completed. Look around for other areas where improvement is needed. Putting your energy into a physical fitness program will produce delightful results.

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NORTH
♠ 7 5 3
♥ K 10 6
♦ K 2
♣ A Q 10 5 4

WEST
♠ A K 10 6
♥ 7 4 3
♦ 9 8 6 4
♣ 7 2

EAST
♠ J 8 4
♥ 5 2
♦ Q J 10 5 3
♣ K 8 6

SOUTH
♠ Q 9 2
♥ A Q J 9 8
♦ A 7
♣ J 9 3

The bidding:
SOUTH WEST NORTH EAST
1♥ Pass 2♣ Pass
2NT Pass 3♥ Pass
4♥ Pass Pass Pass

Opening lead: King of ♠

Most players are aware of the standard signals — a high card on partner's lead is encouraging; a low card suggests there are more fertile fields elsewhere. Not everyone knows that these same signals are available to declarer. If declarer wants an opponent to persevere with the suit led, a high card is played, concealing a lower card or cards; similarly, a low card should be played if the intent is to dissuade the defender from continuing. Here is a simple example of what we mean.

The auction is straightforward. South's two no trump showed a balanced minimum with stoppers in the unbid suits, and North offered a choice of contracts. Essentially, three no trump and four hearts both depend on the club finesse unless West starts a low spade against three no trump.

West led the king of spades, East followed with the four and declarer with the two. With the three in dummy, East's four was discouraging, so West shifted to a diamond. Declarer eventually took the club finesse and, when that lost, a spade back through the queen resulted in a one-trick set.

Let's see what might happen if, instead of following low, declarer were to heed the advice given at the beginning of this column and drop the nine. If that card is honest, then East is starting an echo, perhaps with a doubleton in the hope of obtaining a third-round ruff. West might continue with the ace of spades — and the contract is no longer in jeopardy.

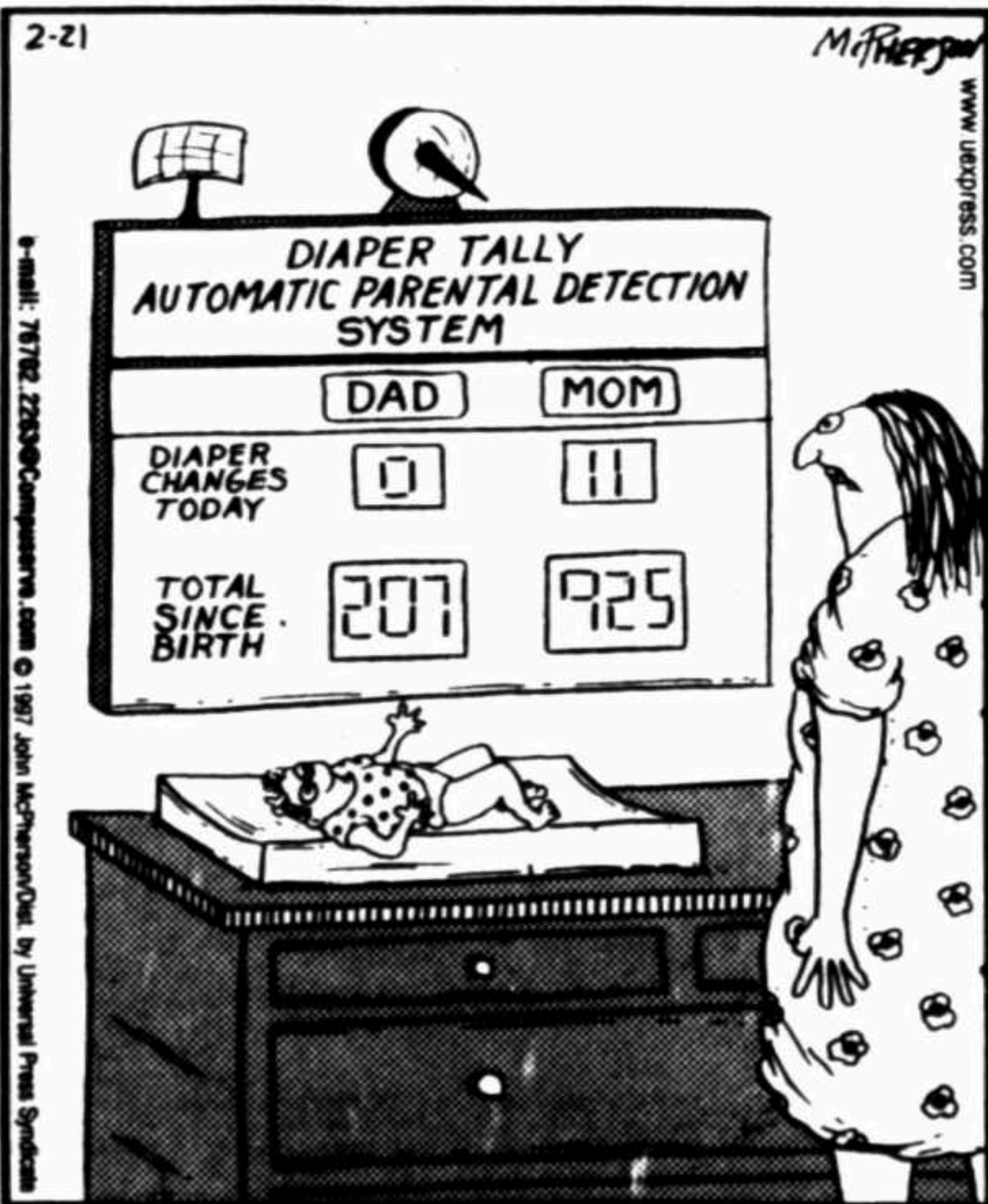
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THE MARKET IN REVIEW

MARKET SUMMARY

How To Read The Market In Review

Here are the 1,575 most active stocks on the New York Stock Exchange, listed alphabetically by ticker symbol. The list is divided into two sections: the first section lists the 1,000 most active stocks, and the second section lists the 575 most active stocks on the Nasdaq National Market and 405 most active on the American Stock Exchange. Stocks are listed in order of their trading volume on the day of the report. Stocks are listed in order of their trading volume on the day of the report. Stocks are listed in order of their trading volume on the day of the report.

Notes: Stocks are listed alphabetically by the company's full name (not its ticker symbol). Names consisting of initials appear at the beginning of each letter.

Notes: Price stock was trading at when change occurred for the day.

Notes: Loss or gain for the day. No change indicated by —.

Notes: Percent change in price since December 31.

Notes: How to use: The year-to-date percent change compares the most recent price with the company's price as of Dec. 31. The number is a good way to compare and track the performance of different companies in the same industry or the same town.

Notes: Benchmarks are important in investing and the year-to-date percent change can be a useful field of information when used as a benchmark. It shows how well a stock is doing relative to the market as a whole.

Notes: These numbers can be helpful in following stocks but as with all financial data are only one of many factors to use in determining how to invest.

Notes: Consult your financial advisor before making any investment decision.

Notes: Stock Footnotes: — PE greater than 99, — Loss in last 12 mos., — New 52-week low during trading day, — Dividend in Canadian \$, Stock price in U.S. \$, — New 52-week high during trading day, — Split or stock dividend of 25 percent or more in last 12 mos.

Notes: Dividend with date of payment or stock dividend, — New 52-week high during trading day, — Trading halted on primary market, Unless noted, dividend rates are annual dividends based on last declaration, — Preferred, — Holders only (includes all purchase price), — Rights, — Units, — When distributed, — When issued, — Warrants, — With warrants, — Without warrants.

Notes: Source: The Associated Press. Sales figures are unofficial.

NYSE

Most Active (51 on down)	Most Active (51 on down)	Most Active (51 on down)
Vol (00)	Last	Chg
PepsiCo 68548 33 1/2	44 1/2	+1/2
HomeDepot 67155 55 1/2	7 1/2	+1/2
FarmVest 49028 40 1/2	1 1/2	+1/2
Motors 4000 20 1/2	2 1/2	+1/2
PG&E 41512 22 1/2	1 1/2	+1/2

AMEX

Most Active (51 on down)	Most Active (51 on down)	Most Active (51 on down)
Vol (00)	Last	Chg
EchoStar 18650 7 1/2	4 1/2	+1/2
SPDR 11339 80 1/2	1 1/2	+1/2
Viaco 10368 35 1/2	1 1/2	+1/2
PegGld 7658 8 1/2	1 1/2	+1/2
Nabors 8786 16	1 1/2	+1/2

NASDAQ

Most Active (51 on down)	Most Active (51 on down)	Most Active (51 on down)
Vol (00)	Last	Chg
Intel 161270 14 1/2	1 1/2	+1/2
Microsoft 94244 95 1/2	1 1/2	+1/2
Cisco 72912 63 1/2	1 1/2	+1/2
Inform 72344 17 1/2	1 1/2	+1/2
Cyrix 70884 29 1/2	1 1/2	+1/2

GAINERS (52 on down)

Vol (00)	Last	Chg
HiLo 3 1/2	4 1/2	+1/2
Advant 3 1/2	4 1/2	+1/2
HiLo 3 1/2	4 1/2	+1/2
Advant 3 1/2	4 1/2	+1/2
HiLo 3 1/2	4 1/2	+1/2

LOSERS (52 on down)

Vol (00)	Last	Chg
RougeSt 15 1/2	2 1/2	-1/2
FUS Pay 25 1/2	2 1/2	-1/2
CGDina 2 1/2	2 1/2	-1/2
UdCoF 2 1/2	2 1/2	-1/2
NMedia 6 1/2	2 1/2	-1/2

DIARY

Vol (00)	Last	Chg
Advanced 859	228	Advanced 1,599
Declined 1,694	337	Declined 2,543
Unchanged 802	206	Unchanged 1,603
Total issues 3,355	771	Total issues 5,745
New Issues 144	31	New Issues 171
New Lists 23	10	New Lists 128
Volume 588,458,170	29,164,150	Volume 609,870,800

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Giants extend Bonds' deal for \$22.9 million

Associated Press

Barry Bonds is back on top as the player with baseball's highest average salary. Danny Tartabull, meanwhile, is happy to just have a team.

Bonds agreed Thursday to a \$22.9 million, two-year contract extension with the San Francisco Giants, a deal that gives him the sport's highest average salary at \$11.45 million.

"I have always felt in my heart that the greatest gift I could give my hometown is a World Series championship ring, and thanks to the Giants, today I've been given the opportunity to make that dream come true," Bonds said.

The 32-year-old outfielder is due \$8.25 million this season and \$8.5 million next year under the \$43.75 million, six-year deal he signed as a free agent in December 1992. The extension calls for \$9.7 million in 1999 and \$10.7 million in 2000.

San Francisco has a \$10.3 million option for 2001 and must pay a \$2.5 million buyout if it doesn't exercise it.

"Arguably, it could be his last contract. Obviously, it was a big commitment on the part of the franchise," Giants general manager Brian Sabean said after the deal was completed in Scottsdale, Ariz. "There were some heated feelings. Both sides got some things off their chests."

Bonds had been unhappy since five players leapfrogged him in average salary.

Tartabull, coming off a \$20.5 million, five-year contract, was unhappy when just two teams made offers. He at first rejected Philadelphia's offer as too low, then agreed Thursday to a \$2.3 million, one-year contract.

"We had offers," said Tartabull, who will join the team next week at Clearwater, Fla. "The offers were not where they needed to be according to my seasons and my career. But this is something that you just have to look at it the way it is and put it behind you."

Tartabull hit .254 for the Chicago White Sox last season with 27 homers and 101 RBIs.

"You're putting a proven major league bat in the middle of your order, and that's what we wanted to do," manager Terry Francona said. "He enjoys being the guy in the middle of the order. The people I've talked to say he responds to that."

Orioles

Cal Ripken arrived for spring training at Fort Lauderdale, Fla., and talked for the first time about Baltimore's plan to move him from shortstop to third base.

"Maybe some of us need a challenge toward the end of our careers," he said. "I look at it in a positive way. I'm looking at it as a new beginning."

"I've got a chance to relearn the position and maybe extend my career. I have no problems with moving to third base. Never have."

Indians

Catcher Sandy Alomar Jr. could become a free agent after the season, following the team's decision to decline a \$3 million option for 1998.

Alomar, 30, will get \$2.5 million this season, and Indians general manager John Hart says he would like to sign Alomar to a new deal. The decision to decline the option was made in November but became known only when Alomar mentioned it this week.

"I definitely want to stay," Alomar said at Winter Haven, Fla. "I love being with the Indians. It's a great organization."

White Sox

Albert Belle worked out with Chicago for the first time, fouled off pitches on his first two swings of the spring and then did what his new team expects: drove a ball over the fence.

Belle's volatile temper was dis-

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cussed during a question-and-answer session.

"I can't control that. I'm not worried about that. As long as I get an opportunity to go out and hit home runs, drive in some runs, steal a few bases, make a couple of great catches," Belle said. "That's all I'm concerned about. I guess the image part will take care of itself."

Angels

Chuck Finley, already picked to start for Anaheim on opening day, will be held out of throwing drills until the weekend following an examination of his sore pitching arm.

Finley reported soreness on Tuesday and has been taking anti-inflammatory medication.

Padres

Rickey Henderson, who probably will be traded during spring training, arrived in camp at Peoria, Ariz.

"I came here to spring training to get in shape," Henderson said. "No matter where you're going to be at, you have to prepare for the season. That's what I have to do." San Diego offered the 38-year-old outfielder a job as a backup, but Henderson said he would prefer a trade, and the Padres said they would accommodate him.

"I'm not going to sit around," Henderson said. "I've worked too hard to sit around. I can't help you sitting around. I think you got me last year to help you and I helped you. If you're not going to use me, let me help somebody else."

Yankees

Cecil Fielder didn't back off his trade demand when he arrived at camp in Tampa, Fla., but softened his tone after talking with manager Joe Torre and general manager Bob Watson.

"We definitely went a step forward just getting the opportunity to explain ourselves to each other," Fielder said. "It's just going to be a good situation now that we've somewhat cleared the air and got all this stuff out of the way."

Fielder filed a demand to be traded by March 15, a right given players traded during multiyear contracts. If the Yankees don't trade him and he doesn't withdraw the demand, Fielder could become a free agent after the deadline. But if he did that, he would lose his \$7.2 million salary this season.

"Hopefully things are going to work out and I'm going to stay here," Fielder said. "I want to be here. We have another opportunity to do something special this season. I think things are going to work themselves out one way or another."

Reds

Deion Sanders was the first hitter into the batting cage at Plant City, Fla., as he resumed his two-sport career.

Sanders still has blurred vision from the broken bone near his right eye, received in the Dallas Cowboys' 26-17 playoff loss to the Carolina Panthers in January. But he didn't hesitate to jump into the batting cage against left-hander Pete Schourek.

"I had a good time today. I'm a player. I can't stand on the outside looking through the glass," Sanders said. "I want to be a part of it. I can't sit and watch others having a good time."

Mariners

Dennis Martinez will be given a chance in spring training to earn a job in Seattle's starting rotation.

Martinez, 42, agreed Thursday to a minor-league contract and will join the Mariners on Friday. He would get a \$250,000, one-year contract if he makes the team and the chance to earn performance bonuses.

"He's a veteran who could very well make the club," general manager Woody Woodward said. "He certainly brings a lot of experience and knowledge of how to pitch."

Trial opens over death of race car star Senna

By Piero Valsecchi

Associated Press Writer

IMOLA, Italy — The trial stemming from the death of race car star Ayrton Senna opened Thursday in a case that could determine the future of auto racing in Italy.

Senna, the three-time Formula One champion, died of head injuries in 1994 when his car smashed into a concrete wall during the early laps of the San Marino Grand Prix.

This is the first time Formula One executives have been brought to trial in Europe for a racing accident. If there are convictions, the governing body of auto racing could ban races in Italy.

On trial are Frank Williams, head of the vaunted Williams-Renault team for which Senna raced, team technical director Patrick Head, designer Adrian Newey, race organizer Federico Bordini, race director Roland Brynseraede and circuit manager Giorgio Poggi.

Prosecutors contend a poorly welded steering column caused the crash. The column was shortened to allow Senna a better view of his

instrument panel. The defense will argue the damage to the column was a consequence, not a cause, of the accident.

Brynseraede, Bordini and Poggi were charged on the grounds there was not enough room for cars to stop at the corner of the track at which Senna crashed at close to 200 mph.

"The prosecutor's theory that the track's condition played a role in the Senna crash is absolutely groundless," Bordini said.

The defendants face up to five years in prison if convicted, but possible appeals could last years.

On Thursday, Bordini was the only defendant in the courtroom, which has been converted from a social club ballroom to accommodate the media. The opening day was marked by numerous procedural objections from the defense.

The defense challenged the investigative procedures of prosecutor Maurizio Passarini and argued that tests on the wrecked car should be thrown out because two defendants were not present during the appraisals.

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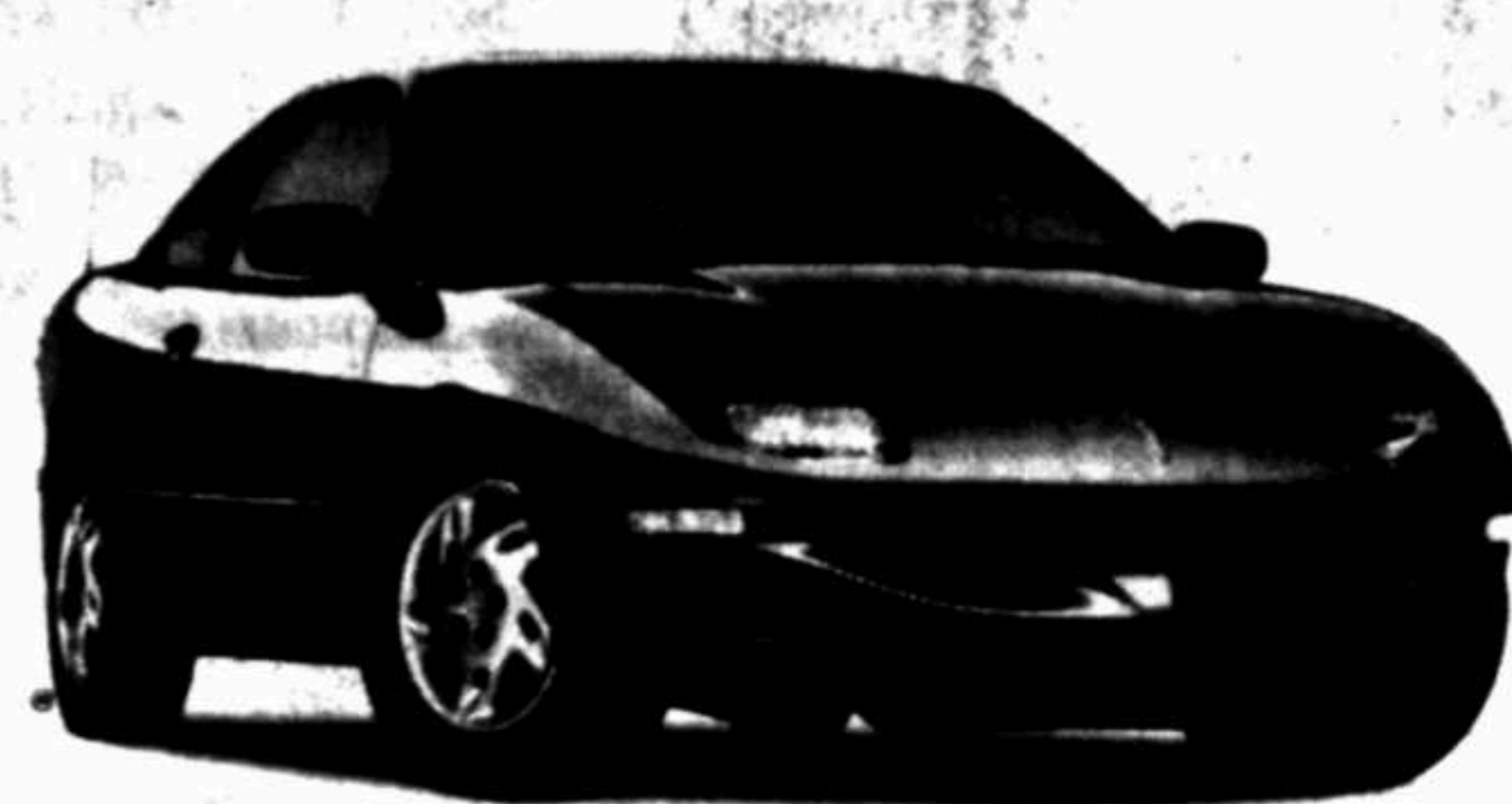
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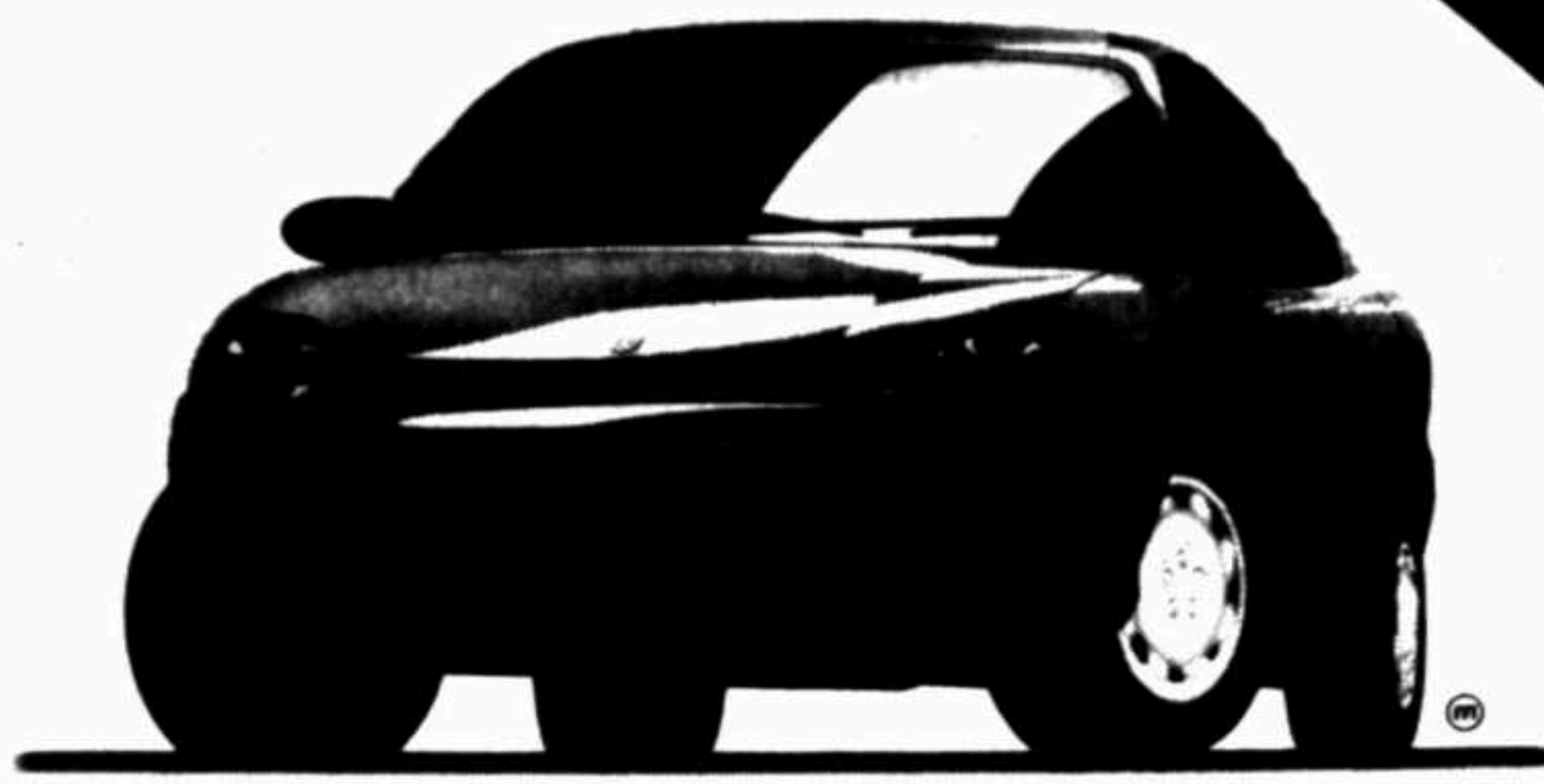


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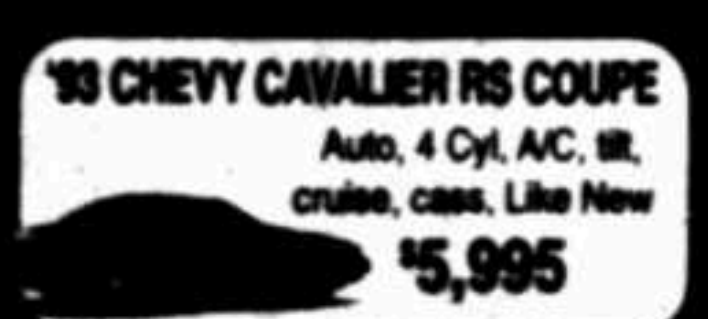
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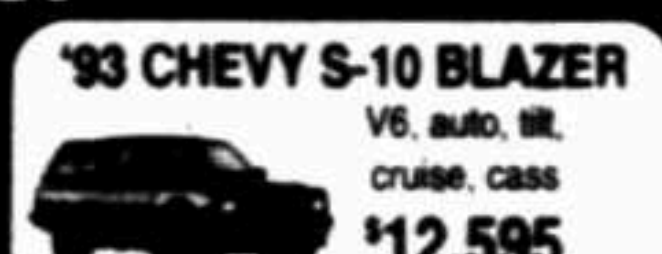
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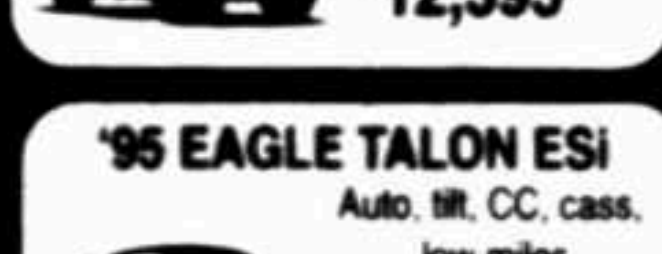
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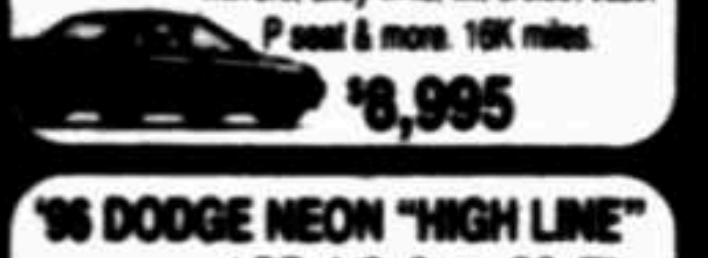
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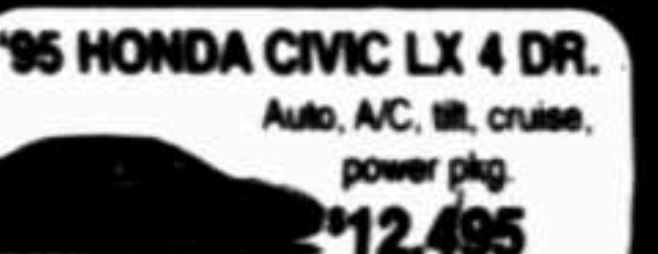
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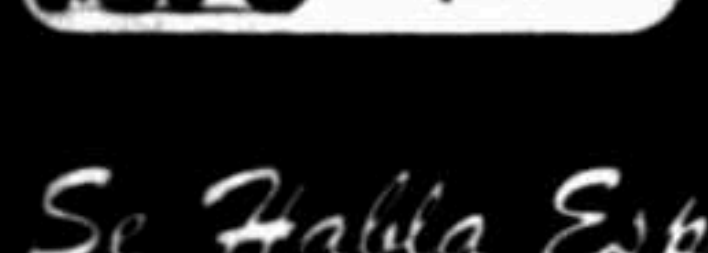
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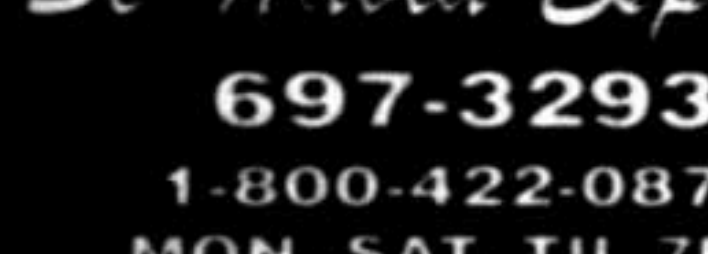
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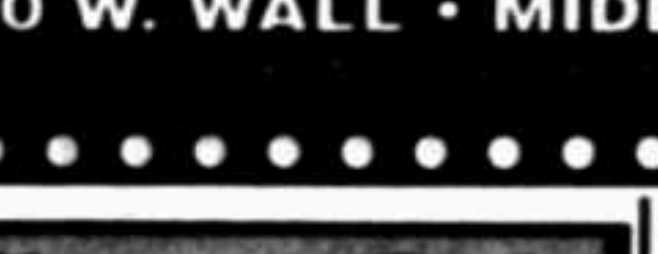
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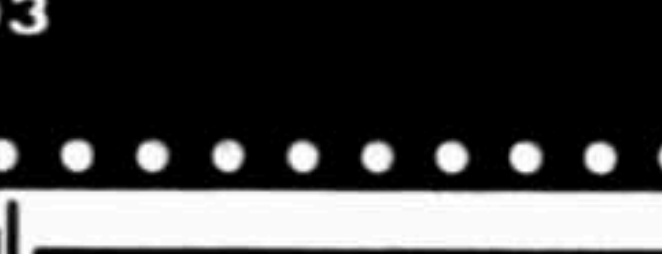
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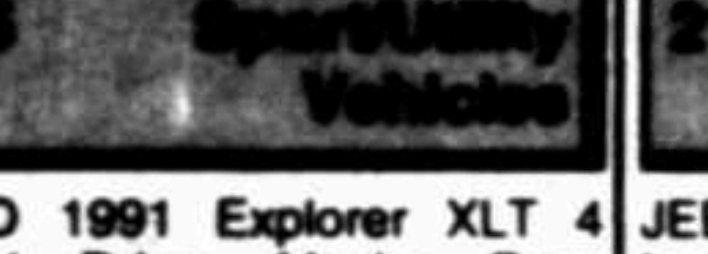
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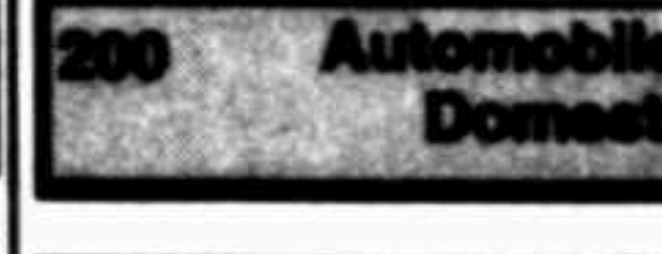
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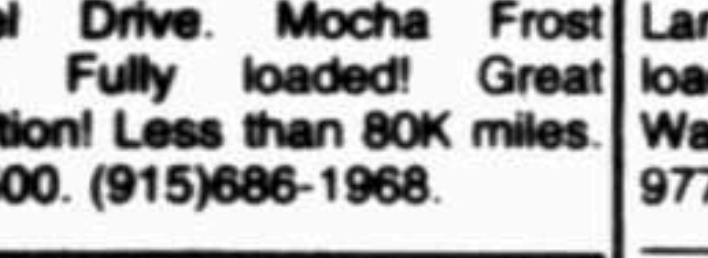
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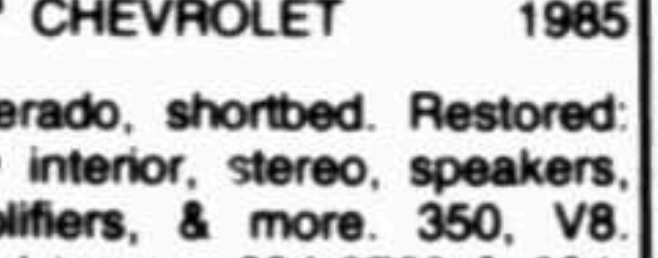
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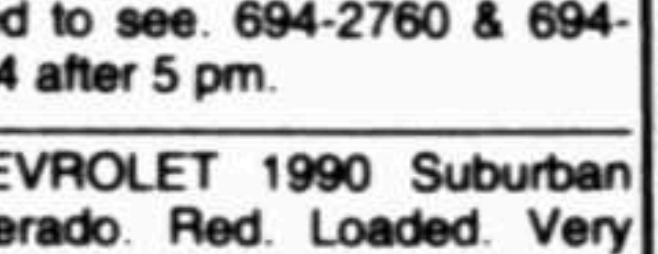
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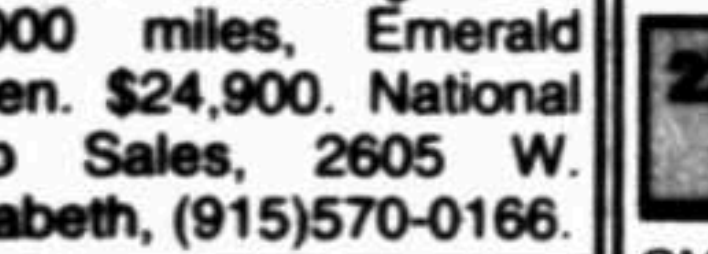
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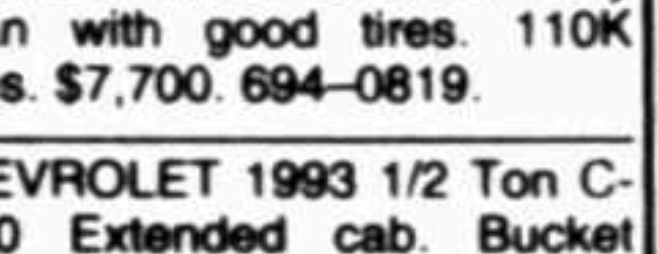
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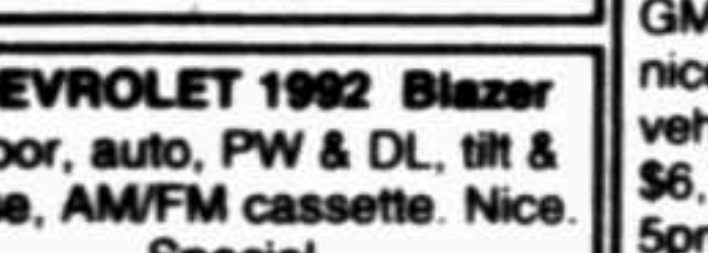
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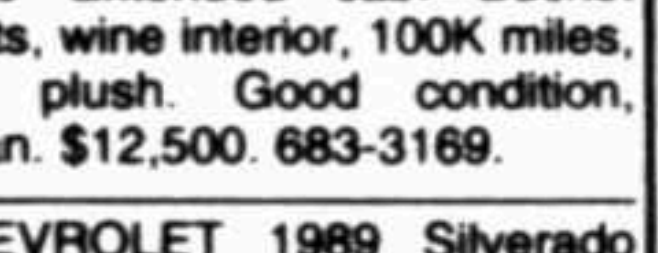
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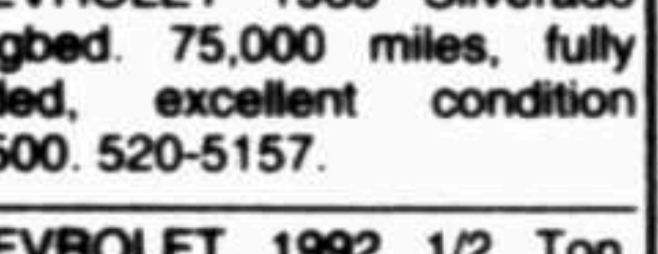
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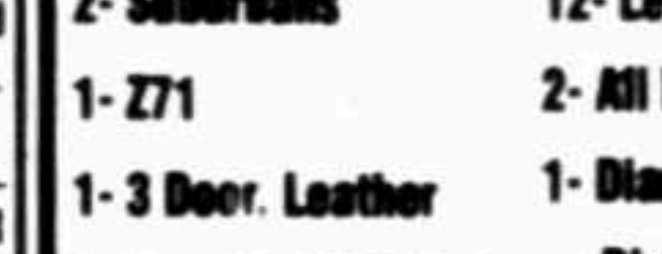
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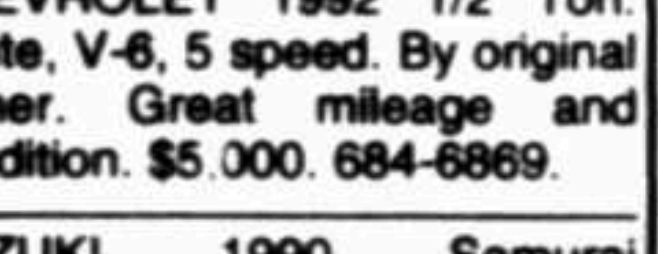
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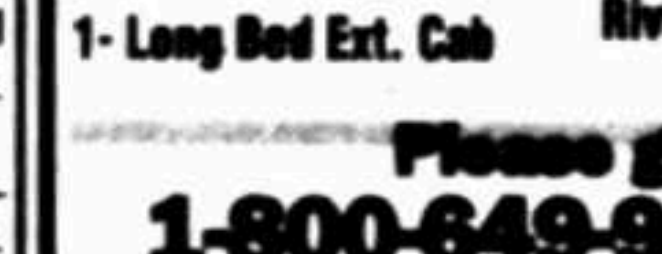
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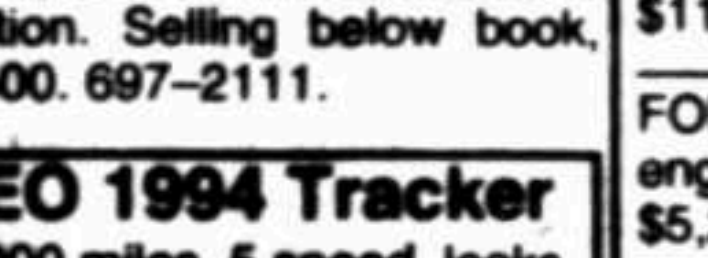
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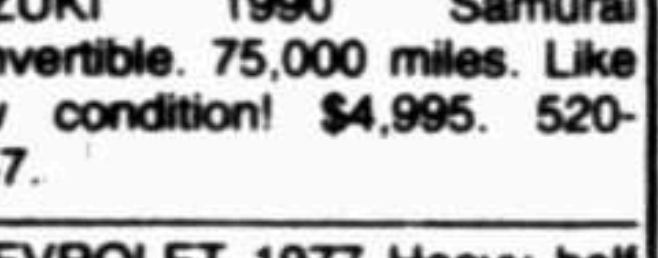
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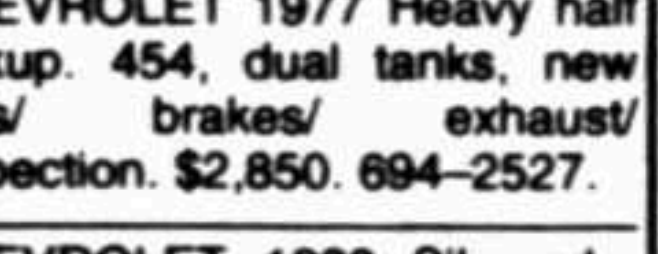
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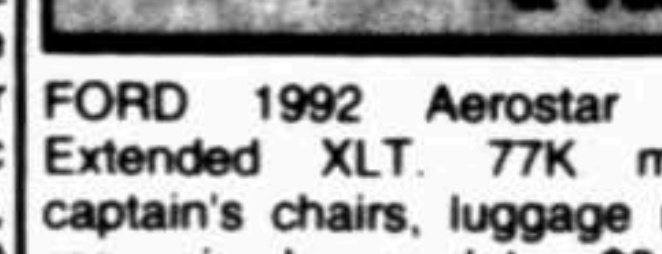
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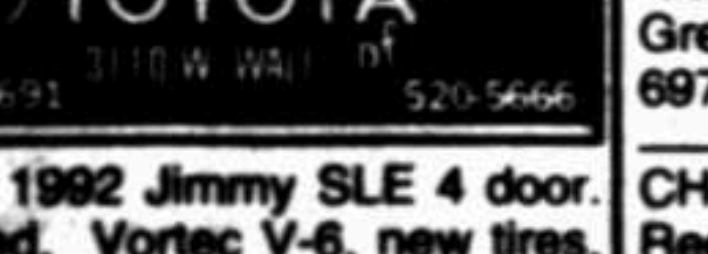
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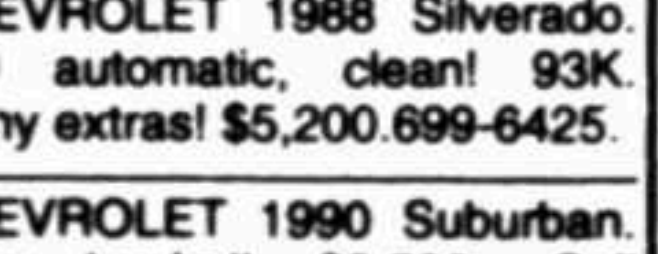
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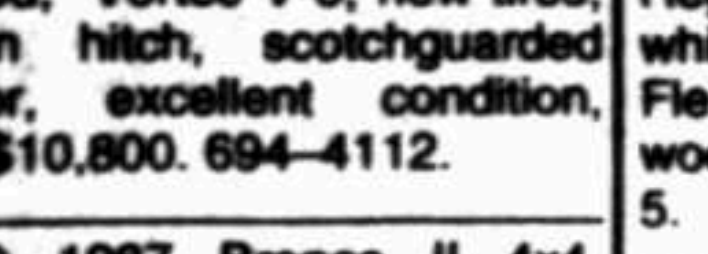
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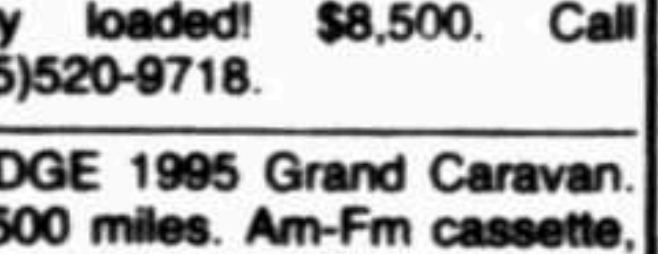
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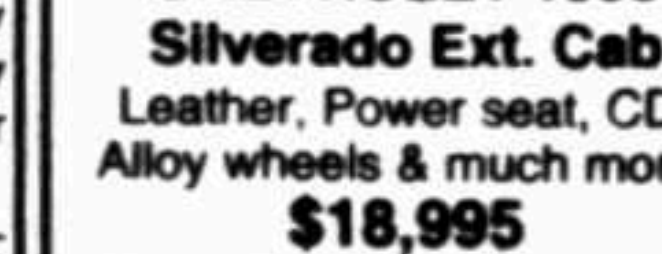
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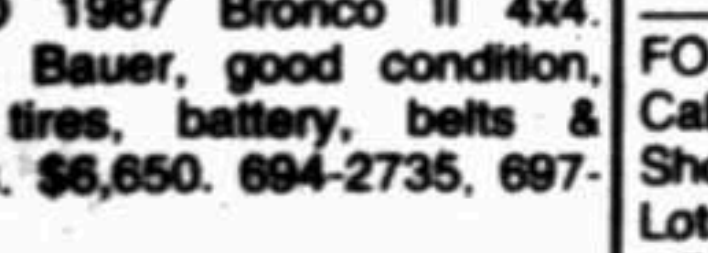
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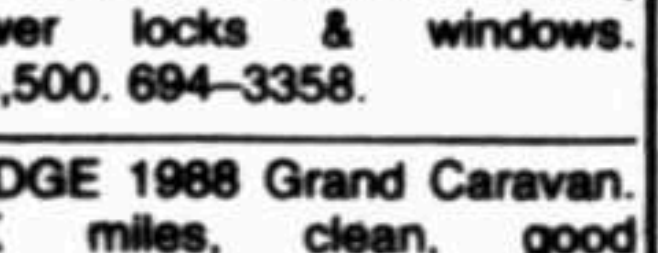
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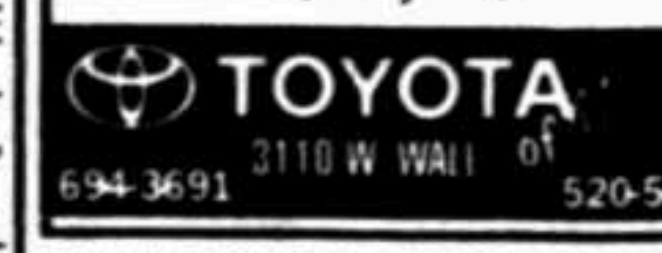
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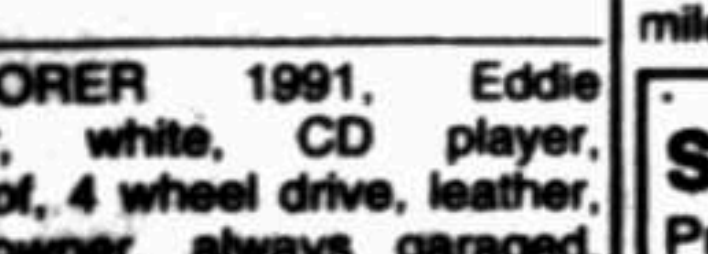
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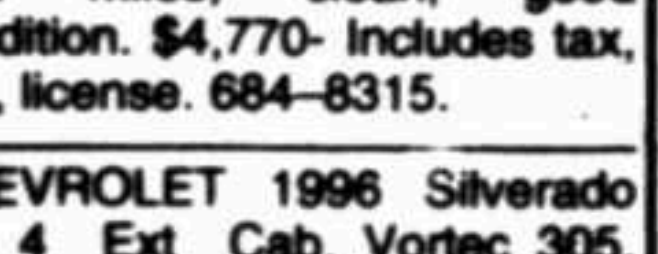
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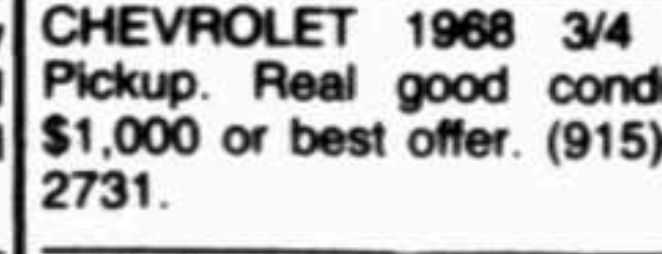
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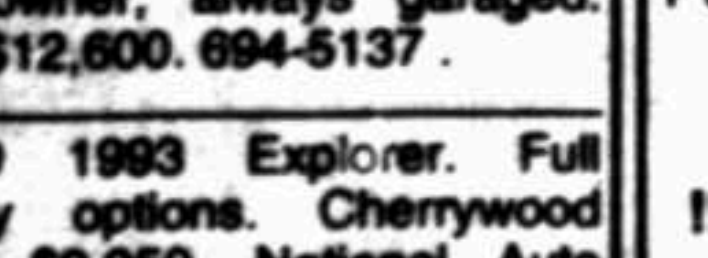
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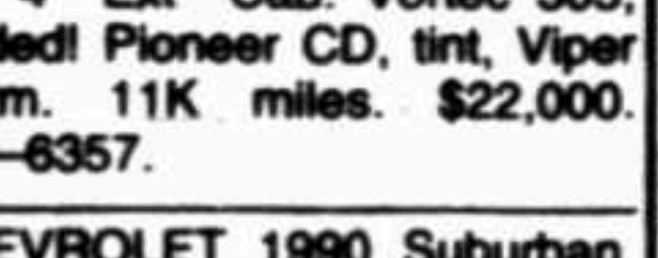
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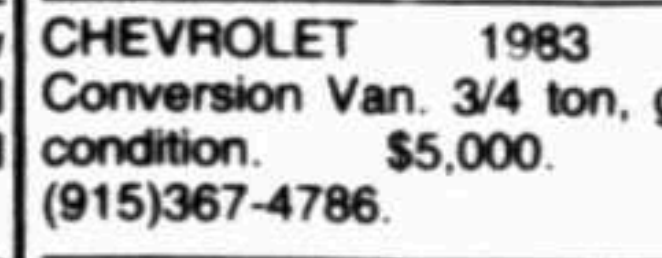
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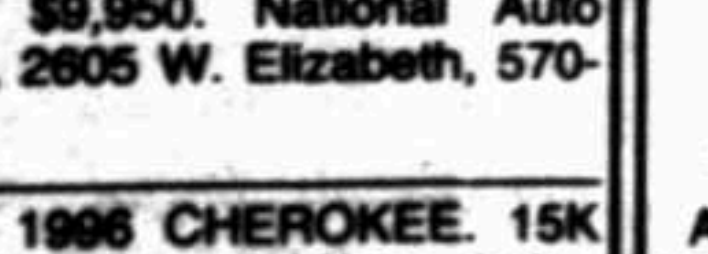
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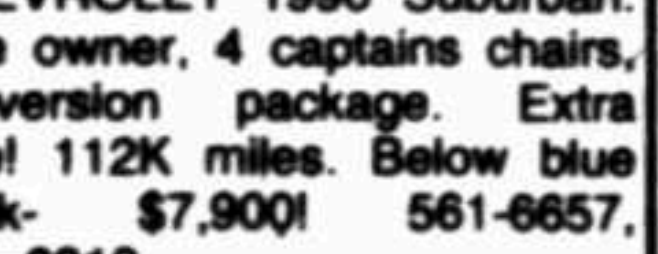
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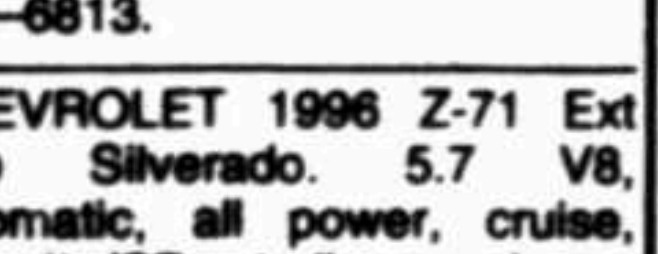
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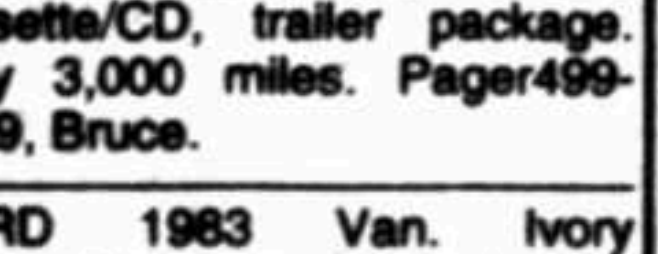
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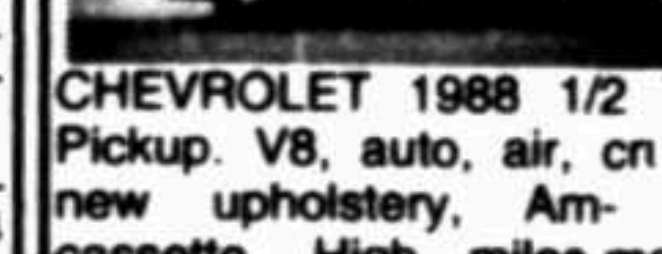
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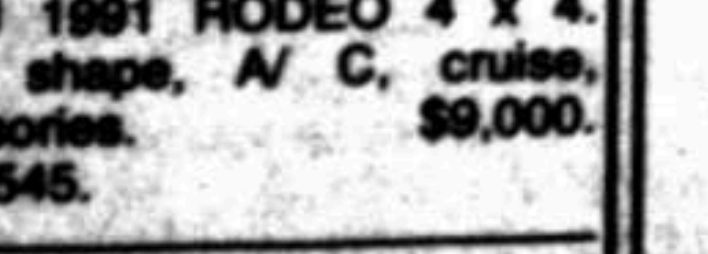
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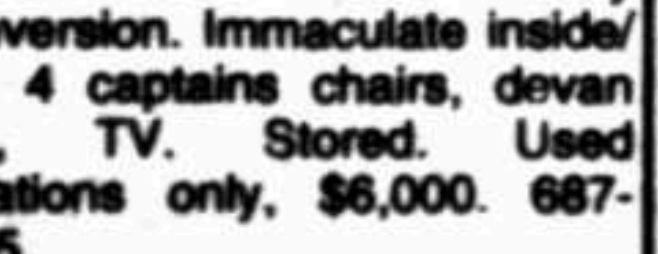
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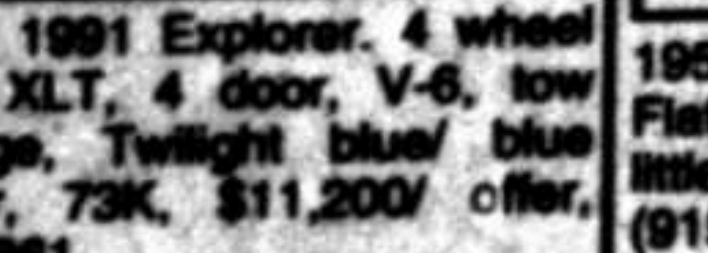
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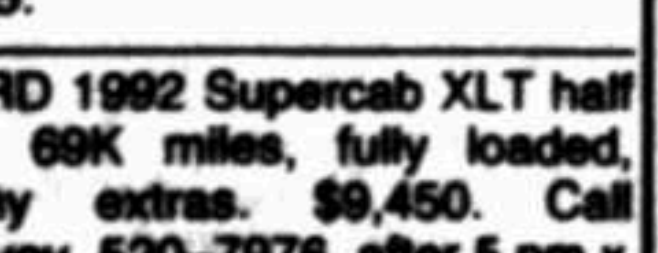
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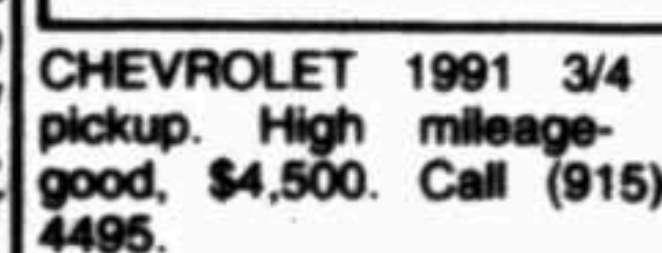
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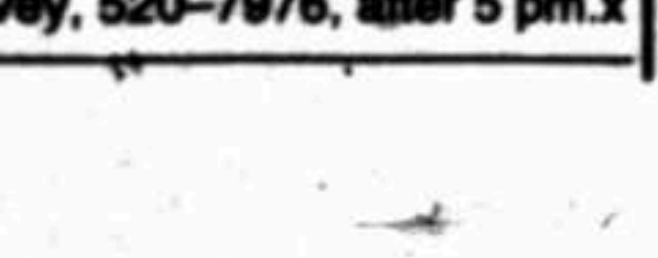
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Mid-Size Independent is seeking to expand its staff. Company has extensive operations in North America, with 300 operated wells and large mineral and non-operated position. Excellent health benefits, 401K, vacation and sick leave policy. Salary requirements are preferred, and confidence assured. Respond to HRM, P.O. Box 6129, Abilene, Texas 79608.

GEOLOGIST
Staff level geologist of 10-20 years experience. Major oil company background preferred, experience in West Texas required. Gulf Coast experience is a plus. You will work closely with reservoir engineers to seek and evaluate acquisitions, exploitation of existing properties as well as develop exploration prospects and ideas. 3D workstation and computer literacy preferred.

PETROLEUM ENGINEER/ OPERATIONS ENGINEER
Senior engineer of 10-15 years experience. Work with VP and Res. Engineer to exploit and develop inflit drilling prospects as well as acquisitions. Solid background in drilling, workovers, and general facilities. Knowledge of land, legal, revenue, and expense issues will be a positive factor. Some field supervision required. Major oil company experience and a solid background in reservoir management preferred. Company vehicle.

LANDMAN
Landman needed to manage all aspects of company properties. Negotiate and prepare leases, ROW's, JOA. Negotiate Record Management of company properties. Verify ownership and negotiate farmouts and leases of mineral interests. Division order and AFE work. Work with management team in due diligence of acquisitions. Must be an organizer and a self-starter.

SENIOR LAND CLERK
Record Management of company properties. Prepare background information for farmout and lease requests of company owned mineral interests. Verify division of interest. Prepare division orders. Insure compliance with regulatory agencies of numerous states.

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Independent Oil and Gas Operator seeks Land-Legal Secretary to handle full compliment of land work. Work would include a need for familiarity with Oil and Gas Leases, Mineral and Royalty Deeds, Division Orders, Transfers and a basic knowledge of oil and gas land work and land transactions.

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R. A. Jennings
P.O. Box 3759
Midland, TX 79702
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Questa Software Systems

Local Oil and Gas Software development firm has the following career opportunities available:

SOFTWARE/CUSTOMER SUPPORT: Telephone support, some travel required. Strong Enertech Oil and Gas Accounting Systems experience highly desirable.

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Questa Software Systems
P.O. Box 50745, Midland, TX 79710
Contact Andrea Petro for
interview times at 685-1753.

312 Professional
Help Wanted

ENGINEER: Gas Compressor packager is seeking experienced engineer. Must have ACAD skills, along with excellent medical, dental, and packages. Electrical control experience a real plus. Company has SEP and insurance program (medical, dental, optical) in place. Salary based on experience. Please send resume and salary requirements BEFORE 2/28/97 to P.O. Box 3309, Odessa, TX 79760. Attention Jack.

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Aggressive independent oil and gas company has immediate opening for experienced Exploration Geologist. Geologist in its Denver office with the following qualifications: 4+ years industry experience, some experience with major oil company preferred (not required). 5+ years Rocky Mountain experience. Prospect generator.

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BTA Oil Producers
555 17th Street, Suite 835
Denver, Colorado 80202
Fax: (303)297-0666
Attn: Anita Gutierrez

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Independent oil, gas and consulting company looking for highly motivated individual to do GeoTech and secretarial work. Must be proficient with Microsoft office software, familiar with geological data and log libraries. Geographic experience a plus. Salary DOE. Mail resumes to: Box E-1005, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

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LAND SECRETARY

for independent oil company 3+ years experience in land a must. Word Perfect for Windows 6.1 a plus. Fax resume to 915-683-3967.

LEGAL SECRETARY

Position available for secretary in a small law firm who has knowledge of WordPerfect 6.1, general bookkeeping, land work, probate and corporate law. You are interested in this position and its benefits, please send your resume, along with salary history to:

Box T-05005,
c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702

ROYALTY/ PAYROLL Clerk needed (experienced only), for independent oil operator and rancher. In addition, will assist with various other bookkeeping and administrative functions. Experience with Automated Financial Services computer software a plus. Strictly non-smoking environment. Please forward replies to Box T-5006, c/o The Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

STAFF GEOLOGIST NEEDED
Lubbock based oil and gas operator needs full time geologist for acquisition evaluation, geo management of 300 existing wells, and prospect development. Well site experience, log analysis and seismic evaluation, are all necessary assets. Office base may be in corporate office, Abilene or Midland field offices. Respond with resume to: 3526 A 15th St., Lubbock, TX 79423 or FAX to (806)863-2742.

314 Clerical Help Wanted

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316 Sales
Help Wanted

SALES REPS: Four needed. Highest commission paid in Permian Basin. Vacation and free insurance. Experience preferred, but not necessary. Apply in person at: Village Lincoln Mercury Dodge Hyundai, 3515 West Wall, Midland, Texas.

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320 Skilled Trades

ENGINE LATHE OPERATOR: CNC Operator (minimum 2 years experience). Must be able to read blue prints, must have own tools. Benefits include paid vacation, uniforms, holidays and medical insurance. Salary DOE. 686-0405.

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330 Employment Wanted

WANTED: To Manage or lease your property. Have references. Call Pat, 699-6258.

335 Adult Care Needed

336 Adult Care Providers

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GARAGE SALES

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\$20 \$20 \$20 \$20 \$20 \$20 \$20

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- *7 Lines (approx. 28-35 words)
- *2 Days
- *★/★/★ Stand Out Emblem
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- *\$3 Off Classified Coupon (Place an ad to sell those left-over garage sale items & get \$3 off!)

Or Get 3 Days for Only \$24!

Call 682-6222 Today!

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Jeanne Garrard

79706

MOVING TO apartment sale! 10807 E. County Road 104 (6 Mary Circle-Greenwood). TV, organ, tables, beds, lawn, golf, camping and exercise equipment, books, dishes, games and more! Friday & Saturday 7:30 am.

GLIDER ROCKER, rabbit cages, exercise equipment, Papasan chair, furniture, Sega Genesis, computer software, bicycles, Guess, Girbaux, canisters, Sat. 9-7:4006 S. County Rd. 1185 (south on Rankin 1 1/2 miles south of I-20, turn left into Ridgeheights entrance, go to first stop sign, turn left - 1185).

79701

★FREE RENT!!! FIRST 2 Months To First 15 Vendors. Flea Market, 2900 W. Front St., 570-1156, Wednesday, Thursday Friday, Saturday, 683-5574 After 6.

75% OFF CLOTHES, shoes and belts... everything else 1/2 price. WHAT A DEAL! 105 N. Fort Worth, 687-3070.

★ ★ ★ ★ MOVING SALE- 2202 W. Cuthbert, Thursday-Saturday, 8:30-5:30. Antiques, old iron bed, daybed complete, 2 exercisers, wicker desk and chair, punching bag, high chair, car seat, stroller, many decorative items, kitchen things, many childrens clothes, copper pots, ladies clothes, rocker, recliner, too much to list.

3 FAMILIES! Friday-Saturday, 8 am-5 pm. Lots of stuff! 2605 Brunson.

QUALITY new furniture at used furniture prices. Rainbow Trade Center and Indoor Flea Market, 1503 W. Industrial Ave. Open 12-6 Wednesday-Sunday, 570-4408.

Twana Mejia

79703

4501 ERIE Friday-Saturday, 8-5. Lots of clothes, toys, lots of other miscellaneous!!

SATURDAY only 8 am-1 pm, 3614 Monclave. Furniture, exercise equipment, clothes, baby items, toys, lots of household items!

HOUSEHOLD appliances, stereo equipment, microwave, mens dress clothes, womens clothes, size 5 thru 7, some furniture. 4721 Wilshire, Saturday, 9-?

MULTIPLE FAMILY. Electronic treadmill, drapes, fixtures, doors, clothes, carpet, and more. Saturday 8-2, 704 Harmony Drive (between Kansas and Baumann, west off Midkiff).

307 THORNBRIDGE Saturday only, 7 am-? Furniture, radios, guns, fish fryers, lots of miscellaneous!!

MOVING OUT SALE, Saturday 8 am-2 pm. Womens clothes, some furniture, AM/FM car stereo, misc. 3615 Apache.

SATURDAY 9 am, 3708 Gaston. Antique trunk, window security bars, all clothes 50c, kitchenware.

79705

GARAGE SALE. Furniture, refrigerator, pictures, miscellaneous household items. Thursday-Friday, 9-2. 2812 Durant.

SATURDAY, 9-1. 2408 Boyd Ave. Little. Tikes kitchen & food, toys, car seat, sand box, clothing.

Rossanna Perales

MULTI-FAMILY Moving Sale! Saturday, 9 am-2 pm. 5513 Newcastle. Dryer, designer mens clothes, baby clothes & furniture, stroller, dried & silk flowers, baskets, framed prints, brass & glassware. No early birds.

79705

FABULOUS SALE! Antiquities

5 Shipments Due in the next 10 days! Servers from France, England, & Italy. Pine from Scandinavia, England & Mexico. Many wardrobes, tables, and coffee table size trunks.

Great items at a very good price!!

4400 N. Big Spring, Suite B-19 682-2177

Karen Hamer

★SATURDAY, 8-2. Baby bed, dresser/ changing table, high chair, stroller, travel crib, toys, also, lamps, tables, mauve chair, light fixtures, mini blinds, exercise bike, bicycles, water skis and more! Cash only! 2108 Bradford (1 block North of Polo Park Retirement Center).

JUST MOVED TO smaller house. 714 W. Dornard (in back) Friday, 8-2. Must sell lots of household items.

CARLISLE KIDS New Sample Set Clothing Sale! 50% off! Friday-Saturday, 10-6. 2002 Seaboard.

FRIDAY-SATURDAY, 8 am. 1706 Coventry. Tools, canoe, infant/toddler/men's ladies clothing, motorized cars, miscellaneous.

SATURDAY 8-12. 2312 Dengar. Furniture, bikes, exercise equipment, clothes, miscellaneous. Come Rain or Shine!

79707

✓ 3 FAMILY Garage Sale. Saturday, Feb. 22nd, 8-1. 3902 Buchanan Place. Northgate (in alley). Bed, bikes, toys, clothes, 286 computer system, household items and much more.

79707

25 FAMILY GARAGE SALE

Benefiting: Lee High School Speech

Saturday, Feb. 22nd

8:30 - 3:00

Lee Youth Center (next to Lee High School)

3500 Neely

Bob Hards

GARAGE SALE- Furniture, adults and childrens clothing, toys, R/O system, household items. Saturday, 8-1, 3705 Mark Lane.

3619 BOYD, Friday- Monday, 9-5. Sewing machine, manual typewriter with stand, microwave oven, electric operated hospital bed, knives, coins, Zane Grey & Louis L'Amour books, stamps, lots of miscellaneous!!

4328 W. DENGAR. Early Sale Friday, 6:30 pm- 7:30 pm. Saturday, 7:30-1:30. Grill, upright freezer, Nissan hood, dresser with mirror & chest, kids bed, kids Guess & Polo clothing, shoes, ladies' mens designer clothes, Barbie jeep, baskets, lots of miscellaneous.

GARAGE SALE! Saturday only! 2903 Sentinel, 7:30 am- 2:00 pm. No early sales. Moving! Many items for sale!

GARAGE SALE! Saturday only, 8-2. Don't Miss This One! Men's & ladies clothes, like new. Each item 25c-50c each. Many baby items, clothes, baby swing, playpen, too much to mention! Maternity clothes, dishes, bathroom items, bedspreads, exercise equipment, and much, much more! Prices you can't refuse! 4708 B Dentcrest in alley.

79707

HUGE MOVING SALE. 6401

Sequoia, Saturday, 8:00. Lots of toys, including Little Tikes & Fisher Price, baby items, clothes, infant- extra large, microwaves, exercise equipment, dog houses, porch swing, swing set, fur coat, furniture, lots of miscellaneous.

Sara Pulido

AREA SALES

JANEE MOODY ESTATE SALE 2504 Bonham, Odessa, TX February 21st, 22nd, 23rd 10 am - 6 pm Sunday, 12 - 6

Fine cut glass, antiques, furniture, appliances, linens, large selection of books (mostly cookbooks), costume jewelry, vintage hats & clothes. FINE JEWELRY: diamond solitaires 1 carat- 2 1/2 carats, finest of quality, 11 carat diamond bracelet, diamond watches, and others. Jewelry will be shown 2 pm - 6 pm Friday & Saturday by number system. Contact Delora Kirby at sale.

ATTENTION: Construction Materials, Marble slabs, masonry, roofing tile, & equipment, tubs, misc. Friday & Saturday, 10-6. Turn south 3/4 mile on Warehouse Road (across from Jeep/Eagle).

MOVING TO EL PASO. Must sell all Furniture, medical scrubs, home interior new western clothes. 304 W. 21st. Odessa. Friday & Saturday, 8 am-?

336 Adult Care Providers

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RESPONSIBLE CARING Person wanted to care for infant in our home on a part time basis. References required. Call (915)683-3414.

CHILD CARE needed in my home 3 days per week, references required. Please call 520-8311 or 580-8280.

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Cecilia Maltos

LITTLE PEOPLE'S Home Daycare. Loving home environment. 8 Years experience. Meals provided. Please call 520-4109.

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I WILL WATCH your children in my home, all ages welcome. meals & snacks provided 7:30 am- 5:30 pm Monday through Friday. 550-4657.

Daisy Flores

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341 Child Care Providers

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PUBLIC AUCTION Every Monday 7 PM. 601 S. Terrell. All consignments are welcomed. Mobile #533-9179. Toby Engle Inc. #11918.

Roe Garrett

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410 Misc. Sales

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SONY VIDEO 8 Handicam CCD-FX430. \$250. Call 368-9351.

BATTERY POWERED Wheel Chair. \$2,000. Manual wheel chair. \$250. Call 366-6316.

SELF PROPELLED Generator 4 Kirty. Repo 3 Year warranty. \$495. Call 520-6464.

SATELLITE for sale. Asking \$2,800 or will negotiate for best offer. Call 915-573-2226 or 570-5236.

POTTY CHAIR. \$45. Shower Spec. \$10. Walker with wheels on front. \$60. Shower stool. \$20. 697-1651.

FOR SALE. Norditrac Achiever. Like new. \$450 o.b.o. 520-2038. leave message.

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Albert Ibarra

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COMPLETE TWIN Bed. \$65. Duncan Phyfe drop leaf table, 6 chairs, \$425. White desk & chair, \$75. Dooney & Burke purse, cost \$450, asking \$200. 5 pair 8 1/2 Colehaan men's loafers, \$20/pair. 362-2746.

SOUTHWEST AIRLINE Travel voucher, valued at \$196, will sell for \$136. Travel must be completed by 3/7/97. Call 694-0476.

415 Misc. Wanted

SOUTHWEST Company Club Loveseat, sofa black, coffee and end table \$400. will negotiate 685-0968.

WANTED massage table and key making machine. Call 697-0812.

Nancy Jumper

420 Good Things To Eat NOW BUYING PECANS. Both native and improved varieties. Gardendale Pecan Processing FM554. Gardendale. TX 550-7609.

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MATTRESS sets, dinette sets, bunk beds, daybeds and Futon couches. Reasonable prices. Also catalog orders available. Credit Cards- Layaways welcome. Wood & Son Appliances 2811 W. Wall 699-1224.

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SOFA, LOVESEAT, recliner, oak coffee table, matching end tables, organ, sewing machine, desk, queen bedroom suite, daybed, twin bed. Settling Estate. 684-8866. 694-1108.

WHITE brand new. Kenmore refrigerator, side by side, icemaker. Paid \$800. sell \$650 cash. 682-9387.

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DREXEL MAHOGANY formal dining room table, 6 side chairs, 2 arm chairs, large China hutch, large office credenza, cherrywood stereo system. Call 8 AM to 10 AM. 694-7608.

MOVING SALE. Excellent condition. Matching sofa, loveseat, recliner. Oak end tables, coffee table, lamps. Large sofa bed. 699-7145. before 9 pm.

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BIG SCREEN TV. 46" \$600. (915)697-3719 after 5.

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CASH FOR Non working Kenmore/ Whirlpool washers & dryers. Will pick up. Call 683-3169.

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FOR SALE. portable washer and dryer, rocker recliner, old record albums. Call 684-5713.

430 Household Goods

FURNITURE for sale. Loveseat, sofa black, coffee and end table \$400. will negotiate 685-0968.

HOOVER SHAMPOOER, like new, used for only 3 months. great condition. \$150. Call 563-0811.

3 DRAWER White wicker chest with shelving unit. Call (915)685-1437.

OCCASIONAL CHAIR. 6 Piece Sectional. Good condition. \$800 for group. (915)520-7147.

KING SIZE Waterbed frame with headboard and regular bedding. \$200. Call (915)697-4290.

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COMPLETE Queen bedding set. \$250. With gorgeous Allison Kent comforter set. \$450. Computer Desk. Oak finish like new. \$200. Call (915)694-0323.

DARK GREEN Couch, recliner style. \$1,200 new. asking \$300. Weight bench with weights. \$75. (915)570-1049.

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Dated this 17th day of February, 1997.

Johnnie Marie Stanley, Independent Executor of the Estate of Dorothy Reno, Deceased.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Permian Basin Planning Commission will host the Organizational Meeting for the 1997 Texas Community Development Program (TDCP). The meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 19, 1997 at 9:30 a.m. in the conference room of the Planning Commission offices located at 2910 LaForce Boulevard, Midland, Texas. The purpose of this meeting is to develop the review procedures and scoring criteria for the 1997 and the 1998 Texas Community Development Program. All seventeen Permian Basin counties and all non-metropolitan cities are eligible applicants for this program that has provided over \$200,000,000 to Permian Basin cities and counties since 1983. Water system improvements, waste water system improvements, housing rehabilitation and drainage improvements are the types of projects that have been funded in the past. The Regional Review Committee must determine regional priorities for the 1997 and 1998 programs and local participation in this process is encouraged. There will not be an organizational meeting or an application process in 1998 for the Community Development Fund.

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NON-QUALIFYING Assumable
Large 2,400 sq ft home with
spacious 4 bedroom, 2 bath,
large kitchen, 2 car garage,
fireplace on 1/3 acre lot. Large
living area, new carpet
throughout. Equity \$20,000,
\$780 month, 18 years, 8 1/2%
or new loan \$85,500. 3101
Douglas. (915)520-7724.

NEW 2,100 Square Foot 2
Bedroom, 2 bath townhome. No
painting. Low maintenance.
Landscape allowance. Located
in Trinity Meadows. \$107,900
or make offer. Lee Thompson,
528-5104 or 697-7937.

HUD/VA HOMES

Low Down Payment!
1613 Shell 3/2/2 \$86,000
3517 Imperial 3/2/2 \$71,000
4505 Meredith 3/2/2 \$57,000
1100 Mogford 3/2/2 \$56,950
4312 Roosevelt 3/2 \$48,000
206 N Dewberry 3/2 \$46,000
4406 Parkdale 4/2 \$43,000

Open Weekends-Call Anytime
American Realty 520-7577

CHARMING "Old Midland", 113
Ridgelya. By owner, 4 bedroom,
2 bath. Completely remodeled,
packed with new house
features! Priced to sell - in the
\$70's. 682-2384.

LIST Your House With Us!
The Prudential Adobe Realtors
Call (915) 683-9548

720 Homes for Sale

ONE WEEK ONLY!!! New Home-
Odessa. 3 Bedroom, 3 bath, 2
car garage. Custom kitchen,
Conan tops. Quality throughout.
Not a tract built house. Call for
appointment & description 915-
368-4074. Retired owner built
& owner sale.

4707 BOWIE- "Established
Neighborhood" West End near
Loop, by owner. Completely
remodeled: new carpet,
ceramic floor and wall tile,
crown mold, custom cabinets
and beveled edge tops. 3 bed,
1 bath + stylish den! Priced to
sell - low 40's. 682-2384.

1410 W. INDIANA by owner. 3
bedrooms, 2 baths, double
garage. Moved to Lubbock.
must leave kitchen remodel etc.
half finished. (806) 762-4148
for appointment - Open
Sundays - no contingencies
please.

★ 414 SWEETBRIAR- By
owner. Great 3 bedroom, 2
bath home with lots of extras.
Updated & in move in
condition. \$59,900.
Appointment only. 520-6504.

REDUCED!!!

2900+ Sq. Ft. for only
\$103,000. Great location and
wonderful landscaping. 4
bedrooms, 3 baths, formal
living and dining, den,
breakfast area. Updated colors,
light and bright. CALL 694-7400
after 6:00 p.m.

BY OWNER! Fabulous 4
bedroom home in coveted
Fannin area. Interior totally
redone! New carpet, ceramic
tile, wallpaper, wood blinds and
more! Spacious floorplan- lots
of storage. Large yard with
great trees. \$104,500.
(915)694-5589.

RE/MAX of Midland
at Mission Square.
Call 682-8820.

NEW ON THE MARKET

5609 HIGHLAND New construction in Grassland located across
from Abel Jr. High. 2 1/2 bath w/formal dining
separate mstr. walk-in closets. 3 car garage. move in ready. \$152,000

3606 SPRINGMONT Builders home in Fairmont Park
4 bdrm, 3 baths, seq. mstr with jacuzzi tub and fire place
country size kitchen. \$122,000

1803 WARD Picture pretty. 3 bdrm. 2 bath. 2 liv areas.
parquet tile in entry and one bdrm. updated and ready
2306 W. GOLF COURSE 4 bdrm. 2 bath w. 2 fireplaces
hardwood floors, assumable loan. \$72,500

501 W. CUTHBERT WORK IN PROGRESS. this home is
being completely rebuilt from the wiring to the cabinets
and carpet and heating & cooling. 2 bdrm. 1 bath. ref. air
can buy at this stage at reduced price or owner will
complete for. \$41,500

3602 FAIRMOUNT Updated 3 bdrm. 1 bath w formal
dining. detached 2 car garage vinyl siding only. \$37,000

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KEY
To Abbreviations

BdRm Bedroom
Ba Bathroom
K Kitchen
Blk. Double
A/C Air conditioning
Mst. Bdrm. Master Bdrm
Gar. Garage
Bldg. Building
Cond. Condition
N-QA Not-Qualifying
Assumable
QA Qualifying
Ac. Assumable
Ac. Acre
3/2/2 Bdrm./Ba./Gar.

NEW 4 Bedroom, 2 bath in
Sunset Acres, 3 blocks from
Lee High School. Starting at
\$95,000. J.C. Builders, 520-
5096, 559-5479.

BRICK 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2
car garage, nice neighborhood
1-800-266-2305.

BY OWNER: Greentree North.
3 bedroom, 3 1/2 bath,
Beautiful pool & spa, plantation
shutters, water well. \$297,000.
697-1411.

NON-QUALIFYING- By Owner.
2 Bedroom, 2 bath townhouse.
Double garage. Low equity.
Call (915)689-3138

★ REDUCED \$4,000! 3
Bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 living
areas. Sprinkler system, new
carpet tile. Big backyard. 2200
Shell, "Old Midland". \$86,000.
684-0982.

SURPRISE! This totally
updated home will surprise you!
It has 3 bedrooms, 2 full baths,
large den and enclosed porch.
1,700 sq ft. New carpet &
fresh paint! Call Wanda, 699-
5930 or Diana 699-0198 or
Carriage Company Realtors,
684-5881.

RE/MAX of Midland
at Mission Square.
Call 682-8820.

NEW CONSTRUCTION! 3612
Mission Court, quality built 2
bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car garage,
all brick, low maintenance,
quiet, established
neighborhood. \$79,500.

CUTE! CUTE CONDO! 2
bedrooms, 2 bathrooms,
washer/dryer, kitchen
appliances, fireplace. \$10,500.
Will finance. Jody Smith 694-
9426. Chaparral Realtors

CONDO FOR SALE Only
\$5,500 2 Bedroom, bath
located at New Horizon
Condominiums. 3101 N
Midland Drive Unit 104,
Midland, TX 550-5929

GREENWOOD 4 Bedroom,
1 1/2 bath, 3 1/2 acres. Barn,
fenced, underground sprinkler
system. \$25,000 below
appraisal! \$112,000 firm.
Serious inquiries only.
685-3532.

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HUD/VA

4088 Camella Dr 31/0 \$25,000
4406 Parkdale 4/2/0 \$43,000
4312 Roosevelt 3/2/0 \$48,000
510 Brownwood 3/2/2 \$54,000
1100 Mogford 3/2/2 \$56,950
4505 Meredith Pl 3/2/2 \$57,000
1613 Shell 3/2/2 \$86,000
VERY LOW MOVE-IN COSTS!
Some Nothing Down!
AZTEC REALTY
520-7653

725 Condo Townhouses

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Over 2100 sq. ft. for under
\$60,000. 3 Bedrooms, 2 baths.
6605 E. County Road 98. Can
be shown anytime or Call 685-
3460.

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fenced, underground sprinkler
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730 Suburban Property

GREENWOOD Next to
School. 3 bedroom, 3 bath on
1994 doublewide. 10 x 12
storage building, large covered
porch. 570-0770.

COUNTRY LIVING IN THE CITY

Northwest Midland
Large 4 Bedroom - 3 bath on
3.1 acres, 24 x 50 workshop +
3,500 sq. ft. barn, horse stalls,
roping arena, new pipe fence.
HORSE LOVERS DREAM
Wayne Gideon Langston Realty
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740 Out of Town Property

FREE INFORMATION for those
interested in owning
spectacular 2 to 5 acres in
the Hill Country near
Wimberley, San Marcos,
Canyon Lake & Guadalupe
River. Call toll-free for
information. 1-888-842-5263,
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TERLINGUA AREA- 8' x 38'
Remodeled Park trailer with
Attached 15 x 38 Adobe
Room. Large covered patio,
storage building, some
furniture, extras. \$22,500.
Please call (915)371-2368.

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40 HILL COUNTRY Acres, SW
of Menard, Fronts County
Road. Great hunting/retirement.
\$725/acre. Term. (210) 257-
5564.

FOR SALE: nice lot, located on
in Green Tree Blvd. 100 x 120.
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