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La Hacienda expected to open for concert tonight

Residents shared comments related to arrests, use of force at venue

By Simone Jasper
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After fire safety violations recently shut down La Hacienda Event Center, the venue's attorney expects it will make changes in time to host an event tonight. Israel Guardiola and others shared their comments about the inspection with Midland County commissioners during a special meeting Thursday.

The session came after officials on Feb.

23 entered La Hacienda and ultimately shut it down. A document from the State Fire Marshal's Office lists violations for the venue, including those related to the fire alarm system, sprinklers, wiring, exit doors and occupancy, according to a previous Reporter-Telegram story.

Guardiola after the Commissioners' Court meeting said the State Fire Marshals' Office re-inspected the venue and was complimentary of the changes that had been made.

"At this point, I'm told that it's 99

percent corrected," Guardiola said. "I think there are a couple of minor issues, and the State Fire Marshal's Office has told us if we just correct them and send a picture to them, we're ready to go."

Commissioners also heard comments from La Hacienda employees, eventgoers and others in the community regarding interactions with law enforcement officials last weekend. Midland County District Attorney Laura A. Nodolf said she wants to be able to review instances involving use of force to see whether protocol was

followed.

"If anybody has videos from any incidents that occurred out at La Hacienda — whether it involved the mistreatment by law enforcement, a perceived mistreatment of law enforcement, something that they observed from somebody else — then I wholeheartedly encourage those individuals to send me that information," she said.

Midland County Judge Mike Bradford

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Chad McAllister, Anadarko vice president of Delaware Basin Development, welcomes employees and Midlanders to the groundbreaking ceremony Thursday for the new regional headquarters being built near the sports complex.

Anadarko breaks ground on future headquarters, Midland Regional Office

■ Campus to feature two five-story buildings, amenities building

By Mella McEwen
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Anadarko Petroleum is showing its commitment to Midland in a big way with the launch of construction of its new Midland Regional Office.

While no price tag has been given, the new campus — two five-story buildings totaling 350,000 square feet, a parking garage and amenities building totaling another 100,000 square feet — is sure to require a check with a lot of zeros.

"This demonstrates our commitment to the area and will give us a competitive edge," said Chad McAllister, vice president of Delaware Basin Development. He cited employee benefits such as a fitness center, health center, employee café and child care as ways to recruit and retain the young professionals needed

for the company's future.

Located on a 10-acre site in Westridge Commons just to the west of Home2 Suites and across Desurville Boulevard from Occidental's Oxy Permian Plaza and Chevron's Midland campus, the new campus will house up to 275 employees initially and has the ability to grow to about 800. Completion is expected in the third quarter of 2019.

"I've seen the Permian Basin develop, and it's clear it will play a pivotal role in Anadarko's success," McAllister told those attending the groundbreaking ceremony on Thursday.

The company, which has had a presence in the region for more than 30 years, is active strictly in the Delaware Basin. McAllister estimated Anadarko has 4 billion barrels of crude and natural gas resources yet to develop.

"Our acreage in the Delaware Basin is layer after layer to develop," he said.

Midland Mayor Jerry Morales said he's excited Anadarko chose Midland for its regional headquarters.

"I can see you're a big family," he

At a glance

Design: Two five-story office buildings totaling 350,000 square feet and 100,000-foot amenities building

Occupancy: Offices for about 275 initially, with a total capacity of 800

Amenities: Fitness center, auditorium, health clinic, child care, outdoor fitness area

Location: In Westridge Commons across Desurville Boulevard from Occidental's Oxy Permian Plaza and Chevron's Midland campus

said. Anadarko's decision to build in Midland confirms efforts to make Midland a world-class city known globally for its energy expertise, Morales said.

"The City Council is working to improve our streets, education, our business atmosphere, our quality of life," he said.

He praised the company, and its oil and gas peers, as being great corporate partners in working with Midland education and nonprofits.

"I know you've taken the housing in ClayDesta Plaza and all the housing in Midland," he said. Anadarko's growth as it develops its Delaware Basin assets will have a tremendous impact on Midland, said Bobby Burns, president and chief executive officer of the Midland Chamber of Commerce.

"Midland will look very different 10 years from now," he said. "This piece of land will be a remarkable part of the development that will change Midland."

Midland's gas price streak reaches 13 weeks

By Stewart Doreen
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The streak of Midland having the most expensive gas, according to AAA Texas, has reached 13 weeks.

Basically for three months, the association's survey of larger metropolitan areas points to Midland as having the most expensive average price. For the third straight week, that average in Midland is \$2.54 a gallon, according to AAA Texas.

The good news is that while AAA Texas shows the state and national average prices (now at \$2.28 and \$2.54, respectively) increased 2 cents, Midland's price didn't change. The bad news is that a vast majority of Midland stations still post prices at \$2.50 or above, according to TexasGasPrices.com. The website shows 36 of 43 retailers (83 percent) with prices at or above \$2.50, including three stations higher than \$2.60 a gallon.

By contrast, the website shows five stations in Odessa with gas prices at or above \$2.50. There are no stations with \$2.50 gas in Abilene, San Angelo and Lubbock.

Also, while AAA Texas showed prices trending higher this past week, TexasGasPrices.com shows the price of gas across Texas falling by 1.5 cents to \$2.256. It shows the average price in Midland-Odessa — primarily because of the higher prices in Midland — staying level at \$2.486 a gallon.

AAA Texas shows El Paso as having the cheapest gasoline in Texas this week at an average \$2.18 per gallon. That is the same price that TexasGasPrices.com shows for Lubbock.

TexasGasPrices.com shows the average price of gas in Midland is 23 cents behind the average across the state. Last year, that difference was 2 cents. It also shows Midland is 30 cents behind Lubbock's average. While the cheapest gas in Midland — \$2.21 at Sam's Club in west Midland — fell by a penny, it is still 23 cents more than the cheapest gas found at numerous locations in San Angelo (\$1.99 a gallon).

AAA officials say U.S. demand for gasoline is 4 percent higher than a year ago. Texas is tied with Alabama for the lowest statewide average gas prices in the nation.

Gas prices in Midland

Cheapest gas: \$2.21 (Sam's Club, SH 191/Trudovinds)	Midland-Odessa	Texas
Cheapest gas (non-membership store): \$2.27 (four locations in central and northwest Midland)	Midland-Odessa	Texas
Most expensive: \$2.65	Midland-Odessa	Texas
Most common price: \$2.63, \$2.59	Midland-Odessa	Texas
Cheapest prices in West Texas: San Angelo \$1.99, Lubbock \$2.06, Midland \$2.21, Odessa \$2.28, Abilene \$2.27	Midland-Odessa	Texas
	Midland-Odessa	Texas
Thursday	\$2.486	\$2.256
Last week	\$2.486	\$2.271
Last month	\$2.532	\$2.377
Last year	\$2.137	\$2.115

Source: TexasGasPrices.com

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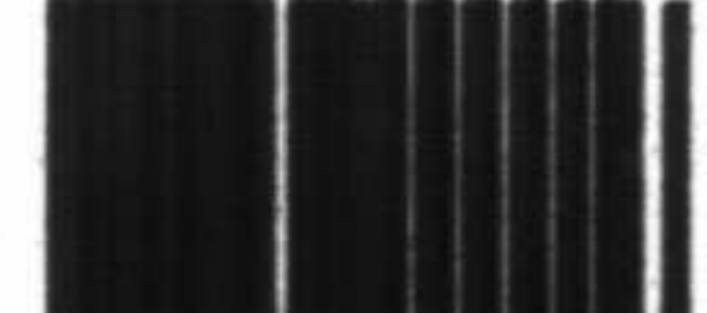
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MPD implements Safe Exchange Zone on city's west side

From staff reports

Midland police have implemented a second Safe Exchange Zone location on the west side of Midland to give residents an easier-to-access safe place to exchange items that were purchased online and allow families with visitation rights to make custodial exchanges safely, according to a press release from the Midland Police Department's spokeswoman.

The new Safe Exchange Zone is located at the police substation at Midland Fire Department Station 6 at 301 Tradewinds Blvd.

The original Safe Exchange Zone, which was initiated in October 2016, is on the south side of MPD's public parking lot, 601 N. Loraine St.

The zones are clearly marked with three designat-

ed parking spaces and signage. The area is available for the public to use 24/7 for legitimate exchanges and is under video surveillance at all times, according to the release. While the area is well-lit, MPD encourages residents to use the zone during the day.

MPD's Safe Exchange Zone cannot be used to make illegal transactions of narcotics, dangerous or deadly weapons or any other dangerous materials, spokeswoman Rachel Walker said in the release. MPD employees cannot act as witnesses or be a part of any transactions.

Lt. Alfredo Grimaldo, one of the creators of MPD's Safe Exchange Zone, estimates that the first Safe Exchange Zone is used a couple of times a week — approximately 100 times a year.



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A man walks out of the memorial Nov. 12, 2017, for the victims of a shooting at Sutherland Springs First Baptist Church in Sutherland Springs. The first primary of 2018 could offer a test of the re-energized gun-control movement, but the issue has not dominated races in gun-loving Texas, even though the state recently endured a massacre that was deadlier than the Florida high school shooting. The results of the Texas primary on Tuesday, March 6, 2018, might be expected to give some early indication of whether voter attitudes toward weapons have changed in the two weeks since a gunman killed 17 people at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Florida.

Shootings aren't big factor in nation's first 2018 primary

By Paul J. Weber
Associated Press

AUSTIN — The first primary of 2018 could offer a test of the re-energized gun-control movement, but the issue has not dominated races in gun-loving Texas, even though the state recently endured a massacre that was deadlier than the Florida high school shooting.

The results of the Texas primary on Tuesday might be expected to give some early indication of whether voter attitudes toward weapons have changed in the two weeks since a gunman killed 17 people at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Florida. But that now seems less likely because the attack has not emerged as a decisive factor in the final stages of the Texas campaign. The state has some of the most relaxed gun laws in the U.S. and hosts the National Rifle Association's national convention in May.

"It's hard. Texas is hard," said Elva Mendoza, a leading Texas organizer with Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America.

Republicans on the ballot have not softened on gun rights, and Texas Democrats are still heavily focused on other issues, such as immigration, while much of the rest of their party mounts its strongest push in years for tighter restrictions on firearms.

The Florida assault spurred Mendoza's group to survey candidates nationwide on gun-control measures before Election Day in November. But those results will not be ready for the Texas primary because of the

early vote, which comes two months before primary elections really kick off in the U.S.

Even before the Florida shooting, Texas candidates were not talking about the even worse massacre that happened in their own backyard just four months ago. A gunman with an AR-15-style rifle shot and killed 25 people at a rural church in tiny Sutherland Springs. Authorities put the official toll death at 26. One of the victims was pregnant, and more than half of the dead were children.

Running for a congressional seat just an hour from Sutherland Springs, Republican Jenifer Sarver doesn't recall getting a single question about the Second Amendment before the Florida massacre. She said Thursday that now "not a day goes by" where it doesn't come up. But she is skeptical of the idea that voters will cast ballots solely on the gun debate.

"It's not likely this is going to be a bellwether on one specific issue," Sarver said.

Sutherland Springs is represented by Rep. Henry Cuellar, one of just a handful of Democrats in Congress who received money from the National Rifle Association in 2016. His South Texas district stretches to the Mexico border and is dotted with hunting ranches.

Cuellar said Thursday that he hasn't been confronted by activists or constituents on guns since the Florida shooting. He said the same was true after the Sutherland Springs massacre.

"I didn't get any. 'Hey, you got to get rid of arms,'" said Cuellar, who has previously touted his NRA

endorsement in ads. He will coast through next week's primary without an opponent.

Texas has more than 1 million residents who are licensed to carry handguns. Since the 2012 shooting of an elementary school in Newtown, Connecticut, Texas has expanded gun rights by making it cheaper and easier to get licensed and allowing handguns into college classrooms and dorms.

President Donald Trump is looking at Texas as a possible model for his proposal to arm teachers in the wake of the Florida shooting. After the slayings in Sutherland Springs, Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton said more guns were needed in churches.

In a handful of GOP-held congressional districts that Democrats are targeting in November, guns have not broken through as key issues.

"It can be inflammatory in a way that might backfire on them. There are riper political arguments to make about immigration or about Donald Trump's lack of inclusion than about guns," said Brandon Rottinhaus, a political science professor at the University of Houston.

Democratic Rep. Beto O'Rourke, who is mounting a longshot bid to unseat Republican Sen. Ted Cruz, has gone further than other Democrats in calling for a ban on assault rifles like those used in both the Florida and Sutherland Springs attacks.

"If it means we're not as viable in the election, so be it," he told voters in the West Texas town of Brownwood.

Primary elections

Today is the last day of early voting for the March 6 elections.

Early voting centers

- Midland County Elections Office — county annex building, 2110 N. "A" St.
- Centennial branch, 2503 W. Loop 250 N
- Cogdell Learning Center, 211 W. Florida Ave.
- Fellowship Community Church, 5206 N. Midland Drive
- Manor Park (Cowden Clubhouse), 5212 Sinclair Ave.

Times

- Elections Office Today, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.
- Other four locations Today, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Election Turnout

- Feb. 20: 534
- Feb. 21: 358
- Feb. 22: 443
- Friday: 702
- Saturday: 400
- Sunday: 175
- Monday: 694
- Tuesday: 829
- Wednesday: 798
- Thursday: 976
- Total in person: 5909 (Republicans 5,347, Democrats 562)
- By mail: 724
- Total: 6,623

Teen arrested with rifle, ammo near high school

Associated Press

ROWLETT — A Dallas-area teenager was being held on \$1 million bond Thursday after a police officer encountered him sitting in his car outside of a high school sporting event with a semi-automatic rifle and 100 rounds of ammunition.

Rowlett police arrested Diego Horta, 17, on Tuesday night on drug and weapons charges. Officer Cruz Hernandez, a spokesman for the department in Rowlett about 20 miles northeast of Dallas, said the officer approached the teen while patrolling near Rowlett High School and the city's community center as two sporting events were wrapping up.

"We're glad that our officer encountered him early," Hernandez said. "He had the weapon, ammunition and a mask... Whatever we prevented, the outcome was going to be bad."

An earlier release from the Rowlett police department said police had no specific evidence to substantiate beyond a reasonable doubt that Horta planned to harm anyone. Hernandez said with the recent school shooting in Parkland, Florida, and highway shootings in Dallas, including the fatal shooting of a postal worker and shots fired into a police car on nearby Interstate 30, the department has been exercising added caution.

Court records did not show attorney information for Horta, who is charged as an adult with possession of a controlled substance and unlawful carrying of a weapon in a weapons free zone. Court records showed a Dallas County magistrate set the \$1 million bond on the drug charge, and Horta was scheduled to go before the magistrate to decide if an

additional bond would be set on the weapon charge.

Hernandez said officers were briefed about the two sporting events — a soccer game and basketball championship — before the patrol shift change.

He said the arresting officer's normal patrol area includes Rowlett High School, where the events were taking place.

He also noted that Rowlett students were not playing in any of the games, and that Horta is home-schooled and not a student at Rowlett High or any of the participating schools.

The officer noticed Horta sitting in his car after 9 p.m. in an area behind the high school near the community center. Hernandez said the officer approached the car because it seemed suspicious and saw the semi-automatic rifle on the seat. The officer took Horta into custody and initiated a search of his car.

Police found more than four grams of a penalty group 2 drug they believed to be hallucinogens. They also found an illegal club and about 100 rounds of ammunition.

Hernandez said officers obtained a warrant and later searched Horta's cellphone, where they found an image containing apparent child pornography. He declined to elaborate on the content, but said it did not appear to be from consensual sexting. Hernandez said the investigation is ongoing but a charge related to the image is pending.

Warrants on the drug and weapons charges were not posted to the Dallas County court system as of Thursday night. Hernandez said federal and county authorities are assisting in the investigation.

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on Wednesday said the Midland County Sheriff's Office coordinated last weekend's inspection, which included the county and state fire marshals' offices as well as U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE).

Both the Midland County sheriff and fire marshal refused to offer comment about the incident. No representatives from their departments addressed the Commissioners' Court.

The Sheriff's Office on Feb. 23 and 24 arrested about a dozen people in the 12000 block of State Highway 191 — the same block

as La Hacienda — according to the department's media arrest summary. Many of the offenses were alcohol- and drug-related. Also, eight people arrested in that area by the Sheriff's Office or ICE had holds related to immigration.

Jerry Hagins, public information officer with the Texas Department of Insurance, said the State Fire Marshal's Office conducted the fire safety inspection at the request of local authorities. The results were sent to Midland County Fire Marshal Dale Little, and the county made the decision to shut down the space, according to a previous Reporter-

Telegram report.

Guardiola said La Hacienda has at four times in the past year had officials come during events. He hoped on Thursday to renew the relationship with county entities and share with them that issues could have been handled when the building was empty.

"We wanted a relationship that we could communicate back and forth and address the things that needed to be addressed —

whether the safety issues or alcohol-related issues with the sheriff's department — in a more appropriate manner," he said.

Luis Sanchez, commissioner for Precinct 3, said the comment period was a chance for people to share what happened last weekend. He said commissioners work on the county budget and that they don't have control about the next steps for La Hacienda.

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Texas Independence Day

On March 2, 1836, the Republic of Texas formally declared its independence from Mexico. Source: Associated Press

Texas Independence Day celebrates the adoption of the state's independence declaration. It is an annual legal holiday in Texas, in the United States, on March 2. March 2 also marks Texas Flag Day and Sam Houston Day, although these are special observances rather than legal holidays.

Things to do

- Author Signing: Cristy Nickel discusses and signs copies of her book, 'The Code Red Revolution: How Thousands of People are Losing Weight and Keeping it Off without Pills, Shakes, Diet Foods or Exercise' 4 p.m., Barnes and Noble Booksellers, 2617 W. Loop 250 N. barnesandnoble.com



Courtesy photo

County officials this week introduced Mia, a bomb dog for the District Attorney's Office. Mia is a 2-year-old Dutch Shepherd purchased from Adlerhorst International, which, according to the county, is a company well-known for purchasing from Europe dogs utilized in military and police work.

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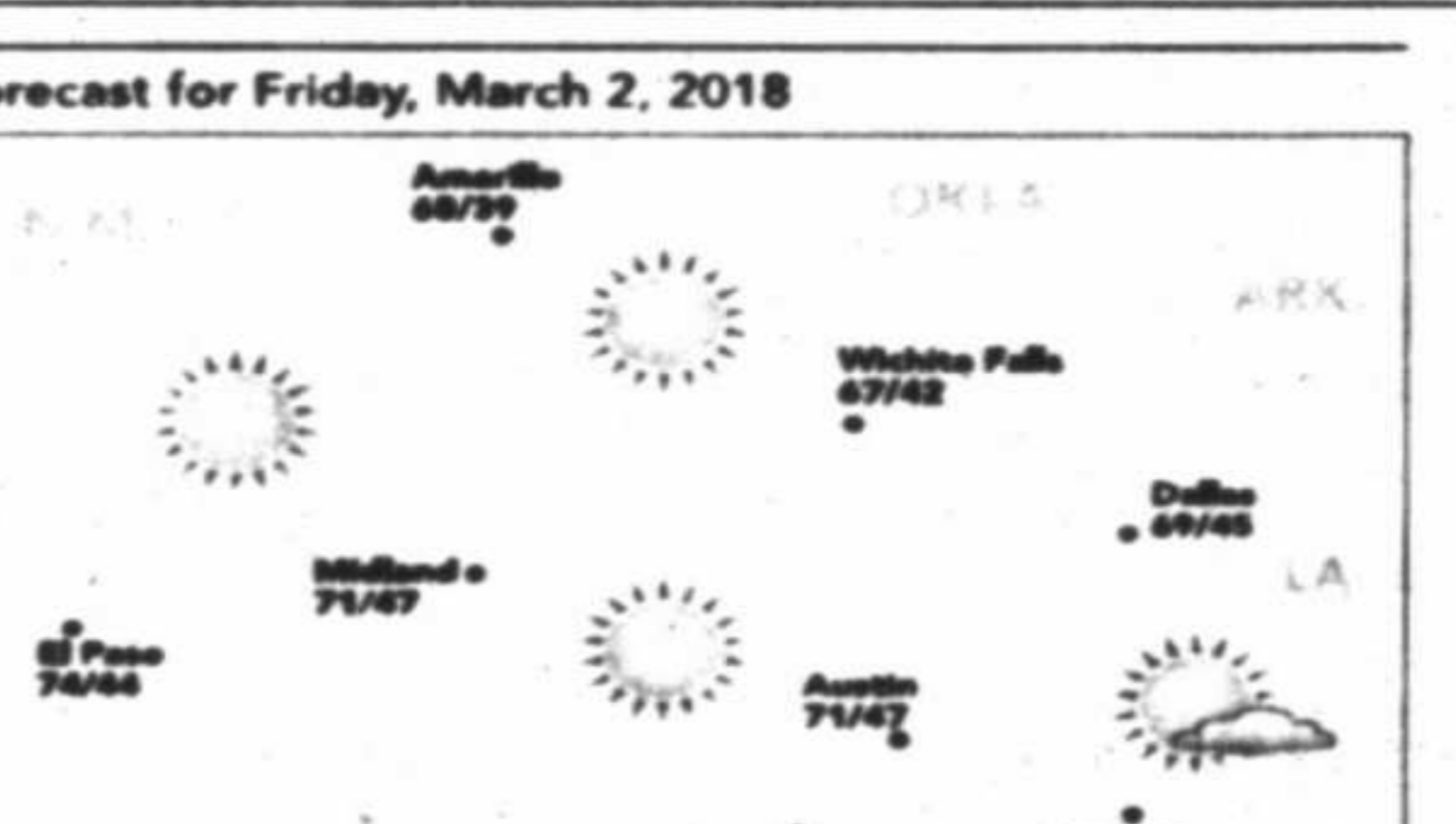
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Weather

Thursday's temperatures High: 66 Low: 42 Normal high: 66 Normal low: 38 March 1's records Record high: 89 set in 2006 Record low: 14 set in 1962

Forecast for Friday, March 2, 2018

Low: 48 Conditions: Showers and thunderstorms today/partly cloudy tonight Winds: 5-15 mph during the day and night Chance of rain: None Sunrise: 7:15 a.m. Sunset: 6:47 p.m.



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School students from Montgomery County, Md., in suburban Washington, rally in solidarity Feb. 21 with those affected by the shooting at Parkland High School in Florida, at the Capitol in Washington.

Congress returns amid pressure to act on gun violence

By Lisa Mascaro and Matthew Daly
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — After a 10-day break, members of Congress are returning to work under hefty pressure to respond to the outcry over gun violence. But no plan appears ready to take off despite a long list of proposals, including many from President Donald Trump.

Republican leaders have kept quiet for days as Trump tossed out ideas, including raising the minimum age to purchase assault-style weapons and arming teachers, though on Saturday the president tweeted that the latter was "Up to states."

Their silence has left little indication whether they are ready to rally their ranks behind any one of the president's ideas, dust off another proposal or do nothing. The most likely legislative option is bolstering the federal background check system for gun purchases, but it's bogged down after being linked with a less popular measure to expand gun rights.

The halting start reflects firm GOP opposition to any bill that would curb access to guns and risk antagonizing gun advocates in their party. Before the Feb. 14 shooting at a high school in Parkland, Florida, that killed 17 people, Republicans had no intention of reviving the polarizing and politically risky gun debate during an already difficult election year that could endanger their congressional majority.

"There's no magic bill that's going to stop the next thing from happening when so many laws are already on the books that weren't being enforced, that were broken," said Rep. Steve Scalise, R-La., the third-ranking House GOP leader, when asked about solutions.

"The breakdowns that happen, this is what drives people nuts," said Scalise, who suffered life-threatening injuries when a gunman opened fire on lawmakers' basketball team practice last year.

Under tough public questioning from shooting survivors, Trump has set high expectations for action.

"I think we're going to have a great bill put forward very soon having to do with background checks, having to do with getting rid of certain things and keeping other things, and perhaps we'll

do something on age," Trump said in a Fox News Channel interview Saturday night. He added: "We are drawing up strong legislation right now having to do with background checks, mental illness. I think you will have tremendous support. It's time. It's time."

Trump's early ideas were met with mixed reactions from his party. His talk of allowing teachers to carry concealed weapons into classrooms was rejected by at least one Republican, Florida Sen. Marco Rubio. House Speaker Paul Ryan, R-Wis., and Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., both spoke to Trump on Friday. Their offices declined comment on the conversations or legislative strategy.

Some Republicans backed up Trump's apparent endorsement of raising the age minimum for buying some weapons.

Sen. Pat Roberts, R-Kan., said he would support raising the age limit to buy a semi-automatic weapon like the one used in Florida. Rubio also supports lifting the age for rifle purchases. Rep. Brian Mast, R-Fla., a longtime NRA member, wrote in *The New York Times* that he now supports an assault-weapons ban.

Sen. Pat Toomey, R-Pa., said he expects to talk soon with Trump, who has said he wants tougher background checks, as Toomey revives the bill he proposed earlier with Sen. Joe Manchin, D-W.Va., to expand pre-sale checks for firearms purchases online and at gun shows.

First introduced after the Sandy Hook Elementary School shooting in 2012 in Connecticut, the measure has twice been rejected by the Senate. Some Democrats in GOP-leaning states joined with Republicans to defeat the measure. Toomey's office said he is seeking to build bipartisan support after the latest shooting.

"Our president can play a huge and, in fact, probably decisive role in this. So I intend to give this another shot," Toomey said Sunday on NBC's "Meet the Press."

The Senate more likely will turn to a bipartisan bill from Sens. John Cornyn, R-Texas and Chris Murphy, D-Conn., to strengthen FBI background checks — a response to a shooting last November in which a gunman killed more than two dozen people at a Texas church.

That bill would penalize federal

agencies that don't properly report required records and reward states that comply by providing them with federal grant preferences. It was drafted after the Air Force acknowledged that it failed to report the Texas gunman's domestic violence conviction to the National Criminal Information Center database.

The House passed it last year, but only after GOP leaders added an unrelated measure pushed by the National Rifle Association. That measure expands gun rights by making it easier for gun owners to carry concealed weapons across state lines.

The package also included a provision directing the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives to review "bump-stock" devices like the one used during the shooting at a Las Vegas music festival that left 58 people dead and hundreds injured.

Murphy told *The Associated Press* he was invited to discuss gun issues with the White House and he was interested in hearing the president's ideas. He said he did not expect the Florida shooting to lead to a major breakthrough in Congress for those who've long pushed for tighter gun laws.

"There's not going to be a turning point politically," he said. Rather, it's about "slowly and methodically" building a political movement.

Senate Democrats say any attempt to combine the background checks and concealed-carry measures is doomed to fail.

Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer, D-N.Y., said he was skeptical Trump would follow through on proposals such as comprehensive background checks that the NRA opposes.

"The real test of President Trump and the Republican Congress is not words and empathy, but action," Schumer said in a statement. He noted that Trump has a tendency to change his mind on this and other issues, reminding that the president has called for tougher gun laws only to back away when confronted by resistance from gun owners. The NRA's independent expenditure arm poured tens of millions into Trump's 2016 campaign.

"Will President Trump and the Republicans finally back the NRA and get something done?" Schumer asked. "I hope this time will be different."

States seek to lure Delta as Georgia moves ahead on threat

By Susan Haigh
Associated Press

HARTFORD, Conn.

— Some states are taking advantage of a dispute between Georgia and Atlanta-based Delta Air Lines over the company's decision to cut ties with the National Rifle Association, urging the airline to relocate.

Governors from Connecticut, New York and Virginia have pitched their states to the airline through letters and tweets.

"Hey @delta — Virginia is for lovers and airline hubs. You're welcome here any time," tweeted Virginia Gov. Ralph Northam, a Democrat.

The Republican-controlled Georgia Legislature approved a tax bill Thursday that eliminates a fuel tax break that primarily benefits Delta. Georgia Lt. Gov. Casey Cagle, a Republican, had suggested

removing the tax benefit as retribution for Delta's decision after a deadly school shooting in Florida to stop offering discounted fares to NRA members.

Connecticut Gov. Dannel P. Malloy, a Democrat, sent Delta CEO Ed Bastian a letter Wednesday, praising him for his "courage standing up to" the NRA following the shooting that left 17 people dead. He then took the opportunity to urge Bastian to consider his state as the new location for Delta's headquarters.

"As I am sure you are well aware, Connecticut is a state where we've put partnership aside, and passed commonsense gun laws," said Malloy, referring to legislation passed after the 2012 mass shooting at Sandy Hook Elementary School in Newtown, Connecticut. "Our efforts have made Connecticut one of the safest states to live, with

one of the lowest rates of firearm deaths in the country."

The governor of New York, a congressman from Ohio and the mayor of Birmingham, Alabama, have all reached out to Delta amid the NRA controversy in recent days.

Georgia lawmakers approved the sweeping tax bill that strips out a jet fuel tax break worth an estimated \$38 million annual for airlines. Delta, which has a hub at Hartsfield Jackson Airport, would be the prime beneficiary.

It was unclear whether Delta is seriously considering any of the pitches. A message was left with the airline seeking comment about the offer.

Georgia's Republican governor, Nathan Deal, didn't seem concerned that the company would be enticed to leave.

"I think Delta knows better than that," he said. Deal, who has said he

will sign the tax bill, said a lot of people share the blame for the dispute.

"Delta made a statement or an action that caused this dispute to erupt," the governor said. "I've tried my best to resolve it within the timeframe we had available to us."

Democratic state Sen. Nikema Williams, said it's "unfortunate that such a serious matter is being used as a political volleyball," referring to the spate of deadly school shootings. Williams was a high school senior in 1996 when one of her classmates shot and killed another classmate in the school's parking lot.

"We're the leaders of this state and we need to be coming together for solutions — not bullying corporations who are trying to do the right thing — and take a step in righting the wrong that we have done to our children in this country," she said.

Kroger joins other big retailers, tightens gun restrictions

By Joseph Pisani
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Kroger will no longer sell guns to anyone under 21 at the stores it owns, becoming the third major retailer this week to put restrictions in place that are stronger than federal laws. The moves by Dick's Sporting Goods and Walmart — and retribution on Delta by lawmakers — emphasizes the pressure companies are facing to take a stand.

The nation's largest grocery chain has sold guns from 44 of its Fred Meyer stores in the West, but said Thursday that since a mass shooting last month at a Florida high school that killed 17 people, it's become clear that gun retail outlets must go beyond what current U.S. laws require.

"In response to the tragic events in Parkland and elsewhere, we've taken a hard look at our policies and procedures for firearm sales," Kroger Co. said in a release.

The change comes one day after Walmart and Dick's Sporting Goods, both prominent gun sellers, tightened their company policies, and also a day after students returned to Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Florida, for the first time since the shooting there.

Companies like Dick's had already changed gun-sale policies in the wake of the 2012 Sandy Hook Elementary School shooting in Connecticut, but the Parkland shooting has opened a fissure between a portion of corporate America and organizations like the National Rifle Association.

MetLife, Hertz and Delta Air Lines and other major U.S. corporations have already cut ties with the National Rifle Association, and at some political risk. Georgia lawmakers passed a bill Thursday that effectively punishes Delta Air Lines for cutting ties with the NRA, following through on Republican vows to deny a tax break worth an estimated \$38 million for the company after it ended discounts for NRA members in the wake of the most recent school massacre.

One industry analyst said after the announcement from Dick's, and strong words from its CEO about the need for change, that other retailers that devote a small percentage of their business to hunting will probably follow suit. "It is a risky game but you can't please everyone," said Joseph Feldman, a senior managing director at Telsey Advisory Group.

The announcements from Walmart and Dick's so far have drawn hundreds of thousands of responses on social media for and

against the moves, from those who pledged to buy more from one company to campaigns urging people to thank the companies for their decisions to those who vowed never to buy from them again.

Other companies have tried to stay out of the debate. Some gun sellers haven't responded to requests for comment, including Bass Pro Shops, which owns Cabela's, or Camping World Holdings, which owns Gander Outdoors. The Outdoor Industry Association hasn't responded to requests for comment. L.L. Bean also didn't respond to a message Thursday.

Besides major chains, guns are also bought from gun shows, local stores and from online stores.

"If large retailers, like Dick's, reduce their exposure to guns, it could impact gun manufacturers," says Maksim Soshkin, a senior analyst at IBISWorld. "Manufacturers could see a decrease in sales or have to find new avenues to sell their product."

American Outdoor Brands, which owns Smith & Wesson, said Thursday it expects gun sales to be more or less flat for the next year to 18 months. The company's third-quarter results and fourth-quarter forecasts were much weaker than Wall Street expected, and its stock fell 19 percent in aftermarket trading, while Sturm, Ruger fell 9 percent.

Kroger, based in Cincinnati, said it has been tweaking some of its gun departments as it renovates stores due to softer demand from customers. The company ended sales of assault-style rifles at Fred Meyer several years ago in Oregon, Washington and Idaho. It will extend that ban to Alaska, where customers could get such guns via special order.

The NRA, which also didn't respond to request for comment Thursday, has pushed back on calls for raising age limits for guns or restricting the sale of assault-style weapons.

Could a person between the ages of 18 and 21 challenge the companies over the new policies and argue that they are discrimination based on age? Some experts say retailers can set age restrictions without violating the Second Amendment.

Los Angeles-based attorney Angela Reddock-Wright, who focuses on workplace discrimination disputes, said anti-discrimination laws mostly protect people 40 and older from being fired based on their age. Mike Glassman, who chairs the employment law group at the Cincinnati-based firm Dinamore & Shohl, said the Second Amendment "only limits the government and not private entities."



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Shopped purchases from the Kroger grocery store in Pleasant Hill, Ill., on inside the shopping cart June 15, 2017. Kroger said Thursday that it's raising the minimum age to buy guns at its Fred Meyer stores, the third major retailer to place restrictions on gun sales that exceed federal law.

PBS 'Weinstein' studies why alleged sex misconduct persisted

By David Bauder
Associated Press

NEW YORK — In making a documentary about disgraced Hollywood mogul Harvey Weinstein, PBS' "Frontline" wanted to focus less on what he did than on how the alleged sexual misconduct went on for so long.

"Weinstein" airs Friday on most PBS stations, two nights before the Academy Awards. Its richness comes in detailing the combination of fear, intimidation and self-interested passivity that papered over allegations of harassment and assault dating back nearly 40 years, involving the famous and obscure alike.

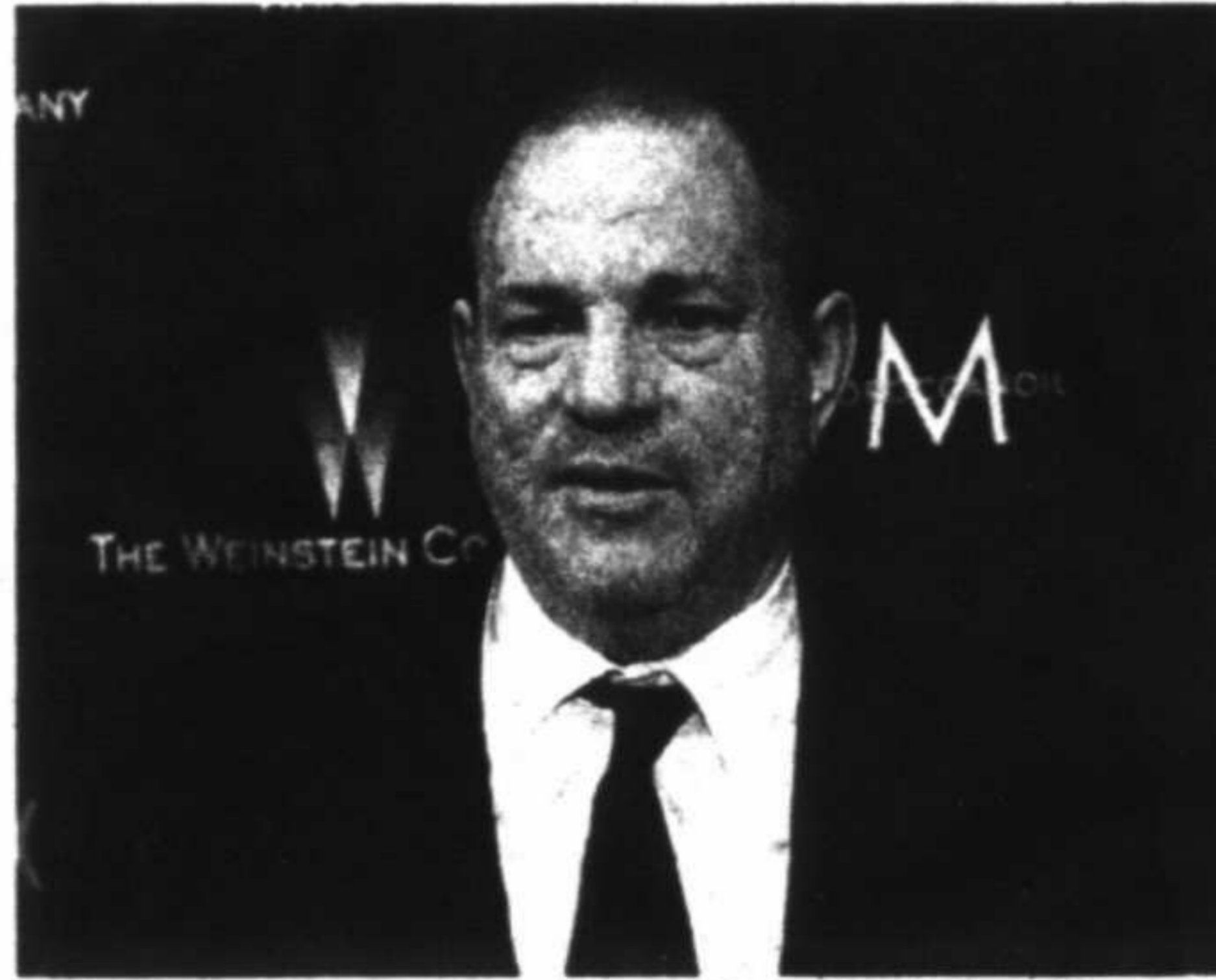
More than 100 women have come forward since stories about the influential film producer's behavior were first published in The New York Times and New Yorker magazine last fall. Weinstein has denied some of the allegations. Several women speak to "Frontline," their stories unfolding with numbing similarity, usually starting with an unwanted request for a massage.

To illustrate how long this has been going on, PBS interviews two women who worked on Weinstein's first film in the early 1980s, back when he ran a concert promotion business in Buffalo, New York. Suza Maher-Wilson and Paula Wachowiak kept their stories to themselves because they figured no one else would care, or that it typified how young women were treated in the entertainment industry.

Actress Sean Young said she rebuffed Weinstein when he exposed himself. "I upset a few important men and the trajectory of my career..." she said, her hand motioning downward.

"Frontline" also speaks with two former Weinstein employees, Paul Webster and Tom Prince, who illustrated with their own inaction how things continued. Webster said he knew Weinstein was a dangerous character when he took a job there in 1995. "But I knew he was in the epicenter of where I wanted to be," he said.

Webster seems to wrestle on camera with his conscience. He said he knew Weinstein was a philanderer and bully, so it should not have been a reach to think those traits could lead to predatory behavior.



Chris Pizzello/Invision via AP

Harvey Weinstein arrives Jan. 8, 2017, at The Weinstein Company and Netflix Golden Globes afterparty in Beverly Hills, Calif. PBS' "Frontline" will air a documentary about the disgraced Hollywood mogul tonight on most PBS stations, two nights before the Academy Awards.

Looking back, he said, "I did know and I chose to suppress it. I chose to hide from that fact."

Prince said he heard innuendos, and he became suspicious of why the company was spending a lot of money to fly young women around the world.

But he didn't give it much thought, primarily because he was focused on his day-to-day job.

For people not motivated to keep quiet, Weinstein had many tools at his disposal. Alleged victims signed non-disclosure agreements. Investigative companies were used; one lawyer who told Weinstein he heard that he assaulted women was told that the lawyer's own behavior had been investigated. New York authorities, despite convincing an Italian model who alleged she was groped by Weinstein to wear a wire when she met with him again, dropped their case after a sophisticated tabloid campaign to disparage her.

"I felt if you could understand that more deeply, it could have consequences beyond the Harvey Weinstein story, that it's important and appropriate to speak out when you're observing something that isn't quite right," said Raney Aronson-Rath, executive producer of "Frontline."

Several people are still reluctant to talk. Filmmakers interviewed Zelda Perkins, a former Weinstein assistant who broke a non-disclosure agreement after advocating for a friend who alleged that Weinstein assaulted her. Her friend still hasn't spoken publicly.

In an illustration of how difficult the story was to crack, PBS talks to two well-regarded journalists — Ken Auletta of The New Yorker and Kim Masters of the Hollywood Reporter — who tried and failed. Auletta even confronted Weinstein about accusations made by Perkins.

"I wish I could have nailed the guy in 2002," Auletta says in the film. "The problem was that I couldn't prove it."

With the self-imposed Oscars deadline, "Weinstein" came together quickly for a documentary. Some important interviews, including Webster and New York Attorney General Eric Schneiderman, were conducted within the past two weeks, Aronson-Rath said.

PBS did not get an interview with Weinstein, but his camp specifically discusses some of the accusations discussed in the film. The documentary's final scene was of reporters recently cornering Weinstein. "We all make mistakes. Second chance, I hope," Weinstein said, before getting into an SUV.

It was also the first "Frontline" collaboration with the BBC, which was airing "Weinstein" Thursday. The organizations merged investigative teams to work faster, and the combination of the PBS and BBC names helped convince some interview subjects to talk, she said.

"We felt that the stakes were so high in this investigation that we wanted to make sure that we were working together on all levels," she said.



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Katie Couric poses Jan. 11 in the press room at the 23rd annual Critics' Choice Awards in Santa Monica, Calif. Couric and leaders of household consumer products maker Procter & Gamble highlight a forum planned to examine the state of women in the workplace. P&G and Seneca Women, which advocates for global female advancement, are co-hosting the #WeSeeEqual forum Thursday at the company's Cincinnati headquarters.

Katie Couric recounts facing sexist attitudes, comments

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CINCINNATI — Veteran TV journalist Katie Couric recounted Thursday facing demeaning descriptions and "gross comments" during her career. Couric spoke at consumer products maker Procter & Gamble's Cincinnati headquarters in a forum on the state of women in the workplace. The #WeSeeEqual forum took place amid a wave of sexual misconduct claims against prominent figures in entertainment, politics and the media — including her former NBC "Today Show" co-host, Matt Lauer.

"I've been very fortunate in terms of not being subjected to a lot of sexual misconduct, but certainly I have been subjected to widely held attitudes about women, about compartmentalizing women," Couric said when asked about career obstacles by Carolyn Tastad, president of P&G's North America business group, in the forum's keynote discussion.

Couric cited the frequent descriptions of her as

"cute" and "perky," which she found "marginalizing." She joked that on her tombstone, it will say "Perky No More."

She also recalled public critiques of her clothing when she began hosting "CBS Evening News," and a jarring moment early in her career when she walked into a meeting at CNN and an executive said of her to others around the table: "She's successful because of her hard work, intelligence and breast size."

Couric said with support from her supervisor, a male anchor, she wrote to the executive and he soon called her, "dripping with apologies."

Couric described the #MeToo movement as like "a long-dormant volcano that's erupting" and said it's important for men to be part of open discussions on gender issues, on how to make things better. But she said she thinks it "just feels almost too red-hot" for some to have such discussions publicly yet.

Couric has said she had been unaware of the misconduct allegations that led to Lauer's ouster last year.

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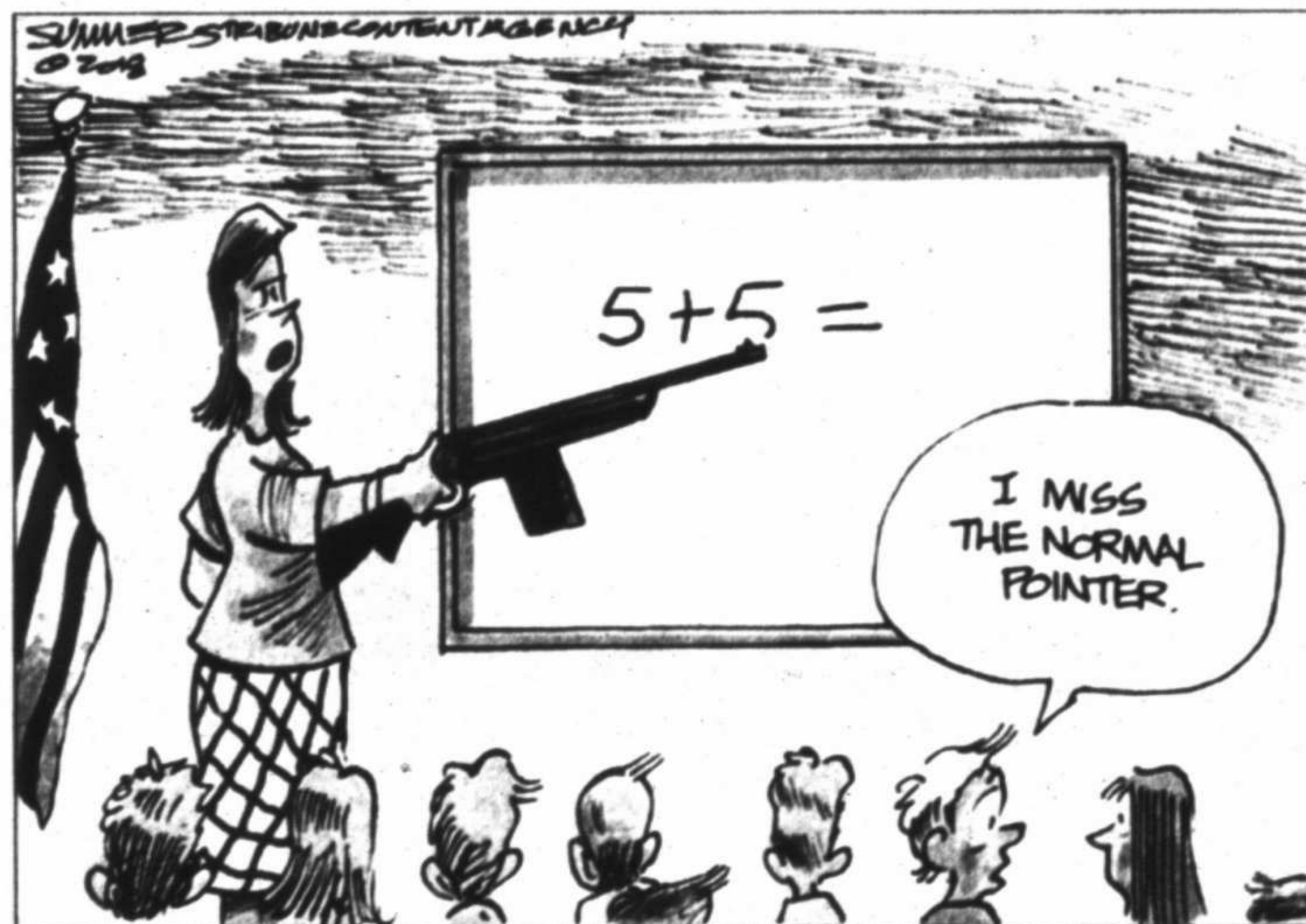
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Consider a joint federal study showing that 63 percent of youth suicides are from fatherless homes; as often as not, mass shooters are simultaneously suicidal. Robert Sampson, a Harvard sociologist, has observed that urban violence is concentrated in neighborhoods with mostly single-parent homes. A Michigan State University study found 75 percent of examined adolescent murderers were from fatherless homes. The Centers for Disease Control says 85 percent of children

with behavioral disorders have only a mother in the home. Wilcox also says children with both married parents around are less likely to drop out of school, to become drug addicts or to grow up impoverished.

Vast numbers of children from single-parent homes — that's now 42 percent of all children — can and do clearly shine bright, thank heavens. The idea here is not to prejudge anyone. But this nation is kidding itself if it does not recognize that a strong nuclear family is the fundamental foundation of society, that America in recent decades has been witnessing dissolution of the family and that this goes to the heart of so much that has gone wrong.

Some like to put the blame on poverty, but single-parent homes are often an instigator of poverty and comparisons of poor children in two-parent homes and one-parent homes show poverty alone is not the issue. Some also consider it demeaning to say a woman cannot always do it all by herself, leaving out the truth that it can be unbelievably cruel to a woman to expect her to. Government programs are nowhere near the solution some believe they are.

Yes, as I have already mentioned, there can be bad fathers, but the good ones, the involved ones, have so much to offer. And just as mothers bring something special to the raising of children, so do fathers. To turn our backs on marriage, to suppose that cohabitation is just as good, is to turn our backs on children — and on the victims of mass shootings.

There are many other factors in mass shootings, of course, and they need addressing. Cultural change is arduous and slow with no easy political answer. But much will stay the same if nothing is done about fatherless homes.

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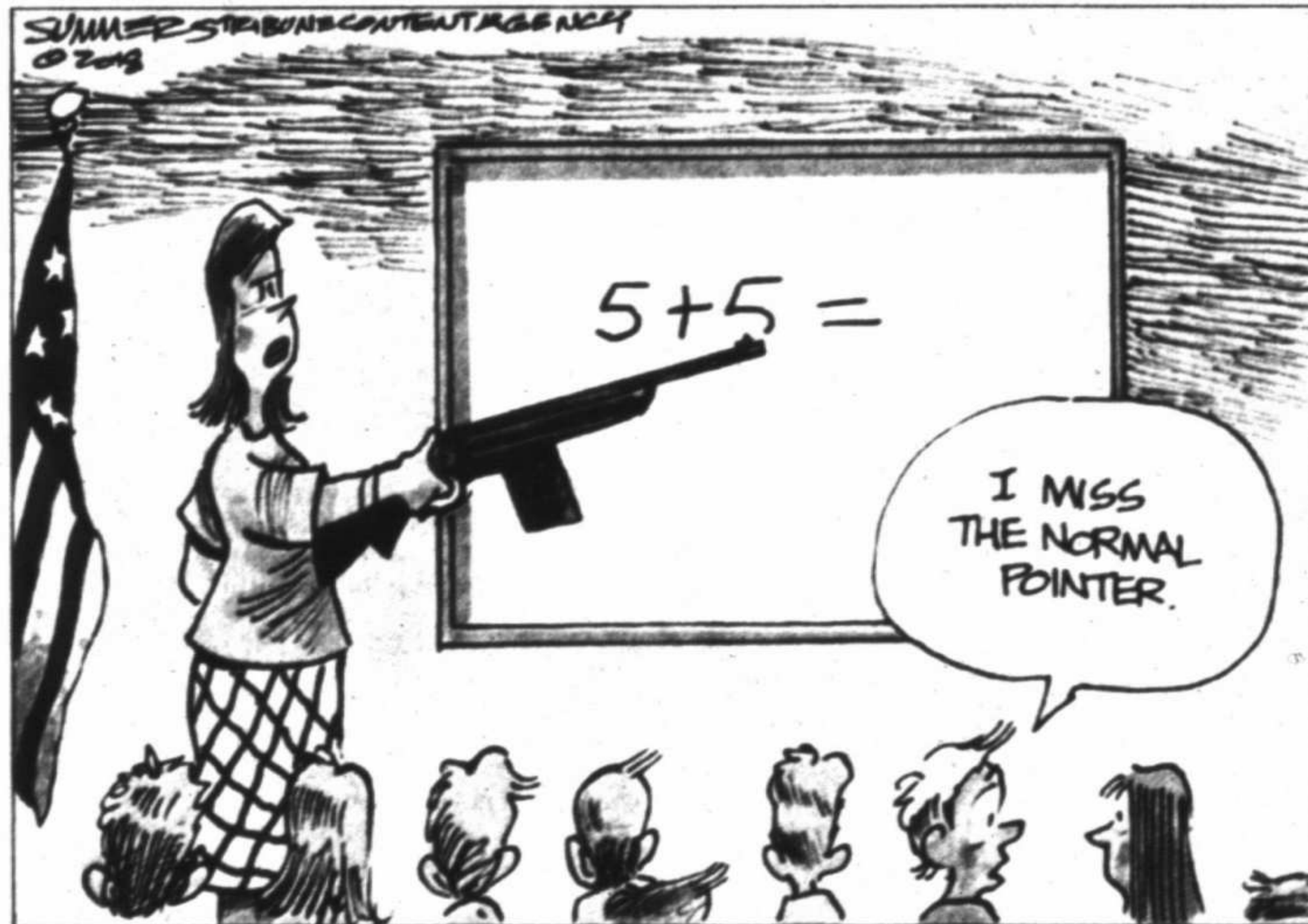
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Consider a joint federal study showing that 63 percent of youth suicides are from fatherless homes; as often as not, mass shooters are simultaneously suicidal. Robert Sampson, a Harvard sociologist, has observed that urban violence is concentrated in neighborhoods with mostly single-parent homes. A Michigan State University study found 75 percent of examined adolescent murderers were from fatherless homes. The Centers for Disease Control says 85 percent of children

with behavioral disorders have only a mother in the home. Wilcox also says children with both married parents around are less likely to drop out of school, to become drug addicts or to grow up impoverished.

Vast numbers of children from single-parent homes — that's now 42 percent of all children — can and do clearly shine bright, thank heavens. The idea here is not to prejudge anyone. But this nation is kidding itself if it does not recognize that a strong nuclear family is the fundamental foundation of society, that America in recent decades has been witnessing dissolution of the family and that this goes to the heart of so much that has gone wrong.

Some like to put the blame on poverty, but single-parent homes are often an instigator of poverty and comparisons of poor children in two-parent homes and one-parent homes show poverty alone is not the issue. Some also consider it demeaning to say a woman cannot always do it all by herself, leaving out the truth that it can be unbelievably cruel to a woman to expect her to. Government programs are nowhere near the solution some believe they are.

Yes, as I have already mentioned, there can be bad fathers, but the good ones, the involved ones, have so much to offer. And just as mothers bring something special to the raising of children, so do fathers. To turn our backs on marriage, to suppose that cohabitation is just as good, is to turn our backs on children — and on the victims of mass shootings.

There are many other factors in mass shootings, of course, and they need addressing. Cultural change is arduous and slow with no easy political answer. But much will stay the same if nothing is done about fatherless homes.

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President Donald Trump arrives Thursday to speak to the White House Opioid Summit in the East Room of the White House in Washington.

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Trump adrift: Tumult in West Wing amid exits, investigation

By Julie Pace, Zeke Miller and Jonathan Lemire
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Rattled by two weeks of muddled messages, departures and spitting matches between the president and his own top officials, Donald Trump is facing a shrinking circle of trusted advisers and a staff that's grim about any prospect of a reset.

Even by the standards of Trump's often chaotic administration, the announcement of Hope Hicks' imminent exit spread new levels of anxiety and cracked open disputes that had been building since the White House's botched handling of domestic violence allegations against a senior aide late last month.

One of Trump's most loyal and longest-serving aides, Hicks often served as human buffer between the unpredictable president and the business of government. One official on Thursday compared the instability caused by her departure to that of a chief of staff leaving the administration — though that prospect, too, remained a possibility given the questions that have arisen about John Kelly's competence.

Hicks' departure comes as special counsel Robert Mueller's investigation appears to be circling the Oval Office, with prosecutors questioning Trump associates about both his business dealings before he became president and his actions in office, according to people with knowledge of the interviews. Jared Kushner, Trump's son-in-law and senior adviser, has also been weakened after being stripped of his high-level security clearance amid revelations about potential conflicts of interest.

The biggest unknown is how the mercurial Trump will respond to Hicks' departure and Kushner's more limited access, according to some of the 16 White House officials, congressional aides and outside advisers interviewed by The Associated Press, most of whom insisted on anonymity in order to disclose private conversations and meetings. Besides Kushner and his wife, presidential daughter Ivanka Trump, most remaining White House staffers were not part of Trump's close-knit 2016 campaign. One person who speaks to Trump regularly said the president has become increasingly wistful about the camaraderie of that campaign.

Rarely has a modern president confronted so many crises and controversies across so many fronts at the same time. After 13 months in office, there's little expectation among many White House aides and outside allies that Trump can quickly find his footing or attract new, top-flight talent to the West Wing. And some Republican lawmakers, who are eyeing a difficult political landscape in November's midterm elections, have begun to let private frustrations ooze out in public.

"There is no standard operating practice with this administration," said Sen. John Thune of South Dakota. "Every day is a new adventure for us."

Thune's comments described the White House's peculiar rollout Thursday of controversial new aluminum and steel tariffs. White House aides spent

Wednesday night and Thursday morning scrambling to steer the president away from an announcement on an unfinished policy, with even Kelly in the dark about Trump's plans. Aides believed they had succeeded in getting Trump to back down and hoped to keep television cameras away from an event with industry executives so the president couldn't make a surprise announcement. But Trump summoned reporters into the Cabinet Room anyway and declared that the U.S. would levy penalties of 25 percent on steel and 10 percent on aluminum imports.

Some of Trump's populist supporters cheered the move. The stock market, which Trump looks to for validation for his economic policies, plunged.

Some officials are bracing for more departures. On Thursday, NBC News reported that the White House was preparing to replace national security adviser H.R. McMaster as early as next month. A White House spokesman did not deny the report.

"We frequently face rumor and innuendo about senior administration officials," spokesman Raj Shah said. "There are no personnel announcements at this time."

For those remaining on the job, the turbulence has been relentless. Just two weeks ago, Kelly, the general brought in to bring order, was himself on the ropes for his handling of the domestic violence allegations against a close aide, Rob Porter. Trump was said to be deeply irritated by the negative press coverage of Kelly's leadership during the controversy and considering firing him. But first, the president planned to give his chief of staff a chance to defend himself before reporters in the briefing room and gauge the reaction, according to two people with knowledge of the episode. The briefing, however, was canceled after the school shooting in Parkland, Florida. Kelly's standing has stabilized somewhat as media attention to the Porter issue has waned.

One Kelly backer said the chief of staff's standing remains tenuous, in

part because of his clashes with Kushner over policy, personnel and White House structure. The tensions were exacerbated by Kelly's decision to downgrade Kushner's security clearance because the senior adviser had not been permanently approved for the highest level of access.

Kushner and Ivanka Trump, who also serves as a senior White House adviser, have been frustrated by Kelly's attempt to restrict their access to the president, and they perceive his new crackdown on clearances as a direct shot at them, according to White House aides and outside advisers. Kelly, in turn, has grown frustrated with what he views as the couple's freelancing. He blames them for changing Trump's mind at the last minute and questions what exactly they do all day, according to one White House official and an outside ally.

The ethics questions dogging Kushner relate to both his personal financial interests and his dealings in office with foreign officials. Intelligence officials expressed concern that Kushner's business dealings were a topic of discussion in conversations he was having with foreign officials about interest to the U.S. government, a former intelligence official said. Separately, The New York Times reported that two companies made loans worth more than half a billion dollars to Kushner's family real estate firm after executives met with Kushner at the White House.

Allies of Kushner and Ivanka Trump insist they have no plans to leave the White House in the near future. As for Kelly, he appeared to hint at his tough spot during an event Thursday at the Department of Homeland Security, where he served as secretary before departing for the White House.

"The last thing I wanted to do was walk away from one of the great honors of my life, being the secretary of homeland security," he said at the agency's 15th anniversary celebration in Washington. "But I did something wrong and God punished me, I guess."

TIPRO: Proposed steel, aluminum tariffs contradict president's energy agenda

From staff reports

The Texas Independent Producers & Royalty Owners Association, better known as TIPRO, is opposed to President Donald Trump's plan to impose tariffs on steel and aluminum imports, saying that it's against his "energy dominance" agenda.

"The proposed tariffs would significantly increase costs for domestic oil and natural gas producers that rely heavily on steel and aluminum products in their operations, including drilling equipment and pipelines," TIPRO president Ed Longanecker said in a press release. "As the nation's leading producer of oil and natural gas, and most prominent benefactor of President Trump's Energy Dominance Agenda, the state of Texas would bear an inordinate burden if this measure were adopted, further hindering our recovery and the positive economic contributions of our industry."

"In 2017, TIPRO joined numerous industry organizations publically opposing the proposed tariffs, emphasizing the unintended consequences for domestic energy producers," he said. "Specifically, TIPRO expressed concern with potential efforts to force producers to consume only domestic

tubular products that would slow the industry's momentum at a critical time when U.S. producers are competing for — and winning — global market share. Slowing the industry's growth trajectory exacerbates concerns about U.S. job growth and affordable energy for consumers."

He added that the U.S. oil and gas industry supports 10 million direct and indirect jobs and that 40 percent direct industry employment is in Texas. Also, the industry paid \$118 billion in state taxes and state royalty payments.

"The Golden Era of American Energy Dominance espoused by President Trump will only be achieved through a consistent and unwavering commitment to domestic energy production," Longanecker said.

"TIPRO remains focused on promoting the unprecedented economic impact of the Texas E&P sector and advancing policies that support the responsible development of oil and natural gas and our ability to fully capitalize on these extraordinary resources."

"Our association calls on President Trump to reconsider such plans to impose tariffs on imported steel and aluminum products," he said.

TV ad aims to pressure Trump on transgender military service

By Lolita C. Baldor
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Activist groups are turning to television ads, including one on President Donald Trump's go-to network, Fox News, to pressure the White House into allowing transgender people to keep serving in the military.

Trump has pledged to ban transgender troops from serving. He'll be able to see the 30-second commercial as of today, when it starts airing on Fox, CNN and MSNBC morning shows. It uses a series of quotes from Trump, a former senior military leader and several Congress members who were in the armed forces to argue that all qualified Americans should be able to serve.

"An impulsive president tweets that transgender Americans won't be allowed to serve," the ad says. "But decorated military leaders say there's no reason to single out these brave heroes." An earlier version described Trump as "unfit," rather than "impulsive."

Sarah McBride, Human Rights Campaign's spokeswoman, said it's a "critical window of time" to take the fight directly to the White House.

The White House had no immediate comment.

The issue has become mired in a complicated string of political statements, court decisions and policy reviews since Trump first stunned his administration with tweets last July declaring that the government would ban transgender individuals from

serving in the military. He later asked Defense Secretary Jim Mattis to send him a recommendation on how to proceed. That memo was delivered to Trump last week. The White House has said that a quick decision is unlikely.

Three federal courts have ruled against the ban, and the Pentagon responded by allowing those serving to stay in the military. It then began allowing transgender individuals to enlist beginning Jan. 1.

It's unclear how much impact the court decisions will have on Trump's decision. Activist groups worry the administration could enact such strict enlistment and health care restrictions that it would become all but impossible for transgender troops to join or continue serving.

"If they can't access health care, then they won't be able to serve," said McBride. "Then it becomes a ban in and of itself."

McBride didn't provide the exact cost of the ad buy, describing it as "five figures." She said it was the largest media campaign on this issue, with the backing of at least four other activist groups, including

OutServe-SLDN, which represents the LGBT population in the military and is a plaintiff in the lawsuits.

In the last two months, several transgender people have visited recruiting stations for the military services and started the process of enlisting. The Pentagon says only one has made it through all the medical reviews, testing and paperwork and actually signed a contract. That person hasn't yet gone to basic training, but will likely do so in the coming months. The person hasn't been identified.

Under guidelines presented in December, the Pentagon can disqualify potential recruits with gender dysphoria, a history of medical treatments associated with gender transition and those who underwent reconstruction. Such recruits could be allowed if a medical provider certifies they've been clinically stable in the preferred sex for 18 months and are free of significant distress or impairment in social, occupational or other important areas.

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Mother testifies about horror of finding kids slain by nanny

By Colleen Long
Associated Press

NEW YORK — The Manhattan apartment was eerily quiet for a home with three little kids. The only light glowed from a bathroom. That's where Marina Krim found her two children — covered in blood, slaughtered by the family's trusted nanny.

"It's like a horror movie," she said Thursday, testifying in the murder trial of the caretaker, Yoselyn Ortega. "I go down, I walk down the hall and I see the light on under the back of the door, and I'm like, 'Oh God it's so quiet in here, oh God. Why is it so ... quiet?'"

"And I open the door ... And I open the door, oh God!" she wept.

Krim was the first witness at Ortega's trial. Prosecutors said the nanny planned the Oct. 25, 2012, killing, waiting until she was alone in the apartment, selected two knives from the kitchen and then killed 2-year-old Leo and 6-year-old Lucia, who went by Lulu.

Krim was at a swimming class with their then 3-year-old daughter, Nessie.

They had gone to pick up Lulu from dance class, but she wasn't there. After she found them in the home, she ran outside with Nessie and called for help after finding her kids, and then started screaming.

"It was a scream you can't imagine is even inside of you," she said. "I don't even know where it came from. I just thought: I'm never going to be able to talk to them ever again. They are dead. I just saw my kids dead."

The central mystery of the trial isn't whether Ortega killed the children, but why she did it — and whether she was too mentally ill to be held responsible.

Krim said she saw Lucia first, and knew instantly that she was dead, because her eyes were fixed.

"And I look next to her and I see Leo, and he has blood on him ... blood all over Lulu's little dress ..." Krim said.

Prosecutors said Lucia had fought back and was slashed and stabbed about 30 times. Leo suffered five wounds. Their throats were cut so severely it appeared at first they'd been decapitated, Assistant District Attorney Courtney Groves said in her opening statement.

"There was no way to save them," Groves said. "The devastation inflicted on their little bodies was too much."

Before she took the



AP file photo

Photographs of 6-year-old Lucia Krim and her 2-year-old brother, Leo, are displayed alongside balloons and stuffed animals Oct. 27, 2012, at a memorial outside the apartment building where they lived in New York. Opening arguments began Thursday for Yoselyn Ortega, the family's nanny charged with murder in the Oct. 25, 2012, deaths of the siblings.

stand, Krim turned on the courtroom floor and angrily faced Ortega, who showed no emotion. Krim said she wanted to get a good look at the woman.

The jurors sat quietly as Krim struggled to explain the deaths through tears.

As she left the silent courtroom, Krim yelled to Ortega: "You're gross. You're disgusting."

The only time Ortega appeared to show any emotion was when she appeared to dispute Krim's testimony on using Ortega as a housekeeper as well as a caregiver, and other spats they had.

Ortega leaned toward her attorney as Krim talked about it, forcefully shaking her head and saying "No." Otherwise, she stared straight ahead.

Ortega's lawyer said the slayings were an act of madness, but prosecutors argued Ortega said she knew exactly what she was doing.

"She knows that killing them was wrong," Groves said.

But prosecutors conceded there isn't a clear motive.

Groves said it's possible Ortega's resentment and jealousy of Marina Krim, coupled with an inability to provide for her own son, sent her into a calculated rage.

"You may believe you have not heard a satisfactory answer, because there just isn't a satisfactory answer," Groves said. "But not knowing why the defendant slaughtered Lucia and Leo Krim does not mean that she is not responsible for those murders. It merely means there is no good answer."

Ortega had worked for about two years for the Krims, who lived in one of the city's wealthiest neighborhoods, a block from Central Park. By some measures, she had a close relationship with her employers.

Krim testified that she

bought her a plane ticket home to the Dominican Republic for Christmas. Another time the family went to the island with Ortega to meet her family, and so her bilingual children could practice Spanish.

Defense attorney Valerie Van Leer-Greenberg said Ortega suffered from severe, undiagnosed mental illness that was not taken seriously in her home country. She said she heard voices, saw visions and that sometimes the voices commanded her to act.

But she was "guarded in her symptoms, reluctant to seek care," Van Leer-Greenberg said.

"I will ask you to determine at the end of this case whether or not these acts were driven by my client's acute psychotic state," she told jurors.

But Krim testified Thursday she saw no signs of severe mental distress, and Ortega's family never came to her with any concerns. "Never!" she yelled angrily into the microphone.

Prosecutors said Ortega gave police interviews that paint a picture of an unhappy employee: She told authorities that she hurt the children because she was having money problems and was angry at the parents. She also said her schedule constantly shifted and that she had to act as a cleaning lady though she didn't want to, prosecutors said.

Marina Krim's husband, Kevin, is a former CNBC executive now at a startup. They use a Facebook page to post updates on how they are doing, writing about the arrival of two new children, Felix born in 2013 and Linus in 2016.

The couple started the Lulu and Leo Fund, which aims to support innovative art programs for children. They recently posted a video message on Facebook asking that people mention the fund as their case becomes news again.

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Meet and greet officers with the Midland Police Department at Midland Community Theatre's Cookies with a Cop. 3:30 p.m.

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Jay R. Ferguson as Chip, from left, Lindsey Kraft as Leslie, David Krumholtz as Rabbi Gil and Ian Gomez as Father Gene on CBS' "Living Biblically"

'Living Biblically' team hopes they have a prayer with new comedy

By Rick Bentley
Tribune News Service

LOS ANGELES — In the beginning, Patrick Walsh created the new CBS comedy "Living Biblically," and he's convinced it's good. His creation follows Chip Curry (Jay R. Ferguson), a reporter who decides he's going to literally live his life according to the Bible. His spiritual journey toward a more moral life will take some help from his wife, friends, a priest (Ian Gomez) and a rabbi (David Krumholtz). Walsh tells TV critics that he knows not everyone will be a believer that a TV comedy based on the Bible is a good idea. "I don't think there is any scenario where the show wouldn't bother someone in the world," Walsh says. "But it is absolutely not the goal. And even those of us who aren't religious I think have a great deal of respect for religion and what it's trying to do."

In doing his research, Walsh discovered that 84 percent of the people on this planet align themselves with some form of religion. But, the only time he can recall any discussion is either when it is being harshly criticized or sanitized to the point those of religious faith can't recognize the message. The main goal for Walsh is never to offend people of faith because that would not bode well for the future of the show. "I have a great deal of respect for them. I think people need guidance and help in their life, much like Chip does in our show, and it helps a lot of people, and we hope that we treat it fairly and with respect," Walsh says. Even before he did his research, Walsh had a solid understanding of religion. He says he was "raised very religious" but recalls how his father would tell him that as soon as Communion was done, they needed to get out of the church to beat the rush.

So he grew up with the idea that religion is very important, but there's no reason to spend an excessive amount of time in church. Walsh is convinced many viewers will be able to relate to that way of thinking and find it funny. "I think religious people are not given credit for having a sense of humor, and I think nonbelievers are not given credit for being curious about religion and want to know more about it," Walsh says. "We get into some pretty interesting topics on this show, and that is a goal, to serve an underserved audience, I think." It seems the networks had the same thoughts. The show was offered to the four major networks and all of them wanted the show. Walsh had just finished a successful run with CBS with his series "Two Broke Girls." Walsh isn't alone on his journey. Johnny Galecki, who ironically stars on a show with

a name that offers a different viewpoint on the creation of the world with "Big Bang Theory," is an executive producer on "Living Biblically." He's done his own research and discovered that more than 100 million Bibles are printed annually and 25 percent of them are bought in the United States. He says despite those staggering numbers, he's never seen anybody at Starbucks reading one. "It's almost like there is a shame that you don't have all the answers if you are religious and then a fear that because it's such a personal sacred ingredient to each of us, it's difficult to articulate, and there is a fear that you'll be misunderstood and therefore judged," Galecki says. "And even more so, a fear that you may offend someone else's beliefs who might be within earshot. So as we all know, the best

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Gone with courage: a tribute to human rights lawyer

It was on Feb. 25, during our Sunday evening church fellowship service (the morning of Feb. 26 in China), that I heard "Baiguang is gone" from a wailing friend. The news was beyond shocking and saddening. I was with him barely two weeks ago at the National Prayer Breakfast in Washington, D.C., and he looked fine. When he entered a hospital in Nanjing complaining of a minor stomachache, he had no idea that he would become the latest casualty in the Chinese Communist Party's saga of eradicating its dissidents. Now, you are invited to attend a memorial service honoring his life. For a world-shaker, Christian human rights lawyer Li Baiguang was a small, unassuming man who resided in a community just outside of Nanjing, the capital of China's Jiangsu province. His work, however, stretched the entire breadth of China, except Tibet, as he stood in many of the country's courtrooms, using his lawyer license to fearlessly defend victims facing jail time just because they organized independent worship services similar to ours in the Permian Basin, believed in a religion or disagreed



Frank Wolf and Li Baiguang

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with Communist Party's ideology. He also took on the cases of persecuted farmers, Christians and other vulnerable groups,

becoming their voice, fearlessly denouncing tyranny and shielding the oppressed from further abuse.

Because of this, the government targeted him. A few months ago, a group of officials kidnapped him as he was entering a hotel in Zhejiang province, where he was representing farmers whose land had been illegally taken by Chinese authorities. Dragging him into the depths of a forest, they beat him so severely

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Bowl for Kids' Sake to benefit BBBS

From staff reports

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Midland is to host its annual bowling fundraiser Saturday at Bowlero. Four-man teams bowl during three flights while raising both money and awareness for the organization. Teams are enthusiastic about the rock 'n' bowl theme, according to director Kay Crites. "Our teams are really having fun with names such as the Bowling Stones, Pearl Tax Jam, Shoot to Thrill, David Bowlies and Living on a Sparc," she said. "Every year we enjoy seeing the creativity our bowlers bring to the event." The event also will feature prizes for rock music trivia and prizes for highest scores by teams and individuals. Teams can still register online at bbbsmidland.org. Fee is \$250 per team.

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Obituaries



Andree Holland Winston

Andree Holland Winston, 91, of Midland, peacefully passed away February 23, 2018 surrounded by her loving family. Andree was born October 19, 1926 to Clement and Irene Brown Holland.

A wake service will be held on Friday, March 2, 2018 from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at Avalos-Sanchez & Thomas Funeral Home Chapel, 1502 N. Lamesa Road, Midland.

Funeral service will be Saturday, March 3, 2018 at Maccolina Baptist Church, 201 S. Carver, Midland at 11:00 a.m. with Reverend Woodrow W. Bailey III officiating. Burial will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park Cemetery.

Survivors include her son, Bobby Callaway of Midland; her daughter, Sherrive Winston of Midland; two sisters, Tommie Holland of Bakersfield, California; and Melba Johnson of Amarillo, one brother, Benny Holland of Longview, Texas; and one grandson, Randon Collins of Round Rock, Texas.

Funeral arrangements are entrusted to Avalos-Sanchez & Thomas Funeral Home.



Bruce Robert Dury

Bruce Robert Dury, 69, of Midland, passed away on Tuesday, February 27, 2018. The family will receive friends on Friday, March 2, 2018 at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Midland from 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Bruce was born on March 13, 1940 in Passaic, New Jersey. He was an ordained preacher on August 14, 1988. Bruce loved studying his Bible and teaching others the Word of God. He had a heart for helping people with addictions. Bruce worked as a substance abuse counselor for many years in Pecos. He enjoyed doing art work, drawings, and paintings.

Trisha Brooks-Dury of Midland, brother, Tom Dury and wife, Judy of Denver, Colorado, and their children, Jon, Debbie, and Becky, brother, Claude Dury and wife, Chris of Des Moines, Iowa, and their children, Philip and Jennifer, step-niece, Jane Dury of Asheville, North Carolina.

Heather of Manchester, Connecticut, and their children, Edward and Grace, daughter, Felicia Cherry and husband, James of Odessa, Texas, and their children, Parker, Paris, Phoenix, Presley, Peyton, and Prince, mother-in-law, Dorothy Spann of Odessa, and by numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Casper and Joan Dury, and by his first wife, Cathy Dury.

The family would like to express their gratitude toward all of the doctors, nurses, and staff at Midland Memorial Hospital for their love, support, and care they provided which was greatly appreciated. Thank you for all of the love and support from the workers and employees from Liberty Lift Solutions. In lieu of flowers, dona-

itions may be made to Texas Oncology in Midland. Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Midland. Online condolences can be made to www.npwelch.com

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Doris Cooper

Doris Couch Cooper of Odessa was born October 16, 1925 in Ennis, Texas to Vesa Virginia and Harry Couch. Doris was a red-haired beauty with a vivacious personality and captivated everyone who knew her. She was deeply loved by her family and friends. After a brief illness, she passed away on February 19, 2018 at the age of 92.

Memorial services will be at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 3, 2018 at St. John's Episcopal Church in Odessa, under the direction of Frank W. Wilson Funeral Directors. Visitation will be Friday, March 2, 2018 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Frank W. Wilson Funeral Directors.

Doris grew up in Gainesville, Texas and attended Gainesville High School where she played clarinet in the band, and was a cheerleader. After graduating from high school, Doris attended Southern Methodist University for a semester and then returned to Gainesville. One evening at the local drug store, Doris met a young red-haired soldier named John Cooper III and the two began dating. They soon fell in love. After John completed his military service during World War II and graduated from Texas A&M, the couple was married on August 30, 1947 in Gainesville.

Doris and John first lived in Dallas and then Tennessee before moving to Odessa in 1951 where John eventually started Cooper Construction Co., Inc. in 1954. Doris was active in St. John's Episcopal Church, the Odessa Country Club, Symphony Guild, Junior League of Odessa, Crystal Ball Board, and Medical Center Hospital Auxiliary.

She enjoyed entertaining in her home designed for that purpose and hosted many gatherings there. Among the special guests was well-known Benny Goodman. She also enjoyed spending time with her friends, especially those in her many bridge clubs. Needlepointing and working in the yard were among her favorite hobbies.

She enjoyed traveling with her husband to Hawaii, Las Vegas, Mexico, Europe, and Russia, and to their lake house at Horseshoe Bay. Survivors include a son, John W. Cooper IV (Lano) of Midland, a daughter, Deborah Cooper Farrell (Pat) of Katy; four grandchildren, Andrew Roberts (Kerr) of Belton, Jack Roberts of San Antonio, Rosemary Roberts (Mitchel Wilson II) of Los Angeles, California, and Christopher W. Cooper of Midland; and four great-grandchildren, Caroline, Asa, and Clara Roberts of Belton, and Xyola Wilson of Los Angeles.

The family gives special thanks to the caregivers: Janette De Alba, Noelia Escobrin, Juan Huameros, Irma Manriquez, and Nora Elias Romero.

Memorials may be made to the Midland-Odessa Symphony & Chorus.

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Martha Lou Bean

Martha Lou Bean, 80, of Midland, passed away peacefully on Monday, February 26, 2018 at her home.

Memorial services will be held at 11:00 a.m., Saturday, March 3, 2018 at the Episcopal Church of the Holy Trinity in Midland.

Martha was born on August 19, 1937 to Jose Mae and Ross Greenlee in Waco, Texas. She graduated from Lubbock High School and attended Texas Tech University, when she met and married the love of her life, Edward Bean. They were happily married for 47 years. Martha was a loving wife and mother.

Martha was a long time member of St. Nicholas Church and the Episcopal Church of the Holy Trinity. Her life was spent serving the Lord, baking for Hospice, visiting the sick in the hospital, baking bread for churches, and visiting nursing homes.

She also loved baking and cooking for many of her friends and the community. There was not a doctor, veterinarian, or car shop that she didn't bake for. Her greatest passion was being a part of Women's CBS (Community Bible Study) and teaching Children's CBS, where she taught for 37 years. She is remembered for her vibrant and loving spirit, loyal friendship, and big heart.

Special thanks and love are given to her "Wednesday lunch buddies" John Holmes and Bo Bohannon, her dearest Joan Davis and daughter Martha Jo, Sherrie Green, the entire CBS family, and to Denise, Keely, Branna, Kara and Alyssa Newton - her second family. She is preceded in death by her husband, Edward Bean, and parents, Joste Mae McClendon and Ross Greenlee.

She is survived by her beloved dog, Cookie, daughter, Melinda Voda, her husband Jan, and their children Kristin and Justin, son, Robert Bean, his wife Sue, and their children Skyline and Camden, sister Gloria Smith, her husband Ivan, and their children Lisa, T'ry, Emily, and Jonathan, niece, Karen Giltner and family, and nephew, Chris Bean and family. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials be donated to Hospice Midland, the Episcopal Church of the Holy Trinity, or the charity of your choice.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Midland. Online condolences can be made at www.npwelch.com

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Miguel "Wino" Diaz

"For me, to live is Christ and to die is gain." Philippians 1:21

Miguel "Wino" Diaz Rendon, 73, of Dickinson, Texas, went home to be with the Lord peacefully and surrounded by his beautiful wife and children, February 26,

2018 in Webster, Texas. Mike was born on October 24, 1944 in Lubbock, Texas to Juan Diaz Rendon and Concepcion Pardo Rendon. He married the love of his life, Maria Luisa "Licha" Rendon, on July 4, 1965 in Midland, Texas.

Mike was self-employed and worked as a tile contractor for many years in Midland. He later retired to Dickinson, Texas.

Mike was an avid singer and guitar player. He loved reading his Bible, music, and singing praises to the Lord. He loved to stare God's Word to all people. One of his favorite hobbies was fishing, but most of all, he loved spending time with his children and grandchildren, whom he called them "Tata" and his "Lil Angels."

He was preceded in death by his parents, brothers, Guadalupe Rendon, Juan Rendon, Jr., and Mariano Rendon, and sister, Dolores Rendon.

He is survived by the love of his life, his wife of 53 years, Maria Luisa "Licha" Rendon, daughters, Esther Gonzalez of Midland and Sylvia and her husband Scott LeBaron of Dickinson, Texas, son, Gilbert and wife Adrienne Rendon of Midland, his grandchildren, "Lil Angels," Bianca, Cailen, Brooke, Kendall, Jaden, Abigail and Grayson.

Also surviving Mike is his sister, Margarita Rendon Gamiz, brothers, Manuel Diaz Rendon and Eddie Diaz Rendon, and many nieces and nephews.

Mike was a loving husband, and a great father and grandfather. He was a Godly example to his family and will forever be in their hearts.

There will be a funeral service in the Ellis Funeral Home Chapel on Saturday, March 3, 2018 at 9:00 a.m.

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Marian Elizabeth Huggins

(Service Times Updated)

There on the mountains as you get near the real high places, the air is fresh and invigorating. It strengthens the whole body and there are streams with wonderful healing properties, so that those who bathe in them find all their blemishes and afflictions washed away." - Hannah Hurnard

Marian Elizabeth Huggins finds herself in the High Places with her Lord and Savior. Marian and her family walked the long journey of Alzheimer's together.

Marian Elizabeth Huggins passed away in Jacksonville, Texas on Sunday, February 25, 2018.

Marian was born on July 9, 1942 to Marion Ralph Haddon and Ruby Elizabeth Haddon in Garfield, New Mexico and was the second of five children. Her early years were spent in the Hatch Valley of New Mexico. She was a 1960 graduate of Yuma Union High School in Yuma, Arizona. Her mother and grandfather shared the gift of sewing and needlework with Marian as a child. During high school, Marian worked for the Singer Sewing Machine Company, giving sewing lessons to students, and for her services, she was awarded her first sewing machine. That sewing machine changed her life. She

was a brilliant seamstress, who throughout her life, had a great love of fabric, lace, needles, and thread. Her father relied upon her good sense and her mother considered her to be her assistant and thus the nickname "Gabby" because she always had the last word.

She met and fell in love with Jim Daugherty in Yuma, Arizona and they married on December 30, 1959. As a young Air Force wife, she made her home with two small children, James and Lisa, in several places including two foreign countries, but ultimately Midland, Texas became her home.

Providence brought Marian to Midland in 1972. She settled in with her two young children and began her life in Midland. On September 5, 1976, Marian married Bob Huggins, and they began a journey spanning almost four decades together. With love and patience, they blended a family that was formed out of Marian and Bob were members of Midland Christian Fellowship, Cornerstone Fellowship, and First Baptist Church of Midland.

During her years in Midland, Marian raised a family and worked as a Bookkeeper, but in her private time, she was a Bible teacher. She loved reaching out to women by hosting weekly Bible studies and prayer groups combined with her love of fabric and needles, were displayed in the beautiful lapel-pins that she stitched into the lives of those she taught, counseled and prayed over.

Marian is rejoicing with those who have gone before her into Heaven. Among many dear friends and loved ones, she has been reunited with her parents Ralph and Ruby, three sisters, Patty, Jane and Shirley, and her beloved husband, Bob Huggins.

Marian is survived by her children, James Daugherty and wife Karen of Midland, and Lisa Zachary and husband Jimmy of Midland, and Shawn Axworthy and husband Bob, of Bullard and Darren Huggins and wife Paula Vachon of Copper Canyon. Marian is also survived by her brother Wayne Haddock of Camarillo, California. She was blessed with six grandchildren, Zachary Huggins, Molly Axworthy, Libby Axworthy, Derek Daugherty, Casey Zachary, and Robyn Zachary Wendel, and by seven great-grandchildren. The birth of her eighth great grandchild is expected in May of this year.

A memorial service honoring Marian will be held on Saturday, March 17, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. at Ellis Funeral Home in Midland.

A gentle heart has stopped beating hands that now lay still.

The Good Shepherd brought her home.

According to his will New heavenly eyes are open And on the glory she must see.

Praise you Lord that in your presence She soars like an Eagle now set free.

Her long journey here on earth is through

Oh the joy that she is now with you.

Her feet are set upon the high places.

And she's welcomed by familiar faces.

Reunited when we are all made new.

That bright morning covered in Heaven's dew.

Until that blessed reunion.

We will continue to seek your will.

And at the end to embrace Jesus.

God's love and grace fulfilled - Lisa Zachary

Death Notices

Chad Joseph Gullory

Chad Joseph Gullory, 49, passed away February 26, 2018.

Survivors include his parents, Weldon and Florence Gullory, wife, Kelly Ellis Gullory, and a son, Seth Michael Gullory.

COMEDY

From 18

way to approach a conversation that people are uncomfortable with is with comedy, and that's our goal here. One, to make people laugh, and, two, to

Hopefully inspire a conversation around the water cooler that people might have otherwise been uncomfortable with, no matter what the result of that conversation."

It's obvious Galski has given

the topic a lot of thought. He explains when he started his production company, the top item on his list was to try to do a comedy partner. Andrew Hans, called his situation to the A.J. Jacobs book

"The Year of Living Biblically." Galski decided that would be a good place to start for a series. Galski's been around religion all his life, as his mother spent years in the convent before she met his father. There were a lot

of elements of Catholicism in his life, and he says he became a "hippie Catholic" where he would sit around playing guitar.

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TODAY

Play Date: Our Heroes. This session is inspired by the current "Portraits of Courage" exhibition by former president George W. Bush. Children will create artwork with hands-on activities. Registration is required. 10 a.m. at Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri Ave.

Texas Independence Day Observance and Celebration. Haley Memorial Library and the Daughters of the Republic of Texas will host the annual observance of the signing of the Declaration of Independence by the founders of the Republic of Texas. The event will feature the winner of the annual Texas history essay contest and a recitation of "A Toast to Texas." 1:30 p.m. at Haley Memorial Library, 1805 W. Indiana Ave.

Hispanic Faith Community Lenten Supper by the Matachines. The dinner will take place after the Stations of the Cross. 6-8 p.m. St. Ann's Catholic Church, 1906 W. Texas Ave. \$7.

First Friday: Family movie and game night hosted by Permian Basin LGBTQ (plus). Enjoy board games and a movie screening of "Guardians of the Galaxy" for children. 7 p.m. at Sleep Inn and Suites of Midland, 5612 Deauville Road. Free. pblgbtq.org.

GODA Group: 12-step program for relationships. 7 p.m. Fridays and Sundays at Christ Church Anglican, 5501 N. Midkiff Road. 599-4490.

SATURDAY

Men's Breakfast is a time to pray and enjoy a meal. 8 a.m. at Alamo Heights Baptist Church, 1305 N. Midland Drive.

Youth Culture Today with Walt Mueller, president of the Center for Parent/Youth Understanding. The seminar will address issues of peer pressure, media and more to parents, counselors and ministers. 9 a.m.-3 p.m. at Christ Church Anglican, 5501 N. Midkiff Road. \$5-\$7. ccangican.com.

Yoga classes are offered weekly. 9 a.m. Unitarian Universalist Church, 3301 Neely Ave. Free. uumidland.org.

Volunteer orientation. 9:30 a.m. at Lone Star Sanctuary for Animals, 4200 N. Fairgrounds Road.

Rock 'n' Bowl for Kids Sake benefiting Big Brothers Big Sisters. 11 a.m.-5:30 p.m. at Bowlero, 5320 W. Loop 250 N. bbsmidland.org.

Adoption Event with Bully Beds and the Midland Humane Coalition. 11 a.m.-3 p.m. at PetSmart, 4206 W. Loop 250 N.

Dr. Seuss' 114th Birthday Party with guest storytellers, face painting, art projects and a screening of "Horton Hears a Who." Refreshments will be served. Noon at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch, 2503 West Loop 250 North.

Baby Dedication Celebration is an event that reflects on the journey of parents and children. 2-3 p.m. at Crestview Baptist Church, 301 N. Loop 250.

The Well Tour featuring Spec. V. Rose.

Sive, Plain James, Young Noah, Dec Black. 6:30 p.m. at Palmer Activity Christian Center, 1305 E. Illinois Ave. Free.

SUNDAY

Trans 101: Lunch and Learn. Out in West Texas directors lead this informational session on transgender issues. Lunch provided and open to the public. 12:15 p.m. at Unitarian Universalist Church of Midland, 3301 Neely Ave. Free.

MONDAY

Grief Support six-week session, 6:30-8 p.m. at Hospice Midland, 911 W. Texas Ave. hospicofmidland.org.

Belly dancing class, 8 p.m. at Unitarian Universalist Church, 3301 Neely Ave. uumidland.org.

TUESDAY

Intro to Buddhism features basic meditation and then discussion. Hosted by Permian Basin Buddhists. 7 p.m. at Unitarian Universalist Church, 3301 Neely Ave. meetup.com/Permian-Basin-Buddhists.

The 12-Step Group, 7 p.m. Tuesdays, 10 a.m. Saturdays at Christ Church Anglican, 5501 N. Midkiff Road. 553-7220.

WEDNESDAY

Caregiver Support group, noon-1 p.m. at Hospice Midland, 911 W. Texas Ave. hospicofmidland.org.

Cookies with a Cop. Meet and greet with the Midland Police Department. 3:30 p.m. at Midland Community Theatre, 2000 W. Wadley Ave.

THURSDAY

Brothers in Christ is a weekly men's group with studies that range from the Bible to topical issues. 6:30 a.m. at Midland Bible Church, 5900 Whitman Drive. midlandbible.org.

The Orphan Train Experience explores the 250,000 abandoned and homeless children placed through the United States. Hosted by the Midland Genealogical Society. 10:30 a.m. at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch, 2503 W. Loop 250.

Overflow: A Study on the Power of Words. 10:30 a.m. at Mid-Cities Community Church, 8700 State Highway 191.

Brown Bag: Voyage to the Bottom of the World with Nancy Robinson Masters. Light refreshments will be provided. Noon at Sibley Nature Center, 1307 E. Wadley Ave. Free. sibleynaturecenter.org.

Benefits of Physical Activity by the Lifestyle Medicine Center. Limited space so online registration is required. 6-7 p.m. at Midland Memorial West Campus, 4214 Andrews Highway. \$5. eventbrite.com.

La Hacienda Alumni Support group for former patients and guests. 7 p.m. Thursdays at Christ Church Anglican, 5501 N. Midkiff Road. 553-7220.

To include your event on this calendar, please email Rich Lopez at rlopez@mrts.com



AP file photo

Headstones toppled and damaged by vandals lie on the ground at Mount Carmel Cemetery on Feb. 27, 2017, in Philadelphia. The Anti-Defamation League is reporting a 57 percent increase in anti-Semitic incidents in the U.S. in 2017, the highest tally that the Jewish civil rights group has counted in more than two decades, according to data it released this week.

Report: Anti-Semitic incidents soar by 57 percent in 2017

By Michael Kunzelman
Associated Press

The Anti-Defamation League is reporting a 57 percent increase in anti-Semitic incidents in the U.S. last year, the highest tally that the Jewish civil rights group has counted in more than two decades, according to data it released Tuesday.

The New York City-based organization found 1,986 anti-Semitic incidents last year, up from 1,267 in 2016. That's the highest total since 1994 and the largest single-year increase since the group began collecting this data in 1979.

The ADL said the sharp rise includes 952 vandalism incidents, an increase of 86 percent from 2016. The group also counted 1,015 incidents of harassment, a 41 percent increase from 2016.

ADL national director and CEO Jonathan Greenblatt said the "alarming" increase appears to be fueled by emboldened far-right extremists as well as the "divisive state of our national discourse."

"Less civility has led to more intolerance," he told The Associated Press. Greenblatt also acknowledged that heightened awareness of the problem likely led to increased reporting of anti-Semitic incidents.

Anti-Semitic incidents at schools and on college campuses nearly doubled for the second year in a row, with 457 such incidents reported in non-Jewish schools last year, the ADL report says.

"We should see this as an alarm, a very loud alarm that should get the attention of all of us," Greenblatt said.

The ADL and other groups have reported a surge in the number of incidents in which far-right extremist groups have posted racist and anti-Semitic fliers on college campuses. ADL spokesman Todd Gutnick said the report's tally only counts incidents in which fliers had explicitly anti-Semitic messages.

The ADL also counted 19 anti-Semitic physical assaults last year, a 47 percent decrease from 2016.

The harassment incidents included 169 bomb threats against Jewish institutions, nearly all of them by two men. The ADL report said more than 150 bomb threats against Jewish community centers and day schools last year were allegedly made by an 18-year-old Israeli-American Jewish hacker, who was arrested in Israel last March. Separately, a former journalist from St. Louis pleaded guilty to making a string of fake bomb threats to Jewish

organizations last year in the name of his ex-girlfriend in an effort to disrupt her life.

In a note about its methodology, the group said, "ADL is careful to not conflate general criticism of Israel or anti-Israel activism with anti-Semitism. However, Israel-related harassment of groups or individuals may be included when the harassment incorporates traditional anti-Jewish references, accusations and conspiracy theories. Also included are cases of picketing of Jewish religious or cultural institutions for purported support for Israel."

There were six incidents in which Jewish institutions were victims of vandalism and harassment for their purported support of Israel, Gutnick said.

Rabbi Shmuel Herzfeld, of Ohev Sholom-The National Synagogue in Washington, said neo-Nazis in the U.S. are emboldened "in a way I have not seen in my lifetime."

"It's scary," said Herzfeld, whose synagogue received a bomb threat in April. "I think there is no question that it's on people's minds, and there is more of it out there."

The ADL is urging Congress to pass legislation to expand federal protections against bomb threats to religious institutions. The legislation, approved by the U.S. House of Representatives in December, awaits action in the Senate, the ADL said.

Greenblatt also urges "all public figures" to speak out against anti-Semitism "whether you're the president of the United States or the head of the local P.T.A."

President Donald Trump was widely criticized for saying there was "blame on both sides" after violence erupted in August at a white nationalist rally in Charlottesville, Virginia, where 32-year-old Heather Heyer, was killed when a man drove his car into a crowd of demonstrators. Greenblatt said Trump's statements about the rally were a "serious failure of moral leadership" and a "low point" of his presidency.

"There's no question we would love to see the president call out anti-Semitism as consistently and clearly as he does other issues," Greenblatt said.

The ADL says it compiles its incident data from news reports and information provided by victims, law enforcement and "community leaders."

"We just don't report something we've heard. We call, we check and we verify," Greenblatt said.

TRIBUTE

From 1B

that he felt he was dying, and they abandoned him, threatening to kill him if he did not leave by 10 a.m. the next day. Worried for his life, Li complied, but he continued to receive death threats via anonymous calls including a week before his death, according to messages he sent me.

On Feb. 25, Li developed stomach troubles and sought the opinion of a doctor. At 3 a.m. the next day, the No. 81 People's Liberation Army hospital mysteriously pronounced him dead, alleging his liver failed and he bled out, even though he was previously healthy without any diagnosis of liver disease.

Unfortunately, Li's death perfectly mirrors those of other Chinese human rights defenders, such as Nobel Peace Prize laureate Liu Xiaobo and Christian pro-democracy activists Yang Tianshui, Cao Shundi, Li Wangyang and Peng Ming, who all died after the government either refused to properly treat their life-threatening illnesses or after mysteriously collapsing despite a clean record of health. This indicates that the CCP is purposefully wiping out any courageous freedom defenders like Dr. Li Baiguang.

Since his death, many policymakers and prominent figures released statements celebrating Li's life and calling for China to be held accountable for his passing. U.S. Rep. Chris Smith said, "I am deeply saddened and mourn the death of Li Baiguang. Dr. Li was a father and a husband, a lawyer and scholar, and he was a committed Christian who used his legal skills to defend the poor and oppressed in China — he will be missed. Dr. Li was truly one of China's

best and brightest — committed to the rule of law, to human rights, and to a more peaceful and prosperous U.S.-China relationship. There are many unanswered questions about his death and these questions should be answered. Given that so many human rights lawyers have been disbarred, detained, disappeared, and tortured since 2015, the family should be allowed to undertake a truly independent medical investigation and get answers about Li's untimely death. I urge the Chinese government to recognize that such an investigation is in its best interests. At this time my prayers are with his family, particularly Xu Hanmei and Li Qingxin, Dr. Li's wife and son."

The National Endowment for Democracy's (NED) President Carl Gershman said in an official statement, "When we honored him with the NED's Democracy Award in 2008, we noted that he had been detained and physically attacked many times for his work, the first time in 2004 when he had brought legal action on behalf of 100,000 peasants who had been forcibly evicted from their land. Given this history, and reports that he very recently appeared to be in good health, it is essential that an independent and impartial investigation into Li's death be carried out before anyone accepts the official claim by Chinese authorities that Li Baiguang died from natural causes. Absent a credible investigation, reasonable people of good will hold the Chinese government responsible for the death of Li Baiguang and will see clearly the grave dangers facing all those who seek to defend the rule of law in China and to support people

whose rights are grievously abused."

Over the past decade, Li visited the United States a number of times, including the Permian Basin area. His boldness and courage has inspired many of us. In order to honor Li for defending abused people even though it cost him his life, ChinaAid will be holding a memorial service at 11:30 a.m. March 21 at Christ Church Anglican. We would like to invite the Midland and Odessa community to join us in celebrating the man who gave his life for what so many of us hold dear: the rights to peacefully worship and live as we deem best without persecution.

On his last day in Washington, D.C., my friend and global freedom champion, former Congressman Frank Wolf, asked Li if he wants to stay in the U.S. for safety given the rapid deteriorating human rights situation in China under President Xi Jinping. Li replied without hesitation, "No, sir, I would rather go back and die in China."

Although 49 years on this earth is too cruelly short for China's best pro-constitution and religious freedom lawyer, he died with immeasurable courage. It is our desire that Li's legacy will live on as a beacon of hope for the future, and that his life will prompt people around the world to take action on behalf of those suffering abuses. Because he was a dedicated Christian, Li is now resting and smiling in heaven while he watches us continue his fight, striving for a world that is safer and freer for all who live in it.

Bob Fu is founder/president of ChinaAid

GOREN BRIDGE

With Bob Jones

Robot bridge

East-West vulnerable, South deals

NORTH
♠ 6
♥ K 7 6
♦ K 10 7 5 3
♣ 10 9 6 4

WEST
♠ Q 10 9 7
♥ 9 3
♦ J 6 2
♣ K Q J 8

EAST
♠ J 4
♥ 10 8 5 2
♦ Q 9 8 4
♣ 7 5 2

SOUTH
♠ A K 8 5 3 2
♥ A Q J 4
♦ A
♣ A 3

The bidding:

2♠	Pass	2♣	Pass
2♠	Pass	3♣	Pass
3♣	Pass	4♣	Pass
6♣	All pass		

Opening lead: King of ♠

We thank Australian expert Tim Bourke for this deal. We are told that South was playing online with a robot. We can't ask the robot about the bidding, but we expect that the three diamond bid showed some useful values and the four heart bid was all the robot could "think" of.

South won the opening club lead in hand with the ace and saw that the only chance was to develop the spade suit. The most likely split of six missing cards is 4-2, so South found a line of play that would succeed as long as neither major suit split worse than 4-2. Declarer cashed the ace of spades at trick two and then ruffed a spade low in dummy.

He crossed back to his hand with the ace of diamonds and ruffed the spade, this time with dummy's king. Had he ruffed low, East would have over-ruffed and the contract would have been defeated.

South cashed the king of diamonds and discarded his remaining club, followed by the ace, queen, and jack of hearts. Declarer left the last trump outstanding and started running his established spades by leading the king. East could ruff whenever he liked, but that was the only trick for the defense. South and the robot made six!



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Happy couple seeks best way to support troubled friends

DEAR ABBY: Occasionally, married friends will come to my husband and/or me venting about their marital problems. We have been through a few rough patches during our 12 years of marriage, and during those times, we sought help from family, friends and counselors. Today I can honestly say we are happier than ever and willing to stick through the ups and downs. We try to pass along the things that helped us, but a lot of times we'll see one spouse wanting to work on improving the marriage and the other one oblivious or unwilling to do anything about it. I think our experience could help the spouses of our troubled friends see that things can work out by doing something about it, but I never know if or how to approach the subject with them. Should we keep our mouths shut and just be there for the unhappy friend, or is there a proper way to reach out to their spouse with an offer of support in situations like this? — TRULY WANTING TO HELP

DEAR ABBY. Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069. Her column is distributed by Universal Press Syndicate.

her marital problems were revealed to you, it will be regarded as intrusive. By all means tell the person asking your advice what worked for you, but leave it up to that person to convey it to his or her spouse. DEAR ABBY: What is the etiquette when eating at a restaurant where a piano player is performing? I don't mean the "bar scene"-type piano player who wants the crowd to sing along, but more of a mid-to-upscale type of place. There's a restaurant like this in my town — the only one with a piano. On one special occasion when we were there, the piano player was playing "Misty" and a woman sitting nearby with her party wanted to make herself heard over him. She began talking very loudly to her group while he was playing the song. I thought it was tacky, and if I had been sitting near her, I would have shushed her up.

if he just feels guilty. It's my house, too. — RELUCTANT IN TEXAS

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Crane fulfills promise to reach Chap Center

By Oscar LeRoy
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The Crane boys basketball team came oh so close to making the Region 1-3A Tournament last year and the Golden Cranes were determined that this would be the year to make it to Chaparral Center.

With a strong senior class and a belief in themselves that could make it this year, the Golden Cranes qualified for their first regional tournament in more than 30 years when they defeated Wall, 54-44, in a regional quarterfinal game at Garden City on Tuesday to make the tourney in their own backyard.

The Golden Cranes (25-4) will face No. 10 Bowie (28-7) in the first 1-3A semifinal game at 6 p.m., while No. 19 Shallowater (33-2) against defending regional champion and No. 2-ranked Brock (34-3) follows in the other regional semifinal game at about 7:30 p.m. The final is set for 1 p.m. Saturday.

While other teams might have more experience playing in this tournament, the Golden Cranes should not be overlooked as they have nine seniors and plenty of players returning from a team that went three rounds deep before losing to last year's tournament participant Wall. "We're super excited about making it to the regional tournament," Crane coach Chris Suttle

said. "It's a big thing for our community, it's a big thing for our program. Plus, being 45 minutes down the road is an advantage for us. We get to sleep in our own beds and it's a neat deal that we don't have to break a whole lot of our routine."

Suttle added that he's worried about his team not having any regional tournament experience.

"We just want to go out there, play our best and see what happens," he said. "Win, lose or draw, our young kids are super excited to still playing basketball in March for Crane, Texas."

Suttle credits the leadership of his nine seniors for guiding this team to a special season.

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Courtesy photo

Crane's Ivan Esparza (15) is shown in action against Kermit earlier this season.

Growing up quick



James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Lee's Junior Alvarez hits against Lubbock High in the Tournament of Champions on Thursday, at Ernie Johnson Field.

Lee's Alvarez looking like seasoned vet at plate

By Will Korn
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If one didn't know better, it might be easy to confuse Lee right fielder/first baseman Alvaro "Junior" Alvarez, Jr. with a varsity seasoned senior when he's at the plate.

Alvarez is just a sophomore, but though he may be young he's already starting to impact the lineup of the No. 8-ranked Class 6A team in the state.

Slight statured but accurately aggressive, Alvarez and his left-handed bat have

produced a .409 batting average and eight RBI — tied for the team lead with Division I-bound teammates Ty Coleman and Adam Becker — through seven games.

Alvarez doesn't necessarily show much patience in the batters box, but his quick hands and seemingly advanced contact ability have led to a special distinction: He is the only Rebel batter without a walk or a strikeout in at least 20 plate appearances so far this season.

In Thursday's 8-3 victory over Lubbock High at Ernie Johnson Field in the Tournament of Champions, Alvarez made his presence felt with roped RBI doubles

in the first and fourth innings to put the Rebels (6-2) in front early.

On Tuesday, Alvarez hit cleanup in the Rebels' order and drove in four RBI in an 11-3 win over Big Spring.

Alvarez admitted he wasn't sure if he'd get the opportunity to contribute at the varsity level this season, let alone in the middle of a top 10 team's order. But so far, he said he's feeling blessed and is making the most of every at-bat and every game.

"I just want to thank God for this

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Beattie's hustle fuels MCA to state tourney

By Christopher Hadorn
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Midland Classical small forward Makenna Beattie is planning to do her senior speech to the student body this spring on the importance of avoiding apathy.

It's a fitting subject for Beattie to talk about as the 5-foot-5 girls basketball player has made her mark on the hardwood with her pure effort and unrelenting desire to crash the boards.

The No. 3-ranked Lady Knights (21-8) will lean on Beattie's energy when they face No. 7 Denton Calvary (22-8) in today's 6 p.m. TAPPS 3A state semifinal game in Robinson.

Beattie will be playing in her third state tournament in four years.

"She is a hard worker," MCA head coach Carla Cunneen said of her niece. "She is probably the most undersized forward in the state, but she is close to our leading rebounder. She is just constantly hustling and just provides a lot for our team, a lot of the leadership."

"She is relentless in her efforts and she provides a lot on the offensive end as well. Sometimes she'll have this monster game and I will look in the book and she had zero points. It's

Please see MCA/4C



Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Midland Classical's Makenna Beattie blocks a shot of Lee's Braydyn Hill in a game Dec. 28, 2017, at the Byron Johnson Holiday Classic tournament.

Richardsons lead Forsan in first region berth since 2009

By Will Korn
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Kobe Richardson takes his game and intensity to another level every time he puts on his No. 24 Forsan jersey.

Representing the small, tight-knit community of Forsan, the Buffaloes' high-scoring junior guard has many people looking to him to make a difference on the court — his three younger brothers and head coach, school principal and father, Cory Richardson, to name a few. Competing with Buffalo pride is



Richardson

important to his family, but it is also a staple of the community itself. And though the Richardson's moved to Forsan from Lamesa during Kobe's fourth grade year in 2010 — one year after the program's last trip to the region tournament — Kobe wanted to begin building something special with his new future teammates.

"It means a lot (when you get to) play for the name on your chest. Anytime I put on a jersey, I'm going to give it my all," Kobe said. "I've spent my whole life trying to get here, so we can take care of business."

Cory added that Forsan itself is a driving force behind his team's success.

"It has just been a great environment, it's a great place, a family place," he said.

"Everywhere (the players) go, there are older and younger eyes watching them and they take it to heart."

Seven years after his arrival, Kobe and the No. 18-ranked Buffaloes (28-4) have a golden opportunity to do just that when they face No. 20 Stratford at 6:30 p.m. today in the Region 1-2A semifinal game at Levelland's Texas Dome.

The winner of today's game will face the winner of McCamey and Stinnett West Texas in Saturday's 3:30 p.m. region championship.

Kobe, who is averaging a team-high 21.5 points, 5.7 rebounds and 5.4 steals per game, said it's that community pride that sits at the heart of perhaps the team's

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Courtesy photo

The Forsan boys basketball team posed with the trophy after winning a Class 2A regional quarterfinal game against Horton on Tuesday at the O.W. Fells Gymnasium in Lamesa.

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EPGA Tshwane Open, 3rd
Round, 4:30 a.m., GOLF
Major League Baseball
Spring Training: Boston at
St. Louis, Noon, MLB
Men's College Basketball
Big Ten Quarterfinal, 11
a.m., BTN
Big Ten Quarterfinal, 1:30
p.m., BTN
Buffalo at Bowling Green, 5
p.m., ESPN
Eastern Michigan at Toledo,
5 p.m., CBSN
Big Ten Quarterfinal, 5:30
p.m., BTN
UT Arlington at Texas State,
6 p.m., ESPN2
OVC Semifinal, 7 p.m.,
ESPN
Rhode Island at Davidson, 7
p.m., CBSN
Iowa State at Oklahoma, 8
p.m., ESPN2
Big Ten Quarterfinal, 8 p.m.,
BTN
OVC Semifinal, 9 p.m.,
ESPN
Mixed Martial Arts
Bellator: Marlon Caldwell
vs. Leandro Higo, Joe Warren
vs. Joe Taimanglo, 8 p.m.,
PARA Legacy Fighting Alli-
ance 34, 8 p.m.

WHAT'S ON DECK

HS Baseball
Lee, MHS at Tournament of Champions
Greenwood, Midland Christian at Levelland Tourna-
ment
MCA at Trinity, 4 p.m., Simon Field
HS Boys Basketball
Region I-3A Tournament, Chaparral Center
Crane vs. Bowie, 6 p.m.
Shallowater vs. Brock, 7:30 p.m.
Class 2A regional semifinal, Forsan vs. Stratford, 6:30
p.m., Texan Dome, Levelland
HS Girls Basketball
TAPPS 3A semifinal, MCA vs. Denton Calvary Chris-
tian, 6 p.m., Robinson
HS Softball
Lee at Belton Tournament
Midland High at McKinney Tournament
Greenwood at Fox Country Tournament, El Paso
Midland Christian at Seminole Tournament
HS Tennis
Midland High at Abilene Cooper Classic
Lee at San Marcos Tournament
HS Track & Field
Tall City Relays, Memorial Stadium

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
LONG ISLAND DUCKS - Signed OF David
Felt.
Freddie League
LAKE ERIE CRUSHERS - Signed RHP
Payton Lofsted to a contract extension.
NORFOLK TROPICANS - Signed C Cody
Erickson.
SCHALERSBURG ROYALS - Signed UTL
Lucas Owens. Released RHP Brandon Quisenberry.
WASHINGTON WILD THINGS - Signed C
Babe Thomas.
BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association
CHICAGO BULLS - Signed F Jamal Etles to
a 10-day contract.
CLEVELAND CAVALIERS - Suspended G
J.R. Smith one game for detrimental conduct.
FOOTBALL
Canadian Football League
EDMONTON Eskimos - Announced the
retirement of O.D. Anthony Ballew.
HOCKEY
National Hockey League
ARIZONA COYOTES - Reassigned F Laurent
Dauphin from Tucson (AHL).
COLORADO HAWKS - Reassigned D
David Werschler to San Antonio (AHL).
NEW JERSEY DEVILS - Assigned G Eddie
Lock to Binghamton (AHL). Activated G Cory
Schneider off injured reserve.
TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING - Signed F Alex
Bene-Baoual to a 1-year entry level contract.
Reassigned F Anthony Cook from Syracuse (AHL).
American Hockey League

NBA GLANCE

Table with columns for Eastern Conference, Western Conference, and Pacific Division, listing teams, wins, losses, and percentages.

NHL GLANCE

Table with columns for Eastern Conference, Western Conference, and Pacific Division, listing teams, goals for, goals against, and percentages.

MISD teams look to get clearer picture at Tall City Invite

By Christopher Hadorn
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The high school track and field season might be two weeks in, but the Midland ISD teams are still in the process of discovering which athletes are best suited for particular events. The picture should get a little clearer when Lee and Midland High host the Rogers Ford Tall City Invitational Track Meet at noon today at Memorial Stadium. The Midland ISD teams will be joined by District 2-6A rivals Odessa Permian, Odessa High and Wolfforth Frenship, along with Class 4A power Big Spring, Del Rio and Slaton. Both MHS and Lee have only four meets left to get ready for the District 2-6A Track and Field Championships, which take place April 5-6 on the same Memorial Stadium grounds. "Every year is a new challenge trying to find who is going to be good at what and getting them in the proper spaces to have to be successful," Rebels coach Floyd White said. "Fortunately we have a lot of kids. Our track program is really growing. We traveling more kids than we ever traveled before and we're having a lot of success, so we are very excited." Field events athletes and girls' MHS athletes, they have yet to compete in an official meet thus far as field events were cancelled during the Feb. 17 Kangaroo Relays in Weatherford, and the Feb. 23 Bulldog

Relays in Burkburnett were called off due to inclement weather. As a result, MHS senior Sam Palmer will finally make his season debut today in the boys triple jump following his fifth-place finish at the 2017 regionals in only his first year of track. "He has the potential to get back to the regional meet and maybe make a run at state," Bulldogs first-year boys coach Adam Alba said. Some other new faces will get opportunities today as Lee junior sprinter Isaiah Harvey, Lee sophomore sprinter Mackenzie Gibson and Midland High senior standout Bailey Crouse aren't expected to compete because of injuries. While there's still uncertainty in some events, Midland High senior Sametria Smith is a two-time veteran of the state meet, finishing sixth in both the girls long jump and 100-meter hurdles in 2017. Smith was the top performing underclassman in the 100 hurdles race at state. "Being her senior season and with it being her last chance at a UIL state medal, I know that's something that she is really focusing on for her jumping and her hurdling," MHS first-year girls coach Laura Taylor said. The Lee boys are led by sophomore pole vaulter Rory McGuire, who is a contender for the district title in only his second season, and senior Trevor Gonzalez, a versatile track athlete that competes in all three relays and also long



Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Midland High's Darius Holman Manning competes in 2017 in the high jump at the Tall City Relays at Memorial Stadium.

jump. "If he could, he'd go make hot dogs and hamburgers at the concession stand and sell those too because that's what he is doing," White quipped of Gonzalez' versatility. The Lady Rebels have two capable throwers with sophomore Paige Low, a 2017 regional qualifier in the discus, and emerging shot putter Anaya Woods, who recorded a heave of 37 feet, 9 inches to take second at the City Bank Relays in Wolfforth last week. Lee coach Frank Maldonado said Woods was throwing the shot put around 25 feet last year. "I am fired up about her," Maldonado said of Woods.

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ROGERS FORD TALL CITY INVANTIONAL
When/where: Noon today, Memorial Stadium
Teams competing: Midland High, Lee, Odessa, Wolfforth Frenship, Big Spring, Del Rio, Slaton
Schedule of events
Non - boys and girls 3,200 meters, field events
4 p.m. or 1 hour after the conclusion of field events
- Running events (in this particular order: girls and boys 400 relay, girls and boys 800 meters, girls 100 hurdles, boys 110 hurdles, girls and boys 100, girls and boys 800 relay, girls and boys 400, girls and boys 300 hurdles, girls and boys 200, girls and boys 1,600, 1,600 relay)

ANDREWS FOOTBALL SIGNING CAPSULES

ANDREWS KEESEE PICKS HOWARD PAYNE
Jace Keesee
Signing school: Howard Payne University, Brownwood, NCAA Division III
High School: Andrews
Sport: Football
Position: Quarterback
Height/weight: 5-foot-10, 165 pounds
On why he picked Howard Payne: "Their system is similar to our high school. I knew it was something I would fit in real well. When I went on my visit I fell in love with the school, and the players and the coaching staff made it feel like a family."
Notes: Keesee was a standout at the quarterback and safety for the Mustangs but he will focus on being a QB



Keesee

Noah Lujan
Signing school: Wayland Baptist University, Plainview, NAAIA
High school: Andrews
Sport: Football
Position: Wide receiver
Height/weight: 6-foot, 165 pounds
Lujan on why he chose WBU: "The reason I chose that school was because of the players, the coaches, the people and what they represent. It's a lot like Andrews athletics, with that brotherhood and leadership within the program, not just from the coaches but it's about the leadership from the players. Going to college is a big deal, a big accomplishment."
Notes: Lujan had a banner year as he was one of the Permian Basin's biggest playmaking receivers. He was named District 2-4A Division I Offensive MVP and was an APSE Class 4A honorable mention all-state selection after catching 65 passes for 1,182 yards and 22 touchdowns. Lujan said he also had offers from Howard Payne, McMurry University, Sul Ross State, Oklahoma Panhandle State and Stephens Point (Wisconsin). Lujan will be joining former teammate Casey Buck, who signed with Wayland Baptist last month. "That's something that doesn't always happen, going there with a teammate in the same sport as you," Lujan said. "Casey and I feel like we've worked hard to get to where we are now. I feel like it's going to make college a little easier and it's going to take some stress off my shoulders of not knowing anybody when I get there."



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LUJAN HEADING TO WAYLAND BAPTIST
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Conacher scores in overtime, Lightning beat Stars 5-4

Associated Press
DALLAS — Cory Conacher scored with 41 seconds left in overtime, and the Tampa Bay Lightning beat the Dallas Stars 5-4 on Thursday night. Conacher broke away from Dallas' Jamie Benn and slid the puck between goalie Ben Bishop's legs. It was the Lightning's fourth game in six nights that went past 60 minutes. Tampa Bay's Anthony Cirelli had a goal and an assist in the three-goal second period of his NHL debut. The Lightning recalled the 20-year-old Cirelli

from Syracuse of the AHL earlier Thursday as an emergency replacement for NHL scoring leader Nikita Kucherov. Tyler Seguin had two goals and an assist for Dallas, which rallied with two third-period goals. Mattias Janmark had tied the game with four seconds left in regulation, when he lifted a shot from a scramble over fallen Tampa Bay goalie Louis Domingue. Brayden Point and Steven Stamkos also scored for the Lightning. Dallas' Brett Ritchie had a third-period goal.

Domingue made 31 saves to improve to 4-8. He is 3-1 vs. Dallas in his career. Bishop stopped 20 shots. Tampa Bay's J.T. Miller had two assists. The first came just 1:02 into the game. Miller poked up a loose puck behind the net and passed to Point at the right of the net. Bishop was tangled up with a teammate, and Point slipped a wrist shot behind the goalie. Dallas tied the game at 1 on the game's first power play. Jamie Benn passed from the right faceoff circle to Seguin in the slot.

His snap shot grazed the crossbar and went in at 11:05. For Seguin's second goal, John Klingberg skated low into the right circle and passed across. Seguin had the left side of the net empty for his snap shot at 8:13 of the second period. The spotlight then shifted to Cirelli. He skated around Klingberg for a shot into the upper left corner to tie the game at 9:20. Four minutes later, Killorn poked in the rebound of Cedric Paquette's shot that Bishop couldn't handle. Cirelli also received an assist.

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HS BASEBALL/SOFTBALL ROUNDUP

BASEBALL
MUSTANGS SPLIT IN LEVELLAND
LEVELLAND - The Midland Christian baseball team split its opening Thursday...

MIDLAND CLASSICAL 16, TRINITY 0
Coke Miller belted a pair of home runs and drove in four RBI to help Midland...

EL PASO BEL AIR 3, GREENWOOD 2, 3 INNINGS
Greenwood 111 - 3 5 2
Greenwood 200 - 2 4 5

No. 15 Texas A&M women beat Arkansas 82-52

NASHVILLE, Tenn. - Danni Williams scored 22 points with four 3-pointers, Chennedy Carter had 19 points, five rebounds and eight assists and No. 15 Texas A&M beat Arkansas 82-52 on Thursday...

HS BASKETBALL PAIRINGS

2018 UIL Girls Basketball State Tournament
March 1-3
Alameda, San Antonio
Thursday, March 1
Class 1A Southlake vs. San Antonio...

MC BASKETBALL ROUNDUP

LADY CHAPS KNOCK OFF NO. 3 NMJC
HOBBBS, N.M. - The Midland College women's basketball team used a strong third quarter to spark a 69-60 victory over No. 3-ranked New Mexico Junior College...

2017-18 WJCAC men's basketball standings
District Overall
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Oy-Odeza College 15 1 26 3

season with an 80-75 loss to New Mexico Junior College at Caster Activity Center on Thursday.
Midland College and NMJC finished in a tie for sixth place in the Western Junior College Athletic Conference with 5-11 records.

Arizona decides to keep Sean Miller as coach

By John Marshall
Associated Press
When Arizona hastily called a news conference on Thursday afternoon, it appeared coach Sean Miller's tenure at Tucson could be coming to an end. Instead, the coach vehemently denied a report claiming he discussed a six-figure payment to a recruit...

LEE

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opportunity," Alvarez said. "It's pretty crazy for a sophomore to be coming up to the varsity. At the beginning of the year, I didn't think I'd get this chance, but it feels good being up here with the big boys."
Lee head coach Brian Roper said he noticed Alvarez' aggression early on during the Rebels' scrimmages and the Rebels' secretary would become a force in the Rebels' lineup.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL SCORES

Top 25 Fared
1. UCLA (27-0) beat Louisville 87-68, Sat. vs. Vegas Dean, Saturday
2. Michigan State (25-0) did not play Sat. vs. Wisconsin, Friday
3. Texas (24-0) did not play Sat. at DePaul, Saturday

Texas university fires baseball coach after Colorado comment

Associated Press

FORT WORTH — Texas Wesleyan University has fired its baseball coach after he told a high school player from Colorado that the team doesn't recruit from the state because players there fail drug tests.

President Fred Slabach said Mike Jeffcoat was fired Thursday both for his remark and amid an investigation into an NCAA violation regarding players' eligibility.

Jeffcoat said in the email exchange last month that his program previously decided not to accept players from Colorado, adding, "You can thank your liberal politicians." Colorado voters in 2012 approved recreational marijuana use. Slabach said the university "does not discriminate on the basis of the public policy of any state."

Jeffcoat pitched 10 years in the majors before becoming head coach at Texas Wesleyan in Fort Worth in 2002.

CRANE

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"They have really worked hard to get our program back on the map in the state of Texas," he said. "They have shown the younger players how to do things the right way."

Suttle admits that the team was extra motivated to get a rematch with the Hawks as they had the game circled on their calendar.

The Golden Cranes also got a huge performance from senior forward Carlos Montes, who hit nine 3-pointers on the way to a game-high 38 points.

"He shot the ball very well," Suttle said. "He's capable of putting up a big performance like that on just about any night. When he's hitting shots, and really when all five on the court are playing well, we really like our chances."

Crane would love nothing better than to keep making more history this weekend.

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scoring a game-high 38 points, Suttle said his team's defense did a good job of holding a potent Wall team to 44 points. ... Suttle added his team has been playing well in the postseason. "We're actually progressing and hitting our stride at the right time," he said. "We can always do some things better. We hope to continue to play well against a Bowie team that's solid and makes you earn everything you get. We have to play our best, earn every possession and play a complete game."

NO. 10 BOWIE
Coach: Doug Boxell
District: 8-3A
Record: 28-7
Road to regionals: Bi-district, def. Milsap 78-41; area, def. Clyde, 93-57; regional quarterfinal, def. Peaster 68-42.

Players to watch: Senior P Daniel Mosely Sr. (15.7 ppg); senior F Gary Mosely (11 ppg); junior G Justin Franklin (11 ppg).

Notes: Bowie is making its first regional tournament appearance in Midland and making its first overall regional tournament appearance since 1991. The program has won five state titles in its history, but the last one came in 1974. ... The Jackrabbits have some depth as they usually go eight to nine players deep. ... Boxell is the father of Brock coach Zach Boxell. ... Last year, Bowie lost to Brock in the regional quarterfinal round.

NO. 19 SHALLOWWATER
Coach: Jay Lusk
District: 7-3A
Record: 33-2
Road to regionals: Bi-district, def. Tullia 56-46; area, def. Canadian, 72-38; regional quarterfinal, def. Canadian 55-47.

Players to watch: 6-2 senior J Brett Johnson (15 ppg), 5-11 junior G Josh Servantz (14 ppg), 6-5 senior F Collin Stephenson (8 ppg, 10 rpg).

Notes: Shallowwater is making its first regional tournament appearance in Midland since 2009. "It's a good deal for the kids, they're pretty fired up about it," Lusk said. "We've been playing pretty well. We've been moving the ball well and we've been playing pretty good defense. We've also done a good job on the boards and we have been unselfish." ... Lusk said his team is in for a challenge against a team that's a frequent regional tournament participant and was a state runner-up last year. "We know how successful they've been over the years," said Lusk about

the Eagles. "They have some height and they can really shoot the ball and play good defense. We hope our press can disrupt their offense and we can move up and down the court a little bit."

NO. 2 BROCK
Coach: Zach Boxell
Record: 33-2
Road to regionals: Bi-district, def. Nocona 62-53; area, def. Colorado City 76-52; regional quarterfinal, def. Jim Ned 73-34.

Players to watch: 6-0 senior G Amery Hughes (14 ppg), 6-0 senior G Garrett Leek (11 ppg), 6-5 junior F/P Scott Thomas (12 ppg).

Notes: Brock returns to Chaparral Center for the regional tournament after winning the title last year and finishing as the state runner-up in its first year in Region I after several years in Region II. "Of course we're excited to be back here," Boxell said. "Last year was our first year in Region I and now we know what it's like and we're going to try to have the same routine now that we're familiar with everything that goes on at the tournament," said Boxell, who is the son of Bowie coach Doug Boxell. ... The Eagles return six players from last year's team, including three starters. Boxell said that experience has been key in the playoffs. "With the returning experience that we have, they know what it takes to win in the playoffs," he said. "That's been saying a long way." ... Boxell said his team has been playing better on the defensive end and that experience has helped the Eagles realize it is important to step it up offensively in the playoffs. He added that Shallowwater has some good size and it's going to be important for his team to do the little things right to be successful.

Boys Region I-2A-3A Tournament History at Chaparral Center

2005
Lubbock Roosevelt (R) 53, Midland (W) 47
Jim Ned (W) 53, Abilene (W) 47
Final
Jim Ned 52, Lubbock Roosevelt 51
(Jim Ned went on to be state runner-up.)

2006
Tahoka (R) 68, Colorado City (W) 54
Reagan County (R) 64, Childress (R) 62
Tahoka 50, Reagan County 40
(Tahoka lost in state semifinals.)

2007
Abilene (R) 53, Dalhart (W) 56, OT
Shallowwater (W) 50, Jim Ned (R) 46
Final
Shallowwater 50, Abilene 50
(Shallowwater went on to be state runner-up.)

2008
Floydada (R) 62, Comstock (W) 47
Jim Ned (R) 79, Shallowwater (R) 69
Final
Jim Ned 65, Floydada 61

(Jim Ned went on to be state runner-up.)

2009
Seagraves
Shallowwater (R) 73, Clyde (W) 59
Eastland (R) 50, Buelland (W) 40
Final
Shallowwater 70, Eastland 55
(Shallowwater lost in state semifinals.)

2010
Seagraves
Idalou (R) 65, Eastland (W) 42
Jim Ned (W) 65, Littlefield (W) 50
Final
Idalou 51, Jim Ned 44
(Idalou went on to be state runner-up.)

2011
Seagraves
Idalou (W) 72, Hico (W) 51
Muleshoe (R) 46, Eastland (W) 42
Final
Idalou 76, Muleshoe 47
(Idalou went to state title)

2012
Seagraves
Idalou (W) 57, Dalhart (W) 57
Jim Ned (W) 68, Childress 54
Final
Idalou 52, Jim Ned 49

2013
Seagraves
Holiday (W) 42, Bushland (R) 41
Idalou (W) 62, Jim Ned (R) 52
Final
Idalou 46, Holiday 44

2014
Seagraves
Bushland (W) 62, Breckinridge (W) 57
Bushland (W) 61, Wall (W) 54
Final
Bushland 63, Breckinridge 47

2015
Seagraves
Brewster (W) 50, Wall (R) 33
Childress (W) 78, Breckinridge (R) 44
Final
Childress 56, Brewster 55

2016
Seagraves
Brewster (W) 103, Texas Leadership Academy (R) 28
Childress (W) 55, Wall (W) 43
Final
Childress 60, Childress 58
(Brewster went on to state title)

2017
Seagraves
Brock 63, Wall 48
Canadian 58, Nocona 51
Final
Brock 40, Canadian 36
(Brock was state runner-up.)

Tournament appearances

Jim Ned 7
Idalou 4
Bushland 3
Childress 3
Eastland 3
Shallowwater 4
Abilene 2
Brewster 3
Breckinridge 2
Brewster 2
Wall 2
Brock 2
Canadian 1
Nocona 1
Hico 1
Duluth 1
Lubbock Roosevelt 1
Littlefield 1
Muleshoe 1
Clyde 1
Floydada 1
Colorado City 1
Comstock 1
Dalhart 1
Reagan County 1
Macon 1
Holt 1
Tahoka 1
Tulca 1
Cane 1
Dove 1

PRO GOLF SCORES

World Golf Championships Mexico Championship Scores
Thursday
At Club de Golf Chapultepec Mexico City
Purse: \$10 million
Par: 7,345; Par 71 (25-36)
First Round

Louie Oathout	32-32-64
Chris Pasley	31-34-65
Xander Schauffele	31-34-65
Shubhankar Sharma	32-33-65
Rafa Cabrera Bello	33-33-66
Kaedeck Aphornarn	32-34-66
Jon Rahm	32-34-67
Phil Perez	33-35-68
Sergio Garcia	34-34-68
Tony Finau	31-37-68
Brian Harman	33-35-69
Ricco Fiederl	34-34-68
Russell Henley	35-33-69
Dustin Johnson	34-35-69
Alex Horn	34-35-69
Bubba Watson	36-31-69
Phil Mickelthorn	32-37-69
Patton Kizzire	35-34-69
Marc Levenberg	33-35-69
Brendan Steele	35-37-69
Daniel Berger	35-34-69
Thomas Petters	36-33-69
Jordan Spiess	35-35-70
Kevin Kisner	34-36-70
David Lipsky	35-35-70
Charley Hoffman	35-35-70
Patrick Cantlay	34-36-70
Adam Bland	34-36-70
Jordan Spieth	36-34-70
Tyrell Hallon	35-35-70
Adam Hahn	34-36-70
Abraham Ancer	37-34-71
Matthew Fitzpatrick	35-36-71
Charl Schwartzel	36-37-71
Ross Fisher	36-36-71
Kyle Stanley	36-33-71
Francesco Molinari	37-34-71
Justin Rose	35-36-71
Jorge Campillo	37-35-72
Patrick Reed	37-35-72
Chau Hsien	34-38-72
Justin Thomas	37-35-72
Tommy Fleetwood	34-38-72
Webb Simpson	36-34-72
Branden Grace	37-35-72

HSBC Women's Champions Scores
Thursday
At Santos Golf Club (Tanjung Course)
Singapore
Purse: \$1.5 million
Par: 6,718; Par 72
First Round

Jennifer Song	65
Em-Hye Ji	67
Mieko Hiroe	67
Bonnie M. Henderson	68
Anna Johansson	68
Daniella Kang	68
Justine Kwon	68
In Gee Chan	68
Jeon Eun-Young	68
Melanie Sapperton	68
Chella Cho	68
Su Oh	68
Sung Hyun Park	68
Maria Ale	68
Jeong Eun Lee	68
Su Young Kim	68
Miriam Lee	68
Charley Hull	68
Su Young Kim	68
Nicole Broch Larsen	70
Caitlin Kim	70
Cailean Mason	70
Monya Johnson	70
Nelly Korda	70

MCA

From 1C

funny, she provides so much in rebounds and assists and hustle in general. Those things aren't always recorded in the stat sheet."

A versatile player, Beattie has filled in wherever the Lady Knights have needed her, which has included the shooting guard spot and in the paint at center.

On defense, the MCA senior has thrived because Cunneen says she doesn't shy away from contact. Cunneen believes her niece would be a good rugby player.

Additionally, Beattie has teamed with junior post Lizabelle Russell and sophomore power forward Jenny Cocco to give the Lady Knights three capable rebounders.

"I think a lot of rebounding is just effort," Beattie said. "I think just being mentally aware that you're going to hustle for every ball and I think you will get a lot of them."

Makenna is the third in line of her four sisters to suit up for the Lady Knights. Her oldest sister Kayla went onto to play for Texas Woman's University, while she played her first two years as a freshman and sophomore with former point guard Alissa, her second oldest sister.

Leia, the youngest of the siblings, is MCA's leading scorer as a sophomore. Makenna has brought her own unique style of play to the Beattie clan.

"Kayla and Alissa and Leia were all more offensive players," Makenna said. "They were super good shooters and drivers and that's never been my strong suit. My strong suit has just always been more of hustle plays and doing the behind the scene stuff."

Beattie appreciates the same vigor off the court, as she also participates in volleyball, tennis, powerlifting, math team and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes leadership group.

Beattie, who carries a 4.0 grade point average, is headed to Texas A&M University to study petroleum engineering after graduation.

Beattie appreciates the precociousness of time, and she is excited to share her wisdom with the MCA student body.

"In my last year, I am starting to realize how special this team is, how special this school is and just this sport, how much

you can learn from it," Beattie said. "You should always take advantage of the time that you have in whatever you are doing, just to hustle and go for it, all the time. Don't do anything half way."

Beattie was an eighth grader when the Lady Knights won their last state championship in 2014.

Last season, Beattie and MCA finished one win short as state runners up, losing 64-49 to Beaumont Legacy in the title game. Beattie is hoping her team can finally breakthrough in her last trip to state.

"We are really excited about getting back here," Beattie said. "It's another opportunity for us. We're hoping we can play our hearts out and have no regrets at the end."

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TAPPS 3A STATE SEMIFINAL
NO. 3 MIDLAND CLASSICAL VS. NO. 7 DENTON CALVARY
When/where: 6 p.m. today, Robinson High School, Robinson

Records/seeds: MCA 21-8, No. 1 in TAPPS 1-3A, Denton Calvary 22-8, No. 1 in TAPPS 2-3A.

Last game: MCA 65, Irving Highlands 20, regional; Denton Calvary 51, Dallas Yavneh 38, regional

Notes: This is a rematch of the 2017 TAPPS 3A state semifinal, which MCA won 69-29 over Denton Calvary. "They've improved a ton from last year," Cunneen said of the Lady Lions. "They push the ball up the court. They play good defense. They're well coached. I think it's going to be a great game. We're just excited to get the opportunity to go to state again. Like I said, our kids are kind of taking it in stride. I know they think it's big, but we played in a lot of big games this year and being at state next year will help us out." ... The Lady Knights are playing in the state tournament for the fourth time in five years and third time in the last four years. Makenna Beattie, Leia Beattie, Coco, Laura Kate Sparks and Kori Kirk logged minutes in last season's state tournament. "I like the fact that going to this state tournament that our kids have experience," Cunneen said. "The majority of this team played for the state championship last year and the seniors, this is their third trip, so we are going to rely heavily on experience going into this weekend." ... MCA had four players score in double figures in the win over Irving Highlands, as Leia Beattie led with 22 points, Russell provided 18, Kirk had 13 and Coco recorded 10.

Next: Winner plays Beaumont Legacy Christian-Temple Central Texas Christian winner, state championship, 6 p.m. Saturday, West High School, West

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another.

Kobe said that he and many of his teammates, including fellow guards Bryce Hergert and Garrett Evans, grew up playing sports together and that camaraderie is what he believes helped get to the Buffaloes to this point.

In each of their last two games — a 61-42 regional quarterfinal win over Morton and a 59-49 area win over Anthony — the Buffaloes were pushed hard for three quarters.

But in both contests, they banded together when it mattered most. They used a 19-11 advantage in the final period to pull away and against Morton Tuesday night in Lamesa — a homecoming for the Richardson — Forsan outscored the Indians, 32-12 in the final eight minutes to advance.

As might be expected from such a close group and one of the top teams in the state, there wasn't much fear. Cory saw that steadfast belief in his players' eyes first hand at

halftime, trailing by four points against Morton.

"They believe in each other and they're very patient," Cory said. "Against Morton) I believed, almost to a fault, that we were going to get ours. We got them tired and then we got the shots we wanted. When we were down four at half, I told them they would earn the respect of the officials by playing hard."

Cory said he pushes his team through adversity and challenging game situations every day in practice. The players have fine-tuned the details: They know how to execute certain plays in limited time and even know how many dribbles they can take before shooting the ball in three seconds or less.

"We put them through adversity in practice, put them in different situations every day," Cory said. "They've learned from their mistakes and their successes."

Kobe added that when it's time to translate practice experience to games, the invaluable tool of trust is the deciding factor.

"I really think it's about trust," Kobe said. "We've gone over those situations (in practice) tons of times. (We trust) that we're going to make the right play when needed. Even if we get down, we'll be okay."

When his team takes the court today against Stratford, Kobe and his teammates will have Forsan in their hearts and minds knowing they are two wins away from a prized state tournament berth.

"Really, I'm trying to make my family proud. My father and grandfather have seen me play and I just want to represent our name well," Kobe said. "This whole ride has been special. The goal is to win the region tournament."

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REGION I-2A SEMIFINAL
NO. 18 FORSAN VS. NO. 20 STRATFORD
When/where: 6:30 p.m. Friday, Tamm Dome, Lovelland

Records/seeds: Forsan 28-4, No. 1 seed out of District 7-2A; Stratford, No. 2 seed out of District 1-2A


Road to regionals: Forsan 63, Heald 36 in bi-district;

Forsan 59, Anthony 49 in area; Forsan 61, Morton 42 in regional quarterfinal; Stratford 52, Clearendon 43 in bi-district; Stratford 59, Post 35 in area; Stratford 58, Sanford-Fritch 55 (OT) in regional quarterfinal

Notes: The Buffaloes are in the regional tournament for the first time since 2009, when they fell to Gruver, 40-28 in the Class 1A regional semifinal. ... Stratford, the No. 20-ranked Class 2A team in the state, is coming off a thrilling 55-53 overtime win over District 55-2A rival, Sanford-Fritch Tuesday in the regional quarterfinal. Forsan head coach Cory Richardson said the Elys will be a challenge. "They are just a solid team. They have good guard play, two big men and it's going to be a solid defense," Richardson said. "We just have to block out, play solid defense and then match them on the scoreboard a little bit." ... Stratford boasts 6-foot-6 forward Russell Spurlock and 6-7 forward Parker Hanna, who could create mismatches in the paint. ... In Forsan's 61-42 regional quarterfinal win over Morton Tuesday, the Buffaloes got another balanced offensive effort as Garrett Evans, Bryce Hergert and Richardson all scored in double figures.


Next: Winner plays winner of Stratford-West Texas-McCamey, 3:30 p.m. Saturday in Region I-2A final, Tamm Dome, Lovelland

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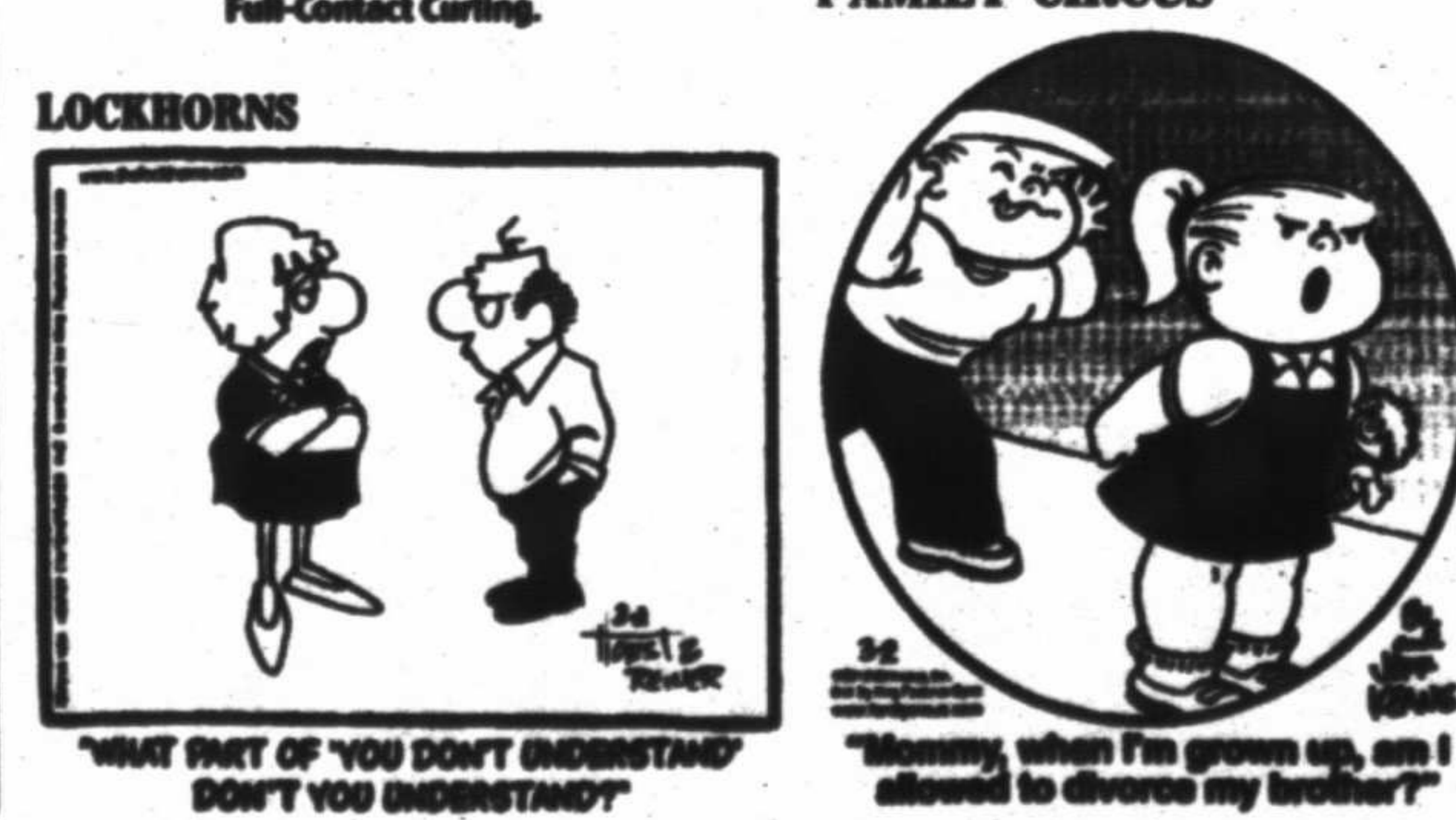
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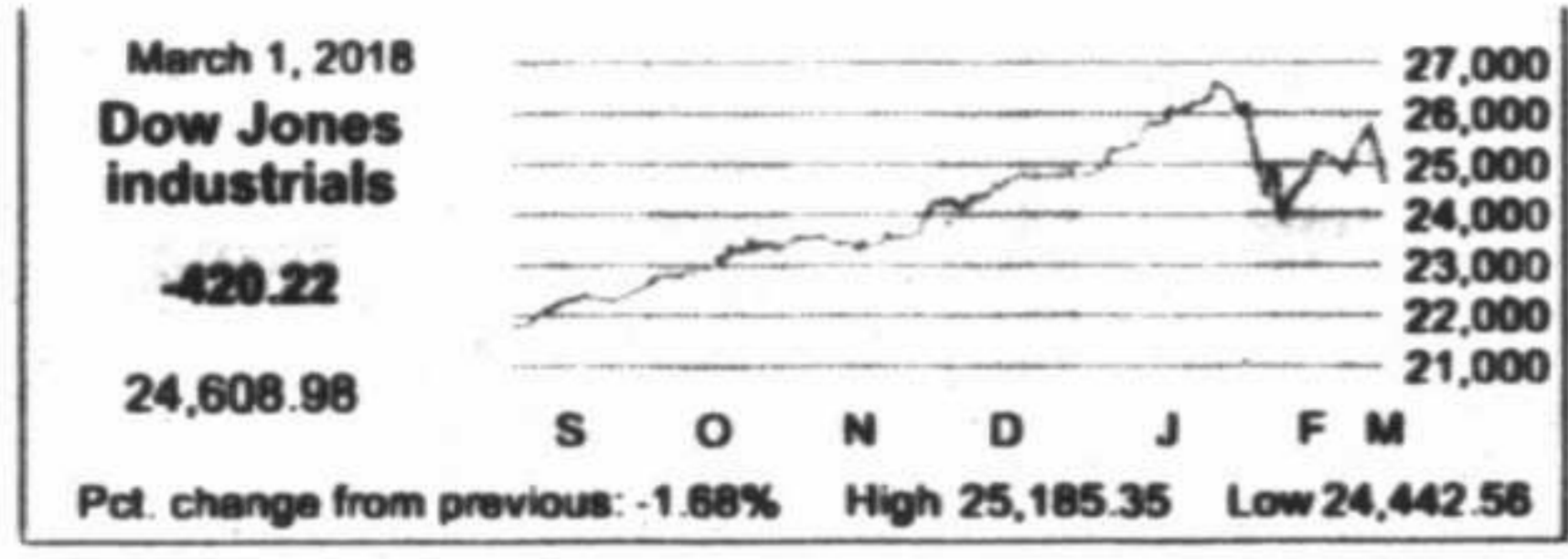
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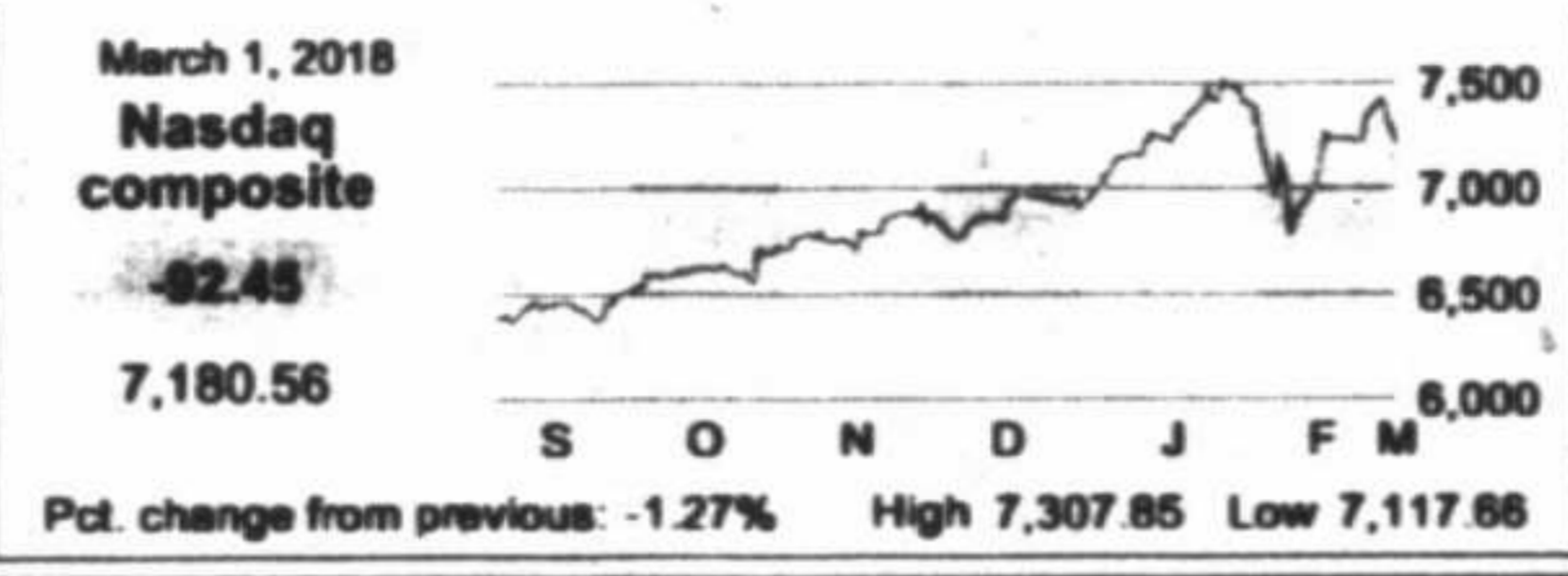
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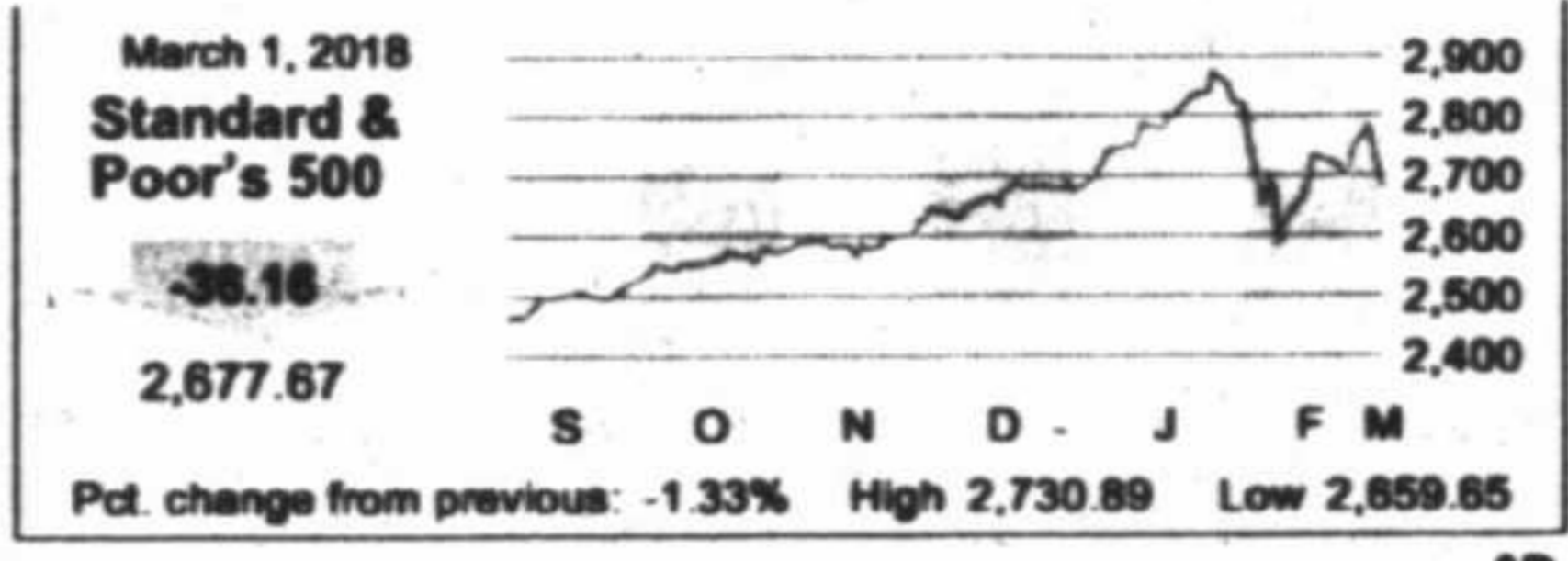
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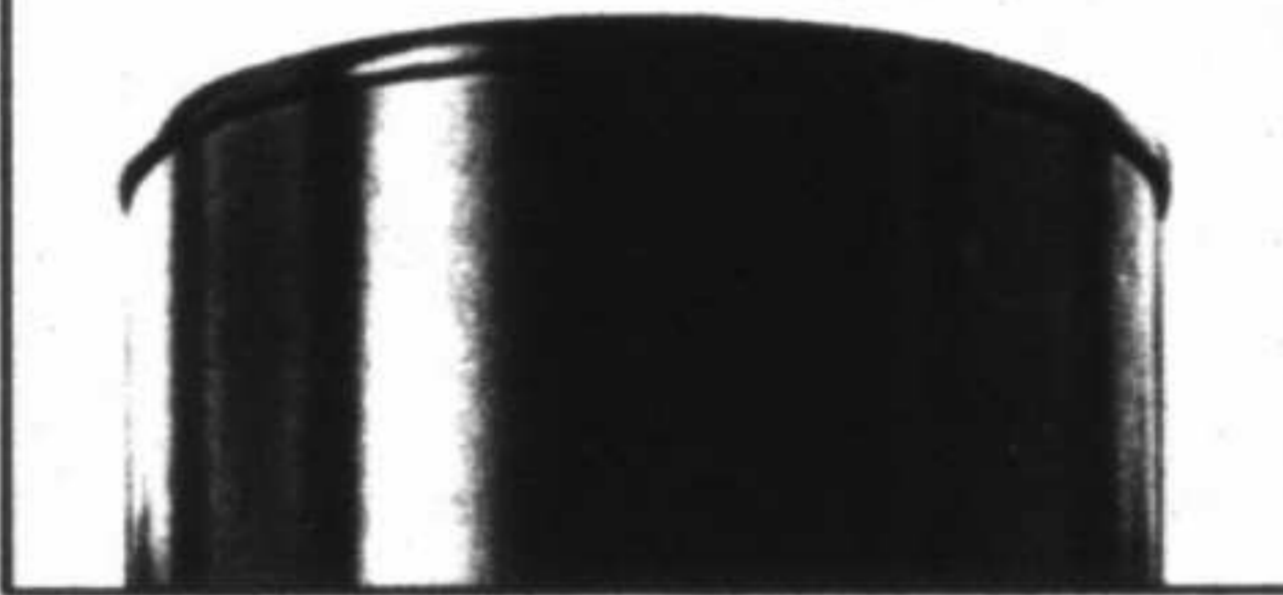
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Trump announces steel and aluminum tariffs over objections from advisers,

The Washington

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump on Thursday said he has decided to impose punishing tariffs on imported steel and aluminum in a major escalation of his trade offensive, disappointing Republican congressional leaders and inviting retaliation by U.S. trading partners.

Speaking at the White House, the president said he has decided on tariffs of 25 percent for foreign-made steel and 10 percent for aluminum.

"We'll be imposing tariffs on steel imports and tariffs on aluminum imports," the president said. "You will have protection for the first time in a long while, and you're going to regrow your industries."

Investors appeared shaken by the news. The Dow Jones industrial average fell around 586 points, a loss of 2 percent, in early-afternoon trading before closing off 420 points.

The announcement capped an on-again, off-again episode, with the president initially expected to announce the trade action on Thursday morning only to cancel amid fierce pushback from opponents. Trump acted following a determination by the Commerce Department earlier this month that rising import volumes threatened U.S. national security.

The president's move, relying upon a little-used provision of U.S. trade law, is expected to trigger immediate legal challenges by U.S. trading partners at the World Trade Organization and invite retaliation against American exports.

Trump also turned back pleas from companies that are heavy users of steel and aluminum, including automakers, who warn that higher prices will hurt their sales and potentially lead to layoffs. In 2002, the last time the United States imposed steel tariffs, steel users blamed the measures for the loss of up to 200,000 jobs.

Sen. Roy Blunt, R-Mo., a member of the Republican leadership, said before the announcement that he feared the tariffs will hurt companies in his home state.

"I continue to be concerned about what other countries do in response to that," Blunt said. "In our state, we make steel and aluminum, but we continue to buy a lot more than we make. Things like sheet aluminum that you use to make boats with, we make a lot of boats, it's not available in the United States."

The United States already has 169 trade taxes in place on various types of imported steel, including 29 on Chinese products.

Some of the nation's largest steelmakers, which sought the new tariffs, also are in good shape financially. Nucor reported a \$1.1 billion profit last year.

"Import taxes on steel and aluminum will raise the prices of those products, which in turn will raise the price of doing business for U.S. manufacturers," said economist Christine McDaniel of George Mason University's Mercatus Center. "There are more people in U.S. manufacturing sectors that rely on steel than there are in the U.S. steel industry. In terms of the economics, the trade-off does not make sense."

In a further slap at China, Trump announced the tariffs even as a top Chinese economic official was in Washington for talks aimed at forestalling a possible trade war. Liu He, one of Chinese President Xi Jinping's closest aides, is scheduled to meet with senior administration officials in a bid to restart a direct economic dialogue that lagged last year.

The tariff episode came one day after the Trump administration warned that it would vigorously defend U.S. national interests against "hostile" powers such as China and Russia, vowing to use "all available tools" to combat unfair practices.

"Countries that refuse to give us reciprocal treatment or who engage in other unfair trading practices will find that we know how to defend our interests," said the annual report to Congress on the president's trade agenda.

On Thursday, China's Foreign Ministry repeated its government's objections. "The United States is disregarding the rules of the WTO, and China is dissatisfied with this," spokeswoman Hua Chunying told a regular news conference. She said such measures would affect employment in the United States and affect the interests of U.S. consumers. "As for the actions of the United States, China will take proper measures to safeguard its legitimate rights and interests."

Trump's desire for wholesale change in U.S. trade policy has met with increasing resistance from congressional Republicans as well as the business community, normally a reliable GOP ally.

Despite the president's claims of progress, he has little to show for some of his central promises after more than a year in the White House. Though he promised to narrow the yawning U.S. trade deficit, it reached \$566 billion last year, a 12.1 percent increase over 2016 and the highest mark in nine years.

The U.S. deficit with China last year hit a record \$375 billion, the Commerce Department said last month.

Stocks dive after Trump promises tariffs on steel

NEW YORK — U.S. stocks dove in another dizzying day of trading after President Donald Trump promised Thursday to deliver stiff tariffs on imported steel and aluminum, which raised the threat of escalating retaliation by other countries and higher inflation. The Standard & Poor's 500 index erased nearly all of its gains for the year.

Indexes had been bouncing between modest gains and losses earlier in the day, until Trump told industry executives around midday that they'll "have protection for the first time in a long while" and that he's planning to impose tariffs of 25 percent on steel imports and 10 percent on aluminum imports next week.

"I don't know if this will cause a trade war, and obviously that's the fear," said Lamar Villere, portfolio manager at investment manager Villere & Co. "But this is exactly what candidate Trump said he would do: He said he would be very protectionist and America First."

The Standard & Poor's 500 index tumbled 36.16 points, or 1.3 percent, to 2,677.67. It's the third straight day where the index has lost at least 1 percent. It had only four such days last year.

Metal prices

Gold dropped \$12.70 to \$1,305.20 an ounce, silver lost 13 cents to \$16.28 per ounce and copper lost 1 cent to \$3.12 per pound.

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Closing Price \$3.69 Up 0.08

Mexco Energy (MXC)
Closing Price \$3.44 Down 0.08

Natural Gas Services Group (NGS)
Closing Price \$26.05 Up 1.15

ProPetro Holdings (PUMP)
Closing Price \$15.95 Down 0.18

RSP Permian (RSP)
Closing Price \$38.97 Up 0.66

Ring Energy (REI)
Closing Price \$13.77 Up 0.20

Viper Energy Partners (VNOM)
Closing Price \$23.17 Up 0.55

HOW STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST FARED

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AK Steel	—	16	5.85	+4.0	+2	—	ColtInd n	—	—	6.00	-1.76	-4.4	—	PURHDPX	—	—	10.96	+4.2	+3.8	—
AT&T Inc	2.00	13	36.00	-3.0	-7.4	-10.3	Concast n	7.00	17	36.54	+3.3	+4.4	-10.3	QEP Res	0.00	—	9.55	+9.0	+2	-1.7
Abrams	—	84	2.14	-0.1	-43.8	—	ConAgra	0.00	20	36.40	+2.7	+4.4	-10.3	RangeRes	0.00	15	13.77	+4.0	+10.3	-25.4
AdiaDrsEq	1.32	—	16.14	+1.0	+7	—	ConocoRes	0.00	23	108.34	+6	+1	+129.2	RiteAid	—	—	1.88	-0.8	-4.8	-7
AMD	—	—	11.80	-2.1	-15.8	—	ConocoPHE	1.14	45	83.88	+0.8	+4.8	-11.6	Rover	0.00	40	7.17	-5.0	-26.1	+34.3
Alcoa	—	—	7.8	+0.3	+48.7	—	Cracker	4.00	19	158.35	+2.5	+1.6	-5.4	RoyDMSA	2.76	96	63.15	-1.2	-5.3	+16.8
Alibaba	—	51	161.89	-4.15	-5.5	—	CSX	—	—	9.91	+1.25	+78.9	SAB	3.00	—	245.88	-4.22	-6.8	+2.8	
Altera	1.35	—	10.17	+0.7	+7.3	—	CrkTm	0.00	16	16.82	+1.6	+9.3	SAP	0.00	—	267.72	-3.89	-3	-2.2	
Amazon	0.50	7	6.01	+0.6	+5.4	—	DCE	0.00	31.2	35.90	-0.6	-1.2	SpkLPHY	2.30	—	35.89	-3.2	-2.3	+30.7	
Amgen	6.20	17	169.29	-6.0	-4.8	—	DTE	3.50	18	100.70	-0.5	-0.5	SpkOGE	7.00	—	33.41	+3.8	+11.1	+11.8	
Amstar	1.89	06	67.12	+0.8	+6.8	—	DuPont	0.00	34	38.64	+1.9	+8.2	Sch	2.20	20	42.35	-0.5	-5.0	-38.8	
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Applied	0.00	18	67.67	-0.2	-0.1	—	DuPont	—	—	12.59	+1.1	+2.8	Scholar	1.28	9	128.89	-3.8	-11.4	+2.2	
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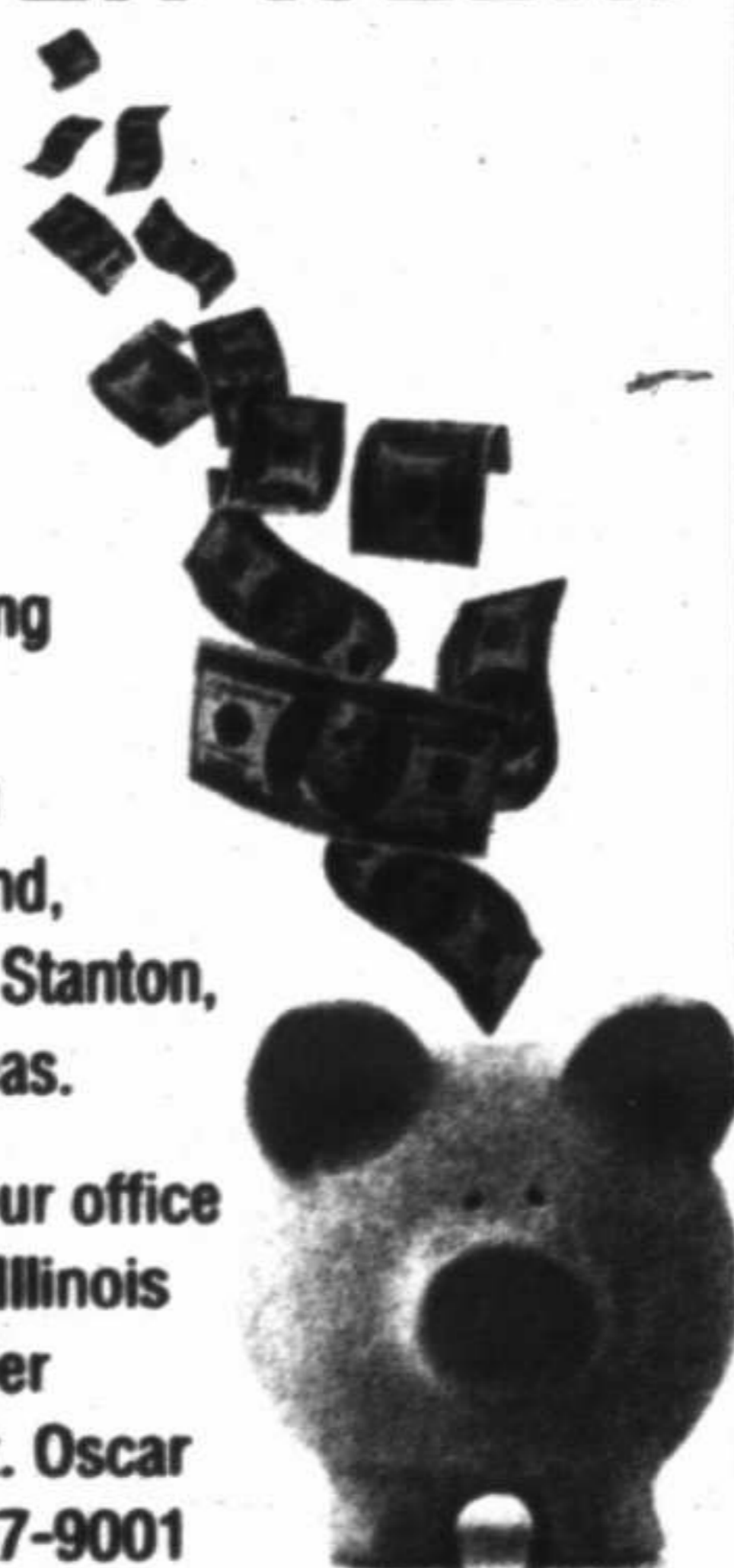
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OTHER JOBS



DOT Driver II

JOB DESCRIPTION: Job responsibilities include local (within Midland City and County) transportation by truck for Endeavor Energy completions or production crews. Cargo transport varies depending on driver's licensing

Essential Functions:

- Follow instructions, and maintain compliance with all DOT, company and customer safety and operational policies and procedures
- Properly load and unload product at various customer locations in a professional, courteous, timely, safe, and efficient manner
- Connect and disconnect hoses, operating pumps and valves for loading and unloading
- Complete all paperwork accurately and timely, if applicable
- Complete other related tasks as assigned by manager

Minimum Requirements:

- High school diploma or GED required, must be at least 18 years of age
- Ability to read, write and communicate effectively required
- Computer proficiency is required
- Valid Texas Driver's License is required
- Class A CDL and Haz Mat is preferred but not required
- Must be able to pass background screening including MVR and criminal
- Must be able to work nights, weekends, and an extended workweek
- Strong customer service skills and the ability to effectively prioritize, multi-task, manage time, organize and execute tasks in a high-pressure environment

Supervisory Responsibilities:

No supervisory responsibilities are associated with this position

Work Environment:

Work is often outdoors. Working conditions range from frigid to hot temps, high winds, flying dust, slipping hazards and conditions and frequently exposed to loud noise from heavy equipment and machinery

Physical Demands:

Ability to sit, stand, walk, reach with hand and arms, climb, squat, kneel, and bend is required. Must also be able to occasionally lift, carry, push, pull, move, and drag up to 50 lbs.

Position type and expected hours of work:

This is a full-time position. The ability to work overtime is a requirement to performing this job

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Now hiring for a Field Technician.

The Field Technician will provide advanced refracking services to support the Frac operations on location. Endeavor Energy will provide all necessary training for new employees. This is a non-driving position.

Job Duties:

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- Safely using pipe wrenches, crescent wrenches and other hand tools
- Immediate reporting and cleaning of any spills during shift
- Maintain professionalism through working courteously with supervisors, dispatchers, fellow co-workers and customers
- All other duties as assigned

Minimum Qualifications:

- Ability to work in a fast-paced environment
- Proven capability to work both independently and collaboratively with different levels of management and individual contributors
- Demonstrated ability to manage work in stressful situations
- High school diploma or GED required, must be at least 18 years of age
- Ability to read, write and communicate effectively required
- Computer proficiency is required
- Valid Texas Driver's License is required
- Experience working on Frac site or similar responsibilities is preferred

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Physical Demands:

Ability to sit, stand, walk, reach with hand and arms, climb, squat, kneel, bend, and occasionally lift/carry/push/pull/move/drag up to 60 lbs

Position type and expected hours of work:

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Field Service Mechanics

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Field Service Mechanics

Requirements: 3 years mechanic experience
Must have own tools. Valid Texas Drivers license. Pay will depend on work experience, 90 plus work week.
Benefits: Medical, dental/vision, life insurance. Paid vacation after 1 year of service, and 401K

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Jewelry Repair Technician

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Qualified applicants must have:
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• Experience with general repairs, setting stones and sizing rings
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Moving Company

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MULTIPLE POSITIONS

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OUT OF CITY DELIVERY DRIVER/ MISCELLANEOUS DUTIES

- Must have a clean, valid license & acceptable driving history
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- Obey all traffic laws
- Strong commitment to safety is a must
- Professional communication with management, co-workers and customers
- Ability to lift, push or pull up to 50-lbs
- Must be able to reach, bend, lift as needed
- Must be able to work independently & in a team environment
- Ability to read, understand & follow oral and written instructions
- Perform other duties as delegated or assigned by Supervisor
- Required education, High School or equivalent

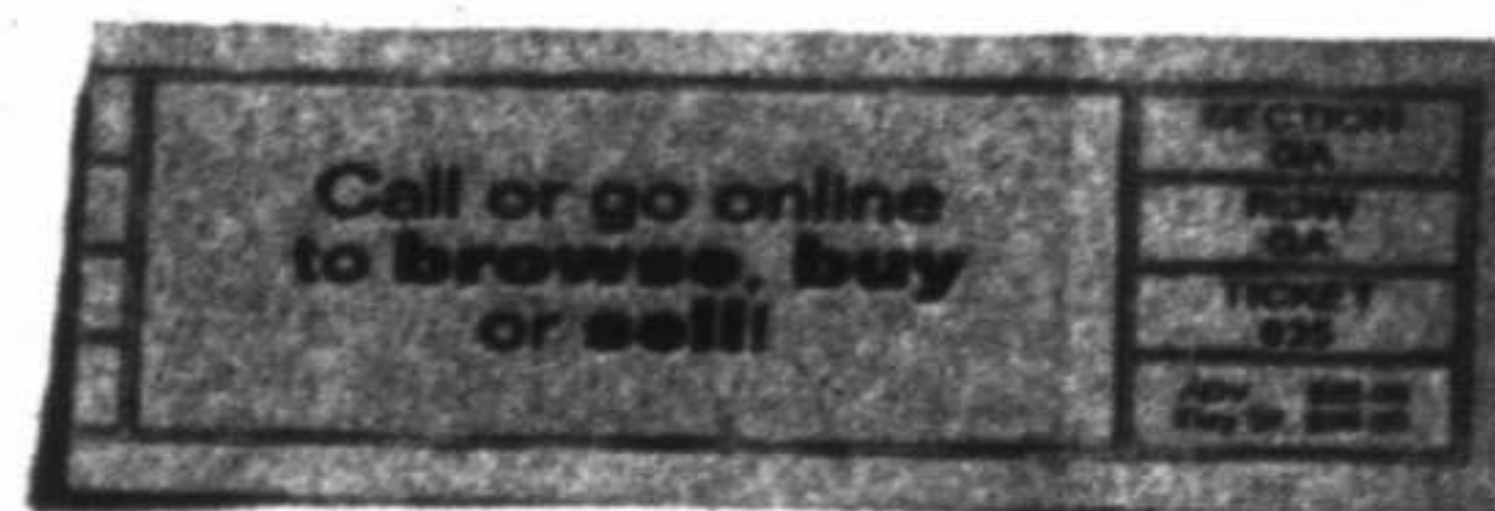
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Qualified service technician with a minimum 1 year experience in diagnosing and repairing HVAC & refrigeration equipment. Equipment installation a plus. EPA Certification, Valid drivers license with clean driving record required. Must work well with others and have good communication skills. Apply in person at 648 Advance Ave., Midland, TX 79701

Laborers and Carpenters

Mid-Tex of Midland, Inc. Now hiring laborers and carpenters. Reliable transportation a must. You may apply or leave an application at 5206 W. Wadley Avenue, Midland, Texas.

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RETAIL JOBS

Delivery Pickup Driver
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Multi-Media Sales Executive
 The Midland Reporter-Telegram, part of Hearst Communications, is excited to announce that due to our continued growth in the Midland, TX market, we are seeking Multi-Media Sales Executives just like you to join our team! Our industry is changing into a digital world, and we are looking for experienced professionals who are eager to facilitate our innovative efforts.
 Join Midland's leading media company and become part of the winning sales team that offers advertisers a robust suite of digital and print products to help them achieve their business objectives. We are seeking digital savvy, highly motivated sales professionals to sell our marketing solutions to local businesses. Our ideal candidate will be goal oriented, is a relentless hunter, driving to win new businesses, and has a track record of exceeding monthly goals.
 Multi-Media Sales Executives maximize advertising sales potential, through the development of quality business relationships and promotion of new/existing advertising products. This position requires a heavy amount of prospecting and lead-development with local businesses. We pride ourselves on simplifying the marketing process for our customers, while helping advertisers track the impact of their campaigns and understand their advertising options. In short, we help our customers grow their business.
Responsibilities include:
 - Constantly meets/exceeds all print and digital revenue goals.
 - Understanding the clients' advertising needs, and develop the ideal marketing solution for them.
 - Delivering customized sales presentations in person, or by phone/web-demo.
 - Generating new leads by making cold calls and maintaining an awareness of new business openings in the area.
 - Be the face of the Midland Reporter-Telegram and ensure a superior customer experience.
The Ideal Candidate:
 - You're self-motivated and results oriented.
 - You have an outgoing, resilient personality.
 - You enjoy the thrill of the hunt by bringing in new business.
 - You're confident and not willing to accept average.
Required Skills & Experience:
 - 2+ years of sales experience with a proven record of successfully exceeding goals.
 - Passion to educate clients in their marketing options and close deals.
 - Exceptional communication and presentation skills.
 - Strong computer skills. Digital Sales experience a plus.
 - Bachelor's degree preferred.
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Local Drivers
 Local truck drivers needed. Home nightly, local routes, scheduled shifts 5am-5pm (14/7 rotational) never on call, optional overtime.
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 • Valid operator's license
 • Clean driving record
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Qualifications:
 • High school education or equivalent.
 • Experience can range from commercial truck driving experience preferred to one year as a water truck driver required.
 • Valid Class A CDL with Tanker endorsement.
 • Clean driving record.
 • Salary competitive and commensurate with qualifications and experience.
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TRANSPORTATION AND LOGISTICS

Delivery Driver
 Wanted: DELIVERY DRIVER for local oilfield chemical service company. Good pay, good benefits. Requirements: • High School Diploma or GED • CDL • Must be willing to acquire or currently possess: Hazmat endorsement, Tanker endorsement.
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**RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
OIL AND GAS DIVISION**

DISTRICT 7C
DATE OF ISSUANCE Feb 28, 2018
NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Apr 4, 2018
Address: Railroad Commission of Texas
ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit
P. O. Box 12967
Austin, Texas 78711-2967
Fax: (512) 463-6780
Email: SWR37@RRCC.TEXAS.GOV

Rule 37 Case No. 0309519
Status/Permit No. 836597

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE PARSLEY ENERGY OPERATIONS, LLC, [RRCC Operator No. 642852] has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.37). Applicant seeks exception to the lease line distance requirement because the Applicant is less than the required Rule 37 lease line distance to an unleased or non-pooled interest within the subject unit for the NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 36, Bk. 39, T & P RR CO Survey, A-1, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Field, MIDLAND County, being 1.7 miles E direction from MIDLAND, Texas.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted WITHOUT A HEARING if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protester should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission's Docket Services Department at (512)463-6848. If you have questions which are specific to the Application or the information set forth in this Notice, please contact the Commission's Drilling Permit Unit at rule 37 (512)463-6751.

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THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

The location and identity of the well is as shown below

FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name	RANCLAND A UNIT	
Lease/Unit Well No	2815H	
Lease/Unit Acres	219.00	
Nearest Lease Line (ft)	100.0	
Nearest Well on Lease (ft)	680.0	
Lease Lines	278.0 F S L	506.0 F W L
Survey Lines	1295.0 F N L	872.0 F E L

Wellbore Profile(s): Horizontal

Lateral TH1
Penetration Point Location
Lease Lines: 278.0 F S L, 506.0 F W L

Terminus Location
BH County MIDLAND
Section 24 Block 39 T1S Abstract 561
Survey T&P RR CO / ZIRKER M
Lease Lines: 15.0 F N L, 330.0 F E L
Survey Lines: 2191.0 F N L, 330.0 F E L

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows

SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)
GAS Special Rules 330/1200, 80.0 acres
OIL Special Rules 330/0, 80.0 acres

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 9400 feet

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Monna Coleman, at (737)7042339

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Lease/Unit Acres	319.00	
Nearest Lease Line (ft)	1.0	
Nearest Well on Lease (ft)	680.0	
Lease Lines	126.0 F S L	506.0 F W L
Survey Lines	872.0 F E L	1445.0 F N L

Wellbore Profile(s): Horizontal

Lateral TH1
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Legal and Public Notices

ORDINANCE NO. 8734

AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION BY AMENDING CHAPTER ONE, TITLE XI, OF THE CITY CODE OF MIDLAND, TEXAS, BY PERMITTING A 41.061-ACRE TRACT OF LAND OUT OF THE SOUTH HALF OF SECTION 12, BLOCK X, H. P. HILLIARD SURVEY, CITY AND COUNTY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS, WHICH IS PRESENTLY ZONED AE, AGRICULTURE ESTATE DISTRICT, TO BE USED AS A PD, PLANNED DISTRICT FOR A HOUSING DEVELOPMENT (GENERALLY LOCATED EAST OF HARVEST RAIN STREET, APPROXIMATELY 1,438 FEET NORTH OF EAST MOCKINGBIRD LANE), CONTAINING A CUMULATIVE CLAUSE, CONTAINING A SAVINGS AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSE, PROVIDING FOR A MAXIMUM PENALTY OR FINE OF TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,000.00), AND ORDERING PUBLICATION

City of Midland
Amy M. Turner
City Secretary

Legal and Public Notices

ORDINANCE NO. 8737

AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE ZONING USE CLASSIFICATION OF THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS AN 8,237-SQUARE FOOT PORTION OF LOT 3A, BLOCK 1, GATEWAY PLAZA, SECTION 9, CITY AND COUNTY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS (GENERALLY LOCATED SOUTHWEST OF THE INTERSECTION OF STARBOARD DRIVE AND LIBERTY DRIVE), WHICH IS PRESENTLY ZONED LR-3, LOCAL RETAIL DISTRICT, BY PERMITTING SAID PROPERTY TO BE USED UNDER A SPECIFIC USE PERMIT WITH TERM FOR THE SALE OF ALL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES IN A BAR FOR ON-PREMISES CONSUMPTION, MAKING SAID PERMIT SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS CONTAINED HEREIN; CONTAINING A CUMULATIVE CLAUSE, CONTAINING A SAVINGS AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A MAXIMUM PENALTY OR FINE OF TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,000.00); AND ORDERING PUBLICATION

City of Midland
Amy M. Turner
City Secretary

Notice of Public Sale of Personal Property

Pursuant to the lien granted by the Texas Self-Storage Facility Act, notice is hereby given that the undersigned self-storage units will be sold at a public sale by competitive bidding, to satisfy the lien of the Lessor, with Metro Storage LLC as managing agent for Lessor, for rental and other charges due from the undersigned. The said property has been stored and is located at the respective address below. Units up for auction will be listed for public bidding on-line at www.StorageSelfBid.com beginning five days prior to the scheduled auction date and time. The terms of the sale will be lot to the highest bidder for cash only. A 10% buyer's premium will be charged per unit. All sales are final. Metro Self Storage LLC reserves the right to withdraw any or all units, partial or entire, from the sale at any time before the sale or to refuse any bids. The property to be sold is described as "general household items" unless otherwise noted. All contents must be removed completely from the property within 48 hours or sooner or are deemed abandoned by bidder/buyer. Sale rules and regulations are available at the time of sale.

Property includes the storage unit contents belonging to the following tenants at the following locations:

Metro Self Storage
315 N. Midland Dr. Midland, Texas 79703

The bidding will close on the website StorageSelfBid.com and a high bidder will be selected on March 15, 2018 at 10 AM.

RV15 Joshua W. McKenzie
Blue and Silver 2004 Ford Exc. Vn# 1FNJ41L2ED03708
RV15 Joshua W. McKenzie
Black 2011 Polaris Vn# 4XAWY78A8B2181085
RV15 D.S. Crow Ranches Inc.
Black 2011 Polaris Vn# 4XAWY78A8B2181085
OD16 Eric Perez
T870 Jeremiah Hultson
UD13 Miracle Hall

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR COMMERCIAL OIL & GAS WASTE DISPOSAL WELL PERMIT

Mid-States Operating Company, PO Box 10747, Midland, TX 79702, is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a commercial permit to dispose of produced salt water or other oil & gas waste by well injection into a porous formation not productive of oil or gas.

The applicant proposes to dispose of oil and gas waste into the Grayburg & San Andres formations, Tescott NCV lease, well number 2D. The proposed disposal well is located 11.4 miles southeast of Midland, Texas in the Azules (Grayburg) field, in Midland County. The waste water will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 4,225 to 5,300 feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended; Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended; and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to Technical Permitting, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512-463-6762). Unless the Commission receives a protest to the application, the director may take final administrative action on the application (e.g., approve, deny, return, or refer to hearing) no later than 15 days after the date the application is filed with the Commission.

Please be advised that the Railroad Commission of Texas does not have jurisdiction over roads, traffic, property values, zoning, noise, odors, aesthetics, leasing, pipeline easements, or royalty payments.

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LEGAL NOTICE

Sealed Statements of Qualifications will be received until 5:00 PM, March 28, 2018, in the office of the Purchasing Manager, City Hall, 300 N. Lorraine, Midland, Texas for the following:

Request for Qualifications 18001811: The City of Midland is seeking firms interested in assisting the City's Engineering Services Department with project development activities for the planning and design of two projects: (1) Garfield Street Utility and Paving Project, and (2) A Street Utility and Paving Project.

The RFP is now available. To receive a copy of the RFP, please call 432-686-7234 or e-mail: purchasing@midlandtexas.gov

If the Contract is awarded, it will be awarded to either the lowest responsible bidder, or to the bidder who provides goods or services at the best value for the City of Midland. In determining the best value for the City of Midland, the City of Midland may consider the criteria enumerated in Section 252.043 of the Texas Local Government Code.

City of Midland, Texas

LEGAL NOTICE

Sealed Statements of Qualifications will be received until 4:00 PM, March 28, 2018, in the office of the Purchasing Manager, City Hall, 300 N. Lorraine, Midland, Texas for the following:

Request for Qualifications 18001913: The City of Midland is seeking parties interested in performing professional services for the construction of a new Animal Shelter for the Community Services Department.

The RFP is now available. To receive a copy of the RFP, please call 432-686-7234 or e-mail: purchasing@midlandtexas.gov

If the Contract is awarded, it will be awarded to either the lowest responsible bidder, or to the bidder who provides goods or services at the best value for the City of Midland. In determining the best value for the City of Midland, the City of Midland may consider the criteria enumerated in Section 252.043 of the Texas Local Government Code.

City of Midland, Texas

LEGAL NOTICE

Sealed Request for Proposals will be received until 2:00 PM local time, April 18, 2018, in the City Secretary's Office, City Hall, 300 N. Lorraine, Midland, Texas for the following:

Request for proposals 01-18 for an oil and gas lease located in Section 15, Block 39, T-1-S, T&P R.R. Co. Survey, City and County of Midland, Texas, Section 14, Block 39, T-1-S, T&P R.R. Co. Survey, City and County of Midland, Texas, Section 22, Block 39, T-1-S, T&P R.R. Co. Survey, City and County of Midland, Texas, Section 23, Block 39, T-1-S, T&P R.R. Co. Survey, City and County of Midland, Texas and Section 28, Block 39, T-1-S, T&P R.R. Co. Survey, City and County of Midland, Texas.

To receive a copy of the RFP(s), please contact the City of Midland Purchasing Office at 432-686-7234 or email us at purchasing@midlandtexas.gov. Proposals must be submitted no later than 04/18/18 at 2:00 PM local time to the City Secretary's Office, City Hall, 300 N. Lorraine, Midland, Texas.

If the Contract is awarded, it will be awarded to either the lowest responsible bidder, or to the bidder who provides goods or services at the best value for the City of Midland. In determining the best value for the City of Midland, the City of Midland may consider the criteria enumerated in Section 252.043 of the Texas Local Government Code.

City of Midland, Texas

NOTICE FOR BIDS

The School Land Board and the General Land Office (GLO) will hold an online sealed bid Oil, Gas, and Other Minerals Lease Sale on EnergyNet.com. Bids received will be opened at the GLO in Austin, Texas on April 3, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. For more information about the lands to be offered for lease call (832) 403-3122 or (512) 476-1512, write to Mineral Leasing, Rm. 940, 1700 N. Congress, Austin, TX 78701, or visit www.energynet.com or www.glo.texas.gov.

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RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 7C DATE OF ISSUANCE: Feb. 28, 2018 NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Apr. 2, 2018 Address: Railroad Commission of Texas ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit P.O. Box 12967 Austin, Texas 78711-2967 Fax: (512) 463-8780 Email: SWR37@RRC.TEXAS.GOV

Rule 37 Case No. 0309619 Status/Permit No. 836477

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the PARSLEY ENERGY OPERATIONS, LLC, [RRC Operator No. 642652] has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.37). Applicant seeks exception to the lease line distance requirement because the Applicant is less than the required Rule 37 lease line distance to an unleased or non-pooled interest within the subject unit for the NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 36, Bk. 30 T1S, T&P RR CO/MOODY, JM Survey, A-1, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Field, MIDLAND County, being 1.7 miles E direction from MIDLAND, Texas.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted WITHOUT A HEARING if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessee of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission's Docket Services Department at (512)463-8848. If you have questions which are specific to the Application or the information set forth in this Notice, please contact the Commission's Drilling Permit Unit at rule 37 (512)463-8751.

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE AT THE ADDRESS, FAX NUMBER, OR E-MAIL ADDRESS SET OUT ABOVE BY Apr. 2, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME, YOU WILL LOSE YOUR RIGHT TO PROTEST AND THE REQUESTED PERMIT MAY BE GRANTED ADMINISTRATIVELY.

THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

The location and identity of the well is as shown below:

FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name	RANCHLAND A UNIT	
Lease/Unit Well No.	2813H	319.88
Lease/Unit Acres	319.88	100.0
Nearest Lease Line (ft)	100.0	
Lease Lines	127.0 F S L	476.0 F W L
Survey Lines	1445.0 F N L	902.0 F E L

Wellbore Profile(s): Horizontal

Lateral TH1
 Penetration Point Location
 Lease Lines: 127.0 F S L, 476.0 F W L

Terminus Location: 478 County, MIDLAND Section 24, Block 30 T1S, Abstract 561
 Survey T&P RR CO / ZIRKER, M

Lease Lines: 15.0 F N L, 388.0 F W L
 Survey Lines: 2026.0 F N L, 960.0 F E L

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:

SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

GAS Special Rules	330/1200, 80.0 acres.
OIL Special Rules	330/0, 80.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 10100 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Monna Coleman, at (737)7042330.

Legal and Public Notices

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS OIL AND GAS DIVISION

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Rule 37 Case No. 0309618 Status/Permit No. 836594

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Nearest Lease Line (ft)	100.0	
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Legal and Public Notices

ORDINANCE NO. 9735

AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION BY AMENDING CHAPTER ONE, TITLE XI, OF THE CITY CODE OF MIDLAND, TEXAS, BY PERMITTING LOT D, BLOCK 28, WYDEWOOD ESTATES, SECTION 21, CITY AND COUNTY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS, WHICH IS PRESENTLY ZONED PD, PLANNED DISTRICT FOR A SHOPPING CENTER, TO BE USED AS AN AMENDED PLANNED DISTRICT (GENERALLY LOCATED EAST OF SUNMORE CIRCLE, APPROXIMATELY 500 FEET SOUTH OF WEST WADLEY AVENUE), CONTAINING A CUMULATIVE CLAUSE, CONTAINING A SAVINGS AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSE, PROVIDING FOR A MAXIMUM PENALTY OR FINE OF TWO THOUSAND

City of Midland
 Amy M. Turner
 City Secretary

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT

Occidental Permian LTD is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil and gas.

The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the Wolfcamp formation as follows:

South Curtis Ranch lease, well numbers 22231, 22241 & 26171. The proposed injections well are located 9.1-9.5 miles North from Midland in the Spraberry (Trend Area) field in Martin County. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth intervals from 9000-15983, 9100-15987 and 9300-14887 feet, respectively.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within 60 days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas (Telephone 512)463-8792.

LEGAL NOTICE:

This Texas Lottery Commission scratch ticket game will close on March 28, 2018. You have until September 22, 2018, to redeem any tickets for this game: #1769 Weekly Grand (\$2) overall odds are 1 in 3.95. These Texas Lottery Commission scratch ticket games will close on April 25, 2018. You have until October 22, 2018, to redeem any tickets for these games: #1880 The University of Texas (\$1) overall odds are 1 in 4.70, #1881 Texas A&M University (\$1) overall odds are 1 in 4.70, #2005 Lightning Riches (\$1) overall odds are 1 in 4.70, #1840 7 (\$5) overall odds are 1 in 3.25, #1848 Fast Cash Multiplier (\$5) overall odds are 1 in 3.25. The odds listed here are the overall odds of winning any prize in a game, including break-even prizes. Lottery retailers are authorized to redeem prizes of up to and including \$999. Prizes of \$999 or more must be claimed in person at a lottery claim center or by mail, with a completed Texas Lottery claim form; however, annuity prizes or prizes over \$2,500,000 must be claimed in person at the Commission Headquarters in Austin. Call Customer Service at 800-975-6989 or visit the lottery website at lottery.org for more information and location of nearest claim center. The Texas Lottery is not responsible for lost or stolen tickets, or for tickets lost in the mail. Tickets, transactions, players and winners are subject to, and players and winners agree to abide by, all applicable laws, Commission rules, regulations, prizes, directives, instructions, conditions, procedures and final decisions of the Executive Director. A scratch ticket game may continue to be sold even when all the top prizes have been claimed. Must be 18 years of age or older to purchase a Texas Lottery ticket. The Texas Lottery supports Texas education and veterans. **PLAY RESPONSIBLY.** For help with a gambling problem, noppangaming.org. © 2018 Texas Lottery Commission. All rights reserved.

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Legal and Public Notices

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 08
 DATE OF ISSUANCE Feb 13, 2018
 NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Mar 20, 2018
 Address: Railroad Commission of Texas
 ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit
 P. O. Box 12067
 Austin, Texas 78711-2067
 Fax (512) 463-6780
 Email SWR37@RRC.TEXAS.GOV

Rule 37 Case No. 0309273
 Status/Permit No. 835919

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the LARIO OIL & GAS COMPANY, [RRC Operator No. 480710] has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 (18 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.37). Applicant seeks exception to the LEASE LINE requirement for the NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 23, Bk. 38 T4S, T&P RR CO Survey, A-109, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) R 40 EXC Field, MIDLAND County, being 21.7 miles SE direction from MIDLAND, Texas. PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted **WITHOUT A HEARING** if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protester should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission's Docket Services Department at (512)463-6948. If you have questions which are specific to the Application or the information set forth in this Notice, please contact the Commission's Drilling Permit Unit at rule 37 (512)463-6751.

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE AT THE ADDRESS, FAX NUMBER, OR E-MAIL ADDRESS SET OUT ABOVE BY Mar 20, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME, YOU WILL LOSE YOUR RIGHT TO PROTEST AND THE REQUESTED PERMIT MAY BE GRANTED ADMINISTRATIVELY.

THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

The location and identity of the well is as shown below:

FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) R 40 EXC

Lease/Unit Name	CLARK 5		
Lease/Unit Well No	403WA		
Lease/Unit Acres	660.45		
Nearest Lease Line (ft)	1.0		
Nearest Well on Lease (ft)	254.0		
Lease Lines	321.0 FSL	758.0 FWL	
Survey Lines	321.0 FSL	758.0 FWL	
Wellbore Profile(s) Horizontal			
Lateral TH1			
Penetration Point Location			
Lease Lines	50.0 FSL	660.0 FWL	
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Section 14	Block 38 T4S	Abstract: 1041	
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Lease Lines	50.0 FNL	660.0 FWL	
Survey Lines	50.0 FNL	660.0 FWL	

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:
 SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) R 40 EXC Special Rules 3300, 80.0 acres

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 10800 feet. If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Ryan Bergeron, at (512)4783456

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 (INSIDE MOVING SALE) 3702 W. Michigan Ave. Midland, TX 79703 Saturday March 3rd ONLY 8:30 AM-Noon, EVERYTHING MUST GO! (Leather, Wood & Glass Furniture, Women's/Men's Name Brand Clothing, Shoes, and Handbags-Polo, Nike, PINK, Tory Burch) Tools, Kitchen items & Decorative pieces.

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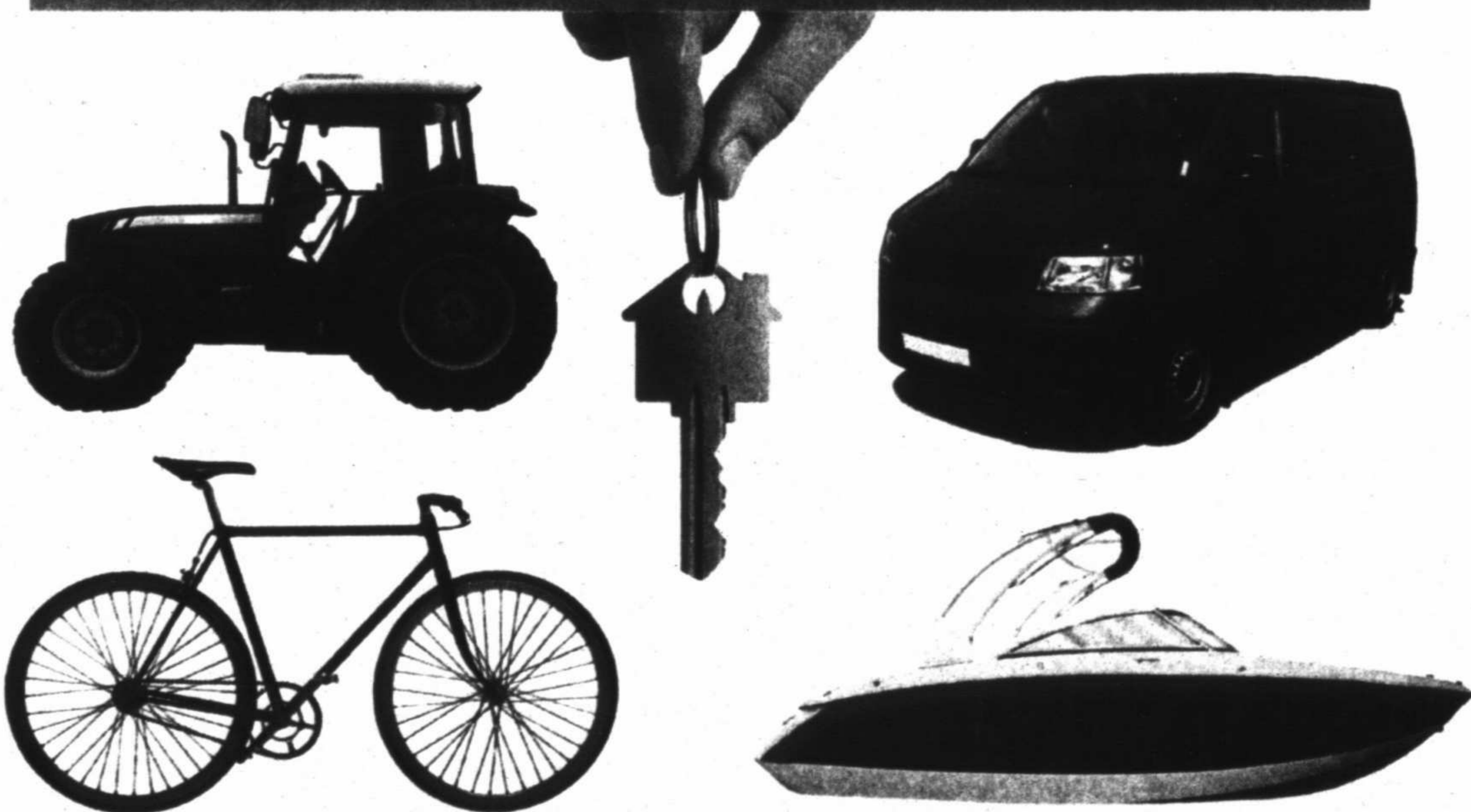
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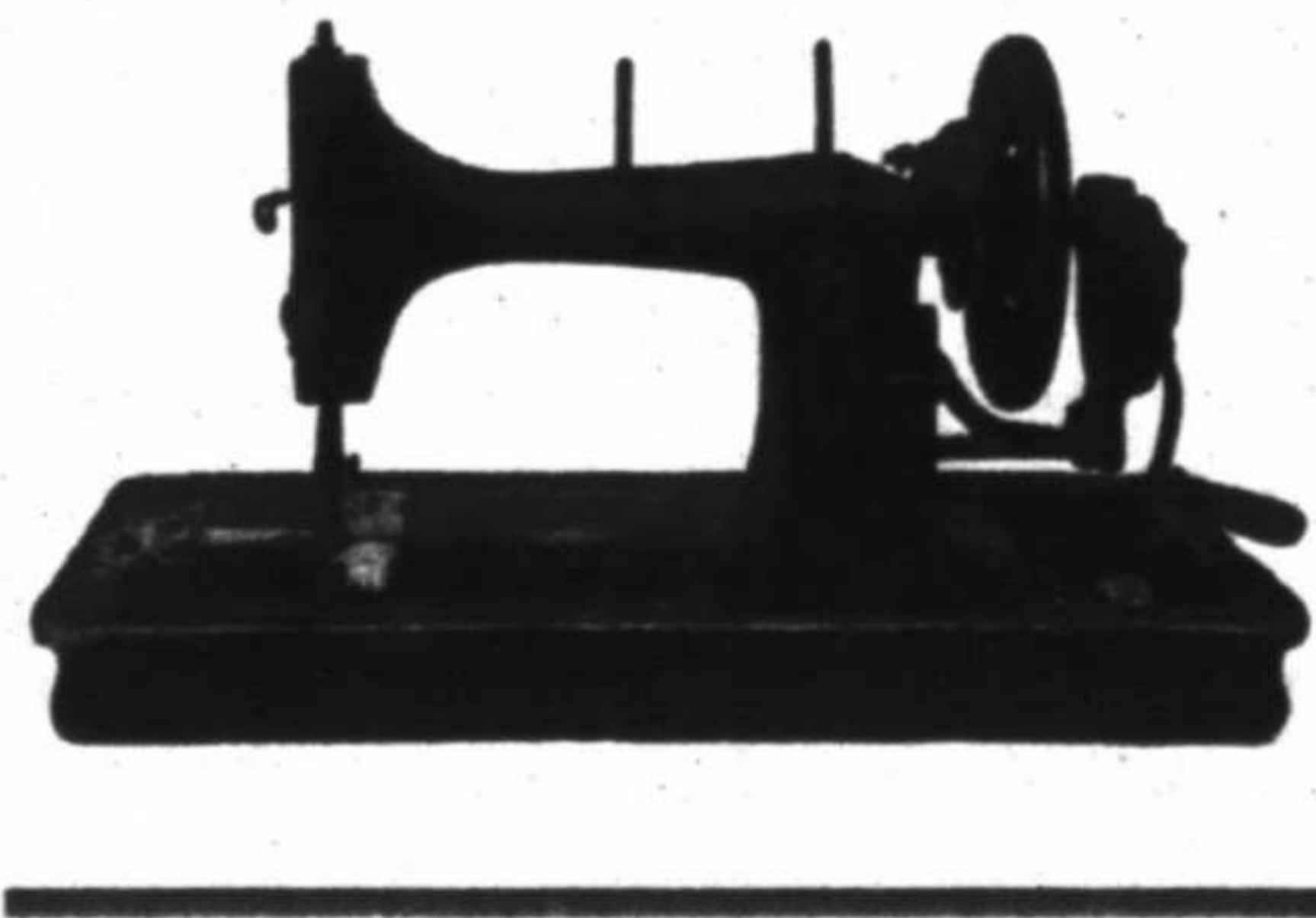
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