

Rain swamps Florida, strands motorists

By Mildred Cherfilis
Associated Press

MIAMI — Flooding caused by up to 18 inches of rain crippled the Miami area Wednesday, closing schools and businesses, stranding thousands of motorists in stinking waist-high water and leaving catfish swimming in first-floor apartments.

A man fell to his death Wednesday while trying to patch a leaking roof in Miami Beach.

Most of the rain had stopped by midday, but three counties remained under a flood watch and Miami residents were urged to stay home until things dried out.

"I was sitting in the bedroom with my children when all of a sudden the roof crashed in and water came pouring down," said Claire Raymonvil of Fort Lauderdale. "We just bought this house."

Last year, Hurricane Irene caused millions of dollars in flood damage when it dumped 18 inches of rain on the area. This

time, there was no hurricane — just a moisture-packed storm that arrived from offshore Monday with 3 inches of rain per hour.

"This was a total surprise," said Magdalena Martinez of Miami. "It just wasn't normal."

The storm flooded homes and turned streets into rivers. Catfish were reported swimming in some apartments in Opa-locka.

Water rushed inside the Miami-area home of Virginia Pacheco when she opened her door. "There are probably fish, snakes out there," she said. "You could go fishing."

A tornado tore the roof off a Hialeah fire station, but no one was injured.

Tens of thousands of people lost power.

"Our crews can't move in until the waters recede and until they can safely use their equipment," said Bill Swank, a spokesman for Florida Power and Light who estimated that nearly 30,000 homes and businesses were without power. Some could be without it for two to three days.

Classes for the 360,000 students in Miami-Dade County public schools were canceled Wednesday, and some water-damaged schools will be unable to open today. Catholic schools in the area were also closed.

The low-lying suburbs of Miami Springs and Sweetwater had more than 2 feet of standing water. Residents took to canoes and aluminum boats to get around.

Nearly 150 people went to a Sweetwater shelter, including Amelia Wybern, 38, who said her flooded home smells of urine.

"I've lost everything," she told Gov. Jeb Bush.

"My house stinks. Both the toilets are flooded," added Rosa Walston. "I only brought two fruits and the clothes on my back," she said, holding an apple and a banana.

The Miami-Dade County Health Department warned residents that standing water may be contaminated by sewer systems and septic tanks, and people with

private wells were advised to boil their drinking water.

The storm also interfered with some cable TV service. President Clinton, in Coral Gables on a fund-raising tour, missed part of Tuesday night's debate between Al Gore and George W. Bush.

Miami International Airport never officially closed, but numerous flights were canceled or rerouted. Service was expected to return to normal by late Wednesday.

The storm dumped at least 11 inches of rain on Miami-Dade County and the airport got 15.3 inches in 36 hours, the National Weather Service said. Farther up the coast, Broward County received more than 8 inches.

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AP Photo
Hulda Stern, 93, who lives on her own with her cat, Pinky, refuses to leave her flooded house Wednesday, in Miami. Stern was found in her flooded home, which she has lived in since 1945, with a heating pad plugged in under knee deep water. She is one of dozens, perhaps, hundreds, of elderly, infirm and impoverished Dade County residents who were unable to get emergency help after Tuesday's storm and flooding because of lack of transportation.

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Court order could force release of more than 100 sex offenders

DENVER (AP) — A court ruling that could free more than 100 Colorado rapists, child molesters and other sex offenders from prison has alarmed victims of sex crimes and sent law enforcement officers scrambling to undo the damage.

Nine inmates were turned loose before Colorado Attorney General Ken Salazar stepped in and halted the releases Saturday. Authorities were still looking for them on Wednesday.

"I frankly was outraged that this number of offenders could be given the green light to walk without taking as much time as could be taken under the law to make sure victims were notified," Salazar said.

He has asked the state Supreme Court for another hearing to reconsider its Sept. 18 ruling.

Corrections Department officials tried to calm dozens of victims fearful that their attackers were free to strike again.

"You live in a state of fear that either your attacker or someone else will victimize you, and to know that more of them are out on the street today, it's scary," said Marianne Mayer, a rape survivor from Denver. "It upset me enough that I was close to tears."

Allison Morgan of the agency's victim notification unit said callers are told the agency must follow the ruling. "They fully understand that this comes down from the Supreme Court," Morgan said. "They are shocked that the court would do this."

The court ruled that a 1993 law imposing mandatory five-year parole sentences did not apply to sex offenders, who were not covered until a new law was passed in 1996.

Corrections officials responded by releasing nine inmates who had been jailed for violating parole, Corrections Department Director John Suthers said.

A lawyer in the attorney general's office recommended the inmates be released to avoid lawsuits for false imprisonment.

The agency also notified 84 paroled sex offenders they no longer had to attend mandatory therapy sessions or make visits to parole officers. All but five have been notified they are back on parole pending the court fight, Suthers said.

If the ruling stands, it could free 112 sex offenders in prison for parole violations and release an additional 170 offenders from parole supervision and mandatory therapy, Suthers said.

An additional 600 offenders

could be released from prison without parole once they complete their sentences.

"To release them without supervision is contrary to what society needs and to what they need," Suthers said. He said pedophilia is best controlled with mandatory therapy sessions.



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Women's privacy rights vs. protecting fetus' health could be decided in July

By Laurie Asseo
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Hearing a case in which women were arrested from their hospital beds, Supreme Court justices Wednesday vigorously debated whether hospitals can test pregnant women for drug use and turn the results over to police.

"This is being done for medical purposes," suggested Justice Antonin Scalia. "The police didn't show up at the hospital and say, 'We'd like to find a way to bust your patients.'"

But Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg said she did not see how arresting women after they gave birth would protect the fetus, the primary concern of a South Carolina public hospital. "I looked at the (hospital) consent form; it doesn't say anything about police," she said.

Women treated at the Medical University of South Carolina contend that the hospital's former cocaine-testing policy violated pregnant patients' privacy and their constitutional protection

against unreasonable searches.

The women "were searched by their doctors for evidence of crimes and then arrested, seven of them right out of their hospital beds," said Priscilla Smith, the lawyer for the women who sued.

The hospital's attorney, Robert Hood, said the women were jailed "not only for the illegal use of the drug but for what they were doing to their child. ... We are trying to stop a woman from doing irreparable, major harm to her child in utero."

"Law enforcement was not the purpose of this thing at all," Hood added.

A federal appeals court upheld the tests as legitimate efforts to reduce crack cocaine use by pregnant women.

The Supreme Court's ruling, expected by July, could determine whether the hospital reinstates the policy or whether other hospitals consider adopting similar tactics.

Ten women who sued the Charleston hospital in 1993 said testing pregnant women for drugs and giving the results to

police violated the Constitution's Fourth Amendment, which generally requires that searches be authorized by court warrant or based on reasonable suspicion that a crime has been committed.

The justices questioned both sides closely.

Justice David H. Souter suggested to Smith that doctors might have "a special need to know" whether their patients are using drugs. But he also asked Hood whether doctors who reported positive test results had become agents of the police.

Scalia compared the hospital's policy to a requirement in many states that doctors tell police when they encounter evidence of a crime, such as a gunshot wound.

Justice Sandra Day O'Connor asked whether drug tests are rou-

tinely performed on pregnant women. "Absolutely not, your honor," said Smith, who added that the testing policy was initiated by the hospital but jointly drawn up by police and hospital officials.

There have been similar prosecutions in other states, but they occurred on a case-by-case basis and not through a hospital policy of turning drug tests over to police, said Janet Crepps of the Center for Reproductive Law and Policy, which is representing the 10 women. Most of those prosecutions were thrown out on grounds that state child-endangerment laws did not apply to fetuses, she said.

The American Medical Association, in a friend-of-the-court brief, said the hospital's policy was more likely to increase harm to fetuses by discouraging

women from seeking medical care or disclosing drug use to their doctors.

The hospital began testing pregnant women for cocaine in 1989 and giving any positive results to police. Women found to be using illegal drugs were prosecuted under the state child-endangerment law.

In early 1990, the policy was changed to give drug-using patients a choice between being arrested or enrolling for drug treatment. The hospital later dropped the policy, but by then police had arrested 30 maternity

patients.

A federal court jury upheld the testing policy, and the 4th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals agreed in July 1999. The appeals court said the urine tests were "minimally intrusive" and that hospital officials had a substantial interest in reducing cocaine use by pregnant women.

The case is *Ferguson v. City of Charleston*, 99-936.

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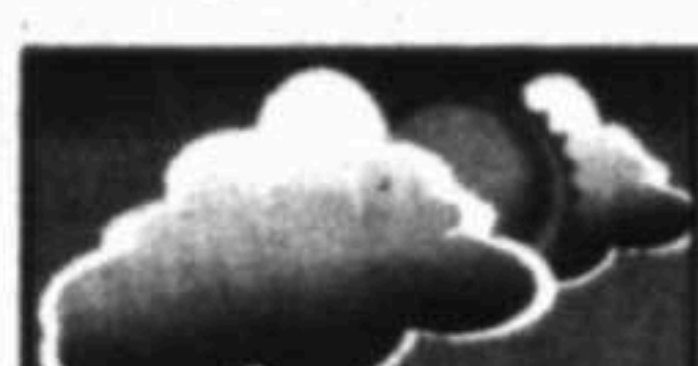
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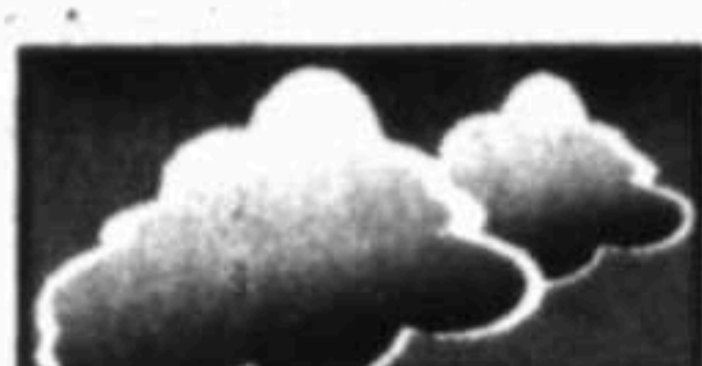
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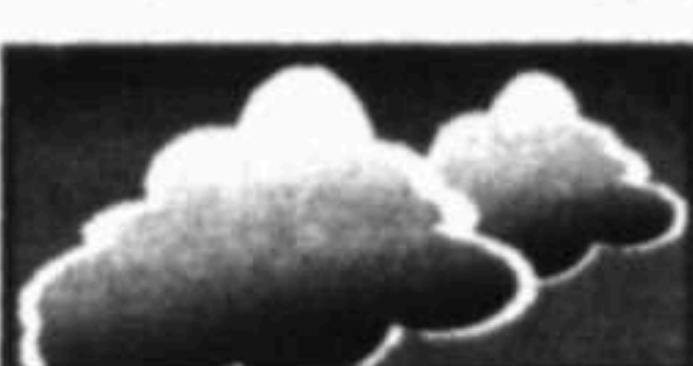
3-day forecast



Today
Partly cloudy
High 88
Low 55



Friday
Cloudy
High 64
Low 43



Saturday
Mostly cloudy
High 67
Low 41

Today's forecast calls for partly cloudy skies, turning windy and cooler later in the day. Highs will be near 90 with a southerly wind 10-20 mph, becoming gusty (20-30 mph), according to the National Weather Service in Midland.

Tonight's forecast calls for increasing cloudiness with a low near 50.

Friday's forecast calls for cloudy skies with highs in the lower 60s. Friday night should be cloudy and cool with a low near 40.

Saturday's forecast calls for mostly cloudy skies, with a low in the 40s and highs in the 60s.

After an overnight low of 66, Wednesday's high was a record 96, tying the previous record from 1937. The record low of 41 was set in 1932.

Yesterday's precipitation

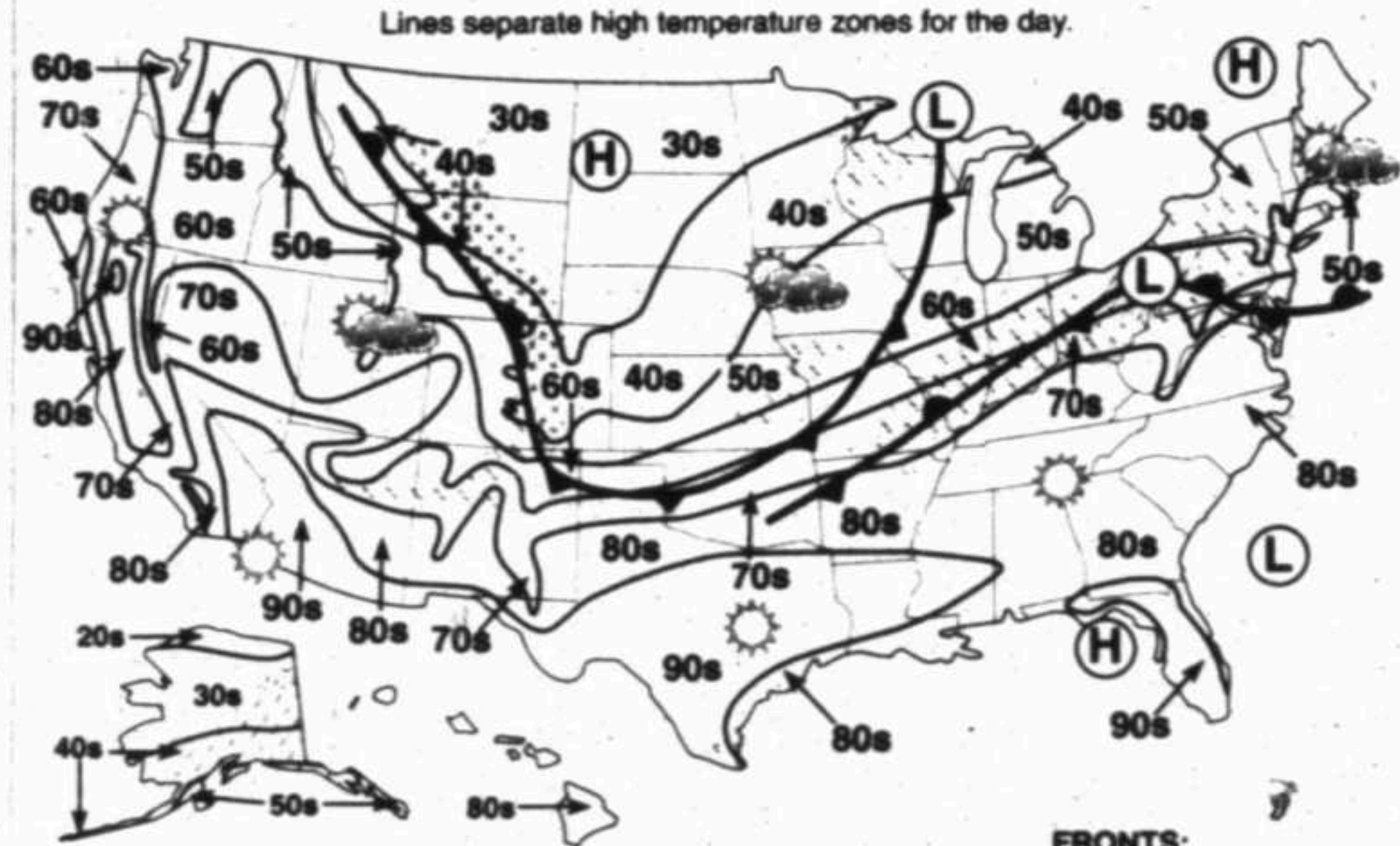
Rainfall Wednesday .00 in.
Rainfall Tuesday .00 in.
Total for month .00 in.
Total for year 6.05 in.
Normal total (year to date) 12.28 in.

Yesterday's temperatures

High .96
Low .66
Normal high .81
Normal low .55
Sunrise 7:46 a.m.
Sunset 7:27 p.m.

National forecast

The AccuWeather® forecast for noon, Thursday, Oct. 5.

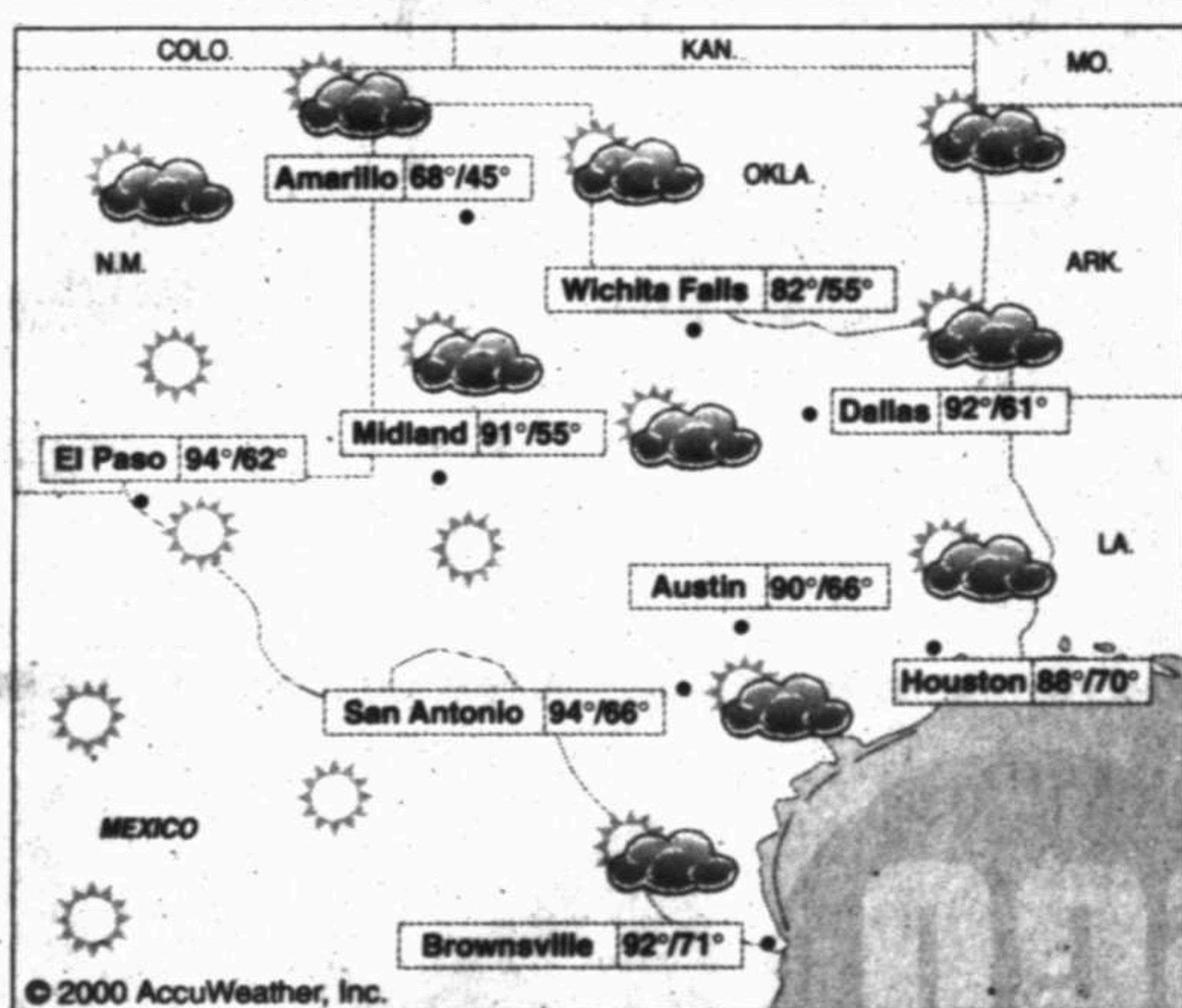


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United States temperatures

Temperatures indicate Wednesday's high and overnight low to 8 p.m. Eastern Time.	High	Low	Prc	Otk
Atlanta	81	59	cdy	
Baltimore	85	59	cdy	
Baton Rouge	88	60	cdy	
Boston	73	57	10	
Casper	66	39	cdy	
Chicago	61	52	84	m
Cincinnati	81	64	m	
Cleveland	82	55	61	cdy
Daytona Beach	83	75	15	cdy
Denver	63	45	m	
Des Moines	65	47	m	
Detroit	64	52	109	cdy
Fargo	52	25	50	cdy
Flint	66	51	33	m
Green Bay	59	40	02	m
Greensboro, N.C.	83	59	59	cdy
Harrisburg	81	55	m	
Hartford Spfld.	70	45	cdy	
Helena	51	30	cdy	
Honolulu	88	78	cdy	
Huntsville	85	59	cdy	
Indianapolis	66	40	34	m
Jackson, Miss.	88	58	cdy	
Jacksonville	86	70	08	cdy
Juneau	43	26	m	
Kansas City	59	54	02	m
Knoxville	83	58	cdy	
Lake Charles	80	64	cdy	
Lansing	65	50	58	m
Las Vegas	80	71	11	cdy
Lexington	83	63	cdy	
Lincoln	83	46	01	m
Little Rock	89	67	cdy	
Los Angeles	71	63	cdy	
Louisville	84	65	cdy	
Memphis	91	66	cdy	
Miami Beach	86	74	289	m
Milwaukee	56	49	16	m
Mpls-St Paul	56	37	cdy	
Mobile	89	58	cdy	
Montgomery	85	55	cdy	
Nashville	86	61	cdy	
New Orleans	88	67	cdy	
New York City	74	61	cdy	
Newark	74	57	cdy	
Oklahoma City	91	69	cdy	
Omaha	85	44	m	
Orlando	86	74	58	cdy
Paducah	88	60	cdy	
Philadelphia	82	55	cdy	
Phoenix	87	79	06	cdy
Pittsburgh	79	57	m	
Pocatello	64	32	cdy	
Portland, Maine	70	50	cdy	
Portland, Ore.	69	48	cdy	
Providence	72	51	03	cdy
Reno	80	45	cdy	
Richmond	85	62	cdy	
Rio Rancho	84	60	cdy	
Rochester	59	50	19	m
Rockford	64	49	57	cdy
Sacramento	81	54	cdy	
St. Louis	64	60	25	m
St. Thomas	89	77	cdy	
Salem, Ore.	69	44	cdy	
Salt Lake City	69	45	cdy	
San Diego	73	63	cdy	
San Francisco	67	55	cdy	
San Jose	82	59	cdy	
San Juan, P.R.	88	78	02	cdy
Santa Fe	72	53	01	cdy
St. Marie	53	43	cdy	
Savannah	82	59	cdy	
Seattle	61	42	cdy	
Shreveport	90	65	cdy	
Sioux City	54	43	07	cdy
Sioux Falls	50	40	07	cdy
South Bend	62	50	112	m
Spokane	60	33	cdy	
Tucson	92	69	cdy	
Tulsa	92	70	cdy	
Tupelo	90	59	cdy	
Washington, D.C.	83	64	cdy	
W. Palm Beach	85	74	34	m
Wichita	86	58	m	
Wilkes-Barre	71	47	m	
Wilmington, Del.	83	57	cdy	
Yakima	66	32	cdy	
Youngstown	69	51	02	m

State forecast



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Texas temperatures

Highest temperature yesterday, lowest past 12 hours and precipitation for 24 hours ending 6 a.m.	High	Low	Pcp
Abilene	99	73	
Amarillo	99	55	
Arlington	94	72	
Austin	94	71	
Austin Mabry	94	71	
Beaumont	89	69	
Brownsville	92	69	
Childress	92	69	
College Station	95	66	
Corpus Christi	91	65	
Conroe	93	64	
Converse	92	70	
Dallas Love Field	93	73	
Del Rio	96	72	
Denton	95	71	
DFW Airport	93	72	
El Paso	94	60	
Fort Stockton	101	66	
Fort Worth Alliance	96	74	
Fort Worth Meacham	95	73	
Galveston	87	76	
Georgetown	91	70	
Guadalupe Pass	92	72	
Harrison	95	67	
Hondo	95	73	
Houston Hobby	96	68	
Houston Interntl	90	65	
Huntsville	92	69	
Junction	92	68	
Kingville	96	66	
Laredo	95	72	
Longview	92	67	
Lubbock	100	62	
Lufkin	90	67	
Marfa	91	54	
McAllen	96	70	
McKinney	93	73	
Mineral Wells	97	70	
Navy Corps	90	75	
San Angelo	97	70	
San Antonio	92	74	
San Marcos	93	66	
Tarrant	92	71	
Tyler	91	69	
Victoria	95	66	
Waco	93	73	
Wichita Falls	102	70	
Wink	102	78	

GRANT: Phase II is expected to be completed in July 2001

(From 1A)

To honor his contributions to the school, the college's library was renamed the Murray Fasken Learning Resource Center in 1982. Fasken was the first president of the Midland College board of trustees and served on the board from 1969 to 1980. He also served on the college's foundation board from 1974 to 1992. His widow, Celeste Fasken who was appointed to the foundation board in 1993, continues to serve on the board.

Daniel said: "I am delighted the trustees of the Fasken Foundation have recommended this significant grant for the ATC. We are near the goal of matching the Wagner & Brown challenge grant of \$1 million. Now we can concentrate on raising the \$1.5 to complete the project."

The first phase of the ATC,

which includes using about half the space in the building for computer classrooms, general purpose classrooms and distance learning classrooms, opened to students in August. More than 600 Midland College and Midland High School students are taking classes at the ATC. And, another 100 continuing education students have signed up for classes.

Phase II is expected to be completed in July 2001. The expanded curriculum will include automotive, welding, building sciences and machinist areas.

In addition, Phase II will have a lecture hall/auditorium and industrial training rooms.

Job training at the ATC includes computer networking, computer integrated manufacturing, computer graphics, building trades, electronics, business computer applications, computer programming, automotive

technology, welding technology and computer maintenance and repair.

The center provides training in four areas to MISD high school students, to Midland College students in one-year training programs, to Midland College students in two-year associate degree programs and in the fourth area of workforce training. The ATC programming is jointly operated by Midland College and MISD. Midland College owns the building and equipment.

The building purchase, renovation, furnishings, and equipment are being financed by MC, MISD, City of Midland through Community Development Block Grants, the Abell-Hanger Foundation, Wagner & Brown and various corporations and individuals. Recently, the college was notified that it had received a \$400,000 grant from the Hispanic

Serving Institutions Assisting Communities (HSIAC), a division of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

The Fasken family came to Midland in 1917, and in the 1920s began a long, close association with Midland National Bank, a financial institution for which Murray Fasken was formerly president and chairman. In 1970, Murray Fasken was the principal force behind the construction of Trinity Towers Retirement Center.

In addition to four family members, four Midlanders Tevis Herd, Thomas E. Kelly, Gerald C. Nobles and B.L. Jones are among the foundation's current board of trustees. Career banker Bill Franklin, a lifelong Midlander before his retirement, is also a trustee of the foundation.

PIPELINE: Lines also run under Midland Country Club

(From 1A)

In some spots, the pipeline depth "may be a little shallower" than 36 inches due to wind erosion.

The pipelines, which also run under the Midland Country Club, were built in 1930 and 1953, DeLaO said. The country club was relocated to its present site north of Midland in 1955 from near downtown.

DeLaO said that the pipelines under the country club pass underneath the tennis courts, near the main building there, and the golf course.

The pressure in the pipelines is 400 to 500 pounds per square inch (psi), he said. But the pipelines have been tested for 1,000 psi.

Once it lands at the Midland Tank Farm, the crude oil from Hobbs and Seminole is "distributed amongst the other tank farms or up to Cushing, Okla."

DeLaO, who said that he has visited with Wilson Heidelberg, MISD's executive director for Auxiliary/Construction Services, on the proposed site, noted that the pipeline company has easement along the pipelines, which are 15 feet apart, to facilitate pipeline maintenance.

In discussing the two pipelines, DeLaO recalled that Heidelberg remarked that "It would be hard to build anything without getting near a pipeline in this part of the coun-

try." DeLaO said that he "was probably right."

Heidelberg could not be reached from comment.

MISD's Welch noted that "no H2S" (hydrogen sulfide) warnings are posted along the pipelines' route.

However, DeLaO said that hydrogen sulfide, which is a poisonous gas, is associated with crude oil.

"Since it is a closed system, you wouldn't see those kinds of signs," he said. However, at the pump-jack and tank battery north of the site, "You will see those kind of signs" and windsocks to denote direction of the wind and the flow of any oil-associated vapors.

However, if there were a leak or a spill, hydrogen sulfide would be detectable.

The steel pipelines are maintained and cleaned by scrapers, coated to prevent corrosion, equipped with an "electrical current to mitigate external corrosion," and are inspected by aerial patrol, DeLaO said.

Terri Binns, a Houston engineer with U.S. Department of Transportation's Office of Pipeline Safety that monitor interstate pipelines, noted that "pipeline companies are required to adhere" to DOT regulations and that DOT monitors the pipelines every three years.

Jay Edwards, a Midland structural and

architectural engineer for Parkhill, Smith & Cooper that is designing the MISD project, said MISD officials opted for the higher northeast quadrant of the 78 acres for the school-building site.

"We looked at several different schemes," Edwards said, before deciding to have the school face downtown Midland and run parallel to the pipelines.

Edwards noted that DOT requires signs to mark location of the pipelines. He also said that if hydrogen sulfide levels "get to a certain level that they (DOT agents) consider dangerous, they require the pipeline company to post that."

George Lara, president of the MISD board of trustees, said that the trustees selected the 78-acre site, which is owned by Midlander Lloyd Wimberley, in part because the "two pipelines are low pressure crude-oil lines."

Other property which the MISD board had considered as possible campus sites included land that "had pipelines that had high-pressure LP (liquid petroleum) gas."

A campus site in south Midland was rejected because "15 or 16 different pipelines" ran beneath the land, Lara said. And there was not sufficient land available to build the campus since buildings are not to be built on or near pipeline easements.

OFFICIALS: Volleyball coaches use San Angelo officials

(From 1A)

made up of former and retired officials.

Also, MISD officials claim that the chapter has said it will not officiate a game on the grounds of an MHS feeder school even if the game involved a Lee feeder team. This means schedules and locations of games had to be changed.

Last week, the incident hit rock bottom when three junior high football games involving MHS feeders had to be canceled after MISD couldn't get officials to call the game.

"I ought to be preparing for Amarillo High, and I am visiting with a reporter and answering the telephone 14,000 times over this in the last week. That deters from our preparation," Browning said. "More than anything it is a disservice to our kids who are trying to play the game. Those seventh, eighth and ninth graders are out there and working just as hard as everyone else. They get ready to play a game, and the officials don't show up."

Hart said that the chapter overlooked the Bulldogs' scheduling of officials last year, because of the hope for more games in the future at MHS, one of four Class 5A schools in the Permian Basin chapter. Class 5A schools are, by far, the most lucrative assignments for officiating crews.

An official working a Class 5A game in Midland can make anywhere up to \$310 (not including mileage and a meal), depending on the size of the gate. To compare those numbers with lower classifications shows why 5A assignments are so valuable. An official at a 4A game in the

Permian Basin can expect to make approximately \$80-\$85. An official at a 2A will take a slightly bigger cut, making \$65.

However, those extra Midland High games didn't come. Browning used Permian Basin officials for his two non-district home games, and allowed the University Interscholastic League to pick his crews for his team's District 4-5A battles, which start a week from Friday. The UIL gives every coach, no matter the sport, the right to do so.

For instance, the volleyball coaches at both Midland High and Midland Lee use officials from San Angelo, instead of Midland.

The reason, according to Browning, to let the UIL select his officials is to do what is best for his program. Browning used Permian Basin officials exclusively for his first two seasons at Midland High and he said there were a few games where questionable calls influenced the outcome of the game.

Last season was the first Browning followed in footsteps of some previous MHS coaches and made the change to UIL-appointed officials.

"My players, my parents and staff feel comfortable using UIL-appointed officials in district play," Browning said.

Midland High is the only one of the four Class 5A high schools in the Permian Basin not to use its region's football officials for home district games. Abilene High is the only other 4-5A program which is not using its region's officials on an exclusive basis.

Browning will use officials for

its 4-5A games from San Antonio, Lubbock and Fort Worth. The difference in pay is the extra mileage and possible lodging. MISD officials have no problem with Browning's choice to go outside the Permian Basin.

"David Browning's job boils down to success on the football field," MISD athletic director Tim Whalen said. "Success is measured in Ws and Ls, and the W and L doesn't stand for Washington and Lee. You better have more Ws than Ls. He has the right to pick the officials that make him feel comfortable about the ball game, and if he is not comfortable with it, he has been derelict in his duties."

While MISD has no problem with it, the Permian Basin's officials do. They sent out a letter in the offseason, addressing the need for head football coaches/schedule makers to use their officials at home games or possibly face the problem of not having officials down the line. Basically, it is a priority system, and MHS' decision to not use its officials for 80 percent of its home schedule meant it would be given last consideration.

Browning says he didn't get this letter until after the district meeting when officials' assignments are made. The chapter says he knew.

"He has chosen not to use this chapter, not to use any of the 105 members," Hart said. "It sends a bad message. He thinks we are not qualified to officiate his games."

"If Browning gives us four games, it is all in the past," Hart added. "Four games is not a lot of games (this year MHS has five home games). All he has to do is

pick five officials for four home games, and everyone is happy."

And if Browning chooses not to play by the chapter's rules? "We will have this same problem again," Hart said.

Is that a boycott? "You read between the lines," Hart said.

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CAMPAIGN 2000 IN BRIEF

■ Gore gets hero's welcome in Ohio

Al Gore, buoyed by polls showing he won his debate against George W. Bush, roared into Warren, Ohio, Wednesday and got a hero's welcome from a crowd of more than 5,000 people. Gore won cheers when he reaffirmed his plans to keep the economy soaring and when he denounced what he called Bush's personal attacks at their nationally televised showdown in Boston the night before.

■ Bush welcomed well in Pennsylvania

George W. Bush basked in a thunderous welcome in West Chester, Pa., Wednesday, a day after debating rival Al Gore in a contest he said he savored. "I enjoyed that debate because it gave me a chance, it gave Americans from all walks of life a chance to see us directly. It didn't have to go through some filter, to be able to share our philosophies," Bush told a crowd of about 1,000.

■ Instant poll numbers go to Gore

Debate watchers gave Al Gore the edge over George W. Bush in three of four instant polls, but both candidates apparently improved their image with voters. Gore was judged to have performed better in the debates in a CBS News poll, 56-42 percent. Gore was seen to have performed better by 48-41 percent in a CNN-USA Today-Gallup poll. In an NBC News instant poll, it was 46-36 percent in Gore's favor. And the two were close, 48-45 percent in favor of Bush, in an ABC News poll, with women leaning toward Gore and men leaning to Bush. One measure that may have helped Bush: One-third in the CNN-USA Today-Gallup poll had a better impression of him after the debate, while one-fourth had a better impression of Gore.

■ Bush camp claims victory in own right

George W. Bush partisans insist he was the clear victor. Al Gore supporters say he had the upper hand. And undecided voters may be inclined to remain that way, at least for now. Both sides suggest the first presidential debate seems unlikely to sway large numbers of undecided voters in what's shaping up as the closest race in a generation. Strategists in both parties suggest the 90-minute session, in which both candidates debated their central campaign proposals, sometimes in numbing detail,

tended to reinforce the views of those who already had made up their minds. Lacking a major gaffe by either candidate, or any defining moment, the race appears likely to remain excruciatingly close.

■ Bouncer turns back Nader at door

Ralph Nader obtained a ticket for the debate, but organizers kept the event purely Democratic and Republican by turning away the Green Party candidate at the door. "It's already been decided that whether or not you have a ticket, you are not welcome in the debate," John Bezeris, a representative of the debate commission, told Nader. "I didn't expect they would be so crude and so stupid," Nader said after being turned away. Nader, who took the subway to the debate site at the University of Massachusetts at Boston, had received the ticket as a gift from a college student. Reform Party candidate Pat Buchanan watched the debate with his wife in their Boston hotel room.

■ V.P. faceoff may be a 'corker'

Vice presidential debates rarely decide elections, but they often make great television, and today's faceoff between Dick Cheney and Joe Lieberman in little Danville, Ky., promises to be a corker. The only head-to-head veep matchup of the campaign — hawked on posters as the "Thrill in the 'Ville" — will pitch a taciturn, often dour Westerner against a voluble, corny-joke-cracking Easterner. "We've never seen a debate quite like this, between such different personalities," said Alan Schroeder, a professor at Northeastern University in Boston and author of "Presidential Debates: 40 Years of High-Risk TV." Cheney and his wife, Lynne, will arrive in the Bluegrass State on Thursday. Lieberman and his wife, Hadassah, went to Kentucky on Monday to begin cramming.

■ Texas Democrats show up for Bush

A group of Democrats traveled to the presidential debate from Texas to show support for their candidate: the Republican, George W. Bush. "The

critical point we're here to make is that if the public is interested in someone who reaches across the aisle, then George Bush is the right choice," said Sandy Kress, a member of the Texas Democrats for Bush. "Where are the Tennessee Republicans for (Al) Gore?" Kress asked. "The answer is they're not here because there aren't too many of them."

■ Comedian gets serious for Gore

Political humorist Al Franken, a former cast member on "Saturday Night Live," gave Al Gore high marks for breaking from the staid behavior generally attributed to him. "The thing everyone worries about, who's on his side, is the slow, pedantic, talk-down-to thing," Franken said. "I didn't see that tonight. I give him a 9.5." Franken didn't think so highly of George W. Bush's performance, particularly on the question of what to do in a financial crisis. "He basically said, 'I'd ask someone who knows. I'd ask (Federal Reserve Chairman) Alan Greenspan,'" Franken said. "That's what I'd do. That's a great thing to do when you don't know what to do, but I don't want the president to be like that."

■ 12-year-old reporter has big night

The debate kept at least one member of the press corps up after his bedtime: 12-year-old

Sam Dreyfus, a reporter for the Scholastic Press. Sam, the youngest reporter covering the debate, joined other reporters in "spin alley" and interviewed Sen. Edward Kennedy (D-Mass.), New York Gov. George Pataki, the Rev. Jesse Jackson and Health Secretary Donna Shalala, among others. Of all the famous people there, who was his favorite? Byron Bennett, a local television reporter. "He was just a really great guy," young Sam told the Associated Press.

■ Web site offers explanation of plans

Those who want to know how they'd come out under the competing tax plans offered by George W. Bush and Al Gore can now find out on a Web site: www.yourmoneypage.com. Visitors can enter income and other relevant information in a simulated tax return and learn their approximate tax bills (or refunds) under current law and the Bush and Gore plans. The Internet site is not affiliated with either campaign.

■ Lieberman 'knows' working moms

Hadassah Lieberman says she has good days on the campaign trail knowing her 12-year-old daughter Hana is being well cared for at home. The wife of Joe Lieberman told a group of female electrician apprentices at the International Brotherhood of

Electrical Workers Local No. 5 in Pittsburgh, "If you don't know where (your children) are (or if they are safe) ... you can't do anything. I can take (on) anything if I don't have those things to worry about." But working mothers don't always have someone at home while they're gone, she said, and in those instances they need help from the government, such as legislation for family leave or funding for programs like Head Start.

■ More Gore stuff auctioned online

Forget the debates and the polls: Online auctioneers predict that Al Gore will be elected pres-

ident because more of his paraphernalia is being auctioned on the Internet. Not exactly scientific, but it usually works. Bidder's Edge, an online portal for auctions, reported that as of Monday, there were 375 items related to Gore and Joe Lieberman (350 for Gore, 25 for Lieberman). That gives the Democrats the edge over George W. Bush, with 279 items and Dick Cheney, with 19, for a GOP total of 298. "If you judged this year's election by online auctions, you'd see a clear winner emerging," said Larry Canale, editorial director for The Inside Edge, Bidder's Edge's online magazine.

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Cast ballot Saturday for school bond

When we finally get beyond Midland Independent School District's \$72.2 million bond referendum, Midlanders may finally turn their attention to the White House contest between George W. Bush and Al Gore.

But for the moment, our city's collective attention appears to be concentrated on the school bond election that is to be held Saturday.

Our city's voters ought to be proud of the record turnout seen during early voting. Early voting, which wrapped up Tuesday, saw a total of 13,233 votes cast. Now we turn our attention to the main event, which will be Saturday's balloting.

Over the past several weeks the two sides of the issue — primarily represented by Our Kids, Our Schools, Our Future and Citizens for Fiscal Responsibility — have made their arguments. They've stacked numbers against numbers and tried to paint pictures of overcrowding, dangerous pipelines and nightmarish traffic. Both sides may have been prone to a bit of exaggeration.

But the truth is simple. Both Midland High School and Lee High School are woefully out of date.

Our children deserve the very best educational opportunities we can provide, and bricks and mortar are a part of the overall formula.

We like to think we live in a progressive city in which we still dream big dreams.

Some voters say they are still feeling the "sting" of the Scharbauer Sports Complex fallout. Voters feel they were misled and that the new stadium will end up costing them much more than they had been led to believe.

But voting against the school bond because you want to send a message on the stadium issue is the wrong avenue. In the end, you don't do anything but create even more uncertainty for our public school system.

We have a moment of opportunity.

We have a stronger school board these days and its members are showing great leadership. Even school board President George Lara, who desperately had wanted to tack onto the referendum a provision for a southside elementary school, has put aside any feelings of bitterness and is working hard for the school bond's passage.

Soon we will be welcoming a new superintendent. If you haven't taken part in early voting, we urge you to be sure to cast your ballot on Saturday.

As we have done several times in the past, the Midland Reporter-Telegram urges you to support the MISD high school renovation referendum.

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Thursday, Oct. 5, the 279th day of 2000. There are 87 days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history:

On Oct. 5, 1947, President Truman delivered the first televised White House address.

On this date:

In 1830, the 21st president, Chester Arthur, was born in Fairfield, Vt.

In 1892, the Dalton Gang, notorious for its train robberies, was practically wiped out while attempting to rob a pair of banks in Coffeyville, Kan.

In 1937, President Franklin Roosevelt called for a "quarantine" of aggressor nations.

In 1941, former Supreme Court Justice Louis D. Brandeis — the first Jewish member of the nation's highest court — died in Washington at age 84.

In 1953, Earl Warren was sworn in as the 14th chief justice of the United States, succeeding Fred M. Vinson.

In 1962, the Beatles' first hit, "Love Me Do," was released in the United Kingdom.

In 1970, British trade commissioner James Richard Cross was kidnapped in Canada by militant Quebec separatists; he was released the following December.

In 1986, American Eugene Hasenfus was captured by Sandinista soldiers after the weapons plane he was flying in was shot down over southern Nicaragua.

In 1988, Democrat Lloyd Bentsen lambasted Republican Dan Quayle during their vice presidential debate, telling Quayle, "Senator, you're no Jack Kennedy."

In 1989, a jury in Charlotte, N.C., convicted former PTL evangelist Jim Bakker of using his television show to defraud followers.

One year ago: It was announced that MCI WorldCom Inc. had agreed to pay \$115 billion for Sprint Corp. Two packed commuter trains collided near London's Paddington Station, killing 31 people.

CAL THOMAS

Bush needs to aim rhetorical firepower in Gore's direction

It was George W. Bush's debate to lose, and he didn't. Bush passed the test by not living down to his lowest expectations.

Al Gore was rude and cocky. He frequently rolled his eyes, smacked his lips, sighed in disgust and constantly interrupted, even claiming "rebuttal" time that wasn't his. Gore always seems to have a chant, perhaps the result of hanging out at a Buddhist temple. This time it was "the wealthiest 1 percent." Bush needs to develop an answer for this. Perhaps he might say, "Look, Al, I'm tired of you bashing the people who make America work. These are entrepreneurs you want to punish for their initiative, sacrifice and risk-taking. They have built businesses and hired workers, thus expanding the middle class. You want to punish people for becoming wealthy. I want to make it easier for more people to become wealthy. You think government ought to tax them at higher rates and strangle them with new regulations. I want to see them enjoy more freedom and the fruits of their labor. You want more power to reside in Washington. I want to empower more individuals." Bush was able to convey some of this, but he needs a rhetorical flourish to drive it home.

Bush made some good points. He spoke of Gore having had nearly eight years to do the things he

says he will do if elected president. He wondered what happened to the middle-class tax cut Gore had promised in 1992. Instead, it got a retroactive tax increase. And Bush got in the best line of the night in response to the "character question" by noting that "the buck stops here" sign had been moved from the Oval Office to the Lincoln Bedroom. Gore tried to play victim, saying Bush had attacked his "character" (yes, his bad character), and Gore wasn't going to "respond in kind." How could he? That was a battle he would surely lose because polls show the public doesn't think this administration has demonstrated much personal integrity.

There were plenty of opportunities for Bush to skewer Gore, but perhaps for fear of being labeled "mean-spirited," he didn't. Gore took credit for welfare reform, though his impeached "greatest president" repeatedly vetoed Republican congressional attempts at reform until advisor Dick Morris observed the polls showed the public wanted it. Only then, of course, did President Clinton sign a bill.

On RU-486, which Pat Buchanan has called "human pesticide" (he and Ralph Nader should have been included in the debate to live things up), Bush did not display the outrage one might expect from a pro-lifer. He didn't even question the timing of the FDA's approval of the drug weeks before the election. And he treated it as a fait accompli, saying he wanted to make sure it wouldn't damage a woman's health. How about the baby's health? Giving people the technological tool to kill a child at an earlier stage does not

answer the moral problem of abortion, which is only one part of a growing debate about the use of technology.

Gore virtually conceded he would apply an abortion "litmus test" for Supreme Court justices. Why does he get such a test and Bush feels he can't have one?

Bush allowed Gore to get away with his bogus story about Winifred Skinner, the woman who supposedly must scavenge and sell tin cans so she can buy her prescription drugs. Her son told an Iowa radio station she takes money from him for other things, but refuses money for her medication. This is no homeless bag lady roaming the streets. Bush could have used this as an example of how Gore has a problem telling the truth.

Bush survived a debate format he dislikes. The next two provide settings in which he feels more comfortable. Bush can't let the competition for the small number of "undecideds" keep him from articulating his philosophy about the role of government and of life and the importance of having a president who tells the truth. Jimmy Carter scored points following the Nixon years when he said, "I'll never lie to you."

Gore is an inviting target on several levels. Now that Bush has shown he's not a midget next to Gore, in the second and third debates Bush should direct some rhetorical firepower in Gore's direction.

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GEORGE WILL

Was it a debate or parallel press conferences?

WASHINGTON — For that we missed the telecast of the A's-Yankees game? Surely it is obvious that these misbegotten and misnamed "debates" — actually, parallel press conferences — test no aptitude pertinent to the performance of serious presidential duties.

Such duties mostly involve the president in the solitary consideration of reports, memos and other documents prepared by people he has appointed for that purpose, or presiding at meetings of his senior specialists. Picking assistants and acting on the basis of their assistance is most of what presidents do.

True, presidents also must speak to the country about broad themes. Which presidents generally do with carefully crafted and rehearsed addresses. This presentational dimension of the presidency is utterly unrelated to the skills, such as they are, which the "debate" format used Tuesday rewards. The principal skill is being the regurgitation of memorized phrases crafted as responses to anticipated questions.

The point of October debates is to persuade those people who, although they have been bombarded by the candidates' rhetoric for at least eight months, are still undecided. Who are such people, and how, besides intermittently, do their minds work? Debates, it is truly said, are the Super Bowls of politics. The real Super Bowl — 60 minutes of football encrusted with six hours of ballyhoo — is played each year largely for people negligibly, if at all, interested in football.

Debates have perhaps three times been election-turning events — 1960, 1976, 1980. George W. Bush's task on Tuesday was similar John Kennedy's in 1960 and Ronald Reagan's in 1980. Kennedy, in just his second term as senator, and Reagan a governor without foreign policy experience, had to appear large and responsible enough for the job. Bush, a governor in his second term, did so Tuesday evening.

In 1976 President Gerald Ford's verbal fender-bender, denying Soviet domination of Poland, made scant impression on voters until the media spent days dwelling on it. Tuesday night Bush did not give the media anything to work with in their relentless denigration of him.

Now that it has been redundantly demonstrated that

the governor of the second-most populous state can competently address basic questions, even during Gore's histrionic sighs of condescension, the remainder of the campaign can be a prolonged posing of a straightforward choice:

Gore, never a stickler for subtlety, incessantly says that Bush's tax cut would "spend" too much money, and not on the "right" people. Confirmed statisticians — everyone who thinks government is spending money if, in a context of trillions of dollars of surpluses, it leaves 5 percent more money with those who earn it — should vote for Gore.

People should vote for Gore if they can listen without laughing when Gore, the poodle of trial lawyers and teachers unions, says, as he did Tuesday night, that he is willing "to stand up to powerful interests."

People should vote for Gore if they are entertained by his compulsive self-aggrandizement, as in his response to Bush's praise of the Federal Emergency Management Agency and its head, James Lee Witt, for helping Texas cope with, among other things, fires in Parker County. Gore said: "I accompanied James Lee Witt down to Texas when those fires broke out." Carl Cameron of Fox News Channel reports that the fires were in 1996, that Witt made two inspection trips, neither time with Gore. Gore voters are those who suspect no exaggeration when their man says Kailey Ellis "has to stand during class" when science is taught at her amazingly overcrowded school in Sarasota, Fla.

Correct thinkers can supposedly agree that Tuesday's only big blunder was by NBC. It has been executed by the civic-minded for allowing local affiliates the option of carrying not the debate but baseball's version of Gore's theme about "the people" against "the powerful" — the A's against the Yankees.

Well. The debate was on CBS, ABC, CNN, Fox News Channel, MSNBC, PBS and C-SPAN. Why was an eighth carrier required, considering that no American was so situated that he or she could see the debate only if NBC carried it? If the principle is that Americans should be prevented from watching anything else, then perhaps the civic-minded should hector the government into imposing blackouts on HBO, ESPN, Discovery, Bravo, A&E and the rest. The best result of the first debate? Deflation of ballyhoo about the next two.

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ART BUCHWALD

Pet-owner abuse: Dirty secret no one wants to talk about

One of America's best-kept secrets is pet-owner abuse — meaning the battering of owners by their pets. Nobody talks about it, but more and more people are showing up in hospital emergency rooms black and blue all over, and sometimes even with broken arms and fractured ribs. Inevitably, their injuries have been caused by "man's best friend," as these pets are called in the TV commercials.

There are no statistics available on how many battered pet owners there are in this country because these crimes are rarely reported.

I recently made a hospital visit to a pet owner named Mary R. to hear her story. She was willing to speak for my column on the condition that we didn't show her face and we disguised her voice.

"How long have you been battered by your pet?" I asked her.

She bit her lip. "For seven years. When he was a Doberman puppy, he was so lovable, but as he grew older he kept sneaking up from behind and knocking me down." "Why do you think he did it?"

"He comes from a long line of dogs who beat up their owners. It could very easily be genetic."

"How did you break your ribs?" I wanted to know.

Mary R. wiped away a tear. "I was walking Buster on a leash when he saw a squirrel and bolted for it. My mistake was to hold on. He dragged me for almost 20 feet, and my ribs cracked when I hit a rock garden dedicated to the Daughters of the American Revolution."

"It sounds like a typical battered pet-owner case."

"What made it even worse was that after he stopped chasing the squirrel, he came back to where I lay bleeding and pretended to passers-by that nothing had happened."

"Why did you let him back in the house?"

She answered, "He's not like that all the time. Some days he can be as sweet as Haagen-Dazs ice cream, and I guess I put up with the battering just to have those moments."

"Have you told anyone else that your Doberman beats up on you?"

"I'm afraid to. Buster has a terrible temper, and I don't know what he would do if he overheard me complaining about him on the phone."

"Does he knock you down in front of your children?"

"All the time. Once I was trying to adjust the TV set in the living room, and he pushed me right through the screen."

I felt it was time to have a serious talk with Mary R. "Pet-owner abuse is practiced all over this country. It has existed for a long time, but people never talked about it. For centuries pets tripped up their owners and bit their ankles — yet no one dared call the police. Then a few owners started to speak out, and now there are support groups to help those in need. Buster is a sick dog, and you have to stop making excuses for him. Otherwise you will wind up in the broken-bone department of this hospital every other week."

Mary R. said, "I don't know whether it's worse to be pounded by a pet or to live alone."

"I can't answer that," I confessed. "We know that Buster will never change, and so you must. Does your pet mistreat your husband as well?"

"No, he left home two months ago after telling me to choose him or the dog."

"And you chose the dog?"

"I had to. He's my best friend."

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Advocates, regulators focus on possible bias in online travel services

NEW YORK (AP) — Online travel agencies that promise to find low fares may be playing favorites with the airlines.

A new study by Consumer Reports Travel Letter finds that some sites have special pacts with airlines that advertise with them, and that those airlines sometimes dominated flight listings while certain other carriers were not listed at all.

"The Internet is an exciting new tool, but it's no more likely to garner you the best fare than a low-tech telephone," the newsletter says.

In 1999, nearly 7 percent of airline tickets were sold online, and the Internet share of the market is expected to more than double by 2003, according to Jupiter Research. This year, online airline ticket sales are expected to total \$7.8 billion.

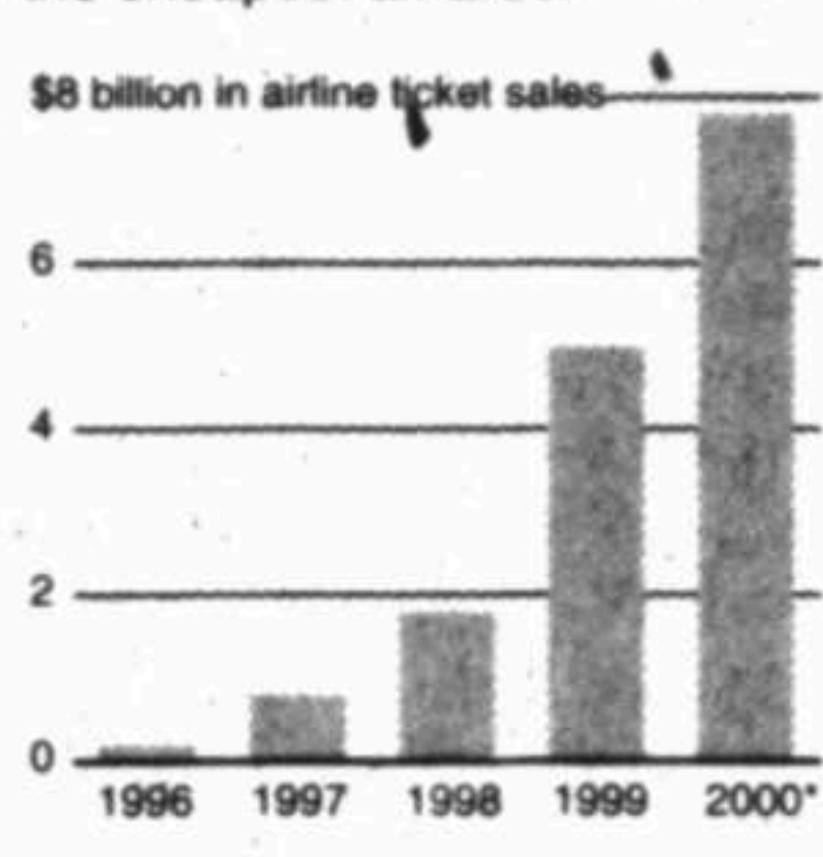
Citing that growing popularity of online airline ticket sales and growing consumer advocates' concerns, the U.S. Department of Transportation is reviewing the rules that govern Internet ticketing services.

Existing rules already outlaw favoritism on airline-owned computerized reservation systems — the systems that send flight information to travel agents and online ticketing sites — but the rules don't apply to the travel agents, traditional or online. The DOT is trying to decide whether to expand the rules to the ticket retailers as well.

One instigator is the pending launch of Orbitz, an online ticketing agency owned by five of the

Online air travel

As the popularity of buying airline tickets online climbs, consumer advocates and some public officials have become concerned that some online travel sites may not be matching Americans with the cheapest airlines.



nation's largest air carriers: American, Continental, Delta, Northwest and United. Critics warn the airlines will have a vested interest in skewing information on their site and say online fares offered by the airlines should be available on all sites. Regulators say it's still unclear how the rules will apply to the Orbitz site.

"History has shown how difficult it is to fix problems with airline competition after they occur," DOT Inspector General Kenneth

M. Mead told the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation in July. "If protections against abuses can be instituted early in the game, mistakes of the past can be avoided."

Consumer Reports Travel Letter found that the dominant online travel sites — Travelocity.com, Expedia.com, Lowestfare.com and Cheaptickets.com — may give special treatment to certain airlines, instead of listing their flights based purely on lowest fare, editor Bill McGee said.

On Travelocity, airlines that advertised on the site were listed first 48 percent of the time, even when their fare wasn't the cheapest, McGee said.

On Lowestfare, TWA flights were listed first even when other carriers offered more convenient routes, he said. Lowestfare's own-

er, financier Carl Icahn, is a former TWA executive, and a legal settlement between him and the airline gives his Web site access to TWA seats.

Travelocity Executive Vice President Andrew Steinberg said the company's relationship with advertisers has no bearing on how flights are listed. Users might conclude otherwise because individual airlines dominate service to certain cities, and those are the same markets the carriers target with their online ads, he said.

Expedia marketing director Suzi LeVine acknowledged that her company doesn't always list every airline but said such omissions have been based on service problems with the airlines.

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Consumer advocates, though, say regulators must act quickly before the players divvy up the industry and set their own rules.

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Court annuls part of election; Milosevic opponents celebrate victory

By Jovana Gec
Associated Press

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia — In what may be an attempt to buy time for Slobodan Milosevic, Yugoslavia's highest court invalidated parts of the presidential election on Wednesday after thousands of opposition supporters forced police to back off from seizing a strikebound mine.

The constitutional court ruling, reported by the state news agency Tanjug, came in a case brought by the opposition — which sought to have Vojislav Kostunica declared the winner of last month's election.

Instead, the court annulled "parts" of the election, the agency said, adding details of the ruling would be made public today. If the presidential vote — or even parts of it — must be repeated, it means Milosevic retains power longer.

The announcement came on the eve of a planned mass rally in Belgrade that the opposition hoped would be the final push to force Milosevic to concede defeat.

Milosevic acknowledges Kostunica finished first in a five-candidate field on Sept. 24 but without a majority needed to avoid a runoff Sunday. The opposition has rejected a runoff.

Opposition official Goran Svilanovic said he believes the opposition will also not agree to take part in a rerun of the first round.



AP Photo

Opposition supporters protest in front of a police station in Kragujevac, Yugoslavia, some 120 kilometers south of Belgrade Wednesday. The opposition has called for civil disobedience and general strikes, claiming electoral fraud by the ruling coalition led by Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic in the Sept. 24 presidential election against Vojislav Kostunica. Banner on drum translates, "Red Devils" and "He's over" referring to President Milosevic.

"We have our elected president," he said. "These are things we can discuss, but my initial reaction is that there can be no bargaining."

The opposition, challenging the official findings of the Federal Electoral Commission, went to Yugoslavia's highest court earlier Wednesday, appealing to the justices to grant them victory in the

presidential elections.

The court met in emergency session Wednesday to hear complaints by the 18-party opposition coalition, maintaining Milosevic's supporters manipulated election results by using a sophisticated software program.

Opposition leaders said they had obtained a copy of the program and

would use it to illustrate how the vote was rigged to favor Milosevic's candidacy.

Earlier Wednesday, Milosevic's police abandoned barricades at a striking coal mine 25 miles south of Belgrade and mingled with thousands of workers seeking to topple the Yugoslav president.

The turnout gave opposition forces hope that the regime was mortally wounded.

"The battle for Serbia was won here," cried one jubilant opposition leader, Dragan Kovacevic.

The stunning and swift turn of events at the Kolubara mine complex was unprecedented in a former communist nation with no history of major worker uprisings. It caught even top opposition figures off guard. They rushed to join more than 10,000 protesters at the mine and predicted Milosevic's quick demise.

Opposition leaders issued an "ultimatum" for Milosevic to resign by 3 p.m. today — the time set for the Belgrade rally.

"This flame will engulf the whole of Belgrade," said Vladan Batic, an opposition leader.

In an open letter Wednesday to Milosevic before the court's ruling, Kostunica said "it will be better for you to recognize" electoral defeat or risk "the danger of open clashes" nationwide.

"Serbia has risen so that one man would leave," Kostunica told cheering workers and their supporters at the Kolubara mine.

Only hours earlier, police in riot gear had poured in and occupied the strip mine complex in an attempt to break up the largest of the nationwide strikes against Milosevic. But the police couldn't contain a swelling crowd that heeded the workers' cry for help.

With sunset approaching, the police gave up. Most withdrew from their barricades and were mingling with strikers inside the compound.

Supporters of the strikers streamed in on foot and in convoys of vehicles. One bus pushed aside a police car blocking its way.

A few police remained guarding some areas of the mine, but made no attempt to control the joyous crowd.

From the beginning of the civil disobedience campaign launched this week to force Milosevic to concede defeat in the election, the mine was a pivotal point. It employs 7,000 workers and supplies major power plants.

On Tuesday, the Milosevic government had threatened "special measures" against leaders of strikes and road blockades, and Belgrade's prosecutor issued arrest orders for 13 opposition leaders involved in organizing the walkout at the Kolubara mine. None of the arrests has been carried out.

The mine walkout was the forerunner of other strikes: the state telecommunications company workers announced they would stay off the job and city bus drivers

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and garbage collectors in Belgrade refused to work.

"This is (Milosevic's) end," said a Kolubara mine worker, Dragan Stamenkovic. "Now the workers have risen."

Before the court's ruling, the government was pushing ahead with plans for the runoff, where voters will mark paper ballots bearing the names of Milosevic and Kostunica. The opposition insists it is pointless to participate because Milosevic will simply cheat again.

In July, the Milosevic-controlled parliament changed the constitution, removing any requirement for a minimum voter turnout.

Prime Minister Momir Bulatovic, meanwhile, repeated the position that regardless of the election outcome, Milosevic can remain in office until his current term expires in June.

There were also signs that Milosevic's control over the media, until now the principal propaganda pillar of his regime, was fraying.

The main state-run daily in the northern province of Vojvodina declared Wednesday that its editorial policy would switch from following the government line to reporting on events objectively. Its Wednesday edition for the first time carried numerous reports on opposition activities.

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Fire destroys Midland home

By Brian Rogers
Staff Writer

Crystal Garcia, her three children and her brother were forced out of their home with just the clothes on their backs after a Wednesday afternoon fire destroyed their home. The home was being leased by Beatrice Garcia.

According to Stuart Sherman, a Midland fire inspector, the fire, on the 400 block of Spraberry, apparently was started by a four-year-old male pretending to cook on a plastic toy stove.

"His two-year-old sister confirmed that the boy set fire to a dress with a lighter," Sherman said.

Sherman also said that the family tried to put the fire out themselves, instead of immediately calling 911.

"We also got 911 calls from several neighbors and people at Jane Long Elementary," Sherman said.

"You don't realize how important those first few minutes are when it comes to getting the trucks rolling," he added. "People should call 911 first and then get out of the house, we'll do the hard stuff."

Sherman noted that educating people, especially children, about the dangers of fire is one of the Fire department's primary objectives.

"The bad thing is, 'Fire Prevention Week' starts Monday, and this is the kind of accident we try to prevent with that initiative," Sherman said. He also said that a 16-foot-by-16-foot room can become completely engulfed in flames in four minutes.

"That is what we call a fully involved fire, and not even our protective gear can help us if a fire gets that out of control," Sherman said.

Meanwhile, Ms. Garcia said although she and her children lost everything, she is just grateful that everyone is all right.

"We'll stick together as a family through this crisis," she said. "We lost our clothes, our shoes, diapers and food. It was a total loss."

Nearby Jane Long Elementary is taking donations for the family.



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ABOVE RIGHT: A Midland firefighter peaks out of a bedroom window Wednesday afternoon during a blaze that gutted a house on the 400 block of Spraberry. ABOVE LEFT: Crystal Garcia wipes away tears after a fire chased her, Garcia's three children and her brother out of their home. All five occupants escaped without injury. AT LEFT: A firefighter throws charred clothing out of a bedroom window. Firefighters suspect that the fire was started by one of the children playing a lighter.



Eight finalists selected for MHS principal's job

By Meta Minton
MRT Editor

The number of candidates for the Midland High School principal's job has been whittled down to eight finalists.

Initial interviews of the candidates for the job were wrapped up Wednesday. Candidates still in the running for the MHS principal's job are:

■ Dennis Stratton, interim principal at Midland High School.

■ Rick Wood, an assistant principal at Midland High School.

■ David Adams, principal at Abell Junior High School.

■ Steven Walker, an intern at Lee High School.

■ Dan Green, who serves as Midland Independent School District's director of fine arts.

■ Kelly Jacobson, an assistant principal at Midland High School.

■ Mike Stobaugh, an assistant principal at Bastrop High School.

■ Harvey Manning, currently an assistant principal at an out of town school.

The individual selected for the job will be the successor to Neil Richmond, who took early retirement from the position in late July, said MISD Executive Director of Human Resources Services Tom Holland.

Stratton, who is the acting principal and served for 10 years as instructional services director at Midland High School, said the first several weeks have gone smoothly since's Richmond's departure.

"This has been the smoothest transition possible considering the circumstances. It could have been traumatic, but we've handled this as a team," Stratton said.

The salary range for the MHS principal's job is \$63,985-\$87,500.

Within the next few days, the district will narrow down the field of candidates to the top two or three contenders.

If there are any out-of-district applicants remaining, there will be an on-site visit. The finalists will meet with the school board Oct. 10. A new principal could be hired on Oct. 24, Holland said.

Plane crash kills two in Grandfalls

From Staff and Wire Reports

GRANDFALLS — Two people — including a 73-year-old Monahans man who was the pilot — died Wednesday when the two-seat experimental airplane they were flying in crashed and burned upon impact, leaving only the engine, propeller and tail intact.

The accident happened about 2 p.m. in a rural area in Pecos County near the intersection of Texas 18 and Farm to Market Road 11 near Grandfalls, said Texas Department of Public Safety Trooper Phillip Brady.

Students at nearby Grandfalls High School told investigators that the airplane was shedding its parts as it descended. Investigators found the engine cover near the school's baseball field, Brady said.

Brady said the bodies were burned beyond recognition, but the owner/pilot later was identified as Dalton Earl Ramsey, 73, known as "Pat," of Monahans after investigators found his FAA pilot's license.

The passenger was identified as Suzanne Parker Blair, 46, also of Monahans. Both were pronounced dead at the scene by Justice of the Peace Ronald Ray. Their bodies were taken to Harkey Funeral Home in Monahans.

According to the FAA registration number on the tail, the airplane was a Thorp T-18C, a single-engine, two-seat experimental aircraft.

Brady said federal investigators from Lubbock were scheduled to arrive at the scene this morning.

AirSho 2000 set for this weekend; vintage airplanes to be featured

From Staff Reports

More than 130 airplanes, including one-of-a-kind vintage World War II warbirds, will be on display in the air and on the ground at the Fina-Confederate Air Force AirSho 2000 set for Saturday and Sunday at Midland International Airport.

With a focus on "heritage," AirSho 2000 will combine warbird displays of the past with today's cutting edge military airplanes, giving spectators the opportunity to see the "proud tradition of our armed forces," according to the show's organizers.

AirSho 2000 audiences will witness the reenactments of two historic flights. Flying formation with the CAF's P-51 Mustang Gunfighter, the United States Air Force will pair two of its current front line fighters, the F-15 Strike Eagle and the F-16 Fighting Falcon, to form the Heritage flight. The U.S. Navy's F-18 Hornet will fly in formation with two CAF Navy fighters to create the newly formed Tailhook Legacy Flight.

Of special interest to aviation enthusiasts worldwide will be the premiere of three Russian fighters to a United States air show. AirSho 2000 will feature two Russian Polikarpov I-16 monoplane fighters and one Polikarpov I-153 biplane fighter.

The planes, which are owned and oper-



MRT/File Art
The B-17 is one of many World War II planes that will be flying over Midland this weekend for the annual Fina Confederate Air Force AirSho 2000. Many other vintage warbirds will be in the show, as well as today's cutting edge military aircraft.

CAF Hall of Fame to induct new members

From Staff Reports

Eight American World War II veterans, including three Medal of Honor recipients, and one combat unit, will be inducted into the Confederate Air Force's American Combat Airman Hall of Fame tonight at CAF Headquarters. A reception and dinner will be held at 6:30 p.m. in the CAF hangar with the induction ceremony to follow.

The 2000 inductees include: Captain Victor N. Agather, U.S. Army Air Forces; Major Richard I. Bong (posthumously), U.S. Army Air Forces; Major Kenneth H. Dahlberg, U.S. Army Air Forces; Col. Archie Donahue, U.S. Marine Corps; Col. Joe M. Jackson, U.S. Air Force; Capt. Stanley W. "Swede" Vejtasa, U.S. Navy; Col. Bruce E. Wallace, U.S. Army; and Capt. Jay Zeamer, U.S. Army Air Forces. The Tuskegee Airmen will be the combat unit inducted.

A vision of CAF founder Lloyd P. Nolen, the Hall of Fame was established in 1977 by the CAF to recognize Americans whose service in the air during any war or conflict

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Ed TODD

Amazing Grace that saved a wretch like me; not 'soul'

Well, now, it would seem that politically correct and politically incorrect sensitivities and insensitivities have invaded the ecclesiastical world — the Church.

Pity, pity.
The tenor of mainstream sermons has been somewhat revised to reflect more love, compassion and forgiveness than the old-time hellfire and damnation sermons that were designed to put the fear of the Lord into the soul for the cause of righteousness.

The message of salvation, from what I gather, is still pretty well true, particularly if you put your discernment to work and cut out the superfluous and go to the crux.

And that is mindful of this quotation, from a classical-music composer: "It is not hard to compose, but what is fabulously hard is to leave the superfluous notes under the table."

It is the essence that we seek.

Now, therein is a rub, if not the rub.

The other day, I was enthralled, at the onset, to hear a church choir sing an old standard, "Onward,

Christian Soldiers."

However, the modern, politically correct version, you might say, went something like this: "Onward, Christian people!"

People?
People "marching as to war, with the cross of Jesus going on before . . . Forward into battle. . . We are treading where the saints have trod."

I don't know if other words were changed in that sacred song, but the change from "Christian soldiers" to "Christian people" altered the context and the passion of the message.

The lamentable impact of changing those old hymns would be similar to altering or modifying William Shakespeare's sonnets, dramas and tragedies or taking out the poetic bent of Psalms or Proverbs or compromising the admonishments

and exhortation of the Apostle Paul and James.

And then there is the popular and powerful John Newton hymn, "Amazing Grace!"

Hallelujah! It is a mover and a shaker.

And, then, to my grief, anguish and heartache, I heard a version that went thusly: "Amazing grace! How sweet the sound that saved a soul like me!"

Soul!
No. It is " . . . saved a wretch like me!"

Amen.
"I once was lost, but now am found. Was blind but now I see."

Newton's wretched life on the high seas and his battles with the demons were transformed through the grace of God and repentance. He no longer dealt with slave-trading and, after the miracle of conversion, he preached against the sins of the world and led a saintly life.

In another vein, there is the old (1925) supremely romantic Irving Berlin song, "Always."

Mesmerizing.

"I'll be loving you always . . . with a love that's true, always . . . Days may not be fair, always.



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That's when I'll be there, always, not for just an hour, not for just a day, not for just a year, but always."

Can you imagine the "politically correct" or politically incorrect" version of the song? Would unconditional love become conditional? Always is a long time.

Would it be, "I'll be loving you as long as the occasion befits, . . . as long as it is convenient, as long as the passion lasts?"

In love, as in all great qualities, there are the ideals of perseverance and steadfastness and commitment. Stay the course.

To be discarded is that straddling-the-fence, non-stance position of being lukewarm.

No, sir, and no, ma'am.

"Amazing Grace!" and "Onward, Christian Soldiers" sing of fervor, dedication, commitment, a life lived, and the love and grace of God.

Ed Todd is a writer for The Midland Reporter-Telegram.

CAF: New members to be honored in Hall of Fame

(From 1B)

reflects credit upon the fighting men and women of the United States. Each year the Hall of Fame induction ceremony precedes the CAF's annual airshow, scheduled this year to take place this Saturday and Sunday at Midland International Airport.

A biographical exhibit of each inductee will be unveiled in conjunction with the banquet. The exhibit will be located in the American Airpower Heritage Museum until the construction of the L. P. Nolen Member Center, where it will be permanently housed.

Advance tickets are required for the event. Biographical information on inductees follows.

Capt. Victor N. Agather

Born during the pioneering days of aviation, Agather played a major role in the development of the most complex aircraft of World War II. Agather would aid in every aspect of the B-29 Superfortress development. From 1942 until the end of his active duty military career, Agather was tasked with one project, make the B-29 fly successfully. After retiring from the military, Agather would play another major role associated with the B-29. In 1971, Agather pledged his financial and personal support for the restoration of the world's only flying B-29. Named "Fifi" after Agather's wife, the B-29 currently flies with the CAF. Agather currently resides in San Antonio.

Major Richard I. Bong

Bong — America's all-time leading ace — was presented the Medal of Honor by Gen. Douglas MacArthur on Dec. 12, 1944. It was a fitting tribute to the modest young man who ended his 20 months in combat with 40 victories flying the P-38 Lightning. Bong, who had enlisted in the Army Air Corps in 1941, was commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant in the Army Air Reserves in January 1942. By April 1943, he had already become a double ace, then quadruple ace with 21 victories. By 1944, Bong had scored his 40th aerial victory and was completely relieved from combat duty. In June 1945, Bong returned to California to flight test the new Lockheed P-80 jet fighter. Ironically, the veteran of more than 200 combat missions was killed on Aug. 6, 1945, when the P-80 he was testing flamed out upon takeoff. Marjorie Bong Drucker, Bong's wife at the time of his death, who resides in Los Angeles, Calif., is scheduled to appear at the ceremony to accept the award posthumously.

Major Kenneth H. Dahlberg

Dahlberg was one of a handful of triple aces in the U.S. Army Air Forces, flying both the P-51 Mustang and the P-47 Thunderbolt in combat. In eight months he shot down eight German airplanes and was shot down himself, three times. He escaped capture twice but ended the war in Stalag Luft 17A. He was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross, Silver Star, two Distinguished Flying Crosses and the Bronze Star. Dahlberg currently resides in Carefree, Ariz.

Col. Archie Donahue

Donahue became an "Ace in a Day" by shooting down five enemy airplanes on one mission. In fact, he accomplished this feat twice. Between his arrival on Guadalcanal in September 1942 and June 1943, he shot down nine Japanese A6M Zero fighters, one while flying the Wildcat and eight while flying the Corsair. In all, he flew 215 missions during the war and was credited with 14 confirmed aerial victories. He was awarded the Navy Cross, three Distinguished Flying Crosses, five Air Medals and numerous citations. Donahue currently resides in Harlingen.

Col. Joe M. Jackson

When Jackson enlisted in the United States Army Air Forces three days past his 18th birthday, he had no idea that he was embarking on a career that would encompass service in three wars. He would fly almost every kind of airplane in the Air Force inventory, from Fairchild's PT-19 trainer to Fairchild's C-123 transport. It would be as the pilot of the ungainly C-123 that Jackson, while serving in Vietnam, would receive the Medal of Honor. Currently, Jackson resides in Kent, Wash.

Capt. Stanley W. Vejtas

Vejtas, flying an SBD, shot down two Japanese aircraft during the Battle of the Coral Sea. After the Battle of the Coral Sea, Vejtas was assigned to fly F4F Wildcats. During the Battle of Santa Cruz in October 1942, Vejtas was leading a combat air patrol from the U.S.S. Enterprise when they spotted a formation of Aichi D3A Val Dive-bombers over the American task force. Vejtas dispatched two of the Vals before taking on 11 Kate torpedo bombers making a run on the Enterprise. Vejtas shot down five of those planes, scattering attackers before they had a chance to finish their torpedo runs. Officially credited with 11 victories, Vejtas' awards include three Navy crosses. Vejtas currently resides in Escondido, Calif.

Col. Bruce E. Wallace

Wallace flew 46 missions, most of them on a B-17 as tail gunner. In a Feb. 3, 1945, mission over Berlin, Wallace's B-17 was forced to land deep inside Germany after being hit by flak. Wallace struggled to the cockpit, helped the wounded pilot gain control of the Fortress and guided it to a crash landing. That was the third time Wallace was shot down but the first time he was captured. Later, while being taken to a prisoner of war camp, Wallace and four other captives killed their guards and escaped. Evading capture for two days, Wallace made contact with the Dutch underground and was eventually returned to England. In his military career in World War II, Korea and Vietnam, he earned three Silver Stars, the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Soldiers Medal, four Bronze Stars and five Purple Hearts. Wallace currently resides in Midland.

Capt. Jay Zeamer

On June 16, 1943, Zeamer lifted off in his B-17 for a photo reconnaissance flight over the Solomon Islands. Unknown to the pilots, the Japanese had recently moved 400 fighters into the area. Zeamer's B-17 was attacked head-on. The Fortress was badly damaged, and the bombardier, Second Lt. Joseph Samoski, was killed. A second attack knocked out the plane's oxygen, hydraulic systems and instruments. Zeamer, weak with pain from his injuries, remained at the plane's controls until the attack ended. For their heroic roles, Zeamer and Samoski were awarded the Medal of Honor. Zeamer currently resides in Albuquerque, N.M.

The Tuskegee Airmen

When 12 cadets and one officer reported to primary training in July 1941 at Moton Airfield near Tuskegee, Ala., African Americans entered service in the U.S. Army Air Corps. This class was the result of the hard-won struggle for their right to serve their country as combat aviators. During their exceptional service, the Tuskegee Airmen received one Silver Star, 150 Distinguished Flying Crosses, 14 Bronze Stars, two Soldier's Medals, 744 Air Medals, one Legion of Merit and three Distinguished Unit Citations. More importantly, in more than 200 bomber escort missions, the unit never lost a single bomber to enemy aircraft fire. No other group equaled that record.

Caseworker says mother "likely" knew daughter fell from moving car

DALLAS (AP) — A Dallas Child Protective Services caseworker says the mother of a Dallas toddler who climbed out of the window of her moving car to her death "likely" knew the child had fallen from the car but continued driving home.

Amanda Estrada died Sept. 24 after falling out of the car, driven by Suarez, and falling onto the pavement of a bridge spanning the Trinity River. The Dallas County Medical Examiner's Office ruled the death an accident by blunt-force trauma, but there was no word on whether the child died upon impact with the pavement or by being hit by two cars.

Dallas police and CPS are con-

ducting investigations into the incident to see if Suarez was negligent. An attorney representing the family denied the allegations.

"These are good, solid people. The cops and the CPS are trying to frame the facts in a way that is most beneficial to them. These parents are wrongfully accused," Gary P. Krupkin told The Dallas Morning News in Wednesday's editions.

Amanda's siblings, a 2-year-old girl and a 6-year-old boy, were placed in a foster home in Dallas County on Friday.

A hearing to determine whether the children will remain in a foster home is scheduled for next week.

OBITUARIES



Ruby Giddings

Memorial services for Ruby Giddings, 86, will be Thursday night at 7 p.m. at the Thomas Funeral Home Chapel. Rev. Leroy Hunt will officiate.

Funeral Services will be in Calvert, Texas on Saturday, Oct. 9, at 11 a.m. at the Shiloh Baptist Church in Calvert with Rev. John Homer officiating. Burial will be in Cottonwood Cemetery, under the direction of Thomas Funeral Home.

Born November 30, 1913 in Reagan Falls County, she attended Reagan Public School. She moved to Calvert, Texas, then to Midland. She was active in the Mount Rose Baptist

Church as a musician, then at St. John's Baptist Church. Later, she became a member of Greater New Hope Baptist Church where she served as an usher and Deaconess.

Preceding her in death was her husband, Ceromie Giddings, May 14, 1978.

She leaves to cherish her memory her daughter, Ruby Jewel Coleman of Dallas; two granddaughters, Debra Mitchell Akbar and her husband, Hassan Akbar, and Orchid Mitchell Hill and her husband, Warren Hill; and two grandsons, Geromie Coleman and Terrance Coleman, all of Midland.

Byrne O'Neill Sr.

Mrs. Byrne O'Neill and her children announce the passing of their beloved husband and father, Henry Byrne O'Neill Sr. Mr. O'Neill died on Tuesday, October 3, 2000, of injuries suffered in an accident.

Byrne O'Neill was born on November 6, 1922, in Phoenixville, Pa. He was the sixth of nine brothers. After serving as a lieutenant in the U.S. Navy during World War II, he graduated from the University of Notre Dame in 1947. He married the former Mary L. "Mitzi"

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 3:30 p.m. and information must be either received from or verified by a funeral home.

ried the former Mary L. "Mitzi" Derham in 1953, and they had been married for 47 years.

Byrne moved to Midland in 1956, where he worked as a landman for O'Neill Properties Ltd. for nearly 44 years. Mr. O'Neill was extremely active in a wide variety of charities and other community causes in Midland throughout that time.

Mr. O'Neill is survived by his wife, Mitzi, of Midland; six children: Hank and his wife, Avery, of Plano, Sean of San Antonio, Kathy Reed and her husband, Peter, of Richardson, Richie and his wife, Dee, of Denver, Colo., Jim of New York City, and Patty Looose and her husband, Ike, of Austin; and eleven

grandchildren: Ashley and Ben O'Neill of Plano, Megan O'Neill of Calgary, Alberta, Corey and Patrick Reed of Richardson, Christopher, Emily, David, and Anne of Denver, and Connor and Ryan Looose of Austin.

A burial ceremony with military honors will be held at 9:30 a.m. on Friday, October 6th, at Resthaven Memorial Park. A Mass of the Resurrection will follow at 11:00 a.m. at St. Ann's Catholic Church. The family requests that memorials be directed to Hospice of Midland, P.O. Box 2621, Midland, TX 79702 or St. Ann's Altar Society Memorial Fund, 1908 W. Texas, Midland, TX 79701.

DEATH NOTICES

Earl Mays

Earl L. Mays died Tuesday, Oct. 3.

Services will be held in Charlotte, N.C. under the direction of Reyes-Garcia Funeral Home.

He was born June 19, 1921 in Richland County, Iowa.

He lived in Centralia, Ill., then moved to the Midland-Odessa-Big Spring area in 1958. He owned an oil tank maintenance company for several years. He moved to Charlotte, N.C. in 1966, returning to Midland in July of this year.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Margaret Leuth Mays; and a stepson, Roger Baruth.

Survivors include a daughter, Earlette L. Mays of Midland; three stepsons, John Sietmann of Stanfield, N.C., Jim Sietmann of Charlotte, N.C., and Skip Sietmann of Matthews, N.C.; and 10 grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of Midland, P.O. Box 2621, Midland, 79702.

Garner Weaver

VAN BUREN, Ark. — Former Midlander T. Garner Weaver, 78, died Tuesday, Oct. 3, at a local nursing home.

Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Friday, Oct. 6 at Edwards Van-Alma Chapel. Burial will be at Fort Smith National Cemetery in Fort Smith, Ark. Visitation will be 6-7:30 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home, 501-474-5081.

He was a district superintendent for Mesa Pipeline in Houston before retiring. He was a member of Harmony Baptist Church in Alma. He was a member of the American Legion Post No. 31.

Survivors include his wife, Wanda Weaver of Van Buren; two daughters, Wanda Tidwell of Austin and Margaret Parsley of Sherman; two sons, T.G. Weaver Jr. of Lebanon, Ore. and Dan L. Weaver of Houston; two sisters, Dacia Lou Burrow of Branson, Mo. and Emily Haskins of Wildwood, Fla.; eight grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren.

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Jimmy Smith

TULSA — James H. "Jimmy" Smith, 22, died Saturday, Sept. 23, at St. Francis Hospital in Tulsa, Oklahoma, following a short illness. A memorial service was held at the Sunnybrook Christian Church in Stillwater, Oklahoma on Sept. 27, with burial following in Duncanville, Texas.

He was born on July 2, 1978 in Duncanville.

He was a graduate of Greenwood High School in Greenwood, Arkansas. At the time of his death, he was attending Oklahoma State University on a cheerleading scholarship. He was active in C.C.F.I. in Stillwater, a Christian Youth Organization.

He is survived by his mother, Debbie Chandler of Midland; his father, James H. Smith of Cedar Hills; his sisters, Tammy Smith and Ashley Chandler, both of Midland; and his brother, Taylor Chandler, also of Midland.

Memorials may be made to the Jimmy Smith Cheerleading Scholarship Fund at OSU.

Alicia Gonzales

PECOS — Alicia Paz Gonzales, 53, died Wednesday, Oct. 4, at a local nursing home.

Graveside services will be 10 a.m. Friday, Oct. 6, at Greenwood Cemetery. Visitation will be today, Oct. 5, at Martinez Funeral Home. A rosary will be said at 7:30 p.m. today at the funeral home.

She was born September 24, 1947 in Del Rio.

She was an elementary teacher. She was a Catholic.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Jose R. Paz and Josefa Cruz Paz;

Survivors include a son, Edward J. Gonzales; and three brothers, Jose Robert Paz Jr. of Midland, and Alfredo Paz and Guadalupe Paz, both of Pecos.

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ated by the Alpine Fighter Collection of Wanaka, New Zealand, are three of only nine flyable examples in existence. All three planes will fly during the event and also be on display.

Other highlights of AirSho 2000 will include the return of the CAF's B-29 Superfortress Fifi and the B-24LB3-Diamond Lil. Due to a 20-month preventive maintenance program, the B-

29 and the B-24LB30 did not fly at last year's event.

The majority of the CAF's 144 planes are also expected to attend the event including the CAF's two B-17 Flying Fortresses, the rare SBD Dauntless bomber, the World's last flying SB2C Helldiver and the German He 111 bomber and Ju 52 Junkers, plus many more.

Gates open at 7:30 a.m. on both days with flying starting at 1 p.m. on Saturday, and 11:30 a.m., Sun-

day. Both day's events will include the CAF's Airpower Demonstration — recreations of some of history's most famous air battles, including the surprise attack on Pearl Harbor, battles of the Pacific and European theaters and the fateful attack on the Japanese mainland. Incorporated into the Airpower Demonstration will be a D-Day reenactment including a parachute jump by the Texas National Guard.

Following the Saturday's after-

noon performance, AirSho 2000 will continue with a special nighttime presentation. Those attending will be treated to an array of outstanding nighttime flying acts as well as a 15-minute fireworks spectacular and a concert/dance featuring the Bellamy Brothers.

For more information on AirSho 2000 call (915) 563-1000 or go to www.airsho.org.

Trial begins in death-of-child case

By Brian Rogers

Staff Writer

Matthew Dewayne Burdick's trial began Wednesday in connection with the death of 14-month-old Camron Swaboda, and the defense is expected to begin calling witnesses today.

Burdick, 21, was arrested February 2, on capital murder charges stemming from an incident on January 27.

The prosecution alleges Burdick held the child while kneeling and "slammed" him face first in to the carpeted floor.

Among the evidence presented by the prosecution was an interview with Burdick taped by the police in which Burdick said he slammed the child's head into the floor and then lied about it to his wife.

"I was frustrated. I was wanting him to be quiet," Burdick said, according to the recording.

Burdick and his wife were residing on Siesta Lane with their three children. Camron Swaboda was in their care while his father, Donald Swaboda, had a cross-country truck driving job.

Although the incident occurred on Thursday, January 27, Burdick and his wife didn't take Camron to the hospital until Saturday, January 29, according to testimony.

Camron died of complications relating to a subdural hematoma, a severe injury to the brain.

According to Donald Swaboda's sister, Reena Green, 21, of Odessa, Camron's mother moved to Alabama, leaving Donald and Camron and taking their other

child.

Ms. Green said she had to tell Swaboda, who was in Pennsylvania at the time, that Camron was dead.

The prosecution rested Wednesday afternoon after calling Leanna Burdick, the defendant's wife; the Burdick's part-time babysitter; the neurosurgeon who operated on Camron; the Dallas medical examiner who performed the autopsy, and the two investigating detectives, Ricardo Candelaria and Kay Therwanger.

The defense will be calling witnesses today.

According to earlier reports, the case is classified as capital murder because of the age of the child.

Former fire marshal sentenced for having child pornography

WEBSTER (AP) — A former Webster fire marshal has been sentenced to two years and nine months in prison for having child pornography on his city computer, federal prosecutors announced Wednesday.

Wesley Joseph Slanina, 45, also was fined \$2,000 after being convicted on two counts

of possession of child pornography in July.

According to prosecutors, a computer technician working on Slanina's office computer notified the city that illegal material was stored inside. An FBI investigation confirmed the technician's suspicions.

Webster is between Houston and Galveston.

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Playmate inheritance trial's first full day of testimony begins

HOUSTON (AP) — The glitz and glamour former Playboy Playmate of the Year Anna Nicole Smith brought to her inheritance dispute dissipated Wednesday, when lawyers turned to the meat of the probate trial: a tangled 1980 business fight among her late tycoon husband and his sons.

The former stripper and Guess? Jeans model was just 12 years old when future husband and oil magnate J. Howard Marshall II disinherited his eldest son and namesake. But the decision to cut J. Howard Marshall III out of the will would shape the inheritance to which Smith, 32, lays a claim and give her an unusual courtroom ally — a stepson nearly twice her age.

Lawyers for J. Howard Marshall III, 63, spent the first full day of testimony Wednesday attacking sole heir E. Pierce Marshall, 61.

Both Smith and Howard Marshall III sued him for a piece of the fortune, estimated to be worth as much as \$1.6 billion of as little as \$48 million. The unlikely duo both claim Howard Marshall II orally promised each of them part of his wealth.

At the heart of Wednesday's testimony was what happened when Howard Marshall III supported an expansion of the board of directors at Koch Industries, Inc., the nation's second-largest privately held company.

The eldest Marshall held a 14.7 percent stake in Koch, a Wichita, Kan.-based oil pipeline and refining concern he helped found, and sat on its board.

When Howard Marshall III suggested temporarily disbanding the board and adding new members along with the original team, the elder Marshall believed his son was trying to replace him on the board and cut

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— Pierce Marshall, sole heir of Marshall estate

him out of his will.

"My brother was part of a group that was putting themselves onto the board and putting dad in a minority position using Marshall stock," Pierce Marshall testified under questioning from attorney Terry Giles. "He was putting the family jewels in jeopardy."

Compounding the slight was the perception that Howard Marshall III, to force the board changes, was using Koch stock his father gave him as a wedding

present, Pierce Marshall said.

The Koch stock is the most contested piece of the estate: its value alone accounts for the \$1.5 billion difference in price tags given the estate by the warring sides. Smith and Howard Marshall III prefer the higher value, while Pierce Marshall says the stock is worth far less.

Howard Marshall III's attorneys contend that Pierce Marshall lied to his parents about his brother's true intentions in the board shakeup, which in turn led

to the disinheritance.

Giles pointed to a letter the younger Marshall son wrote to his father, in which he listed ways Howard Marshall II could punish his eldest son. Pierce Marshall also led his father to incorrectly believe that the legal procedure to expand the board under Howard Marshall III's plan — a disbandment and re-election — would automatically result in Howard Marshall II being kicked off, Giles said.

"Everybody would have been off the board for the millisecond between de-election and election back on, right?" Giles asked.

"Correct," Pierce Marshall replied, later modifying his answer to say there was no guarantee his father would be re-elected.

Some of the trial's thrill was gone Wednesday. Besides the dry testimony about boardroom

warfare some 20 years ago, the star power literally left the courtroom at the lunch break.

Smith left for the rest of the day, suffering from an upset stomach and stress from the trial's rigors, her lawyers said. And it's only the third day of a case expected to stretch into December.

So complex is the trial that some two dozen lawyers are jammed into the court's well, seated six abreast in several rows, flanked by piles of documents.

The model's love story — or calculated money grab, depending on which side is talking — began when she met the wheelchair-bound, diaper-wearing oil tycoon at Rick's Cabaret, a Houston strip club, and started dating him in 1991. The couple married in 1994, when she was 26 and he was 89.

Activists want R.J. Reynolds 'better' cigarette off market

WASHINGTON (AP) — Anti-smoking groups said Wednesday they want R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. to stop test-marketing its experimental cigarette after an independent study found that Eclipse, touted as safer than ordinary cigarettes, poses many of the same health risks.

The company refused, said its testing supports the claims, and questioned the conclusions of the study commissioned by the state of Massachusetts, contending they were drawn from limited data.

RJR says Eclipse, which heats rather than burns tobacco, delivers 80 percent fewer carcinogens than typical "ultralight" cigarettes and "may present less risk of cancer associated with smoking."

Several anti-smoking groups said the claim was misleading because some of the cigarettes used for comparison are not commercially available.

RJR began test-marketing Eclipse on April 19, only in the Dallas-Fort Worth area, and that will continue, spokesman Seth Moskowitz said.

"There is no such thing as a safer cigarette," said M. Cass Wheeler, chief executive officer of the American Heart Association. Wheeler said RJR's promotion "is cynically calculated to deceive the public about the true nature of Eclipse and the dangers it continues to pose to smokers."

The Massachusetts tests found that, compared with RJR's low-tar Now King Size Hard Pack ultralights, Eclipse has 734 percent more acetaldehyde and 475 percent more acrolein, two cancer-causing agents.

Two of the most potent carcinogens, Benzo(a)pyrene, or BaP, and NNK, were found at roughly the same levels as in Brown & Williamson's Carlton King Size Soft Pack and Eclipse, but were far lower in Now King Size.

Gary T. Burger, RJR's executive vice president of research

and development, said the "comparisons do not, in any way, change the fact that an extensive battery of scientific tests indicates that Eclipse cigarettes may present smokers with less risk of certain smoking-related diseases than other cigarettes."

Dr. Gregory Connolly of the Massachusetts Tobacco Control Project said he would urge attorneys general to investigate whether RJR is violating the 1998 agreement that prohibits cigarette makers from misrepresenting the health risks of their product. The agreement settled a multistate lawsuit against the tobacco industry.

Because Eclipse heats instead of burns its tobacco, RJR claims the cigarette releases nicotine, glycerin, carbon monoxide and other toxins at lower levels than typical cigarettes.

Matthew Myers, president of the Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids, said the Massachusetts study points to the need for Congress to give the Food and Drug Administration the power to regulate tobacco. The Supreme Court ruled in March that the FDA lacks authority to regulate tobacco as an addictive drug.

"That is just something we are going to have to look into," said Mark Heckmann, a spokesman with Texas Attorney General John Cornyn's office.

According to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, cardiovascular disease and cancer account for 79 percent of the more than 400,000 smoking-related deaths in the United States each year.

On the Net:

R.J. Reynolds Co. Eclipse site: <http://www.eclipse.rjt.com>
Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids: <http://tobaccofreekids.org>
American Cancer Society: <http://www.cancer.org>
American Society of Addiction Medicine: <http://www.asam.org>
Massachusetts Dept. of Public Health: <http://www.magnet.state.ma.us/dph/dphhome.htm>

Challenge to RV owners' voting rights stopped temporarily

HOUSTON (AP) — A challenge to the voting rights of 9,000 recreational vehicle enthusiasts in Polk County briefly was revived Wednesday before a federal judge handed down an order blocking it.

The ruling by U.S. District Judge Howell Cobb came after three RV owners earlier Wednesday filed a motion in federal court in Lufkin claiming their rights were being violated under the U.S. Voting Rights Act.

Cobb's ruling superseded, at least temporarily, a ruling made earlier Wednesday by the 9th Court of Appeals in Beaumont that blocked a lower court's temporary injunction against the challenge, pending a hearing in the appellate court.

Cobb will hold a hearing on the matter at 10 a.m. Friday in Beaumont.

The voting flap began Sept. 11 when the three RV owners — all residents of Polk County — filed a challenge to the voting rights of about 9,000 people who list an RV park in Livingston as their physical address in the county.

They allege that the RV park inhabitants, who call themselves the Escapes, are not county residents because they spend most of the year on the road and have their mail forwarded to out-of-county addresses.

Polk County Tax Assessor-Collector Marion A. Smith in September sent about 1,000 confirmation notices notifying residents of the challenge.

If the RV owners failed to return the notices within 30 days, they would be placed on the county's "suspense list," meaning

they would need to meet additional requirements before being allowed to vote in the Nov. 7 election.

The secretary of state's office, backed by Attorney General John Cornyn, asked Smith to stop until the issue could be explored. The state Attorney General's Office also filed an appeal with the Texas Supreme Court on Wednesday to overrule the 9th Court of Appeals' ruling.

The case has come before a myriad of judges.

On Sept. 15, visiting Judge Oliver Kitzman granted a temporary restraining order to prevent further mailings. But a week later, Senior District Judge P.K. Reiter in Polk County allowed the challenge to proceed.

On Monday, state District Judge Olen Underwood stopped the challenge. Wednesday, the appeals court in Beaumont kicked-started the challenge before Cobb stopped it.

"All these people have to do is mail back the notice. What's the problem?" said Austin attorney Buck Wood, who represents the three Polk County residents who challenged the RV owners voting rights. "Are they very worried these people live in Sun City, Ariz.?"

Wood said he believes the RV owners are trying to stall the county from sending out the confirmation notices until Saturday.

If they are mailed out after that day, it wouldn't have an effect on whether the RV owners could vote in the Nov. 7 election because they wouldn't have to be returned until after that date, Wood said.

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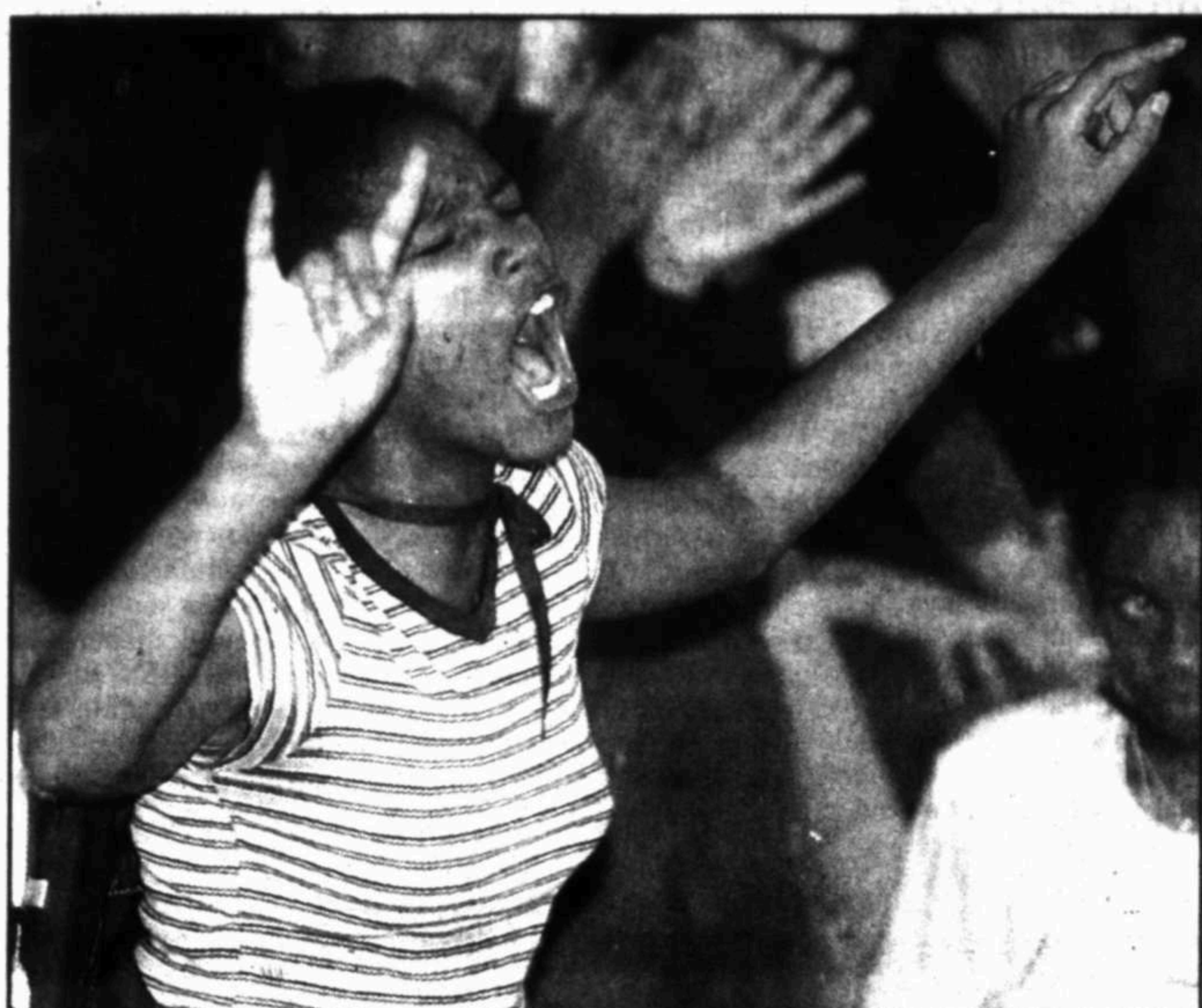
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Sixth Floor Museum plans expansion

DALLAS (AP) — The Sixth Floor Museum is planning to take its exhibition space to a new level.

Construction is scheduled to start this week to expand the museum to the seventh floor of the former Texas School Book Depository, where the Warren Commission said that Lee Harvey Oswald positioned himself for the 1963 assassination of President Kennedy.

The \$1.4 million project will double the facility's exhibition space from 9,000 to 18,000 square feet.

"What we have at the museum is a capacity problem," Jeff West, executive director of The Sixth Floor, told The Dallas Morning News. "In the summer months especially, it's crowded and we have long lines. And we don't know how many people,

because of that, just walk away." The museum opened 11 years ago.

The first part of the expansion calls for connecting the two floors by extending the shaft of the special elevator that takes about 20,000 visitors annually directly to The Sixth Floor. A stairwell also will be added to connect the floors.

Then, contractors will begin preparing the seventh floor, now used as storage space for Dallas County. Officials hope to open the new floor next summer.

West said that instead of focusing on the events surrounding the assassination of Kennedy, the seventh floor would showcase the American presidency itself. For example, exhibits might include a presentation on first ladies or the White House.

West said the intent is to cap-

ture more first-time and repeat local visitors. He compared The Sixth Floor to the Statue of Liberty in that many New Yorkers view the landmark as solely a tourist attraction.

Even out-of-towners said they would return for the new exhibit.

"I'd definitely come back and see it again," said Orien Denham, a resident of Alexandria, La., taking his first tour. "I think it would be great."

To help raise the museum's profile in North Texas, the advertising firm Publicis-Mid America volunteered to produce a free marketing campaign.

The company has proposed putting up some billboards, running print and television ads, and placing airport dioramas to help spread the word around North Texas.

Cornyn, Harris County announce lawsuit

AUSTIN (AP) — A lawsuit has been filed against four people alleged to have been soliciting payments from hundreds of businesses nationwide for bogus advertisements in non-existent law enforcement publications, Texas Attorney General John Cornyn said Wednesday.

State District Judge Tracy Christopher in Houston signed a temporary restraining order forbidding John Gilbert Robinson, Nathaniel Peace, Bruce Lynn Middleton and Cedaniel Middleton from conducting business in Texas until they comply with the law, Cornyn said.

The four are accused of operating the fraudulent telemarketing operation from Houston.

The lawsuit, announced by Cornyn and Harris County Attorney Michael Fleming, seeks unspecified fines, penalties, attor-

ney's costs and restitution.

Cornyn said the defendants have used a variety of different names for their publications that imply affiliation with state troopers, sheriffs, and police.

Some of the non-existent publications they use are The State Police Journal, State Police Enforcers Journal, Police Enforcers Journal and the Trooper Yearbook, Cornyn said.

The defendants had several people working for them who would call out-of-state companies and ask for money for the publication advertisements, Cornyn said.

None of the defendants are registered as public safety publications or as telemarketers as required by Texas law, Cornyn said.

On the Net:
Attorney General's Office:
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Man accused of threatening Bush

HUNTINGTON, W.Va. (AP) — A Cabell County man accused of threatening Texas Gov. George W. Bush was released on bond Wednesday and ordered confined to his home while his case is pending.

Roger W. Deal of Ona waived his right to a preliminary hearing. The case now heads to a federal grand jury.

U.S. Magistrate Maurice Taylor set bond at \$10,000, but did not require Deal or his family to put up cash or property to secure it. Deal will be confined to his 30-

acre farm near Ona except to work with a court-appointed public defender or to keep medical appointments at the Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Huntington, Taylor said.

Deal was arrested Saturday by U.S. Secret Service agents after an employee at a shopping mall reported that he told her, "I'm going home to warm up my gun. I heard George W. Bush is coming to Huntington."

Bush, the Republican presidential nominee, campaigned in Huntington on Monday and spent

the night before going to Boston for a debate Tuesday with Vice President Al Gore.

James Ramicone, a Secret Service special agent in Charleston, said Deal matches the profile that agents are trained to look for when investigating possible assassination threats.

"We look for related behavior prior to the threat (like) stalking behavior or violence in the past, or possible health problems that leave people feeling like they have ... nothing to lose," Ramicone said.

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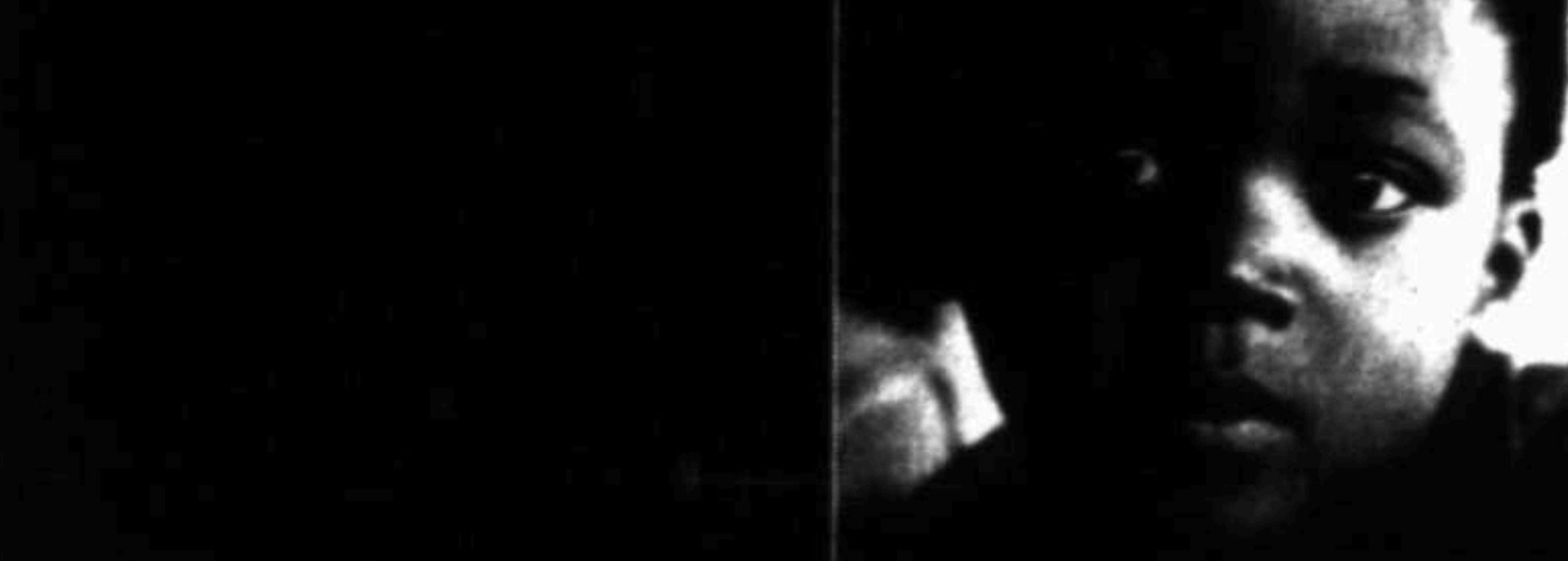
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Associated P

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Army fires missiles in Gaza; Palestinian boy, 13, killed

By Laura King
Associated Press

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip — Fierce fighting erupted Wednesday in the West Bank and Gaza Strip, with Israeli troops firing armor-piercing missiles after an isolated army outpost came under Palestinian gunfire. But an uneasy calm reigned in much of the Palestinian territories amid a U.S.-mediated peace effort.

Seven Palestinians died Wednesday, including a 13-year-old boy killed by Israeli fire in fighting at Netzarim Junction in central Gaza, scene of some of the worst clashes in a week-long spasm of violence. In all, the fighting has left 64 people dead and more than 1,800 injured, most of them Palestinians.

Israel agreed to pull forces back from West Bank positions in an attempt to end the violence, according to Israeli officials at a summit meeting in Paris between Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak and Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat, mediated by U.S. Secretary of State Madeleine Albright.

In the northern West Bank town of Tulkarem, a 22-year-old Palestinian man was shot dead in a protracted firefight. In the divided town of Hebron, a 19-year-old Palestinian died in one of several exchanges of fire between a hilltop in the Palestinian sector and the Israeli-controlled downtown sector below, where the army imposed a curfew on some 30,000 Palestinian residents.

The violence also crept closer to Jerusalem. Palestinians shot at four homes in the Jewish neighborhood of Gilo on the southern edge of the city, close to Bethlehem, police said. There were no injuries.

At the Jewish settlement of Netzarim, onlookers said army helicopters shot five rockets at buildings near the army outpost, and that live bullets were fired into a stone-throwing crowd. Hundreds of terrified protesters flung themselves flat on the ground.

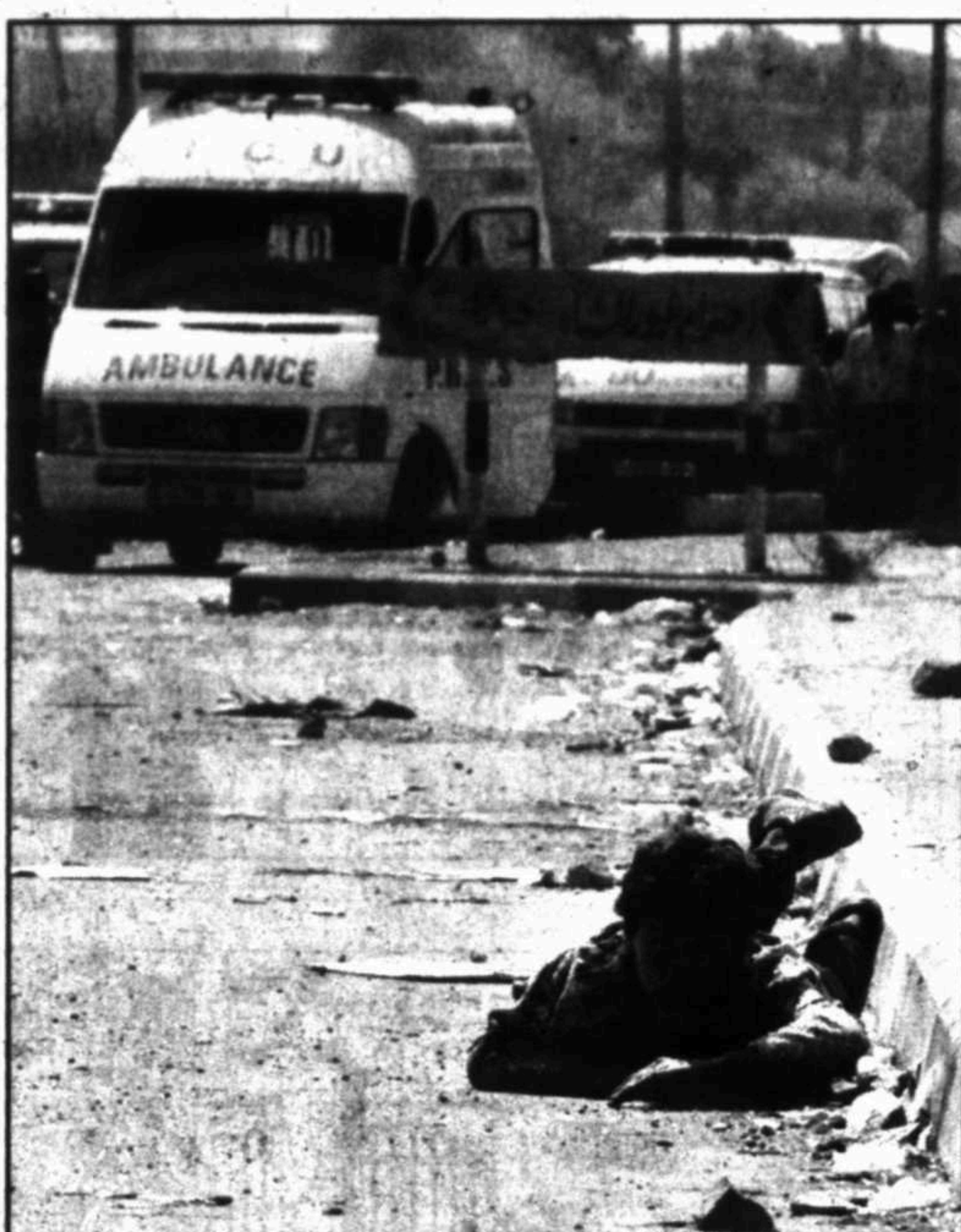
"I was very scared," said 18-year-old Hanan el-Habiba. "I couldn't see because of the dust, or hear because of the big roar of the missiles."

Thirteen-year-old Muhammad Abu-Asy was running from the helicopter when he was shot and killed, said Palestinian medic Yasser Ashour, adding that it was not clear whether the fire came from the gunship or the army post. The medic said the boy was dead by the time he reached him, and that he and his colleague were struck by rubber bullets when they tried to lift the boy's body into the ambulance.

When one man was wounded by a bullet or shrapnel while lying flat, fellow protesters, trying to keep as low to the ground as they could, dragged and pushed him 300 yards to an ambulance, passing him from one person to the next.

The army said the rockets were aimed at a Palestinian police post, which it said was the source of massive firing.

In the West Bank, gun battles broke out near Joseph's Tomb,



AP Photos
ABOVE: A Palestinian boy takes cover from sniper fire at the Netzarim crossing in southern Gaza Wednesday. RIGHT: An undercover Israeli security man beats a Palestinian during clashes in the east Jerusalem neighborhood of Jabel Mukaber Wednesday. Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak and Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat traveled to Paris Wednesday for U.S. arranged talks aimed at halting the carnage in the Mideast.

a Jewish enclave in the troubled town of Nablus, but Palestinian police for the first time in days moved to keep Palestinians out of the area.

Three Israeli soldiers were lightly wounded in an exchange of fire near the Palestinian town of Bet Sahour, next to Bethlehem, the Israeli military said.

As Palestinians slain in earlier fighting were buried, some young mourners went directly from funeral processions to the front lines.

In Gaza's Jabaliya refugee camp, the father of 17-year-old Omar Mohammed Suleyman wept hard as his son's body, wrapped in a white shroud, was lowered into a sandy grave. Suleyman's young friends looked on, grim-faced — and then immediately left for Netzarim, where he had been killed the day before. "Allahu akbar!" — God is great! — they shouted as they went.

Meanwhile, the radical Islamic group Hamas denounced the Paris peace effort, saying it represented "careless disregard for the blood of our martyrs." In leaflets distributed in the West Bank, the group — which violently opposes any peace accord — called for new confrontations today and Friday throughout the West Bank, Gaza and inside Israel.

sidered it a desecration of Islam's third-holiest shrine; Sharon defiantly cited right of access to the site, which is sacred to Jews as well.

Travel remained dangerous in much of the West Bank, where many Jewish settlements have been cut off from Israel because of army restrictions on civilian movements. Some Israeli motorists have been fired upon, and Palestinians have erected barricades of burning tires and boulders along some principal routes.

"We have some communities that have been cut off now for five days," said Yehudit Tayar, a spokeswoman for the Settlers' Council. "They are basically being held hostage by the Palestinian police."



Top Israeli officials renewed accusations that the Palestinian leadership had encouraged the

wave of violence. "The situation now is orchestrated, and is extremely counterproductive for the interests of the Palestinian people," Israel's deputy defense minister Ephraim Sneh told reporters in Athens, where he was to attend an armaments exhibition.

Although Israel says it is only taking the necessary measures to protect its soldiers, Palestinians say the Israelis' use of force, including attack helicopters and anti-tank missiles, is out of proportion to the threat posed by demonstrators.

"This is the first time that I've seen the rock-throwers facing tanks," said Hussein Sheik, a leader of the Tanzim, a paramilitary force aligned with Arafat's Fatah faction.

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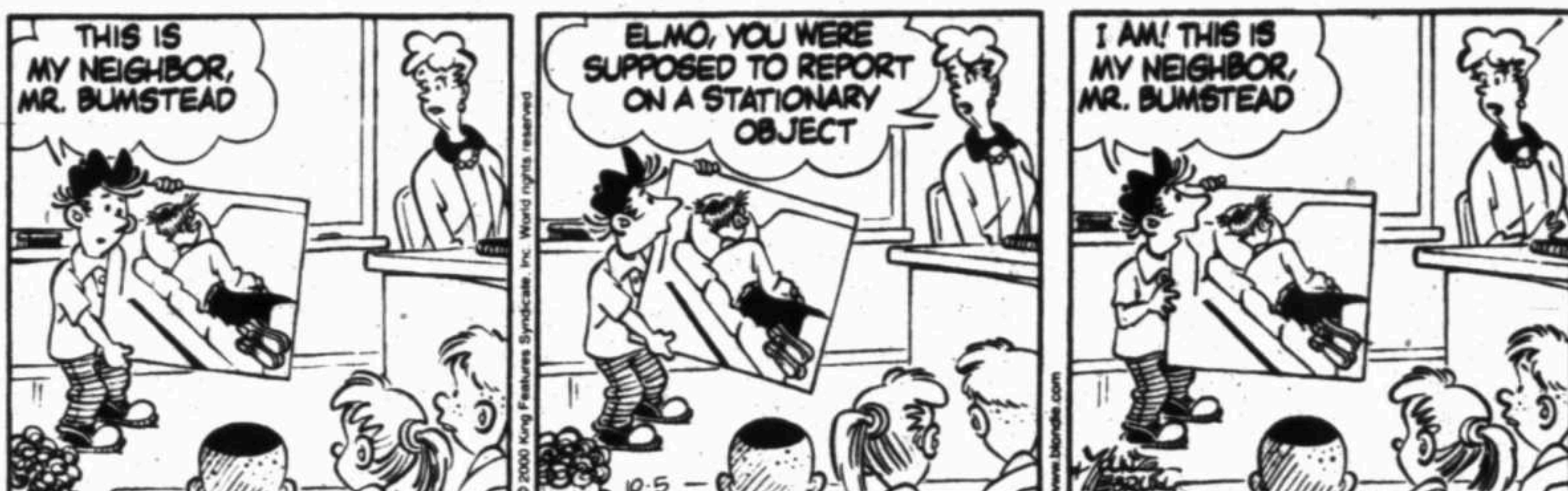
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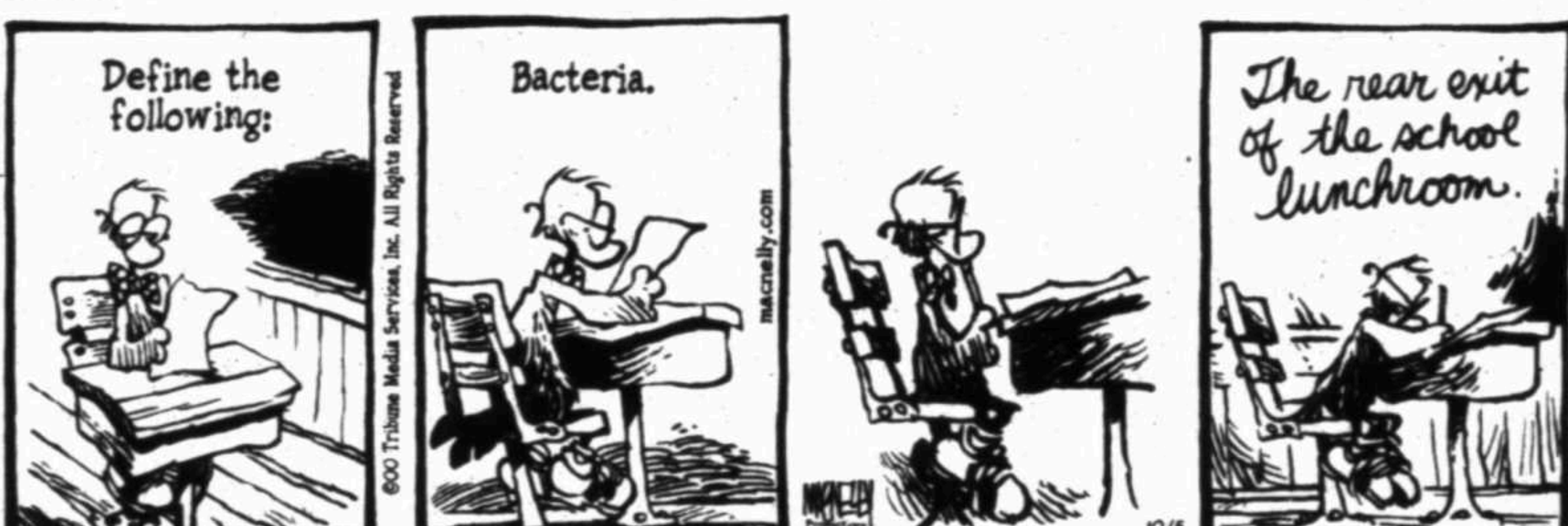
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ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ You could feel ill at ease with what you have to do professionally. You know what another wants, but delivering it might be different. Discuss your feelings with a trusted associate or partner. Ask for more of what you want. Money plays a role in a decision. Tonight: Be a role model.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★ You might want to do other things than work, but you have little choice, so network, make calls and do research. A partner gives you valuable information that helps you make a decision and head in the right direction. Tonight: Enjoy a favorite piece of music.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ Work with others and deal with finances. Let others express their ideas as you explore solutions. Go with conservative thinking. Allowing others to be part of this decision proves to be good for you. Think about what you expect. Tonight: Get together with your best friend.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ Others have a lot to share. You break past previous restrictions and reach out for others. Remain direct with loved ones who might want you to do something for them. Express what you feel is a liability or a problem. Don't swallow your feelings. Tonight: Go along with another's plans.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ Don't allow a misunderstanding to pressure you into doing something you don't want to do. A family member makes your path easier. Put extra effort into your work. Add a personal touch to your working environment. Stop and buy doughnuts on the way in. Tonight: Work late.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ Talk with a child or loved one about what is on your mind. Examine your long-term desires. Touch base with those who make a difference in your life. A check-in call means more than you realize. Don't put yourself in a financial crunch. Avoid unnecessary risks. Tonight: Play.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ Listen to another's gripes, even if you don't agree. A family member sometimes proves to be demanding, but ultimately this person is worth it. Make an effort to make another feel comfortable with you. Stop and buy a special item that will add to your home life. Tonight: At home.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ Your smile makes another happy. Don't push someone away who cares a lot about you. Let others know how you feel. Curb your imagination as well as another's through direct communication. Tonight: Your treat.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ Think about all the effort you put forth. Discuss directions and honor a change of pace. A friend might not agree with a financial choice. Recognize that it is your money, and take control. Check out potential problems that might be worrying you. Another doesn't see things the same way as you. Tonight: Your treat.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ Pressure to make a must appearance might leave you uptight. Network and touch base with friends and associates. Others seek you out and want your opinion. Streamline work, with a focus on what you must accomplish. A friendship could be developing into more. Tonight: Whatever makes you smile.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ Step back and don't get drawn into a wild idea. On some level, this idea might appeal to you. Take time, later, to explore the pros and cons. A boss or higher-up helps you out of a bind. You work better with this person than with most. Tonight: Curl up with a book.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ Aim for what you want. Another could frustrate you by not grasping your logic. Keep focused on the goal and not the immediate. Network and touch base with others. You have a unique way of understanding others. Let your compassion come out. Tonight: Where your friends are.

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Opening lead: King of ♠

The bidding and play to the early tricks tell the story of this deal. If you read it correctly, 10 tricks at four hearts do not require a lucky diamond division.

North had to decide whether to rebid one no-trump or raise to two hearts. With a ruffing value in spades and virtually all prime cards, North opted for the more encouraging raise. That enabled South to reach game in quick time.

West attacked with three rounds of clubs, declarer ruffing the third as East discarded the five and three of spades. What should have proved a simple contract turned nasty when East sluffed another spade on the second round of trumps. With a 3-2 trump split, declarer could simply draw trumps and clear the high dia-

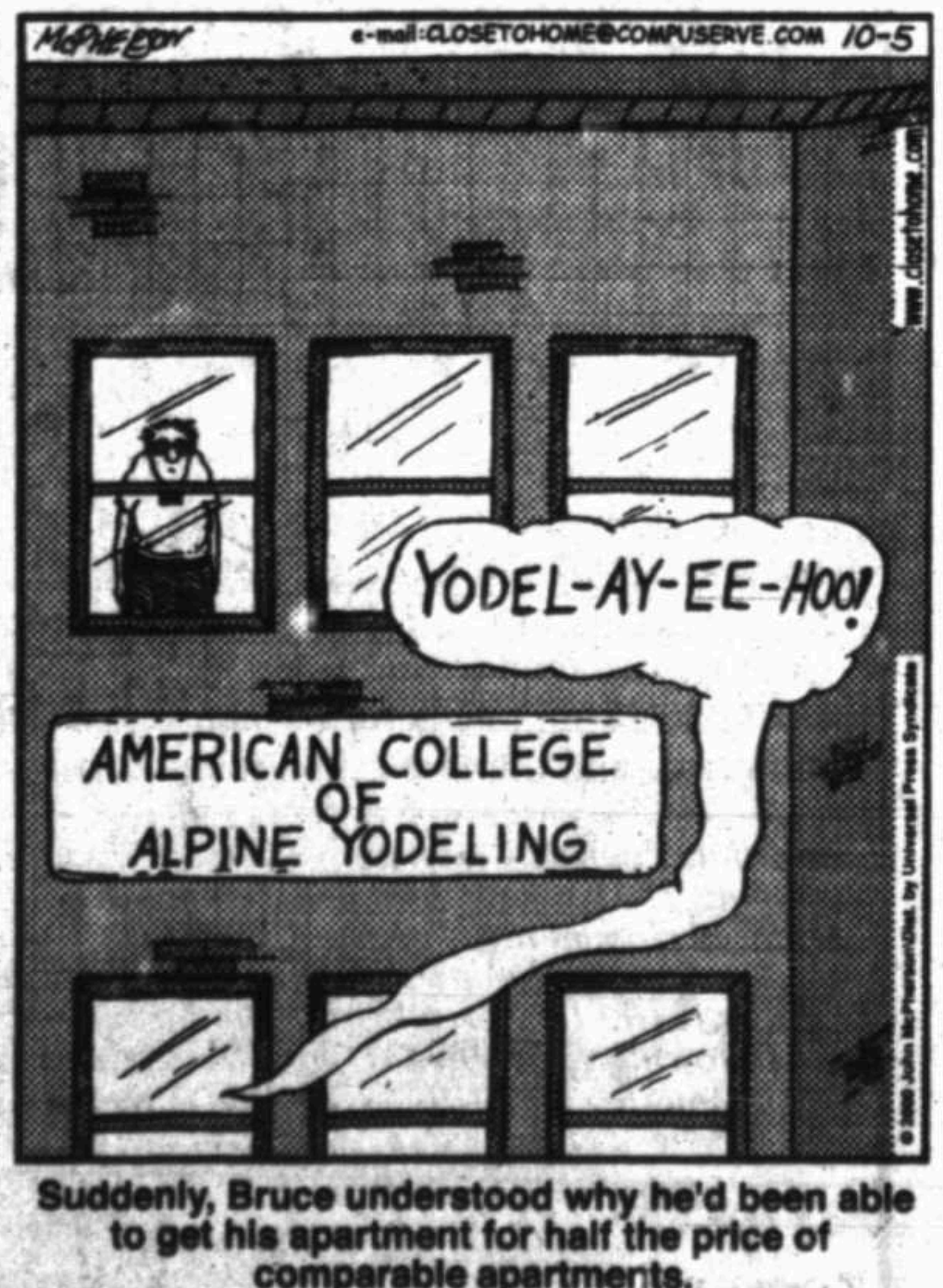
monds from the table, then get back to hand via a ruff to cash the jack of diamonds as the fulfilling trick. But since West was surely short in diamonds now declarer had to draw all the trumps before cashing the diamonds, and that would leave South with no entry back to the closed hand.

The bidding and play provided a solution to this dilemma, however. West had passed in first seat with a five-card suit headed by the top honors. With the king of spades and some distributional assets as well,

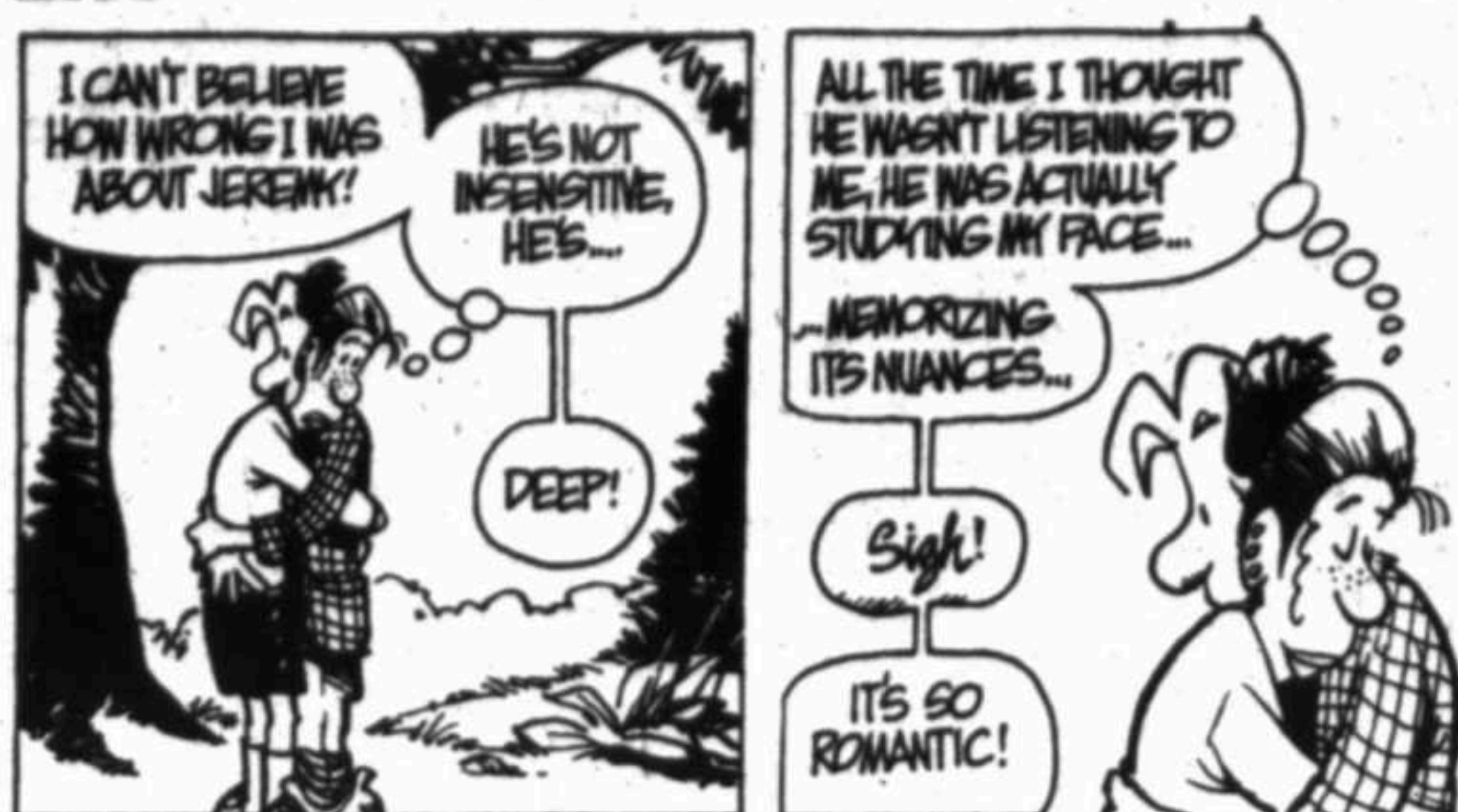
West surely would have opened the bidding. The king of spades, therefore, could safely be assigned to East, and that gave declarer a clearly marked later entry to hand.

Declarer drew the rest of the trumps, discarding the ace of spades from dummy on the last round! Now the diamonds were cleared and then declarer exited with the table's low spade. East could grab the king, but then would have to let declarer take the last two tricks by returning either a spade or a diamond to declarer's winners.

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PEOPLE TODAY

Asner appeals for life of cop killer

LOS ANGELES — Ed Asner got called into court to try to save the life of a man convicted of killing a police officer.

The actor testified Tuesday that Kenneth Gay wrote a "wonderfully encouraging" screenplay from California's death row. "A Children's Story" won a \$500 prize in a 1994 writer's workshop contest affiliated with the American Film Institute, Asner said.

"I was highly impressed," the actor said. Gay's attorneys hope Asner's words will help persuade a jury to return a sentence of life in prison rather than death by showing Gay can contribute to society.

Gay, 42, was convicted in 1985 of the murder of police Officer Paul Verna, who had stopped the car Gay was in for a traffic violation.

CHARLESTON, S.C. — Gladys Knight might want to take the midnight train to Georgia. She couldn't sell enough tickets in South Carolina to keep a concert date.

Promoter Margaret Rush canceled Thursday's show at the North Charleston Coliseum after selling only 639 out of about 5,000 tickets as of Monday. Rush said the cancellation is costing her \$40,000.

Rush said people kept telling her that folks in Charleston tend to buy tickets at the last minute, but sales didn't improve after heavy radio advertising over the weekend.

"Knight was doing extremely well in every other market," Rush said. "I don't know what it is about this market."

SAN FRANCISCO — Call it a love-in, year 2000 style. Hundreds, if not thousands, of San Franciscans are expected to gather Thursday to sing the Beatles' 1967 hit "All You Need Is Love" in Union Square.

Thursday is Beatles Day in San Francisco, the city where the Fab Four had their last public concert, in 1966. The day celebrates the publication of "The Beatles Anthology," a \$60 autobiography published by San Francisco-based Chronicle Books.

Barak agrees to pull back armament in talks with Arafat

PARIS (AP) — Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak, in a move to quell escalating violence, agreed in a meeting with Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat to pull back Israeli tanks and personnel carriers from forward positions on the West Bank and Gaza, Israeli officials said Wednesday.

The agreement, to be initiated under the supervision of Secretary of State Madeleine Albright after lengthy three-way talks, marks a step toward dispelling mistrust that has imperiled already shaky peace-making efforts between Israel and the Palestinians.

Under the deal, Israeli tanks and armored personnel carriers would be returned to military bases within the Israeli-controlled territory.

The officials, speaking after condition of anonymity, said talks would be continued today in Egypt, with the participation of Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak.

Wednesday's talks were described by the United States as intense.

The agreement came after Arafat briefly stormed out of the meeting Wednesday, returning only after Albright persuaded him to do so.

Nabil Shaath, a top aide to Arafat, said the Palestinian leader was angered by the Israeli and American refusal to set up an international inquiry into the recent bloodshed in Israel and the Palestinian areas.

"He was angry and she tried to persuade him to return, and she did persuade him to return," Shaath told The Associated Press. He did not elaborate.

The talks between the two leaders and Albright stretched late into the night. Shortly before midnight, the three hurried over to the Elysee Palace to meet with French President Jacques Chirac, who has spearheaded a European diplomatic effort to end the violence. U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan also was participating.



AP Photo
Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak, left, French President Jacques Chirac, second left, U.S. Secretary of State Madeleine Albright and Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat, right, pose on the steps of the Elysee Palace after Arafat agreed with Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak to withdraw Israeli armaments from the West Bank and Gaza, Wednesday in Paris. Albright brought Barak and Arafat together to try to get them to return to "the psychology of peacemaking."

The principals sat around a round table at the palace, with their advisers in the background.

President Clinton, in Florida for a series of fund-raisers, was briefed on the talks during the day by his national security adviser, Sandy Berger.

Albright held two rounds of separate talks with each of the leaders before convening the three-way session. She had urged them to return to the "psychology of peacemaking."

More than 60 people have been killed and in excess of 1,800 injured, most of them Palestinians, in the fighting, which was triggered by a Sept. 28 visit to Jerusalem's Al Aqsa mosque compound by right-wing Israeli politician Ariel Sharon.

In advance of the three-way meeting, Barak and Arafat passed blame for the violence. "Every morning, youngsters are

coming from Nablus. Together with policemen and with street gangs ... they are opening fire, throwing Molotov cocktails, shooting into the isolated strong positions of the Israelis," Barak said after a meeting earlier Wednesday with French President Jacques Chirac. "It is only self-defense that is executed in these places."

He called for "a clear-cut order from Chairman Arafat to his own militias and policemen to stop shooting and everything will calm down immediately."

Arafat, who met separately with Chirac, decried the "serious massacre which is being perpetrated

against the Palestinian people." He had set "protection and an international inquiry" into the violence as preconditions for the three-way meeting with Barak and Albright.

Barak's office has said he "totally rejected the call for an international investigation."

From Paris, Arafat and Barak

planned to go to Sharm el-Sheikh in Egypt to meet with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak.

In his initial two-hour session with Albright, Barak told the secretary of state that the Palestinians were violating agreements with Israel by acquiring illegal arms and shooting at soldiers, Barak's office said.

The State Department, meanwhile, issued a "worldwide caution" warning Americans to be vigilant about their personal security in light of the violence in the Middle East. These events "have raised the possibility that there may be protests in support of Palestinians throughout the Gulf region and elsewhere," the department said.

PUBLIC AUCTION

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Mariners take 2-0 series advantage

By Rick Gano
AP Sports Writer

CHICAGO — Paul Abbott pitched like a playoff veteran and Seattle's bullpen was unhittable. That's why the road-tough Mariners are headed home with a 2-0 lead over the Chicago White Sox in their division series.

Shutting down Frank Thomas and Chicago's high-scoring offense for a second straight game, the Mariners beat the White Sox 5-2 Wednesday, putting the team with the AL's best regular-season record on the verge of a quick exit. Game 3 in the best-of-five series is Friday at Safeco Field in Seattle.

"Right now, obviously, we're in some trouble," Chicago manager Jerry Manuel

said. "I think if any team can do it, we can. We won 95 games and feel we can find a way to win three more."

The Mariners won eight of their final nine road games in the regular season, including a wild card-clinching win at Anaheim last Sunday. And now they've carried it over into the postseason.

Seattle stung the White Sox 7-4 in the opener Tuesday when Edgar Martinez and John Olerud hit 10th-inning homers off Chicago relief ace Keith Foulke.

Abbott, who started the season in the bullpen, gave up just five hits and two runs over 5 2-3 innings to win in his first postseason appearance in a pro career that began in 1985.

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Giants take Game 1

SAN FRANCISCO — Livan Hernandez was his usual postseason self. Barry Bonds was a different man.

Hernandez held the Mets to five hits over 7 2-3 innings and Bonds fought back his playoff demons with an RBI triple and a key single as the San Francisco Giants beat New York 5-1 in the opener of their NL division series.

Ellis Burks hit a three-run homer as the Giants gave both manager Dusty Baker and Pacific Bell Park their first postseason wins. The new park even played a role in the victory: Bonds' triple took a fortuitous bounce off a low wall in right, while Burks' homer hit the foul pole in left.

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Pettitte's pitching ties series at 1-1

By Rob Gloster
AP Sports Writer

OAKLAND, Calif. — Andy Pettitte's near-flawless pitching and a radically revamped lineup allowed the New York Yankees to temporarily delay obituaries for the two-time defending World Series champions.

Pettitte allowed five hits in 7 2-3 scoreless innings and the Yankees defeated the Oakland Athletics 4-0 Wednesday night to tie their best-of-five AL division series at 1-1.

The Yankees, who were being derided by critics as over-the-hill champions, snapped an eight-game losing streak and a 10-game road losing streak.

"We've been down. We've been on a terrible skid," Pettitte said. "I hope this will get us going. This is a big game for us, obviously. We've really been struggling."

The playoff series moves to New York for Game 3 on Friday night, with Oakland's Tim Lincecum (20-6) — who this year became the first pitcher since 1991 to win 20 games in his first full major league season — facing Orlando Hernandez (12-13).

Glenallen Hill, in the lineup as part of New York manager Joe Torre's effort to shake up a moribund offense, broke up a scoreless game with an RBI single and Luis Sojo followed with a two-run double as the Yankees

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HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

Steers ace first test



Andrews' Rusty Rex hauls in Big Spring's Jaroe Parnell during the Steers' 21-13 District 4-4A win last Friday.

Big Spring shows off strength

By Lee Passmore
Sports Writer

Predistrict games can often be viewed as a series of tests that high school football teams must face before the final exam that is district play. But when you're playing in as big and tough a district as District 4-4A, there aren't as many of those early tests.

That's why Big Spring had to be a little concerned heading into last week's 4-4A opener with longtime rival Andrews. The Steers had lost two straight games against Hereford and

Abilene Wylie, looking particularly anemic offensively as they scored a combined total of 13 points in those two games.

Just in time, though, Big Spring came to life offensively against the Mustangs and continued its solid play on defense, opening district with a vital 21-13 road win.

"I think there was some doubt in some of our players' minds as to whether or not they could play this game," said Big Spring coach Dwight Butler, whose team hosts San Angelo Lake View Friday at 7:30 p.m. in

a 4-4A game. "I think it was a particularly good game for our offensive line to step up and prove itself."

Like a lot of other teams, Big Spring (2-2 overall, 1-0 in district) used predistrict to find out which players would best fit certain positions.

To solidify themselves in both lines, the Steers decided make some changes and stick with them. Senior Jade Hughes, the only returning starter in the offensive line, was moved to defensive tackle while junior Adam Partee took over for Hughes.

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LEE PASSMORE

RB Parnell earns MVP honors

It might have been a valid question prior to the season to ask how Big Spring was going to move the ball on the ground, seeing as how the Steers' leading ball carrier the last two seasons was no longer around.

Colby Ford would have been a senior this season, yet the talented but troubled tailback didn't return to the team for not abiding by team rules. Still, it looked as if Ford had an excellent replacement in Jason Woodruff, a converted defensive end who ran well in the final two games of last season and cracked 100 yards in each of his first two games this year.

But when Woodruff injured his knee in a loss to Abilene Wylie, the Steers looked as if they might be out of ball carriers. Jaroe Parnell, though, didn't get the message.



Passmore

Parnell, subbing for Woodruff in last week's District 4-4A opener at Andrews, gained 158 yards on 29 carries and scored a pair of touchdowns in Big Spring's 21-13 victory. That makes Parnell the rather unlikely Reporter-Telegram area MVP for the week.

"He's proven he can run the ball," said Big Spring coach Dwight Butler of Parnell. "When your line feels confident in you, you've left a great impression."

Making Parnell's evening that much more impressive was the fact that he got stronger as the game went along. Yet, Parnell didn't look like much more than a stopgap at first, as his first five carries against the Mustangs netted only a single yard.

But Parnell got more comfortable setting up blocks as the game went along, and he showed he could be a workhorse in the mold of the bigger Woodruff, who outweighs Parnell by a 195-165 margin.

"I wasn't worried about me," said Parnell of the pound-Please see PASSMORE/2C

MCHS must focus on Reagan County

By Oscar LeRoy
Sports Writer

The Midland Christian Mustangs have to be up for a few challenges this week. First, they must refocus after their emotional 24-12 victory over Stanton last Friday night. Second, they have to go up against what has to be

a very hungry 0-4 Reagan County team this Friday.

If anyone has the confidence that the Mustangs will be up for any of the above-mentioned challenges it is third-year Mustangs coach Greg McClendon, who will take his team to Big Lake to confront the Owls at 8 p.m. Friday in the last tuneup before

TAPPS District 1-4A play begins.

There's no doubt that the Mustangs are coming off an all-time high with the victory against the Buffaloes, which were No. 9 in Class 2A. McClendon, who celebrated just as much as his players, knows that his

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Jacks show they can drop gloves

By Oscar LeRoy
Sports Writer

In order to compete in the Western Professional Hockey League, a team must be willing to get physical and sometimes even throw the gloves down and get down and dirty with the opposition.

In Tuesday's 5-4 exhibition loss to Central Hockey League's San Antonio Iguanas, the Odessa Jackalopes threw down the gloves and got physical the old fashion way — by throwing a punch or two and even slamming an opponent down to the ice like Don Margette did in the second period. Jacks head coach Don McKee said his team should see more of that physical play when Odessa travels to Lubbock to face the Cotton Kings today at 7:05 p.m. in the second of three exhibition games before the Western Professional Hockey League season gets underway on Oct. 14.



"We're going to be a more physical hockey club than we were last year," McKee said. "There are two different types of physical hockey play: One is the physical hockey play where you're ready to drop the gloves. The other physical hockey play is that you're always finishing your checks, you're always pounding and you're always sure you're in the face of your opposition. I thought tonight we mostly focused on being able to drop our gloves and go. Margette went and (Jason) Disher went. There were a lot of guys who did a lot of punishing on the opposition, and that's what we're going to have to see when we play in Lubbock."

The Jacks showed some muscle on Tuesday, but McKee and his team would also like to see improvement on making easier transitions from offense to defense.

"I thought sometimes when we turned the puck over we got caught getting three-on-two's and two-on-one's coming our way," McKee said. "We're going

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Smith finally gets national title ring from Oklahoma

By Terry Williamson
Sports Editor

It's taken 50 years, but Midland's Dean Smith is going to get his ring.

Smith was a member of the 1950 Oklahoma University football team. That just happened to be the team that won OU's first national championship.

OU celebrated the 50th anniversary of that event last weekend in Norman during the OU-Kansas football game. Twenty-nine of the team's 63 members were on hand. During a Friday night reception, it was announced that the members of the 1950 team would finally be presented with long overdue national championship rings.

"We had a teammate, Ed Lisak, who just couldn't understand why we never did get rings," Smith said. "He started a movement, wrote newspapers and alumni groups and such to question why we hadn't gotten championship rings."

"Now, understand, we weren't losing a lot of sleep over this, but we're supposed to get our rings in November. Joe Castiglione, the new athletic director at OU, made the announcement and showed us a picture of what it would look like."

Smith, however, is still wearing his Big 7 championship ring he won that same season.

"It's been through a lot of mud pits and it has a lot of sentimental value, but the new one is probably going to be worn," Smith said.

Smith was a senior at OU in 1950. The team had won 31 consecutive games from 1948 through 1950 under new coach Bud Wilkinson.

Having played for Wilkinson seems to be much more important to Smith than the national title.

"Coach Wilkinson came to Tulsa Central in 1947 and gave three of us scholarships," Smith said. "We had won the state championship that year. It was the first and last for that school. If it hadn't been for Coach Wilkinson, I would never have gone to college."

"The camaraderie and leadership I saw through him taught me more than anything else football could ever do. He imparted a spirit beyond belief. It really was more like a family back then."

"Also, I think our team helped lift Oklahoma out of the Dust Bowl attitude and put pride back in the state. Coach Wilkinson influenced my life tremendously. He was a legend."

Smith started at right guard as a senior and played every defensive play as a defensive right end. In 1950, OU went undefeated in regular season play and was named as the national champion before the 1951 Sugar Bowl game.

"We were named as national champions and then we lost to Kentucky, who had Babe Parelli, 13-6 in the Sugar Bowl. We lost the first game that was in defense of our national title."

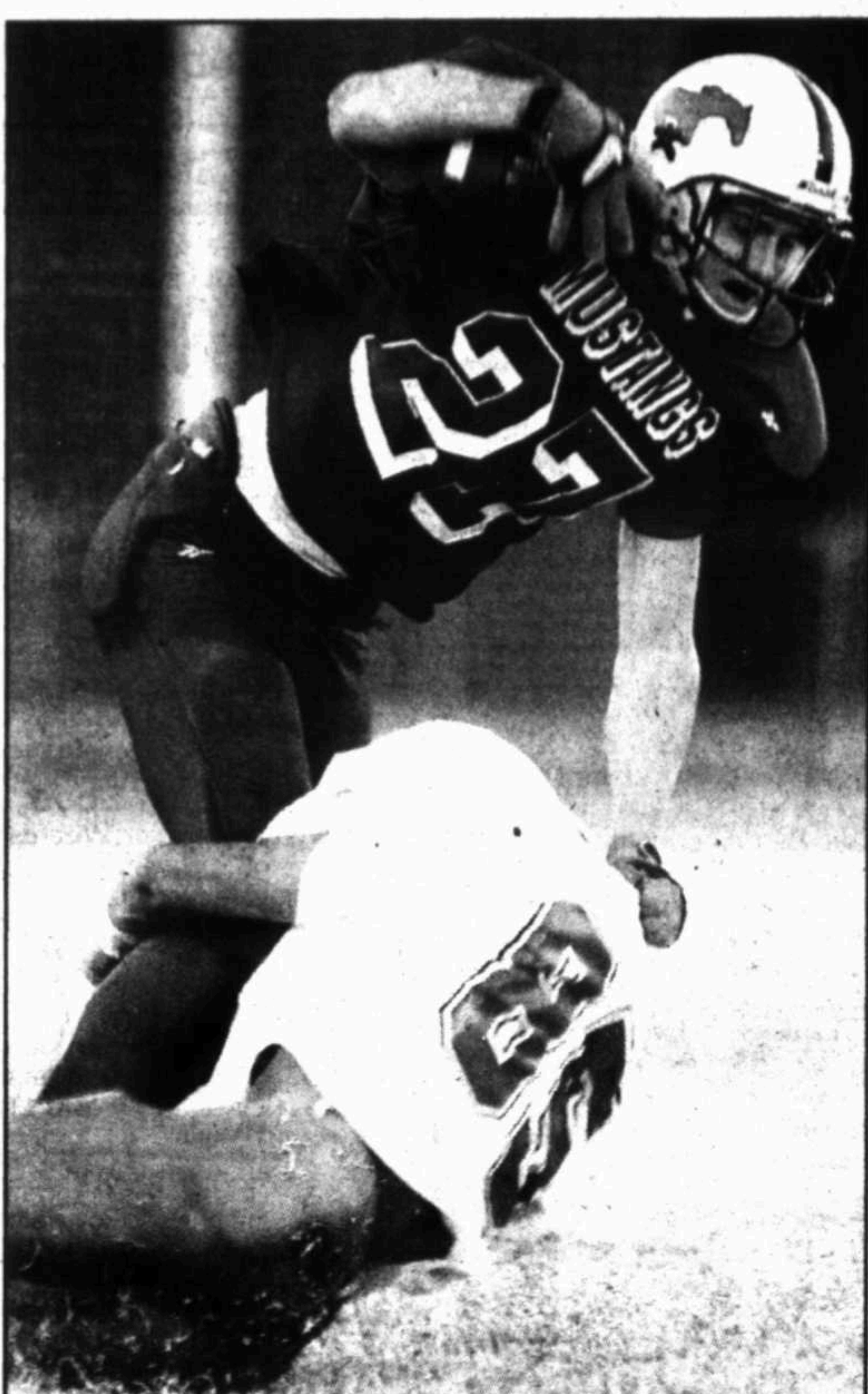
But Smith still has the good memories also.

"We beat Texas three years in a row, and back then, that was a very big deal," Smith said. "In fact, the Texas game usually decided who played and who didn't play. We also went 59 yards in the last minute of play to beat Texas A&M that year."

The Sooners had Billy Vessels as their featured running back and Claude Arnold at quarterback. Vessels went on to become OU's first Heisman Trophy

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Midland Christian's Chase Feeler is tackled by Eduardo Gallegos of Seagraves during their non-district game earlier this season.

AREA: Big Spring hosts Lake View

(From 1C)

Those moves paid off against Andrews, as Partee helped the line clear the way for 158 yards and two touchdowns for backup tailback Jaroe Parnell, and Hughes intercepted a screen pass in the final minutes, setting up the clinching touchdown.

"We've changed some people over the last few weeks so we feel that's about as good as we can get," said Butler. "We don't have a whole lot of depth so we're glad about how it worked out."

Before the season, the Steers decided to move Jason Choate and Jason Woodruff — All-District 5-4A picks at free safety and defensive end respectively — to offense, where Choate took over at quarterback and Woodruff would be the tailback.

Butler is sticking with those moves, although Choate played some defense in the first three games. However, after throwing for only 19 yards against Hereford, Choate settled permanently on offense where he has thrown the ball respectfully the last two games.

"We had to bite the bullet with a couple of kids like Choate and not have them go both ways," said Butler.

For the second week in a row, the Steers will face a foe which has been familiar in district play in the past. Along with Big

Spring, Andrews and Snyder, Lake View made the move from 5-4A to 4-4A.

Big Spring and Lake View (1-3, 0-1) hooked up in a wild one last season, which Lake View won 33-29 on a 70-yard halfback option pass with 15 seconds left in the game. The recipient of that pass, quarterback David Lankford, returns this season to lead an offense that has traditionally been strong through the air.

But the Chiefs do have a semblance of a running game, with Jumar Hall having gained 350 yards this season as the Chiefs are coming off a 31-29 loss to Levelland.

"We've worried about the pass too much and last year (the Chiefs) killed us with the run," said Butler. "They have a big offensive line so I think they're going to mix it up a little more."

The only negatives the Steers carry into the game is the uncertain status of two offensive starters. Woodruff, whom Parnell subbed for, suffered from a knee injury against Andrews and was only able to place kick, but Butler said he should play against Lake View. Center Cody Rubio, who suffered a high ankle sprain against Wylie, missed the Andrews game and is questionable this week.

Andrews faces critical game
While Big Spring can claim some momentum, Andrews (1-3, 0-1) finds

itself in if not a must-win, than at least better-to-win-than-lose situation when it travels to Lubbock Estacado Friday at 7:30 p.m.

With Estacado (2-2, 0-1) coming off a 42-14 thrashing at the hands of district favorite Frenship, both the Mustangs and Matadors need a win to thrust themselves into the district playoff picture. A loss means little margin of error the rest of the way.

"There's no doubt that a win here puts us in a position to compete in district, but if we lose it puts us in a hole," said Andrews coach Mike Lebby.

The Mustangs have played solid defensively since their opening 35-21 loss to Lubbock Monterey, but have struggled to put much together offensively the last two weeks.

Tailback Jamie Bueno has perhaps performed better than expected thus far, and he ran for 220 yards on 29 carries and scored both touchdowns against Big Spring. But Bueno can't do it alone, and the Andrews passing game must step up. Against Big Spring, sophomore Ryan Newbrough completed only 2-of-14 and threw three interceptions as no Andrews pass play gained yardage until the game's final minute.

"Offensively it's a matter of executing and avoiding stupid penalties when we don't need them," said Lebby. "We had some open receivers and our quarterback kept throwing the ball high and when he got the ball there we had some drops."

Defensively, the Mustangs will have to contend with some speed, as Estacado returns several skill players, including quarterback Corey Morrison and running back Antoine Sheppard.

"We still have to tackle better," said Lebby. "The Matadors are fast and can make you look silly if you don't tackle well. They'll run a lot but they'll also go deep on you."

Fullback Mark Vasquez, who injured his knee against Big Spring, is out indefinitely.

Garden City prepares last tune-up

The Wade Wesley era at Garden City has had a happy beginning. After losing their season opener, the Bearkats have won three in a row and given up only one touchdown in those games in Wesley's first season as a head coach.

Garden City is building a strong defensive reputation which it will carry into Friday's game at Fort Davis at 7:30 p.m. That will be the last test for the Bearkats before they open District 7-A play a week later against Rotan, and they are the only 7-A school to play this week.

Garden City saw its streak of nine straight quarters without allowing a score end last week against Midland Trinity, but that didn't prevent the Bearkats from winning 13-7. That might have been Garden City's most impressive defensive performance yet, since the Chargers were averaging 35 points a game.

The Bearkats can take heart from comparing some final scores. They beat Trinity, and earlier in the season, Trinity routed Fort Davis 51-14.

ELSEWHERE IN 4-A: The week's plum matchup in the district might be No. 6 Frenship at Snyder. These were two teams who looked to be obvious choices to make the playoffs, but after Snyder lost to Plainview 35-21, the Tigers are now in a near must-win situation. Frenship opened in impressive fashion, routing Lubbock Estacado 42-14 as quarterback Kendal Briles threw for over 200 yards despite playing with a separated shoulder...The district's only matchup of two teams who won last week comes with Plainview traveling to Levelland.

MCHS: Sky-high Mustangs hit road, travel to Big Lake

(From 1C)

team needs to come back down to earth to avoid a letdown.

"A lot of attention comes with the type of win we had last week," McClendon said. "We've worked extremely hard on getting everyone to remember that last week is over and to start getting focused on this week. They (Mustangs) spent so much adrenaline on the game against Stanton that they have to get that intensity going again this week."

In the win, a few Mustangs came away with injuries, including lineman Roan Moreno, who turned an ankle, and running back Josh Gunter, who bruised his left knee late in the fourth quarter against the Buffs. McClendon said that Gunter, who rushed for 140 yards and three touchdowns against Stanton, is listed as day-to-day. McClendon added that even though a few starters have been spending time in the training room this week, he doesn't expect any of them to be out against the Owls. The Mustangs (4-2) will need some healthy weapons against the Owls, who may have a deceptive 0-4 start.

"A lot of people may look at their 0-4 record and think that they're not very good," McClendon said. "They've lost to Stanton, which was No. 9 in Class 2A, Sonora, which was No. 4 in 2A,

and lost to 3A teams Crane and Alpine. All of their losses are quality losses."

The latest setback for the Owls came in a 25-0 loss to Alpine last Friday. The Owls' offense may be the biggest question mark as Reagan County has scored just six points all season. McClendon, however, sees the Owls as having a lot of potential to be dangerous with quarterback Justin Lozano, who's a very shifty runner. The Owls also have a quality running back in Charles Graves, who runs behind an experienced and big line (260-265-pound range) led by Will Schneemann, an all-district performer last season.

The Owls will have their hands full trying to run against the Mustang defense, which has been steadily improving, as Midland Christian slowed down one of the most dangerous running games in West Texas as Stanton rushed for just 171 yards after rushing for more than 400 the week before against Iraan.

What McClendon wants from his team before the bye week is two things — intensity and a victory. Getting those two goals accomplished should boost the Mustangs' confidence when they start district play Oct. 20 at Fort Worth Temple.

PASSMORE: Bueno nets 200 yards again

(From 1C)

ing he took throughout the game. "I was worried for the team, but it turned out best for all of us for me to carry the ball that many times."

How many more times Parnell gets to carry the ball might be a cloudy issue. Woodruff, while not back at full strength, is expected to see much more playing time Friday against San Angelo Lake View than he did against Andrews, when all he got to do was place kick.

Parnell's performance, though, was impossible to ignore. While he still sees Woodruff as the starter, Parnell knows he'll keep getting his chances.

"I had some big shoes to fill," said Parnell. "J. Wood is a great back. I know there could be more carries for me, though."

Other notable performances from last week:

Big Spring didn't win just because of a big game offensively from Parnell and his line. Middle linebacker **Bowe Butler** made more than his share of plays for the Steers as he was involved in 21 tackles.

As good as Parnell was, he wasn't even the leading rusher in the Big Spring-Andrews game. That honor went to Andrews tailback **Jamie Bueno**, who rumbled to his second 200 yard game of the season with 220 yards on 29 carries and a pair of touchdowns.

Midland Christian pulled off one of the biggest surprises in the area in recent years with its 24-12 win over Stanton and there were plenty of reasons why. **Josh Gunter** ran for

140 yards and all three touchdowns for the Mustangs. Defensively, linebacker **Colby Turnbough** had 16 tackles. Stanton's **Jeremy Hull** acquitted himself well in that game, picking up 117 yards on 22 carries.

In Garden City's 13-7 win over Trinity, **Curtis Eggemeyer** ran for 125 yards on 24 carries and scored what turned out to be the winning touchdown.

Greenwood defeated Crane 14-7 as **Justin Outlaw** and **John Mack Hopper** both had goal line interceptions and linebacker **Doug Wohleking** had 12 tackles and three for losses.

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Associated Press

LUBBOCK — For Texas Tech's Shaud Williams and his more well-known friend and teammate, Ricky Williams, it's a question of balance.

Shaud Williams' coach, Mike Leach, wants to make the sophomore running back more visible in Saturday night's game against Baylor.

But Williams wants to make it clear who's "the man" at the 4-1 Red Raiders, in order to keep peace in the backfield.

"(More playing time) sounds good," he told the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal in Wednesday's editions. "But no matter

what happens, I think Ricky's the man. He's been an emotional leader on and off the field. Either way it goes, he's the man. I don't think there's anything anybody should be worried about."

But the star running back re-injured the knee this year, suffering a hyperextension against North Texas when a player landed on it.

"Coach just wanted to try something new," said Ricky Williams, the fourth-leading rusher in the nation in 1998 with 143.8 yards per game. "They started it out in the third quarter. At this point, anything to get better is good."

Tech's new pass-based offense, after four straight wins and a loss against Texas A&M, ranks last in

the Big 12 Conference and 107th nationally in rushing offense with 68.8 yards per game.

During Saturday's 33-15 loss against the Aggies, Tech netted 23 yards rushing on 28 attempts, prompting Tech's coaches to seek a slightly different look in the backfield this week in practice.

TCU offense overshadows equally impressive defense

Associated Press

FORT WORTH — That old saying about defense winning games and championships is often true. Yet, the offenses still always seem to get the headlines.

Take 14th-ranked Texas Christian (4-0) for example.

Because running back LaDainian Tomlinson is ranked third nationally with 170 yards per game and sophomore quarterback Casey Printers is leading the most efficient passing offense in the country, the highly ranked Horned Frogs defense has gone virtually unnoticed.

"That's just how it is, usually the offense gets all of the glory, but our defense is ranked and it's going to show in the end," said senior linebacker Shannon Brazzell.

The numbers show now just how good the TCU defense is.

The Horned Frogs are ranked first nationally in

scoring defense (6.75 points a game) and second in total defense (199.8 yards per game). TCU and Clemson are the only teams ranked in the top 15 in all four major defensive categories (rushing, passing, scoring and total defense).

During a nine-game winning streak, the longest at TCU since 1938 and third-longest currently behind Florida State (17) and Nebraska (10), the Horned Frogs have allowed just 461 rushing yards on 291 attempts — 1.58 yards per attempt and 51.2 per game.

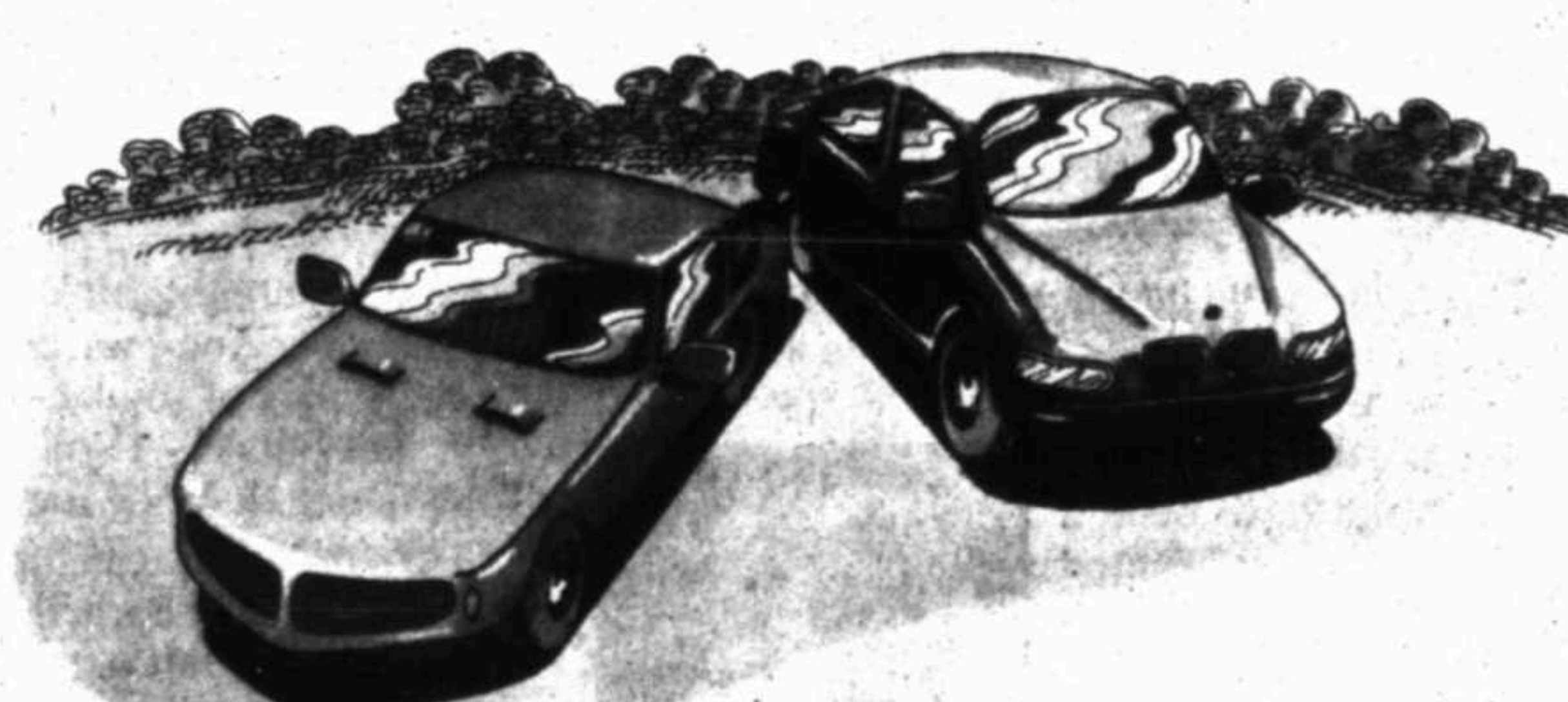
Through just four games this season, the Horned Frogs have 23 quarterback sacks, and are already closing in on the school-record 37 from last year. They set a single-game record with 15 in the opener at Nevada.

Defensive end Aaron Schobel, who has started 39 straight games, has six sacks to increase his school record career total to 30 1/2. And he's been productive even while hampered by a hip-pointer the last two games.

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LOCAL SPORTS

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Two former members of the Midland Lee baseball team will play in the NJCAA All-Star game at Baylor University Oct. 6-7.

Michael Burlison and Ryan Klatt, both 1999 Lee graduates playing for Hill Junior College, have been selected. Last year Burlison, a catcher, hit .330 with eight home runs and 35 RBIs, while Klatt, a pitcher who was a middle infielder at Lee, went 5-1 with four saves and a 3.45 ERA.

GTCC beats
Ranchland

Host Green Tree Country Club defeated Ranchland Hills Country Club in a ladies challenge Match by an average score of 73.1-75.9 Wednesday.

Jo Dickson had the low gross for Green Tree with a 78 while Julie Green had the low net with a 66. For Ranchland, Becky Hakes had the low gross with an 86 while Janell Burnett had the low net with a 71.

Volleyball

Freshmen
Lee Freshman White def. Odessa Ector, 16-14, 15-6. For White: Lindsay Stannus, 11 points, one ace; Jayla Hicks, six kills; Tasha Weatherly, five kills; Morgan Lawson, nine points.
Lee Maroon def. Midland Gold, 1-15, 15-9, 15-4. For Maroon (15-4): Jessica Gray, 9 service points, 5 kills, 2 blocks, 3 digs; Kristyn Weatherly, 2 kills; Jennifer Grant, 5 service points, 2 kills; Lydia Morgan, 2 blocks; Whitney Frost, 5 kills; Christy Rasmussen, 5 kills, 3 blocks. For Gold (14-5): Elizabeth Smith, 6 digs, 5 kills; Katie Holland, 2 kills, 10 service points; Hillary Hollum, 6 kills; Porcha Green, 10 assists, 9 service points, 3 blocks; Lindsey Moore, 3 kills; Jana Brooks, 4 kills.
Midland Purple def. Hood, 15-5, 15-6. For Purple (15-1): Claire Williamson, 3 kills, 1 block, 5 service points; Kately Casey, 7 service points, 1 ace; Kendra Hanlan, 6 assists, 7 service points; Laura Copeland, 5 kills, 2 digs; Tessa Turland, 2 kills, 3 aces; Sarah Bertelson, 3 kills; Maritza Martinez, 1 kill, 9 assists, 5 service points; Rebekah Ward, 3 kills.

Bonds, Hernandez have big days; Giants take 1st game

By Greg Beacham
AP Sports Writer

SAN FRANCISCO — Barry Bonds is tired of talking about his postseason struggles. Maybe this will be the year the Giants slugger gets the last word.

Livan Hernandez held the Mets to five hits over 7 2-3 innings and Bonds fought back his playoff demons with an RBI triple and a key single as San Francisco beat New York 5-1 Wednesday in the opener of their NL division series.

Ellis Burks hit a three-run homer as the Giants gave both manager Dusty Baker and Pacific Bell Park their first postseason wins.

"(Bonds) was very focused and determined and poised," Baker said. "He just played his normal game. ... He hit the ball good three times, and he got a couple of hits. It was just a Barry Bonds-type game."

For Bonds, the three-time MVP whose career has been defined by regular-season prowess and postseason problems, his 2-for-3 performance was an early answer to his critics. He hit .200 in four previous trips to the playoffs, but he had the fourth multi-hit playoff game of his career to lead San Francisco's offense.

After the game, Bonds eschewed a trip to the postgame interview room and answered only a few questions at his locker before leaving with his young son. He blames the media for blowing his postseason struggles out of proportion.

"I don't want to get into the past. That's history," Bonds said. "We're starting over here."

Bonds couldn't have imagined a new start much better than this. His two-out triple — which came after he took a close 2-2 pitch — during San Francisco's four-run third inning ricocheted crazily off the wall in right, scoring Bill Mueller and setting the table for Burks' three-run homer.

Bonds also singled in the first to keep a rally going. He even stole second base after being walked in the seventh inning Wednesday.

"You guys should stop dwelling about the past with Barry," Jeff Kent said. "This is a new team and a new year."

The Giants, whose 97 regular season victories were the most in baseball, won in their first postseason game at Pac Bell, which opened in April.

The new park even played a role in the victory: Bonds' triple took that fortuitous bounce off a low wall in right, while Burks' homer hit the foul pole in left.

"When you see 41,000 people in the stadium, and you see it all year, it's great," Hernandez said. "This is a great stadium. The fans here are very good, very loud."

Hernandez wasn't dominant, but he picked up where he left off in the postseason three years ago. Hernandez, the NLCS and World Series MVP in 1997 while leading the Florida Marlins to the title, retired the Mets' first seven hitters and pitched out of two jams, allow-

ing his only run on a sacrifice fly in the third.

"He did what we thought he would do," Mets manager Bobby Valentine said. "He used his changeup and breaking ball and slider when he got behind."

Hernandez improved to 5-0 lifetime in the postseason, the same mark as his older half-brother, Orlando, of the New York Yankees. On Monday night, with the Yankees in Oakland for the AL playoffs, Livan and El Duque got together for dinner. Hernandez struck out five and walked five, but he got into trouble in the eighth; allowing a single by Edgardo Alfonzo and walking Mike Piazza and Todd Zeile. Baker brought in top setup man Felix Rodriguez, who struck out Darryl Hamilton amid raucous cheers.

Robb Nen closed out the Mets in the ninth.

It was the Giants' first playoff victory in eight seasons under Baker, twice the NL Manager of the Year. The Giants, whose 97 regular season victories were the most in baseball, won in their first postseason game at Pac Bell, which opened in April.

In the third, Kent walked following Bonds' triple. Burks then hit a long drive to left that clanged off the pole.

Asked if he felt like Carlton Fisk, whose famous extra-inning homer down the line at Fenway Park won Game 6 of the 1976 World Series, Burks said: "Definitely. Everything but the body language."

Burks' homer, his first in postseason play since 1993, sent the Pac Bell crowd into a frenzy. He made a curtain call moments later.

While all of the Giants' stars lived up to their billing, New York's most important players didn't.

Mets starter Mike Hampton, 9-0 previously against the Giants, couldn't get out of the sixth inning. He allowed six hits and five runs and walked three, and reliever Turk Wendell bailed him out of a bases-loaded jam in the sixth with two strikeouts.

"It just boils down to I made basically one mistake, and it cost me," Hampton said. "I'm not ashamed of anything. I pitched my best."

Alfonzo, Piazza and Ventura — the Mets' 3-5 hitters — went hitless in their first nine at-bats. Piazza, a career .211 hitter in the playoffs, was 0-for-3.

The Mets' outfielders spent extra time Tuesday studying the eccentric dimensions of Pac Bell, but it didn't help right fielder Derek Bell. Bonds' triple caromed so sharply that Bell sprained his right ankle while trying to reverse direction.

He left the game for X-rays, which were negative. But Valentine said Bell, who was on crutches after the game, wouldn't play in Game 2 on Thursday night.

Notes: Bonds also had two hits in games 5 and 6 of the 1992 NL championship series and in Game 2 of the 1997 NL division series. ... Game 2 is Thursday night, with left-hander Al Leiter pitching for New York against Shawn Estes.

YANKS: Velarde goes 0-for-3

(From 1C)

scored three in the sixth.

The hits by Hill and Sojo came with two outs and immediately after an intentional walk to struggling Paul O'Neill, who has not had an extra-base hit since Sept. 6. After the left-handed O'Neill walked, righties Hill and Sojo connected off right-hander Kevin Appier.

"O'Neill's been there so many times in the past and come up with big hits for them," A's manager Art Howe said. "We knew he'd been struggling, but we didn't want to let him beat us. Glenallen did."

Torre demoted O'Neill from the No. 3 spot in the batting order to No. 6 for the first time all year. He also dropped usual leadoff man Chuck Knoblauch from the starting lineup, moved Derek Jeter up a spot to leadoff and moved Jorge Posada up from No. 7 to No. 2. Hill took Knoblauch's spot at designated hitter.

Pettitte, whom Yankees owner George Steinbrenner wanted to trade to Philadelphia in July 1999 before being talked out of it by Torre, has had some of his best performances in the postseason the last few years.

He beat Atlanta's John Smoltz 1-0 in the pivotal Game 5 of the 1996 World Series, and also pitched shutout ball in the 1998 Series clincher against San Diego.

Pettitte was helped by a pair of double plays, in the first and seventh innings. In the seventh, the A's had men on first and second with one out when Ben Grieve grounded into a double play.

And he survived a strange eighth-inning play that almost allowed the A's back in the game. With two outs, a runner on second and the A's down 3-0, Terrence Long hit a routine grounder to New York second baseman Sojo — who fielded the ball and then stepped on his own foot and he started to throw, and fell with-

out releasing the ball.

"This can't be happening," Pettitte said he thought to himself.

That left runners on first and third, and Mariano Rivera replaced Pettitte. Rivera got Randy Velarde to hit a tricky-hop grounder that third baseman Scott Brosius was able to barehand in time to throw out Velarde.

Clay Bellinger hit an RBI double in the ninth, and Rivera finished for his 14th postseason save. Grieve, the 1998 AL rookie of the year, set a major league record this season for left-handed batters by grounding into 32 double plays. In Tuesday's opener, he grounded into a double play and lined into another.

Appier, making his first postseason appearance in 12 major league seasons, allowed three runs on six hits in 6 1-3 innings and took the loss. He struck out seven.

Both starters survived jams in the first inning, then settled down. The Yankees loaded the bases

with two outs in the first off Appier, but O'Neill flied to right to end the threat. Appier then allowed just one hit in the next four innings, striking out the side in the fifth.

The A's had men on first and third with one out in their half of the first, but Pettitte got Olmedo Saenz to ground into an inning-ending double play. He went on to retire the next 12 batters.

Notes: Pettitte improved his postseason record to 5-4 in 14 starts. ... The A's as a franchise — in Philadelphia, Kansas City and Oakland — have 68 postseason wins. The Yankees, with 162 postseason victories, are the only franchise with more. ... A banner hung by spectators in right field referred to the visitors as the "Yuckees." ... Pettitte lasted just 1 1-3 innings in his final regular-season outing, allowing a season-high nine runs in a 13-2 loss last Friday at Baltimore. ... Pettitte has not allowed a homer in his last nine starts.

MARINERS: Seattle leads 2-0

(From 1C)

Seattle's bullpen took over as Arthur Rhodes, Jose Mesa and Kazuhiro Sasaki didn't allow a hit the rest of the way. Sasaki struck out the side in the ninth for his second save of the series.

"It's everything," Abbott said of the Mariners bullpen. "They've been lights out. You go out there and know once you've done your job, you have three or four guys who are going to come in and shut them down."

On Tuesday, Mariners relievers gave up just three hits over 6 2-3 scoreless innings.

"We have some good power arms in our bullpen," Seattle manager Lou Piniella said.

"Rhodes gives us something we haven't had in a couple of years, a very solid left-handed pitcher who can equalize left-handed hitting."

"Mesa has an excellent arm and all that experience. And Sasaki has done the job for us, he has all the experience closing in Japan. He's unflappable. He likes being out there at the end."

The White Sox, who led the majors in scoring, stranded eight runners, giving them 18 in the first two games. Thomas was 0-for-4 Wednesday and is hitless in seven series at-bats.

Chicago's 3-4-5 hitters — Thomas, Magglio Ordonez and Carlos Lee — were a combined 0-for-9 Wednesday after going 2-for-13 in the opener.

"I sense they are pressing somewhat. Obviously, what they need is a bloop hit and not a home run," Manuel said.

"It seems with all the fly balls and popups, we are probably going about it the wrong way. We should be hitting a few more ground balls and line drives."

The White Sox have lost nine

straight postseason home games since beating Los Angeles in Game 1 of the 1959 World Series.

Thomas, an MVP candidate who hit 43 homers and drove in 143 runs during the season, came up with runners at first and second in the seventh but flied out against Mesa for the second out.

Mesa deflected Ordonez's shot through the box; and Mariners second baseman Mark McLemore made a spectacular diving stop. He somehow flipped the ball to shortstop Alex Rodriguez, just beating Jose Valentin in a close play for a force to end another Chicago threat.

"That was the ballgame right there," Rodriguez said.

Jay Buhner's 400-foot homer to left in the fourth off losing pitcher Mike Sirota gave Seattle a 3-2 lead.

"We're up 2-0 and playing a lot of confidence," Buhner said. "I think going down the stretch we had very pressure packed games. Definitely that helped. Those games, they felt like play-off games."

Appearing in his 56th postseason game, Rickey Henderson manufactured a run for the Mariners in the fifth. He walked, moved up on a sacrifice and stole third. He then scored on Rodriguez's slow roller to third as Herbert Perry elected to go to first instead of home.

In the next inning, Henderson left the game with a jammed left index finger after being shaken up sliding head-first into third.

The Mariners added an insurance in the ninth when McLemore drew a two-out walk, Raul Ibanez singled and Mike Cameron singled. Cameron, for-

merly of the White Sox, had two key hits and a stolen base in Game 1.

The White Sox tied it at 2 in the third as Valentin bunted for a single, stole second and went to third on catcher Dan Wilson's over-throw. Valentin scored on Lee's sacrifice fly with Buhner making a nice catch in deep right.

Game 1 hero Martinez doubled to start the second. Sirota, who'd been initially scheduled to start the opener before hyperextending his elbow last week, hit Olerud with a pitch.

Buhner hit a grounder in the hole to short and Valentin, who had 36 regular-season errors, fielded it but threw off-target and high to second for an error, loading the bases.

David Bell hit an RBI single and Wilson a sacrifice fly to put the Mariners up 2-1.

The White Sox got consecutive doubles from their first two hitters Durham and Valentin but again couldn't get a big inning going. They were 2-for-14 with men in scoring position in Game 1.

With Valentin at second, Thomas popped out. After Ordonez walked, Abbott got Lee on a popup and Paul Konerko on a short comebacker, throwing him out even after he fell down fielding it.

Notes: The Mariners are 3-5 overall on the road in the postseason. Their win Tuesday was their first ever in a Game 1 in four postseason series. ... The teams have a workout day Thursday and the series resumes Friday with James Baldwin facing Seattle's Aaron Sele.

RING: Smith returns to get ring

(From 1C)

winner.

"I remember that the stadium had about 45,000 seats back when I played. When I went up there last Saturday, there were 74,480 at the game," Smith said. "A ticket for Saturday's game was \$35 and we charged \$8 for a ticket when I was in school."

"Also, back then, all the players had to have a job. My job was sweeping out the floor in the locker room. Just ask my wife, I don't do housework now."

While playing for OU, Smith met his wife, Raylene, in of all places, Odessa.

"I had a summer job in Level-

land when I was in school," Smith said. "I reported for work in 1948 and they said they didn't have a job for me. They told me to go to Odessa. I didn't even know where Odessa was."

"They gave me a car to get to Odessa, and while I was looking for an apartment, I saw this girl on the corner, wearing red shorts and a white blouse. There happened to be an apartment for rent on the same street. I took it, and then I went straight over to meet that girl."

Dean and Raylene married soon afterwards and recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

"We lived in what was called

Sooner City, a place where married students lived while attending OU," Smith said. "It had a lot of small prefabricated houses. There were six or seven of us on the team who were married."

The Smiths lived just behind John and Janet Reddell. Reddell, a former football coach at Midland High, was a wide receiver on the 1950 OU squad.

Smith says that he is self-employed, but he's still working. "I've had a drilling chemical on the market for 40 years, so I'm still working," he said. "The alternative is to sit at home and I don't want to do that."

But soon he will have a new ring to take to the mud pits.

JACKS: Team throws punches

(From 1C)

to work hard over the next eight or nine days to improve on that part of our game."

Player/assistant coach Derek Laxdal, who coached the bench Tuesday night while McKee was up in the stands evaluating his talent, said he liked the spunk the Jacks showed in their first exhibition game even though many of the players were a bit nervous.

"We never said die until the end," Laxdal said.

Against San Antonio, the Jacks played without forward John Bossio, forward Konrad McKay and goalie Grant Sjerven — all of whom sat out in order to get more of the younger players more

experience. McKee said the hardest decision he and assistant coaches Laxdal and Disher will have to make over the next couple of days is predicting how some of the young players will play in the next two months as oppose to some of the veterans, whose skills are a little bit more refined at this point.

There are only two exhibition games left for some of the players on the bubble to show the coaching staff what they're made of and see if they can compete in the WPHL. McKee said the next two exhibition games against Lubbock should serve as a good measuring stick on where his team stands.

"It's a real chance to start eval-

uating where we are and whether we need to make some more changes in our personnel," McKee said. "Having three exhibition games, then having a week off before we play our first game, and then we have another week off before we play our second-third game, we've got lots of preparation time in between. Derek and I believe that with the age of our kids that it's going to take a lot of teaching and a lot of practice to correct our execution."

A move which might be made over the next few days that McKee alluded to is getting an effective point man for power play opportunities. The Jacks were 1 of 8 on power play opportunities against the Iguanas.

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Gasoline down

NEW YORK (AP) — Traders at the New York Mercantile Exchange sent gasoline prices down 3.6 percent on Wednesday in response to larger-than-expected growth in the U.S. inventory.

Heating oil futures fell only marginally, while the price of crude oil had a more substantial decline.

Industry data released late Tuesday and early Wednesday show inventories of crude oil and motor gasoline approaching year ago levels, while heating oil reserves remain extremely low.

Unleaded gasoline for November delivery fell 3.2 cents to \$4.85 cents a gallon. Also for November delivery, heating oil dropped a slight .01 cent to 96.34 cents a gallon and light crude was down 64 cents, or 2 percent, at \$31.43 per barrel.

Natural gas for November delivery shed 5.8 cents to finish the day at \$5.29 per 1,000 cubic feet.

Last month, President Clinton ordered the release of the oil from the federal Strategic Petroleum Reserve on the Louisiana and Texas Gulf Coast. Clinton said he decided on the release because of concern over tight supplies this winter and to boost the stocks of home heating oil.

Under the contractual agreements the 11 bidders will return 31.56 million barrels of oil to the government reserve between August and November of next year. The companies are gambling that prices will decline, which means they benefit because they will be returning cheaper oil.

While U.S. stockpiles of distillate fuel, which includes heating oil, grew by 336,000 barrels to 116.5 million barrels, they remain roughly 20 percent below levels from the same period a year ago, according to API figures.

Dollar higher

LONDON (AP) — The U.S. dollar was mostly higher against other major currencies in European trading Wednesday.

The euro was quoted at 87.18 cents in late European trading, down from 87.49 cents Tuesday. Later, in midday trading in New York, the euro traded at 87.38 cents.

Other dollar rates in Europe, compared with late Tuesday, included 109.26 Japanese yen, up from 108.60; 1.7411 Swiss francs, up from 1.7339; 1.4980 Canadian dollars, down from 1.5058.

The British pound was quoted at \$1.4550, down from \$1.4572.

In midday trading in New York, the dollar bought 109.31 yen, and the pound was worth \$1.4564.

Based on euro rates, the dollar is worth 2.2419 German marks, up from 2.2345; 7.5190 French francs, up from 7.4941; 2.5260 Dutch guilders, up from 2.5177; 2,219.48 Italian lire, up from 2,212.12.

Gold lower

Gold closed in London at \$271.00 bid per troy ounce, down from \$272.00 on Tuesday. In Zurich the bid price was \$270.85, down from \$271.90. Gold fell \$1.00 in Hong Kong to \$271.35.

Silver closed in London at \$4.84 bid per troy ounce, down from \$4.85.

Bidders to tap emergency reserve

By H. Josef Hebert
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Energy Department announced agreements Wednesday with 11 companies and brokers to take 30 million barrels of oil from the government's emergency reserve with deliveries to be completed by the end of November.

The 11 bidders agreed to return a like amount of crude, plus a 1.56 million barrel premium, late next year. No money was exchanged.

"These companies offered the best value in terms of restocking the strategic reserve a year from now," said Energy Secretary Bill Richardson.

Last month, President Clinton ordered the release of the oil from the federal Strategic Petroleum Reserve on the Louisiana and Texas Gulf Coast. Clinton said he decided on the release

because of concern over tight supplies this winter and to boost the stocks of home heating oil.

Critics, including GOP presidential nominee George W. Bush, have accused Clinton of releasing the oil to help rival Al Gore in the tight presidential race.

Speaking earlier Wednesday at the National Press Club, Richardson dismissed those charges.

"Politics was not a factor. Charges of political pandering are simply untrue," said Richardson, arguing the oil was a "good policy" decision to ease the risk of winter home heating oil supply problems. He said the oil could provide an additional 3 to 5 million barrels of heating oil.

No money is being exchanged in what has been characterized as a temporary "swap" of government oil for crude to be returned to the reserve next year. The Energy Department did not release the

number of bids it received or any other details about them.

Under the contractual agreements the 11 bidders will return 31.56 million barrels of oil to the government reserve between August and November of next year. The companies are gambling that prices will decline, which means they benefit because they will be returning cheaper oil.

The Strategic Petroleum Reserve oil, currently 571 million barrels, is kept in salt domes along the Gulf Coast straddling the Texas-Louisiana border.

Most of the released oil — 24.5 million barrels — will come from the reserve's West Hackberry storage facility in Louisiana and another 3.05 million barrels from the Bryan Mound storage facility in Texas. Both facilities are capable of discharging up to 1 million barrels a day, said a senior Energy Department official.

The remaining 2.9 million barrels are coming from the Bayou Choctaw storage facility in Louisiana.

The bidders, which included oil companies, middlemen and brokers, were:

Marathon Ashland Petroleum, Houston, 3.9 million barrels; Euell Energy, Aurora, Colo., 3 million barrels; BP Oil Supply Co., Warrenville, Ill., 6 million barrels; Elf Trading Inc., Houston, 1 million barrels;

Equiva Trading Co., Houston, 2.5 million barrels; Morgan Stanley Dean Witter, New York, 2 million barrels; Vitol S.A. Inc., Houston, 1.6 million barrels; Valero Marketing and Supply Co., San Antonio, Texas, 1 million barrels;

Burhan Energy Enterprises Inc., Tallahassee, Fla., 3 million barrels; Lance Stroud Enterprises Inc., New York, 4 million barrels; Hess Energy Inc., New York, 2 million barrels.

Internet identity



AP Photo
Chet Silvestri, President and CEO of Arcot, looks at the Arcot Secure Digital Identities Login page showing the Arcot Smartcard software at headquarters in Santa Clara, Calif., recently. The electronic signatures bill that formally took effect nationwide Sunday, gives legal legitimacy to documents "signed" online, but could be a long time before most people feel comfortable applying for loans, buying cars and reaching legal settlements entirely online.

From Pong to a multi-billion dollar industry

By Charles Herold
N.Y. Times News Service

One of the great things about Pong, says Keith Feinstein, a video game historian who appears in "Video Games: Behind the Fun," a History Channel documentary, is that you could play it with a beer in one hand. It's a good line. Unfortunately it is also one of the more insightful things anyone in this documentary about video games has to say about the subject.

The story of how a multi-billion-dollar industry grew out of a few arcade games should be interesting. So should the story of how a modern high-tech game is created or how plot and character have become an integral part of games.

"Behind the Fun" thinks so too, and tries to cover all these topics, flitting briefly from one to the other without illuminating any of them. At one hour, the program is too short to properly explore its subject, while wearing out its welcome almost immediately with its dry, Cliff's Notes approach.

To compensate, "Behind the Fun" shows dozens of video sequences from games, almost all of them released in the last couple of years: Space Channel 5, Kiss Psycho Circus, Grim Fandango, Nocturne.

Even when discussing older games, the program can rarely pull itself away from the cinematic of the current crop. This is understandable; games look better than they ever have before. But rather than showing this, "Behind the Fun" makes it seem as though games moved from simple blocky visuals to realistic animations in one huge leap. By virtually

ignoring the important steps in between, the documentary gives little sense of how games have progressed visually and stylistically. It's as if a documentary on the history of film was made up primarily of clips from "Terminator 2" and "The Cell."

The clips seem to have been chosen for their entertainment value instead of their ability to illustrate a point. For example, as we are being told that computers, instead of consoles, are becoming a more popular platform for video games, we are shown the opening sequence of Resident Evil: Code Veronica, a console game that hasn't been released for the PC.

"Behind the Fun" does make some interesting points. Space Invaders is convincingly posited as the beginning of story and character in video games. In Space Invaders, odd-looking

monsters slowly moved toward the bottom of the screen while you shot at them. That's all there was to it, but there was an implied invasion, an implied resistance and a cast of aliens, even if you have never thought of Space Invaders in terms of narrative structure.

There is also a smattering of interesting trivia: Space Invaders was so popular in Japan that it caused a coin shortage; the first PC from IBM came with a joystick; video games were banned in the Philippines.

"Behind the Fun" picks up in its second half, as if the documentary makers are less bored by the age of the modern game. Even then, some ideas are never fully examined. Although the video game is put forth as a medium that can rival traditional art and literature, we are shown only slight instances of this.

Of course, mergers that don't work aren't a new phenomenon. New York Central Railroad and Pennsylvania Railroad merged in the late 1960s, predicting a wealth of savings and operational efficiencies. But management clashes and uncooperative labor unions drove the combined company into bankruptcy within a decade.

Quaker Oats Co. in 1997 sold its well-known beverage unit Snapple to Triarc Cos. for \$300 million — \$1.4 billion less than Quaker paid for it three years earlier. Stiff competition in the soft drink market industry crimped Snapple's profits and the deal never paid off for Quaker. The bargain buy did, however, pay off for Triarc, which last month sold Snapple to Cadbury Schweppes PLC for \$1.45 billion.

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THE ECONOMIST

Texas Legislature deserves a pat on the back

By M. Ray Perryman

As we approach the next legislative session in January, a spectrum of constituencies are busily hatching their various plans. As always, economic development initiatives and tax code wiggles of myriad forms will be on the agenda, thus assuring that my trusty van will make many trips up and down Interstate 35. Much attention will go to the drawing of lines on a map to realign the state's legislative and congressional districts, but a lot of other work must get done as well.

Despite — or perhaps because of — all the hoopla and madness, the Texas Legislature has enjoyed many notable achievements in the economic development arena over the past decade. Deregulation of trucking and electric power generation, incentives for research and development, targeted job and investment incentives for economically disadvantaged regions, and judicial reforms are but a few of the areas where specific legislative action has enhanced our competitiveness. There is more to be done, but there is also much to celebrate.

One of the most significant measures

to promote the state was the reform of the workers' compensation system which occurred in 1989 and took effect in the early 1990s. Even for those of us who were in the middle of this effort, it is difficult to recall just how bad things really were at the time. Major insurance companies were refusing to be in the Texas market, and those who were captive to the state were in financial chaos. Many firms refused to consider Texas for new locations or expansions; some even moved existing production to other states. Texas ranked in the top 10 in per capita premiums paid and the bottom ten in benefits received. Court dockets were clogged, and the administrative process was a nightmare. In short, it was a mess.

In the decade since the reforms were enacted, the turnaround has been truly remarkable. There is aggressive competition among profitable insurers, more



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benefits are being paid, and cases are handled expeditiously. The Texas system has grown from an embarrassment to a model for others to emulate. It is now a positive factor in corporate locations.

Perhaps even more impressive is the positive impact the more efficient system has on business activity in Texas. Because workers' compensation now depletes relatively less of our resources (while achieving its purpose in a superior fashion), more is available for production and growth. On a conservative basis, my firm recently estimated net benefits to the Texas economy of (1) \$7.1 billion in yearly total expenditures; (2) \$3.6 billion in annual output; (3) \$2.2 billion in personal income per year; and (4) 60,217 permanent jobs. These gains are in addition to those brought about by increased competition for new facilities.

Simply stated, the reforms have worked. They were the result of an intense, bipartisan effort. Some of the players are still around; others have moved on. A lot happens in a decade. It is nice to have a ten-year track record to assess. It gives us a vantage point beyond the emotions of the time and a

chance to focus on the outcome. Besides, economists are much better at explaining the past than predicting the future. There is little question that these reforms helped to jumpstart the impressive growth of the 1990s.

This same type of leadership and commitment will be needed to grapple with the issues of the next session, and redistricting will make it doubly hard to keep partisan rivalries out of the mix. Nonetheless, I think we have the folks for the job. Long hours and careful thought have gone into many key areas during the interim, and the commitment to do the best for the state abounds. The ongoing success of the workers' compensation system shows what can happen when the process works as it should. The upcoming session can have similar triumphs.

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Lucr	230561.9	32.36	+2.36	Nad100T	37471.1	85.63	+2.25	Oracle	101129.7	81.13	-1.36
East	218465.9	92.13	-1.81	SPDR	61490.143	99.63	+0.75	Microft	68972.5	55.44	-1.13
Xerox	190182	10.81	-56	Nabors	29872	50.85	-1.42	Intel s	612458	50.00	+1.69
Firstst	190182	10.80	-2.25	SP CyTr	20128	25.13	+4.44	Cisco s	558041	58.56	+2.31

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QtmHDD	13.25	+3.89	+36.8	Alcon n	4.75	+1.41	+33.4	CrnlyMT	3.03	+1.03	+52.4
LimSea	12.44	+2.06	+19.5	GayCn	2.50	+0.69	+47.9	PrnMnK	8.60	+1.68	+29.5
CrnPT	11.44	+1.54	+15.6	WmT	2.00	+0.50	+33.3	Parag n	21.94	+3.00	+13.7
CrnPT	113.19	+17.19	+17.9	Bionova	2.50	+0.50	+25.0	Parag n	21.94	+3.00	+13.7
Emrgnt	3.56	+1.54	+41.9	GloH.T n	3.30	+0.76	+23.1	BeRy n	13.88	+3.31	+33.4

LOSERS (\$2 on money)				LOSERS (\$2 on money)				LOSERS (\$2 on money)			
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SagaSys	5.56	-2.83	-32.1	PYR En n	5.13	-75	-12.8	Nutri/Sea	3.38	-3.88	-53.4
CKE Rat	2.38	-56	-19.2	Rampart n	2.1	-25	-10.0	LivEPlan n	2.25	-1.63	-41.9
Rstl	2.56	-56	-16.0	Envision	7.83	-68	-10.3	Theratic	12.00	-5.75	-32.4
MinTch	37.69	-8.19	-17.8	Mag-In wt	2.25	-25	-10.0	Calico	3.56	-1.83	-31.3
Guidant	57.75	-11.19	-16.2	Boundis	6.25	-69	-9.9	CarriCo	14.70	-8.17	-29.6

DIARY		DIARY		DIARY		AARP Invest:
Advanced	1,277	Advanced	254	Advanced	1,829	Balanced \$0.79
Declined	1,560	Declined	337	Declined	2,080	CapCo 72.52
Unchanged	505	Unchanged	202	Unchanged	975	GMMAn 14.56
Total Issues	3,342	Total Issues	793	Total Issues	4,884	Global net 26.59
New Highs	56	New Highs	9	New Highs	43	Giltiret net 26.93
New Lows	85	New Lows	44	New Lows	321	Megallum net 6.87
Vols/Dy	1,374,055	Vols/Dy	80,054,985	Vols/Dy	2,021,945,821	
						All Funds A:
						Amyr p 16.86
						B&P 32.81
						C&D 17.15
						CapCo p 21.82

S2-Week		Name	Last	Net Chg	% Chg	YTD % Chg	S2-wk % Chg
High	Low						
11,750.28	9,731.81	Dow Jones Industrials	10,784.48	+64.74	+8.0	-8.20	+1.85
3,102.89	2,280.78	Dow Jones Transportation	2,580.00	+61.82	+2.47	-14.01	-14.95
403.72	268.59	Dow Jones Utilities	382.07	-11.25	-2.96	+34.84	+25.92

881.19	572.38	NYSE Composite	885.14	+52	+08	+2.28	+9.06
1,043.46	769.64	Amax Index	934.39	-3.07	-33	+8.55	+18.66
5,132.52	2,632.01	Nasdaq Composite	3,523.10	+87.27	+1.95	-13.42	+23.31
1,553.11	1,233.70	S&P 500	1,452.56	+7.86	+55	-2.38	+8.22
814.16	408.33	Russell 2000	507.49	+2.82	+56	+5.54	+18.09
14,734.25	11,446.60	Wilshire 5000	13,451.99	+87.93	+86	-2.61	+11.24

All Funds %	
Balt	17.79
BIOFIN	17.14
CAOPIN	21.19
Chert	18.26
ConsB	44.42
DirtB	18.25
GIFFIN	38.72
GIORR	25.36
GIFFIN	38.81
HYDE	5.46
INER	22.32
INER	20.13

Oct. 4, 2000	DOW JONES	12,000	ValB1 43.55 +	AIM Funds C:
↑ CLOSE			WangB1 29.10 +	BCorp1 17.13 +
10,784.48			ValB1 43.57 +	AIM Global Ther
NET CHANGE				GBTrAp 34.19 +
+64.74				AMF Funds:
% CHANGE				AdMitg 9.84
				Acorn Funds:

	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER
+0.60				
HIGH 10,849.96				
LOW 10,713.62				
RECORD HIGH				
<i>Jan. 14, 2000</i>				
11,722.98				

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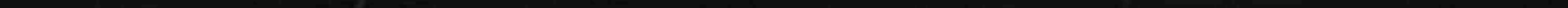
WKO	Shenqin	21.63	13	TK	TechWin	47.50	+68	UDIR	UDomIn	23.94	-25	WSM	WmWm	29.44	-100	Amber	12.31
WKO	Shenqin	10.56	+08	TFR	TechWin	68.59	+68	UDIR	UDomR	14.04	-31	WLT	WmTmT	63.19	+13	Bond	10.59
WKO	Shenqin	22.13	-08	TEK	TechWin	72.44	-80	UMC	UdMero	10.84	-38	GB	WlsonGr	12.81	-61	LygeCa	26.41
WKO	Shenqin	5.44	-19	TFR	TechWin	68.59	+68	UDIR	UDomR	14.04	-31	WLT	WmTmT	63.19	+13	Yale	7.04
WKO	Shenqin	17.50	-19	TRO	TechWin	72.44	-80	UMC	UdMero	10.84	-38	GB	WlsonGr	12.81	-61	Amr Advant	17.50
WKO	Shenqin	4.06	-08	TNE	TechWin	68.59	+68	UDIR	UDomR	14.04	-31	WLT	WmTmT	63.19	+13	IntellEng	19.31
WKO	Shenqin	21.63	-13	TNE	TechWin	68.59	+68	UDIR	UDomR	14.04	-31	WLT	WmTmT	63.19	+13	Amr Century	21.63
WKO	Shenqin	1.88	-19	TSP	TechWin	68.59	+68	UDIR	UDomR	14.04	-31	WLT	WmTmT	63.19	+13	IntellEng	19.31
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	Sonicap	7.94	-13	TEX	Texan	24.04	+4									SGov	9.28
																Snkld	7.31
																Tg205	26.90
																Ulma	43.61
																Vasalim	5.72
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E																Amor Express	
ALF	MLSR905	11.44	+08	PCGP	PCGPGE	p202	13	-06	SSB	SeNetri	0810	38	---	TXB	TenBioch	4.15	+16
MLF	MLSR796	8.38	-08	PLC	PLC Spt	9.25	---	---	SSWS	SSWS	0810	38	---	SLJ	SLJ	12.12	---
MLT	MLT776	13.53	+13	PMIC	PMIC	9.25	---	---	SMH	SMH	072	00	---	TCB	TCB	8.74	---
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DSH	Dash	7.38 + 25	SQA	SagaCom	15.13 - 25	TWW	Tenarant	2.40 - 10				American Pub	14.9



AMERICAN STOCK EXCHANGE																				AMER EXCH																			
AME	1.81 +06	BGO	BernaGold .44	IRF	CohSmt 7.00	MLG	Enoalag 2.38 +13	HU	HungTel 5.25 -25	LU	IBMGRAP 777.41 -34	MLF	MLSP905 11.44 +06	PGC	PGCp222.13 -06	SSB	SAInet90.10.38	TXB	TeXBioth 14.15 +18	BC	Bchp 12.12																		
ATF	162.384+50	BNT	Bent 9.75 -38	IRF	Colgas 1.25 +06	MLG	FamT 1.25 +06	HU	Parry 1.25 +06	LU	GRN 77.05 -105	MLF	MLSP708 9.38 +06	PLC	PLC Sys .81	SSB	Sorpep 1.80 +06	TXB	TeXBioth 14.15 +18	BC	Bchp 12.12																		
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Three MISD Hispanic students awarded national honor

By Richard Acosta
Staff Writer

Three Hispanic MISD students out of the entire nation have been honored by the National Hispanic Recognition Program for their outstanding PSAT scores.

The NHRP is a college board program that provides national recognition for the exceptional academic achievements of Hispanic high school seniors and identifies academically well-prepared Hispanic high school seniors for post secondary institutions.

The winning students were Christina Lauritzen and Chad Acevedo of Lee High School and Mike Cervantes from Midland High School.

All three said the award was a great surprise. "I was pleasantly surprised, it was a great honor," Cervantes said.

"I was excited. I didn't know Latinos were getting this kind of recognition and proud that I was chosen to win this award. I thought it was special that there was three from Midland. There is such a small percent of the nation picked and and even fewer in my area."

Acevedo said he just kept getting letters that he was advancing through the process.

"I just scored high on my PSAT and they sent me a letter saying I qualified," Acevedo said. "I'm not sure how it works, but I'm hoping it will help me get into Texas Tech or Texas A&M."

However, it was the students' hard work that helped them win the award. A fact Ms. Lauritzen said means a lot to her and even more to her mom.

"I'm glad everything has paid off," Ms. Lauritzen said. "It's nice to know that I just wasn't doing something for nothing. My mom is really proud ... she went to the Web site and printed out the pictures and sent them to all of our family. I was so embarrassed."



Lauritzen



Cervantes



Acevedo

Spanish Honor Society; DECA team; Pan-American Student Forum; taking history, philosophy and sociology at Midland College.

Community and Youth Activities —

president of church youth group; working with Special Olympics; early morning church seminary and assistant manager at Tall City Ten movie theater.

Honors and awards — Who's Who Among American High School Students; USAA National Foreign Language Award winner in Spanish; theater letterman; swimming letterman; academic letterman and Texas Scholar.

Future plans — Attend Brigham Young University in Laie, Hawaii. Study international business.

Christina Lauritzen

Parents — Brenda and Christopher Lauritzen
School activities — National Honor Society;

Chad Acevedo

Parents — Peggy and Luis Acevedo
School activities — Varsity football
Honors and awards — PTSA Certificate of Merit for Outstanding Academic Achievement
Future plans — Attend a four year university in Texas. study political science and orthopedics.

Mike Cervantes

Parents — Mike and Donna Cervantes
School activities — National Honor Society; three year academic letterman; enrolled in concurrent courses at Midland College; treasurer of Midland High Science Club; secretary of Midland High Computer Science Club; varsity soccer letterman; three year cross country letterman and track team
Community and youth activities — Usher at St. Stephen's Catholic Church; designed Web site for Samaritan counseling center and three years on Blast competitive soccer team.

Honors and awards — Texas Scholar; twice named to Who's Who Among American High School Students; 1999 Minority Engineering Program at Colorado School of Mines and 2000 Lorenzo de Zavala Youth Legislative session.

Future plans — Attend a four year university. Study engineering or computer science.

UTPB Hispanic enrollment up

By Judy Serbantez
MRT Correspondent

The University of Texas of the Permian Basin's enrollment of Hispanic students is up 13 percent for fall 2000 as compared to the year before.

In fact, for the past five years faculty and staff at the university have seen Hispanic enrollment up 13 percent each year.

The vice president of student services, Patricio Jaramillo says the numbers are largely due to the University's efforts to mirror the regional population.

"We are a regional university the enrollment of the university should reflect the population," Jaramillo said. "The total undergraduate enrollment is around 34 percent. The general population in West Texas is higher. To cut across that we are going to try to recruit students from every major ethnic group."

One of the many efforts the university took in increasing Hispanic enrollment was to offer more freshman and sophomore classes.

Last year, 37 percent of the freshman class were Hispanic. This year, it is up to almost half and now more closely reflects the demographics of the regional high schools, Jaramillo said.

"The regional population encompasses schools with high percentages of population. The region is mainly Hispanic so enrollment is up to meet the regions needs," Jaramillo said.

Through the years, UTPB has gone through a number of changes externally and internally in an effort to recruit a diverse number of students.

The new art building, and other major construction efforts are changing the face of the university. Full-time traditional students continue to grow in numbers: fall of 1999 — 2,224 this years enrollment is 2,274.

The number of full-time traditional students isn't the only thing rising, the university's credit hours have surged ahead as well:

■ Fall 1999 credit hours, the 12th day of school: 21,598

■ Fall 2000 credit hours, the 12th day of school: 22,530

"Higher education is of most importance in order to survive in today's world. Due to the increasing number of advances in research and technology, an educated work force is of high demand," Jaramillo said.

Director of Admissions, Vicky Gomez, said it is not only the improvements to the school, but a more aggressive approach to making graduates aware of UTPB.

"We're going to work on Midland and Odessa ... that is a given," Ms. Gomez said. "But we are now going out to the rural areas out of the primary markets like El Paso, Marfa, Presidio, Alpine. For some of these schools we are the first university ever to visit."

Ms. Gomez said they don't always talk just about UTPB, but about admissions, scholarships, grants and information they could use at any university.

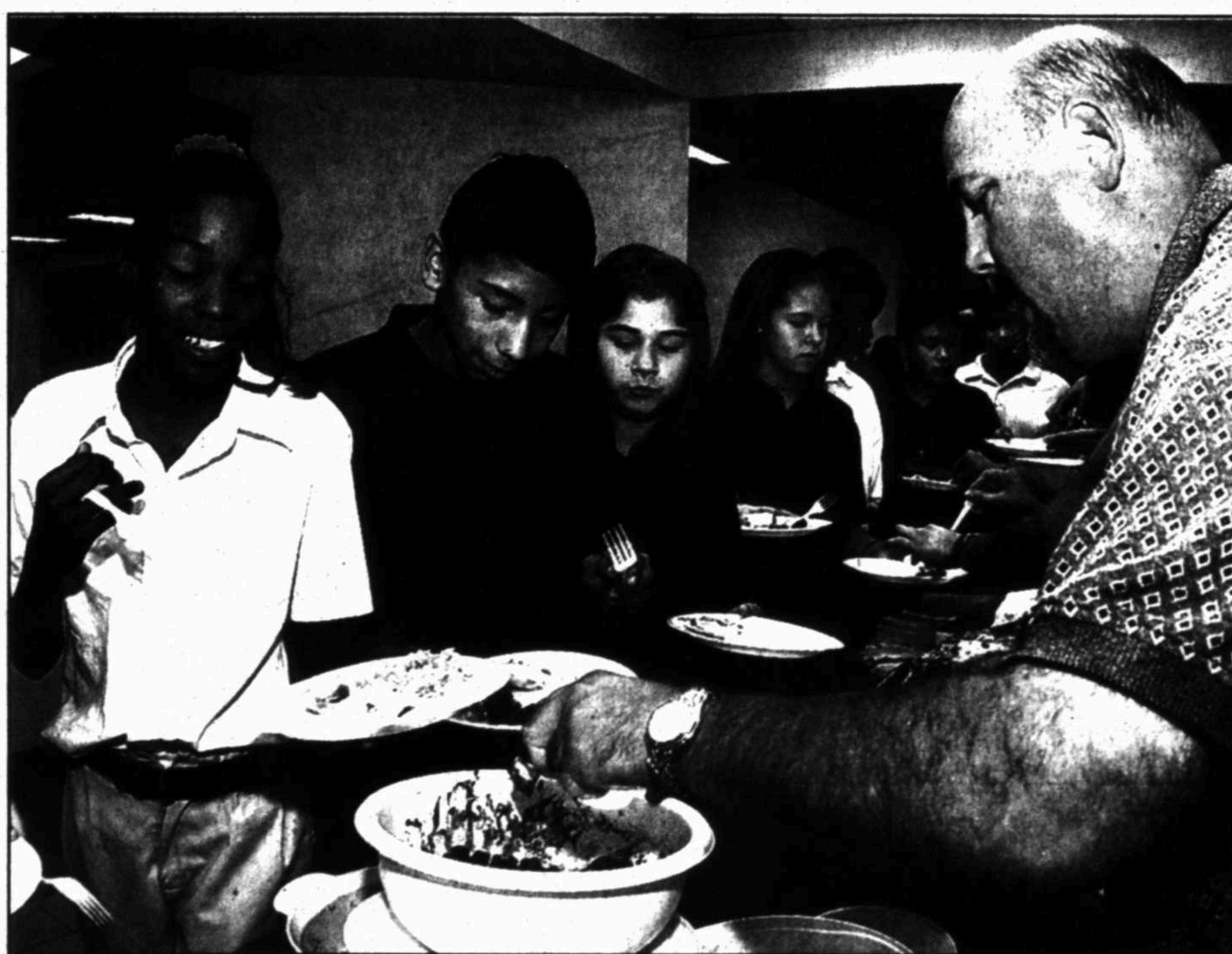
UTPB will continue its effort to recruit students of every group.

"It's a challenge to attract a number of minorities from different cultures, it's a major challenge. They want to attend schools where there is an even margin of their racial group and supports their culture. UTPB is making every effort to make the university diverse," Jaramillo said.

UTPB is the only degree granting institution in a 130 mile radius. Ms. Gomez said she is glad to see more minorities taking advantage of it.

"Studies have shown that most minorities start in a community college," Ms. Gomez said. "Which is all well and good. They do a good job. The problem is the reason a lot of the kids go to community college is because of the money and money should never be the reason why you can't attend a university."

Hispanic Heritage



Rob Lovelady, parent and volunteer for a day, serves up a choice of rice or beans at the Hispanic Heritage feast during the lunch hour at Abell Junior High. The day was the brain child of seventh grade teacher Crystal Cortez to help expose the children to Hispanic culture through food.

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Reporter-Telegram

Hispanics see dark side of law enforcement

The following is the second in a series about the Citizen's Police Academy in Spanish. This week's feature focuses on a class that covered children as victims of violence, neglect and molestation.

By Judy Serbantez
MRT Correspondent

"The bruises on his face won't go away. Mom keeps him home till they fade away," sings Collen Ray in a music video called the 11th commandment. Innocent children, victims of violence, neglect and molestation.

Sheldon Johnson, a detective with the Midland Police Department, gave an emotional meeting Sept. 28 about the Children's Advocacy Center and its daily procedures involving cases against child predators. The meeting was in conjunction with the Hispanic Citizens Police Academy.

Sgt. David Garcia gave information pertaining to job descriptions within the MPD. Garcia's presentation included a bit of humor, and his charismatic grin kept the members smiling.

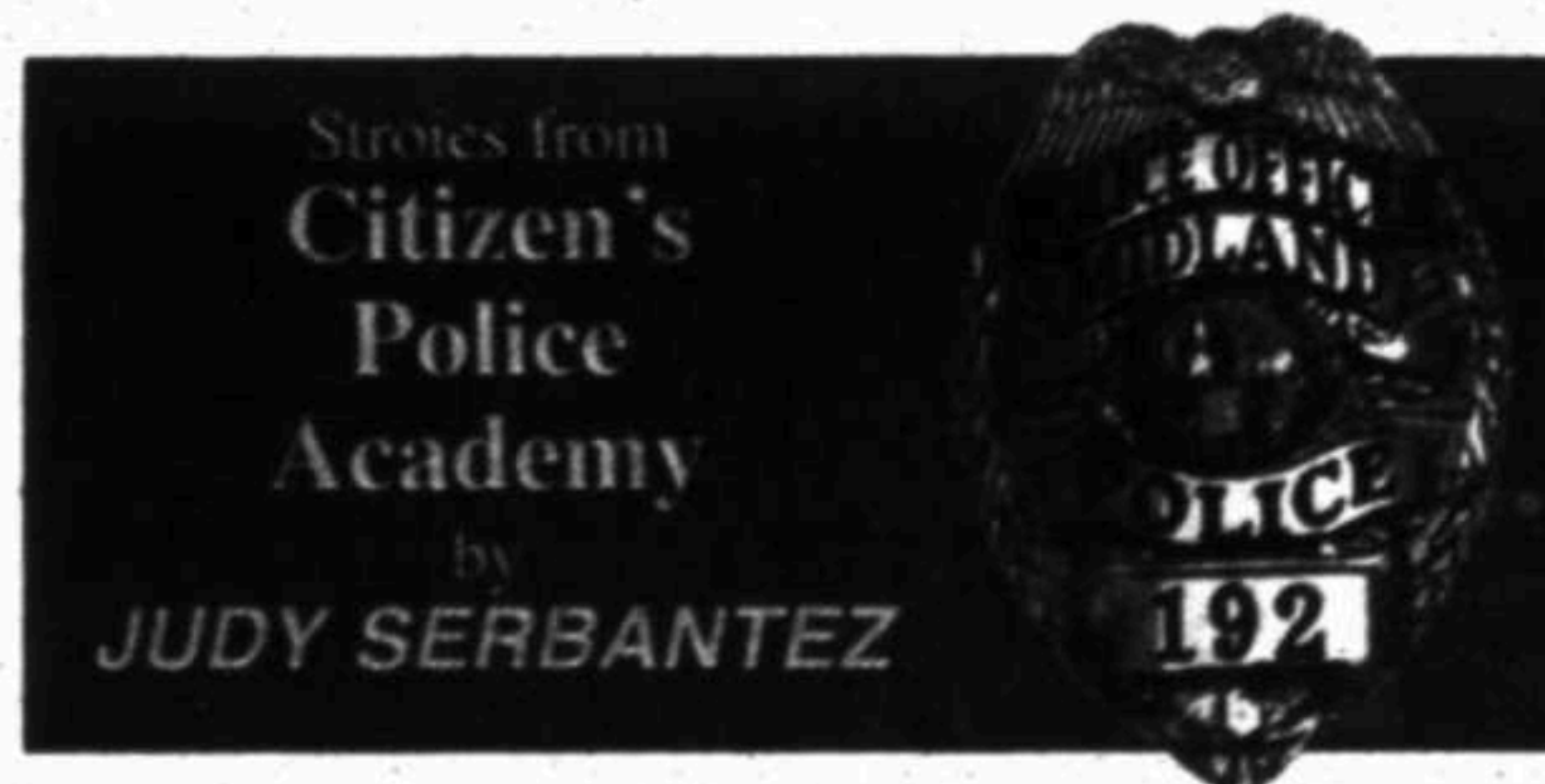
The presentation ended, and dinner was served.

The members of the Hispanic Citizens Police Academy brought homemade chocolate cake, enchiladas, tortillas, Mexican rice, beef and chicken fajitas to the meeting. During a short intermission the members enjoyed the meal, and

talked with family, friends and neighbors.

"I've learned so much, and its like spending time over coffee with a good friend," said a participant, Maria Roman.

The lights slowly dimmed, the conversations halted, as Johnson walked into the confer-



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Students in the Hispanic Citizen's Police Academy include (left to right) Mary Roman, Maria Moreno and Sandra Gonzalez.

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Los Lobos new 'old' release

From Staff Reports

It was the early 70s.... Ronald Reagan was in office, as the governor of California, Carlos Santana's first group "The Santana Blues Band" just took off, and four high school guys from East L.A. four young guys, kids really, and grednudo ones at that.

The four musicians had played a variety of different styles in neighborhood groups, rock 'n' roll, R&B, soul, blues, and heavy funk. In the very early days, Los Lobos would be willing to play a gig for a case of beer or enough gas to keep their van going.

The guys were having fun sharpening up their skills, perfecting the performance, and little did they know they were getting themselves ready for the next step. Los Lobos began listening and studying the traditional Mexican music their parents played in their homes.



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Mexican healers find cures in 'yerbas'

By Elda Silva
San Antonio Express-News

SAN ANTONIO — Behind the counter at Casa Mireles, a botanica in downtown San Antonio, rows of small white drawers used to store dried herbs are neatly labeled in Spanish names, such as yerba en cruz, golpe, capitana and chocolate del indio.

Some of the drawers are empty, the curative properties of the herbs once commonly used by curanderos, or folk healers, having been forgotten over the years, said Yolanda Davila, who runs the store, founded in 1916 by her grandparents.

"The modern curanderos, they don't know of those yerbas mas antiguas," said Davila, who runs the store with her 90-year-old mother, Estela Davila. She was referring to the ancient herbs.

But many people, including customers in their 20s, still come to the botanica seeking the ingredients for remedies they grew up with, Davila said.

Centuries-old, traditional Mexican folk medicine, or curanderismo, persists despite modern medicine.

Ellen Riojas Clark, a professor in the division of bilingual and bilingual studies at the University of Texas at San Antonio, said her students have done surveys about the practice.

"It was astonishing to me to see the results that in the year 2000, young people 25 years old know about curanderismo and it's still practiced," she said.

Why?
"Well, because I think it works. That's why," Clark said.

She is not alone.
"I do believe it works if you use discretion," said Eliseo Torres, vice president of student affairs at the University of New Mexico.

Torres, the author of "Green Medicine: Traditional Mexican-American Herbal Remedies" (Nieves Press), is working on two self-help books tentatively titled

"Heal Yourself Using Traditional Hispanic Plants" and "How to Heal Yourself Using Ancient Hispanic Rituals."

"If you really need medical attention you have to go to see a physician, but if you look at what other physicians and practitioners of alternative medicine are saying, it's not any different than what my grandmother was doing. They use different language, but it's basically the same concept."

The basis of curanderismo is that a human being is made up of three aspects — the physical, the mental and the spiritual, said Elizabeth de la Portilla, a lecturer in the division of bilingual and bicultural studies at the University of Texas at San Antonio and a doctoral candidate at the University of Michigan.

"These three things are intertwined with one another, and in order for the body to be healthy these three things have to be aligned and in harmony," said de la Portilla, who is studying the work of Jacinto Madrigal, a San Antonio yerbero, or herbalist, as well as the work of a curandera known as La Golondrina. "This belief has been around since before the Spaniards."

When one of the three aspects is off kilter, the result can be sickness.

"To be sick from one's nerves is to be emotionally or mentally ill," de la Portilla said. "But because curanderismo talks about the body as a unit aligned spiritually and mentally, being sick from a nervous condition is a physical ailment."

Some of the traditional treatments involve rubbing the body with aromatic herbs while reciting prayers.

For Jacinto Madrigal, help for ailments comes in the form of the herbs and plants he cultivates in the back yard of his San Antonio home. Born in Mexico, Madrigal grew up with the use of herbs for healing. His grandmother's yard was full of medicinal herbs,

Madrigal said, speaking in Spanish.

In recent years, he has augmented his knowledge of herbal medicine through study. After having a series of heart attacks in 1993, Madrigal began doing research to find out what herbs would be beneficial for him.

"I don't like to take so much medicine from doctors," Madrigal said. "They give out too many kinds of pills. For the most part, doctors' medications are good, but the chemistry is so strong that if they improve one illness, they cause another."

Retired from construction work, Madrigal sells the plants he grows at a flea market. Of the plants he sells, the most sought after are ruda (or rue), romero (or rosemary) and albacar (or basil). To ward off bad energy, a person should plant all three in their front yard, he says.

Each person has an aura, or electrical field, surrounding the body that can be damaged by bad energy, Madrigal said.

Aromatic plants can help restore the aura.

The scent of the plant is important because the scent is the "spirit" that comes out of the plant, the energy," he said.

Customers also come seeking basil, believed to be good for stomach aches, insomnia and calming the nerves when consumed as a tea. Anise is also sought for its calming effect.

In addition to using plants in traditional ways, Madrigal combines complementary herbs and plants to maximize their affect. He has developed a tea using 14 different types of plants; he said it is good for treating diabetes.

"He does 'r and d' — research and development — in the barrio," de la Portilla said of Madrigal's work. "It's innovative. It's smart, and it's creative."

Ethnobotanists go looking in the rain forest for medicinal plants, de la Portilla said, "and we should be looking closer to home."

DEAR ABBY

Wife's gambling habit puts couple's retirement at risk

By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: I have just discovered that my wife of 35 years has been gambling heavily for several years. Nearly \$8,000 has been withdrawn at the casinos from our account and hers in the last nine months.

I am a saver; she has been a spender for the duration of our marriage.

We could live very well in our retirement if we are prudent now.

She says it's her life and she will do what she wants; it's her money and she'll spend it any way she wants. She does work, but are these fair statements? Will she ever quit gambling? — HOPEFUL IN KENTUCKY

DEAR HOPEFUL: Unless your wife is willing to admit that her gambling has become a problem she's unable to control, she will continue to gamble.

Most couples pool their finances and decide together how the money should be spent.

Her argument that it is her life and she'll do anything she wants, etc. is defensive, selfish and irrational.

You can lead a horse (player) to water, but you can't make her drink.

Unless she's willing to get help for her gambling addiction, your wife could literally spend you out of house and home. Consult a lawyer about separating your finances before she goes through all the

money. Please don't wait.

DEAR ABBY: The letter from "Valerie Gibson of Cheyenne, Wyo." regarding the kindness of strangers reminded me of a similar act of kindness bestowed on my husband and me earlier this year. We are both in our late 60s.

My husband considers himself an excellent driver, but actually drives like someone watching a tennis match.

He constantly gazes at landmarks, left and right, instead of keeping his eyes on the road.

We were traveling along I-75 from Atlanta to Biloxi, Miss., in our motor home when I noticed a piece of metal lying in the road.

I thought my husband had seen it too. By the time I yelled, it was too late.

He ran over the piece of metal, and it embedded itself under the vehicle.

As we continued driving, we could hear the metal scraping the pavement but did not know what damage it had done. We stopped at a restaurant, and my husband surveyed the damage. The piece of metal had embedded itself in our septic tank, which was a relief to us, as we had feared it had penetrated the gas tank.

My husband worked furiously for about 10 minutes, but couldn't free the metal object, nor could he bend it to stop scraping the roadway.

Just when we had given up, several people left the restaurant and noticed our dilemma. One young man left the group and came to our aid, but was unable to dislodge the metal either.

He said he lived only a short distance away, and would go

home to get a hacksaw.

Within 30 minutes, he was back as promised.

He crawled under the vehicle and spent the better part of 15 minutes sawing away at the metal.

He finally was able to saw off enough to stop the scraping. Although I offered, he would not accept a cent for his help.

He said he hoped if his parents were ever in a similar predicament, someone would assist them.

Even more remarkable about this young man helping us is that he is white and we are black and this is still "the deep South." — MRS. V.W. BROWN, ATLANTA

DEAR MRS. BROWN:

Contrary to what some may believe, there are many young people in the South — and elsewhere — who have been raised to see people first, not their race. Still, it's nice to see a testimonial to that fact.

Thank you for sharing your act of kindness.

I consider it an antidote to some of the things we see on the evening news.

Perhaps it will stimulate others to be Good Samaritans should they happen upon someone in need of help.

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LOBOS: Classic CD offers new look at legendary band

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Cesar Rosas said, "The first place we went to for our material was our folks' record collection. This music was always played in the background and being typical teen-agers, we couldn't hear it."

"It was our heritage. So we started picking up acoustic instruments and learning this music and we realized, hey man, this music is really hard. It's not like a 12-bar blues," said David Hilalgo.

In the mid 1970s along with guys such as Rudy Vargas, David Sandoval, and Jesus Trevino, Los Lobos was asked to record some music for some low, low budget films. The music was

the best thing about those little films. The experience of hiring the guys to record little soundtracks soon led to the idea of producing and album of traditional Mexican folkloric music, an album that would serve as a calling card for the guys. Something that would help them get noticed and signed up by the big boys in the music industry. That's how "Los Lobos del Este" de Los Angeles: "Just another band from East L.A." was born.

"It was all about the music, man. It was a challenge for us because we didn't know how to play this kind of music in the beginning," says Cesar Rosas.

In 1982, Los Lobos was signed to Slash Records, the Warner

Bros. distributing record label. An EP, "And a Time To Dance," recorded with Steve Berlin now on board as a member, was released in 1983. After 23 years, countless albums, awards and world tours later, Los Lobos has re-released their first album.

Louis said, "Releasing this album now has a lot to do with sentimentality and nostalgia for us. We looked at these pictures we dug up for the CD booklet, and we were just kids." ("Fuzzy kid," adds David Hidalgo, laughing) Louie adds, "It makes you feel good, and I hope that people can pick up some of that and take this little record that was our humble beginning and carry it into another century."

HISPANIC: Police work not all fun and games

(From 1D)

ence room.

"I am Detective Johnson, and this video I am about to play for you is going to make a few cry, and some very upset. If it is too much for you to handle you can walk out the door, and come back when you feel better," said Johnson.

You couldn't hear a pin drop, as the video started. A few cringed, others watched. Images of innocent children, victims of abuse flashed upon the 25 inch color TV.

"Another blow. Did God overlook it? What all has been overlooked the 11th commandment Honor Thy Children," sings Collen Ray, a country singer.

"When something happens to the children, the authorities take them to the Children's Advocacy Center," said Johnson.

The CAC expanded in 1998, and the expansion changes within the system followed. Johnson

presented a demonstration in which audience members were asked to stand at the front of the classroom.

"Let's say for instance a child goes and tells his teacher he was abused. The teacher would tell the principal... the six other people he would need to speak to would be the following:

- Child Protective Services
- Parents
- Police officer
- Detective
- Sexual assault intervention trained nurse
- Stepfather
- Attorney

Johnson went on to say the kid has already talked to eight people, he's scared and no ones given him any kind of support during the whole ordeal.

"The case is lost before it was even started," said Johnson.

Since October of 1998 the laws have changed, children no longer need to go through a number of stages to receive justice. The four

stages are as follows: teacher, principal, counselor, Child Protective Services, and law enforcement. "As a result of the changes in the system, the confession rate has risen to 80 percent," said Johnson.

A number of slides soon followed the demonstration. Johnson explained questions a police officer would ask a child, and explained a number of tools investigators use in child abuse cases.

"The meeting has given me so much information. You think it only occurs on television, but it happens everyday," said participant, Sandra Gonzalez.

Ms. Roman expressed her gratitude for the program.

"Getting involved with the community is the greatest reward, and this program is allowing me to understand many things about the Midland Police Department," said Ms. Roman



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By Richard Rosenblatt
AP Football Writer

If nothing else, history is on Miami's side.

When Florida State (5-0) lines up against Miami (3-1) on Saturday, the seventh-ranked Hurricanes will have the top-ranked Seminoles just where they want them — in the Orange Bowl.

Miami has played a No. 1 team eight times at its ancient home and has come away with six wins, including 31-0 over Florida State in 1988.

From 1985-1994, the Hurricanes were unbeatable in the Orange Bowl, winning an NCAA-record 58 games, a streak that included four wins against No. 1 teams — Oklahoma twice, Florida State and Notre Dame. The other two were before the streak — against Penn State in 1981 and Nebraska in 1983.

Two of the victories — against the Sooners in '88 and the Cornhuskers in '83 — were in the Orange Bowl game and sealed national titles for the Hurricanes.

In the '90s, Miami played host to No. 1 just once — a 24-17 loss to national champion Nebraska in the '95 Orange Bowl.

Miami-Florida State was among the glamour rivalries in the late 1980s-early 1990s, but the Hurricanes have lost the last five meetings — by an average of 22 points per game — while trying to regroup from NCAA penalties that resulted in 31 lost scholarships.

The Canes say they're back. "We've got all the athletes we need now," linebacker Dan Morgan said. "We've got no excuses."

The Miami machine is directed by 19-year-old Ken Dorsey, who has thrown for 969 yards and nine touchdowns for the nation's top scoring team (50.3 ppg) and fourth best offense (486.3 ypg). The defense, which has scored five TDs, allows 16 ppg.

Florida State, led by 28-year-old Chris Weinke, is similar. Weinke, expected to start despite missing practice time with a sprained left ankle, has thrown for 1,478 yards and 12 TDs for an offense that leads the nation (514.6 ypg) and ranks seventh in scoring (41.6 ppg). The defense, led by end Jamal Reynolds (10 sacks), allows 11.3 ppg.

"They look better than they have in a long time, especially in the last five years," Bowden said Wednesday. "They really look for real."

Davis hopes so. "I want to beat Florida State," he said earlier this week. "I want to beat them every bit as bad as the alumni and the players do."

In case his players aren't up on their Miami-Florida State history, Bowden plans to remind them of games past, such as the losses in '91 and '92 when

last-second field attempts went wide right.

"Five years ago, these kids were in elementary school and high school and stuff," Bowden said. "Some of them might remember the battles we had against Miami, but I guarantee you our kids respect them."

Miami leads the series 23-20. The picks: No. 1 Florida State (minus 6) at No. 7 Miami.

Bad timing for 'Notes to hit Orange Bowl ranked No. 1. ... MIAMI, 31-30.

No. 2 Nebraska (minus 15 1/2) at Iowa State.

Battle of unbeaten, but Cyclones have one win in last 22 meetings vs. Huskers. ... NEBRASKA, 33-24.

Temple (plus 30) at No. 3 Virginia Tech. Vick wasn't around last time Owls came to town — and won! ... VIRGINIA TECH, 45-21.

No. 4 Kansas State (minus 23) at Kansas. K-State has won last five by average margin of 36.2 points. ... KANSAS STATE, 35-20.

North Carolina State (minus 20 1/2) at No. 5 Clemson. Battle of Bobby Bowden disciples — son (Tommy) vs. protegee (Chuck Amato). ... CLEMSON, 42-28.

No. 6 Michigan (plus 2) at Purdue. Boilermakers' Brees vs. Wolverines' Henson. ... MICHIGAN, 34-31.

No. 8 Ohio State (minus 1 1/2) at No. 24 Wisconsin. The Buckeyes stop here. ... WISCONSIN, 24-20.

No. 10 Oklahoma (plus 3 1/2) vs. No. 11 Texas (at Dallas). Last time both were in top 15 ('84). No. 1 Horns and No. 2 Sooners tied. ... OKLAHOMA, 42-35.

LSU (plus 16) at No. 12 Florida. Tigers still sky-high after win over Vols. ... FLORIDA, 31-13.

No. 23 Oregon State (plus 10) at No. 13 Washington. Beavers seek end to another losing streak — 0-12, 22 of last 23 vs. Huskies. ... WASHINGTON, 37-31.

Hawaii (plus 37) at No. 14 TCU. Frogs' RB Tomlinson needs to pick up pace in Heisman race. ... TCU, 44-13.

No. 15 Auburn (plus 1) at No. 20 Mississippi State. Bulldogs scored two TDs in final 2:28 to pull out '99 game. ... AUBURN, 28-21.

South Florida (no line) at No. 17 Southern Mississippi. I-AA Bulls coming off win over No. 1 team — I-AA Troy State. ... SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI, 45-7.

Azusa (plus 6 1/2) at No. 18 USC. 'Zona defense allows 9 points per game. ... UNLV, 27-17.

No. 21 Tennessee (plus 4 1/2) at No. 19 Georgia. Vols may be bitten again, this time by good team. ... GEORGIA, 31-28.

Indiana (plus 5 1/2) at No. 22 Northwestern. Are Wildcats for real? ... INDIANA, 31-23.

Stanford (plus 12 1/2) at No. 25 Notre Dame. Irish, with freshman QB, out to avenge last-play loss in '99. ... NOTRE DAME, 27-17.

Last week: 16-6 (straight); 8-13 (vs. points). Season: 79-22 (straight); 52-45 (vs. points).

Heupel, Applewhite took different roads to Dallas

By Thomas Mullen
Associated Press Writer

NORMAN, Okla. — They are two quarterbacks with very different stories to tell.

One is a college football vagabond, rising from junior college to become the leader of a team desperate to regain national prominence. The other had immediate success in Division I football and shared Big 12 offensive player of the year honors last season — only to now find himself fending off another player for his team's starting job.

The paths of No. 10 Oklahoma's Josh Heupel and No. 11 Texas' Major Applewhite cross Saturday, when their teams play at the Cotton Bowl in Dallas. It's the first time in years the rivalry has national title implications.

Heupel, the losing quarterback in last year's OU-Texas game, realizes the importance of Saturday's contest.

"The whole atmosphere is something special," Heupel said. "But I don't think anybody's going to get lost in the emotion of the game. Once you step between the white lines it's all the same."

Both QBs have been impressive this year. Heupel, a senior, threw eight TDs and averaged 311 yards per game in leading Oklahoma to its first 4-0 start since 1993.

Applewhite, a junior who had off-season knee surgery, has passed for nine touchdowns — three of them in a 42-7 victory over Oklahoma State last week. But he didn't even start against the Cowboys. Sophomore Chris Simms did, and was pulled early. Texas coach Mack Brown still won't name a starter for Saturday, though signs point to Applewhite.

"We think Major is back on track and all Chris needs is experience and at some point we think Chris Simms will be as good as anybody in the country also," Brown said, hinting perhaps at Applewhite regaining the job permanently. Heupel's job is perfectly safe.

He was named a team captain just a few weeks after coming to Oklahoma in 1999, from Snow Junior College in Utah. Last year, he set more than a dozen school and conference passing records in leading the Sooners to their first winning record in six seasons.

Heupel inspires confidence in a team that hasn't had much over the past decade.

"I think the reason people trust him so much is because it shows in his hard work and dedication how much the game means to him," running back Seth Littrell said. "Not only does it show he's a leader but it gives the players confidence in what he does."

Heupel scares opposing defenses. "Unless you can get some pressure on Josh Heupel," Brown said, "he'll break a national passing record against you. He's that good."

Then there's Applewhite, who acknowledges he is still working on his leadership style.

"It's a tough position," Applewhite said. "You want to be a leader but you don't want to be on a soapbox talking down to (teammates)."

Both Applewhite and Simms, son of former NFL quarterback Phil Simms, are naturals for the position.

"They're both great leaders, they both have great ability and I think at this stage — and I said it in preseason — I think they're two of the best quarterbacks in the country," Brown said.

Oklahoma coach Bob Stoops said he sees similarities in Heupel and Applewhite.

"Both are accurate. Both take a hit, both keep playing. There's a lot of comparisons and I see the same things in Simms," Stoops said.

But after Saturday, only one of the quarterbacks will have his team off to a 2-0 conference start after winning the biggest OU-Texas game since No. 1 Texas and No. 3 Oklahoma played to a 15-15 tie in 1984.

Oregon teams both make Top 25

Associated Press

Oregon and Oregon State are together again in The Associated Press' college football poll — for the first time in 59 years and second time ever.

The Beavers (4-0) moved into the AP poll at No. 23 this week after a 31-21 victory over USC. It is the first time since Jan. 4, 1969 they have been ranked.

Oregon (4-1), with its 23-16 win over Washington, moved up 11 spots to No. 9 in the poll.

The last time both Oregon schools were in the AP poll was Oct. 20, 1941. Oregon was No. 16; Oregon State No. 18. Both were 3-1. The AP poll began in 1936.

The Ducks are off Saturday, while the Beavers are at No. 13 Washington.

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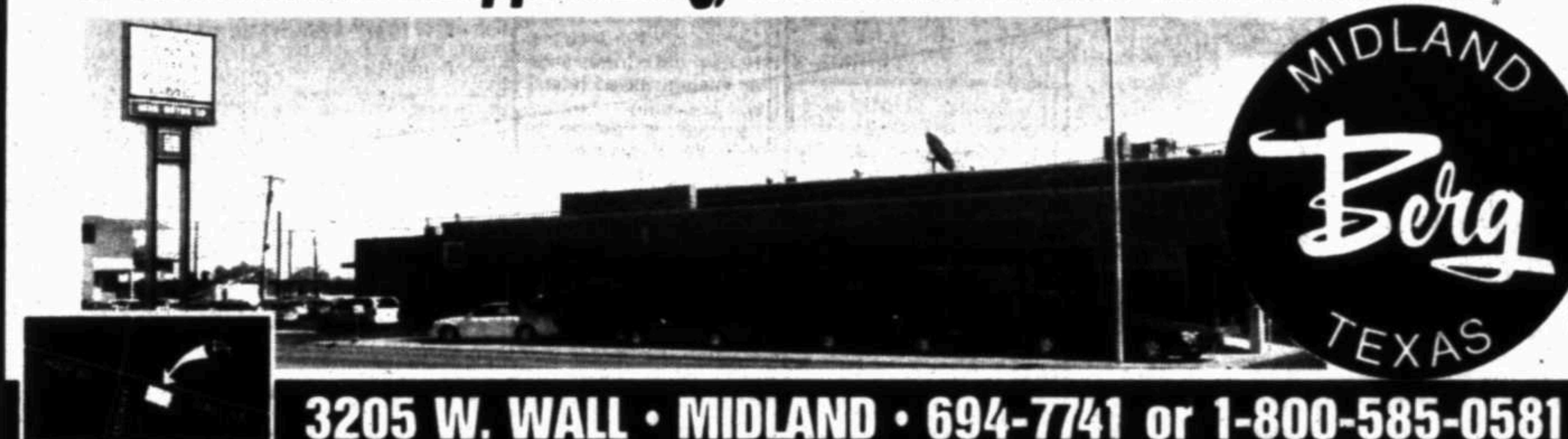
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1999 24' WONDERER, 1 slide out, ducted air and heat, microwave, completely self contained. \$10,000. 699-1163.

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DODGE 1978 24' Motor home, 74k miles, very dependable and clean. \$3,500. Call 570-9925.

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ROCKWOOD 1983 POP up, A/C, four burner stove, sleeps 7. Good condition! \$700. 1694-7818 after 5.

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1997 SPORTSMAN Trailer, 27', used 4 times, short trips, queen size bed, sleeps 6, 2 doors with awning. \$10,000. xxx-xxxx.

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MOTOR HOME: Ford Ultra Gulfstream 1995 Like new, 13k miles, must sell \$29,000. 687-0986.

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1988 WINDCRUISER, 33' loaded, jacks, ice maker, camera, air bags, new tires. Driver/passenger doors. 57K miles. \$20,500. 689-4721.

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1994 COLEMAN Destiny Pop-up. Excellent condition, always garaged. Sleeps 6, small refrigerator/freezer. \$3,500. 697-6980.

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TRAVELCRAFT motor home, 22', excellent condition, self contained, generator, 460 engine, 15,500 obo. Call 550-7644.

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1997 SPORTSMAN, 26 1/2', 5TH wheel, 13 foot slide out. Like new! \$15,000. Firm. Call 697-9481.

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1995 SPRINT 16' Fish & ski boat, low hours, super clean. Call 684-8202 for more information.

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BAY LINER 1995, 120 HP. Trailer, new tires, sonar, accessories, new battery. \$8,500. Negotiable. 694-6169.

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1991 19 1/2' CAJON BASS boat, tandem trailer, 200 HP Johnson, front/back Sonar, spare tire, trolling motor. \$8,750. 694-4915.

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1998 VIPER 2010, 20' 3", 225 HP Johnson, dual console, lots of extras, like new. \$22,000. 685-0979.

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1998 STEALTH 203', 225 Mercury EFI, bass boat and trailer. Many extras! Like new! Low wholesale book price. \$15,500. 697-1953.

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1994 15' ALUMINUM boat with 40 horse power Johnson motor. \$500. 620-0317.

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1996 FORD PICKUP. For parts, tires, engine and battery good. \$425. Call 682-1184.

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La Bodega, Restaurant is taking applications for a part time and a full time cook. Pay upon experience only. 808 W. Missouri between 8-10 am 2, 4pm Monday thru Thursday. No phone calls please.

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LEAD MAINTENANCE: HVAC certified, minimum 2 years experience in apartment maintenance. Benefits package. 694-1446.

310 General Help Wanted

LET'S TALK AVON part time- full time. Great earnings. Call Verla 520-0119, independent Rep.

310 General Help Wanted

LOGAN'S ROADHOUSE, in Midland now hiring staff. Apply in person 4609 West Loop 250 North, Monday-Friday between 2:00-4:00.

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MAINTENANCE POSITION: Duties include building maintenance and cleaning. Part-time, flexible hours. \$7-10 hourly. Experience required. No Phone Calls. Apply: ATAC, 1012 Andrews Hwy.

310 General Help Wanted

MAKE READY/ MAINTENANCE: person needed for the Meridian Apartments. Apply in person 4400 N. Holiday Hill Rd. Drug screen required.

310 General Help Wanted

MIDLAND CHILD Care Center now taking applications for Teachers for Toddler 2's. Apply in person at 3701 Andrews Highway.

310 General Help Wanted

MIDLAND POWER-SPORTS is seeking an individual for it's parts department. Must be customer service oriented and enjoy helping people. Please email resume to: 5900 W. Hwy. 80, 520-2080.

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NEW TODAY

310 General Help Wanted

NEED EXPERIENCED painter, a make-ready person. Send resume attention: Manager 2928 W. Louisiana, Midland, 79701.

310 General Help Wanted

NOW ACCEPTING applications for Fry Cook positions or Kitchen Prep. Experienced preferred. Apply in person, Cattleman's Steak House, 3300 North Big Spring, Midland.

310 General Help Wanted

NOW HIRING Cashier, Counter help and Fry Cook. Full and part time positions available. Apply in person only 9:30 am or 5:30pm, 723 W. Wadley.

310 General Help Wanted

NOW HIRING Full/ part time drivers. Must have small van or pick-up with camper. Dependability a must. \$6.15 per hour plus mileage. Apply at 1308 South Midland Suite 127.

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NEW TODAY

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Odessa Detention Center is now accepting applications for employment for a part time kitchen supervisor starting at \$7.45 per hour. Part time benefits available. Vacation and sick leave. Food service experience preferred but not required. Will train. Apply in person at 203 N. Grant, Odessa, TX.

310 General Help Wanted

Odessa Detention Center is now accepting applications for employment for a Jailier/ Correctional Officer starting at \$8.25 per hour. Experience preferred but not required. Will train. Benefits include paid health insurance, 401K retirement plan, paid vacation, sick and holiday leave. Apply in person at 203 N. Grant, Odessa, TX.

310 General Help Wanted

OFFICE EQUIPMENT Company seeking energetic, self-starter for part time receptionist position which includes contact with customers to set up appointments for sales, some experience in sales is preferred. Please call 682-8822.

310 General Help Wanted

OIL FIELD SERVICE company seeking individual who must pass drug testing for field and lab work. Some college is a plus. Good driving record, some late night and weekend work will be required. For appointment call 684-8800.

310 General Help Wanted

PART TIME Sales Help, computer experience helpful. Must work flexible hours. Apply in person at Flowerland, 413 Andrews Highway.

310 General Help Wanted

PART TIME- Tuesday through Thursdays. \$6 per hour. Must have Auto electrical experience. 570-7886.

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PINNETT

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TRANSPORTATION is now accepting applications for experienced CDL drivers. Regional sales representative. Minimum 3 years OTR experience. Clean driving record, Safety Bonus, Vacation Pay, Medical Insurance, Drug Card, at least 25 years of age. Apply in person to Jack or Frank at 4915 West Industrial, Bldg 93, Midland, TX 79703. (915)689-6884 - Office.

310 General Help Wanted

LOCAL MOVING company needs experienced Furniture movers. (915)553-1464.

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NEW TODAY

310 General Help Wanted

Santa Photos Management, Cashier, Greeter, etc. Create Holiday Magic! 800-229-7147 x483

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KUO'S Chinese Restaurant Now hiring Bus Person. Apply in person at 3303 North Midland, Suite #152, Midland, 697-8888 ask for Pamela.

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La Bodega Restaurant is taking applications for full time waitstaff and part time cocktail wait person. Apply in person 2700 North Big Spring.

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336 Adult Care Providers HAVE OPENING for elderly loved one in my home. 24 hour care. References. Call 522-2317.	340 Child Care Needed HIRED! NEED BABYSITTER for seven year old. Two evenings per week, at my home. Call xxx-xxxx.	341 Child Care Providers NEW TODAY CHRISTIAN HOME. Openings available for ages 1yrs. - 12yrs. Off Rankin Hwy. Please call Janie 570-0226.	350 Business Opportunities UPGRADE Your Income. www.handtech.com/Stan5mith. Call 1-888-845-4039.	350 Business Opportunities Attention Readers! Occasionally, ads found in this section come from distant points & the Midland Reporter-Telegram cannot always keep the merits of the offers. We suggest when you are in doubt that you call the Better Business Bureau before signing any contract or giving out your credit card or bank information.
340 Child Care Needed CHILD CARE Provider need in home. Infant & 5 year old. 7:30 am to 5:30 pm. Must have reference & transportation. Non-smoking environment. Light cooking & cleaning. Please call for application 699-6192.	341 Child Care Providers NEEDED CHILD CARE Provider in the Greenwood area. Call 570-5394.	350 Business Opportunities ***ACCESS TO A Computer? Put it to Work! \$25/hour - \$75/hour, part time/ full time. 800-316-5653. www.getwealth.com	350 Business Opportunities NEW TODAY INTERNATIONAL COMPANY seeks PC users. Full training and paid vacations. \$350 to \$800 per week. 888-827-9733.	MAIL BOXES ETC. Franchises for sale. 877-MBE-SALE www.mbe.com

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601 Hotel Rooms
602 Roommates Wanted
603 Want to Rent
604 Apts. Furnished
605 Apts. Unfurnished
606 Houses Furnished
607 Houses Unfurnished
608 Condo/Townhome
609 Mobile Home
610 Mobile Home Space
611 Business Office
612 Property for Rent
613 Condo Prop
614 Warehouse/Storage
615 Rec./Resort
616 Out of Town
617 Hunting Leases
618 Oil/Gas Leases
619 Oilfield Misc.

400 Auctions

PUBLIC AUCTION, #12 E. Industrial Loop, Midland, TX. Saturday, October 7, 2000. Time: 10 am. Preview: Friday 6th, 10-5 pm. Consisting of a large amount of building materials and supplies as follows: Miscellaneous lumber, office desks, built-in dishwasher, dryer, dining table & chairs, microwave, built-in oven, file cabinets, miscellaneous cabinets (wood), metal studs, roofing material (tar paper, shingles), spa, ceramic tile, insulation, paint, doors, kitchen sinks, vanity sinks, roof metal flashing material, vinyl siding, aluminum, roof caps, turbine vents, weather caps, nails, built-in double oven, free standing electric stove, trash compactor, small water tank (bladder type), forklift, 1988 Evader inboard/outboard (boat), tandem axle trailer, power tools. Consignments welcome. Call 349-2497 cell, pager 915-522-4787, pager 915-681-4000. Ike's Auction Service, 10% Buyers Fee. T.H. "Ike" Eicher TX12817.

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610 Apartments Unfurnished

CEDAR ELM Apartments
2 Bedroom, 1 1/2 baths
Townhome-1,100 sq. ft.
Stove and refrigerator furnished. All bills paid plus free basic cable. Bowie Elementary and Midland High School District. \$450 per month. Efficiency apartments \$325. 570-4611, 570-0842 and 664-2694.

MOVE ON IN and see why we are so special. On our 1 & 2 bedrooms. \$99 Deposit and no rent first month, also have 3 bedrooms. Call or come by Silver Creek Apartments. 2438 Whitmore, 687-0053.

ALL BILLS PAID: One and two bedroom apartments. 501 West Louisiana. Deposit required. Call 683-5161.

1714 EAST OAK, nice 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath, garage, \$485 monthly. 694-9853.

3 BEDROOM, 2 bath, single garage, \$525 monthly, pet? 5112-A Shadylane, Call Camille at 684-8202.

3222 CAMARIE - \$800 per month, \$800 deposit. 3 or 4 bedrooms, 3 living areas. Denise at Real Estate One-682-1111.

4516 LEDDY - EXCEPTIONALLY nice three bedroom, two bath brick home. \$650 monthly plus deposit. 214-868-9996 or 915-699-4133.

ATTRACTIVE PROPERTY. 1217 Century-3 bedroom, 2 bath, 1 garage. \$595 per month. Deposit \$350. *4005 Cedar Springs- \$495 per month, \$300 deposit, 3 bedrooms, 1 bath. Owner agents. Contact Realty Unlimited, 550-5609.

610 Apartments Unfurnished

NICE 2 BEDROOM, 1 bath duplex. Available October 1st. Refrigerator, washer and dryer, dishwasher, range, disposal, ceiling fans, fireplace, fenced yard, storage, carport, on cul-de-sac. See at 4802 "B" Country Club. \$440/month. \$500 Deposit. 683-5683.

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PATIO TOWNHOUSES. 1710 N "A". Ask about a free months rent. 1 Bedroom apartments & 2 bedroom townhomes. Gas & Water paid. Now open Saturdays 10:00am-4:00pm 682-4783.

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GARAGE SALES

79701 Estate Sale of Hatie Mae Jeter 1412 Lanham Thurs. thru Sat. 8:30 to 5. Imari, Baccarat, Heisey, set of china, pottery, Depression, Mar-crest stoneware, ornate turtle collection, queen and twin beds, double dresser, stereo, coffee/ end tables, lamps, ladies clothes (8-18), jewelry, chair with ottoman, round oak table, TV, refrigerator, washer, dryer, microwave, paintings and prints, file cabinets, books, Christmas things, lawn furniture, kitchen things and more. Handled by Floy Maberry. ★1001 S. Weatherford (one block off Florida). May be on the south side but have lots of nice items. Lots of antique glassware, furniture, clothes, bike, cellular phone. Lots of other miscellaneous items. Wednesday-Thursday 10 am - 4 pm.	79703 Estate Sale A. Henry Saranec Holiday Inn Ballroom Midland, Texas Oct. 5th thru 8th, 9:00 am - 6:00 pm 500 plus wooden carvings from all over the world, out of different woods and all kinds of subjects. Sculptures of cellulose, marble, metal, soapstone, onyx and other mediums. Thousands of toys. Fastfood memorabilia (1960-1999), Disney, Hot Wheels, Matchbox, tootsie-toys, Ertl, Dolls, Tonka, Ford, and others. Carved tables, trunks, books, records, large mechanical horses of the 1930's and 1940's from five and dime stores, Golf clubs and bags, brass, glassware, 2- Ted Williams shotguns, new in box, Winchester and other guns, 9 air guns, oriental items, Sabino, Jewelry, 4 modern carousel horses, 3 sleds, Antique clocks, coins, stamps, musical instruments, Silver bars, Handkerchief collection, Duck decoys and other animal/ bird figures, early O'Keefe & Merritt Gas Range. 350 plus PAINTINGS: some by local artists Vera Gray, Wanda Hurley and Texas Artists Bill Lyne, Liola Rendis, Robert Cole, Darnelle, Allbritton, Keith Avery and many, many more artists. Prints, stained glass, advertising. Paintings are of a large variety, abstracts, lots of nudes, advertising western, snow & seascapes, French street scenes, portraits, and some very unique subjects. Sale by DELORA KIRBY & CO.	79703 416 SWEETBRIAR- Trailer sale! Electric Dr. Pepper box, air conditioner, many more items. Thursday 9:00- 4:00, Friday 9:00-12:00. 79705 The Deadline to place an Ad in our Saturday Garage Sale Section is Noon Friday. Call 682-6222 to place your ad today. Moving Sale! (Garage Full) 3206 Apperson Friday & Saturday 7:30 am. Wicker furniture, housewares, quality clothing, lots of collectibles & knick-knacks. Southwest oil paintings. Cheap prices! 1903 COLEMAN CT. (Off Bluebird) Patio sale! Friday & Saturday 8am- 6pm. Household items, miscellaneous and clothes. 1206 STANOLIND: Friday 8:30am-2:00pm, and 5:00pm- 7:00pm, Saturday 8:30am-7:00pm. Huge multifamily sale. Everything from tot to teen to retirement. Must make rooms in our homes. Priced to sell. Air compressor, 10 speed bike, car seats, ceiling fans, computer equipment, exercise bike, furniture, lawn mower, Power Wheels Jeep, crafts table, household items, children's clothes and toys, large appliances, jewelry, Tupperware (new), utility trailer, home school curriculum and more. 3212 WEST DENGAR, Friday 8:00 am-6:00 pm and Saturday 8:00-7:00. Five piece bedroom set, La-Z-Boy recliner, full size comforter sets, ladies clothes, coats and shoes. Lots of miscellaneous. No checks.	79705 2000 BLOCK of Sands (2000, 2001, and 2005). Friday and Saturday 8:30am-7:00pm. Furniture, miscellaneous household items, kids and baby items, clothing, patio furniture, 93 Suburban cargo mat, luggage, fine China, computer and Rainbow vacuum. CASH ONLY. 2200 STANOLIND. Huge Multi Family Garage Sale! Thursday 4-7 pm; Friday 8-3 pm. Kimball office furniture, jewelry, treadmill, sporting equipment, furniture, children's toys, washer & dryer, clothing. AREA SALES Estate Sales by Joseph ESTATE SALE OF JEAN FIELDS 3245 Duke Street Big Spring, Texas (exit 179 to Baylor, left on Duke) Thurs. - Fri. 10 - 6 & Sat. 10 - ? If you are looking clean and quality furniture, here is your chance to take a short drive! Dining room table and chairs, server, game table (2 chairs), dresser, mirror, small square table, all are Henredon pieces. Other furniture, brass and glass tea cart, gold leaf china cabinet, wire colored sofa with pink piping, chairs, oriental furnishings, coffee table, ceramics, super crystal floor lamp, sterling silver (Lod Master), wagon wheel table from the Wagon Wheel Restaurant. Two complete bedroom sets, complete household for sale. Lots of miscellaneous!	GARAGE SALE SERVICES DON'T MISS OUT! The deadline for a Saturday Garage Sale ad is Friday at Noon. Please be sure to call 682-6222, before noon, to ensure your ad will be in Saturday's paper. \$20.50 \$20.50 \$20.50 \$20.50 GARAGE SALE AD PACKAGE \$20.50 ★ 7 Lines (approx. 28-35 words) ★ 2 Days ★ Stand Out Emblem ★ Garage Sale Kit (includes Signs, Stakes, Marker, Balloons, Helpful Hints, \$6 Value) ★ Package of Flavored Drink Mix (for the Kids to Open a Drink Stand!) ★ \$3 Off Classified Coupon (Place an ad to sell those left-over garage sale items & get \$3 off) Or Get 3 Days for Only \$24.50! Call 682-6222 Today! \$20.50 \$20.50 \$20.50 \$20.50
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