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LEASE LEVERAGE

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FILLING UP Empty parking spaces belie the fact that apartment complexes in Midland are nearing 100 percent capacity. Experts say an increasing rig count in the oil field and a growing population account for the occupancy rate reaching that level. Several apartment complexes are keeping waiting lists for those about to move to the area.

Rental market reports nearly 100 percent occupancy rate

Record oil prices help fuel influx of residents seeking apartments, houses for rent

By Kathleen Thurber
Staff Writer

The influx of people moving to Midland are being told to call ahead and get in line if they expect to have an apartment to rent when they arrive.

Because while lulls in the oil industry have prompted leasing specials and quick move-ins in the past, increasing rig counts and a growing population mean officials don't expect that to happen this year.

"All over the city, the occupancy levels are at 98 to 100 percent," said Alex Garcia, a Permian Basin Apartment Association board member who works with Weidner Apartment Homes. "I don't even know if there's any hotel rooms available."

Typically summer is the busiest time for new leases, but Garcia said activity already has reached the peak levels they saw in the summer of 2008. Rates also are at an "all-time high" in both Midland and Odessa, he said. "It's gone a little crazy."

At this time during 2010, occupancy levels were hovering around 90 percent, which is a more "normal" rate, according to the Permian Basin Apartment Association (PBAA).

Association President Charlott Pruett said they've noticed availability tighten even further during the last 35 to 40 days as occupancy levels reached around 98 percent. They're now advising people to call 60 to 90 days before they hope to move if they want to lease a space.

"We have people coming in seriously considering leasing whatever we have two months outside their targeted move date, just so they will have an apartment to move into once they get here," Pruett said.

Jessica Reyes at Ashton Way said they're already leasing for May and, like others, have raised prices as demand increases. It costs $519 to rent a one-bedroom efficiency at the complex. Other management companies are charging between $520 and more than $700 for a one bedroom while newer apartments can cost $1,000 or more for a one-bedroom rental.

Pruett said those moving back to Midland after working somewhere else are shocked at the inflation taking place.

In 2006, according to the PBAA, the average rent rate for a one-bedroom was $410. In 2010, the average was $670 and that number is expected to increase again this year, board members said.

Garcia said the opening of some units at the Blue Ridge Apartments has brought a bit of relief. But, the population has grown by more than the number of new apartments, he said. Weidner is opening another property later this spring on Faudree Road near Odessa and already is leasing, he said.

The Palms and Vantage apartments that opened in recent years brought an additional 580 units to Midland, according to the PBAA. The total number of units

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90%
'NORMAL' OCCUPANCY RATE

$519 TO $1,000↑
RENT FOR ONE BEDROOM

$410
RENT FOR ONE BEDROOM - 2006

9,445
NUMBER OF APARTMENTS*
* does not include all units at Blue Ridge

15
NUMBER OF HOUSES FOR RENT

Railroad Commission restructuring worries some in industry

By Mella McEwen
Oil Editor

A day after the Railroad Commission celebrated its 120th anniversary, the Texas Senate voted to essentially eliminate the agency and create a new Texas Oil & Gas Commission, led by one elected commissioner instead of three.

The fate of the agency now rests with the Texas House as it takes up the Sunset bill that would restructure the commission.

"We're disappointed but not surprised," stated Midlander Doug Robison, president of ExL Petroleum and chairman of the Permian Basin Petroleum Association. "We knew the Senate was going in that direction."

Robison said he had testified

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REDRAIDERSUPPORT

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Red and Juandelle Roberts talk with Texas Tech football coach Tommy Tuberville on Tuesday afternoon at a scholarship luncheon at the Midland Center.

City aquatics preparing for safe summer

By Kathleen Thurber
Staff Writer

Knowing an average of 76 children drown in Texas each year, city of Midland staff is working early to spread awareness about safety and create a secure environment at its pools.

"It's an environment where someone can die. It's morbid, but it's the way I look at it," said recreation superintendent Ben Telesca. "How can we mitigate this as much as possible?"

Pools don't open until Memorial Day weekend. However, hiring for lifeguards already is under way, and officials said they're far short of the total they need to properly operate the pools. Plus, Telesca said, with temperatures in the 90s this month, some kids already are swimming at home, which is

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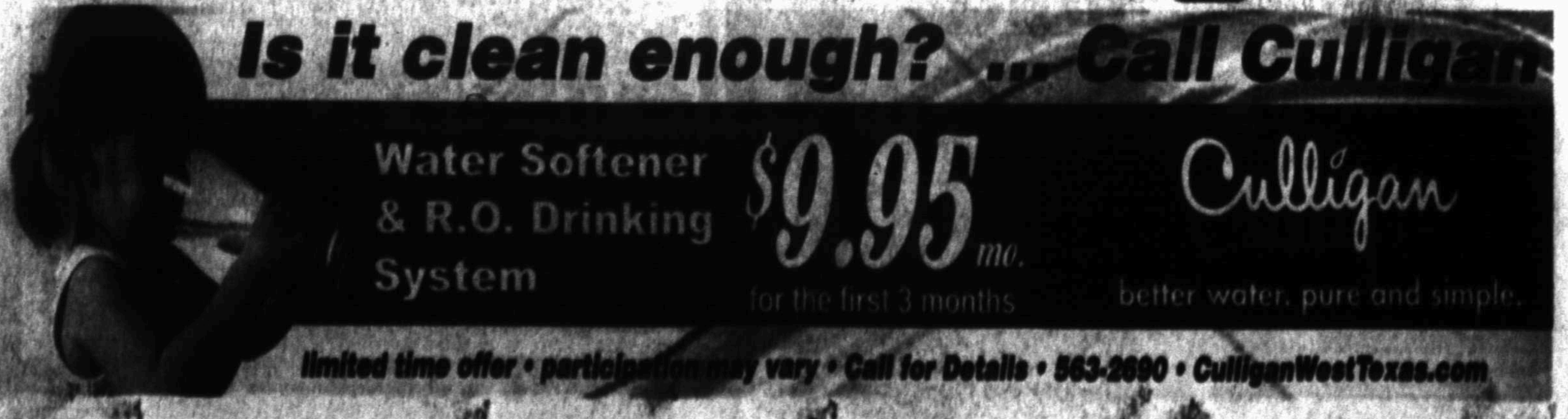

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Legislators bet school funding isn't voters' top concern

JASON EMBRY

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AUSTIN — Nearly every Republican in the Texas House placed a bet Sunday night that the residents of their district will support taking billions of dollars out of the public school system.

In voting for the House's proposed state budget, 98 of the chamber's 101 Republicans supported a plan giving school districts about $7.8 billion less than the state owes them under current law. That's about $870 less per student for schools to spend each year.

The budget cuts funding for pre-kindergarten, school technology, teacher incentive pay and programs that aim to stoke student interest in math and science. Most significantly, it is the driving force behind the elimination of thousands of jobs in school districts across the state.

Lawmakers made deep cuts across state government because the state faces a huge budget shortfall caused by a variety of factors, some of them outside state lawmakers' control and some a result of their decisions. The House's decision to leave more than $6 billion sitting in the state's rainy day fund added to the severity of the cuts.

That a majority of lawmakers supported such reductions shows that they think voters, first and foremost, want them to cut spending and fight tax increases.

It's the logical conclusion to draw from the 2010 elections. Republicans in Texas and across the country didn't beat Democrats because they promised to do the most for public education. The national Republican wave that swept into Texas was driven by voter anxiety about high unemployment and the Obama administration's spending habits.

It's also important to remember that most legislators, because districts aren't usually meant to be competitive between the parties, only have to worry about winning their primaries. A reasonable legislator could easily conclude that Republican primary voters will applaud a budget that cuts overall spending by $23 billion.

But electorates can change, and teachers and parents who don't usually vote in the Republican primary could decide that 2012 is the time to get engaged.

Furthermore, a number of new Republican legislators represent districts that were held by Democrats just five months ago. Some in the GOP will be able to draw districts that protect them from Democratic challengers next year, but others won't be able to, and they will face general election opponents who will loudly proclaim that schools got shortchanged.

By the time this legislative session concludes at the end of May, schools likely will get more state funding than the House proposes because senators — including some Republicans — won't support cuts as severe as those made by the House. Any extra money the Senate adds will matter a great deal to schools.

But it may not matter at all politically. House members have now gone on record either supporting or opposing what would be the first reduction in funding for the Foundation School Program, the main source of state money for education, since the program was created in 1949.

Some will seek to justify their vote as necessary to keep the budget process moving so that the Senate could weigh in with a more generous plan. They may have a point, but the campaign trail has little use for legislative nuance.

The legislators have made their bets.

Death row inmate gets reprieve

By Michael Graczyk
Associated Press

HUNTSVILLE — The U.S. Supreme Court blocked the first scheduled execution of a Texas death row inmate using a new drug cocktail on Tuesday, although the proposed lethal mix was not mentioned in the court's decision to reconsider the merits of the condemned man's appeal.

Cleve Foster was to have been executed hours later for the 2002 slaying of a Sudanese woman in Fort Worth — the first Texas execution since the state switched to pentobarbital in its three-drug mixture. The sedative has already been used for executions in Oklahoma and Ohio.

On Tuesday morning, the high court agreed to reconsider its January order denying Foster's appeal that raised claims of innocence and poor legal help during his trial and early stages of his appeals.

Foster's lawyers also have argued that Texas prison officials violated administrative procedures last month when they announced the switch to pentobarbital from sodium thiopental, which is in short supply nationwide. Foster's lawyers contend that the rules change in Texas required more time for public comment and review. Lower courts have rejected their appeals and attorneys had planned to take their case to the Texas Supreme Court.

At the same time, defense lawyers sought a rehearing before the U.S. Supreme Court on the high court's rejection of an appeal in January. At that time, it stopped Foster's execution at the last moment, then rejected his claims a week later, clearing the way for Tarrant County authorities to schedule the execution for Tuesday.

In its brief ruling, the court gave prosecutors 30 days to respond to the defense petition, after which the Supreme Court will decide if the appeal has merit.

Foster's defense team said they are encouraged by the ruling.

"It's not a common procedural posture," Maurie Levin, a University of Texas law professor and one of Foster's attorneys, said. "We're very happy for the stay and that the Supreme Court will be looking at important issues raised."

The execution drug issue was not before the U.S. Supreme Court and the court's order did not mention it.

The drug swap is the most significant change in the execution procedure in Texas since the state switched from the electric chair to lethal injection when it reinstated capital punishment in 1982. Pentobarbital is a sedative used in surgery and to euthanize animals.

Levin said the reprieve, while not related to the drug change, would allow for additional examination of the new execution procedure and "give Texas more time to do it right."

Beginning in December 1982, Texas executed 466 inmates using a series of three drugs including sodium thiopental, an anesthetic. Two people have been put to death this year. At least six are set to die in the coming months, including one in May.

Foster, 47, blames his conviction on lawyers he didn't trust, what he called false testimony from police and prosecutors he contends misled jurors.

"To me, they were pretty much pulling stuff out of their hats," he told The Associated Press previously from death row.

Foster has long insisted that his friend, Sheldon Ward, was responsible for fatally shooting Nyaneur Pal, 30, in February 2002.

Ward died of cancer last year while on death row. The two, described as inseparable buddies, were convicted separately.

TEXASROUNDUP

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AUSTIN

Hispanic lawmakers sue state over Census

A group of Hispanic lawmakers has filed a preemptive lawsuit against the state over redistricting.

The Mexican American Legislative Caucus filed the lawsuit Tuesday to prevent the use of 2010 Census numbers they said are flawed.

The lawsuit alleges a substantial undercount of the state's Latino population, particularly those living in colonias along the Texas-Mexico border.

SAN ANTONIO

Lawmakers mull Alamo management changes

Remember the Alamo? Lately, a clash over who should run it has been tough to ignore.

Although the 2.5 million people who visit the revered Texas landmark each year probably haven't noticed any changes, an ongoing saga played out under the Capitol dome and in the media could shake-up how Alamo's been run for the last century.

Lawmakers are expected Wednesday to consider bills that could diminish the caretaker role of the Daughters of the Republic of Texas, which was given custody of the Alamo in 1905 but came under investigation by the Texas attorney general's office last year.

Dogging the Daughters are allegations that financial bumbling and mismanagement have put the Alamo at risk, and their efforts to brand the landmark's name have been blocked by Gov. Rick Perry's office.

BROWNSVILLE

Suspected gunman arrested in pastor's wife slaying

Authorities in South Texas have arrested a 37-year-old man whom they suspect a pastor hired to kill his wife.

Daniel Lopez was arraigned Tuesday on a capital murder charge after his Monday arrest in Los Fresnos, 16 miles north of Brownsville.

Cameron County investigators suspect he fatally shot elementary school teacher Sonia Perez. Cameron County Deputy Sheriff Gus Reyna said investigators believe Lopez was hired to kill Perez for a life insurance payout.

FELONYARRESTS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Fabian G. Brito, 32, of Midland, was arrested Monday by Midland County deputies on a charge of injury to a child or elderly person with intent.

Ricky G. Gonzalez, 31, of Midland, was arrested Monday by Midland County deputies on a charge of possession of a controlled substance.

Abigail B. Lozano, 28, of Midland, was arrested Monday by Midland County deputies on a charge of violation of probation.

Prince Charles Nelson Sr., 67, of Midland, was arrested Monday by Midland police on a charge of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

Andres G. Reyes, 51, of Midland, was arrested Monday by Midland County deputies on a charge of violation of probation.

Jose J. Tapia, 44, of Midland, was arrested Monday by Midland police on a charge of assault on a family member.

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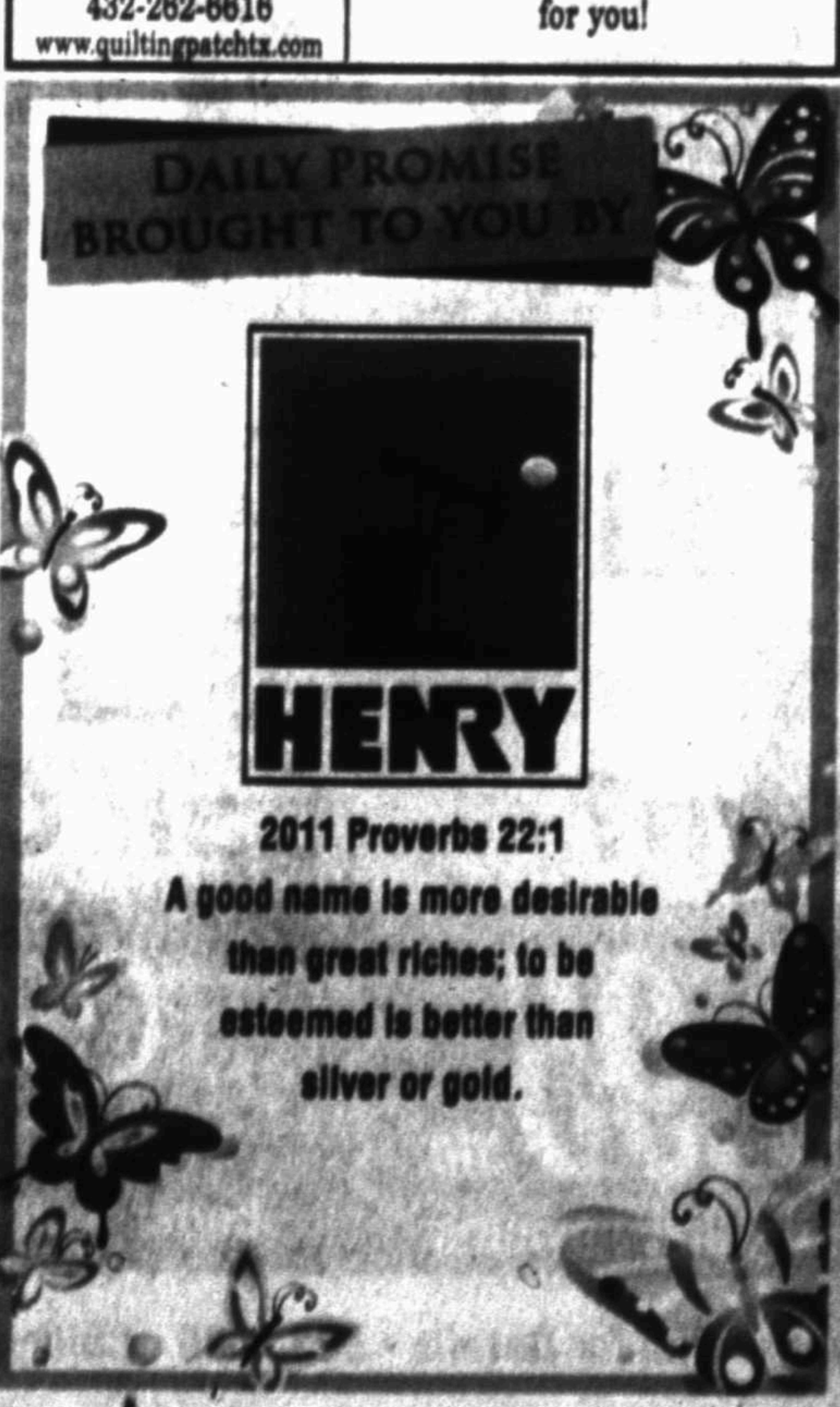

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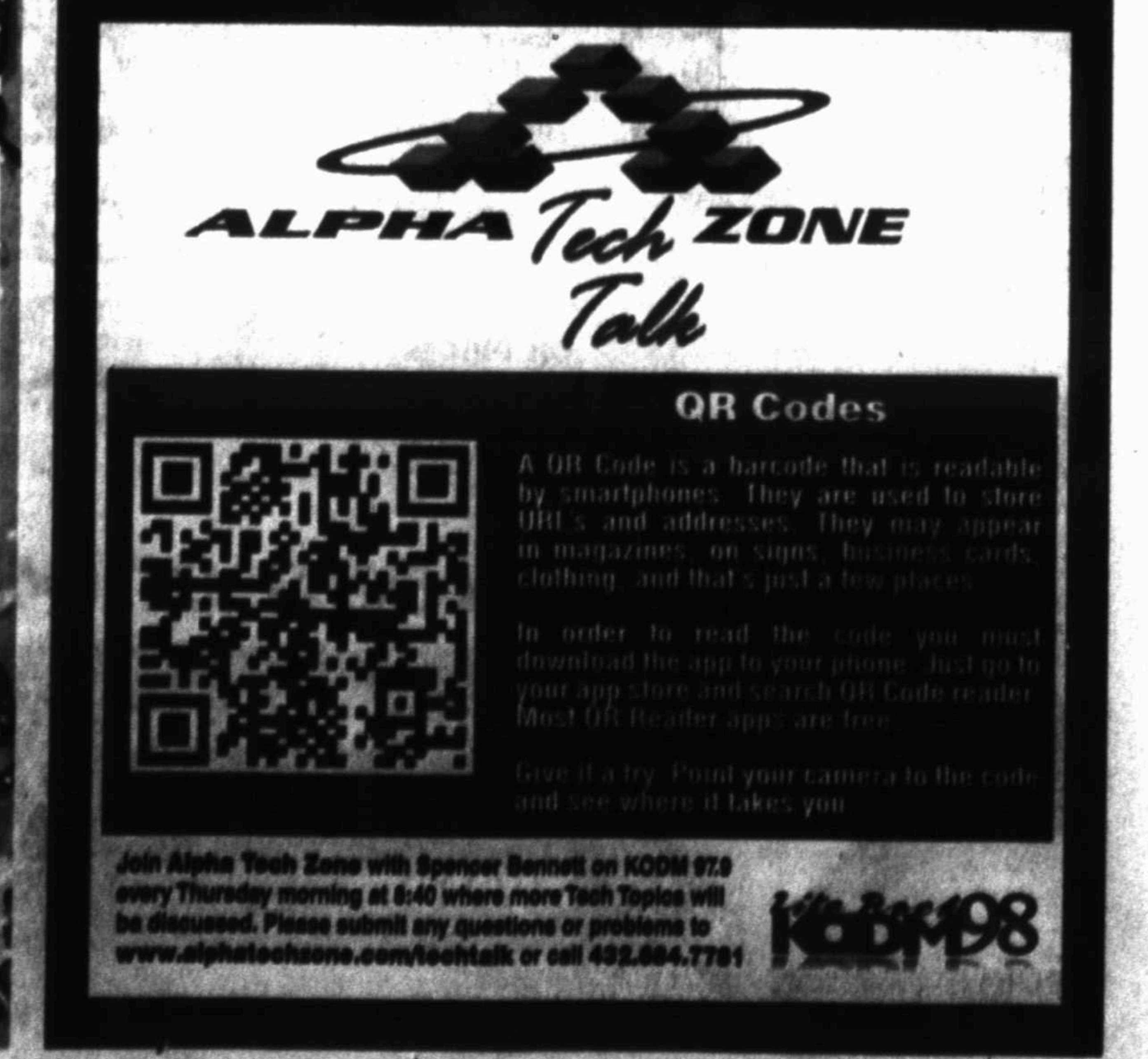

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NATION BRIEFS

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NEW YORK

Police: Missing woman not among 8 beach victims

OAK BEACH — Detectives searching for a missing New Jersey prostitute have uncovered the remains of eight possible victims of a serial killer along a remote New York beach highway, but said Tuesday that none is the woman they have been looking for.

"I'm just shocked," Sherre Gilbert said in a brief telephone interview after learning from Suffolk County detectives that her sister, Shannan Gilbert, was not among the eight bodies found along Ocean Parkway on Long Island in recent months. "I am still hoping for the best outcome."

Shannan Gilbert, 24, who worked as an escort, was last seen last spring in Oak Beach, near where the latest remains were discovered, after apparently meeting a client she had booked through Craigslist. The bodies of four other prostitutes, all of whom advertised their services on Craigslist and were in their 20s, were found along the same highway by police searching for Gilbert in December.

LOS ANGELES

Officer improves after being shot in standoff

A police officer who was shot in the face during a siege at a San Fernando Valley home was improving Tuesday but remained in critical condition.

Officer Steven Jenkins was sedated on a breathing machine at Providence Holy Cross Hospital in Mission Hills, hospital spokeswoman Patricia Aidem said.

Jenkins' wife, an LAPD sergeant, and his son, also a police officer, were at his side, and two police officers were stationed outside his room as a sort of honor guard.

Jenkins, a 22-year LAPD veteran, was shot in the jaw and shoulder Monday during a standoff with a domestic violence suspect who was later found dead in the Sylmar home.

Police Chief Charlie Beck said Jenkins will need reconstructive surgery on his jaw.

"He has a long road ahead of him. His injuries are severe," said Beck, who joined Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa and others in rolling up their sleeves at a blood drive for Jenkins.

NEW YORK

Woman gets 20 years in campus strangling

WHITE PLAINS — A woman who admitted strangling her "disrespectful" 18-year-old daughter on a college campus was sentenced Tuesday to 20 years in prison.

She was also ordered to have no contact with her surviving child.

Stacy Pagli, 38, was sentenced in Westchester County Court following her guilty plea to first-degree manslaughter.

The plea deal was offered after doctors for both sides agreed Pagli was emotionally disturbed when she killed Marissa Pagli at Manhattanville College in Purchase. She was originally charged with murder.

GOP budget plan would revamp Medicare, Medicaid

Big spending cuts proposed

Associated Press

FACING SHUTDOWN House Budget Committee Chairman Paul Ryan, R-Wis., works with Republican members of the committee on Capitol Hill in Washington on Tuesday. He is flanked by Rep. Tom McClintock, R-Calif., right, with Rep. Bill Flores, R-Texas, at left. The pace of budget negotiations in Congress is quickening as a deadline for a government shutdown looms at week's end.

By Andrew Taylor
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — House Republicans set up a politically defining clash over the size and priorities of government Tuesday, unveiling a budget plan that calls for both unprecedented spending cuts and a fundamental restructuring of taxpayer-financed health care for the elderly and the poor.

The plan would slash federal spending by $5 trillion or more over the coming decade. It would leave Social Security untouched but shift more of the risk from rising medical costs from the government to Medicare beneficiaries. It also calls for sharp cuts to Medicaid health care for the poor and disabled and to food aid for the poor.

Dubbed the "Path to Prosperity," the proposal by House Budget Committee Chairman Paul Ryan, R-Wis., also calls for dramatically overhauling the complicated and inefficient U.S. tax code. It would scrap numerous tax breaks and loopholes in exchange for reducing the top income tax rate for both individuals and corporations from 35 percent to 25 percent.

Democrats launched a furious counterassault on the health care proposals.

"They're ending Medicare as we know it. They take away the Medicare guarantee for seniors," said Rep. Chris Van Hollen, D-Md. "All the risk of increased costs will be borne by seniors."

A Congressional Budget Office analysis released late Tuesday also showed Ryan's budget would leave in place roughly $500 billion in Medicare cuts that were part of President Barack Obama's new health care law. Republicans blasted those cuts in their successful campaign to take back control of the House. A spokesman for Ryan said the savings would be plowed back into Medicare.

But the GOP budget also would repeal Obama's plan to gradually close the Medicare prescription drug coverage gap, known as the "doughnut hole."

Despite its huge cuts, Ryan's plan still can't claim a balanced budget by the end of the decade because of promises to not increase taxes or change Medicare benefits for people 55 and over. After six years, annual deficits are projected to fall to the $400 billion range, enough to stabilize the nation's finances and prevent a European-style debt crisis that could force far harsher steps, Ryan said.

Obama presses Congress to avoid shutdown

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Prodded by an insistent President Barack Obama, Congress' top two lawmakers sought to reinvigorate compromise talks Tuesday aimed at cutting tens of billions in federal spending and averting a partial government shutdown Friday at midnight.

There was at least a hint of flexibility, accompanied by sharply partisan attacks and an outburst of shutdown brinksmanship.

According to Democrats, House Speaker John Boehner, R-Ohio, suggested at a White House meeting that fellow Republicans might be able to accept a deal with $40 billion in cuts. That's more than negotiators had been eyeing but less than the House seeks.

The speaker's office declined comment, and Boehner issued a statement saying, "We can still avoid a shutdown, but Democrats are going to need to get serious about cutting spending — and soon."

For his part, Senate Majority leader Harry Reid sounded an accusatory note. "I hope the Republicans do what the country needs, not what they believe the tea party wants," he said at the Capitol.

"I mean, it seems that every step we take, it's something just to poke us in the eye," he said.

Boehner and Reid met privately later in the day. While there was no indication of substantive progress, there was a marked change in tone afterwards.

Spokesmen for the two issued identical statements, shorn of partisan bickering, saying the two leaders "had a productive discussion. They agreed to continue working on a budget solution."

Obama stepped forcefully into the dispute, at times sounding like an exasperated parent.

He convened a meeting at the White House with the chief congressional antagonists, rejected a Republican proposal for an interim bill with sharp cuts and then announced Boehner and Reid would meet later in the day.

If they can't sort out their differences, he said, "I want them back here tomorrow."

And if that doesn't work, he added, "we'll invite them again the day after that. And I will have my entire team available to work through the details of getting a deal done."

Obama, eager to regain the confidence of independent voters as he seeks a new term, said the American public expects that its leaders "act like grown-ups, and when we are in negotiations like this, that everybody gives a little bit, compromises a little bit in order to do the people's business."

At issue is legislation needed to keep the government running through the Sept. 30 end of the budget year, and a desire by all sides to avoid being blamed politically if there is a shutdown.

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before the Senate Natural Resources Committee and expects to testify before the House Energy Committee either next week or shortly thereafter. He added that he expects different results in the House.

"We identified issues during the Senate hearing and were able to flesh out more unintended consequences," he explained. He listed three specific unintended consequences that are of great concern to the state's oil and gas operators.

First, he pointed out, the Railroad Commission has regulatory authority delegated to it by the federal government to oversee certain programs and could lose that authority "if there is any substantial or significant change to that agency." Since, the Oil & Gas Commission would essentially be a new agency, it would have to apply to receive that delegated authority, he said. He cited as an example the Railroad Commission's authority from the Environmental Protection Agency to operate its Underground Injection Control program, which regulates the industry's disposal of fluids from drilling and producing operations. That authority, he said, would revert back to the EPA.

"There is very grave concern about what would happen, not just in the Permian Basin but in the Barnett Shale and in South Texas," he said.

A second consequence is an unfunded or underfunded commission. Funding for the commission, he said, is contained in the sunset legislation and if it fails in the House, the agency would be unfunded.

"There is the presumption the Railroad Commission is not doing a good job," Robison said. "If you get into the numbers, they're actually doing more with less. The Railroad Commission is performing well, and we happen to have one of the best-performing agencies in the country."

A third concern is moving hearing authority from the commission to the State Office of Administrative Hearings. "We need the Railroad Commission to bring its expertise to those hearings," Robison said. He cited the recent case involving Range Resources and the EPA. "The Railroad Commission came in and challenged the EPA. They couldn't have done that if the authority was moved."

He added that the industry also is concerned about going from three elected officials to one elected commissioner.

"I think some of the angst a lot of the legislators have is not with the commissioner but with some of the commissioners, past and present, using the commission as a springboard to other offices," he said. "I told the Senate Natural Resources Committee that just because you didn't like last Sunday's sermon, that doesn't mean you have to burn the church down. We could implement a 'resign-to-run' rule and limit their fundraising. Those issues can be addressed without eliminating or restructuring the commission. The primary thing I want to avoid is those unintended consequences."

As the bill moves to the Texas House, Robison said "If we get the win on those points in the House, or the House comes out with something different, then the issue goes to a conference committee. If they can't work out an agreement, it is possible the sunset bill won't pass. That's happened before."

The downside to that, he said, is that the commission's funding is included in that sunset bill, so a separate funding bill is pending.

With the Texas Legislature facing pressing issues like the budget and redistricting, he said, "it could be the right answer is to put the review down the road because of the issues with unintended consequences we brought up."

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SAFE

From 1A

why they're trying to communicate safety tips to families.

"It's really more about reminding people about the rules," Telesca said. "Not just our pools, but pools in general."

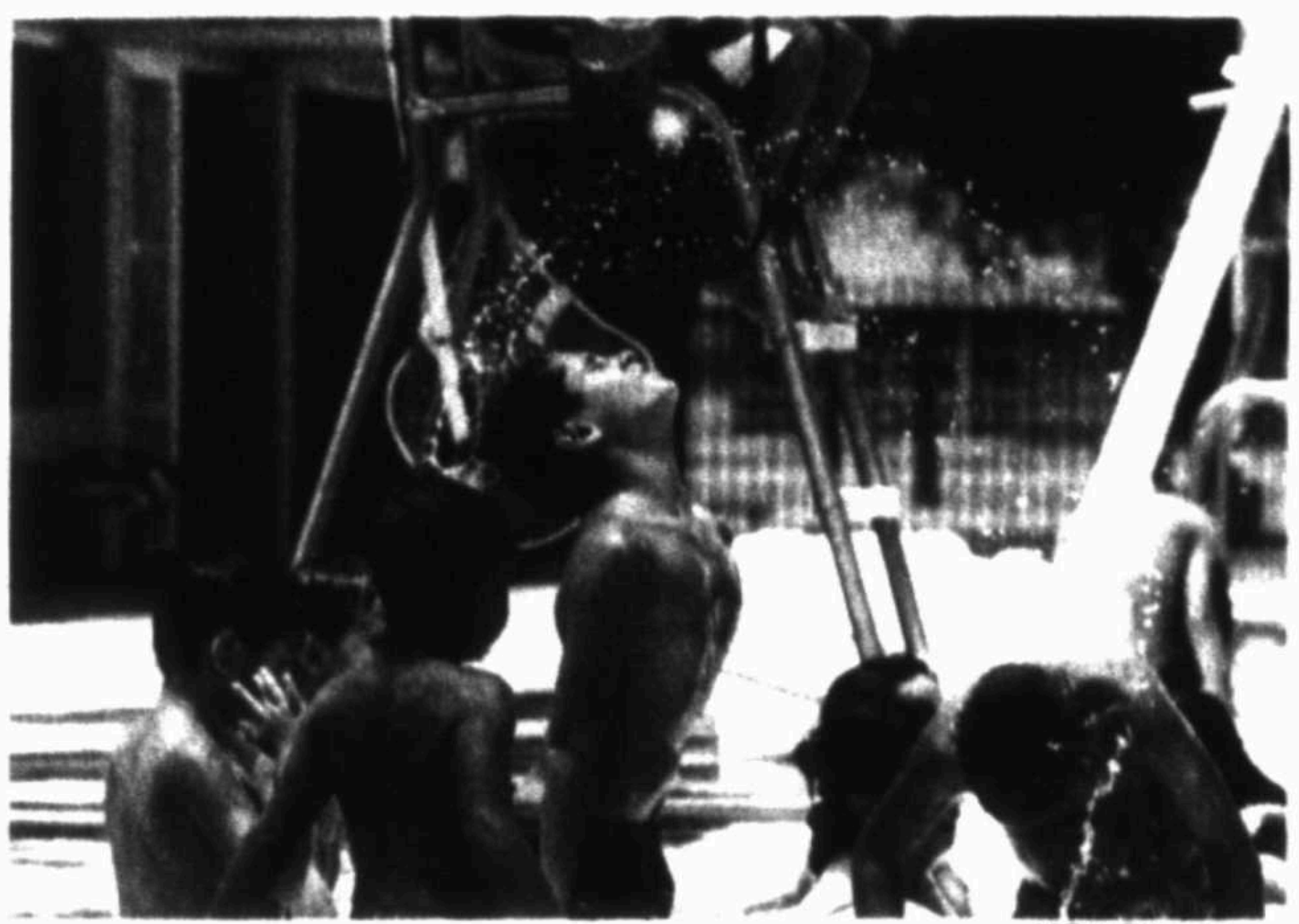
Kimberly Cornelsen, the city's aquatics manager, said they advise parents to always be within an arms length of their children.

"If you can't reach them, you can't save them," she said.

The Department of Family and Protective Services tells parents to always have their eyes on children when they're around water, which includes monitoring children who are indoors but have easy access to a pool or even a bathtub. The majority of child drownings in Texas each year take place at home and often occur when a child wanders into the pool of a private residence, according to DFPS.

Telesca and Cornelsen said they also recommend getting kids into swim lessons or as infants into classes that will help them become familiar with the water.

Cornelsen said life jacket rentals are offered at city pools. She said the service is a great safety measure, particularly for parents who aren't comfortable swimming and being in the water with their kids. Children younger than 10 also aren't permitted into the pools without an adult, officials said.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FUN IN THE SUN Nathan Nunez, 10, uses his head and the stream of water that follows to wet his friends in this 2010 file photo taken at Washington Park Aquatic Center.

"We just want to make sure we're not part of those statistics in any way, shape or form," Telesca said.

The other factor in keeping the city's pools safe involves continuing to hire and train a qualified staff of lifeguards, Cornelsen said.

Those interested in becoming a lifeguard don't have to be certified before applying, she said.

The city is offering certification classes from April 28-May 1 and May 12-15 for lifeguards wanting to work with the city or at another pool, she said. Those completing the course will be certified as lifeguards for three years and have a CPR certification for one year. Anyone who already is certified and applies with the city will be asked to complete a challenge course, Cornelsen said.

She said they train lifeguards and cashiers each Monday during the summer. If an incident occurs on another day where they feel like the response time should have been quicker, she said they'll train at the end of a shift.

Telesca said they aim to have between 40 and 45 lifeguards on staff because each guard works part-time.

"Right now we have about a dozen," he said. "That's not nearly enough to even operate one pool given the schedules we keep."

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DROWNINGS AMONG CHILDREN

2007: 63
2008: 82
2009: 113
2010: 78
*Known drownings in Texas according to the Department of Family and Protective Services

To apply to become a lifeguard or to participate in certification classes: Call 685-7381.

Pool hours and activities: www.ci.midland.tx.us/departments/parks_recre/swimmingpools.html

Federal agency holds hearing on Summit Power plant

By Sarah Mueller
Special to the Reporter-Telegram

ODESSA — The fate of Summit Power's coal gasification plant depends on a positive environmental statement from the Department of Energy.

Department of Energy officials held a public hearing Tuesday night in Odessa to get feedback on the DOE's draft environmental impact statement on the proposed power plant. The DOE has committed to spending $450 million or 26 percent of the cost on the project if the report is positive, Jason Lewis, DOE federal project manager for the Texas Clean Coal Energy Project, said. Then plant is estimated to cost $2.2 billion.

"This is another big milestone for us," Laura Miller, director of projects for Texas, said.

The Environmental Impact Statement looks at the various ways the new plant would affect the environment, including air, water and land use. The comment period started after presentations were made Tuesday evening and runs until May 2. The DOE will consider all comments when drafting the final report, said Mark McKoy, DOE environmental manager.

The hearing was an opportunity for the public to address any concerns about the proposed power plant.

"It's a wonderful learning opportunity for the public," McKoy said.

Only a handful of citizens came and spoke at the hearing. Many said they had concerns about water usage.

Brian Chandler owns a farm and ranch in Midland County. He said he's concerned about the leftover water going into Monahans Draw.

"It's devastating to farms and ranches at the back of the draw," Chandler said.

The 400-megawatt plant is designed to capture 90 percent of the carbon dioxide it produces. Summit plans to sell the CO2 as enhanced oil recovery, which will help companies bring oil out of the ground. The plant also will produce and sell electricity and fertilizer.

Conaway applauds President Obama's tribunal ruling

By James Cannon
Staff Writer

Congressman Mike Conaway applauded President Barack Obama's decision Tuesday to prosecute Khalid Sheikh Mohammed and four other alleged plotters of the Sept. 11, 2001 attacks before military tribunals.

Many Democrats and Republicans, Conaway said, have expressed their support for Obama's change in policy and believe keeping them off American soil will be better for national security.

"I applaud the administration's decision to try Khalid Sheikh Mohammed and the 9/11 co-conspirators by military commission rather than in civilian courts on U.S. soil," said the member of the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence and the House Armed Services Committee. "The American people deserve to see justice brought to these heinous war criminals and I'm relieved that the administration has finally come to the right conclusion."

At the center of the contentious issue is the use of harsh interrogation techniques, including waterboarding Mohammed, that will inevitably come up during the legal proceedings. Military officials and congressmen, including Conaway, also worried about confidential sources and state secrets being divulged during an open civilian trial

According to an internal CIA probe, Mohammed was waterboarded — a practice that simulates drowning — close to 200 times. Obama as a senator decried the practice. He also criticized the use of the U.S. military prison at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba and military tribunals as a legal end-run around the long-tested federal justice system.

A December 2010 defense authorization bill forced Obama and Attorney General Eric Holder's hand. One of the clauses of the authorization bill barred the government from spending money to transfer the Guantanamo detainees to U.S. for a civilian trial.

"The president's actions (Monday) reflect the reality of the war on terror," Conaway said Tuesday afternoon. "Trying these individuals in U.S. civilian courts was a bad idea that would not only risk lives but would place sensitive information on American troops and intelligence activities in the hands of terrorists."

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Midland man faces injury to child charges

By James Cannon
Staff Writer

A Midland man was arrested before 1 a.m. Monday for allegedly assaulting two child family members after telling a woman she should show up with police and Child Protective Services.

Fabian Gamboa Brito, 32, was charged with intentionally injuring a child by bodily harm for allegedly kicking a young boy in the groin.

Police were asked to assist a woman picking up the children after speaking with the pair, who were crying and begging to leave, according to the affidavit of probable cause.

The children were given to officers and the woman when they arrived, but authorities noticed several red marks on their faces. When asked, both children said Brito had struck them in the face, the report read.

Both children were visibly distraught and crying, the report states.

Brito is charged with two third-degree felony counts of intentionally injuring a child with bodily harm. He was released from jail Tuesday on a $40,000 bond.

If convicted, he could serve up to 10 years in prison for each third-degree felony charge.

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OCCUPANCY

From 1A

before the Blue Ridge Apartments started leasing was estimated by the PBAA at 9,445.

"Obviously it's helped," Garcia said of the newer complexes. "It hasn't cured it, but it's helped."

Because the costs at newer apartments are higher, one manager added, the opening of such complexes do little to help ease the high capacity levels at their facilities.

Apartment managers said several of their new tenants are renting while they look for a home while others are wanting short-term leases for internships and others need a long-term rental.

Some have looked to avoid the wait at apartment complexes by renting a home, but the number of those available also is quickly shrinking.

Carroll Nall, with the Permian Basin Board of Realtors, said as of Tuesday there were 15 homes listed for rent in Midland.

"I don't know that I've ever seen numbers this low on rentals," Nall said. "There's just a lot going on."

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TODAY IN MIDLAND

Thing to do

■ Water Panel hosted by the League of Women Voters of Midland, 7 p.m., Midland College F. Marie Hall Building, 3600 N. Garfield St.. Admission: Free. For more information contact Doreen Womack with Keep Midland Beautiful at 687-7400.

Lake levels report

Representing totals from early April 2010-11

	2010	2011
O.H. Ivie	43.14	30.00
Lake Thomas	5.15	4.92
Lake Spence	4.38	4.92

Note: Numbers represent how full a lake is.

Delivery
(in gallons)
Midland: daily average this week 19.737 million
Odessa: daily average this week 19.692 million

Source: Colorado River Municipal Water District

Correction

A story in Tuesday's edition incorrectly identified the new assistant city manager. His name is Jim Nichols. The Reporter-Telegram regrets the error.

How to submit

■ Births. Have information and a picture about a new-born son, daughter, grandson or granddaughter you want in the paper? Call Managing Editor Mary Dearen at 687-8852.

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The Reporter-Telegram on radio

Editor Stewart Doreen discusses local news at 9:35 a.m. Thursdays on KWEL (AM 1070).

Volunteer Income Tax Assistance

■ Casa de Amigos, open through April 14
1101 E Garden Lane, 682-9701
Mondays through Thursdays, afternoons and evening by appointment

■ Midland Senior Services, open starting Feb. 1
3303 W. Illinois Ave. No. 18, 681-7636

■ Odessa Affordable Housing, open through April 14
3801 N. Dixie Blvd., Odessa, 272-4412
Mondays through Thursdays, 8 a.m. to noon and 1-5 p.m.

■ Catholic Charities of Odessa, open through April 14
2500 Andrews Highway, Odessa, 332-1387
Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6-8:30pm (appointment only)

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Pick 3 night: 5-2-6
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Daily 4 night: 1-5-0-9
Cash Five: 2-6-10-19-29
Mega Millions: 1-19-20-31-36
MB: 9 Megaplier: 2

Today in History

Today is Wednesday, April 6, the 96th day of 2011. There are 269 days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history:

On April 6, 1909, American explorers Robert E. Peary and Matthew A. Henson and four Inuits became the first men to reach the North Pole.

On this date:

In 1830, the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints was organized by Joseph Smith in Fayette, N.Y.

In 1862, the Civil War Battle of Shiloh began in Tennessee as Confederate forces launched a surprise attack against Union troops, who beat back the Confederates the next day.

In 1896, the first modern Olympic games formally opened in Athens, Greece.

In 1917, Congress approved a declaration of war against Germany.

In 1945, during World War II, the Japanese warship Yamato and nine other vessels sailed on a suicide mission to attack the U.S. fleet off Okinawa; the fleet was intercepted the next day.

In 1965, the United States launched the Intelsat I, also known as the "Early Bird" communications satellite, into orbit.

Five years ago: At the death penalty trial of al-Qaida conspirator Zacarias Moussaoui, former New York City Mayor Rudolph Giuliani described his own harrowing experiences in lower Manhattan on Sept. 11, 2001.

One year ago: The White House announced a fundamental shift in U.S. nuclear strategy that called the spread of atomic weapons to rogue states or terrorists a worse threat than the nuclear Armageddon feared during the Cold War.

Associated Press

NATION BRIEFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

WASHINGTON

Couple found dead in car; son discovered at home

TUMWATER — Police discovered a 6-year-old boy dead in a Washington state home with a plastic bag over his head Tuesday after authorities say his parents were found dead in a car following a high-speed chase.

The boy was found when investigators went to the couple's Spanaway home to check on him and his 10-year-old sister, who was later found safe with her biological father in Redmond, Ore., said Ed Troyer, Pierce County sheriff's spokesman.

Washington State Patrol troopers said the 38-year-old man in the car was fleeing from a trooper and shot himself in the head after his car spun out on Interstate 5 at Tumwater, about 60 miles south of Seattle.

Troopers also found the body of a 38-year-old woman in the car. The state patrol initially reported the woman appeared to have been emaciated and that she had not been shot.

COLORADO

High winds kick up fire, spur evacuations

FORT COLLINS — Authorities are asking people in 21 homes to leave the area where a 5-square-mile wildfire is burning in northern Colorado.

Fire managers said strong winds have kicked up flames in the foothills west of Fort Collins. Winds with gusts above 35 mph have grounded aircraft that had been dropping water on the fire Tuesday.

Residents have been on alert since Friday when the fire started in the hilly, rugged terrain.

The blaze exploded overnight Saturday when winds reached 50 mph and higher. More than 300 homes were temporarily evacuated.

Snow and cold weather helped calm the blaze Sunday and Monday, allowing crews to contain about 15 percent of it. But forecasts had fire managers bracing for Tuesday's warm, windy weather.

TENNESSEE

2 bodies found after sewage plant gives way

GATLINBURG — Crews on Tuesday recovered the bodies of two workers from the rubble of a wastewater-treatment plant wall that collapsed earlier in the day, while officials continued to investigate what caused the breach that released sewage into a rain-swollen river at Great Smoky Mountains National Park.

The holding tank wall collapsed about 9 a.m. at the plant in the tourist town of Gatlinburg near the Little Pigeon River. Crews used jackhammers and heavy equipment to dig through the collapsed wall, and at 5:30 p.m., Gatlinburg's fire chief announced that they had recovered the bodies of John Eslinger, 53, and Don Storey, 44, both of the Sevierville area.

LOS ANGELES

USC re-opens transplant program after problem

A University of Southern California-affiliated hospital reactivated its kidney transplant program — two months after it was shut down because a doctor put the wrong kidney into a patient who survived the error.

USC University Hospital's transplant director Dr. Cynthia Herrington said Tuesday the program was restarted Monday after voluntarily shutting down Feb. 4 to strengthen patient safety standards.

The mix-up occurred Jan. 29 after two kidneys from separate donors arrived at the transplant center. ♦

USS SARATOGA
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Associated Press

WELCOME TO AMERICA Leland Davidson, 95, of Centralia, Wash., holds a U.S. flag as he waits before a ceremony to award his certificate of U.S. citizenship on Tuesday in Seattle. Leland was born in Canada to parents who were both citizens, but until now, his U.S. citizenship had not been formally documented.

Washington man, 95, has US citizenship confirmed

Associated Press

SEATTLE — Leland Davidson always knew he was an American. Now he has a certificate from the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services to prove it.

Davidson, 95, was the oldest of more than 50 people who had their citizenship confirmed Tuesday in a ceremony in Seattle. Most were children of parents who have become naturalized citizens or were adopted from overseas.

Davidson, a resident of Centralia, was born in British Columbia and qualifies as a U.S. citizen because his parents were from the United States. The family moved back to the U.S. when he was 5.

Davidson grew up and served in the Navy during World War II — another reason he is considered an American.

Wearing a plaid shirt with suspenders and blue jeans, Davidson sat in the front row Tuesday next to Irene, 89, his wife of 51 years.

Looking on were 28 family members spanning five generations.

Davidson said he didn't feel any different after receiving his certificate. However, his daughter Rose Schoolcraft said the ceremony marked the end of a difficult, yearlong process filled with sometimes frustrating bureaucracy.

"It means a lot of relief, we're excited for him," Schoolcraft said.

When the process of trying to document his citizenship began, she said, "we were a little fearful, that he might lose his Social Security, or even be deported."

Davidson recently applied for an enhanced driver's license so he could visit Canada. But when he was asked for proof of citizenship, he had nothing to show but his Canadian birth certificate.

With help from KOMO-TV and Sen. Patty Murray's office, Davidson received an application for citizenship. Then he located proof that his parents were born in America.

After the ceremony, the family planned to celebrate with a dinner out. Davidson said he'd likely have a cheeseburger.

"And perhaps some apple pie," Schoolcraft chimed in.

Davidson plans to hang his certificate on his living room wall along with medals and other mementos from his six-year Navy stint.

Still, he said he'd be glad to be done with all the attention.

"My La-Z-Boy is beckoning," he said.

Authorities close rural shootings case

Associated Press

CHICAGO — Investigators officially closed the books Tuesday on shootings last year in rural Illinois and Indiana after DNA evidence helped show a man killed in a suburban Chicago robbery attempt months later was the shooter.

For months, authorities called Gary Amaya, 48, of Rankin, Ill., a suspect in the Oct. 5, 2010, shootings that left one dead and two injured. Amaya was killed in December with his own gun during what police said was an attempted robbery of a tanning salon in suburban Chicago.

Ballistic tests showed the handgun in the robbery attempt matched one used in the rural Illinois and Indiana. But authorities wanted to await DNA testing, including some on handwriting samples.

"In our guts, we felt that Amaya was the responsible party," said Will County Sheriff's Deputy Chief Ken Kaupas said.

He said investigators met last week with the Will County state's attorney's office and police in Lake County, Indiana, to close the case. He said DNA tests weren't conclusive, but none of the tests could rule out Amaya. He said DNA evidence in a national registry had also not shown a match anywhere since Amaya's death.

Cell carriers to roll out 'mobile wallets' in Utah

By Brian Skoloff
Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — A joint venture between three of the nation's four largest cell phone carriers will soon offer the United States' first commercially available mobile fare payment program to a public transportation system.

Isis, a mobile commerce joint venture between AT&T Mobility, T-Mobile USA and Verizon Wireless, announced Tuesday it will roll out the pilot program in Salt Lake City in 2012, offering an alternative to credit and debit cards for Utah Transit Authority fare payments.

The program is also set to work for point-of-sale purchases at retailers in the area.

"This is the evolution of moving off of plastic," Isis CEO Michael Abbott said in an interview Tuesday. "This is the future of payments."

Abbott said the idea is to eventually make Salt Lake City, and other cities across the country, places where consumers don't need to carry their wallets anymore, communities where your cell phone is as good as cash or credit.

The idea sounds simple: Hop a train, swipe your phone, payment made. Grocery shopping? No cash? No problem.

"Salt Lake City: The Place You Can Leave Your Wallet At Home," exclaims a company news release.

Not so fast, say industry watchers.

"This is simply a silly claim on the part of these vendors," said Charles Golvin, a principal analyst with Forrester Research Inc.

The chips needed to make the so-called Near Field Communications wireless technology work aren't yet available in most cell phones. Many carriers will be rolling them out next year, but it will take time to get them in the hands of consumers. And while the Utah Transit Authority is already equipped with the necessary technology to read the phones, retailers will also have to begin upgrading their systems.

"There are some out there already but not the majority and it won't be the majority for quite some time," Golvin said. "This is almost certainly going to be like most technology adoption, a slow and steady build over a long period of time."

The fact that three of the four largest wireless carriers are now supporting the program means it should gain momentum in the coming years.

"They have their own incentives now to see profit and improve their business through NFC, and that means they will most likely demand that many of their suppliers include that function in the phones they sell," Golvin said.

BlackBerry maker Research In Motion Ltd., has said most new BlackBerrys will have NFC chips by later this year. Google Inc.'s Nexus S already has one, and the company's latest Android software for that and other phones has NFC support. Nokia Corp., the world's largest maker of phones, has committed to putting NFC chips in all its next-generation smart phones.

There's also speculation the new iPhone model due this summer will have an NFC chip, though Apple isn't commenting.

Abbott acknowledged the move will take time to catch on, but said the industry is serious about making mobile payments the future of purchasing transactions.

"This isn't a science fair. This is three carriers across multiple platforms," he said. "It's a transition. It's an evolution."

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President Obama owes Bush an apology on Gitmo

■ The president's stance two years ago was all about political posturing. How else do explain the lack of action?

RICH LOWRY
King Features Syndicate

President Barack Obama will try Khalid Sheikh Mohammed at a facility he vowed to close and in a process he harshly condemned.

In finally deciding to try the 9/11 mastermind at Guantanamo Bay before a military commission, the president personally is acting out Winston Churchill's adage about America always doing the right thing after exhausting all the alternatives.

In one of his first acts, President Obama signed an executive order to shutter Gitmo within a year of taking office. In late 2009, Attorney General Eric Holder followed up by announcing he'd try KSM in New York City. Ever since, it's been one reversal after another in a legal version of Napoleon's retreat from Moscow. The administration now hopes to return to the situation circa January 2009 when it cut short KSM's military trial at Gitmo to embark on its long, pointless meandering.

Where does George W. Bush go for his apology? The prior statements of Obama and his top officials on Gitmo and the commissions are an embarrassing farrago of amateurish, self-righteous posturing — tripe more fit for the opinion columns of a student newspaper than for the counsels of government.

Sen. Obama maintained that we "compromised our most precious values" in setting up "the detention cells of Guantanamo;" that Gitmo and the military commissions represent "a legal framework that does not work;" and that Gitmo is a terrorist recruiting tool. It is to this ineffectual, terrorist-recruiting system that violates everything we hold dear that President Obama now looks for swift justice in the matter of KSM.

One might think this turnabout would cause Obama and Co. to reconsider their harsh denunciations of policies they have made their own. Judging by Holder's strangely combative press conference announcing the KSM decision, they'll never admit they were wrong, just stymied by a foolish Congress reflecting the backward views of Americans unenthusiastic about unnecessary, high-profile terror trials in their backyards.

Holder said the administration will work to overturn congressional restrictions on bringing Gitmo detainees into the U.S., a cause so quixotic it makes Holder's original plan for a KSM trial in the Big Apple look levelheaded and well-considered by comparison. The A.G. is loath to let the dream of civilian trials die. He denounced "unfair and often unfounded criticism" of the civilian justice system, fuming that it's "not only misguided, it's wrong."

Yet it's not an affront against the system to question its suitability for a task for which it was never intended — trying alien combatants who committed an act of war against us. These enemies of the United States don't deserve the rights and privileges of American citizens. Nor do they deserve a gigantic media soapbox in a forum allowing them to put on trial our war on terror.

They should get basic due process, in a system built for the special circumstances of an ongoing war, in a place that's safe and doesn't entail massive new security measures — in other words, military commissions at Guantanamo Bay. If Gitmo didn't already exist, we'd have to invent it.

If they had been capable of any sympathy for U.S. officials coping with an unconventional war, Obama's crew might have realized that Guantanamo Bay hadn't been created on a mere whimsy, or for the sole purpose of blackening the reputation of the United States. In their self-congratulatory naivete, they refused to see that Gitmo had nothing to recommend it except it was better than any alternative.

By the end, even President Bush wanted to close the place. The problem then -- as now — is what to do with all the people we know are dangerous but don't have the evidence to put on trial. As we've released more and more Gitmo detainees, more and more have been returning to the fight.

The Obama administration should have greater appreciation for this and other hellish dilemmas now. It's called growing up — the hard way.

OUR VIEW

Local athletes should take advantage of heart screenings

We applaud the combined efforts of Midland Memorial Hospital and the Championship Hearts Foundation for offering local athletes free heart screenings.

Due to the cost of such screenings these tests usually are eliminated. Very few American communities offer this service. We think every athlete in Midland should get screened while this rare opportunity exists. The hypertrophic cardiomyopathy (HCM) screening can provide parents the peace of mind of knowing whether their child has any complications that need to be investigated.

Insurance companies usually do not pay for these screenings because sudden cardiac death only happens in a small percentage of people. Only one in 200,000 will die from a heart attack linked with athletics. However, it never hurts to have your child completely checked out.

The screening is from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday at Midland Memorial Hospital in the Illinois Avenue lobby. High school athletes, ages 14 through 18, can sign up for a free screening with permission of their parents. To register for an appointment, call 571-4069.

We urge parents to take advantage of this free heart screening, and we thank the teams at MMH and CHF for providing this service. It's all worth it if lives can be saved and parents can watch their children compete with full confidence that their heart can take the strain.

Short-term forecast brings no relief to dry conditions

The old saying goes, "April showers bring May flowers." We just wish we had the opportunity to test that theory.

If you hadn't noticed, Texas is in the middle of severe drought conditions. In fact, the U.S. Drought Monitor map shows 43 percent of the state in extreme drought conditions. Back on March 1 that same map listed only 13 percent of the state in extreme drought.

Permian Basin residents are beginning to feel the effects of the drought as it affects our lives every day. Water restrictions are being enforced in much of the Basin and wildfires continue to be a concern.

In fact, a massive wildfire erupted just south of the Odessa city limits this past week and eventually spread into Midland County. We are learning wildfires are not just a rural problem, but one that threatens the safety of every community in the Basin.

We hope all citizens will redouble their efforts to keep grass cut this summer to lessen the fire danger around your home and property and to strictly follow the guidelines set forth in the city's water plan.

Drought conditions across the state are expected to worsen through June, with the wildfire threat remaining extremely high. Higher-than-normal temperatures also are expected and the lack of rainfall will persist.

That's a pretty bleak outlook for the next three months, so it makes it all the more important that you follow the rules on watering and guard against fires around your home.

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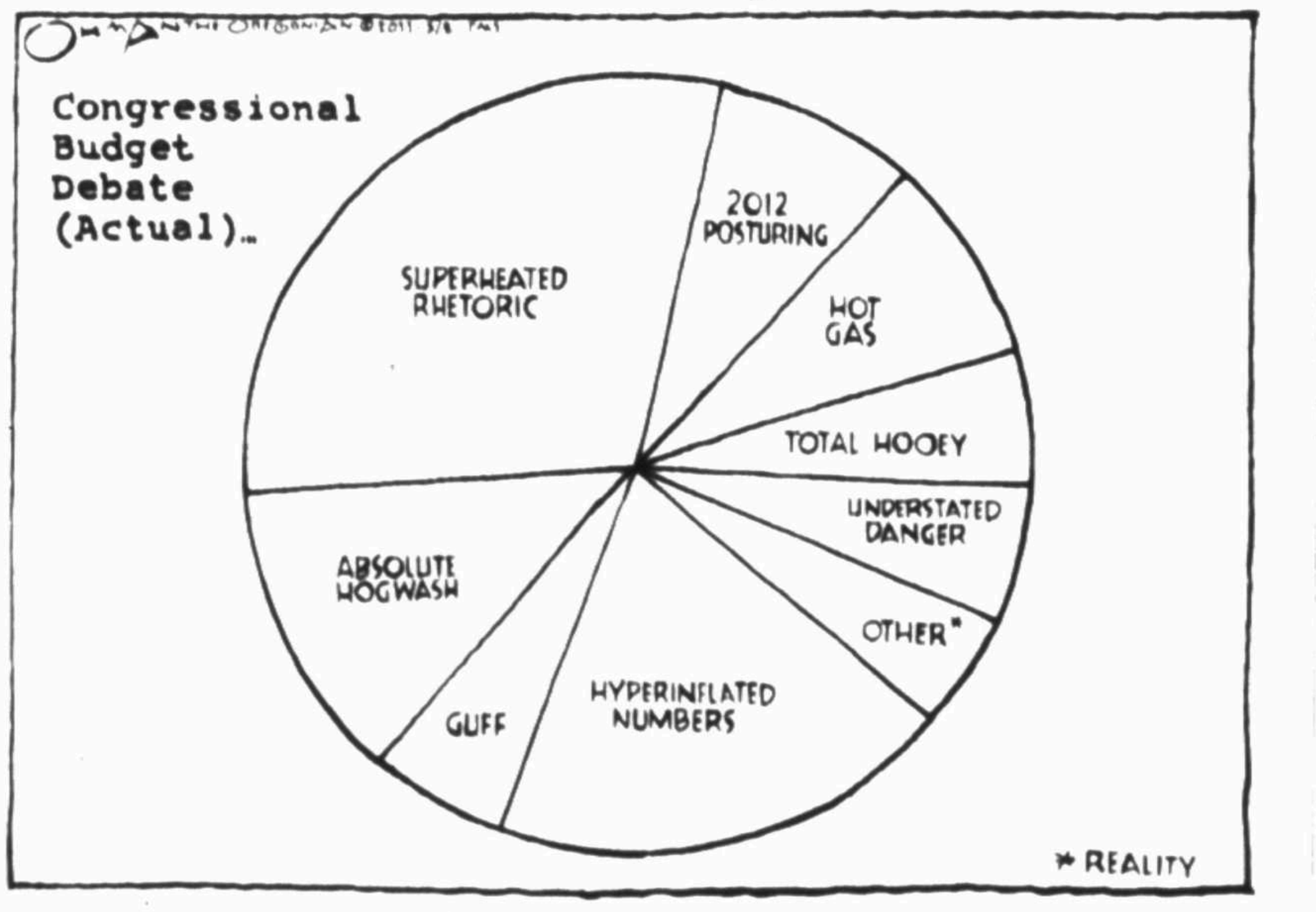


Latinos should question president about immigration two-step

■ President Obama doesn't have "the guts" to fix the immigration system or stop deportations.

RUBEN NAVARRETTE
Washington Post Writers Group

More and more Latinos are wising up to President Obama's phony immigration two-step. They include Univision anchor Jorge Ramos, who until recently was the administration's favorite Latino journalist. Ramos earned the honor by gushing over Obama during the 2008 election run.

Now, Ramos probably won't be landing any more exclusive interviews or getting any more invitations to state dinners. What did Ramos do to end up in the doghouse with the White House? Answer: Journalism.

The newsman asked Obama some tough questions about his immigration policy that the president couldn't answer.

Bravo. Obama needs more scrutiny. Left-leaning Latino advocacy groups — the National Council of La Raza, the League of United Latin American Citizens, the Mexican-American Legal Defense and Education Fund, et al. — have a three-pronged strategy: "See no evil. Hear no evil. Speak no evil."

Now, about Obama's two-step.

That's where he panders to Latino voters by criticizing the GOP for being too tough on immigration enforcement while also pandering to non-Latinos by being even tougher.

It's where Obama tells Latino audiences he's a champion of comprehensive reform while doing everything he can to keep it off the Democrats' agenda in Congress.

It's where Obama portrays his immigration policy as a kind and gentle version that doesn't divide families while the Department of Homeland Security does just that by deporting undocumented parents and leaving their U.S.-born children in this country.

It's where Obama, in an interview with Ramos during a stopover in El Salvador, claims illegal immigrants who would have been spared by the Dream Act — which offered legal status in exchange for attending college or joining the military -- aren't being deported because the administration is not "going around rounding up students." Then, a few days later, in another interview with Ramos during a town hall session in Washington, Obama has to acknowledge that his administration is in fact deporting students because "America is a nation of laws, which means I, as the president, am obligated to enforce the law."

And it's where Obama — when asked by Ramos if he could issue an executive order to stop these deportations — claims he doesn't have the power because it "would not conform with (his) appropriate role as president." Then, seconds later, he claims to advocate for "young people ... whose talents we want to embrace in order to succeed as a country."

All this double talk is exhausting. It's hard trying to be all things to all people. And it's really hard being a Democrat who wants to please both Latino voters (most of whom want comprehensive immigration reform) and organized labor (which worries about its members competing with illegal immigrants for jobs and thinks the competition will only get stiffer if the immigrants are legalized).

So, it's no wonder Obama is left with this rhetorical hash and words that don't match his actions.

Just like it's no wonder Obama seemed to get caught in a lie about whether illegal immigrant students who would be covered by the Dream Act are being rounded up and deported. Not until Ramos presented him with hard evidence to the contrary did he shift gears and talk about how it's his job as president to "enforce the law."

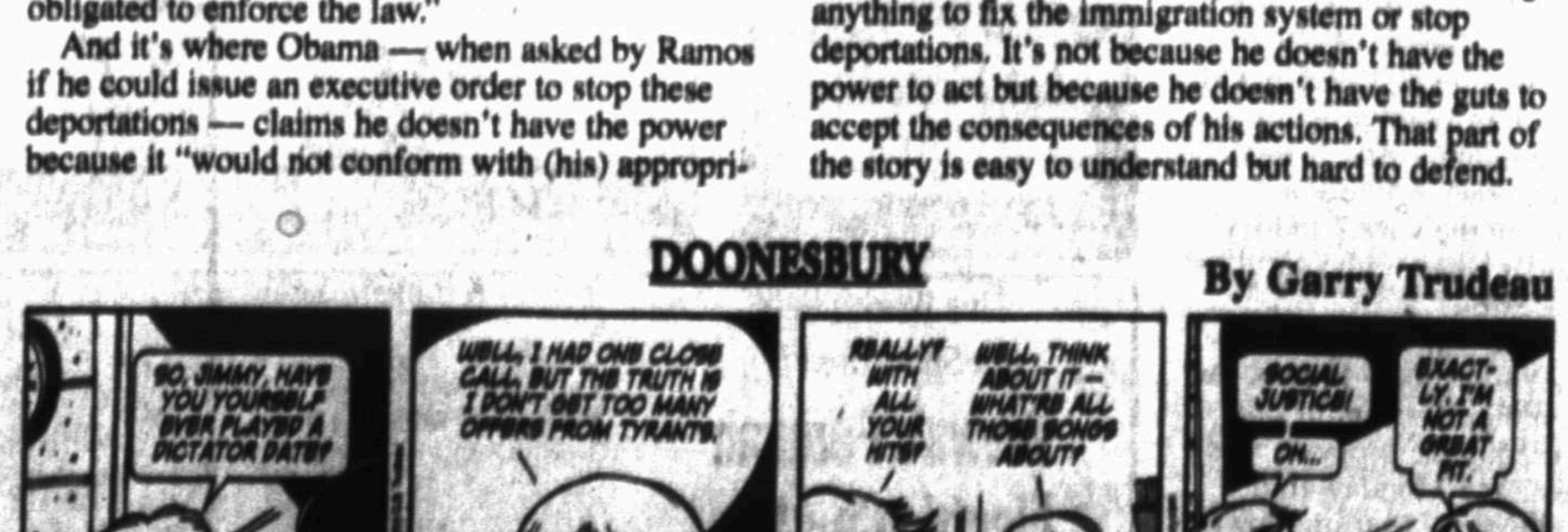
The evidence came from an illegal immigrant the administration is trying to deport. During the town hall session, Ramos showed Obama a videotape of high school student Karen Maldonado. Holding up her deportation order, she asked, "My question for the president is, why (is he) saying that deportations have stopped, or the detention of many students like me? Why is it that we are still receiving deportation letters like this one?"

Fumbling for an answer, Obama talked about his support for the Dream Act, and how he wanted young people like Maldonado to succeed, and how people should call Congress, etc.

In a later interview with Univision, Maldonado said about Obama: "I think he wants to help" but "the president kept going in circles. It looks like he did not want to answer my question. I wonder if he is just making this up. He gives us hope but is not doing anything about it."

You're right, Karen. President Obama isn't doing anything to fix the immigration system or stop deportations. It's not because he doesn't have the power to act but because he doesn't have the guts to accept the consequences of his actions. That part of the story is easy to understand but hard to defend.

DOONESBURY By Garry Trudeau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NATION BRIEFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

MONTANA

Agreement to let Yellowstone bison roam

BILLINGS — Bison from Yellowstone National Park will roam freely across 75,000 acres in southern Montana where for years the animals were shipped to slaughter by the hundreds, under a breakthrough agreement expected to be adopted this week.

The deal — involving five state and federal agencies and several American Indian tribes — still limits where bison can go during their winter migrations. Officials say those that move beyond the newly opened habitat and head north into the Paradise Valley will continue to be shot to protect livestock against a disease carried by the wild animals.

But supporters say the agreement will bring some relief to the state's bison management dilemma, which has dragged on for two decades and resulted in the slaughter of 3,800 bison.

A copy of the agreement obtained by the Associated Press shows bison will be free to roam within an area known as the Gardiner Basin when they migrate from the mountainous park during winter to graze. A map attached to the document depicts a "Bison Conservation Area" estimated by a U.S. Forest Service official at 75,000 acres, although some of that land is too steep to support bison.

SAN FRANCISCO

Oil-spill execs giving up safety bonuses

Executives at the offshore drilling contractor at the center of last year's Gulf of Mexico oil spill are donating bonuses they got for the company's safety record last year.

The decision announced Tuesday comes just days after Transocean Ltd. disclosed the bonuses deep in a regulatory filing, triggering intense criticism.

Transocean justified the bonuses by calling 2010 an "exemplary" year for safety — despite the explosion on its rig that killed 11 people and spilled 200 million gallons of oil.

CEO Steven Newman and four other executives are now donating bonuses worth more than $250,000 to a fund set up by Transocean for the victims' families.

RHODE ISLAND

Feds: UAE officer kept unpaid servant

PROVIDENCE — A United Arab Emirates naval officer who attends the U.S. Naval War College in Rhode Island was charged Tuesday with luring a foreign servant to the United States, then failing to pay her and keeping her confined in his house.

During an arraignment in U.S. District Court in Providence, Col. Arif Mohamed Saeed Mohamed Al-Ali pleaded not guilty to visa fraud and lying to a government official. A federal magistrate judge released him on personal recognizance.

In July, the officer and his family brought a woman from the Philippines to live with them in an off-campus two-story colonial when Al-Ali began his studies at the college, said Mary Rogers, an assistant U.S. attorney. The U.S. Naval War College is a Navy-run institution in Newport, R.I., that provides graduate-level military education to U.S. and foreign militaries.

Al-Ali and the Filipino woman, who has not been identified, signed a contract to employ her as a housemaid, working 40 hours a week for $10 per hour.

Instead, Al-Ali didn't pay her, took away her passport, forced her to work seven days a week — often until midnight — and refused to let her leave the family's East Greenwich house alone or talk to anybody outside his family, Rogers said. She said the woman ultimately escaped and now is in hiding.

Boeing didn't expect 737 cracks so soon

Associated Press

PHOENIX — Boeing engineers figured the joints holding the skin in place on their older 737 jetliners would begin to wear, but only as the planes neared retirement. They never expected it to happen in middle age.

Caught off guard when a piece of the fuselage on a Southwest Airlines jet peeled away as it flew over Arizona last week, they are rushing to create inspection and repair instructions for hundreds of similar planes in service worldwide.

Federal aviation officials issued an emergency order Tuesday that requires inspections of certain types of 737s.

Southwest, which operates nearly all of the U.S.-registered 737s requiring urgent inspections, inspected its planes and found five with the same types of cracks suspected of causing the 5-foot-long hole to open on Flight 812 last Friday.

While those planes are being repaired, the rest are again heading into the skies.

The failure raised concerns about the adequacy of safety inspections that failed to catch the problem even though nearly two dozen other instances of metal fatigue were spotted during an inspection of the Southwest plane a year earlier.

And it also focused attention on the specific 737 model. That model was redesigned after similar joint problems caused a huge section of the roof of an Aloha Airlines jet to break off in 1988. A flight attendant was sucked out and fell to her death.

"We want to understand why we saw the extent of tearing on the aircraft and this size of a rupture so that we can prevent it from happening again," National Transportation Safety Board Chairman Deborah Hersman told reporters Tuesday.

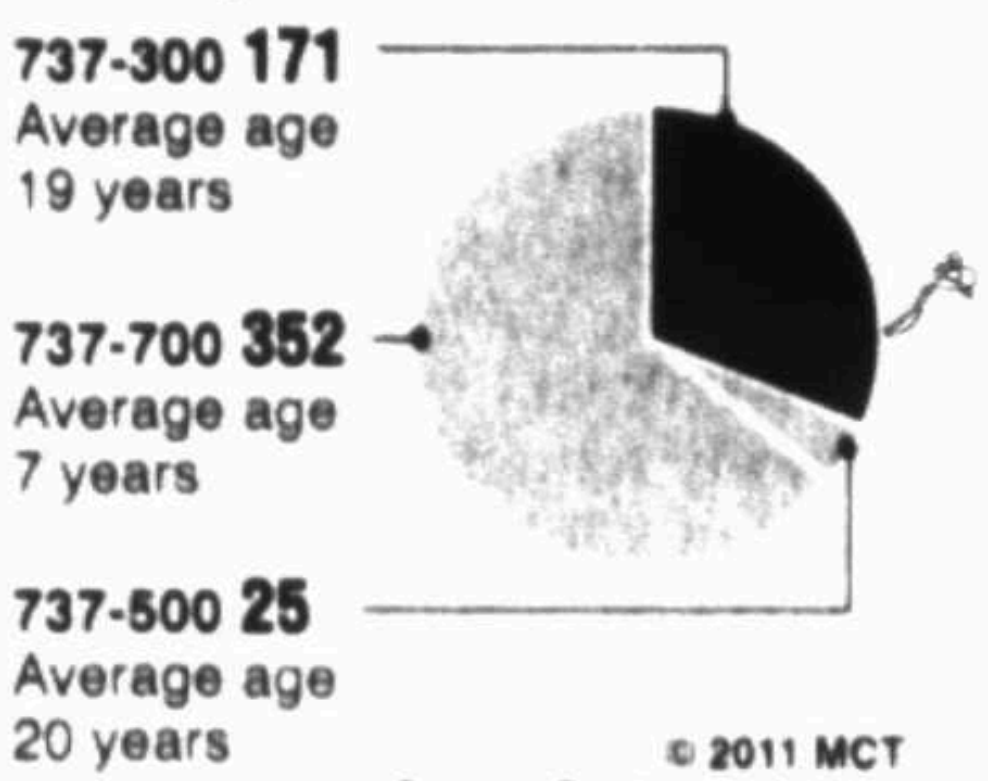
Hersman added that the NTSB will also investigate how often inspections are done and whether the schedule is appropriate.

Boeing never expected failures in the riveted skin joints running along the top of the 300, 400 and 500 models until the planes were much older, said Paul Richter, Boeing's top engineer for older 737s.

Southwest fleet

As of Dec. 31, Southwest operated a fleet that comprises 548 Boeing aircraft, 31 percent of which are 737-300s.

Fleet by model number



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Bristol Palin earns $262K for teen pregnancy work

Associated Press

ANCHORAGE, Alaska — Tax documents show unwed mother Bristol Palin earned more than $262,000 for her role in helping raise awareness for teen pregnancy prevention in 2009.

The most recent data for The Candie's Foundation that's posted online by research firm GuideStar shows compensation at $262,500 for the now-20-year-old daughter of former Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin, the 2008 Republican vice presidential nominee.

Bristol Palin was 18 when she was appointed as a teen ambassador for the New York-based foundation in 2009, months after giving birth to son, Tripp. She and the 2-year-old boy's father, Levi Johnston, are no longer together.

Palin family attorney John Tiemessen and foundation officials did not immediately return calls for comment Tuesday.

Palin, who still works for the foundation, told the Associated Press last year that girls would think twice about having sex if they knew how tough it is to be a mother. She said she "wasn't prepared at all" for the dramatic changes in her life since becoming a mom.

"I don't think anyone realizes how difficult it really is until you actually have a screaming baby in your arms and you're up all night," Palin said.

When she was first named to the ambassador role, Palin said in a statement she felt she could be a living example of the consequences of teen pregnancy.

"If I can prevent even one girl from getting pregnant, I will feel a sense of accomplishment," she said at the time.

Days after Sen. John McCain picked Sarah Palin to be his running mate in 2008, Bristol Palin's pregnancy was announced. Sarah Palin has not ruled out a run from president in 2012.

The Candie's Foundation is a division of the apparel brand Candie's. It has been raising awareness about teen pregnancy since 2001.

The blog Palingates first reported the compensation figure.

Space junk safely passes space station

Associated Press

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — After monitoring a small piece of space junk for 11 hours, NASA determined it posed no danger Tuesday to the International Space Station and its three residents.

Commander Dmitry Kondratyev and his crew were prepared to climb into their attached Russian Soyuz capsule for shelter. But an hour before the closest approach, Mission Control radioed the good news. Additional tracking showed the 6-inch piece of debris would remain a safe distance from the orbiting complex.

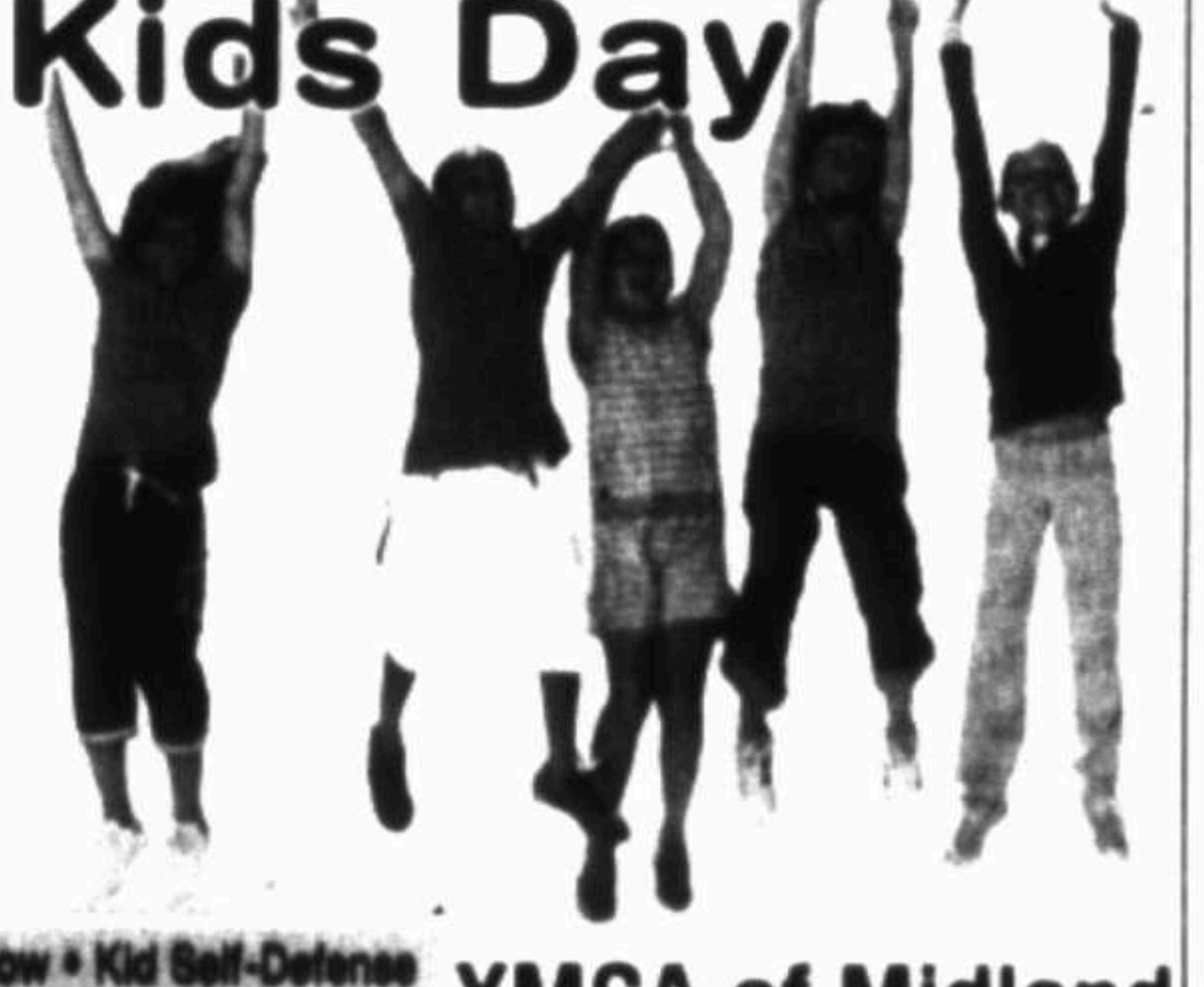
"That means we don't get to jump out tonight?" joked Italian astronaut Paolo Nespoli. He said he had been looking forward to getting some pizza. "OK, next time," he said.

The debris is from a Chinese satellite that was deliberately destroyed in 2007 as part of a weapons test.

Initial estimates put it passing less than three miles from the space station late Thursday afternoon. Mission Control ordered Kondratyev, Nespoli and American Catherine Coleman to prepare to get in the Soyuz; there was not enough time to steer the outpost away from the junk.

But as the afternoon wore on, the threat level went from red to green, and the Soyuz precaution was no longer needed. It ended up coming no closer than 3.3 miles.

Just last Friday, the space station had to move out of the way of an orbiting remnant from a two-satellite collision in 2009.



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ECUADOR

Nation expels US ambassador in WikiLeaks flap

QUITO — Ecuador said Tuesday it is expelling the U.S. ambassador over a diplomatic cable divulged by WikiLeaks that accuses a newly retired police chief of a long history of corruption and speculates that President Rafael Correa was aware of it.

Foreign Minister Ricardo Patino announced Ambassador Heather Hodges' expulsion at a news conference.

He said the ambassador, called to his office the previous afternoon, had not explained what led her to suggest in the 2009 cable that Correa knew of "supposed acts of corruption by members of the police leadership and more specifically the former commander of the institution, Jaime Hurtado Vaca."

MEXICO

DEA chief: Cartels' reach affects the world

CANCUN — Countries around the world are concerned about the increasingly global reach of Mexican drug cartels, the head of the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration said Tuesday.

The United States is particularly worried about the spread of Los Zetas, a vicious Mexican gang blamed for the killing of a U.S. immigration agent in February and the massacre of 72 migrants in northern Mexico last year, DEA administrator Michele M. Leonhart said at the opening of the annual International Conference for Drug Control.

The more than 100 countries participating in the conference face many of the same challenges as the cartels grow in capacity and sophistication, Leonhart said.

"We are always concerned about the Mexican drug cartels and the influence that they have," she said.

Leonhart said those gathered support Mexican President Felipe Calderon's offensive against the cartels and "want to be part of the solution."

In bunker, Ivory Coast's Gbagbo plays final hand

Associated Press

ABIDJAN, Ivory Coast — Surrounded by troops backing Ivory Coast's democratically elected leader, strongman Laurent Gbagbo huddled Tuesday with his family in a bunker and played his final hand, trying to wrest last-ditch concessions as he negotiated the terms of his surrender.

Down the hill from his luxurious compound, dozens of Gbagbo's soldiers were seen entering a church where they stripped off their uniforms and abandoned their weapons.

Earlier, Gbagbo's three top generals said they had ordered their men to stop fighting, the United Nations said in a statement.

The developments spell game over for a man who refused to accept defeat in last year's election and took his country to the precipice of civil war in his bid to preserve power. His security forces are accused of using cannons, 60 mm mortars and 50-caliber machine guns to mow down opponents in the four months since his rival, Alassane Ouattara, was declared the winner of the contested vote.

Associated Press

ON GUARD Soldiers loyal to Alassane Ouattara man a checkpoint at one of the principal entrances to Abidjan, Ivory Coast, on Tuesday. Ivory Coast's entrenched strongman Laurent Gbagbo huddled in a bunker at his home and was exploring different options for his surrender, officials said Tuesday, as forces backing the country's democratically elected leader seized the residence.

Choi Young-jin, the top United Nations envoy in Ivory Coast said by telephone that Gbagbo's surrender was "imminent."

"He accepted (the) principle of accepting the results of the election, so he doesn't have many cards in his hands," Choi told Associated Press Television News. "The key element they are negotiating is where Mr. Gbagbo would go."

Then, just as he appeared to be on the brink of stepping down, Gbagbo, in his first interview in months, defiantly insisted he had no intention of surrendering power.

"I won the election and I'm not negotiating my departure," he told French TV station LCI by telephone from his bunker. "I find it absolutely incredible that the entire world is playing this ... game of poker."

Veteran observers of this nation on Africa's western edge say the turn of events could have been taken from a biography of Gbagbo.

In Abidjan, he has long been called Le Boulanger, French for The Baker, because he rolls people in flour, a reference to a popular expression meaning to manipulate and deceive others. The election that was finally held last year was supposed to take place five years earlier.

He was given so many extensions that people here have lost count of how many times the poll was rescheduled.

"I think he's playing for time," said a senior diplomat who has closely followed events and spoke on condition of anonymity because he had not been cleared to speak to the press. "His aim is always to buy himself just one more day."

France's Foreign Minister Alain Juppe said Gbagbo would be required to relinquish power in writing and must formally recognize Ouattara, the internationally backed winner of the November election.

Ozone layer faces record 40 percent loss over Arctic

Associated Press

GENEVA — The protective ozone layer in the Arctic that keeps out the sun's most damaging rays — ultraviolet radiation — has thinned about 40 percent this winter, a record drop, the U.N. weather agency said Tuesday.

The Arctic's damaged stratospheric ozone layer isn't the best known "ozone hole" — that would be Antarctica's, which forms when sunlight returns in spring there each year. But the Arctic's situation is due to similar causes: ozone-munching compounds in air pollutants that are chemically triggered by a combination of extremely cold temperatures and sunlight.

The losses this winter in the Arctic's fragile ozone atmospheric layer strongly exceeded the previous seasonal loss of about 30 percent, the U.N.'s World Meteorological Organization in Geneva said.

It blamed the combination of very cold temperatures in the stratosphere, the second major layer of the Earth's atmosphere, just above the troposphere, and ozone-eating CFCs from aerosol sprays and refrigeration.

"This is pretty sudden and unusual," said Bryan Johnson, an atmospheric chemist who works in the U.S. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's Earth System Laboratory in Boulder, Colo.

Atmospheric scientists concerned about global warming focus on the Arctic because that is a region where the effects are expected to be felt first.

"The Arctic stratosphere continues to be vulnerable to ozone destruction caused by ozone-depleting substances linked to human activities," the U.N. weather agency's secretary-general Michel Jarraud said.

Although the thinner ozone means more radiation can hit Earth's surface, the ozone levels in the Arctic remain higher than in other regions such as in the equatorial regions, said the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, whose recent Arctic findings mirror those of the U.N. agency.

Ozone losses occur over the polar regions when temperatures drop below minus 108 Fahrenheit and iridescent ice clouds form. Sunlight on icy surfaces triggers the ozone-eating reactions in chlorine and bromine that comes from air pollutants such as chlorofluorocarbons, or CFCs, once widely used as refrigerants and flame retardants in household appliances.

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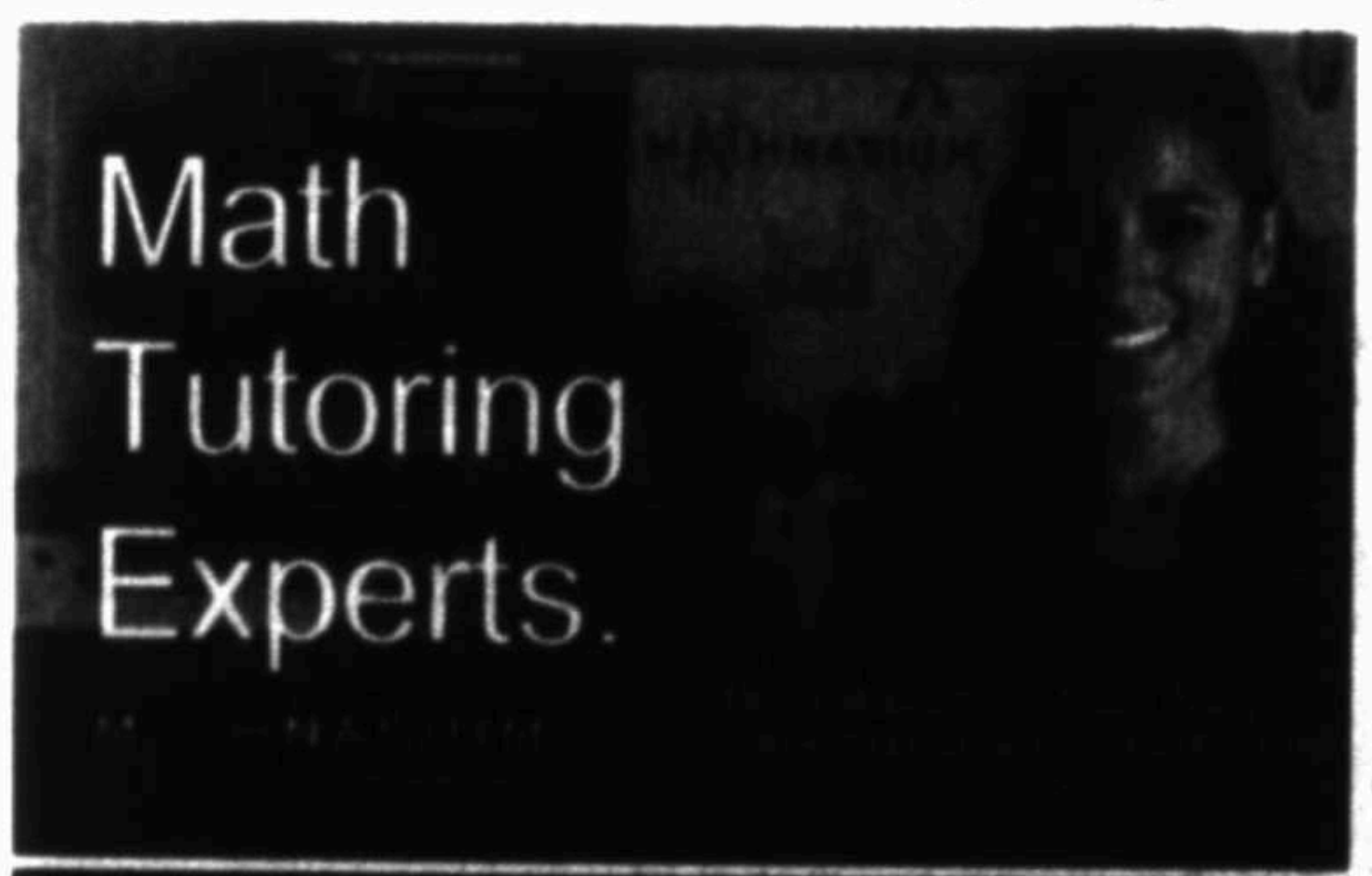

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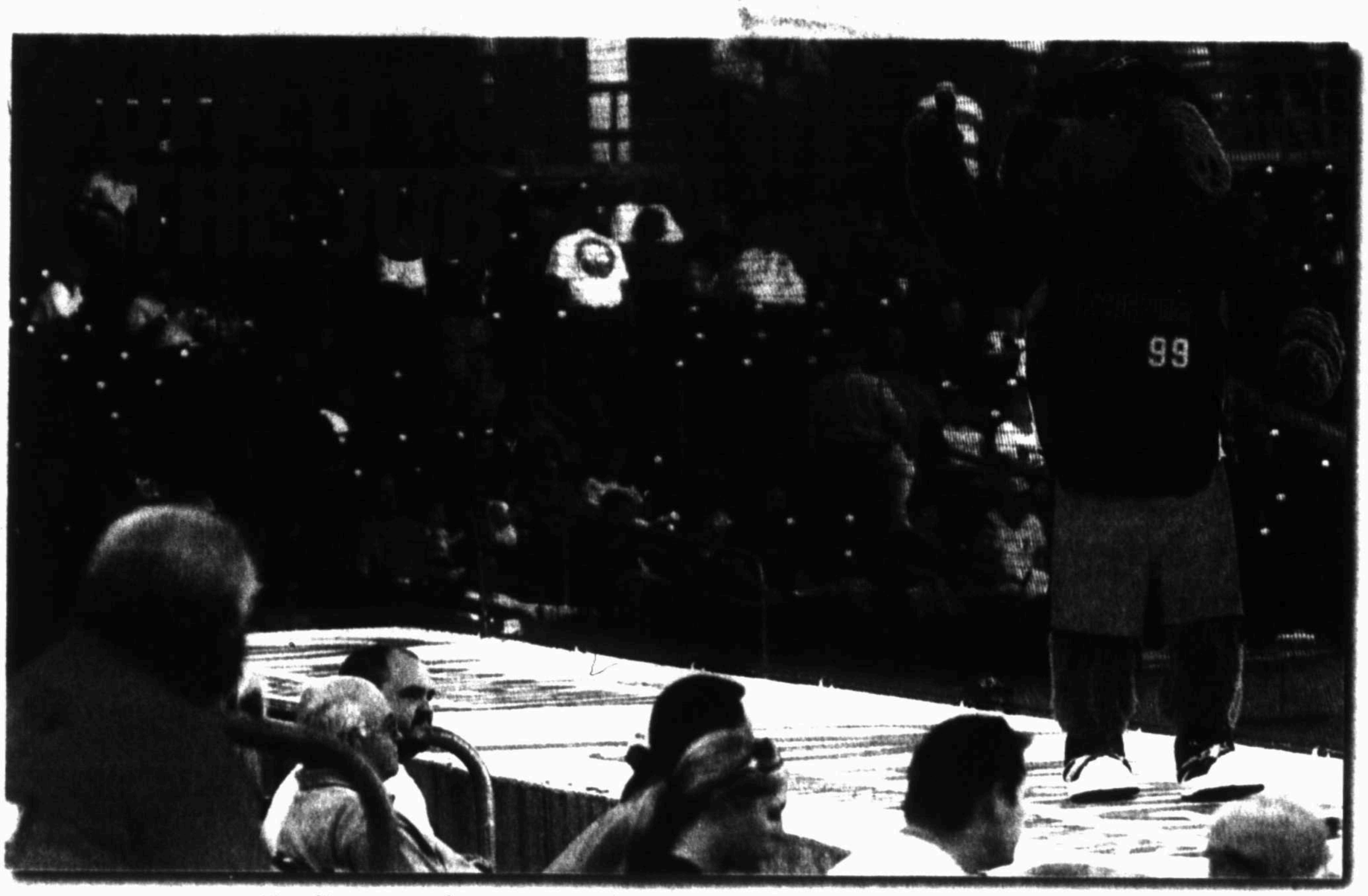

ROCKIN' JOB Rocky the RockHound tries to get the crowd going at CitiBank Ballpark during the first game of the Texas League Championship against the Northwest Arkansas Naturals in September 2009.

Man breathes life into Rocky

WORKING FOR A LIVING

STORY BY
SARA HIGGINS
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Danny Vasquez is a popular guy. On any given day at work, he grabs the attention of thousands of people and is begged for high fives and photo opportunities.

But when he takes off the dog suit, he becomes another face in the crowd.

Vasquez, 33, will start his third season as the man behind Rocky the RockHound. His identity has been largely kept a secret, except from close friends and co-workers at his other job as a city of Midland Solid Waste driver. Even his children weren't aware of his alter ego until two years ago.

"My kids would go to games with my wife, and she would tell them that dad couldn't come, that he had to work," Vasquez said, mentioning that he also has miscellaneous side jobs in concrete and roofing.

When his daughter began making appearances at the RockHounds games in her cheerleading squad, Vasquez said she grew frustrated that he wasn't able to attend any of them.

"The last one, she told me, 'I really, really want you to go to it; I wish I could see you there,'" Vasquez said. "I wanted them to see the character and enjoy it, but it kind of broke my heart to hear that. And I told her, 'Little do you know I'm always there.'"

Vasquez said his daughter was in disbelief, so he went and grabbed his uniform out of the closet.

"I came out and their jaws dropped," he said. "That was our little family secret."

Vasquez said he grew up as a class clown, always trying to get a laugh out of friends and family.

"My mom's always told me, 'One day you're going to grow up to be a clown,'" he said. "I was always the one in our family who was the character — I was always trying to find the humor out of life."

Vasquez first heard of the job through Solid Waste labor supervisor Miley Guzman, who portrayed Rocky until his retirement. Vasquez wore the suit for Juice the Moose and shadowed Guzman for one year, taking over the role as Rocky in 2009. Since then, mascoting has become a family affair; Juice the Moose is currently worn by Vasquez's sister, and this year his brother will take over Rocky Jr. Vasquez's wife also works at the children's jumping playground with their son, who also will fill in for Rocky Jr. from time to time.

"I see it as bringing more joy and laughter into our family," he said.

Though Rocky towers over crowds at games, Vasquez can only see through the suit's mouth

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FUN RUN A group of the advanced runners train in March during the 5K Training Program.

From the couch to a 5K race

- Local runners say training together helps to keep them motivated.

By Audrie Palmer
Staff Writer

Angela Grissom was looking for a way to stay motivated in her running so when a co-worker suggested she join a running group in Midland, she decided to give it a try.

The first time she went out with the group, she said she ran to the end of the block before almost passing out.

That was just a few weeks ago.

Regular participation in the program has helped her notice a difference in her running, as she said it's gotten much better during the past month.

Now, she said she can make the whole 30-minute run without stopping.

Grissom was one of the first members this year in the "From the Couch to a 5K" program offered through the Run This Way store in Midland.

Store owner Linda Freeman said she wanted to offer different running groups for runners to help them with the sport.

The group currently meets Tuesday and Thursday evenings at Freeman's business at 3209 Courtyard Drive and is always looking for new participants.

Freeman said Tuesday that she recently received a call from an employee with Weight Watchers who is looking to bring a few members from their class to participate.

"Our goal is to try to get some new groups and different levels going," she said adding that if there's enough interest a morning group might also be formed.

Those interested in running or walking can join the coached session at a cost of $10 for six weeks where trainer Betsy McKeller will talk participants through the

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FOOD ETC.

Freelance writer Joan Huff may be reached at foodetcmrt@aol.com.
For more gluten-free recipes, visit www.mywesttexas.com and click on "Entertainment - food."

Gluten-free diet requires resources and recipes

Gluten is a type of protein commonly found in rye, wheat and barley and is an ingredient in most types breads and cereals. Gluten helps make bread elastic and provides its chewy texture. While some people are allergic or sensitive to gluten, others avoid gluten because they feel its absence promotes digestive health.

If you have a physical sensitivity to gluten, you may have celiac disease, an autoimmune condition in which gluten inflames the lining of the small intestine. Stomach cramps, feeling bloated or nauseated or unexplained weight fluctuations are symptoms of gluten sensitivity.

Eating a gluten-free diet used to be more difficult and a little overwhelming. Fortunately, groceries and specialty health food stores now carry products for those on gluten-free diets. Ask store employees where these products are located because, as I found, they usually are grouped together. Bob's Red Mill products include cake, cookie and bread mixes. Bisquick has gluten-free pancake and baking mix, and Betty Crocker is offering cake, cookie and brownie mixes. There also are various flours, pasta and granola bars that are gluten-free. With all the products offered, it is easier to cook gluten-free without sacrificing flavor.

If you cannot find the foods you are looking for, there are online sources for recipe ingredients. These websites may be able to help: www.allergygrocer.com, www.glutenfreemall.com and www.glutensolutions.com. For recipes, gluten-free monthly menus and a wealth of information, visit www.glutenfreeda.com. Helpful recipes and information also can be found at www.glutenfreemommy.com.

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Obituaries

Clarence Edward "Buddy" Kilgore

Clarence Edward "Buddy" Kilgore went to be with his God and savior at the age of 63, on Saturday, April 2, 2011, at Midland Memorial Hospital.

Clarence was born August 31, 1947, in El Paso, Texas and was also raised there. He loved his God, his family, and West Texas football.

Clarence married Darlene Baker January 20, 1966. They were married for 21 years and had four wonderful boys, Michael, David, Pat and Brian.

He then married his soul mate, Cathy Ingmire Solley, on September 3, 1988, was married until his death, and acquired three more fantastic boys, Jeremy, Jeff and Jason. You could never tell which sons were blood and which sons were not because they were all loved and treated the same. Buddy emphasized and taught them to love God, work hard, and to care for their families. He was the proud grandfather of 20 grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Clarence is a member of The Orchard Church of Midland, Texas, and is a man of great faith, and walked with God in his heart. He loved with all he had and cared for anyone that he came in contact with. Even in his last days, at his sickest time, he continued to serve and take care of his family. He was always giving far beyond the 100 percent. He was a volunteer for Hospice of the Southwest and Home Hospice, taking food to the terminally ill and taking them for doctor appointments. Clarence also worked for his church family when ever needed. He coached Pop Warner football and farm league baseball. He loved to work with the teens at church functions and playing different sports with them.

Clarence was employed at Oil Center Research of Texas in outside sales. I know his customers will miss him dearly.

Preceded in death by parents, Clarence and Gladys Kilgore.

He is survived by his loving wife, Cathy I. Kilgore; sons and daughter in laws, Mike and Kimberly Kilgore, David and Angie Kilgore, Patrick and Michelle Kilgore, Brian and Deana Kilgore, Jeremy and Holly Ingmire, Jeff and Frieda Solley, and Jason and Carrie Solley; his brother, Johnny Burt and Dinah Kilgore; sister, Diana and Ronnie Melton; grandchildren, Jay Sherrill, Sarah Ford, Heather Kilgore, Shay Guinn, Lindsey Kilgore, Caitlyn Kilgore, Brandon Kauffman, Cameron White, Jacob Kilgore, Baylan Ingmire, Mikayla Reeves, Kyler Kilgore, Brittany Kilgore, Deven White, Johnathan Solley, Darcy Kilgore, Jewel Solley, Dayla Kilgore, Jaycee Solley, and Jayden Solley; and one great grandchild, Tanner Epke.

Sweetheart, thank you for loving me more than life itself. You are one of a kind. I will love you forever.

Memorial service will be held on Thursday, April 7, 2011, at 2:00 p.m., Ellis Funeral Home Chapel. Condolences may be left at: www.ellisfunerals.com.

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Delwin Elbert Eggleston

Delwin Elbert Eggleston, 93, of Midland, died on Friday, April 1, 2011, in Big Spring. Burial will be in Nolan County. He was born May 12, 1917, in Dallas, Wisconsin to Earl and Lottie Eggleston. His childhood was spent in northern Wisconsin and he graduated from Barron High School, attending the University of Wisconsin in Madison for two years. He then enlisted in the U.S. Army. While attending mechanics school in Baltimore, Maryland, he married Dorothy Sergeant of Sheldon, Wisconsin, on May 9, 1942. He served his country in Africa and Italy. Later, he spent a year in Korea during the Korean War.

He is survived by his wife, Dorothy; a son, Ronald Eggleston and wife, Joan of Grand Prairie, TX; daughters, Rebecca Pounds of Temple, TX, Virginia Escue and husband, John of Bastrop, TX, Nancy Slay and husband, Jimmy of Tyler, TX, Kathleen Johnston and husband, Raymond of Kingwood, TX, Dana Roepke and husband, Tim of Midland, TX; 15 grandchildren; and 19 great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a son, Dale Michael; his parents; and a brother, Shelby.

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James B. George

James B. George, better known as "Jim", was born November 2, 1922, on a ranch in Union County, New Mexico, to Dennis Lonnie George and Exie Victoria Ingram George. He died at the Texas Veterans Home in Big Spring on Tuesday, April 5, 2011.

Jim attended schools in McKinney and Hillsboro, Texas, and graduated from Waco High School in 1940. He then attended Texas A&M, before enlisting in the Army Air Corp as an aviation cadet in 1942. During the war, he flew 25 missions on a B-17 with the 100th Bomb Group of the 8th Air Force. After the war he spent most of his life as a representative for various manufacturing companies. Upon his retirement from that field, he became a real estate broker in Ruidoso, NM. While living there, he met Jane, and they were married in 1983.

After moving to Midland in 1987, Jim joined forces with MOHRE and volunteered his time helping them promote the Midland/Odessa area to prospective retirees. He also volunteered his teaching talents to the College Classics program teaching a business course. In the early 90's, he was employed as a manager for Holiday Retirement Corp., and he and Jane worked together as marketing managers throughout the entire construction phase of Polo Park Estates Retirement Home. Retiring from that position in 1995, he later became property manager for Midland Rentals.

Jim was a member of the Episcopal Church of the Holy Trinity, the Permian Basin Stamp Club, and the Midland Genealogical Society.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one sister.

He is survived by his wife, Jane of Midland; her daughter and son-in-law, Lisa and Rick Shirley; their two sons, Steven and John, all of Dallas; her son, Chris Barteet of Eunice, NM; a granddaughter, Catherine Lopez and her mother, Magda George of West Palm Beach, FL; one aunt, Artelle Stiff of McKinney, TX; three nieces, Vicki Stephenson and her husband, John, Darnell Wedel and her husband, Jim, and Tara Miller and her husband, Mark.

Graveside rites and interment will be held at the Pecan Grove Cemetery in McKinney, TX.

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Syble Mae Matthews Turner

Syble Mae (Matthews) Turner was born in Marlin, TX on January 1, 1929, and passed peacefully from this life in Rockwall, TX on Sunday, April 3, 2011, after a long battle with Alzheimer's disease. For many years Syble had a day care center in her home, and worked as a cake decorator in a number of bakeries. She was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother and friend. Syble had a wonderful servant heart and a strong love for the Lord.

Syble was preceded in death by her husband of 59 years, Edward Lee Turner. Syble was also preceded in death by her sister, Joyce White, and her parents Robert and Jewel Matthews.

Syble is survived by her son, Dwain Turner and wife, Mona; daughter, Judy Page and husband, Dan; and son, Tom Turner and wife, Vicki. In addition Syble is survived by 9 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be held Wednesday, April 6, from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m., at Laurel Oaks Funeral Home, 12649 Lake June Rd., Mesquite, TX 75180. A memorial service celebrating Syble's life will be held Thursday, April 7 at 2:00 p.m., at Laurel Oaks.

All Obituaries must be submited by 3:30 P.M. prior to next publication day.

William E. "Ed" Fulbright

Services celebrating the life of William E. "Ed" Fulbright of Lamesa, Texas, are scheduled for Thursday, April 7, 2011, at 2:00 p.m., at the First Baptist Church of Lamesa with the Reverend Chris Powell officiating. Interment will be in Lamesa Memorial Park at 11:00 a.m., Thursday, April 7, 2011, under the direction of Branon Funeral Home. Mr. Fulbright departed this life on Monday, April 4, 2011.

Born on December 9, 1940, in Temple, Texas, and raised in Bellmead, a suburb of Waco, Texas, he was the son of James Edward Fulbright and Minnie Ola Wyly Fulbright. He married Stephenie Laurine Wyatt in Natchitoches, Louisiana, on December 22, 1961.

Graduating with honors from LaVega High School in May of 1958, Mr. Fulbright entered Baylor University in the fall of 1958. He graduated from undergraduate school on May 25, 1962, with a Bachelor's of Arts Degree in Political Science and from the Baylor School of Law, Cum Laude, finishing second in his class, on November 27, 1963, having earned a Bachelor's of Laws Degree. He was licensed to practice law in the State of Texas in 1963. He was admitted to practice in the U.S. District Court, Northern and Western Districts of Texas in 1968 and in the U.S. Court of Appeals, Fifth Circuit, in 1975. In 1987, Mr. Fulbright was selected a Fellow of the Texas Bar Foundation, an honor bestowed on no more than one third of one percent of the total membership of the Texas State Bar each year, and denotes a lawyer whose professional, public, and private career has demonstrated outstanding dedication to the welfare of the community, the traditions of the profession, and the maintenance and advancement of the objects of the Texas Bar Foundation. In 1997, he was named a Life Fellow of the Texas Bar Foundation.

While in Baylor University School of Law, Mr. Fulbright served as associate editor of the Baylor Law Review for the Winter, 1963, term, was a member of the Texas Gamma Chapter of Alpha Chi, a national scholarship fraternity, was elected to Who's Who among Baylor Law School Students, and held membership in the Phi Delta Phi Law Fraternity. He was also the recipient of American Jurisprudence Awards.

After graduating from Baylor University School of Law, Mr. Fulbright moved with his wife, Stephenie, to Lamesa, Texas, and began the practice of law in the firm of Cayton and Gresham. The firm later became the Cayton, Gresham and Fulbright Law Firm, then, Gresham, Fulbright and Casselberry Law Firm, and finally the Fulbright and Casselberry Law Firm. Widely known for his knowledge of the law, his integrity in practicing his chosen profession, and his devotion to his clients and fellow attorneys, December, 2010, marked the 47th anniversary of Mr. Fulbright's practice of law in the city of Lamesa.

During Mr. Fulbright's life in Lamesa, he was associated with the Optimist and Rotary Clubs, served as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Lamesa Independent School District, served as City Attorney for the City of Lamesa, and participated in numerous projects involved with the promotion and development of Lamesa. He has been a member of the First Baptist Church of Lamesa since 1963, where he has taught Sunday School and served on various committees and Boards within the church.

The ultimate professional, Mr.Fulbright was an avid reader and enjoyed various hobbies including golfing, hunting and marksmanship. He collected hats and vests, and had a different one for every occasion. He was a loving husband, father, grandfather, and brother who took a great deal of pride in his family, and especially enjoyed family gatherings and attending events in which his family members were participants.

Mr. Fulbright is survived by his wife of 49 years, Stephenie; a daughter and son-in-law, Karen and Eric Pollack of Santa Fe, New Mexico; a son and daughter-in-law, Russell and Robin Fulbright of Lubbock, Texas; two grandchildren, Holly and Wyatt Fulbright of Lubbock, Texas; a brother and sister-in-law, Ronald and Debbie Fulbright of Axtell, Texas; and a sister-in-law, Connie Wyatt of Lamesa. He is also survived by three nephews, four nieces, two great nephews, two great nieces and a host of friends.

Preceding him in death were his parents.

Donations honoring Mr. Fulbright may be made to the Palliative Medicine Unit of Covenant Hospital, 3615 19th Street, Lubbock, Texas 79410, attention Dr. Melanie Oblender; to Hospice of Lubbock, P. O. Box 16800, Lubbock, Texas 79490; to the American Cancer Society, P. O. Box 22718, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73123-1718; or to a charity of one's choice.

"He has fought the good fight, he has finished the race, he has kept the faith.".

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Hospital purchases $2 million surgical robot

- Certain procedures now can be offered in Midland.

By Audrie Palmer
Staff Writer

Midland Memorial Hospital will now be able to offer more minimally invasive surgeries after the board approved an almost $2 million purchase of a new robot to be used to assist surgeons.

The da Vinci Surgical Robot was approved last Wednesday by the MMH board of directors with a price tag of $1.95 million for a refurbished unit — $300,000 less than the budgeted price for a new model, officials said.

The robot has four arms and a highly technical console that the surgeon sits behind and manages. The machine will have two consoles so another surgeon can be there for a complicated surgery or it can be used to teach in the surgical residency program, which Dr. Bob Dent, vice president of nursing, said the hospital hopes to have by next summer.

Everything viewed through the console is magnified to help the surgeons take part in a more precise surgery, Dent added.

The robot will be used mostly by those in the gynecology and urology fields of medicine, and staff members have begun scheduling training for doctors and nurses to be educated on how to use the machine.

"We've also been able to recruit two new surgeons here this summer who have been trained exclusively on the robot," Dent said.

The robot also will provide more benefits to patients including smaller incisions that will be prone to fewer infections and a shorter length of stay in the hospital.

"For the patient, you won't have the large open scars and the pain of having to cut through muscles to get to the organs," Dent said.

The types of procedures that will use the robot include gynecology surgeries for endometriosis, vaginal prolapse and hysterectomies. The surgical robot also means some who have to travel for prostatectomies will now be able to have it done in Midland.

MMH, Dent said, has been studying the system for the past two years and has sent a small group to California for presentations and to test run some of the surgeries using the device.

The surgical tool was first launched in 1999 in California and approved by the FDA in 2000. Currently, there are 1,676 systems being used in 1,500 hospitals across the nation.

"It's more of a standard of practice for new surgical residents. That's what they're practicing on almost exclusively," Dent said.

A group of staff surgeons will attend a training program at a Houston hospital next month to monitor five surgical cases using the robot. A group of nurses will go to Virginia for training with the two new doctors that will move to Midland to practice with them.

Dent said the hospital has the robot at the campus now, but officials still are purchasing supplies and getting a core team trained to use it. They hope to have their first surgery using the da Vinci robot in August.

"It's evident that more of our hospital leaders, board and medical staff are wanting to do what we need to do to better provide care to this community," Dent said.

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	CNBC	46	45		39	72	The Kudlow Report (N)		American Greed		American Greed		American Greed (N)		Mad Money		American Greed	
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	DISC	50	20	31	24	42	Gold Rush: Alaska ∩		Gold Rush: Alaska ∩		MythBusters ∩ ▩		S Beach	S Beach	Gold Rush: Alaska ∩		MythBusters ∩ ▩	
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	HIST	71	62	29	50	43	To Be Announced		Brad Meltzer's Dec.		Weird Warfare (N) ▩				Weird Weapons ▩		Brad Meltzer's Dec.	
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Temple mayor recalls All-Texas Air Tour

TALKIN' TEXAS

Tumbleweed Smith is a Big Spring storyteller and folklorist.

The All-Texas Air Tour started in 1946 when private planes started getting popular. World War II had just ended, and people were looking for diversions. Texas aviators got it started.

"It started in Temple every year on the first day of October," said Bill Jones, mayor of Temple. "One year it would go around the state clockwise, then the next year it would go around counter-clockwise. They would go to 35 to 40 small and large airports all over the state of Texas. There would be 65 to 70 private aircraft from all over the United States that came to Texas for a week in early October."

Bill's dad went on the tour.

"That's how he learned what a great place Texas was. We lived in a northwest suburb of Chicago, and one day he came home and said he had bought seven acres of land in Troy, Texas, and a plant site in Temple and construction of a plant was under way. That was 34 years ago."

The plant Bill manages manufactures food processing equipment for companies such as Campbell Soup and Oscar Mayer.

The air tour was a big deal, especially in small towns. Bill learned to fly and joined the tour.

"We'd go to five or six airports a day. We'd leave early in the morning, fly to a city and have doughnuts, then fly to another and have cookies, then fly to another for lunch. Then we'd go to a couple more airports in the afternoon. We called it the All-Texas Eat Tour because everywhere we went, people fed us. If we went to Ranger, the Rangerettes would entertain us. Small towns never had anything like this. When we came, they'd just roll out the carpet. The whole town would come out. The high school band would play for the pilots, who would be there only 35 or 40 minutes. But when 70 airplanes land at a single strip airport, then line the runway and fly away, it is an amazing sight."

After the war, lots of pilot training bases became airports. Bill said there are more airports in Texas than in any other state except Alaska. "It was easier to get around that way. It's a big place, and we didn't have the highways we have today. It's still fun to fly around Texas."

Each tour ended with a banquet at whatever airport could accommodate the pilots, who all shared a deep love of flying and of Texas.

"The last banquet was in the mid-1980s, and many of the original members drove in because they didn't fly anymore, but they weren't going to miss that last opportunity to experience that great fellowship. It was an amazing thing."

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Midland, Odessa American Iris Society chapters have shows planned

■ The West Texas Iris Society's 33rd annual show, "The Iris Palette Colors Our World," is Saturday at First Baptist Church.

Entries will be accepted for single irises, arrangements, educational entries or iris photography. Submissions will be taken between 8 a.m. and 10:15 a.m. Entries will be on exhibit 12:15-4:45 pm.

Ribbons and certificates will be awarded in adult and youth categories.

For more information, call 694-5435 or 697-0557.

■ ODESSA — The Permian Basin Iris Society's 23rd annual show, "Our Bloomers Are Showing," is April 23 at Music City Mall.

Entries will be accepted for single irises, arrangements, educational entries, English boxes or iris photography. Submissions will be taken between 7 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Entries will be on exhibit 1-4:30 p.m.

Ribbons and coupons will be awarded in adult and youth categories.

For more information, call 697-6340 or email dkstraus@swbell.net.

Master Gardeners plant sale

The Permian Basin Master Gardeners will hold their annual plant sale 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Saturday at the Midland County Horseshoe Arena. Plants for sale will include herbs, salvias, vines, grasses, trees, flowers and Earthkind roses.

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SCHOOLING THE KIDS Rocky the RockHound and RockHounds staff talk with students at Parker Elementary about staying away from drugs as part of Red Ribbon Week in October 2010.

ROCKY

From 1B

and nose. Without the suit, he stands at 6 feet 1 inch tall and weighs 160 pounds.

"I think a lot of people would be surprised," he said. "You're picturing something bigger, but I'm really skinny."

Before one game, Vasquez stood on top of a dugout throwing Frisbees, one of his signature routines, to get a feel for the wind when an usher approached him and asked him to step down.

"Our Rocky's a pretty big guy," Vasquez remembered the usher insisting when he said he was the mascot. "You're the one who does the one-armed push-ups?"

Not only does Vasquez gain size, but he also takes on the personality of Rocky when he puts on his costume.

"When I get into Rocky, it's like putting on Rocky for real," he said. "You have to live up to what Rocky is. He has this reputation of being a cool dog."

To keep up with younger generations, Vasquez will spend weekends at home watching YouTube and practicing hip-hop moves with his kids.

"I don't want to be just a guy in a suit. I want to bring Rocky to life and be able to be up with the generation, what's going on," he said. "My wife says, 'Sometimes I don't think it's you in there.'"

Vasquez also performs as P.K. the Coyote for the Midland Sockers, but growing up playing baseball means he feels a little more comfortable in Rocky's shoes.

"I know the rules," he said. "I know the game, I love the game, so I can interact more since I already knew all the calls."

Even out of the suit, Vasquez said he is mostly referred to as Rocky by RockHounds employees and team members. He added that being a part of the team, even as a mascot, has been a dream come true as a baseball fan. One of his fondest memories was when the RockHounds won the Texas League championship game in 2009.

"You see it on TV where everybody runs into the locker room and has champagne blowing everywhere, and they really soaked Rocky," he said, laughing. "It took me weeks to get that smell out. That's something I'm going to treasure for the rest of my life. Not everybody gets to be a part of that, and to see some of those guys and they're pros now, it's fun to be a part of it all."

Despite the job's perks, the Rocky suit has no fan for extra ventilation, Vasquez said, which can be tricky and even dangerous in West Texas heat. At scorching summer games, he usually keeps rolled-up, iced T-shirts nearby to change into after skits.

"That heat is a heat you ain't gonna experience nowhere else," he said. "It's hard to explain until you put it on. I put a thermometer in there one year and it got up to 125 degrees."

For last year's All-Star game at Citibank Ballpark, Vasquez said most visiting teams sent their mascot suits without people to fill them. Some of the Midland Sockers players volunteered to take the positions for some quick money.

"I said, 'It gets hot, know your limits,'" Vasquez recalled telling the players. "They said, 'Hey, we're soccer players — we run all day.'"

One player didn't make it through the first inning, and most made a break for the locker room after the first skit, Vasquez said.

"Everybody thinks it's easy money, that 'We just have to go out there and run around like idiots,'" he said. "There's no fan, there's nothing in there — you just gotta toughen up."

Sometimes wearing the suit provides Vasquez with a test of self-control because he's not able to reach up into his helmet to wipe sweat from his eyes. When he tried to wear a headband over his forehead, it rolled down, momentarily blinding him during a skit.

"When you get an itch on your nose, it never fails, it's always during the national anthem or something," he said.

On top of his solid waste department position and side labor, the mascot can work more than 90 hours in a month portraying both Rocky and P.K. He also started making appearances at birthday parties as "Uh-Huh" the clown with Greenie the Clown, and this summer will be his first time juggling all three personas.

"In July, I probably have just four days off in the whole month," he said. "I go to every game, whatever appearances — it's like one job into another into another."

The only injuries Vasquez said he's experienced are a few pulled muscles or a sore neck from his helmet, but wearing a giant furry suit or blow-up costume sometimes makes him and other mascots a target for abuse.

"Sometimes people just come up and pop you on the back of the head. People think it's the kids, but the kids love you, they're not gonna hurt you — it's the teenagers," he said. "It's like, c'mon, there's a person in here, I know you're older and you know that."

One of the toughest parts of being Rocky is the secret popularity that accompanies the mascot job, Vasquez said.

"The hardest thing is you build a relationship with people in the suit," he said. "You shake their hand, they'll give you hugs and take pictures with you and say hi every night, and when you see them outside of that, they don't even know you."

One of Rocky's biggest fans was 5-year-old Joseph "Deuce" Lovell Jr., of Odessa, who drowned last spring at Lake Brownwood. A YouTube video shows the boy singing "Take Me Out to the Ball Game," and being lifted up onto the mascot's shoulders. After his death, Vasquez said Joseph's parents requested him to be a pallbearer at the funeral in his Rocky costume.

"We had lost one of our own little players and that was him," he said. Rocky and Juice wore baseball patches with the boy's initials in his remembrance for the 2010 season, then gave them to Joseph's parents at the end of the summer.

Though Vasquez said he doesn't know how long he'll be able to wear Rocky's shoes, he hopes to hang in there until his 4-year-old son, who already participates in clown skits with Vasquez and his wife, is old enough to take over.

"I've been blessed that my body allows me to do everything I need to," he said. "It's an energy that the Lord's blessed me with."

Vasquez said he feels lucky to be doing something that he's loved his whole life and finally not getting into trouble for it.

"I wish I could go back and tell my teachers now, 'Hey, I told you this would pay off one day,'" he said about his antics. "It's something I like doing and I just enjoy it. It's worth the sweat, it really is."

Though his retirement might be far in the future, Vasquez said he would leave if he grew too tired to live up to the Rocky persona.

"I don't want to be that mascot that just goes around and shakes hands," he said. "A mascot should be entertaining and outgoing. Anybody can put the suit on, but bringing the character to life is what the real job is."

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Q&A with Rocky:

Do you have any experience that has helped you be a better mascot?

"I was in Taekwando growing up — a lot of the stretching comes to help me out in the long run for when I'm leaning back and playing my air guitar."

What's the closest you've ever come to revealing your true identity?

During his first Trauma Awareness Day, when students from surrounding areas attend an afternoon game: "I thought, 'God almighty there's a million kids here.' I signed so much to where one time I actually signed my actual name, Danny. The kid took off running with the ball and I said, 'I hope he doesn't notice it, I hope he thinks it's a baseball player.'"

How hard is it not being able to talk?

"It's really hard, especially when you see a friend you haven't seen in years."

What's your most embarrassing moment as Rocky?

"I wondered why they kept calling time outs during one of the games and realized that my 4-year-old kept throwing a ball onto the field. One of the fans made a comment like, 'Where are those kid's parents' at?' My kids were sitting in the outfield, and I was on top of the dugout — I stared them down so hard my son said he could see my face through my suit."

FOOD

From 1B

Gluten-Free Brownies

From All You, March 2011

1/2 cup brown rice flour
1/2 cup almond meal
1/2 teaspoon baking soda
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
5 ounces bittersweet chocolate, chopped
8 tablespoons unsalted butter, cut into pieces
3 tablespoons unsweetened cocoa
3 large eggs, at room temperature
1 cup packed light brown sugar
2 teaspoons vanilla extract

Preheat oven to 350. Mist a 12-cup muffin tin and 4 cups of a 6-cup tin with gluten-free cooking spray. In a bowl, whisk rice flour, almond meal, baking soda, salt and cinnamon. Place chocolate and butter in a heatproof bowl; set over a pan of simmering water. Let stand until chocolate and butter have melted, stirring often. Remove from heat; whisk in cocoa.

In a large bowl, using an electric mixer, beat eggs and sugar on medium speed until smooth. Beat in vanilla. Slowly add chocolate mixture; beat on low for 1 minute. Beat in flour mixture. Fill each muffin cup 2/3 full. Bake until a toothpick stuck into middle of a brownie comes out clean, about 15 minutes. Let cool in pans on a wire rack for 5 minutes, then remove to rack to cool completely.

Banana Bread

From www.glutenfreeda.com

1 1/3 cup gluten-free flour
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon baking soda
1/2 teaspoon baking powder
1/2 teaspoon vegetable or canola oil
2/3-cup sugar
3 large eggs, lightly beaten
1 cup ripe bananas, mashed
1/2 cup pecans, chopped

Preheat oven to 350. Prepare a loaf pan. In a medium bowl, mix together flour, salt, baking soda and powder. In a large bowl, beat together the oil and sugar. Add the flour mixture to the oil mixture and beat until blended. Gradually beat in eggs. Fold in bananas and pecans. Pour the batter into the loaf pan and bake for 45 minutes or until an inserted toothpick comes out clean. Let cool in pan for 10 minutes before removing to cool on a rack.

Southwestern Chicken Lasagna

From www.csaceliacs.org

8-10 uncooked DeBoles Rice Lasagna
1 pound coarsely ground chicken
1 egg or egg substitute
2 cups low fat ricotta or cottage cheese
1 cup reduced fat cheddar or Monterey Jack cheese
2 cups cooked kidney or pinto beans, mashed
1/2 cup water
1 teaspoon cumin
1/2 teaspoon garlic powder
1 cup prepared picante sauce, divided in half
1 small can chopped green chiles
2 cups crushed stewed tomatoes

Mix egg and both cheeses in bowl. Saute chicken in skillet until cooked. Add coarsely mashed beans, water, cumin, garlic powder, 1/2 cup picante sauce and the chiles. In a separate bowl, mix tomatoes and remaining 1/2 cup picante sauce. In 9x13-inch pan, layer as follows: tomato sauce, noodles, chicken/bean mixture, and cheese mixture. Then repeat. Cover and bake at 350 degrees for 1 hour or until done.

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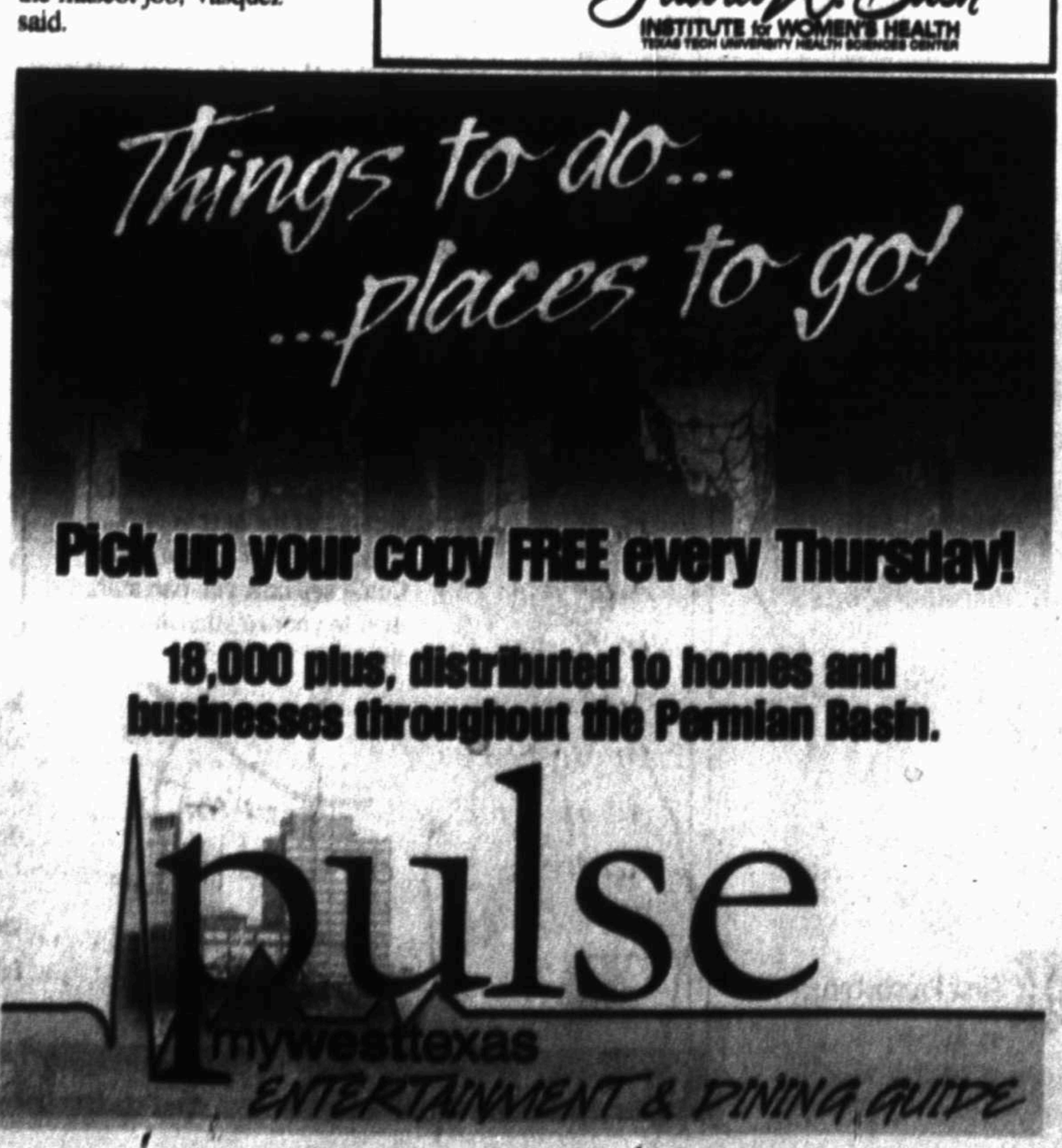

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RUN

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mechanics of running and how to prevent injuries.

McKeller has run several 5K races herself, and her husband has participated in a marathon. But, she's quick to tell you she hasn't been a runner for very long.

She began running after college and said it is a way to stay in shape and help boost self esteem. But her love of running now is something that surprises not only her but also her friends she knew in school.

"My friends can't believe that not only do I run but I also teach running because that's not what I did," she said.

McKeller began training with the group in February and first started with a schedule of four-minute runs followed by a minute of walking with the hopes of gradually building up the group so they run continually for 30 minutes.

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PEP TALK Betsy McKeller, left, talks to a group of runners about hydration and running after completing a 2.5-mile run. McKeller also discussed proper running attire outside the Run This Way athletic store in March.

For many in the group, the runs are a social event and give those who enjoy the sport someone to run with on a regular basis. It holds those who enjoy running accountable to the exercise when they have others to run with, McKeller added.

For Charles Myers and Karen Tucker, that's why they got into the group — for accountability.

Myers said they saw the flier on the store's front door and didn't know anyone when they signed up to participate. But, because the two consistently have attended training sessions, they've noticed they've been getting better every time.

"It gives you some motivation and accountability. The social aspect makes it more fun," he said.

And he said since they started, he's been able to compete in a few 5K races — one of the goals those participating say they want to achieve.

Many runners in the group will compete in the fourth annual 5K race "Run from the Cops" coming this Saturday, and it is hosted by the Midland Police Department. The race begins at 10 a.m. in the west side parking lot of the MPD building at 601 N. Loraine St. Cost is $20 for entry and proceeds benefit the Midland Rape Crisis and Children's Advocacy Center.

And for Grissom, who participated in her first 5K on March 26 with the Bloodgusher race at the Scharbauer Sports Complex, she seems to have caught the "racing bug" and plans to participate in more upcoming runs.

"I kind of liked it too much last time," she said with a smile.

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For more information or to join the running group, contact Run This Way at 520-7866 or at the store location at 3206 Courtyard Drive.

When it comes to marijuana, Willie's punishment seems to vaporize

By Joe Nick Patoski
Texas Tribune contributor

What is it about Willie Nelson, weed and the law?

It's been a question worth asking since at least 1971, when Willie brought together rednecks and hippies at the Armadillo World Headquarters in Austin with his unique style of country music and his open attitude about marijuana. His eldest daughter, Lana, and his former wife Connie said pot helped tamp down the rage; he had been a mean drunk when alcohol was his drug of choice.

Now 77, Willie is perhaps America's best-known marijuana smoker. He is co-chairman of the advisory board of the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws, has been a High Times cover boy and famously smoked a joint on the roof of the White House when Jimmy Carter was president. His disciples include the actor Woody Harrelson and the country crooner Ray Price, his former employer — each known to have enjoyed a puff now and then. He is the inspiration for Toby Keith's hit song "(I'll Never Smoke) Weed With Willie (Again)," which testifies to the quality of his stash.

All that is part of Willie's folklore. It's when he tangles with law enforcement that things get interesting, though not necessarily all that punitive.

Take his most recent bust. On Nov. 26, Border Patrol agents at the eastbound Interstate 10 immigration checkpoint just west of the far West Texas town of Sierra Blanca arrested Willie inside his touring bus, Honeysuckle Rose, after drug-sniffing dogs and the agents' own olfactory acumen gave them reason to search. Six and one-quarter ounces of high-grade, domestically grown marijuana were discovered. Nelson was arraigned on a misdemeanor charge, posted a $2,500 bond and went on his way. Afterward, he announced he was forming a new political party, the Teapot Party.

Last week, C. R. "Kit" Bramblett, the Hudspeth County attorney, announced that Willie was going to have his day in court, telling The Big Bend Sentinel, "I'm gonna let him plead, pay a small fine, and he's gotta sing 'Blue Eyes Crying in the Rain' with his guitar in the courtroom." Bramblett added, "I ain't gonna be mean to Willie Nelson."

This week, Becky Dean-Walker, the Hudspeth County judge, said Bramblett was joking; Willie could dispense with the matter by mail. Misdemeanor possession cases from the Sierra Blanca checkpoint are typically settled with a plea, a $100 fine and $278 in court costs.

We've heard this song before. In the wee hours of May 10, 1994, two highway patrolmen found Willie sleeping in the back seat of his Mercedes, parked on the southbound frontage road of Interstate 35 south of Waco, near the town of Hewitt. He had been involved in a late-night poker game in nearby Hillsboro and got tired driving back to Austin, so he pulled over to take a nap. After he admitted to the highway patrolmen that the hand-rolled cigarette in the ashtray contained marijuana and belonged to him, as did a baggie stashed under the driver's seat, he was arrested. He lawyered up and canceled an appearance at the Grammys so he could be in court. Before his trial, one of the patrolmen who arrested him was fired on an unrelated charge of sexual harassment and left town. Willie was found not guilty by a McLennan County judge.

On Sept. 18, 2006, Willie, his bus drivers, his road manager and his older sister Bobbi were arrested at a commercial vehicle inspection station on westbound Interstate 10 in St. Martin Parish, La., while traveling from Alabama to Austin to attend the funeral of former Gov. Ann Richards. Authorities found 1 1/2 pounds of marijuana and one-eighth of a pound of hallucinogenic mushrooms. Willie said the dope belonged to him and was for his personal use. Seven months later, he canceled concert dates and had his bus drivers take him from California back to Louisiana for his court date. He was fined $1,024 and given six months' probation.

Willie is not the voracious viper he once was. A collapsed lung persuaded him to switch from joints to a carbon-free vapor delivery system three years ago. But he does not lack for the substance when he wants it. Every grower worth his product wants the stamp of approval from him, since "Willie weed" is considered the gold standard by which all marijuana is judged.

By making a joke of possession and enforcement laws, Willie has done more to demonstrate the ineffectiveness of marijuana prohibition than a hundred lobbyists or a thousand politicians could ever do.

Is he bulletproof? Above the law? Too hot to handle or incarcerate? No. But he is Willie Nelson. If you're a law enforcement person, it pays to know that before you start investigating that funny smell emanating from Honeysuckle Rose.

Joe Nick Patoski is the author of "Willie Nelson: An Epic Life," which was published by Little, Brown and Company in 2008.

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SEEDS FOR THOUGHT

Deborah Benge Frost was the extension horticulture agent for Texas AgriLife Extension Service in Midland and Ector counties.

Audits save water and landscape

There's no better time to check out the efficiency of your irrigation system than spring. Irrigation auditing is a good thing to do no matter what the season or the water restrictions. The process provides homeowners with valuable baseline information that can save water and money. Irrigation auditing includes site inspection, performance testing and irrigation scheduling.

Site inspections are critical because even well-designed systems develop problems over time. Because most systems run at night, water wasting problems are not so obvious. Problems such as sunken, covered, blocked or misaligned heads all waste water. Many misaligned heads spray water onto streets or other hardscapes, which is a nuisance and a water waste. Broken or missing sprinkler heads also waste water.

When sprinkler heads are spaced too far apart, it results in poor water distribution and dry spots. The natural response is to increase the time on the station to green up the dry spots, but this doesn't fix the design problem and wastes water on most of the landscape.

Insufficient or excess operating pressure can lead to water loss. Low water pressure generally is caused by pressure losses through valves, meters, piping, too many heads and other components of the irrigation system. Visual indications of low water pressure include large droplets, short sprinkler throw and dry spots. High pressure, on the other hand, creates excess misting of water that drifts and evaporates easily.

Check the performance of your system by evaluating the sprinkler.

Sprinkler application (pop-up sprayers, rotors, micro-sprays and bubblers) are designed to operate within a specific pressure and head spacing. Water flow rates are indicated in gallons per minute and precipitation rate in inches per hour, but the output generally is different.

The catch can test is the most accurate method to determine precipitation rates for an irrigation system. This test will measure the amount of water that hits the ground in a particular spot and determine application uniformity. Check each zone or station separately by following this process:

1. Turn on the system, one zone at a time to locate and mark sprinkler heads;
2. Place catch cans (small left over containers, tuna or cat food cans, all same size and shape) in a grid-like pattern throughout the zone;
3. Turn on the zone and allow the water to run a set amount of time; (It should run long enough that a measurable amount of water accumulates in the cans.)
4. Measure the depth of the water in inches and record these measurements and the time allowed for watering on a sheet of paper; and
5. Repeat these steps for each zone.

Using the data from the catch can test, calculate the precipitation rate for each zone. Add the amount of water in each can together and divide by the number of cans. Divide that number by the number of minutes the station ran. Multiply by 60 to get the precipitation rate. The equation for calculating precipitation rate is: precipitation rate = (average catch can depth / test run time) x 60

Irrigation scheduling is important regardless of water restrictions. An audit can customize your irrigation scheduling based on your soil types, plants water requirements and slopes.

Visit the Permian Basin Master Gardeners website — westtexasgardening.org — for detailed information on irrigation auditing. Or call Texas AgriLife Extension Service, 498-4071, for a copy of "Earth-Kind Irrigation System Auditing." Save water and maintain your landscape with Earth-Kind irrigation auditing.

Cindeka Nealy/Reporter-Telegram

DIGING IT Debbie Frost clips dead heads from her golfer plants Monday at her home in Odessa. Frost, horticulturist with the Permian Basin Master Gardeners and AgriLife Extension Horticulturist for Midland and Ector counties, retired Feb. 28.

Colleagues recognize retired garden guru

By Sara Higgins
Staff Writer

> "She's like a walking encyclopedia. Debbie was a whirlwind, and she still is 20 years later. She's got more energy than all of us put together sometimes."
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> **— BARBARA PORSCH**
> Permian Basin's Master Gardeners' delegate to the state

Midland Reporter-Telegram columnist Debbie Benge Frost said that though it is her time to retire as a horticulture agent, her green thumb still will help the community to grow through volunteer work.

The gardening guru finished her last day at the AgriLife Extension office Feb. 28 after working almost 31 years in horticulture. She began her career as a Lea County Extension horticulture agent in New Mexico, and after nine years moved to the Permian Basin, where she became the horticulture agent for Midland and Ector counties. She participated in local and national organizations such as Keep Midland Beautiful, Texas Forestry Service and National Association of Horticulturists.

Frost held the first training for Permian Basin Master Gardeners 20 years ago. The organization had an initial enrollment of 12, but now has 162 certified gardeners and 25 more in training.

"That probably is the No. 1 project that I've been involved in because it's so highly effective and has impacted the community in such a positive way," Frost said. "It's very much so a collective accomplishment."

Frost's gardening projects throughout the years, which she accomplished with the help of Permian Basin Master Gardeners, include the Midland County Courthouse, Midland County Horseshoe, Odessa Memorial Garden and the Ellen Noël Art Museum's Sculpture and Sensory Garden. Frost and the Master Gardeners' first project was the Water Wise Garden at the Commemorative Air Force building, said Barbara Porsch, who is the Permian Basin Master Gardeners' delegate to the state. Her work has ranged from nationally renowned research on rose growth to helping others with landscaping needs.

Frost will be remembered in the Permian Basin gardening community for her vast knowledge in a variety of horticulture-related fields, Porsch said.

"She's like a walking encyclopedia," she said. "Debbie was a whirlwind, and she still is 20 years later. She's got more energy than all of us put together sometimes."

Frost distributed her gardening knowledge through her "Seeds for Thought" gardening column in the Reporter-Telegram and her two shows on television, "Weekend Gardener" and "Midday with Debbie."

"It's easy to tell somebody to do something, but she showed people how to do it," said Lindy Tefteller, a family consumer science agent for AgriLife Extension in Midland County. "She would meet people at their location or at their home to help them solve an issue they were having. She always was an email or phone call away."

Though Frost acknowledged that gardening is not for everyone, she said she enjoyed helping those who are willing to learn.

"I enjoy gardening so much and I want other people to have success and feeling of accomplishment with it," she said.

Frost said her spirituality also has been a driving force in her career in horticulture.

"Nature testifies to God's glory through his creation," she said.

One of the virtues that Frost hopes she imparted on others during her career was the need to be good stewards of the environment.

"I would love for people to be inspired, to enjoy their outdoor living spaces," Frost said, "and to enjoy nature because it's incredibly intriguing and entertaining. It's just a wonderful place to spend time."

Frost said she plans to continue her involvement in horticulture and the community by volunteering with AgriLife Extension and working in landscape design.

"Just because she's retired doesn't mean she's going to stop what she's doing," Tefteller said. "This is a lifestyle for her, and she loves what she does."

Working in horticulture in the Permian Basin has been an interesting challenge for Frost throughout the past 22 years, but also a task that she said has great rewards.

"We live in the desert Southwest," she said. "It's nice when you can create a little oasis of flourishing plants and color, and they invite so much into the landscape — you get birds and butterflies and hummingbirds and you have this little environment that develops. You get to enjoy nature up close and personal."

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Wounds on young live oak likely will heal

NEIL SPERRY'S GARDENS

"Neil Sperry's Texas Gardening" can be heard 11 a.m.-noon Saturdays on KCRS (AM 550). He can be contacted at mailbag@sperrygardens.com.

Dear Neil: I have a young tree that did not lose its leaves this winter. It has dark spots down near the ground. What do I need to do?

Answer: You have a live oak. The dark spots could be wounds brought on either by sunscald or by some type of abrasion. Because this is a young tree, either could have been the cause. Sunscald develops in young oaks when the sun beams down continuously on the still-barkless trunk. Abrasion can happen when the trunk is rubbed, for example against a trunk lid or the back of a pickup or trailer as it's being transported. Watch the wounds closely. Odds are, they should heal this spring and summer.

Dear Neil: What would have caused my soft-leafed yucca to develop all these dead leaves? It started in 2009, but now almost all the leaves are dead. What can I do in the future?

A: That's not an uncommon fungal leaf spot invader when we grow soft-leafed yuccas in heavy or poorly drained soil or when they're in much shade. As tough as the leaves are, this disease really moves in and takes over. All of the recommendations I found called for simply removing the affected leaves to keep them from acting as sources to spread the infection. Unfortunately, we often find the problem too late, and that kind of pruning is completely impractical by then. You could try a systemic insecticide, but it's probably going to be futile. It sounds like you'll be replacing the planting anyway. Go with something different.

Dear Neil: Is there any way to stop a chinaberry tree from producing its berries? They're driving us crazy, although we like the tree.

A: There is no magic "medicine," if that's what you're looking for. If there were, we'd probably be using it on mulberries, oaks, cottonwoods and hackberries. However, at least with chinaberries you're able to prune off the fruit clusters even late in the spring, long before they start to fall to the ground next winter. Use a long-handled pole pruner, and nip them off as clusters while they're still green. It might take a while, but invest 15 minutes a day for a few days and you'll have the problem solved.

Dear Neil: There is a very large container for a planter in front of our school. It's 32 inches square. We'd like to plant perennials in it. We know they would die to the ground in the winter. We've seen you write about having a thriller, a spiller and a filler in pots. What would be good for each of those in our setting?

A: Because almost all perennials bloom for only a couple of weeks each year and because the pot would appear empty all winter of the school year, I'd really encourage you to switch over to annuals. For example, violets are perennials (for shade), but they bloom for only two or three weeks late each winter. Their sisters, annual pansies will look good from late October until late April. For plantings at this time of year, nurseries will have several tall plants. For example, you could use purple fountaingrass (an annual) as your tall plant, diamond frost euphorbia as the filler, and fanflower new blue wonder scaevola or trailing lavender lantana as the trailing spiller. Use the best possible potting soil. With proper watering and feeding over the next several months, those could be handsome until mid-term this fall. There are many other great combinations. Ask your nurseryman to help.

Dear Neil: I'm confused by your TARR remedies. We have St. Augustine growing beneath our trees, but there is almost no grass left there. Do we put the inch of sphagnum peat moss down first and then plant the grass on top of it, or do we get the sod in and then put on the peat?

A: Hang on! If you have enough shade that St. Augustine has died away in the past, there is a huge chance it's not TARR that's been causing your problems at all. You simply may not have enough light for St. Augustine to survive. It must have four hours of hot, direct sunlight all spring, summer and fall to hold its own, and more like six hours if you expect it to grow and cover. Thousands of people are giving false hope to the peat moss treatment, when shade is actually their culprit. You really should send samples of your sickly St. Augustine through the plant disease diagnostic lab at Texas A&M. If you truly have TARR, you're also going to find it out in the brighter parts of your yard. If your problem is confined to the shade, it's not TARR. I guess I need to answer your question, however. You need to get the sod established first, then apply the peat second. But, it sounds like you're making a mistake,

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Sports

Jacks take series lead

See story on Page 4C.

Lady Bulldogs advance to regional tournament

Cindeka Nealy/Reporter-Telegram

TAKING IT AWAY Midland High's Shannon Byrd (13) moves in to steal the ball from an El Paso Franklin defender Tuesday during their Class 5A regional quarterfinal game at Grande Communications Stadium.

By Jonathan Hull
Sports Writer

This story is getting repetitive for the Midland High girls soccer team.

For nearly 65 minutes of their Class 5A regional quarterfinals playoff match on Tuesday, the Lady Bulldogs controlled the ball and created opportunity after opportunity for themselves. However, an ongoing problem continued as the Lady Dawgs struggled to take advantage of their chances and put the ball in the back of the net.

But just when those in attendance might be getting restless, the Lady Dawgs strike in a hurry. They scored two goals in the match's final 15 minutes, giving them a 2-1 victory against El Paso Franklin (24-2) at Grande Communications Stadium.

"That's soccer. It's a game of momentum and trying to put the ball in the back of the net," MHS coach Kent Rivas said. "You have games where you shoot and shoot and shoot and shoot and lose the game 1-0. Thank goodness we were able to put two away to their one. We'll take it and move on."

The win puts the Lady Dawgs (21-6-1) in the Region I-5A Tournament for the first time since 2009. It also allows the Lady Dawgs to basically play as the tourney's host team since it is held at Grande Communications Stadium. They'll play Grapevine at 3 p.m. Friday.

MHS senior midfielder Shannon Byrd had the game-winner in the 77th minute, sending a solid strike from 27 yards away to the left corner that bounced once and made it past Franklin keeper Julie Aguilar — a feat the Lady Dawgs struggled to accomplish throughout the match.

Lady Bulldogs	2
Cougars	1

"The scouting report on them was right," Rivas said. "They were good athletically and they hang around. We compare them to Lee or San Angelo Central. One of the things you can't do is allow these teams to stay with you."

Aguilar proved impenetrable for 64 minutes as she was seemingly in the right place at the right time for each of the Lady Dawgs' shot

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CHAMPIONS

Aggies beat Notre Dame for 1st NCAA title

By Doug Feinberg
Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — Scoring, rebounding, even making a key steal, Danielle Adams saved her best game for the biggest stage and brought Texas A&M its first national championship.

Adams scored 22 of her 30 points in a dominating second half and answered the Fighting Irish basket for basket Tuesday night to help Texas A&M bring a title to the former all-male military academy with a thrilling 76-70 victory in front of a pro-Notre Dame crowd.

Aggies	76
Irish	70

"I knew they couldn't stop me inside so that's what I did, I took it inside," Adams said.

No one was happier than Gary Blair, the outspoken A&M coach who hadn't been in the Final Four since 1998 when he was with Arkansas. Blair bluntly said it was a good thing that top powers like Connecticut, Tennessee and Stanford weren't in the title game.

"We don't give up," Blair said. "We might not play the prettiest game in the world but it's good for women's basketball to see a Texas A&M and a Notre Dame in this game."

And then his Aggies went out and proved him right.

Tyra White added 18 points for A&M, including a huge 3-pointer as the shot clock buzzer sounded to put A&M up 73-68 with 1:07 left.

The Aggies are a national championship newcomer and bullied their way through the tournament to get to the top. Like Notre Dame, the Aggies vanquished their conference rival on the way, beating Baylor in the Dallas regional final after losing to the Lady Bears three times during the season.

Adams, who had a history of vanishing in big games, did no such thing on Tuesday night, scoring the second most points ever in a championship game (Sheryl Swoopes 47, 1993).

"Glad we came back," Blair said. "We had a bad 10 minutes in the first half. We found a way to come back, and Danielle got the ball inside."

Both teams reached the cham-

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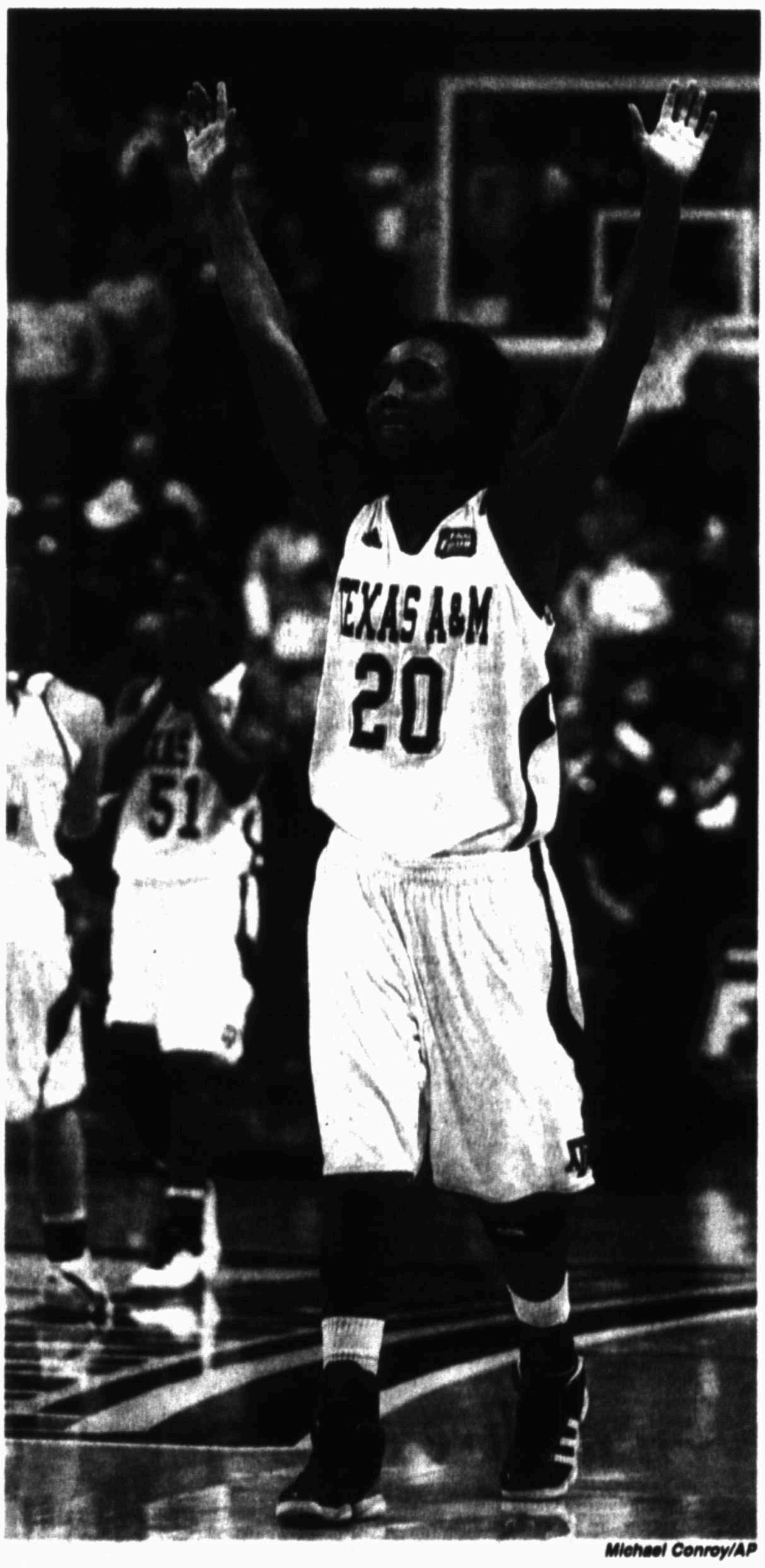

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Texas A&M's Tyra White (20) celebrates after Texas A&M's 76-70 win over Notre Dame for the NCAA Women's national championship in Indianapolis on Tuesday.

Cindeka Nealy/Reporter-Telegram

GOOD JOB Midland High pitcher Kelsey Hoppel gets a pat on the helmet from coach Shawanda Vines on Tuesday during their game against Lee at the Audrey Gill Sports Complex. Hoppel had 11 strikeouts in the Lady Dawgs' 5-0 win.

Hoppel fans 11 as Lady Bulldogs shut out Lee

By Len Hayward
Sports Editor

It's no secret that the addition of Kelsey Hoppel to the Midland High softball team was a major boost to a young team. Tuesday afternoon, Hoppel showed why her presence has helped the Lady Bulldogs not only be in contention for a playoff spot, but also a district championship.

Hoppel put together her best pitching performance of this season and it came against rival Lee as the senior struck out 11 in a 5-0 Lady Bulldogs win at the Audrey Gill Sports Complex.

Lady Bulldogs	5
Lady Rebels	0

Hoppel's performance, though, was also complemented by what was possibly Midland High's most complete game of the season as the Lady Bulldogs lineup slapped eight hits and scored five runs. Five different players scored runs, and six different players recorded at least one hit with Naomi Posada and Gaby Muniz each having two hits.

"It's absolutely one of our best games," Midland High coach Shawnda Vines said.

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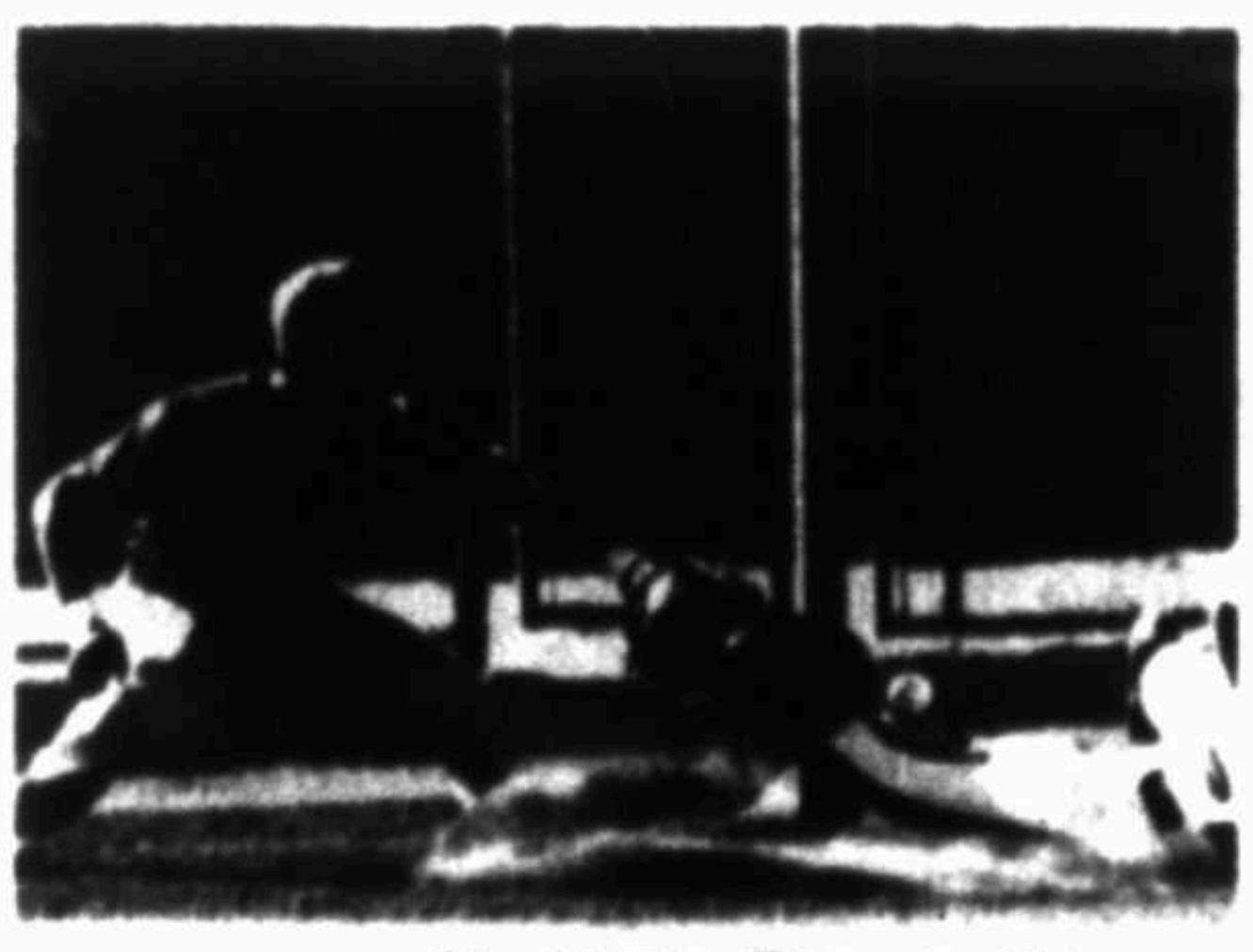

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DROPPING THE BALL Lee's Randy Kidwell safely slides into third for a triple as Odessa High's Daniel Reyes reaches for the ball Tuesday at Ernie Johnson Field

Rebels pound Odessa High

By Shawn Shroyer
Sports Writer

Five batters into Tuesday's game against Odessa High, Lee coach Hector Limon pulled his starting pitcher. However, the Bronchos were the ones who ran out of pitching.

Rebels	16
Bronchos	2

Lee scored in every inning to run-rule Odessa High, 16-2, in five innings at Ernie Johnson Field. The Rebels (17-9, 6-1) swept the season series with the Bronchos (9-16, 2-5), outscoring them 31-2 in 10 total innings. More importantly, Lee remained in

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Tuberville asks fans at Midland Center to be patient

Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

MEETING THE LOYAL FANS Texas Tech football coach Tommy Tuberville talks with Steve Stallings and Wayne Clayton on Tuesday afternoon at a scholarship luncheon at Midland Center.

By Oscar LeRoy
Sports Writer

Texas Tech football coach Tommy Tuberville preached patience on Tuesday when it comes to his team becoming championship caliber in front of more than 400 in attendance at a luncheon hosted by the Red Raider Club at the Midland Center.

Even though the Red Raiders went 8-5 and won the inaugural TicketCity Bowl over Northwestern during Tuberville's first season, he said his team is still not at the level he or his staff wants it to be.

"On both sides of the ball we've got to get better," he said. "It's still a growing experience. We're not close to being the team we need to be to win the conference. We're going to have the capabilities of beating anybody, but being able to put things back to back is going to be difficult because we'll probably start six or seven true freshmen on this football team."

Tuberville was making his first stop of about two dozen across the state with Red Raider Club members and supporters. It was his second stop in Midland since being hired 15 months ago after the controversial firing of Mike Leach.

Please see **TUBERVILLE/2C**

Bulldogs pull out another late-inning win

From staff reports

Holifield

Sawyer

ODESSA — It took more late-inning heroics, but Midland High won its sixth straight game on Tuesday.

After jumping out to an early lead on Odessa Permian, Midland High needed a run in the top of the sixth to pull ahead for good in a 7-6 victory in District 3-5A action. The Bulldogs (18-9, 5-2) remained in second place in the district while the Panthers (8-11, 3-4) dropped to fourth place.

Once again, the Bulldogs didn't lack for offense. Jake Holifield and Shane Sawyer both hit home runs for the Bulldogs while Keith Fritschen tripled and Erick Callier and Blair Beck doubled. Sawyer also doubled in the game.

All that offense led to five runs in the early innings and the Bulldogs led 6-1 going into the bottom of the fourth. However, the Panthers rallied back with five runs the next two innings to tie the score.

But the Bulldogs scratched across one final run to clinch the win for Alex Mata, who entered in relief and shut the Panthers out the last two innings.

Bulldogs 7
Panthers 6

Midland High remains on the road this weekend when it travels to San Angelo Central at noon on Saturday.

MIDLAND HIGH 7, ODESSA PERMIAN 6

MHS	230	101	0—7	9	3
Permian	100	320	0—6	7	1

Shane Sawyer, Alex Mata (5) and Travis Sims. Zach Autry, Jack Wilkins (2), Jake Armstrong (7) and Keenan Mosby. W — Alex Mata. L — Jack Wilkins. 2B — MHS: Erick Callier, Shane Sawyer, Blair Beck. Permian: Zach Autry. 3B — MHS: Keith Fritschen. Permian: Mykell Vasquez. HR — MHS: Jake Holifield, Shane Sawyer. Permian: Keenan Mosby (3).

Records: Midland High 18-9, 5-2 in District 3-5A, Odessa Permian 8-11, 3-4

Next game: Midland High at San Angelo Central, noon Saturday; Odessa Permian at Abilene Cooper, noon Saturday

HIGH SCHOOL SOFTBALL/BASEBALL ROUNDUP

Baseball

MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 20, LUBBOCK HIGH 14

The Midland Christian baseball team stayed on its recent roll by winning a slugfest with Lubbock High, 20-14, in a non-district game at Christensen Stadium.

The Mustangs scored six runs in the second inning and then added seven in the fifth, as the Westerners scored seven in the fifth inning. Overall, the two teams combined for 34 hits.

Midland Christian, though, had a total of 11 extra base hits as Nikko Velarde had two home runs and was 2 for 5 with five RBI on the night. Hunter Redman and David Gates each had three hits with Stephen Withrow and Chandler Rogers also recording two hits.

Redman, Bryant Burleson, Gates and Rogers also had three RBI.

MCS (24-4) will continue TAPPS 1-4A play this weekend with a game against Fort Worth Christian at 5 p.m. Friday.

MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 20, LUBBOCK HIGH 14

Lubbock High	140	070	2—14	18	1
MCS	361	370	x—20	16	1

Ralph Molina, Huero Salinas (2), Micahel Davis (5) and Sean Montalvo. Cris Armstrong, Bryan Burleson (4) and Hunter Redman. W — Armstrong (5-0). L — Molina. 2B — LHS: Peter Dotray, Molina. MCS: Stephen Withrow, Redman 2, David Gates 2. 3B — LHS: Mariano. MCS: Burleson, Redman. HR — MCS: Nikko Velarde 2.

Records: Midland Christian 24-4

Next: Fort Worth Southwest Christian at Midland Christian, 5 p.m. Friday, Christensen Stadium

Softball

PECOS 13, MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 12, 8 INNINGS

PECOS — The Lady Eagles scored three runs in the bottom of the eighth inning to win an error-filled game non-district game, 13-12 in eight innings, against Midland Christian on Tuesday.

The Lady Mustangs scored two runs in the top of the eight to take a 12-10 lead into the final inning. But Pecos scored the three runs to clinch the game with no outs.

Ashlynn Rotan had three hits for the Lady Mustangs, as Bethany Roach, Maranda Galindo and Courtney Midkiff each had two hits. Hannah Thomas had four RBI on the day.

Midland Christian (10-21) will resume TAPPS 1-4A play at 10 a.m. Saturday with a double-header against Grapevine Faith at the Freddie Ezell Softball Complex.

PECOS 13, MIDLAND CHRISITAN 12, 8 INNINGS

MCS	010	216	02—12	16	10
Pecos	113	013	13—13	14	6

No outs when winning run scored

Kadee Vines and Maranda Galindo. K. Ramirez and M. Hayt. W — Ramirez. L — Vines (5-3). 2B — MCS: Hannah Thomas. 3B — HR — Pecos: K. Herrera.

Records: Midland Christian 10-21

Next: Grapevine Faith at Midland Christian, 10 a.m. Saturday

FORSAN 6, COAHOMA 3

COAHOMA — Forsan outlasted Coahoma in a key District 3-2A game on Tuesday night.

The Lady Buffaloes broke open a tight game with three runs in the fourth inning, and then added a single run to clinch the game in the seventh.

Forsan's Ashley Buzbee picked up the pitching victory as Morgan Forshee was 2 for 3 with a RBI on the night.

For Coahoma, Brittnie Cortez, Savannah Neff, Kyla Clanton and Emilea Brumley each had two hits.

FORSAN 6, COAHOMA 3

Forsan	101	300	1—6	8	1
Coahoma	010	200	0—3	10	2

A. Buzbee and M. Park. Kyla Clanton and Savannah Neff. W — Buzbee. L — Clanton. 2B — Forsan: M. Park. Coahoma: Clanton. 3B — Forsan: Buzbee.

Records: Coahoma 11-19, 4-4; Forsan 17-8, 6-2

Compiled from staff reports

HOPPEL

From 1C

"The kids stayed focused for the whole seven innings, and put the ball in play in multiple innings. It wasn't just one (person), we got some production throughout the lineup."

It was Hoppel, though, who broke the game open with her bat in the third inning. Hoppel's two-run triple to the left-field fence not only gave the Lady Bulldogs a 2-0 lead, but also seemed to relax MHS.

Hoppel later scored when Naomi Posada drove her in with a single to left for a 3-0 lead. MHS (16-12, 7-2 in District 3-5A) added two more runs in the fifth when Jeannie Freeman drove in both with a double to left.

"Those runs got us pumped up to just continue playing," said Hoppel, who was 1 for 4 at the plate. "We got fired up."

One run was all the cushion Hoppel needed, because other than the fifth inning where Lee (19-9, 5-3) loaded the bases, Hoppel kept the Lady Rebels off balance with an effective rise ball and change up. Hoppel gave up four hits, and had two balls leave the infield.

"I was just moving the ball around and working some of my pitches," Hoppel said. "The last time I was just up there pitching fastballs. This game, I was just ready."

In that crucial fifth inning, Lee loaded the bases when Alicia Alvarez, who had two of Lee's four hits, reached on an infield single with one out. Adrianna Berzoza was thrown out at the plate as Rebecca Long hit into fielder's choice, and Jamey Lane ended the inning by popping up to second base after chasing an outside pitch.

The Lady Rebels never threatened the final two innings as Hoppel retired six of the final seven she faced, four with strikeouts.

"I guess we just weren't focused and we weren't on her like the last time," Lane said. "We came in here thinking this is just another game and not let our emotions get to us. Turns out our emotions got to us, and I'm guessing that's what it looked like out there."

Cindeka Nealy/Reporter-Telegram

CRACK OF THE BAT Lee's Adriana Berzoza watches her ball head into the outfield for a double Tuesday during the Lady Rebels' game against Midland High at the Audrey Gill Sports Complex.

3-5A Softball

Team	District W	District L	Overall W	Overall L
x-Odessa Permian	7	2	19	7
Midland High	7	2	16	12
Lee	5	3	19	9
Odessa High	5	4	15	11
Abilene Cooper	3	5	11	14
Abilene High	2	7	12	13
San Angelo Central	1	7	12	17

x-clinched playoff spot

Tuesday's Scores

Midland High 5, Lee 0; Odessa Permian 14, Odessa High 5; Abilene Cooper 14, Abilene High 2, 5 innings; San Angelo Central was open.

Saturday's Games

Odessa Permian at Lee; Midland High at Odessa High; Abilene Cooper at San Angelo Central; Abilene High is open. All games begin at 2 p.m.

MIDLAND HIGH 5, LEE 0

Lee	000	000	0—0	4	2
MHS	003	020	x—5	8	1

Emily Hardaway and Kaytlyn Neff. Kelsey Hoppel and Courtney Warren. W — Hoppel (6-1). L — Hardaway (5-2). 2B — Lee: Adrianna Berzoza. MHS: Jeannie Freeman. 3B — MHS: Hoppel. RBI — MHS: Hoppel 2, Freeman 2, Naomi Posada. LOB — Lee 5, MHS 5. E — Lee: Kristen Schlemeyer, Dee Gaona. MHS: Megan O'Valle. SB — MHS: Gaby Muniz.

Records: MHS 16-12, 7-2; Lee 19-9, 5-3

Next: Odessa Permian at Lee, 2 p.m. Saturday. Midland High at Odessa High, 2 p.m. Saturday

REBELS

From 1C

first place in District 3-5A.

Lee's Michael Brosig began the game at first base but soon found himself on the mound and responded with 4 1/3 innings of shutout, one-hit ball and six strikeouts.

"He's so mentally strong, he's done a 180 degrees since the first time I saw him pitch. That's a tribute to him and nobody else," Limon said of Brosig. "He used to lack confidence, his pitches weren't sharp and now he's willed his way and he's making it work. He makes adjustments and gets to work on it. He's a hard worker."

Brosig retired the first batter he faced to end a two-run first inning for the Bronchos and it was all Rebels from that point on.

Daniel Vargas led the bottom of the first off with a rocket home run to right-center field. A Randy Kidwell triple later in the inning tied the score, 1-1. In the bottom of the second, Odessa High committed back-to-back errors and starting pitcher David Maass was pulled in favor of Johnny Campos. The move did little to slow the Lee offense.

Austin Good executed a hit-and-run to drive in courtesy runner David Ochs for the first of six runs in the inning. What was most notable about Lee's offense on Tuesday was its patience. After Vargas hit his home run on a 1-0 pitch, the next nine batters saw at least four pitches and three worked full counts.

"The first time we came out and scored 15 runs against these guys, so we felt like they were going to try to extend the zone," Limon said. "We felt like we neded to be patient."

In addition to his efforts on the mound, Brosig was 1 for 2 at the plate with a walk. He worked a full count each of his first two at bats.

"Everybody who came to the plate today had to work the count," Brosig said. "They didn't give us anything. We had to earn everything we got."

But Brosig's main contribution was shutting down the Odessa High offense.

He allowed a single to the third batter he faced and proceeded to retire the Bronchos' final 11 batters of the game, six by strikeout.

"Nothing was weak today," Brosig said of his pitches. "It was all working. It was a good day all-around. I had to step up."

The only drawback of the victory for Lee was starting pitcher Garhett Avery being pulled in the first inning. After striking out the first two batters of the game, Avery allowed three straight hits to let in the Bronchos only runs.

Avery is trying to rejoin the rotation after battling elbow issues, but Limon said he didn't feel like Avery was feeling it on Tuesday.

"We're trying to get Garhett acclimated, trying to get him a start, get him going, but today wasn't his day," Limon said. "He'll have another opportunity. But the thing is Michael keeps coming in and bearing down and that's a good sign for the Rebels."

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3-5A Baseball

Team	District W	District L	Overall W	Overall L
Lee	6	1	17	9
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San Angelo Central	4	3	15	11
Odessa Permian	3	4	8	11
Abilene Cooper	2	4	9	14
Abilene High	2	5	8	15
Odessa High	2	5	9	16

Tuesday's Scores

Lee 16, Odessa High 2 (5); Midland High 7, Odessa Permian 6; San Angelo Central 6, Abilene High 2. Abilene Cooper was open.

Saturday's Games

Midland High at San Angelo Central, noon; Lee at Wayland Baptist JV (DH), 4 p.m.; Odessa Permian at Abilene Cooper, noon; Abilene High at Odessa High, noon.

LEE 16, ODESSA HIGH 2 (5 INNINGS)

OHS	200	00—2	4	4
Lee	262	6x—16	10	0

David Maass, Johnny Campos (2), Taylor Rios (4) and Arnold Villa. Garhett Avery, Michael Brosig (1) and Omar Madrid. W — Brosig (6-2). L — Maass. 2B — OHS: Bradley Marquez. Lee: Skyler Estrella, Mick Limon, Tyler Reynolds. 3B — Lee: Randy Kidwell. HR — Lee: Daniel Vargas, Ryan Copeland. RBI — OHS: Villa 1, Daniel Reyes 1; Lee: Limon 4, Kidwell 3, Copeland 2, Vargas 1, Estrella 1, Reynolds 1, Austin Good 1. SB — Estrella 2, Limon 2, Kidwell 2, Luke Stice 1.

Records: Odessa High 9-16, 2-5 in District 3-5A; Lee 17-9, 6-1

Next game: Abilene High at Odessa High, noon Saturday; Lee at Wayland Baptist JV (DH), 4 p.m. Saturday

House bill requires schools to recycle old helmets

Associated Press

AUSTIN — Texas high schools wouldn't be able to pass aging helmets down to the junior varsity football teams under legislation approved in the House.

The bill, tentatively approved Tuesday, would require schools to replace helmets after 16 years of use. Rep. Eddie Lucio III said the measure is intended to prevent concussions that could be caused from worn-out equipment.

"The long term effects of head injuries are becoming more and more of an issue as high school players become bigger, better, faster," Lucio said. "This is becoming more of a danger."

The measure also would require schools to regularly recondition helmets that have been in use for more than 10 years.

TUBERVILLE

From 1C

It was quite a transition for Tuberville and his staff, who not only to had to calm many uneasy Red Raider fans after Leach's ouster but implement some changes and make sure the team competed in the ultra-tough Big 12 Conference.

"The first year of being in a new program is tough," Tuberville said. "It's tough not just on your coaches but also all the families because you have to spend so much time away from home and learning new names, people and traditions, all the little things that the people don't think about. While you're doing all those things away from the office there's a lot of things to do with your present team, the facilities, the things you want to change in the program.

"Of course there are still some things that we're still trying to change and will change. I didn't want to make drastic changes. Of course that's what I'm here today for -- to make sure that they understand what we did last year and things we're going to need to do to continue to try to get to that championship level."

One of the biggest areas of need for the Red Raiders to reach that level is speed. Tuberville was blunt and admitted his team didn't have any, but hopefully the recent signing class, which was ranked No. 20 by rivals.com, will help fill that need.

One of those players being counted from that class is Odessa High running back Bradley Marquez. Tuberville said Marquez was one guy that his team targeted early and could play a lot of different positions, although it is widely believed he will wind up at receiver.

"The thing he can do is that he can run and he can make plays," Tuberville said. "Our entire recruiting class this year was based on offensive and defensive linemen and speed at receiver, running back, linebackers and on defense. We don't have much. It was tough this past year. Everything that we earned, we had to earn it the hard way with long drives. We had very little big-play capabilities. Next year will be a little bit better because of a few of the kids we signed but we're still going to be a little bit behind, so that's what we're doing again this year, trying to put back-to-back (recruiting classes) together in terms of speed on both sides of the ball."

Tuberville, whose team recently completed spring practices, said in addition to speed, the Red Raiders have to get tough up front on both sides of the ball.

"We became a lot more physical on offense but we need to continue to do that," said Tuberville, whose team rushed for 150 yards per game. "We've got to get more physical in terms of third and short, in the red zone, goal line and that will help us defensively. We weren't nearly as physical enough defensively to stop some of the teams like Oklahoma, which ran the ball right at us and we couldn't stop them."

Defensively is where the Red Raiders look to make the most improvement. Last year Tech was victimized a lot by opposing offenses and it didn't help that the Red Raiders had a ton of injuries on that side of the ball. Tuberville is hoping new defensive coordinator Chad Glasgow helps that unit turn things around. Glasgow brings with him a 4-2-5 scheme from TCU where he served as a defensive assistant coach.

"The reason we run the 4-2-5 is that it's going to allow us to put more speed on the field," Glasgow said. "Another thing a 4-2-5 allows us to do is play with great leverage because you're playing with five secondary kids all the time and up front we're going to play with four defensive linemen, which will allow us to get into more one-on-one situations. One of the things we're going to talk to our guys about is winning the one-on-ones whoever it is."

It's definitely a work in progress for Tuberville and his staff but he believes the program is heading in the right direction.

"Recruiting, the work ethic of our players, the discipline that has been restored are things that make championship football teams," Tuberville said.

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TEXAS NBA ROUNDUP

SPURS 97, HAWKS 90: At Atlanta, Tony Parker scored 26 points and San Antonio moved closer to home-court advantage in the playoffs by ending a four-game road losing streak.

Manu Ginobili had 18 points and Tim Duncan had 17 for the Spurs, who had been 0-6 on the road against Eastern Conference teams which have clinched playoff berths.

The Spurs began the night 2 1/2 games ahead of the Lakers in the race for the top seed in the Western Conference playoffs.

San Antonio ended a six-game losing streak with Sunday's home win over Phoenix. The Spurs took a more important step toward home-court advantage through the Western Conference playoffs by taking their first road win in almost three weeks.

KINGS 104, ROCKETS 101: At Houston, Marcus Thornton and Samuel Dalembert scored 21 points apiece, Dalembert and DeMarcus Cousins each grabbed 15 rebounds and Sacramento hurt Houston's playoff hopes with a win.

Tyreke Evans scored 18 points and Cousins scored 15 for the Kings.

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RANGERS 3, MARINERS 2

Seattle	ab	r	h	bi	Texas	ab	r	h	bi
ISuzuki rf	4	0	0	0	Kinsler 2b	4	1	1	0
Figgins 3b	4	0	0	0	Andrus ss	3	0	0	0
Bradly lf	3	0	1	0	Hamltn lf	4	1	1	1
Cust dh	3	0	0	0	ABeltre 3b	3	0	0	0
Smoak 1b	4	0	0	0	MiYong 1b	3	0	1	1
Olivo c	4	1	1	0	N.Cruz dh	2	1	0	0
AKndy 2b	4	1	2	0	Morlnd rf	3	0	2	1
JWilson ss	4	0	1	1	Torreal c	3	0	0	0
MSndrs cf	4	0	1	1	Borbon cf	3	0	0	0
Totals	34	2	6	2	**Totals**	28	3	5	3

Seattle 000 000 200 — 2
Texas 010 002 00x — 3

E—Kinsler (1). LOB—Seattle 7, Texas 3. 2B—A.Kennedy (1), Hamilton (3), Mi.Young (3), Moreland (1). 3B—Moreland (1). S—Andrus.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Seattle						
Pineda L,0-1	6	5	3	3	1	4
J.Wright	2	0	0	0	0	1
Texas						
Ogando W,1-0	6	2	0	0	2	4
M.Lowe	1-3	3	2	2	0	0
Oliver	1 2-3	1	0	0	0	0
Feliz S,2-2	1	0	0	0	0	1

T—2:36. A—30,953 (49,170).

ROYALS 7, WHITE SOX 6, 12 INNINGS

Chicago	ab	r	h	bi	Kansas City	ab	r	h	bi
Pierre lf	6	1	1	0	Aviles 3b	5	0	0	0
Bckhm 2b	6	1	3	1	MeCarr cf	6	1	3	3
A.Dunn dh	4	1	0	0	Gordon lf	5	2	3	2
Lillirdg pr-dh	0	0	0	0	Butler dh	4	1	2	2
Konerk 1b	5	1	1	3	Kaaihu 1b	4	0	0	0
Rios cf	6	0	2	0	Francr rf	5	0	2	0
Quentin rf	5	1	1	0	AEscor ss	5	1	1	0
Przyns c	5	0	1	0	Treanr c	4	1	0	0
AlRmrz ss	4	1	1	1	Getz 2b	5	1	2	0
Morel 3b	5	0	1	0					
Totals	46	6	11	5	**Totals**	43	7	13	7

Chicago 400 002 000 000— 6
Kansas City 220 000 020 001— 7

One out when winning run scored.
E—Aviles (3). DP—Chicago 2. LOB—Chicago 8, Kansas City 6. 2B—Gordon 2 (4). 3B—Pierre (1), Al.Ramirez (1). HR—Konerko (1), Gordon (1), Butler (2). SB—Pierre (1), Francoeur (2), A.Escobar (2), Treanor (1). CS—Lillibridge (1), Morel (1). S—Aviles.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Chicago						
Floyd	7	7	4	4	2	5
Sale	2-3	2	2	2	0	1
Crain	1 1-3	1	0	0	0	0
Santos	2	1	0	0	1	2
T.Pena L,0-1	1-3	2	1	1	0	0
Kansas City						
Hochevar	6	7	6	5	2	1
Crow	2	2	0	0	0	2
Soria	1	0	0	0	0	1
Tejeda	1	0	0	0	0	0
Texeira	1 1-3	2	0	0	1	0
Jeffress W,1-0	2-3	0	0	0	0	0

HBP—by Hochevar (A.Dunn).
T—3:32. A—12,641 (37,903).

TWINS 5, YANKEES 4, 10 INNINGS

Minnesota	ab	r	h	bi	New York	ab	r	h	bi
Span cf	4	2	1	0	Jeter ss	4	1	1	0
Nishiok 2b	5	0	1	1	Swisher rf	4	1	2	0
Mauer c	3	1	1	2	Teixeir 1b	4	1	1	3
DYong lf	5	0	1	3	AlRdrg 3b	4	0	1	0
Cuddyr 1b-rf	4	0	0	0	Cano 2b	4	0	0	0
Kubel dh	5	0	2	0	Posada dh	4	0	0	0
Valenci 3b	3	1	1	0	Martin c	3	0	0	0
Repko rf	2	0	0	0	AnJons lf	3	1	1	1
Mornea ph-1b	2	0	0	0	Gardnr lf	1	0	0	0
ACasill ss	2	0	0	0	Grndrs cf	4	0	0	0
Thome ph	0	0	0	0					
Tolbert pr-ss	1	1	0	0					
Totals	36	5	7	5	**Totals**	35	4	6	4

Minnesota 000 000 040 1—5
New York 310 000 000 0—4

DP—Minnesota 1, New York 1. LOB—Minnesota 7, New York 3. 2B—D.Young (1). HR—Teixeira (4), An.Jones (1).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Minnesota						
Duensing	7	6	4	4	2	7
Capps W,1-0	2	0	0	0	0	1
Nathan S,2-2	1	0	0	0	0	1
New York						
Sabathia	7	2	0	0	1	6
R.Soriano	2-3	1	4	4	3	1
Robertson	1-3	1	0	0	0	0
M.Rivera	1	1	0	0	0	2
Logan L,0-1	0	2	1	1	0	0
Ayala	1	0	0	0	1	0

Logan pitched to 3 batters in the 10th.
T—3:17. A—40,267 (50,291).

BLUE JAYS 7, ATHLETICS 6, 10 INNINGS

Oakland	ab	r	h	bi	Toronto	ab	r	h	bi
Crisp cf	5	0	1	0	RDavis cf	5	2	2	0
Barton 1b	4	0	0	0	YEscor ss	5	3	2	2
CJcksn lf	4	1	2	1	Lind 1b	3	0	2	1
Wlngh dh	4	2	2	2	A.Hill 2b	4	1	1	2
M.Ellis 2b	5	0	1	1	JRiver rf	3	1	0	0
DeJess rf	4	0	2	1	Encrnc dh	4	0	1	1
KSuzuk c	4	0	1	0	Snider lf	4	0	1	0
Kzmnff 3b	5	1	2	0	JNix 3b	4	0	0	0
AnLRc ss	3	2	2	1	JMolin c	4	0	1	0
Pnngtn ss	2	0	0	0					
Totals	40	6	13	6	**Totals**	36	7	9	7

Oakland 003 200 000 1—6
Toronto 000 104 000 2—7

No outs when winning run scored.
E—McCarthy (1), Kouzmanoff 2 (4). DP—Oakland 1, Toronto 2. LOB—Oakland 9, Toronto 4. 2B—Crisp (2), C.Jackson (1), M.Ellis (1), K.Suzuki (2), Kouzmanoff (1), An.LaRoche (1), R.Davis (1), Encarnacion (1). HR—Willingham (2), Y.Escobar (1). SB—A.Hill (1). SF—Willingham, Lind.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Oakland						
McCarthy	8	7	5	2	1	2
Blevins	1	0	0	0	0	0
Balfour L,0-1 BS,1-1	0	2	2	2	0	0
Toronto						
Jo.Reyes	3 1-3	9	5	5	1	3
Villanueva	2 2-3	0	0	0	2	3
Purcey	1	0	0	0	0	1
Camp	1	1	0	0	0	0
Rauch	1	0	0	0	0	0
Frasor W,1-0	1	2	1	1	0	3

Balfour pitched to 2 batters in the 10th.
HBP—by Frasor (K.Suzuki).
T—2:54. A—11,077 (49,260).

ANGELS 5, RAYS 3

Los Angeles	ab	r	h	bi	Tampa Bay	ab	r	h	bi
Mizturs ss	5	0	1	0	Jaso c	3	0	1	0
HKndrc 2b	2	2	2	0	Lopez ph-3b	2	0	1	0
Abreu dh	3	1	1	0	Damon lf	3	0	1	0
TrHntr rf	4	1	2	2	Shppch c	0	0	0	0
V.Wells lf	4	0	0	0	Zobrist 2b	3	1	0	0
Callasp 3b	4	0	1	2	MRmrz dh	4	0	0	0
Trumo 1b	4	0	0	0	DJhnsn 1b	4	0	0	0
Conger c	4	1	1	1	BUpton cf	4	1	1	2
Bourjos cf	4	0	1	0	Joyce rf	4	0	1	0
					SRdrgz 3b-lf	3	1	1	1
					Brignc ss	1	0	0	0
					EJhnsn ph-ss	1	0	0	0
Totals	34	5	9	5	**Totals**	32	3	5	3

Los Angeles 310 010 000 — 5
Tampa Bay 001 000 020 — 3

DP—Tampa Bay 1. LOB—Los Angeles 5, Tampa Bay 7. 2B—Joyce (1). 3B—H.Kendrick (1). HR—Conger (1), B.Upton (1), S.Rodriguez (1). SB—Mizturis (2), Abreu (1), Tor.Hunter (1), Bourjos (1), Damon (1).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Los Angeles						
Weaver W,2-0	6 2-3	3	1	1	3	6
Takahashi	1-3	1	1	1	2	0
Kohn	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Walden S,1-1	1	0	0	0	0	1
Tampa Bay						
Niemann L,0-1	6	9	5	5	1	4
J.Cruz	1	0	0	0	2	0
Farnsworth	1	0	0	0	0	0
Jo.Peralta	1	0	0	0	0	1

Niemann pitched to 1 batter in the 7th.
Takahashi pitched to 1 batter in the 8th.
WP—Weaver.
T—2:46. A—13,173 (34,078).

Standings

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB	WCGB	L10	Str	Home	Away
Baltimore	4	0	1.000	—	—	4-0	W-4	1-0	3-0
Toronto	3	1	.750	1	—	3-1	W-1	3-1	0-0
New York	3	2	.600	1 1/2	1/2	3-2	L-1	3-2	0-0
Boston	0	4	.000	4	3	0-4	L-4	0-0	0-4
Tampa Bay	0	4	.000	4	3	0-4	L-4	0-4	0-0

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB	WCGB	L10	Str	Home	Away
Kansas City	3	1	.750	—	—	3-1	W-3	3-1	0-0
Chicago	2	1	.667	1/2	1/2	2-1	L-1	0-0	2-1
Cleveland	2	2	.500	1	1	2-2	W-2	2-2	0-0
Minnesota	2	3	.400	1 1/2	1 1/2	2-3	W-1	0-0	2-3
Detroit	1	3	.250	2	2	1-3	L-1	0-0	1-3

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB	WCGB	L10	Str	Home	Away
Texas	5	0	1.000	—	—	5-0	W-5	5-0	0-0
Los Angeles	2	3	.400	3	1 1/2	2-3	W-1	0-0	2-3
Seattle	2	3	.400	3	1 1/2	2-3	L-3	0-0	2-3
Oakland	1	3	.250	3 1/2	2	1-3	L-1	1-2	0-1

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB	WCGB	L10	Str	Home	Away
New York	3	1	.750	—	—	3-1	W-3	0-0	3-1
Philadelphia	3	1	.750	—	—	3-1	L-1	3-1	0-0
Atlanta	3	2	.600	1/2	1/2	3-2	L-1	0-0	3-2
Florida	2	2	.500	1	1	2-2	W-1	2-2	0-0
Washington	1	3	.250	2	2	1-3	L-2	1-2	0-1

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB	WCGB	L10	Str	Home	Away
Cincinnati	4	0	1.000	—	—	4-0	W-4	4-0	0-0
Chicago	3	2	.600	1 1/2	1/2	3-2	W-2	3-2	0-0
Pittsburgh	3	2	.600	1 1/2	1/2	3-2	L-1	0-0	3-2
St. Louis	2	3	.400	2 1/2	1 1/2	2-3	W-1	2-3	0-0
Milwaukee	1	4	.200	3 1/2	2 1/2	1-4	W-1	1-1	0-3
Houston	0	4	.000	4	3	0-4	L-4	0-0	0-4

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB	WCGB	L10	Str	Home	Away
San Diego	3	1	.750	—	—	3-1	W-1	1-0	2-1
Colorado	2	1	.667	1/2	1/2	2-1	W-2	2-1	0-0
Los Angeles	3	2	.600	1/2	1/2	3-2	L-1	3-1	0-1
Arizona	1	3	.250	2	2	1-3	L-3	0-0	1-3
San Francisco	1	4	.200	2 1/2	2 1/2	1-4	L-2	0-0	1-4

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Tuesday's Scores

L.A. Angels 5, Tampa Bay 3
Cleveland 3, Boston 1
Minnesota 5, N.Y. Yankees 4, 10 innings
Toronto 7, Oakland 6, 10 innings
Texas 3, Seattle 2
Chicago White Sox at Kansas City, 8:10 p.m.

Today's Games

L.A. Angels (Haren 0-0) at Tampa Bay (Hellickson 0-0), 12:10 p.m.
Seattle (F.Hernandez 1-0) at Texas (C.Wilson 0-0), 1:05 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Buehrle 1-0) at Kansas City (Francis 0-0), 1:10 p.m.
Boston (Matsuzaka 0-0) at Cleveland (Talbot 0-0), 6:05 p.m.
Detroit (Verlander 0-0) at Baltimore (Bergesen 0-0), 6:05 p.m.
Minnesota (Pavano 0-1) at N.Y. Yankees (Garcia 0-0), 6:05 p.m.
Oakland (Braden 0-0) at Toronto (Litsch 0-0), 6:07 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Tuesday's Scores

Chicago Cubs 6, Arizona 5
San Diego 3, San Francisco 1
N.Y. Mets 7, Philadelphia 1
Cincinnati 8, Houston 2
Florida 3, Washington 2, 10 innings
Milwaukee 1, Atlanta 0
St. Louis 3, Pittsburgh 2
Colorado 3, L.A. Dodgers 0

Today's Games

Pittsburgh (Correia 1-0) at St. Louis (Carpenter 0-0), 12:45 p.m.
Arizona (Galarraga 0-0) at Chicago Cubs (Dempster 0-1), 1:20 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers (Billingsley 1-0) at Colorado (Hammel 0-0), 2:10 p.m.
San Francisco (Lincecum 0-1) at San Diego (Stauffer 0-0), 5:35 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Pelfrey 0-1) at Philadelphia (Blanton 0-0), 6:05 p.m.
Houston (Figueroa 0-0) at Cincinnati (Volquez 0-0), 6:10 p.m.
Washington (L.Hernandez 0-1) at Florida (Volstad 0-0), 6:10 p.m.
Atlanta (Minor 0-0) at Milwaukee (Estrada 0-0), 7:10 p.m.

NL Boxes

REDS 8, ASTROS 2

Houston	ab	r	h	bi	Cincinnati	ab	r	h	bi
Bourn cf	4	1	2	0	Stubbs cf	5	1	2	0
AngSnc ss	3	0	1	2	Phillips 2b	2	3	2	0
Pence rf	4	0	0	0	Cairo ph-2b	1	0	0	1
Ca.Lee lf	4	0	0	0	Votto 1b	4	2	2	1
Hall 2b	3	0	0	0	Rolen 3b	5	1	1	1
WLopez p	0	0	0	0	Gomes lf	2	0	0	1
Fulchin p	0	0	0	0	Heisey rf	2	0	1	3
Michals ph	1	0	0	0	RHrndz c	4	0	0	1
Lyon p	0	0	0	0	Janish ss	4	0	1	0
Wallac 1b	4	0	1	0	Leake p	3	1	1	0
CJhnsn 3b	3	1	0	0	JrSmth p	1	0	0	0
Quintero c	3	0	0	0	Maloney p	0	0	0	0
Happ p	1	0	0	0					
Inglett ph	1	0	0	0					
AnRdrg p	0	0	0	0					
MDowns 2b	1	0	0	0					
Totals	31	2	5	2	**Totals**	33	8	10	8

Houston 000 020 000 — 2
Cincinnati 320 210 00x — 8

LOB—Houston 6, Cincinnati 8. 2B—Bourn (1), Votto (1). SB—Stubbs (2), Phillips (1). S—Happ. SF—Cairo.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Houston						
Happ L,0-1	4	7	7	7	5	2
An.Rodriguez	1	2	1	1	0	1
W.Lopez	1	0	0	0	0	1
Fulchino	1	0	0	0	0	1
Lyon	1	1	0	0	0	1
Cincinnati						
Leake W,1-0	6	3	2	2	2	4
Jor.Smith	2	2	0	0	0	3
Maloney	1	0	0	0	0	0

HBP—by Happ (Heisey), by Leake (C.Johnson).
T—2:38. A—11,821 (42,319).

CARDINALS 3, PIRATES 2

Pittsburgh	ab	r	h	bi	St. Louis	ab	r	h	bi
Tabata lf	4	1	1	0	Theriot ss	2	2	1	0
Walker 2b	4	1	0	0	Rasms cf	3	0	2	0
McCtch cf	3	0	2	0	Pujols 1b	2	0	1	2
Overay 1b	3	1	2	2	Brkmn rf	4	1	1	0
Alvarez 3b	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Craig lf	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Diaz rf	2	0	0	0	Miller p	0	0	0	0
GJones ph-rf	2	0	0	0	YMolin c	0	0	0	0
Jarmil c	3	0	0	0	Freese 3b	2	0	0	0
Cedeno ss	3	0	1	0	Batista p	0	0	0	0
Doumit ph	1	0	1	0	Jay lf	1	0	0	0
JRdrgz pr	0	0	0	0	Schmkr 2b	3	0	0	0
JMcDnl p	1	0	0	0	Laird c	4	0	0	0
Karstns p	0	0	0	0	Frnkln p	0	0	0	0
Bowker ph	1	0	0	0	McCllln p	2	0	0	0
Olson p	0	0	0	0	Descals 3b	1	0	0	0
Resop p	0	0	0	0					
Pearce ph	1	0	0	0					
Totals	32	2	8	2	**Totals**	28	3	7	3

Pittsburgh 200 000 000 — 2
St. Louis 000 110 10x — 3

DP—Pittsburgh 2, St. Louis 1. LOB—Pittsburgh 7, St. Louis 8. 2B—Tabata (1), Berkman (1). HR—Overbay (1). SB—Jaramillo (1). CS—McCutchen (1). S—Ja.McDonald. SF—Pujols.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Pittsburgh						
Ja.McDonald	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Karstens	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Olson L,0-1	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Resop	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
St. Louis						
McClellan	6	6	2	2	2	1
Batista W,1-0	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Miller	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Franklin S,1-2	1	1	0	0	0	0

WP—Karstens.
T—2:51. A—33,666 (43,975).

ROCKIES 3, DODGERS 0

Los Angeles	ab	r	h	bi	Colorado	ab	r	h	bi
Furcal ss	4	0	0	0	Fowler cf	4	1	1	0
Gwynn lf	4	0	0	0	Splrghs rf	4	0	0	0
Ethier rf	2	0	1	0	CGnzlz lf	3	0	0	0
Kemp cf	4	0	0	0	Tlwtzk ss	4	1	1	1
Loney 1b	4	0	1	0	JoLopz 2b	4	0	1	0
Uribe 3b	4	0	1	0	Helton 1b	3	0	1	0
Barajs c	3	0	1	0	Wggntn 3b	3	0	1	0
Carroll 2b	3	0	1	0	RBtncr p	0	0	0	0
Kershw p	1	0	0	0	Street p	0	0	0	0
Miles ph	1	0	0	0	Iannett c	3	1	1	1
MacDgl p	0	0	0	0	Chacin p	1	0	0	0
Hwksw p	0	0	0	0	Stwrt ph-3b	1	0	0	0
Totals	30	0	5	0	**Totals**	28	3	6	3

Los Angeles 000 000 000 — 0
Colorado 000 111 00x — 3

DP—Colorado 1. LOB—Los Angeles 6, Colorado 4. 2B—Gwynn (1), Fowler (1). HR—Tulowitzki (1), Iannetta (1). S—Kershaw, Chacin.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Los Angeles						
Kershaw L,1-1	6	6	3	3	1	[illegible]
MacDougal	1	0	0	0	1	0
Hawksworth	1	0	0	0	0	0
Colorado						
Chacin W,1-0	7	5	0	0	3	4
R.Betancourt	1	0	0	0	0	2
Street S,2-2	1	0	0	0	0	1

T—2:19. A—24,693 (50,490).

MARLINS 3, NATIONALS 2, 10 INNINGS

Washington	ab	r	h	bi	Florida	ab	r	h	bi
Hrstrun 2b-lf	4	0	0	0	Coghln cf	5	0	1	0
Werth rf	5	0	1	0	Infante 2b	5	0	0	0
Zmrmn 3b	2	2	1	1	HRmrz ss	4	0	0	0
AdLRc 1b	4	0	0	0	GSnchz 1b	5	0	2	0
Morse lf	4	0	1	0	Morrsn lf	4	1	2	1
Clipprd p	0	0	0	0	J.Buck c	5	0	0	0
Stairs ph	1	0	0	0	DMrph 3b	5	1	2	1
Storen p	0	0	0	0	Bonifac rf	3	0	1	0
Dsmnd ss	4	0	0	0	AnSnch p	2	0	0	0
Ankiel cf	3	0	0	0	R.Webb p	0	0	0	0
WRams c	5	0	2	0	MDunn p	0	0	0	0
Cora ss	0	0	0	0	Dobbs ph	1	0	0	0
SBurntt p	0	0	0	0	Hensly p	0	0	0	0
Marquis p	2	0	1	0	LNunez p	0	0	0	0
Espinos 2b	1	0	0	0	Stanton ph	1	0	0	0
					Cousins pr	0	0	0	0
					Mujica p	0	0	0	0
Totals	36	2	6	2	**Totals**	36	3	8	3

Washington 101 000 000 0—2
Florida 010 000 100 1—3

Two outs when winning run scored.
E—Werth (1), Zimmerman (1). LOB—Washington 12, Florida 11. 2B—Werth (3), Coghlan (1), G.Sanchez (4), Morrison (1), Do.Murphy (1). HR—Zimmerman (1), Morrison (2). SB—Ankiel (1). S—Marquis, Infante, Bonifacio, Ani.Sanchez. SF—Dobbs.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Washington						
Marquis	6 1-3	6	2	2	0	2
Clippard	1 2-3	0	0	0	2	1
Storen L,0-1	1	1	1	0	2	0
S.Burnett	2-3	1	0	0	0	1
Florida						
Ani.Sanchez	5 2-3	7	2	2	3	7
R.Webb	2-3	0	0	0	1	0
M.Dunn	2-3	0	0	0	2	1
Hensley	1	1	0	0	1	1
L.Nunez	1	0	0	0	0	0
Mujica W,1-0	1	0	0	0	0	2

Storen pitched to 3 batters in the 10th.
WP—Storen.
T—3:30. A—10,482 (38,560).

BREWERS 1, BRAVES 0

Atlanta	ab	r	h	bi	Milwaukee	ab	r	h	bi
Prado lf	3	0	0	0	Weeks 2b	4	0	0	0
McLoth cf	3	0	1	0	Morgan cf-rf	4	0	3	0
C.Jones 3b	3	0	0	0	Braun lf	2	0	2	1
McCnn c	3	0	0	0	Fielder 1b	4	0	0	0
Uggia 2b	3	0	1	0	McGeh 3b	4	0	1	0
Heywrd rf	2	0	0	0	Kotsay rf	2	0	0	0
AlGnzlz ss	3	0	0	0	Gomez pr-cf	1	0	0	0
Hinske 1b	3	0	0	0	Counsll ss	2	0	0	0
D.Lowe p	2	0	0	0	Kottars c	3	0	0	0
OFlhrt p	0	0	0	0	Gallard p	3	1	1	0
Linernk p	0	0	0	0					
Fremn ph	1	0	0	0					
Totals	26	0	2	0	**Totals**	29	1	7	1

Atlanta 000 000 000 — 0
Milwaukee 001 000 00x — 1

DP—Atlanta 1, Milwaukee 2. LOB—Atlanta 1, Milwaukee 8. 3B—Morgan (1). SB—Counsell (1). CS—Uggla (1).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Atlanta						
D.Lowe L,1-1	6	5	1	1	3	7
O'Flaherty	1 1-3	1	0	0	1	0
Linebrink	2-3	1	0	0	0	0
Milwaukee						
Gallardo W,1-0	9	2	0	0	2	2

T—2:21. A—24,117 (41,900).

METS 7, PHILLIES 1

New York	ab	r	h	bi	Philadelphia	ab	r	h	bi
JosRys ss	5	1	2	0	Victorn cf	5	0	0	0
Pagan cf	3	1	0	0	Polanc 3b	3	0	1	1
DWrght 3b	5	2	4	2	Rollins ss	3	0	1	0
Beltran rf	4	0	0	0	Howard 1b	4	0	0	0
Hairstn lf	4	1	1	1	Ibanez lf	4	0	2	0
I.Davis 1b	4	1	1	1	BFrncs rf	4	0	0	0
Emaus 2b	4	0	1	1	Ruiz c	3	0	0	0
DCrrsc p	0	0	0	0	Valdez 2b	4	1	1	0
Byrdak p	0	0	0	0	Hamels p	0	0	0	0
DnMrp ph	1	0	0	0	Kndrck p	1	0	0	0
Parnell p	0	0	0	0	Mrtnz ph	0	0	0	0
Nickes c	5	0	0	0	Herndn p	0	0	0	0
CYoung p	3	1	3	1	JRomr p	0	0	0	0
Hu 2b	1	0	1	0	Orr ph	1	0	1	0
					Baez p	0	0	0	0
					Bastrd p	0	0	0	0
					Gload ph	1	0	1	0
Totals	39	7	13	6	**Totals**	33	1	7	1

New York 006 001 000 — 7
Philadelphia 000 010 000 — 1

DP—New York 1, Philadelphia 1. LOB—New York 10, Philadelphia 9. 2B—D.Wright (1), Polanco (3). SB—Jos.Reyes (1), Pagan (2), D.Wright (1), Rollins (2), Valdez (1).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
New York						
C.Young W,1-0	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
D.Carrasco	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Byrdak	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Parnell	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Philadelphia						
Hamels L,0-1	[illegible]	[illegible]	6	6	2	3
K.Kendrick	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Herndon	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
J.Romero	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Baez	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Bastardo	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

HBP—by Hamels (Pagan). PB—Ruiz.
T—2:56. A—45,365 (43,651).

PADRES 3, GIANTS 1

San Francisco	ab	r	h	bi	San Diego	ab	r	h	bi
Torres cf	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Bartlett ss	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
FSnchz 2b	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	OHudsn 2b	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Huff rf	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Cantu 1b	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Posey c	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Ludwck lf	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
PSndvl 3b	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Headly 3b	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Burrell lf	4	0	[illegible]	[illegible]	Denorfi rf	4	0	[illegible]	[illegible]
Belt 1b	4	0	[illegible]	[illegible]	Maybin cf	4	0	[illegible]	[illegible]
Tejada ss	4	0	[illegible]	[illegible]	Hundly c	4	1	[illegible]	[illegible]
Bmgrn p	1	0	[illegible]	[illegible]	Harang p	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Mota p	1	0	[illegible]	[illegible]	CHuntr ph	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Rownd ph	1	0	[illegible]	[illegible]	Grgrsn p	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
RRmrz p	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Adams p	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
					Bell p	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Totals	33	1	8	1	**Totals**	29	3	7	3

San Francisco 100 000 000 — 1
San Diego 003 000 00x — 3

DP—San Francisco 1, San Diego 1. LOB—San Francisco 7, San Diego 8. 2B—Tejada (2), Hundley (2). SB—Torres (1), Bartlett (1). CS—P.Sandoval (1), C.Hunter (1). S—Harang. SF—Cantu.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
San Francisco						
Bumgarner L,0-1	[illegible]	[illegible]	3	3	[illegible]	2
Mota	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	3
R.Ramirez	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
San Diego						
Harang W,1-0	6	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	2	6
Gregerson	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Adams	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Bell S,2-2	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

Bumgarner pitched to 1 batter in the 4th.
T—2:38. A—41,146 (42,691).

CUBS 6, DIAMONDBACKS 5

Arizona	ab	r	h	bi	Chicago	ab	r	h	bi
Blmqst ss	4	0	[illegible]	[illegible]	Fukdm rf	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
KJhnsn 2b	4	0	[illegible]	[illegible]	Marshl p	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
JUpton rf	4	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	SCastro ss	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Montero c	3	0	[illegible]	[illegible]	Byrd cf	4	1	[illegible]	[illegible]
CYoung cf	4	1	[illegible]	[illegible]	ArRmr 3b	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Mirand 1b	3	1	[illegible]	[illegible]	Colvin 1b	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
RRorts 3b	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	ASorin lf	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
GParra lf	3	0	[illegible]	[illegible]	Barney 2b	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Mora ph	1	0	[illegible]	[illegible]	JRussll p	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Enright p	2	0	[illegible]	[illegible]	RJhnsn rf	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Branyn ph	1	0	[illegible]	[illegible]	K.Hill c	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Demel p	0	0	[illegible]	[illegible]	Cashnr p	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Patersn p	0	0	[illegible]	[illegible]	Smrdzj p	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
JGutrrz p	0	0	[illegible]	[illegible]	Mateo p	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
DHrndz p	0	0	[illegible]	[illegible]	JeBaker 2b	2	1	[illegible]	[illegible]
Nady ph	1	0	[illegible]	[illegible]					
Totals	33	5	7	5	**Totals**	31	6	10	5

Arizona 001 000 301 — 5
Chicago 022 000 20x — 6

E—Montero (2). DP—Arizona 1, Chicago 1. LOB—Arizona 5, Chicago 8. 2B—S.Castro (2), Byrd (1). HR—R.Roberts (1), Colvin (1). SB—Bloomquist (4). S—Cashner.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Arizona						
Enright	6	[illegible]	4	4	[illegible]	3
Demel L,1-1	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Paterson	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
J.Gutierrez	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
D.Hernandez	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Chicago						
Cashner	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Samardzija	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Mateo	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
J.Russell W,1-0	[illegible]	[illegible]	2	0	[illegible]	[illegible]
Marshall S,1-1	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

Mateo pitched to 2 batters in the 7th.
Paterson pitched to 1 batter in the 7th.
T—3:17. A—27,039 (41,159).

Golf

PGA Tour FedExCup Leaders
Through April 3

Rank Player	Points YTD	Money
1 Mark Wilson	1,161	$2,430,825
2 Phil Mickelson	1,048	$2,107,131
3 Gary Woodland	1,002	$1,964,130
4 Nick Watney	960	$2,278,000
5 Martin Laird	937	$1,891,763
6 Aaron Baddeley	876	$1,863,116
7 Rory Sabbatini	820	$1,573,194
8 Bubba Watson	807	$1,716,017
9 Jhonattan Vegas	791	$1,479,510
10 D.A. Points	759	$1,564,392
11 Matt Kuchar	757	$1,781,773
12 Hunter Mahan	743	$1,486,094
13 Luke Donald	718	$1,807,800
14 Steve Marino	706	$1,460,166
15 Jonathan Byrd	705	$1,404,148
16 Vijay Singh	630	$1,275,435
17 Dustin Johnson	628	$1,444,772
18 Spencer Levin	606	$1,221,164
19 Bill Haas	558	$1,037,100
20 Webb Simpson	552	$996,558
21 Justin Rose	545	$1,094,166
22 Y.E. Yang	531	$1,130,396
23 Chris Kirk	457	$779,079
24 Jason Dufner	450	$797,685
25 Jimmy Walker	443	$798,699
26 Kevin Na	439	$805,965
27 Steve Stricker	431	$864,429
28 Marc Leishman	414	$700,591
29 J.J. Henry	384	$600,859
30 Graeme McDowell	375	$795,538
31 Robert Allenby	374	$718,803
32 J.B. Holmes	370	$779,258
33 Brian Gay	347	$573,057
34 Matt Bettencourt	347	$558,136
35 Ryan Moore	344	$744,473
36 Robert Garrigus	334	$675,921
37 Rickie Fowler	332	$579,785
38 Chris Couch	328	$569,251
39 Jerry Kelly	326	$620,011
40 K.J. Choi	325	$632,249
41 Brendon de Jonge	325	$458,323
42 Ryan Palmer	325	$547,341
43 Michael Bradley	325	$702,060
44 Johnson Wagner	320	$728,064
45 Tommy Gainey	314	$530,097
46 Stuart Appleby	302	$524,400
47 Tim Clark	299	$571,000
48 Scott Verplank	294	$566,126
49 Charles Howell III	290	$505,880
50 Anthony Kim	290	$565,652
51 Fredrik Jacobson	287	$408,222
52 Tom Gillis	283	$562,597
52 Brandt Snedeker	283	$579,500
54 Jim Furyk	282	$558,198
55 Troy Matteson	281	$578,685
56 John Senden	273	$338,794
57 Ben Crane	270	$445,540
58 Bill Lunde	268	$356,397
59 Cameron Beckman	256	$381,950
60 David Toms	255	$481,603
61 Stewart Cink	244	$398,733
62 Zack Miller	244	$338,239
63 Charley Hoffman	240	$307,384
64 Kyle Stanley	234	$315,071
65 Jason Day	233	$427,800
66 Zach Johnson	233	$313,352
67 Geoff Ogilvy	232	$406,003
68 Roland Thatcher	230	$445,018
69 Ian Poulter	229	$423,647
70 Hunter Haas	229	$395,694
71 Jeff Overton	228	$377,305
72 Chad Campbell	**228**	**$304,525**
73 Brandt Jobe	226	$358,349
74 Keegan Bradley	225	$366,060
75 Vaughn Taylor	219	$215,795
76 Brian Davis	215	$270,502
77 Charl Schwartzel	208	$326,104
78 Ernie Els	204	$338,911
79 Scott Stallings	203	$385,261
80 Alex Cejka	188	$224,202
81 Padraig Harrington	187	$361,216
82 Paul Casey	185	$320,317
83 Justin Leonard	183	$252,652
84 David Duval	182	$327,380
85 Carl Pettersson	182	$363,110
86 Ricky Barnes	175	$320,558
87 Adam Scott	172	$387,000
88 Bo Van Pelt	170	$277,725
89 Alex Prugh	170	$211,406
90 Greg Chalmers	168	$308,199
91 William McGirt	165	$173,929
92 Retief Goosen	164	$274,135
93 Tiger Woods	160	$240,696
94 Stephen Ames	146	$266,603
95 Daniel Summerhays	144	$193,226
96 Steven Bowditch	141	$232,809
97 David Hearn	140	$294,739
98 Ben Curtis	139	$195,919
99 Pat Perez	139	$168,274
100 Sergio Garcia	139	$274,000
100 Charlie Wi	139	$132,747
102 Davis Love III	138	$206,242
103 Louis Oosthuizen	136	$242,245
104 Kent Jones	135	$183,381
105 Trevor Immelman	135	$194,013
106 Jarrod Lyle	133	$221,609
107 Bryce Molder	132	$248,699
108 Nick O'Hern	132	$147,162
108 Chris Riley	132	$192,943
110 Kevin Sutherland	127	$153,293
111 Kevin Streelman	126	$165,572
112 Richard S. Johnson	123	$128,979
112 Brendan Steele	123	$150,504
114 Fred Couples	123	$243,081
115 Boo Weekley	122	$151,410
116 Lucas Glover	122	$121,905
117 Heath Slocum	121	$208,695
118 Chris DiMarco	120	$180,945
119 Blake Adams	120	$97,842
120 Matt Jones	114	$168,897
121 Joe Ogilvie	112	$165,956
122 John Merrick	112	$149,589
123 Kevin Stadler	112	$215,390
124 Arjun Atwal	112	$192,900
125 Michael Connell	110	$115,467
126 Michael Putnam	109	$135,532
127 Dean Wilson	109	$103,198
128 Colt Knost	108	$109,014
129 Chez Reavie	108	$178,326
130 Sean O'Hair	105	$139,950
131 Marc Turnesa	103	$213,918
132 Nate Smith	100	$89,835
133 Bobby Gates	100	$270,181
134 Scott Gutschewski	99	$114,554
135 Paul Goydos	99	$146,992
136 Ben Martin	99	$96,585
137 Billy Mayfair	99	$156,686
138 Jason Bohn	97	$137,676
139 Nathan Green	96	$103,762
140 Michael Thompson	96	$136,708
141 D.J. Trahan	95	$135,720
142 John Cook	95	$251,600
143 Cameron Tringale	94	$147,819
144 Derek Lamely	93	$135,556
145 Robert Karlsson	93	$178,345
146 Ryuji Imada	91	$146,193
147 Garrett Willis	91	$121,814
148 Tim Petrovic	90	$132,490
149 Shigeki Maruyama	88	$177,375
149 Henrik Stenson	88	$99,585

LPGA Money Leaders
Through April 3

Rank Player	Trn	Money
1 Yani Tseng	5	$570,478
2 Karrie Webb	5	$486,443
3 Stacy Lewis	5	$371,690
4 Sandra Gal	4	$302,379
5 I.K. Kim	4	$271,144
6 Michelle Wie	4	$258,881
7 Jiyai Shin	5	$217,112
8 Morgan Pressel	5	$211,721
9 Cristie Kerr	5	$205,476
10 Paula Creamer	5	$194,116
11 Angela Stanford	5	$174,657
12 Brittany Lincicome	5	$162,739
13 Sun Young Yoo	5	$157,931
14 Na Yeon Choi	4	$144,049
15 Katie Futcher	3	$128,610
16 Juli Inkster	5	$118,479
17 Mika Miyazato	4	$117,964
18 Amy Yang	5	$109,094
19 Suzann Pettersen	4	$106,994
20 Anna Nordqvist	4	$86,024
21 Mindy Kim	3	$84,344
22 Catriona Matthew	4	$82,644
23 Maria Hjorth	4	$75,980
24 Stacy Prammanasudh	5	$66,819
25 Sophie Gustafson	5	$62,464
26 Ai Miyazato	4	$62,227
27 Song-Hee Kim	5	$59,453
28 Beatriz Recari	5	$55,272
29 Shanshan Feng	4	$54,401
30 Se Ri Pak	4	$53,251
31 M.J. Hur	5	$52,413
32 Julieta Granada	3	$50,608
33 Inbee Park	4	$50,280
34 Jimin Kang	5	$49,288
35 Kristy McPherson	5	$49,166
36 Amanda Blumenherst	5	$49,020
37 Karine Icher	5	$48,017
38 Katherine Hull	5	$47,733
39 Momoko Ueda	4	$46,376
40 Marcy Hart	3	$46,046
41 Christel Boeljon	3	$42,970
42 Seon Hwa Lee	5	$42,311
43 Karen Stupples	5	$41,141
44 Natalie Gulbis	5	$40,291
45 Kyeong Bae	5	$40,084
46 Vicky Hurst	5	$39,258
47 Meaghan Francella	4	$38,752
48 Chella Choi	3	$37,966
49 Paige Mackenzie	3	$37,280
50 Pornanong Phatlum	4	$35,296

Boxing

Fight Schedule
National TV in parentheses

April 8

At Hyogo, Japan, Hozumi Hasegawa vs. Johnny Gonzalez, 12, for Hasegawa's WBC featherweight title; Toshiaki Nishioka vs. Mauricio Munoz, 12, for Nishioka's WBC junior featherweight title; Takahiro Ao vs. Humberto Gutierrez, 12, for Ao's WBC junior lightweight title.

At Montreal (ESPN2), David Lemieux vs. Marco Antonio Rubio, 12, WBC middleweight title eliminator; Adonis Stevenson vs. Derek Edwards, 10, super middleweights; Arash Usmanee vs. Aldo Valtierra, 10, super featherweights.

April 9

At Magdeburg, Germany, Robert Stieglitz vs. Dimitri Sartison, 12, for Stieglitz's WBO super middleweight title.

At Newark, N.J., Tomasz Adamek vs. Kevin McBride, 12, heavyweights; Siarhei Liakhovich vs. Johnnie White, 10, heavyweights.

At MGM Grand, Las Vegas (PPV), Marcos Maidana vs. Erik Morales, 12, for the interim WBA World light welterweight title; Robert Guerrero vs. Michael Katsidis, 12, for the interim WBA World-WBO lightweight titles; Paulie Malignaggi vs. Jose Cotto, 10, welterweights; Danny Garcia vs. Nate Campbell, 10, junior welterweights.

ON THE AIR

What's on TV

MLB

Seattle at Texas, 1 p.m., FSS
Arizona at Chicago (NL), 1:10 p.m., WGN
Minnesota at New York (AL), 6 p.m., ESPN2

NBA

Milwaukee at Miami, 7 p.m., ESPN
Sacramento at San Antonio, 7:30 p.m., FSS
L.A. Lakers at Golden State, 9:30 p.m., ESPN

NHL

St. Louis at Chicago, 7 p.m., Versus

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

American Association

AMARILLO SOX—Signed OF Lee Cruz.

KANSAS CITY T-BONES—Signed OF Brian Joynt.

LINCOLN SALTDOGS—Signed RHP Garrett Sherrill, LHP Lindsay Gulin and OF Jon Nelson.

SIOUX FALLS PHEASANTS—Signed INF Cam Cameron.

Can-Am League

BROCKTON ROX—Released RHP Mike Wlodarczyk, RHP Wayne Lundgren, RHP Francisco Ortiz and OF Mike Conroy.

NEW JERSEY JACKALS—Signed C Chris Anderson.

PITTSFIELD COLONIALS—Signed INF Matt Nandin.

QUEBEC CAPITALES—Signed RHP Bryan Rembisz.

WORCESTER TORNADOES—Signed LHP Nick Senno.

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

NEW ORLEANS HORNETS—Signed F Patrick Ewing Jr. for the remainder of the season.

PHILADELPHIA 76ERS—Signed G Antonio Daniels.

FOOTBALL

Canadian Football League

EDMONTON ESKIMOS—Signed WR Marcus Henry.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

ATLANTA THRASHERS—Signed D Zach Redmond and assigned him to Chicago (AHL). Reassigned LW Michael Forney and G Chris Carrozzi from Gwinnett (ECHL) to Chicago.

NEW YORK RANGERS—Assigned F Kris Newbury to Connecticut (AHL).

OTTAWA SENATORS—Recalled D Andre Benoit, D Patrick Wiercioch and F Roman Wick from Binghamton (AHL).

PHILADELPHIA FLYERS—Placed G Michael Leighton on re-entry waivers.

American Hockey League

AHL—Suspended Hershey RW Andrew Gordon one game as a result of his actions in an April 1 game at Norfolk.

CHICAGO WOLVES—Recalled LW Patrick Galivan from Gwinnett (ECHL).

MANITOBA MOOSE—Released D Kyle Bushee. Signed D Adam Polasek.

PEORIA RIVERMEN—Signed G Beau Erickson.

PROVIDENCE BRUINS—Assigned D Ryan Donald and D Alain Goulet to Reading (ECHL).

ECHL

ELMIRA JACKALS—Announced D R.J. Anderson was returned to the team by Binghamton (AHL) and F Eric Lampe was assigned to the team by Syracuse (AHL).

READING ROYALS—Signed G Dan Dunn. Announced F Matt Caruana was assigned to the team by Toronto (AHL) and F forward Rob Slaney was recalled by Toronto.

Central Hockey League

BLOOMINGTON PRAIRIETHUNDER—Announced F Garrett Klotz was recalled by Adirondack (AHL).

TEXAS BRAHMAS—Signed F Shawn Skelly.

COLLEGE

GEORGIA—Announced junior F Trey Thompkins will enter the NBA draft and junior F Travis Leslie has declared for the NBA draft.

HOLY CROSS—Named Erin Walker volleyball coach.

ILLINOIS—Announced freshman F Jereme Richmond has declared for the NBA draft.

IOWA—Announced junior basketball G Cully Payne has been granted a release from his scholarship at his request.

KENNESAW STATE—Named Vaughn Williams athletic director.

LAMAR—Named Pat Knight men's basketball coach.

MIDWESTERN STATE—Names Nelson Haggerty men's basketball coach.

MISSOURI—Named Frank Haith men's basketball coach.

NORTH CAROLINA STATE—Named Mark Gottfried men's basketball coach.

OKLAHOMA CITY—Named Donnie Phelps men's basketball coach.

SAMFORD—Named Andy Stoots women's assistant soccer coach.

NHL

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
x-Philadelphia	80	46	23	11	103	249	[illegible]
x-Pittsburgh	80	47	25	8	102	229	194
N.Y. Rangers	80	43	32	5	91	228	193
New Jersey	79	36	38	5	77	165	200
N.Y. Islanders	79	30	37	12	72	[illegible]	[illegible]

Northeast Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
y-Boston	79	44	24	11	99	238	189
x-Montreal	80	43	30	7	93	212	205
Buffalo	80	41	29	10	92	236	222
Toronto	80	37	32	11	85	215	241
Ottawa	80	31	39	10	72	188	245

Southeast Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
y-Washington	80	47	22	11	105	219	194
x-Tampa Bay	80	44	25	11	99	[illegible]	236
Carolina	79	38	30	11	87	[illegible]	[illegible]
Atlanta	79	33	34	12	78	[illegible]	[illegible]
Florida	79	29	38	12	70	[illegible]	220

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
y-Detroit	79	46	23	10	102	255	231
Nashville	80	43	26	11	97	215	191
Chicago	79	42	28	9	93	247	216
St. Louis	80	37	33	10	84	[illegible]	[illegible]
Columbus	80	34	33	13	81	[illegible]	249

Northwest Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
z-Vancouver	79	52	18	9	113	254	181
Calgary	80	40	29	11	91	242	233
Minnesota	79	37	34	8	82	198	224
Colorado	79	29	42	8	66	[illegible]	[illegible]
Edmonton	78	24	43	11	59	186	256

Pacific Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
y-San Jose	79	47	23	9	103	[illegible]	[illegible]
Phoenix	79	42	25	12	96	224	[illegible]
Los Angeles	79	45	28	6	96	214	[illegible]
Anaheim	79	44	30	5	93	228	[illegible]
Dallas	79	41	28	10	92	[illegible]	224

NOTE: Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss.
x-clinched playoff spot
y-clinched division
z-clinched conference

Tuesday's Scores

Washington 3, Toronto 2, SO
Buffalo 4, Tampa Bay 2
Pittsburgh 4, New Jersey 2
Montreal 2, Chicago 1, OT
Ottawa 5, Philadelphia 2
St. Louis 3, Colorado 1
Nashville 6, Atlanta 3
Dallas 3, Columbus 0
Edmonton 2, Vancouver 0

Today's Games

N.Y. Islanders at Boston, 7 p.m.
Toronto at New Jersey, 7 p.m.
Florida at Washington, 7 p.m.
Detroit at Carolina, 7 p.m.
St. Louis at Chicago, 8 p.m.
Edmonton at Calgary, 9:30 p.m.
San Jose at Anaheim, 10 p.m.
Phoenix at Los Angeles, 10:30 p.m.

TUESDAY'S SUMMARIES

STARS 3, BLUE JACKETS 0

Columbus	0	0	0	— 0
Dallas	1	0	2	— 3

First Period—1, Dallas, Ott 12 (Richards, Goligoski), 5:00 (pp). Second Period—None. Third Period—2, Dallas, Eriksson 25, 19:07 (en). 3, Dallas, Morrow 30, 19:40 (en). Shots on Goal—Columbus 10-5-8—23. Dallas 5-11-14—30. Goalies—Columbus, Garon. Dallas, Lehtonen. A—16,012 (18,532). T—2:13.

OILERS 2, CANUCKS 0

Vancouver	0	0	0	— 0
Edmonton	1	0	1	— 2

First Period—1, Edmonton, Jones 18 (Eberle, Petry), 19:57 (pp). Second Period—None. Third Period—2, Edmonton, Paajarvi 14 (Omark, Petry), 17:14 (pp). Shots on Goal—Vancouver 4-14-8—26. Edmonton 8-6-8—22. Goalies—Vancouver, Luongo, C.Schneider. Edmonton, Dubnyk. A—16,839 (16,839). T—2:20.

BLUES 3, AVALANCHE 1

Colorado	1	0	0	— 1
St. Louis	1	1	1	— 3

First Period—1, St. Louis, Backes 30 (Shattenkirk, McDonald), 14:55. 2, Colorado, K.Porter 14 (Olver, Duchene), 16:42. Second Period—3, St. Louis, Shattenkirk 9 (Colaiacovo, McDonald), 4:07 (pp). Third Period—4, St. Louis, McDonald 20 (Nikitin), 19:20 (en). Shots on Goal—Colorado 12-6-9—27. St. Louis 7-12-10—29. Goalies—Colorado, Budaj. St. Louis, Halak. A—19,150 (19,150). T—2:31.

CANADIENS 2, BLACKHAWKS 1, OT

Chicago	0	1	0	0	— 1
Montreal	0	1	0	1	— 2

First Period—None. Second Period—1, Montreal, Cammalleri 18 (Kostitsyn, Markov), 6:55. 2, Chicago, Kane 27 (Brouwer, Seabrook), 17:06. Third Period—None. Overtime—3, Montreal, Subban 14 (Kostitsyn, Cammalleri), 1:19 (pp). Shots on Goal—Chicago 9-14-20-0—43. Montreal 12-12-9-2—35. Goalies—Chicago, Crawford. Montreal, Price. A—21,273 (21,273). T—2:29.

PREDATORS 6, THRASHERS 3

Atlanta	0	0	3	— 3
Nashville	3	1	2	— 6

First Period—1, Nashville, Halischuk 1 (Tootoo, Smithson), 5:24. 2, Nashville, Tootoo 7 (Erat, Blum), 19:18. 3, Nashville, Kostitsyn 21 (Hornqvist, Franson), 19:57. Second Period—4, Nashville, Tootoo 8 (Halischuk), 1:56. Third Period—5, Nashville, Kostitsyn 22 (Franson, Hornqvist), 2:28. 6, Atlanta, Wheeler 17 (Ladd), 3:36. 7, Nashville, Fisher 19 (Kostitsyn, Hornqvist), 6:18 (pp). 8, Atlanta, Wheeler 18 (Hainsey), 16:25. 9, Atlanta, Antropov 16 (Kane), 17:10. Shots on Goal—Atlanta 12-5-19—36. Nashville 12-7-5—24. Goalies—Atlanta, Mason, Pavelec. Nashville, Rinne. A—16,756 (17,113). T—2:25.

CAPITALS 3, MAPLE LEAFS 2, SO

Washington	1	1	0	0	— 3
Toronto	1	1	0	0	— 2

Washington won shootout 1-0

First Period—1, Toronto, Kulemin 30 (MacArthur, Gunnarsson), 5:37 (pp). 2, Washington, Ovechkin 31 (Laich, Sturm), 11:28 (pp). Second Period—3, Toronto, Lupul 14 (Kessel, Schenn), 1:35. 4, Washington, Erskine 4 (Hendricks, Bradley), 12:07. Third Period—None. Overtime—None. Shootout—Washington 1 (Backstrom NG, Hendricks NG, Ovechkin NG, Knuble G), Toronto 0 (Grabovski NG, Kadri NG, Kulemin NG, Lupul NG). Shots on Goal—Washington 9-17-14-1—41. Toronto 5-6-9-1—21. Goalies—Washington, Neuvirth. Toronto, Reimer. A—19,509 (18,819). T—2:43.

SENATORS 5, FLYERS 2

Philadelphia	1	1	0	— 2
Ottawa	1	2	2	— 5

First Period—1, Philadelphia, Richards 22 (Timonen, Giroux), 3:40 (pp). 2, Ottawa, Foligno 14 (Spezza, Kuba), 15:37 (pp). Second Period—3, Philadelphia, Richards 23 (Zherdev, Timonen), 15:56 (pp). 4, Ottawa, Shannon 11 (Spezza, Kuba), 18:42 (pp). 5, Ottawa, Butler 8 (Z.Smith, Spezza), 19:46. Third Period—6, Ottawa, Spezza 20 (Shannon, Butler), 8:02 (pp). 7, Ottawa, Michalek 18 (Winchester, Hale), 18:42 (en). Shots on Goal—Philadelphia 5-12-12—29. Ottawa 12-13-11—36. Goalies—Philadelphia, Bobrovsky. Ottawa, Anderson. A—18,397 (19,153). T—2:23.

PENGUINS 4, DEVILS 2

New Jersey	0	1	1	— 2
Pittsburgh	1	1	2	— 4

First Period—1, Pittsburgh, Staal 11 (Neal, Kovalev), 17:37 (pp). Second Period—2, New Jersey, Stecker 6 (Pelley, Palmieri), 15:08. 3, Pittsburgh, Dupuis 15 (Talbot, Michalek), 16:11. Third Period—4, Pittsburgh, Kunitz 23 (Kennedy, Staal), 1:31. 5, New Jersey, Rolston 14 (Tedenby, Elias), 4:32. 6, Pittsburgh, Dupuis 16 (Adams), 18:59 (sh). Shots on Goal—New Jersey 5-9-10—24. Pittsburgh 8-11-8—27. Goalies—New Jersey, Hedberg. Pittsburgh, Fleury. A—18,331 (18,087). T—2:13.

SABRES 4, LIGHTNING 2

Tampa Bay	1	0	1	— 2
Buffalo	1	2	1	— 4

First Period—1, Tampa Bay, Malone 13 (Lundin), 13:53. 2, Buffalo, Vanek 29 (Pominville, T.Connolly), 16:45 (pp). Second Period—3, Buffalo, Vanek 30 (Pominville, T.Connolly), 8:00. 4, Buffalo, T.Connolly 13 (Montador, Stafford), 13:46. Third Period—5, Tampa Bay, Lecavalier 22 (St. Louis, Purcell), 17:6. Buffalo, Vanek 31, 19:46. Shots on Goal—Tampa Bay 9-8-8—25. Buffalo 10-6-8—24. Goalies—Tampa Bay, Roloson. Buffalo, Enroth. A—18,690 (18,690). T—2:22.

CHL

Central Hockey League
Playoff Glance
FIRST ROUND
(Best-of-5)
(x-if necessary)

Turner Conference

Series A
Rapid City 3, Dayton 0

Friday, April 1: Rapid City 5, Dayton 4
Saturday, April 2: Rapid City 3, Dayton 1
Tuesday, April 5: Rapid City 4, Dayton 3

Series B
Colorado 2, Quad City 1

Friday, April 1: Quad City 4, Colorado 3, OT
Saturday, April 2: Colorado 5, Quad City 4, OT
Tuesday, April 5: Colorado 2, Quad City 0
Wednesday, April 6: Colorado at Quad City, 7:05 p.m.
x-Saturday, April 9: Quad City at Colorado, 8:05 p.m.

Series C
Fort Wayne 2, Bloomington 0

Saturday, April 2: Fort Wayne 5, Bloomington 2
Sunday, April 3: Fort Wayne 3, Bloomington 1
Wednesday, April 6: Bloomington at Fort Wayne, 6:30 p.m.
x-Friday, April 8: Bloomington at Fort Wayne, 7 p.m.
x-Sunday, April 10: Fort Wayne at Bloomington, 3:05 p.m.

Series D
Wichita 2, Missouri 2

Wednesday, March 30: Wichita 2, Missouri 1
Friday, April 1: Missouri 5, Wichita 0
Saturday, April 2: Wichita 5, Missouri 4, OT
Tuesday, April 5: Missouri 2, Wichita 1
x-Wednesday, April 6: Wichita at Missouri, 7:05 p.m.

Berry Conference

Series E
Allen 3, Rio Grande Valley 0

Thursday, March 31: Allen 4, Rio Grande Valley 1
Friday, April 1: Allen 4, Rio Grande Valley 2
Sunday, April 3: Allen 5, Rio Grande Valley 2

Series F
Bossier-Shreveport 1, Arizona 1

Friday, April 1: Bossier-Shreveport 3, Arizona 2
Saturday, April 2: Arizona 2, Bossier-Shreveport 1, OT
Tuesday, April 5: Bossier-Shreveport at Arizona, 9:05 p.m.
Wednesday, April 6: Bossier-Shreveport at Arizona, 9:05 p.m.
x-Saturday, April 9: Arizona at Bossier-Shreveport, 7:05 p.m.

Series G
Mississippi 3, Tulsa 2

Thursday, March 31: Mississippi 7, Tulsa 3
Friday, April 1: Mississippi 3, Tulsa 1
Sunday, April 3: Tulsa 4, Mississippi 3
Tuesday, April 5: Tulsa 4, Mississippi 1
x-Saturday, April 9: Mississippi at Tulsa, 7:35 p.m.

Series H
Odessa 2, Texas 1

Thursday, March 31: Texas 5, Odessa 4
Saturday, April 2: Odessa 5, Texas 2
Tuesday, April 5: Odessa 4, Texas 3
Thursday, April 7: Texas at Odessa, 7:05 p.m.
x-Saturday, April 9: Odessa at Texas, 7:30 p.m.

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
y-Boston	54	23	.701	—
x-Philadelphia	40	38	.513	14 1/2
x-New York	39	38	.506	15
New Jersey	24	53	.312	30
Toronto	21	56	.273	33

Southeast Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
y-Miami	54	23	.701	—
x-Orlando	49	29	.628	5 1/2
x-Atlanta	44	34	.564	10 1/2
Charlotte	32	45	.416	22
Washington	21	56	.273	33

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
y-Chicago	57	20	.740	—
Indiana	35	43	.449	22 1/2
Milwaukee	31	46	.403	26
Detroit	26	51	.338	31
Cleveland	16	61	.208	41

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
y-San Antonio	59	19	.756	—
x-Dallas	53	24	.688	5 1/2
New Orleans	44	33	.571	14 1/2
Memphis	44	34	.564	15
Houston	41	37	.526	18

Northwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Oklahoma City	51	26	.662	—
x-Denver	47	30	.610	4
x-Portland	45	32	.584	6
Utah	36	41	.468	15
Minnesota	17	61	.218	34 1/2

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
y-L.A. Lakers	55	21	.724	—
Phoenix	37	40	.481	18 1/2
Golden State	33	44	.429	22 1/2
L.A. Clippers	31	47	.397	25
Sacramento	23	54	.299	32 1/2

x-clinched playoff spot
y-clinched division

Tuesday's Scores

San Antonio 97, Atlanta 90
Cleveland 99, Charlotte 89
New Jersey 107, Minnesota 105
Orlando 78, Milwaukee 72
Washington 107, Detroit 105
Boston 99, Philadelphia 82
New York 131, Toronto 118
Chicago 97, Phoenix 94
L.A. Clippers 82, Memphis 81
Sacramento 104, Houston 101
Oklahoma City 101, Denver 94
Golden State at Portland, late
Utah at L.A. Lakers, late

Today's Games

Orlando at Charlotte, 6 p.m.
Washington at Indiana, 6 p.m.
New York at Philadelphia, 6 p.m.
Cleveland at Toronto, 6 p.m.
New Jersey at Detroit, 6:30 p.m.
Phoenix at Minnesota, 7 p.m.
Houston at New Orleans, 7 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Oklahoma City, 7 p.m.
Milwaukee at Miami, 7 p.m.
Sacramento at San Antonio, 7:30 p.m.
Denver at Dallas, 7:30 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at Golden State, 9:30 p.m.

TUESDAY'S BOX SCORES

SPURS 97, HAWKS 90

SAN ANTONIO (97): Jefferson 2-6 1-2 5, Duncan 8-8 1-2 17, McDyess 4-7 1-2 9, Parker 10-16 6-6 26, Ginobili 6-12 6-6 18, Hill [illegible], Bonner 1-8 0-0 2, Neal 0-2 0-0 0, Blair 3-6 1-2 7. Totals 37-74 22-26 97.

ATLANTA (90): Williams 4-7 0-0 8, Horford 6-15 0-0 12, Collins 0-0 0-0 0, Hinrich [illegible], Johnson 9-23 2-4 21, Crawford [illegible], Pachulia 1-1 1-2 3, Teague 2-5 4-4 8, Wilkins [illegible], Armstrong 0-0 0-0 0, Thomas 0-0 2-2 2. Totals 36-72 17-20 90.

San Antonio	16	27	23	31	— 97
Atlanta	21	26	19	24	— 90

3-Point Goals—San Antonio 1-8 (Hill 1-2, Parker 0-1, Bonner 0-1, Ginobili 0-2, Jefferson 0-2), Atlanta 3-13 (Crawford 3-5, Hinrich 0-1, Teague 0-2, Johnson 0-5). Fouled Out—Hinrich. Rebounds—San Antonio 50 (Duncan, McDyess, Bonner 6), Atlanta 31 (Horford 9). Assists—San Antonio 14 (Parker, Ginobili 4), Atlanta 17 (Horford 5). Total Fouls—San Antonio 16, Atlanta 23. Technicals—San Antonio defensive three second. Flagrant Fouls—Hinrich. A—17,277 (18,729).

KINGS 104, ROCKETS 101

SACRAMENTO (104): Garcia 1-8 0-0 3, Cousins 6-8 3-4 15, Dalembert 8-12 5-8 21, Evans 7-16 4-4 18, Thornton 9-16 3-4 21, Udrih 5-8 0-0 10, Greene 1-5 0-0 2, Thompson 7-10 0-0 14. Totals 44-83 15-18 104.

HOUSTON (101): Budinger 2-8 1-2 6, Scola 9-16 0-0 18, Hayes 3-6 2-2 8, Lowry 4-15 5-6 15, Martin 12-25 4-6 30, Lee 4-13 2-2 12, Patterson 3-5 0-0 6, Hill 3-5 0-1 6, Dragic 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 40-94 14-21 101.

Sacramento	24	28	24	28	— 104
Houston	28	18	28	27	— 101

3-Point Goals—Sacramento 1-11 (Garcia 1-4, Udrih 0-1, Thornton 0-1, Greene 0-2, Evans 0-3), Houston 7-25 (Lee 2-6, Lowry 2-7, Martin 2-7, Budinger 1-4, Dragic 0-1). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Sacramento 52 (Dalembert, Cousins 15), Houston 51 (Hayes, Scola 10). Assists—Sacramento 18 (Evans 5), Houston 24 (Lowry 9). Total Fouls—Sacramento 18, Houston 15. Technicals—Sacramento defensive three second. A—15,523 (18,043).

BULLS 97, SUNS 94

PHOENIX (94): Hill 5-10 1-1 13, Frye 5-15 0-0 13, Gortat 4-9 2-2 10, Nash 3-6 0-0 6, Dudley 5-9 0-0 12, Carter 9-22 2-3 23, Warrick 3-5 3-4 9, Childress 2-5 0-0 4, Brooks 1-4 2-2 4, Lopez 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 38-86 10-12 94.

CHICAGO (97): Deng 7-16 2-2 18, Boozer 5-13 2-3 12, Noah 6-7 0-0 12, Rose 6-15 6-6 19, Bogans 1-3 0-0 3, Brewer 3-7 3-4 10, Gibson 4-7 2-5 10, Thomas 0-1 0-0 0, Asik 0-0 1-2 1, Watson 2-5 0-0 6, Korver 2-4 1-2 6. Totals 36-78 17-24 97.

Phoenix	24	16	30	24	— 94
Chicago	25	28	28	16	— 97

3-Point Goals—Phoenix 8-23 (Carter 3-6, Frye 3-6, Dudley 2-3, Hill 0-1, Warrick 0-1, Brooks 0-2, Nash 0-2), Chicago 8-19 (Watson 2-4, Deng 2-5, Korver 1-1, Brewer 1-1, Bogans 1-2, Rose 1-5). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Phoenix 54 (Gortat 13), Chicago 47 (Gibson, Boozer 9). Assists—Phoenix 27 (Nash 16), Chicago 26 (Boozer 7). Total Fouls—Phoenix 20, Chicago 15. Technicals—Phoenix defensive three second. A—21,873 (20,917).

CLIPPERS 82, GRIZZLIES 81

L.A. CLIPPERS (82): Moon 4-7 0-0 8, Griffin 6-15 3-6 15, Kaman 7-12 0-0 14, M.Williams 6-13 1-1 16, Gordon 5-13 1-2 11, Aminu 1-4 1-1 3, Jordan 0-2 2-6 2, Bledsoe 0-0 3-4 3, Foye 3-11 2-2 9, C.Smith 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 32-78 14-22 82.

MEMPHIS (81): Young 6-6 3-5 15, Randolph 6-15 2-4 14, Gasol 6-11 2-4 14, Conley 6-16 4-4 20, Allen 4-13 0-0 8, Battier 2-5 0-0 4, Mayo 1-8 1-1 3, Arthur 0-7 0-0 0, I.Smith 0-2 0-0 0, Haddadi 1-1 0-0 2, Powe 0-0 0-0 0, Vasquez 1-1 0-0 3. Totals 34-85 12-18 81.

L.A. Clippers	18	21	20	23	— 82
Memphis	22	26	20	13	— 81

3-Point Goals—L.A. Clippers 4-14 (M.Williams 3-6, Foye 1-3, Aminu 0-1, Gordon 0-1, Moon 0-3), Memphis 1-9 (Vasquez 1-1, Allen 0-1, Battier 0-2, Mayo 0-2, Conley 0-3). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—L.A. Clippers 59 (Griffin 14), Memphis 59 (Gasol 15). Assists—L.A. Clippers 14 (Foye 4), Memphis 11 (Conley 4). Total Fouls—L.A. Clippers 19, Memphis 19. Technicals—Kaman, L.A. Clippers defensive three second. A—15,433 (18,119).

CELTICS 99, 76ERS 82

PHILADELPHIA (82): Iguodala 3-6 4-7 10, Brand 5-11 2-2 12, Hawes 3-14 0-0 6, Holiday 4-12 2-2 11, Meeks 4-8 0-0 10, Turner 9-14 2-4 21, Young 4-10 0-0 8, Nocioni 0-3 0-0 0, Daniels 1-2 2-2 4, Speights 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 33-84 12-17 82.

BOSTON (99): Pierce 6-11 3-3 18, Garnett 6-10 2-2 14, J.O'Neal 4-6 1-2 9, Rondo 6-14 4-4 16, Allen 5-7 2-4 13, Davis 3-9 1-2 7, Krstic 4-5 0-0 8, Green 3-9 2-2 8, West 3-4 0-0 6, Pavlovic 0-0 0-0 0, Murphy 0-0 0-0 0, Arroyo 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 40-76 15-19 99.

Philadelphia	26	24	15	17	— 82
Boston	24	30	21	24	— 99

3-Point Goals—Philadelphia 4-10 (Meeks 2-4, Turner 1-1, Holiday 1-3, Hawes 0-1, Iguodala 0-1), Boston 4-10 (Pierce 3-4, Allen 1-1, Rondo 0-2, Green 0-3). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Philadelphia 44 (Hawes 8), Boston 52 (Pierce, Green 7). Assists—Philadelphia 17 (Turner 5), Boston 29 (Rondo 13). Total Fouls—Philadelphia 15, Boston 16. Technicals—Philadelphia defensive three second 2. A—18,624 (18,624).

WIZARDS 107, PISTONS 105

DETROIT (105): Prince 7-16 0-0 14, Wilcox 5-11 0-0 10, Monroe 7-13 8-10 22, Bynum 4-12 5-6 14, Hamilton 1-11 0-0 2, McGrady 7-11 0-1 14, Wallace 0-1 0-0 0, Gordon 3-6 1-1 9, Daye 6-10 0-1 14, Maxiell 3-6 0-1 6, Summers 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 43-88 14-20 105.

WASHINGTON (107): Evans 9-13 0-1 20, Blatche 8-18 10-12 26, McGee 4-5 0-2 8, Wall 6-15 14-16 26, Crawford 6-17 4-4 17, Jeffers 2-2 0-0 4, Seraphin 1-1 0-0 2, Yi 2-5 0-0 4, Shakur 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 38-77 28-35 107.

Detroit	22	32	27	24	— 105
Washington	31	21	26	29	— 107

3-Point Goals—Detroit 5-17 (Gordon 2-3, Daye 2-4, Bynum 1-5, Hamilton 0-1, Summers 0-1, McGrady 0-1, Prince 0-2), Washington 3-10 (Evans 2-6, Crawford 1-3, Wall 0-1). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Detroit 57 (Monroe 14), Washington 50 (Blatche 10). Assists—Detroit 18 (McGrady 6), Washington 21 (Wall 12). Total Fouls—Detroit 22, Washington 17. Technicals—Wall. A—18,131 (20,173).

KNICKS 131, RAPTORS 118

TORONTO (118): J.Johnson 3-6 3-4 10, A.Johnson 2-3 0-0 4, Bargnani 0-4 0-0 0, Bayless 6-15 6-7 19, DeRozan 13-27 9-12 36, Davis 10-14 2-4 22, Weems 6-11 2-2 14, Evans 0-2 1-2 1, Wright 2-4 0-0 4, Ajinca 3-4 2-2 8. Totals 45-92 25-33 118.

NEW YORK (131): Anthony 9-15 0-0 23, Jeffries 1-2 0-0 2, Stoudemire 7-13 9-11 23, Billups 3-6 6-6 13, Fields 3-5 3-4 10, Douglas 10-15 2-3 26, Sha.Williams 2-2 2-2 6, Walker 3-6 1-1 8, Carter 2-3 0-0 4, Turiaf 0-0 0-0 0, Brown 2-2 3-5 7. Totals 45-76 26-34 131.

Toronto	30	32	29	26	— 118
New York	30	30	21	32	— 131

3-Point Goals—Toronto 3-7 (Bayless 1-1, J.Johnson 1-2, DeRozan 1-3, Weems 0-1), New York 15-27 (Douglas 4-6, Anthony 5-7, Fields 1-1, Sha.Williams 1-3, Billups 1-3, Walker 1-3). Fouled Out—Bayless. Rebounds—Toronto 50 (Davis 13), New York 43 (Anthony 9). Assists—Toronto 11 (Bayless 5), New York 31 (Billups 9). Total Fouls—Toronto 24, New York 20. A—19,763 (19,763).

MAGIC 78, BUCKS 72

MILWAUKEE (72): Delfino 3-11 0-0 7, Mbah a Moute 1-6 0-2 2, Bogut 1-4 0-2 2, Jennings 3-15 1-1 8, Salmons 3-9 1-2 8, Gooden 7-17 4-6 18, Dooling 3-4 2-2 10, Maggette 3-5 2-2 8, Boykins 1-1 0-0 2, Sanders 0-1 1-2 1, Redd 1-4 0-0 2, Douglas-Roberts 1-3 1-1 3. Totals 27-75 12-17 72.

ORLANDO (78): Turkoglu 5-12 1-2 12, Bass 3-3 7-10 13, Howard 5-10 6-13 16, Nelson 7-16 2-2 17, J.Richardson 4-14 0-0 9, Arenas 1-8 4-6 6, Anderson 1-4 1-2 3, Q.Richardson 0-2 1-2 1, Duhon 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 26-67 24-36 78.

Milwaukee	14	19	22	17	— 72
Orlando	26	16	15	21	— 78

3-Point Goals—Milwaukee 6-20 (Dooling 2-3, Salmons 2-3, Delfino 1-5, Jennings 1-7, Douglas-Roberts 0-1, Redd 0-1), Orlando 2-21 (Nelson 1-4, Turkoglu 1-5, Duhon 0-1, Anderson 0-2, Q.Richardson 0-2, Arenas 0-2, J.Richardson 0-5). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Milwaukee 41 (Salmons 8), Orlando 65 (Howard 17). Assists—Milwaukee 14 (Gooden 4), Orlando 12 (Turkoglu, Nelson 3). Total Fouls—Milwaukee 27, Orlando 15. Technicals—Orlando Coach Van Gundy. A—18,996 (18,500).

CAVALIERS 99, BOBCATS 89

CHARLOTTE (89): Cunningham 5-14 0-0 10, Diaw 1-5 1-2 3, Brown 4-7 2-4 10, Augustin 7-20 6-7 22, Henderson 6-15 2-2 15, White 1-7 4-4 6, Carroll 4-5 5-6 13, Temple 2-5 1-2 6, McGuire 2-4 0-0 4. Totals 32-82 21-27 89.

CLEVELAND (99): Gee 5-8 1-2 13, Hickson 7-18 2-3 16, Hollins 7-7 2-2 16, Davis 3-10 3-4 11, Parker 0-8 0-0 0, Sessions 5-7 8-8 18, Harangody 5-9 0-0 11, Gibson 3-8 1-1 10, Eyenga 2-4 0-0 4, Graham 0-3 0-0 0. Totals 37-82 17-20 99.

Charlotte	16	22	28	23	— 89
Cleveland	34	21	19	25	— 99

3-Point Goals—Charlotte 4-15 (Augustin 2-6, Henderson 1-2, Temple 1-4, Cunningham 0-1, Diaw 0-2), Cleveland 8-24 (Gibson 3-6, Gee 2-3, Davis 2-5, Harangody 1-4, Eyenga 0-1, Parker 0-5). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Charlotte 53 (Cunningham, Diaw 11), Cleveland 51 (Hickson 19). Assists—Charlotte 22 (Augustin 8), Cleveland 24 (Parker, Davis, Gibson 5). Total Fouls—Charlotte 15, Cleveland 21. Technicals—Charlotte defensive three second. A—19,835 (20,562).

NETS 107, TIMBERWOLVES 105

MINNESOTA (105): Johnson 3-4 0-0 8, Beasley 7-17 5-6 20, Pekovic 5-7 2-2 12, Ridnour 5-9 0-1 11, Ellington 2-7 0-0 4, Randolph 8-16 4-7 20, Tolliver 4-8 5-5 14, Webster 5-7 3-4 16, Flynn 0-4 0-2 0. Totals 39-79 19-27 105.

NEW JERSEY (107): Vujacic 6-12 1-2 17, Outlaw 5-15 3-3 13, Lopez 13-23 4-5 30, Williams 6-15 4-7 18, West 1-3 1-2 3, Wright 2-7 1-1 5, Graham 2-3 0-0 5, Gadzuric 0-0 0-0 0, Farmar 5-7 0-0 12, Petro 2-4 0-0 4. Totals 42-89 14-20 107.

Minnesota	23	27	25	30	— 105
New Jersey	29	32	24	22	— 107

3-Point Goals—Minnesota 8-15 (Webster 3-3, Johnson 2-2, Ridnour 1-2, Tolliver 1-2, Beasley 1-3, Flynn 0-1, Ellington 0-2), New Jersey 9-20 (Vujacic 4-6, Farmar 2-4, Williams 2-6, Graham 1-2, Outlaw 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Minnesota 57 (Beasley 11), New Jersey 44 (Lopez 12). Assists—Minnesota 23 (Ridnour 9), New Jersey 31 (Williams 21). Total Fouls—Minnesota 19, New Jersey 20. Technicals—Minnesota defensive three second, Williams. A—13,461 (18,500).

THUNDER 101, NUGGETS 94

OKLAHOMA CITY (101): Durant 10-21 11-12 32, Ibaka 4-8 1-2 9, Perkins 2-3 0-0 4, Westbrook 5-17 6-10 16, Sefolosha 2-4 0-0 4, Collison 2-2 1-1 5, Harden 4-12 3-6 13, Mohammed 2-3 0-0 4, Maynor 4-8 1-2 10, Cook 0-1 2-2 2. Totals 35-79 27-36 101.

DENVER (94): Gallinari 5-9 4-5 17, Martin 6-9 2-2 14, Nene 3-10 1-4 7, Lawson 10-18 5-9 27, Chandler 2-8 1-1 5, Mozgov 0-0 0-0 0, Smith 3-7 0-0 6, Felton 5-13 1-5 11, Harrington 2-4 0-0 6, Koufos 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 36-82 17-26 94.

Oklahoma City	27	21	21	32	— 101
Denver	18	31	18	27	— 94

3-Point Goals—Oklahoma City 4-19 (Harden 2-7, Maynor 1-2, Durant 1-5, Cook 0-1, Westbrook 0-1, Sefolosha 0-2), Denver 5-12 (Gallinari 3-4, Harrington 2-3, Smith 0-1, Chandler 0-2, Felton 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Oklahoma City 57 (Perkins 14), Denver 50 (Nene 8). Assists—Oklahoma City 16 (Westbrook 6), Denver 17 (Lawson 6). Total Fouls—Oklahoma City 26, Denver 26. Technicals—Durant, Perkins, Oklahoma City defensive three second, Gallinari, Nene. A—19,203 (19,155).

Lee's Thomas, MHS' Jones still in contenion in medalist standings

From staff reports

ODESSA — Libby Thomas and Shelby Jones entered Tuesday's third round of the District 3-5A girls golf tour knowing both had to post low rounds to stay in contention in the medalist standings.

Thomas

Jones

Thomas, a sophomore at Lee, posted the tournament's low round through the first three rounds with a 2-over 74 at Ratliff Ranch Golf Links and maintained a three-stroke lead over San Angelo Central's Kamryn Cummings.

Meanwhile, Jones, a Midland High senior, had her best round of the tournament with a three-over 75 to vault her into fourth place, and in the process put her contention for one of the two regional tournament spots that go to individuals.

Jones said she finished the front nine at Ratliff with a 40, and at one point in the round had two straight birdies. Jones' Tuesday round was 10 strokes better than her second round 85, and 14 better than a first round 89.

"It's my senior year, and I posted two really horrible rounds, I just went there with the mind set that I've only got 36 holes left and that's what it was about," said Jones, who recorded an eagle during her round after holing out a shot from 132 yards. "I just played with everything that I had, and my mind was so clear and confident."

Thomas, meanwhile, continued to show the play that had many thinking she could compete for a district individual title even as a sophomore.

Thomas had four bogeys and two birdies on Tuesday on a course that she had never played before.

"I just kind of went in there knowing I haven't played there before, and most high school tournaments I haven't played there and I was like, 'The hole is there, so let's just go there,'" Thomas said. "I guess I don't worry about my surroundings as much because it's a new course to me."

San Angelo Central maintained its hold on the top spot in the team standings as the Lady Bobcats shot a 317 and are at 1,031 for the tournament, and Odessa Permian is eight strokes behind after shooting a 320 and is at 1,039.

Midland High, meanwhile, posted its best round of the tournament with a 330 and is 34 strokes behind the Lady Panthers with a three-round score of 1,073.

The four-round tournament will conclude on Monday at Diamondback Golf Club in Abilene.

District 3-5A Girls Golf Tour
Third Round
Ratliff Ranch Golf Links, Odessa
Tuesday's results

Team standings: 1. San Angelo Central, 355-359-317—1,031. 2. Permian, 370-349-320—1,039. 3. Midland High, 383-360-330—1,073. 4. Odessa High, 382-361-333—1,076. 5. Abilene High, 397-360-355—1,112. 6. Abilene Cooper, 399-371-355—1,125. 7. Midland Lee, 407-381-352—1,140. 8. Permian II, 438-427-370—1,235. 9. San Angelo Central II, 439-431-394—1,264. 10. Midland High II, 434-435-404—1,273. 11. Abilene Cooper, 476-424-389—1,289. 12. Odessa High II, 467-442-402—1,311. 13. Midland Lee II, 501-456-415—1,372

Medalist standings: 1. Libby Thomas, Midland Lee, 80-79-74—233. 2. Kamryn Cummings, San Angelo Central, 76-85-75—236. 3. Christian Garcia, San Angelo Central, 86-82-75—244. 4. Shelby Jones, Midland High, 89-85-75—249. 5. Mackenzie Curnutt, Abilene High, 89-79-84—252. 6. (tie) Randi Hanfeld, Permian, 92-86-80—258, and Macee Law, Permian, 90-83-85—258, and Lauren Langford, Abilene High, 86-87-85—258. 9. Jaclyn Granado, San Angelo Central, 89-89-81—259. 10. Brittani Law, Permian, 91-92-78—261

Individual Results

San Angelo Central (355-359-317—1,031): Kamryn Cummings, 76-85-75—236. Jaclyn Granado, 89-89-81—259. Christian Garcia, 86-82-75—244. Kelcee Widdess, 104-104-85—293. Lauren Barron, 101-103-107—311

Odessa Permian (370-349-320—1,039): Randi Hanfeld, 92-86-80—258. Macee Lane, 90-83-85—258. Brittani Law, 91-92-78—261. Ruth Nabarrette, 97-98-77—272. Bailee Cook, 100-88-92—280

Midland High (383-360-330—1,073): Shelby Jones, 89-85-75—249. Tamra Duncan, 93-89-80—262. Brittany Inglish, 101-102-86—289. Madeline Coffman, 101-88-89—278. Rachel Eyler, 100-98-97—295

Odessa High (382-361-333—1,076): Alyssa Carter, 99-88-82—269. Tyleigh Clark, 97-88-84—269. Mackenzie Barnes, 88-89-86—263. Ciara McWilliams, 98-96-82—276. Aspen Lam, 100-99-85—284

Abilene High (397-360-355—1,112): Mackenzie Curnutt, 89-79-84—252. Lauren Langford, 86-87-85—258. Kailey Cockerell, 120-94-93—307. Lindsey Sitton, 102-100-93—295. Madison Moore, 123-101-94—318

Abilene Cooper (399-371-355—1,125): Cameron Wallace, 97-94-87—278. Chelsea Ann Freeman, 97-88-84—269. Stacey Norton, 100-98-93—291. Holly Buff, 105-91-95—291. Elizabeth West, 118-101-91-310

Lee (407-381-352—1,140): Libby Thomas, 80-79-74—233. Talyn Standard, 105-107-94—306. Meagan Worrell, 110-93-91—294. Leah Schwope, 112-102-93—307. Cassie Sitz, 116-113-104—333

Odessa Permian II (438-427-370—1,235): Lyndzie Allbright, 104-104-86—294. Amber Gregg, 104-102-87—293. Brittany Roberts, 114-106-96—316. Sara Carrasco, 120-115-104—339. Jillian Acklin, 121-116-101—338

San Angelo Central II (439-431-394—1,264): Whitney Wardlaw, 105-103-94—302. Sarah Falcon, 94-99-95—288. Lauren Barta, 105-103-94—302. Maddie Sudduth, 139-126-111—366. Riley Tucker, 137-132-111—380

Midland High II (434-435-404—1,273): Devan Crawford, 106-109-97—312. Hannah Cowley, 92-115-94—301. Milissa Chiles, 118-107-112—337. Kathryn McGowan, 118-104-101—323. Jordyn Hendix, NS-118-120—NS

Abilene Cooper II (476-424-389—1,289): Ilyana Benavides, 114-102-95—311. Katie Barefield, 111-112-96—319. Megan Albritton, 121-107-96—324. Ashley Brehm, 126-122-119—367. Emily Reesing, NS-114-102—NS

Odessa High II (467-442-402—1,311): Maegan Jones, 107-97-93—297. Bailey Wright, 117-112-100—329. Catie Wimberley, 130-114-106—350. Samantha Bustamante, 118-119-103—340. April Wimberley, 125-124-112—361

Lee II (501-456-415—1,372): Sara Pitts, 118-106-105—329. Emily White, 126-108-100—338. Ginny Bister, 121-121-112—354. Morgan Walton, 136-121-109—366. Emily Gulick, NS-113-101—NS

Medalists

Kelly Lanford, Abilene High, 129-112-95—307. Mychellya Shadle, Abilene Cooper, 140-125-94—359. Elizabeth Fletcher, Abilene Cooper, 142-128-120—390. Chelsea Becker, Midland Lee, 149-125-118—392. Caroly Allison, San Angelo Central, 139-137-132—408. Whitney Humphrey, Abilene High, 132-NS-110—NS. Kelsey Cockerell, Abilene High, 143-120-NS—NS. Shelby Bailey, Abilene High, NS-NS-122—NS

Jacks take series lead over Brahmas

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CLOSING IN Odessa's Sabastien Thinel skates through the Brahmas' Darryl McArthur (22), Matt Burto (23), and Sean Hurley (3) on Tuesday during, Game 3 at the Ector County Coliseum.

ODESSA — It's called a forecheck and Todd Robinson's effort Tuesday night pushed the Odessa Jackalopes to the forefront of their playoff series with the Texas Brahmas.

Working hard behind the Brahmas net, Robinson stole the puck from defenseman Jason Krischuk and quickly fed Sebastien Thinel at the right post for Thinel's second goal of the game, at the 13:24 mark of the third period. The goal proved to be the game winner in a 4-3 victory in front of 2,891 at the Ector County Coliseum.

"We were just working hard," Robinson said. "I was able to take it away and Sebby was right there."

Thinel's marker came 31 seconds after Texas' Chad Woollard, who left the ice after getting hit in the face in the second period, had tied the game with a wrist shot from the left circle that handcuffed Jackalopes goaltender Joel Martin and went off his glove and inside the right post.

The victory gives the Jackalopes a 2-1 lead in the best-of-5 Berry Conference quarterfinal and they'll have a chance to close things out on home ice at 7:05 p.m. Thursday. Game 5, if necessary, would be played at 7:30 p.m. Saturday night at the NYTEX Sports Centre in North Richland Hills.

Thinel had two assists on the night, as well, with Robinson finishing with four helpers. Kevin Seibel and Alex Dunn also found the back of the net for Odessa, which scored three third-period goals for the victory.

"We didn't play our best hockey tonight, nothing like we did in Saturday night's win," Jackalopes coach Paul Gillis said. "We spent too much time in our own end and we didn't have the same energy and we need to get that back for Thursday's game.

"That said, we found a way to win on a night when we might not have deserved it and I'll take it. You need to get some bounces sometimes and we did tonight."

Calin Wild and Jason Deitsch also scored for the Brahmas.

After a scoreless first period, Odessa was first to find the back of the net with Seibel's power-play goal 2:07 into the second period.

Seibel started the play at the left point by feeding the puck across the top of the Texas zone to Alex Dunn. Dunn slid the puck down the right wing to Robinson, who skated toward the right corner and then fed Thinel at the right post, who had a shot blocked by Texas goaltender Wayne Savage.

The puck, however, slid over to the left post where Seibel was waiting after skating down the slot and he quickly pushed it inside the left post.

"It was nice to get that first goal," Seibel said. "That puts a little more pressure on the them, but they are a good team and got back into the game."

The Brahmas struck twice in a 97-second span with less than five minutes remaining in the second period.

Wild tied the game with a shot from just outside the crease at the right post after Martin had made a stop of Mike Sgroi at the left post. Martin went post-to-post and got a piece of Wild's shot, but the puck trickled between his pads for the equalizer.

Deitsch then put Texas ahead with a power-play goal of his own, taking a feed from Ryan Bennett from behind the right post and lifting it over Martin's glove hand with 3:30 remaining before the second intermission.

But Woollard then gave the Jackalopes a power play to start the second period with a double minor for roughing and unsportsmanlike conduct, and Odessa cashed in. Dunn, sitting just above the left post, took a cross-ice feed from Thinel and one-timed it past Savage just 1:25 into the third period to tie the game.

Jackalopes	4
Brahmas	3

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ODESSA 4, TEXAS 3

Texas	0	2	1	—3
Odessa	0	1	3	—4

First Period — None. Penalties-Jason Deitsch, Texas (slashing), 1:11. Kevin Seibel, Jackalopes (cross checking), 6:38. Garrett Gruenke, Jackalopes (cross checking), 7:10. Matt Burto, Texas (roughing), 19:37. Matt Burto, Texas (holding the stick), 19:37. Nathan Saunders, Texas (roughing double minor), 19:37. Alex Dunn, Jackalopes (roughing), 19:37. Luke Stauffacher, Jackalopes (roughing), 19:37.

Second Period — 1. Odessa, Kevin Seibel (Sebastien Thinel, Todd Robinson), 2:07 (pp). 2. Texas, Calin Wild (Mike Sgroi, Alex Curran), 15:07. 3. Texas, Jason Deitsch (Ryan Bennett, Dylan Stanley), 16:30 (pp). Penalties-Sean Hurley, Texas (slashing), :32. Jason Deitsch, Texas (elbowing), 5:16. Greg Hogeboom, Texas (hooking), 7:46. Alex Dunn, Jackalopes (holding), 15:40. Chad Woollard, Texas (roughing), 20:00. Chad Woollard, Texas (unsportsmanlike conduct), 20:00. Kevin Seibel, Jackalopes (unsportsmanlike conduct), 20:00.

Third Period — 4. Odessa, Alex Dunn (Sebastien Thinel, Todd Robinson), 1:25 (pp). 5. Odessa, Sebastien Thinel (Todd Robinson, Mike Ramsay), 6:02. 6. Texas, Chad Woollard (Jason Deitsch), 12:53. 7. Odessa, Sebastien Thinel (Todd Robinson), 13:24. Penalties-Kenny Corupe, Jackalopes (holding), 1:38. Alex Curran, Texas (hooking), 15:17. Alex Dunn, Jackalopes (slashing), 18:57.

Shots on Goal — Texas, 11-9-10-30. Odessa, 9-21-10-40.

Power-play opportunities — Texas 1 of 5. Odessa 2 of 8.

Goaltenders — Texas, Wayne Savage. Odessa, Joel Martin.

A — 2,891.

T — 2:39.

Referee — Peter Friesema. Linesmen — Chris Petrin, Kai Magnussen.

Chaparral golf team finishes third in Granbury

From staff reports

GRANBURY — The Midland College golf team finished third at an abbreviated Texas State Junior College Championship on Tuesday at Harbor Lakes Golf Club.

The tournament's first day had a scheduled 36 holes but was shortened to 18, and it finished on Tuesday with 18 holes.

The Chaps shot 326-309—635 and finished four strokes behind second place Odessa College and 15 strokes behind winner McLennan Community College.

Luke Richardson led Midland College with a 77-76—153 to finish tied for fourth and earn all-state honors. Marc Dobias finished tied for eighth with a 79-76—155 and also earned all-state honors.

"Our ineffective team play continues, but we know we are capable," Midland College golf coach Delnor Poss said. "We will continue to work hard and attempt to get back to the form we had earlier this spring."

The Chaps will next hit the course in the District 4 NJCAA Championship at Diamondback Golf Club in Abilene on April 13-14.

Texas State Junior College Championship
Harbor Lakes Golf Club
Granbury
Tuesday's results

Team standings: 1. McLennan CC, 323-297—620. 2. Odessa College 329-302—631. 3. Midland College 326-309—635. 4. Tyler Junior College 332-304—636. 5. Wester Texas College 335-301—636. 6. Ranger College 332-306—638. 7. Texarkana CC 332-309—641. 8. Paris Junior College 332-310—642. 9. Hill College 340-326—666

Medalist standings: 1. Greyden Blevins, MCC 76-73—149. 2. (tie) Chris Bell, OC 77-74—151. Whemeyer Ferreira, Texarkana 80-71—151. 4. Nathan Anderson, MCC 79-73—152. 5. (tie) James Kerr, WTC 81-72—153. Luke Richardson, MC 77-76—153. Ryan Mulvany, Tyler JC 82-71—153. 8. (tie) Caegan Allen, Ranger 79-76—155. Florentino Molina, Hill College 79-76—155. Marc Dobias, MC 79-76—155

Other Midland College individuals: Neil Gowan 85-79—164. Alex Sobstad 87-79—166. Nathan Park 85-78—163

Andrews sweeps 4-3A titles

From staff reports

FORT STOCKTON — The Andrews boys and girls golf teams completed a dominating sweep of the District 4-3A tournament on Tuesday by wrapping up both district championships.

The girls won the title by shooting a 308 at Desert Pines Golf Course in Fort Stockton and finished at 959 for the three rounds, which was 94 strokes better than second place Monahans.

The boys, meanwhile were just as dominating as the Mustangs carded their third consecutive round under 310 with a 309 on Tuesday and finished at 911 for the tournament. Andrews won by 91 strokes over second place Monahans. The victory was the Mustangs fifth straight district title.

Andrews' Sarah Black won the girls medalist standings, and Hunter Montgomery won the boys title for the second straight season.

The Region I-3A girls golf tournament is set for April 18-19 at Meadowbrook Golf Course in Lubbock, and the boys tournament is on April 20-21.

District 4-3A Championships
Round 3
Desert Pines Golf Course
Fort Stockton
Tuesday's Results
GIRLS

Team Standings: 1. Andrews A, 329-322-308—959; 2. Monahans A, 356-348-343—1,047; 3. Andrews B, 383-385-378—1,146; 4. Monahans B, 392-390-384—1,166; 5. Seminole, 416-403-402—1,221; 6. Fort Stockton, 467-440-436—1,343; 7. Greenwood, 470-466-470—1,406.

Medalist standings: 1. Sarah Black, Andrews A, 83-76-75—234; 2. Whitlee Woods, Andrews A, 84-81-71—236; 3. Erin Fisher, Monahans A 83-76-81—240; 4. Darbey Hyer, Andrews A, 82-81-80—243; 5. McKenzie Long, Andrews A, 80-84-82—246; 6. Kara Doege, Monahans A, 86-83-82—251; 7. (tie) Rebbekah Lambert, Andrews A, 86-86-87—259; Kayley Mull, Seminole, 92-81-86—259; Payton Payne, Andrews B, 91-88-89—268; Nichole Roeber, Monahans A 96-88-86—270

Individual scores

Andrews A (329-322-308—959): Sarah Black, 83-76-75—234; Whitlee Woods, 84-81-71—236; McKenzie Long, 80-84-82—246; Darbey Hyer, 82-81-80—243; Rebbekah Lambert, 86-86-87—259

Monahans A (356-348-343—1,047): Erin Fisher, 83-76-81—240; Janna Jernigan, 93-98-88—279; Kara Doege, 86-83-82—251; Nichole Roeber, 96-90-92—277; Emily King, 97-105-101—303

Andrews B (383-385-378—1,146): Payton Payne 91-88-89—268; Brittney Lambert, 95-91-87—273; McCayla Lopez, 94-101-98—293; Dianna Garcia, 103-105-104—312; Amber Nanez, 103-105-105—313

Monahans B (392-390-384—1,166): Destinee Moore, 98-94-91—283; Kaitlyn Simpson, 97-108-102—307; Nayeli Munoz, 97-98-101—296; Landry Owens, 100-98-92—290; Katelyn Pittman, 107-100-100—307

Seminole (416-403-402—1,221): Kayley Mull, 92-81-86—259; Ashley Cox, 88-99-83—270; Chelsey Froese, 123-112-125—360; Alyssa Nunez, 113-111-108—332

Fort Stockton (467-440-436—1,343): Courtney Munoz, 115-117-109—341; Rhonda Munoz, 114-104-118—336; Leeann Losoya, 120-105-102—327; Rocio Reyes, 118-114-107—339

Greenwood (470-466-470—1,406): Madison Pate, 96-97-83—285; Elyssa Sellinger, 143-129-129—401; Jenny Hendrix, 122-120-130—372; Canee Arp, 120-NS-NS; Haley Kemp, 133-120-118—371

Individual medalists: Whitney Light, Monahans, 108-99-98—305; Lili Vasquez, Andrews, 117-114-114—345

BOYS

Team Standings: 1. Andrews A, 300-302-309—911; 2. Fort Stockton A, 339-341-322—1,002; Monahans 350-351-338—1,039; 4. Andrews B, 353-358-331—1,042; 5. Seminole A, 342-352-357—1,051; 6. Greenwood A, 372-359-379—1,110; 7. Greenwood B, 386-392-369—1,147; 8. Seminole B, 389-388-379—1,156; 9. Fort Stockton B, 421-423-391—1,235; 10. Monahans B, 431-429-417—1,277

Medalist standings: 1. Hunter Montgomery, Andrews A, 73-75-76—224; 2. G.K. Morrison, Andrews A, 76-78-73—227; 3. Jeff Joyce, Andrews A, 72-80-79—231; 4. Josh Batzell, Andrews A, 79-75-82—236; 5. Chance Woods, Andrews A, 82-74-81—237; 6. Omar Ramirez, Fort Stockton A, 82-82-75—239; 7. Pedro Cano, Monahans A, 80-84-82—246; 8. Brandon Ezell, Fort Stockton A, 88-82-77—247; 9. (tie) Wade Roark, Monahans A, 81-83-84—248; Lance Luera, Fort Stockton A, 80-86-82—248

Individual scores

Andrews A (300-302-309—911): G.K. Morrison, 76-78-73—227; Hunter Montgomery, 73-75-76—224; Jeff Joyce, 72-80-79—231; Josh Batzell, 79-75-82—236; Chance Wood, 82-74-81—237

Fort Stockton A (339-341-322—1,002): Omar Ramirez, 82-82-75—239; Lance Luera, 80-86-82—248; Brandon Ezell, 88-82-77—247; Deric Dominguez, 89-91-88—268; Justin Sanchez, 83-93-97—273

Monahans A (350-351-338—1,039): Nathan Ornelas, 90-88-76—254; Pedro Cano, 80-84-82—246; Wade Roark, 81-83-84—248; Andrew Hendricks, 101-96-96—293; Tyler Smith, 99-96-101—296

Andrews B (353-358-331—1,042): Erik Walinder, 89-89-80—258; Matt Harper, 92-87-79—258; Nathan Miller, 94-87-87—268; Jaylon Cook, 95-NS-86—NS; Raul Sanchez, 88-95-100—283

Seminole A (342-352-357—1,051): Josh Nichols, 85-83-83—251; Colton Driver, 85-85-98—268; Miles Caviness, 92-92-85—269; Reid Layton, 80-92-91—263; Keith Chauvront, 93-95-103—291

Greenwood A (372-359-379—1,110): Zac Martin, 84-89-87—260; Calvin Adams, 93-88-98—279; Nathan Hartley, 92-95-NS—NS; Grant Franklin, 97-86-100—283; Matt Rose, 90-97-94—281

Greenwood B (386-392-369—1,147): Jarid Larson, 97-98-92—287; Colin Sullivan, 99-NS-94; Eddie Pearce, 106-104-108—318; Logan Day, 98-98-90—286; Casey Fowley, 103-92-93—288

Seminole B (389-388-379—1,156): Rance Layton, 89-91-89—269; Brett Klassen, 100-100-92—292; Heath Green, 105-109-102—316; Hunter Washuhn, 115-100-103—318; Hayden Everts, 96-97-96—289

Fort Stockton B (421-423-391—1,235): Saul Leyva, 90-98-82—280; Zachary Simon, 105-105-93—303; Andre Colomo, 127-123-114—364; Michael Lujan, 121-117-106—344; Raul Rodriguez, 112-112-110—[illegible]

Monahans B (431-429-417—1,277): Kristian Crozier, 101-100-91—292; Travis Andino, 106-99-104—309; Reagan Redmon, 111-121-123—355; John Roeber, 113-109-99—321

Individual medalists: Colin Cassidy, Andrews, 86-NS-87; Mason Griffin, Seminole, 109-115-123—347; Sean [illegible], Greenwood, 115-107-111—333; Gabriel Sanchez, Andrews, 115-99-97—311; John Klassen, Seminole, 116-108-103—327; Mason Pate, Greenwood, 118-107-108—333; Aaron Rodriguez, Fort Stockton, 123-123-119—365; Michael Hearn, NS-137; Grayson Parks, Greenwood, 121-110-110—341

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Thursday, April 7th - Opening Day (Thirsty Thursday)
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Huskies arrive home with 3rd championship

By Pat Eaton-Robb
Associated Press

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UCONN CELEBRATION Connecticut Gov. Dannel P. Malloy, center, speaks at a rally for the Connecticut men's basketball team Tuesday at Bradley International Airport in Windsor Locks, Conn.

USA Today/ESPN Top 25 Poll

The top 25 teams in the USA Today-ESPN men's college basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, final records, points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote and previous ranking:

	Record	Pts	Pvs
1. Connecticut (30)	32-9	773	8
2. Butler	28-10	704	NR
3. Kentucky	29-9	676	10
4. Kansas	35-3	659	2
5. Ohio State (1)	34-3	630	1
6. Virginia Commonwealth	28-12	555	NR
7. Duke	32-5	554	3
8. North Carolina	29-8	532	7
9. Arizona	30-8	531	18
10. Florida	29-8	503	13
11. San Diego State	34-3	479	5
12. Pittsburgh	28-6	448	4
13. Brigham Young	32-5	376	12
14. Notre Dame	27-7	336	6
15. Wisconsin	25-9	311	16
16. Texas	28-8	290	9
17. Purdue	26-8	276	15
18. Syracuse	27-8	250	14
19. Florida State	23-11	197	NR
20. Marquette	22-15	159	NR
21. Richmond	29-8	152	NR
22. Louisville	25-10	147	11
23. Washington	24-11	108	23
24. Kansas State	23-11	73	24
25. Utah State	30-4	51	17

Others receiving votes: Temple 41; West Virginia 34; St. John's 33; Texas A&M 31; Xavier 31; UCLA 25; Cincinnati 24; Vanderbilt 24; Wichita State 20; George Mason 9; Michigan 9; Old Dominion 9; Gonzaga 7; Georgetown 5; Missouri 2; Illinois 1.

STORRS, Conn. — Jim Calhoun and the Connecticut basketball team left 80-degree weather and returned to a cold rain, and it never felt so good.

"But you know what," the UConn coach said. "We're home."

The Huskies' charter flight arrived from Houston on Tuesday afternoon. On hand to greet the NCAA champions were Connecticut's governor.

Calhoun and star guard Kemba Walker addressed the crowd of several dozen fans that huddled under umbrellas along a fence near the runway at Bradley Airport in Windsor Locks.

"You folks, since the moment I came here in 1986, have made this all special," the 68-year-old Hall of Fame coach said. "And I told you someday if you stay with us, we're going to make you feel so proud of us."

The team, picked to finish 10th in the Big East in the preseason, beat Butler 53-41 Monday night to complete a remarkable 11-0 run through the postseason that also included a Big East tournament championship. This was the third NCAA championship for the Huskies, the other men's titles coming in 1999 and 2004.

"You are an inspiration to your fellow citizens here in Connecticut. You are a great pride to your university," Gov. Dannel P. Malloy told them. "This team, just amazing."

Walker, a junior who averaged 23.7 points during the tournament, is expected to enter the NBA draft. He left the fans with some hope he might stay in school.

"Hopefully, we can get another one next season," he said.

The team then boarded busses for Gampel Pavilion, where students such as 21-year-old junior Matt Kuruc had been partying since Monday night. They were already lining up for a rally.

"This whole campus is feeling great about this," he said. "There's nothing else I can do but celebrate this best win that we could possibly get. It's amazing."

The UConn Co-op, the campus bookstore, had almost sold out of national championship shirts and hats by Tuesday afternoon, and had already reordered twice.

Sophomore Byran McCloskey, 20, of Guilford, was among the bleary-eyed shoppers looking for souvenirs

"There's been classes, but I skipped my first one because I was a little bit tired," he said. I went to bed at 2:30. Everybody was totally pumped."

Some fans got a little too raucous. Police say fans caused minor property damage on campus and in Storrs. No serious injuries were reported.

Campus police arrested 24 revelers, and state police made three off-campus arrests. Most were for vandalism, but others were accused of breach of peace, inciting a riot, criminal trespassing and interfering with a police officer. Of the 24 arrested on campus, 10 are UConn students. No one was held and all will be called to court this month.

"For the most part the celebrations were good-natured," UConn police Maj. Ronald Blicher said. "A few people stepped out of line."

HIGH SCHOOL SOCCER PAIRINGS

Class 5A
Boys
Regional Quarterfinals

Arlington Martin (W4, 22-3-2) 3, North Crowley 2
Plano (W8, 19-2-3) 1, Colleyville Heritage 0, OT
El Paso Coronado (T1, 19-7-1) 5, El Paso Bel Air 4, OT
Southlake Carroll (W7, 24-0-3) 5, Keller 0

Region I-5A Tournament
Grande Communications Stadium
Friday's semifinals

Arlington Martin (W4, 22-3-2) vs. Plano (W8 19-2-3), 5 p.m.
El Paso Coronado (T1, 19-7-1) vs. Southlake Carroll (W7, 24-0-3), 7 p.m.

Saturday's final

Semifinal winners, 3 p.m.

Girls
Regional Quarterfinals

Arlington Martin (W4, 18-4-2) 2, Amarillo High 1
Colleyville Heritage (19-2-1) 1, Flower Mound Marcus 0, SO
Midland High (W3, 21-6-1) 2, El Paso Franklin 1
Grapevine (20-4-0) 3, Lewisville Hebron 2, OT

Region I-5A Tournament
Grande Communications Stadium
Friday's semifinals

Arlington Martin (W4, 18-4-2) vs. Colleyville Heritage (19-2-1), 1 p.m.
Midland High (W3, 21-6-1) vs. Grapevine (20-4-0), 3 p.m.

Saturday's final

Semifinal winners, 1 p.m.

LADY BULLDOGS

From 1C

attempts. MHS appeared to be in trouble when Franklin's Ale Esquivel broke away on the right side and gave Aguilar a 1-0 cushion by beating keeper Jamie Hall one-on-one for the match's first goal less than a minute into the second half.

"We give up that goal and that was a little frustrating," Rivas said. "Our opportunities were there. It was a matter of not if, but when we were going to get our goal."

The Lady Dawgs finally broke through in the 65th minute. After saving an initial shot from the right side, Aguilar failed to secure the ball, allowing the Lady Dawgs to get off a rebound shot from close range.

The ball deflected off a Lady Cougar and was then cleared out of the goal area. However, it went straight to MHS junior Molly Barham in the middle of the field. Barham found an open net of the left side and casually rolled the game-tying shot in.

Twelve minutes later, Byrd capped the Lady Dawgs' comeback. Byrd's shot was one she had taken several times in the second half, but failed to get past Aguilar until her final attempt.

"When I released it, I thought, 'Yes, it's going in,'" Byrd said. "I was so relieved. A thousand pounds was lifted off my shoulders after I shot it."

Of course making the shot even sweeter for Byrd was the fact it sends the Lady Dawgs to the regional tournament for the first time since 2009.

"It's one of the best feelings I've ever had," Byrd said. "If it were anyone else who had scored, I'd still feel the same. But I'm so glad I scored it."

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AGGIES

From 1C

pionship game by knocking off two No. 1 seeds. Notre Dame eliminated Tennessee in the regional final, then swept past Connecticut in Sunday night's national semifinals, the first time one team has taken down those two women's basketball icons in the same tournament.

A&M also had two impressive wins to get here. After beating Baylor in the regional final, the Aggies edged Stanford on Sunday night.

It was the first title game without a No. 1 seed since 1994 and only the second overall. It also was the first final without either Connecticut or Tennessee since Maryland beat Duke in overtime for the 2006 championship.

And it turned out to be a good one.

After a back-and-forth first half, and with the Aggies trailing 48-43 early in the second half, Adams simply took over.

The 6-foot-1 center scored 10 of the next 13 points for the Aggies to give them a 56-53 lead midway through the second half. Texas A&M then extended the advantage to 64-57 behind the two Sydneys — Carter and Colson.

But Notre Dame wouldn't give up, battling back behind its sensational sophomore guard Skylar Diggins. The Irish scored nine of the next 11 points to tie the game at 66 on Diggins' jumper with 3:56 left.

Blair went right to Adams on the next two possessions and she delivered, hitting back-to-back layups. Adams hit nine of her first 10 shots in the second half.

After Devereaux Peters' putback cut it to 70-68, White hit the huge 3. Diggins had two free throws with 40.7 seconds left, and the Irish had one last chance after a turnover by the Aggies with 29 seconds remaining.

Muffet McGraw called her final timeout, but Diggins turned it over in front of the bench. White hit two free throws to seal the win.

Amy Sancetta/AP

FULL FORCE Texas A&M's Danielle Adams, left, shoots over Notre Dame's Becca Bruszewski in the first half Tuesday in Indianapolis.

TUESDAY AT THE WOMEN'S NCAA TOURNAMENT

TUESDAY'S BOX
TEXAS A&M 76, NOTRE DAME 70

NOTRE DAME (31-8): Diggins 7-19 8-9 23, Achonwa 0-1 0-0 0, Miller 0-1 0-1 0, Peters 8-10 5-8 21, Turner 0-1 2-2 2, Novosel 5-10 4-4 14, Mallory 1-6 1-2 4, Bruszewski 3-4 0-0 6. Totals 24-52 20-26 70.

TEXAS A&M (33-5): Snow 0-0 0-0 0, Carter 2-6 0-0 5, Windham 0-0 0-0 0, Grant 0-0 0-0 0, Baker 1-2 0-0 2, White 7-9 3-5 18, Elonu 4-10 1-3 9, Adams 13-22 4-7 30, Collins 0-0 0-0 0, Pratcher 0-0 0-0 0, Gilbert 0-0 2-2 2, Assarian 0-0 0-0 0, Colson 2-4 6-6 10. Totals 29-53 16-23 76.

Halftime—Notre Dame 35-33. 3-Point Goals—Notre Dame 2-10 (Mallory 1-4, Diggins 1-5, Novosel 0-1), Texas A&M 2-7 (White 1-1, Carter 1-2, Adams 0-2, Colson 0-2). Fouled Out—Achonwa, Carter. Rebounds—Notre Dame 29 (Peters 11), Texas A&M 32 (Adams 9). Assists—Notre Dame 10 (Diggins, Mallory 3), Texas A&M 14 (Colson 5). Total Fouls—Notre Dame 19, Texas A&M 21. A—17,473.

FINAL FOUR
At at Conseco Fieldhouse
Indianapolis
National Semifinals
Sunday, April 3

Texas A&M 63, Stanford 62
Notre Dame 72, Connecticut 63

National Championship
Tuesday's Score

Texas A&M 76, Notre Dame 70

Previous Champions

2011 — Texas A&M 76, Notre Dame 70
2010 — Connecticut 53, Stanford 47
2009 — Connecticut 76, Louisville 54
2008 — Tennessee 64, Stanford 48
2007 — Tennessee 59, Rutgers 46
2006 — Maryland 78, Duke 75, OT
2005 — Baylor 84, Michigan State 62
2004 — Connecticut 70, Tennessee 61
2003 — Connecticut 73, Tennessee 68
2002 — Connecticut 82, Oklahoma 70
2001 — Notre Dame 68, Purdue 66
2000 — Connecticut 71, Tennessee 52
1999 — Purdue 62, Duke 45
1998 — Tennessee 93, Louisiana Tech 75
1997 — Tennessee 68, Old Dominion 59
1996 — Tennessee 83, Georgia 65
1995 — Connecticut 70, Tennessee 64
1994 — North Carolina 60, Louisiana Tech 59
1993 — Texas Tech 84, Ohio State 82
1992 — Stanford 78, Western Kentucky 62
1991 — Tennessee 70, Virginia 67, OT
1990 — Stanford 88, Auburn 81
1989 — Tennessee 76, Auburn 60
1988 — Louisiana Tech 56, Auburn 54
1987 — Tennessee 67, Louisiana Tech 44
1986 — Texas 97, Southern Cal 81
1985 — Old Dominion 70, Georgia 65
1984 — Southern Cal 72, Tennessee 61
1983 — Southern Cal 69, Louisiana Tech 67
1982 — Louisiana Tech 76, Cheyney 62

Lamar hires former Texas Tech coach Pat Knight

Associated Press

Knight

BEAUMONT — Pat Knight is getting a fresh start at Lamar.

The son of Hall of Famer Bob Knight was introduced as the new coach of the Cardinals on Tuesday, less than a month after he was fired by Texas Tech.

The 40-year-old Knight replaces Steve Roccaforte, who was fired after going 76-78 in five years. The Cardinals finished 13-17 and 7-9 in the Southland Conference to tie for ninth place last season.

"I did get into this business, not for fame, not for fortune," Knight said. "I got in this business to start my own program, to run my own program, to build a program that people will be proud of, and I have an opportunity to do that here at Lamar."

Knight went 50-61 in three full seasons in Lubbock. Knight became a Division I head coach for the first time in February 2008, when he took over the Red Raiders midseason from his father, the all-time winningest coach in Division I history.

While working for his father at Texas Tech, Pat Knight kept an eye on Lamar and wrote a letter to then-athletics director Billy Tubbs, the former Oklahoma coach. When the Lamar job came open, Knight immediately asked his agent to help him pursue the opening.

"Growing up in Indiana, Butler was a school, Ball State was a school that were great jobs," Knight said. "When we got down to Texas, everyone talked about Lamar. It appealed to me as one of those jobs, like a Butler or a Ball State."

Knight couldn't guide Texas Tech to the NCAA tournament. The Red Raiders went 19-16 in 2009-10 and advanced to the quarterfinals of the NIT.

The Red Raiders made four trips to the NCAA tournament under Bob Knight, including a run to the regional semifinals in 2005.

Knight played for his father at Indiana from 1991-1995 and later worked as a scout for the Phoenix Suns. He was an assistant for the CBA's Connecticut Pride and was a coach in both the International Basketball Association and the U.S. Basketball League. He joined his father's staff at Texas Tech in 2001.

Bob Knight had 902 victories in a career that spanned 42 seasons. The younger Knight says he's learned to embrace his pedigree, not shy away from the expectations that come with it.

"I've never really looked at the downside," he said. "I'm not going to be one of those guys on reality TV or in rehab because my parents were famous. I hate to see that on TV. I am Bob Knight's son. I'm proud of it.

"I coach with a ghost over me," he said, "but that makes me hungry and makes me have a chip on my shoulder to want to prove myself. That's why I'm excited about that job."

Knight said he learned valuable lessons from his time in Lubbock, but wouldn't expound on what he thinks he needs to do differently in his new job.

"I know what went wrong, but it's for me to know," he said. "We did great things when I was an assistant, I think we did great things when I was a coach.

"Sometimes it hurts me," he said about his firing, "but I'm not one of those guys who ever looks back and regrets things. Maybe it would have been smarter if I'd gone back to a smaller school to start out."

Knight says he's already well-versed on his new team.

"I want them to know where I stand with them," Knight said. "I know every one of their tendencies, what I think of them, what I want to work on with them. In my program, assistants are great, but there's one voice. I want them to know what I think of them and that I've studied them."

Knight says he has "a good list" of assistant coaches in mind. He says his Big 12 ties will help him round out his staff and in recruiting.

"The coaches know me in this league," he said. "I think this is going to be a good program for kids who aren't happy at bigger schools."

TUESDAY'S MLB ROUNDUP

American League

TEXAS 3, MARINERS 2: At Arlington, Alexi Ogando pitched six scoreless innings in his first major league start and Josh Hamilton hit an RBI double as Texas remained undefeated.

The defending American League champion Rangers are the first team to five wins. The only other undefeated teams are Baltimore (4-0) and Cincinnati (4-0).

Ogando (1-0), a standout reliever last season, struck out four and allowed only two hits in a matchup of first-time major league starters.

Michael Pineda (0-1) kept Texas from hitting a home run, but gave up four extra-base hits over six innings in his major league debut.

INDIANS 3, RED SOX 1: At Cleveland, Josh Tomlin outpitched Boston's Josh Beckett, Cleveland came up with just enough timely hits and the Indians kept the Red Sox winless so far this season with a 3-1 victory Tuesday night over the team many predicted would win it all.

Tomlin (1-0) allowed one run and three hits in seven innings, taming a star-studded Boston lineup that came in batting just .200.

ANGELS 5, RAYS 3: At St. Petersburg, Fla., Jered Weaver won his second consecutive start, Torii Hunter and Alberto Callaspo both had two RBIs and Los Angeles kept Tampa Bay winiss.

Weaver (2-0), the Angels' opening day starter, allowed one run and three hits in 6 2-3 innings. It is the first time since his rookie season in 2006 that he has started a year with consecutive victories.

TWINS 5, YANKEES 4: At New York, Joe Mauer hit a go-ahead single in the 10th inning and the Minnesota Twins broke through in the Bronx, rallying past New York and overcoming a dominant outing by CC Sabathia.

Delmon Young blooped a three-run double in the eighth to tie it and Minnesota took advantage of five walks by Yankees relievers in the last three innings. Matt Capps (1-0) got six straight outs and Joe Nathan earned his second save since missing last season following Tommy John surgery on his elbow.

ROYALS 7, WHITE SOX 6, 12 INNINGS: At Kansas City, Mo., Melky Cabrera's RBI single scored Chris Getz from second in the 12th inning to give Kansas City its fourth straight win in its final at-bat.

Chris Getz singled leading off and was sacrificed to second and then Cabrera connected of Tony Pena (0-1) for his third hit of the game. Jeremy Jeffress (1-0) got two outs for the win in Kansas City's first four-game winning streak since September 2009.

BLUE JAYS 7, ATHLETICS 6, 10 INNINGS: At Toronto, Yunel Escobar hit a two-run homer in the 10th inning to win it for Toronto.

Josh Willingham hit a leadoff homer in the top the 10th to give Oakland a 6-5 lead. But Rajai Davis led off the bottom half with a single against Grant Balfour (0-1) and Escobar followed with a first-pitch homer that landed in the right field bullpen, his first of the season.

National League

REDS 6, ASTROS 2: At Cincinnati, Chris Heisey drove in three runs and the Cincinnati Reds took a patient approach at the plate in improving to 4-0 for the first time since their 1990 World Series championship season, beating the Houston Astros 6-2 on Tuesday night.

Heisey walked with the bases loaded, was hit by a pitch with the bases loaded, and singled home a run off J.A. Happ (0-1), who helped the league's top offense immensely.

BREWERS 1, BRAVES 0: At Milwaukee, Yovani Gallardo threw a two-hitter and Milwaukee snapped a four-game losing streak to begin the season.

Gallardo (1-0) walked two and struck out two for the third shutout of his career. Two of the base runners were erased by double plays and no Braves runner reached second.

METS 7, PHILLIES 1: At Philadelphia, Chris Young pitched effectively into the sixth inning and became the first Mets pitcher with two hits in an inning, fueling a six-run rally and helping New York beat the Philadelphia Phillies 7-1 Tuesday night.

The four-time NL East champion Phillies were trying for their first 4-0 start since 1915, but Cole Hamels (0-1) suffered through the second-worst start of his career and became the first of Philadelphia's four aces to lose this season.

PADRES 3, GIANTS 1: At San Diego, Aaron Harang pitched six strong innings in his debut with his hometown Padres, who won their home opener against skidding San Francisco.

The defending World Series champion Giants, who eliminated the Padres from playoff contention on the last day of the 2010 season, have lost four of five.

ROCKIES 3, DODGERS 0: At Denver, Jhoulys Chacin scattered five hits over seven sharp innings and Troy Tulowitzki broke out of a hitting funk with a solo homer for Colorado.

Chacin (1-0) struck out four in his season debut as the hard-throwing righty outdueled Clayton Kershaw (1-1), who lasted six innings and allowed three runs.

CARDINALS 3, PIRATES 2: At St. Louis, Albert Pujols had the tying and go-ahead RBIs and Kyle McClellan rebounded from a shaky beginning to win his first career start for St. Louis.

Pujols hasn't seemed comfortable at the plate in the opening homestand, grounding into three double plays in one game and entering 2 for 16 with a solo homer.

MARLINS 3, NATIONALS 2, 10 INNINGS: At Miami, Florida overcame a night of poor clutch hitting when Donnie Murphy delivered a bases-loaded, two-out single in the 10th inning.

An error by right fielder Jayson Werth led to the unearned run.

CUBS 6, DIAMONDBACKS 5: At Chicago, Marlon Byrd had three hits, doubling in a key run in the seventh inning, and Chicago held on for a victory.

Byrd, who also scored a run, drove in pinch-hitter Jeff Baker with a one-out double to left off Sam Demel (1-1), giving Chicago a 5-4 lead after blowing a three-run advantage in the top of the seventh.

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TODAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Mostly sunny high 93 low 58	Mostly sunny high 88 low 54	Mostly sunny high 90 low 55

LOCAL FORECAST

Expect mostly sunny skies today with a high around 93 and south winds between 10 and 25 mph. Tonight's forecast calls for partly cloudy conditions with a low around 58 and southwest winds between 10 and 20 mph.

Thursday, look for mostly sunny skies with a high around 88, a low around 54 and southwest winds around between 10 and 30 mph.

Thursday, look for mostly sunny skies with a high around 90 and a low around 55.

The high on Tuesday reached 82 while the low dropped to 38. The record high for April 5 is 92 set in 1959. The record low is 28 set in 1970.

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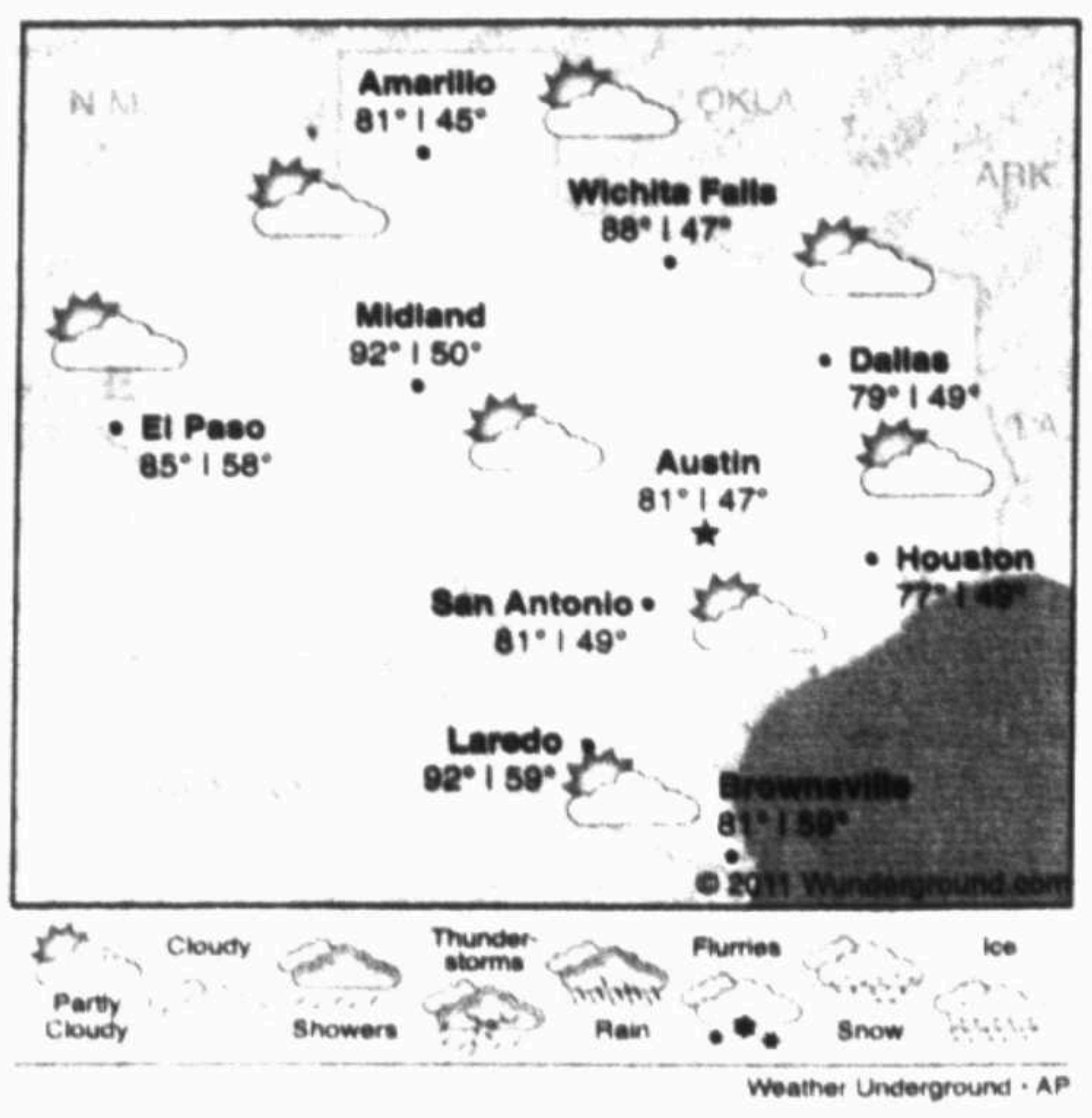
A weak storm system will track from the Great Lakes into interior parts of the Northeast today. The storm will bring scattered rain showers to the region, though some wet snow may mix in across higher elevations in northern New England.

Farther to the south, high pressure will provide the Southeast with mostly dry and pleasant conditions. A southerly flow around the back side of this surface high will spread warm conditions into the southern Plains. The warmth, accompanied by gusty winds and low moisture, will continue to promote a threat of wildfires.



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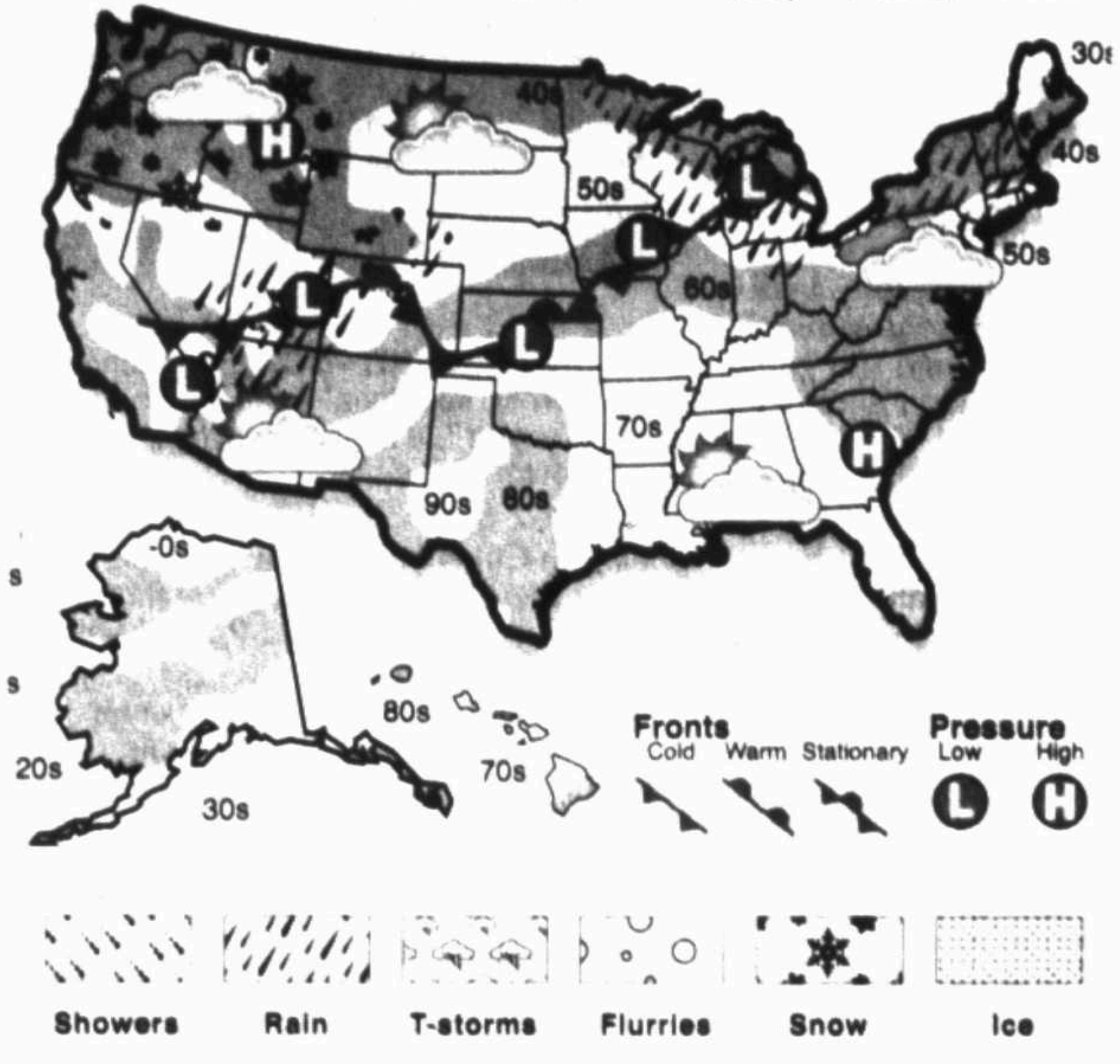
Precipitation	
Rainfall Monday	0.00 in.
Rainfall Tuesday	0.00 in.
Total for month	0.00 in.
Total for year	0.11 in.
Normal total (year to date)	1.58 in.

Tuesday's temperatures	
High	82
Low	38
Normal high	76
Normal low	45
Sunrise	7:31 a.m.
Sunset	8:12 p.m.

National forecast

Forecast highs for Wednesday, April 6



Attraction to other women stops man short of altar

DEAR ABBY

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

DEAR ABBY: I have been dating a wonderful woman I'll call "Shannon" for a year and a half. She has most things that I want in a partner, and I often feel she's better than I deserve. We're in our early 30s, and Shannon is saying she will soon need some kind of idea where we are going in the future.

I'm having trouble with the notion of committing to her forever because I'm still attracted to other women. (I haven't been involved with anyone else since starting to date her.) More worrisome, I'm afraid I'll meet someone I'm more attracted to a few years down the road.

How can I be sure that Shannon will make me happier than anyone else I might meet in the future? — CONFLICTED IN WASHINGTON STATE

DEAR CONFLICTED: You say Shannon has "most" things you want in a partner. Yet I sense that you're not as physically attracted to her as you think you should be. If this woman does not appeal to you, then face it — she's not for you.

Of course, regardless of how attractive one's partner is, there are no guarantees that anyone — male or female — won't meet someone who is different and appealing at some point in the future. But those who are mature and committed usually realize they have enough invested emotionally in their marriage and children that they can resist temptation. It's called being an adult.

DEAR ABBY: At least once a week my boss and I drive together from our office to meetings throughout town. She always insists on driving. My problem is, she drives erratically and I often feel in danger with her behind the wheel. Not only does she swerve in and out of lanes without signaling, she often is talking on her cell phone (which is not illegal in our state).

I'd be happy to drive. I have a comfortable, reliable car and a safe driving history. I have offered, "I'd be glad to drive so you'll be free to give your full attention to important phone calls." None of my efforts has worked.

I don't want to be rude or insulting — and certainly don't want to create an awkward situation with my boss — but I don't want to keep putting myself at risk with her terrible driving. I'd be grateful for some advice. — RIDING SHOTGUN IN MIAMI

DEAR RIDING SHOTGUN: It's time for another — more direct — chat with your boss. You should not have to worry every time you get into a car with her that you might not arrive in one piece. Tell her: "When you talk on the phone while you drive, it makes me very nervous. I'm concerned about my safety as well as the safety of others when you do it. If you don't want me to drive so you can make your calls, I will meet you at our destination."

DEAR ABBY: After her second mammogram in 10 years, my mother-in-law now needs a double mastectomy. An annual mammogram would have caught it early enough to prevent its spread.

Beecause I have trouble remembering when it has been a year since my last exam, I decided to schedule my annual exam on my birthday. Now I will always remember when it's time for my annual gift to myself — preventive health care. — ANNUAL ALISON IN CALIFORNIA

DEAR ANNUAL ALISON: That's an excellent suggestion. Associating annual medical exams with a holiday — like Valentine's Day — would be another.

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

Avoid the Problem

Both vulnerable. South deals

NORTH
♠Q 10 8 4 2
A 7 4
Q 2
♣A K 7

WEST
♠9 3
9
A J 9 6
♣Q J 10 9 8 3

EAST
♠6
Q J 10 5
8 7 4 3
♣6 5 4 2

SOUTH
♠A K J 7 5
K 8 6 3 2
K 10 5
♣Void

The bidding:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1♠	2♣	3♣	5♣
5	Pass*	6♠	Pass
Pass	Pass		

Opening lead: Queen of ♣

South used information obtained from the auction to make one of the defenders' tricks vanish. Can you do equally well?

North's three-club cue-bid showed a limit raise or better in spades. That improved South's hand, and he introduced his second suit at the five-level.

Since South couldn't bid that way without first- or second-round diamond control, North bid the small slam. West led the queen of clubs, and it would seem that declarer could not avoid losing a trick in each red suit. However the auction made it almost a sure thing that West held the ace of diamonds, and that was all South needed to know to land his small slam.

The first move was to play low from dummy on the opening lead of the queen of clubs and ruff in hand. Then declarer led a low diamond, and West's goose was cooked. If the defender played low, dummy's queen would win. Declarer would draw trumps in two rounds, ending on the board and then cash the ace and king of clubs for two diamond discards from hand. The high hearts would be cleared and a heart conceded and, after ruffing a heart on the table, declarer would take the rest of the tricks.

Rising with the ace of diamonds on the first lead of the suit would have been no better. In that case declarer would win any return, draw trumps, cash the queen of diamonds and ace-king of clubs, discarding two hearts from hand. Then the ace and king of hearts and king of diamonds would take care of dummy's remaining heart and declarer ruffs his last heart in dummy. The only difference would be that, in this line, declarer loses a diamond instead of a heart.

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JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

The stars show the kind of day you'll have: 5-dynamic; 4-positive; 3-average; 2-so-so; 1-difficult

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Wednesday, April 6, 2011:

This year, you are more forthright and direct. Others respond well to your actions, thoughts and personality. Remain confident. You are entering a very lucky year and an 11-year life cycle. If you need to, clarify your desires and long-term goals. You are likely to achieve at least one of your goals. If you are single, you attract many people's attention. Think before leaping. Ask yourself if this is the type of person who can give you what you desire. If you are attached, make it a point to spend more quality time with your loved ones. TAURUS tries hard but can be as hardheaded as you.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★ You notice just how lucky you are right now. Put your best foot forward, and watch everything — well, nearly everything — tumble as you would like, if not better. Taking a risk today is OK. Going to extremes could backfire. Tonight: Indulge in a favorite pastime.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★★ Take a hint from Aries. Recognize just how far you push others. Step back and know that you can undo any of the damages — and that is exactly what you should do. Be kind to someone who serves as a benefactor or a very caring individual in general. Tonight: Just wish upon a star.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★ Recognize what is happening around you. Continue to watch and observe while clearing your mind of as many judgments as you can. You could be taken aback by how much comes up for you. Tonight: You might try airing out some of your thoughts with a trusted friend or respected individual.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★★ You definitely know where you are going and how to handle a key situation. Take charge, as others sense your savvy in this area. A meeting could prove to be instrumental. A friend — most likely male — wants special time or attention. Tonight: Where the gang is.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★ You will come out on top if (1) you decide to assume the lead and (2) if you explain how you perceive an event or situation. You see what others don't. Your high level of charisma speaks for itself. Tonight: Could be a late one.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★ Start combining your mind and emotions more often, especially when dealing with partners. As odd as it seems, soon you will need to be a mind reader in order to figure out what another person wants. Let others think they dominate. Tonight: The only answer is "yes."

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★ Your knowledge helps others achieve more of what they want. Realize everyone has limits, but at this point a key associate doesn't appear to be restricted in any way, shape or form. Enjoy being a follower. Tonight: Take the lead.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★ Others simply demand to run with the ball. That is the only way they will accept what is happening. Your ability to clear out a problem right now needs to take a backseat. You understand a lot more than what is obvious. Stay mum. Tonight: Don't push your luck.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★★ Whether dealing with a risk or a loved one, you must be carrying a magic wand, as everything somehow works out beautifully for you and everyone else concerned. Wherever you are, at work or off, makes no difference. Tonight: Love the moment.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★★ Remain upbeat. You seem to have an unusual resilience right now, which does make a difference in various situations. You might want to rethink an offer that involves an investment. Tonight: Light up the moment.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★ You have such a convincing manner that someone who decided earlier to give you a "no" in response to a request will say "yes." Make sure this person won't change his or her mind later, or keep it in mind that this is a possibility. Tonight: Head home — all smiles.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★ You could be mixing apples and oranges, despite the fact that you are sure you aren't. Remain optimistic, but do a better job of listening to associates. If everyone is saying the same thing, but not what you think, look again. Tonight: Hanging out is fun.

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BORN TODAY

Pianist, conductor Andre Previn (1929), playwright, poet Jean-Baptiste Rousseau (1671), actor Walter Huston (1884)

DAILY CROSSWORD

Edited By Rich Norris and Joyce Nichols Lewis

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6 *Poet Whitman
10 Exotic food fish
14 Año Nuevo month
15 Irish Spring variety
16 Wife of Zeus
17 Sudoku fill-in
18 Fronded plant
19 Irving hero
20 Starbucks pickup
22 Man with morals
23 *Painfully shy
26 *Tormented by pollen, say
27 Torino time period
28 Good thinking
31 *Cross
34 Overhauls
39 Aladdin's helper
40 *Medico's address
41 Red simile words
42 Parent who minds how her kid acts?
44 *Like a quiet town
45 Dojo discipline
47 WNBA position
48 *He won 26 Oscars, including an Academy Honorary Award (consisting of one full-sized and seven miniature statuettes) for the film depicted in this puzzle's starred answers
52 *Cry of surprise
55 Quarterfinals complement, e.g.
56 Danube capital
58 Like a noted piper
59 Watch
60 Roads scholar?
64 Feminine suffix
65 Corleone family head
66 "We're out of choices"
67 "Son of Frankenstein" role
68 *Frosted flakes
69 *Chess side

DOWN

1 Proof abbr.
2 Cycle prefix
3 Hosp. test
4 "Love Story" novelist Segal
5 __ this world: bizarre
6 Hem and haw
7 On the safer side
8 Passed-down stories
9 Downing Street number
10 "My goodness"
11 "__ porridge hot ..."
12 Paella ingrediente
13 *All smiles
21 Faulkner's "The Sound and the __"
22 Like some reports
23 His 3,000th hit was a homer
24 Stop in Québec?
25 Healthful hot spot
26 Cry noisily
29 Starbucks pickup
30 NYSE overseer
32 "Top Gun" foe
33 Didn't wait for Christmas
35 "May __ of service?"
36 Hanger-on
37 Pool statistic
38 Start to foam?
40 Palme __: Cannes film award
43 Has the okay
44 Spotted
46 Market index, familiarly
48 *Not very bright
49 Best part of the cake, to some
50 Shorthand pro
51 "Unsafe at Any Speed" author
53 Attached to a trailer hitch
54 Brooks of C&W
56 Vital thin blue line
57 Passionate about
59 RCA products
61 Sushi bar tuna
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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

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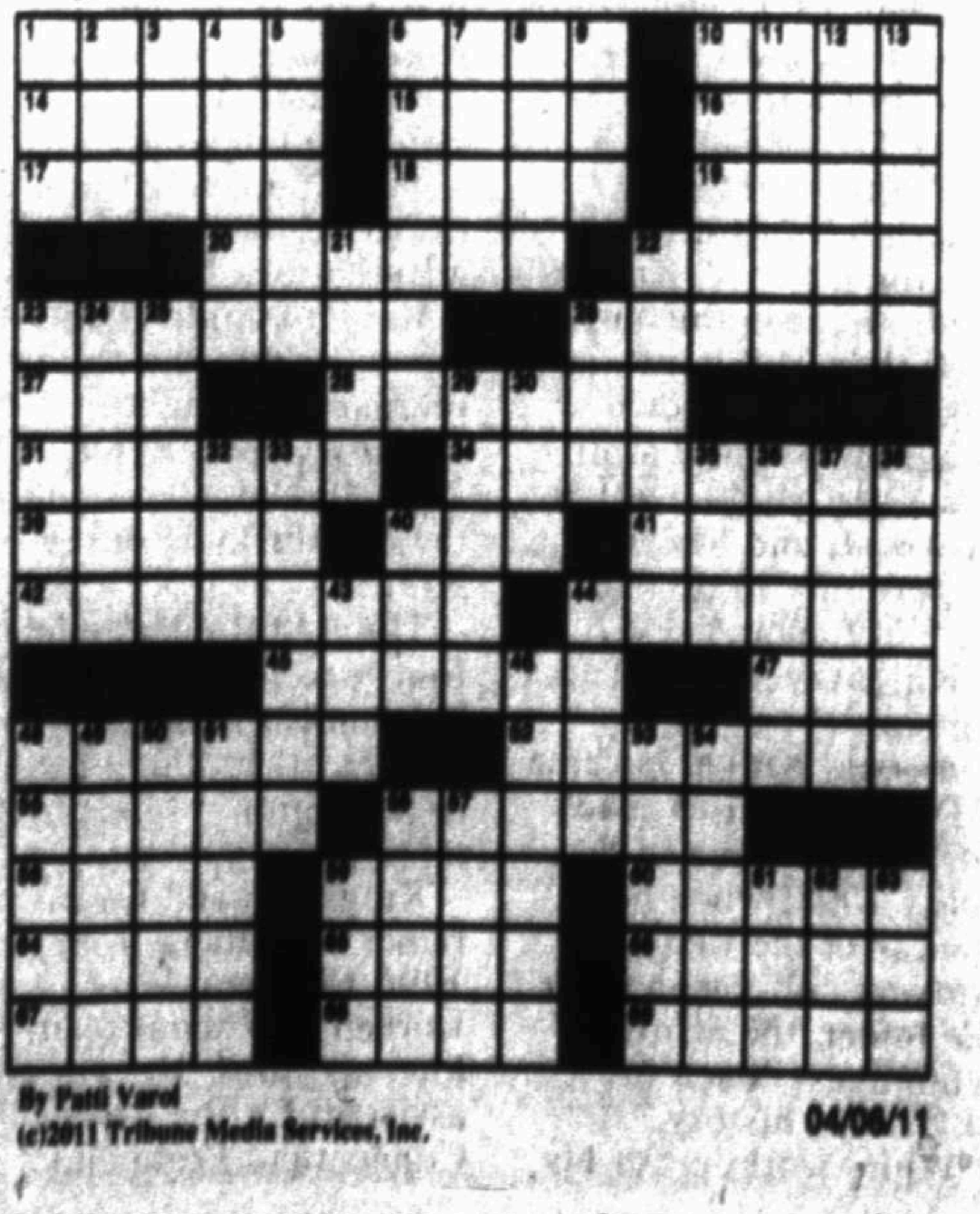

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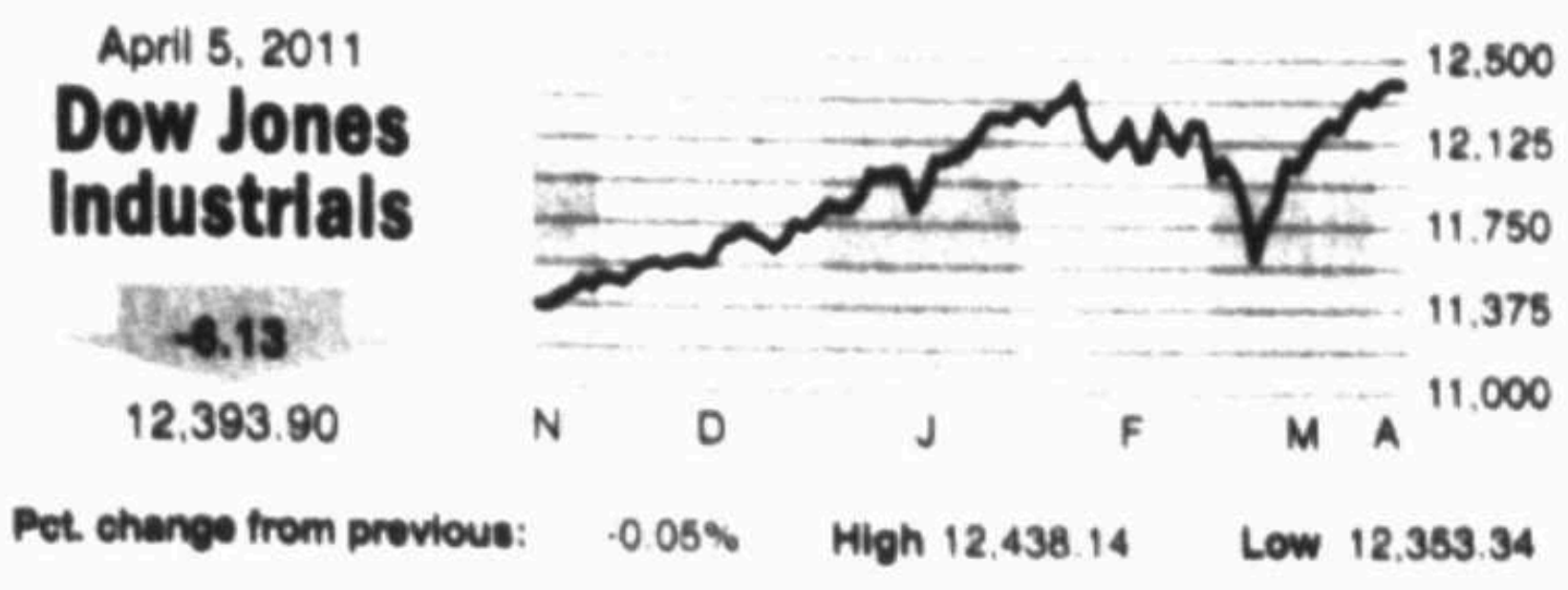
A DAY ON WALL STREET



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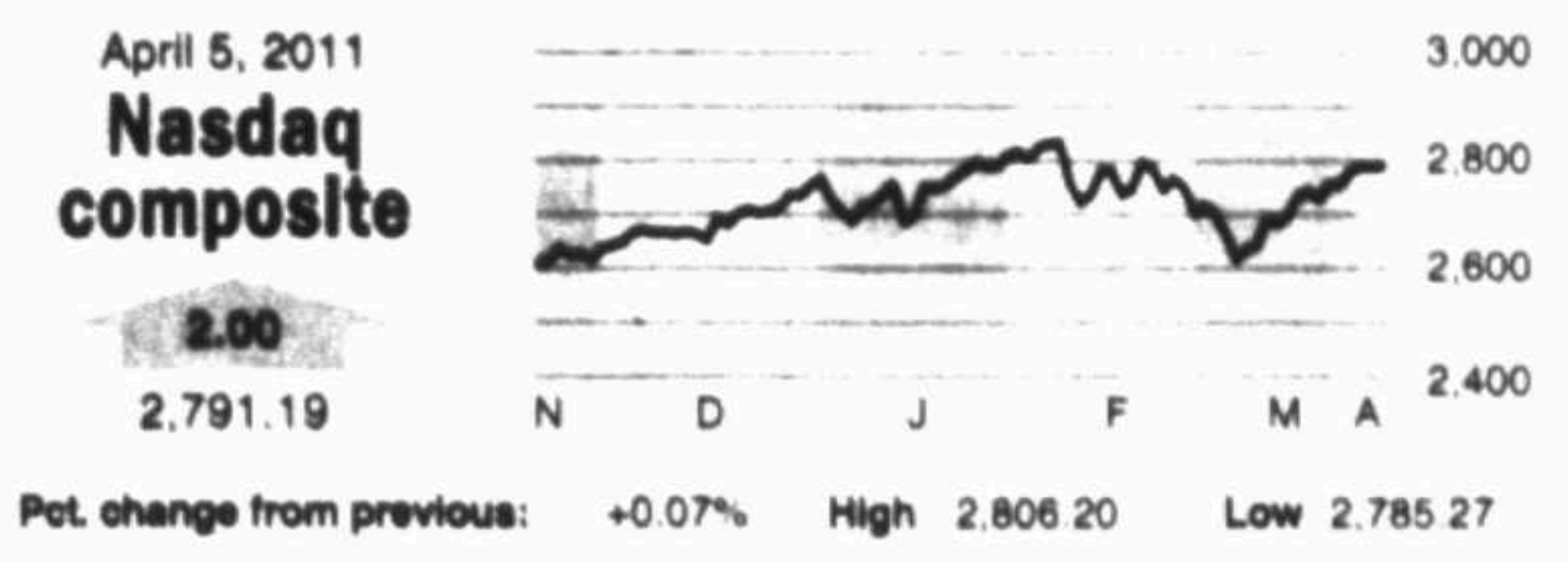

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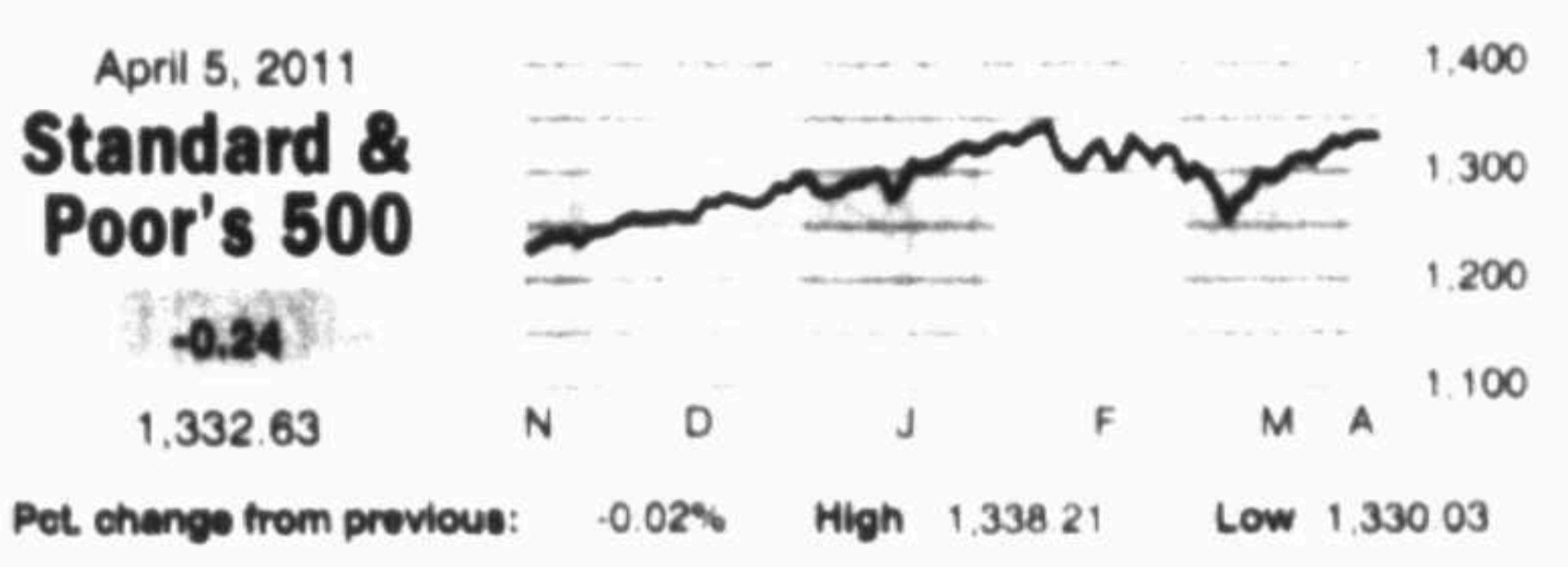

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Previous	$108.47

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Tuesday	$104.75
Previous	$104.75

WEST TEXAS SOUR

Tuesday	$98.40
Previous	$98.40

NATURAL GAS

Tuesday	$4.231
Previous	$4.289

NYSE

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
Citigrp	3854913	4.47	+.04
NatSemi	1273751	24.06	+9.99
S&P500ETF	1065395	133.24	-.02
FordM	708036	15.79	+.24
iShEMkts	672162	49.77	-.10

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
NatSemi	24.06	+9.99	+71.0
Goldcp wt	5.15	+1.65	+47.1
AberFitc	65.57	+6.40	+10.8
QntmDSS	2.75	+.26	+10.4
Lubys	5.65	+.52	+10.1

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
DuoyGWat	3.21	-.78	-19.5
DirDGldBr	36.21	-3.86	-9.6
Bklreind	2.31	-.21	-8.3
IFM Inv	3.01	-.26	-8.0
KV PhmA	4.60	-.40	-8.0

DIARY

Advanced	1,650
Declined	1,353
Unchanged	140
Total issues	3,143
New Highs	281
New Lows	14
Volume	3,778,560,168

AMEX

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
VirnetX	77512	27.50	+4.05
NovaGld g	73475	13.79	+.91
Rentech	63910	1.25	+.01
GoldStr g	60277	3.08	+.21
NthgtM g	47696	2.74	+.07

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
AlmadnM g	4.85	+.81	+20.1
VirnetX	27.50	+4.05	+17.3
Procera rs	10.74	+1.41	+15.1
MdwGold g	2.12	+.27	+14.6
MinesMgt	3.17	+.37	+13.2

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
SearchM un	2.56	-.49	-16.1
CoastD	3.81	-.34	-8.2
CagleA	6.30	-.55	-8.0
NewEnSys	4.05	-.35	-8.0
HallwdGp	24.00	-2.00	-7.7

DIARY

Advanced	242
Declined	232
Unchanged	39
Total issues	513
New Highs	24
New Lows	6
Volume	168,821,831

NASDAQ

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
Cisco	1006882	17.22	+.16
SiriusXM	756172	1.78	+.08
Microsoft	697290	25.78	+.23
Intel	613554	19.71	+.22
InspPhar	547364	4.97	+.99

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

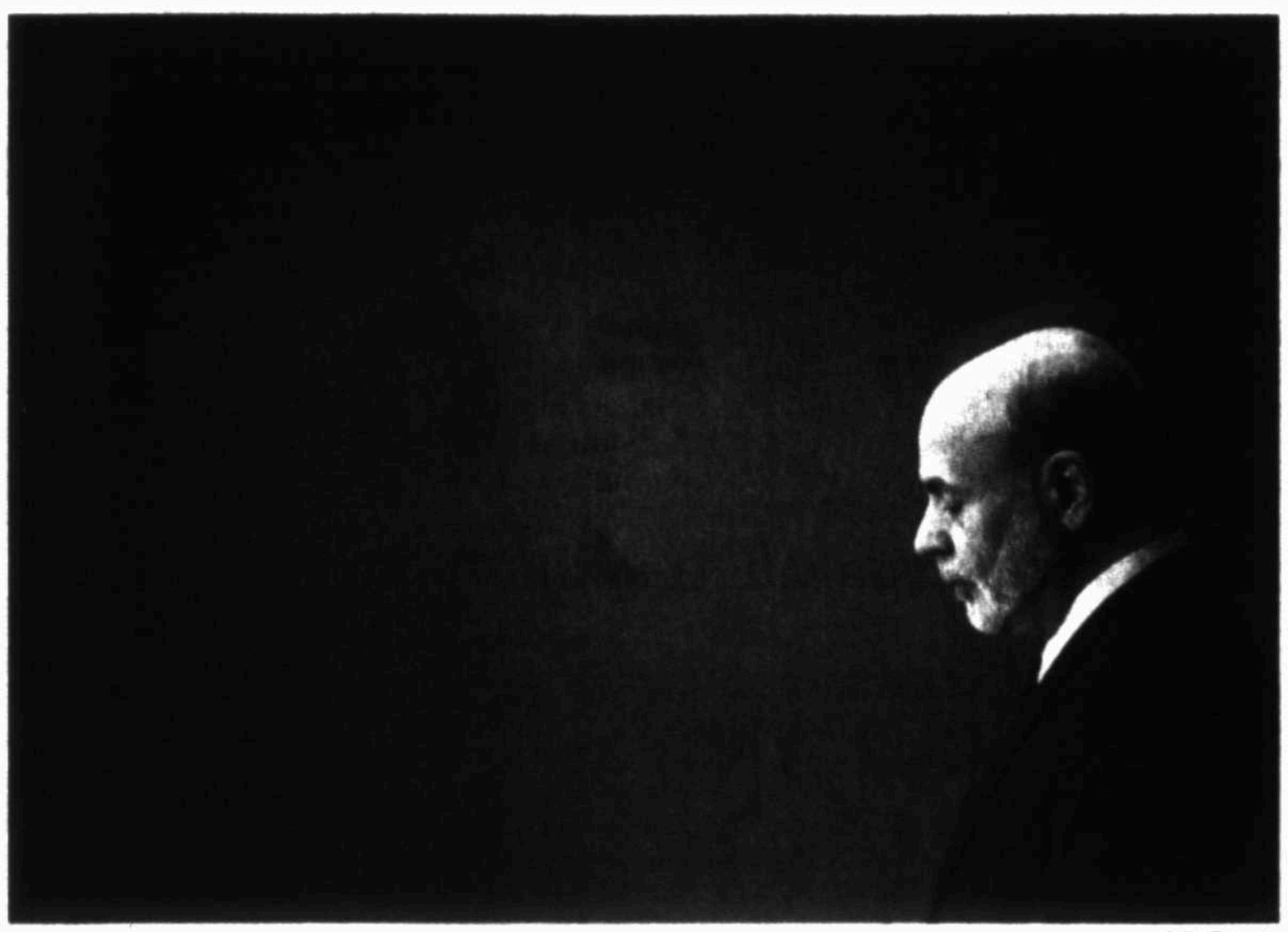
Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
InspPhar	4.97	+.99	+24.9
GoodTim rs	2.34	+.44	+23.2
Questcor	18.00	+3.08	+20.6
BOS Ltd	3.52	+.47	+15.4
Uroplasty	7.87	+1.05	+15.4

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
SemiLeds n	11.96	-2.50	-17.3
MeruNetw	16.05	-2.82	-14.9
AsiaEntRs	7.04	-1.06	-13.1
WrightM	15.05	-2.08	-12.1
ZST Digtl	4.93	-.63	-11.4

DIARY

Advanced	1,333
Declined	1,270
Unchanged	142
Total issues	2,745
New Highs	202
New Lows	33
Volume	1,906,431,549



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INTEREST RATES Ben S. Bernanke, chairman of the U.S. Federal Reserve, pauses Monday during the Financial Markets Conference in Stone Mountain, Ga. Bernanke said he expects an increase in commodity prices to create a "transitory" boost in U.S. inflation and that the central bank would act if he's proven incorrect.

Fed members raise specter of higher interest rates

By Jeannine Aversa
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Federal Reserve officials raised concerns last month that a big jump in energy prices could weaken the economy and unleash inflation, prompting a few to suggest the possibility of tightening credit this year.

Such a move usually involves boosting interest rates, although the minutes from the Fed's closed-door meeting on March 15 did not specify that. The minutes, which were released Tuesday, also did not note which members raised the prospect of a change in policy, or how many.

It simply stated that a "few members" raised that possibility. Those members appeared to be in the minority.

Another group of Fed members, presumably the majority, said the Fed might need to keep holding interest rates at record low levels beyond this year.

The differing viewpoints about potential future policy actions highlight a growing number of challenges facing the economy, which all the members agreed was improving.

At last month's meeting, the Fed offered its most optimistic assessment of the economy since the recession. Fed policymakers said the recovery was finally on "firmer footing." Companies had stepped up hiring and both consumers and businesses were spending more.

The Fed decided to maintain the pace of its $600 billion Treasury bond-purchase program to help the economy grow at a faster pace and to help lower unemployment. It also left its key interest rate at a record low near zero, where it has been since December 2008.

Those decisions were unanimous.

Still, the minutes noted that Fed members discussed possible pitfalls, both at home and abroad.

All the members seemed to agree that widespread disruptions in oil production and a larger jump in energy prices could weaken the economy and spur inflation.

The Fed ultimately agreed with the view stated publicly by Fed Chairman Ben Bernanke, that the run-up in oil prices would have only a modest impact on consumer prices.

But a few members "indicated that economic conditions might warrant a move toward less accommodative monetary policy this year," the minutes stated.

While the minutes didn't name the policymakers, three of the Fed's most hawkish members on inflation have raised concerns publicly in recent weeks.

Charles Plosser, president of the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia, has suggested the Fed might need to boost interest rates to guard against high inflation. Narayana Kocherlakota, president of the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia, also has said rates could go up by the end of this year. Richard Fisher, president of the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas, has raised concerns that the Fed's policies could spur inflation.

"It looks like the united policy to provide stimulus to the economy is starting to be questioned by a few of the members, and that number could grow in the months to come," said economist Chris Rupkey at the Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi UFJ. Rupkey thinks the Fed might be forced to start raising interest rates near the end of this year to fend off inflation. Most other economists, however, predict rate increases will start early next year.

The Fed minutes noted that a number of businesses were passing some of the higher costs for energy and other materials along to their customers by boosting retail prices.

Oil slides

Oil fell Tuesday after China said it will raise interest rates again to help control inflation. Declining gasoline demand in the U.S. and a rare oil shipment from Libya also pulled crude lower later in the day.

Benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for May delivery gave up 13 cents to settle at $108.34 per barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

In London, Brent crude added $1.23 to settle at $121.89 per barrel on the ICE Futures exchange.

China hiked interest rates for the fourth time since October. Higher interest rates could slow China's economy and shrink its appetite for oil. China trails only the U.S. in oil consumption and should still drive world oil demand this year, though it might not increase consumption as much as previously expected, analysts said.

The Energy Information Administration expects China to account for about 40 percent of increased world demand this year, as it boosts consumption by another 600,000 barrels per day. The U.S. will increase consumption by 130,000 barrels per day, according to the EIA.

Gasoline pump prices rose another 2 cents on Tuesday to a new U.S. average of $3.685 per gallon (97 cents a liter), according to AAA, Wright Express and Oil Price Information Service. A gallon of regular is 85.7 cents higher than last year. It now costs more than $4 per gallon in California, Alaska and Hawaii.

Dollar edges lower

The dollar fell against the euro on Tuesday after minutes from the Federal Reserve's meeting last month indicated that there probably won't be a hike in interest rates anytime soon.

The euro rose to $1.4245 late Tuesday from $1.4216 late Monday. It had been weaker earlier in the session, falling as low as $1.415, after China said it would hike interest rates for the fourth time since October.

Central banks raise interest rates to help counter inflation, and higher rates on government bonds tend to increase demand for the currency linked to that country or region. The Federal Reserve has kept the benchmark U.S. rate near zero since December 2008.

Gold for June delivery added $19.50 Tuesday to settle at $1,452.50 an ounce. Silver gained 68.9 cents to settle at $39.183 an ounce.

MIDLAND STOCKS

Midland-Headquartered Publicly Traded Companies

Basic Energy Services (BAS)
Closing Price $25.52 Down 0.24

Clayton Williams Energy (CWEI)
Closing Price $104.90 Down 1.02

Concho Resources (CXO)
Closing Price $106.99 Down 2.41

Dawson Geophysical (DWSN)
Closing Price $45.52 Down 1.13

Legacy Reserves (LGCY)
Closing Price $31.83 Down 0.14

Mexco Energy (MXC)
Closing Price $12.75 Up 0.25

Natural Gas Services Group (NGS)
Closing Price $18.38 Up 0.35

HOW STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST FARED

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
AT&T Inc	1.72	9	30.70	-.07	+4.5
Abraxas	...	...	5.85	-.07	+23.6
AdamsEx	.51e	...	11.40	...	+6.1
AMD	...	13	8.11	+.01	-.9
AlcatelLuc	...	...	5.93	+.11	+100.3
Alcoa	.12	75	18.05	+.49	+17.3
AldIrish rs	...	...	4.09	+.05	-7.0
AlonUSA	.16	...	14.67	+.77	+145.3
Amgen	...	11	54.07	+.04	-1.5
Anadarko	.36	54	82.48	-.29	+8.3
Apache	.60	15	131.25	+.95	+10.1
Apple Inc	...	19	336.89	-2.30	+5.1
ApldMatl	.32f	15	15.53	+.13	+10.5
ATMOS	1.36	17	34.46	+.01	+10.4
AutoData	1.44	22	51.79	-.22	+11.9
BP PLC	.42e	...	46.73	+.54	+5.8
BakrHu	.60	37	73.00	+.38	+27.7
BkofAm	.04	20	13.47	+.03	+1.0
Bklreind	1.04e	...	2.31	-.21	-12.8
Bar iPVix rs	...	...	28.29	-.51	-24.6
BasicEnSv	...	...	25.52	-.24	+54.9
BerkHa A	...	16	123100.00	-1553.00	+2.2
BerryPet	.30	34	52.06	+1.44	+19.2
BlkHillsCp	1.46f	19	34.18	-.04	+13.9
BostonSci	...	...	7.06	-.17	-6.7
BrMySq	1.32	15	26.87	+.15	+1.5
BrownFA	1.28a	21	66.56	+.46	-1.3
BrownFB	1.28a	21	66.75	-.06	-1.2
CVS Care	.50	14	35.00	+.23	+.7
Cameron	...	25	56.73	-.16	+11.8
Caterpillar	1.76	27	112.31	-1.07	+19.9
Celestic g	...	14	11.00	+.09	+13.4
CntryLink	2.90	12	40.14	-.09	-13.1
ChesEng	.30	11	33.81	-.02	+30.5
Chevron	2.88	11	108.33	+1.10	+19.8
Chicos	.20f	23	14.90	+.28	+24.6
Chimera	.66e	6	4.02	+.07	-2.2
Cimarex	.40f	17	116.83	-.73	+32.0
Cisco	.24	13	17.22	+.16	-14.9
Citigrp	...	13	4.47	+.04	-5.5
ClayEng	...	26	104.90	-1.02	+24.8
CocaCola	1.88f	13	67.47	-.19	+2.6
ColgPal	2.32f	17	80.84	-.18	+.6
CompPrdS	...	27	29.44	-.47	-.4
ConAgra	.92	16	23.82	+.03	+5.5
ConchoRes	...	...	106.99	-2.41	+22.0
ConocPhil	2.64f	12	80.32	+.64	+17.9
Corning	.20	9	20.40	-.18	+5.6
CrackerB	.88	13	49.51	+.48	-9.6
CrosTim	2.82e	17	47.86	+.36	+19.5
DCP Mid	2.47f	44	40.72	-.20	+8.9
DTE	2.24	13	49.49	+.12	+9.2
Dataram h	...	...	2.12	+.01	+36.0
Dawson	...	...	45.52	-1.13	+42.7
Dell Inc	...	10	14.43	+.18	+6.5
DeltaAir	...	14	9.70	-.13	-23.0
DevonE	.68f	9	91.02	-.96	+15.9
DrxFBull s	...	...	30.93	-.06	+11.1
Disney	.40f	19	42.43	-.20	+13.1
DowChm	.60	22	38.66	+.51	+13.2
EMC Cp	...	29	25.93	-.09	+13.2
EOG Res	.64f	...	116.92	-1.46	+27.9
EmpDist	1.28	19	21.96	-.04	-1.1
Energen	.54f	16	63.08	-.65	+30.7
EngyTsfr	3.58	44	52.39	+.22	+1.1
EnPro	...	12	37.27	+.24	-10.3
EntPrPt	2.36f	38	43.28	+.08	+4.0
EricsnTel	.35e	...	12.94	+.09	+12.2
ExterranH	...	...	23.22	-.44	-3.0
ExxonMbl	1.76	14	85.42	+.55	+16.8
FordM	...	8	15.79	+.24	-6.0
ForestOil	...	23	37.26	-.09	-1.9
FMCG s	1.00a	12	56.61	+.64	-5.7
FrozenFd	...	...	3.82	+.37	-13.4
GATX	1.16f	23	39.76	-.10	+12.7
GabGloM	.60	...	7.82	-.02	-4.8
GAInv	.43e	...	28.74	+.17	+7.2
GenElec	.56	21	20.33	-.20	+11.2
Golfsmith	...	...	4.71	+.46	+94.6
Goodrich	1.16	19	86.84	-.44	-1.4
GtPlainEn	.83	12	20.41	-.01	+5.3
Hallibrtn	.36	25	49.73	+.33	+21.8
Heinz	1.80	17	49.10	+.03	-.7
HewlettP	.32	10	40.29	-.05	-4.3
Hitachi	...	...	49.50	-1.42	-7.0
iShJapn	.14e	...	9.96	-.20	-8.7
iShSilver	...	...	38.34	+.78	+27.0
iShChina25	.63e	...	46.00	-.35	+6.8
iShEMkts	.64e	...	49.77	-.10	+4.5
iS Eafe	1.42e	...	60.58	-.15	+4.1
iShR2K	.89e	...	85.19	+.46	+8.9
InspPhar	...	...	4.97	+.99	-40.8
IntegrysE	2.72	22	50.61	-.26	+4.3
Intel	.72	10	19.71	+.22	-6.3
InterDig	.40	14	48.43	-.68	+16.3
JPMorgCh	1.00f	12	46.58	+.24	+9.8
JohnJn	2.16	13	59.80	-.36	-3.3
KB Home	.25	...	11.69	-.51	-13.3
KimbClk	2.80f	14	65.38	-.48	+3.7
KindME	4.52f	53	74.06	-.30	+5.4
KindMM	4.52f	84	65.85	-.44	-1.5
LVSands	...	90	44.84	+1.06	-2.4
LegacyRes	2.10f	...	31.83	-.14	+10.8
Lubys	...	...	5.65	+.52	-9.9
MassMCp s	1.08	...	16.12	+.06	+5.5
McDnlds	2.44	17	76.60	+.21	-.2
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MexcoEn	...	96	12.75	+.25	+66.7
MicronT	...	8	11.02	-.18	+37.3
Microsoft	.64	7	25.78	+.23	-7.6
Nabors	...	93	30.56	+.37	+30.3
NatGrid	7.04e	...	48.28	-.28	+8.8
NOilVarco	.44	20	80.46	-.96	+19.7
NatSemi	.40	19	24.06	+9.99	+74.9
NewsCpA	.15	17	17.77	-.25	+22.0
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NuvPI	.92	...	12.90	+.03	+.6
NSTFIS	.84	...	13.20	+.04	+.8
NTXQI	.86	...	15.60	...	+4.5
Nvidia	...	42	17.58	+.03	+14.2
OcciPet	1.84f	18	102.73	-.79	+4.7
OnSmcnd	...	13	9.93	+.26	+.5
Oracle	.24f	22	33.92	-.22	+8.4
ParTech	...	22	4.74	+.06	-17.0
ParkDrl	...	...	7.12	-.01	+55.8
PattUTI	.20	38	29.96	+.01	+34.4
PennRE	.60	...	14.14	-.13	-2.7
Prmian	1.38e	16	22.16	...	-2.2
Pfizer	.80f	20	20.46	-.08	+16.8
PioNtrl	.08	20	104.03	-.83	+19.8
PlainsAA	3.83f	27	63.76	-.21	+1.5
PwShs QQQ	.39e	...	57.12	-.15	+4.9
Praxair	2.00f	26	103.02	+.63	+7.9
PrmEgy	...	...	26.93	-.43	+39.2
PrUShS&P	...	...	20.72	...	-12.8
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Qualcom	.86f	24	52.58	-.53	+6.2
RAM Engy	...	...	2.04	-.04	+10.9
RangeRs	.16	...	58.85	+.32	+30.8
Rowan	...	19	43.96	+.02	+25.9
RoyDShllA	3.36	22	73.74	-.01	+10.4
SpdrDJIA	2.98e	...	123.65	-.11	+6.9
SpdrGold	...	...	142.05	+2.21	+2.4
S&P500ETF	2.34e	...	133.24	-.02	+6.0
SabnR	3.80e	17	62.75	+1.93	+5.4
SanderFm	.68f	7	45.09	-.11	+15.2
SandRdge	...	16	12.97	...	+77.2
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Schlmbrg	1.00f	27	92.87	+.10	+11.2
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SP Engy	1.05e	...	80.28	+.24	+17.6
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SP Inds	.64e	...	37.89	-.14	+8.7
SunocoLg	4.72f	9	87.74	+.19	+5.0
TaiwSemi	.47e	...	12.46	+.28	-.6
TelefEsp s	1.75e	...	25.84	-.08	+12.4
Tesoro	...	13	28.23	+.37	+52.3
TexInst	.52	13	34.69	+.58	+6.7
3M Co	2.20f	17	93.39	-.25	+8.2
Trchmrk	.64	11	67.25	-.60	+12.6
TriContl	.28e	...	14.68	...	+6.7
TycoIntl	1.00f	16	47.15	+.98	+13.8
TylerTech	...	34	24.21	-.17	+16.6
UBWV	1.20	16	26.71	-.26	-8.5
Vale SA	.76e	...	34.27	+.39	-.9
ValeroE	.20	54	30.50	+.43	+31.9
VangEmg	.82e	...	50.07	-.14	+4.0
VulcanM	1.00	...	46.05	+.20	+3.8
Walgrn	.70	17	41.11	+.28	+5.5
WellsFargo	.20a	14	31.99	+.19	+3.2
WstnRefin	...	...	19.06	+.62	+80.3
WhitingPt s	...	33	74.50	+.04	+27.1
WmsCos	.50	23	30.92	-.18	+25.1
XcelEngy	1.01	15	24.06	-.11	+2.2
Xerox	.17	25	10.84	...	-5.9
Yahoo	...	19	17.11	+.24	+2.9

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52-Week High	52-Week Low	Name	Last	Chg	Net %Chg	YTD % Chg	52-wk % Chg
12,419.71	9,614.32	Dow Jones Industrials	12,393.90	-6.13	-.05	+7.05	+12.98
5,404.33	3,872.64	Dow Jones Transportation	5,342.92	-36.04	-.67	+4.62	+20.57
422.43	346.95	Dow Jones Utilities	413.88	-1.28	-.31	+2.20	+6.76
8,520.27	6,355.83	NYSE Composite	8,486.39	+5.96	+.07	+6.56	+11.62
2,436.62	1,689.19	Amex Index	2,443.50	+31.22	+1.29	+10.65	+24.81
2,840.51	2,061.14	Nasdaq Composite	2,791.19	+2.00	+.07	+5.21	+14.54
1,344.07	1,010.91	S&P 500	1,332.63	-.24	-.02	+5.96	+12.04
14,276.94	15.60	Wilshire 5000	14,193.07	+8.35	+.07	+6.23	+13.87
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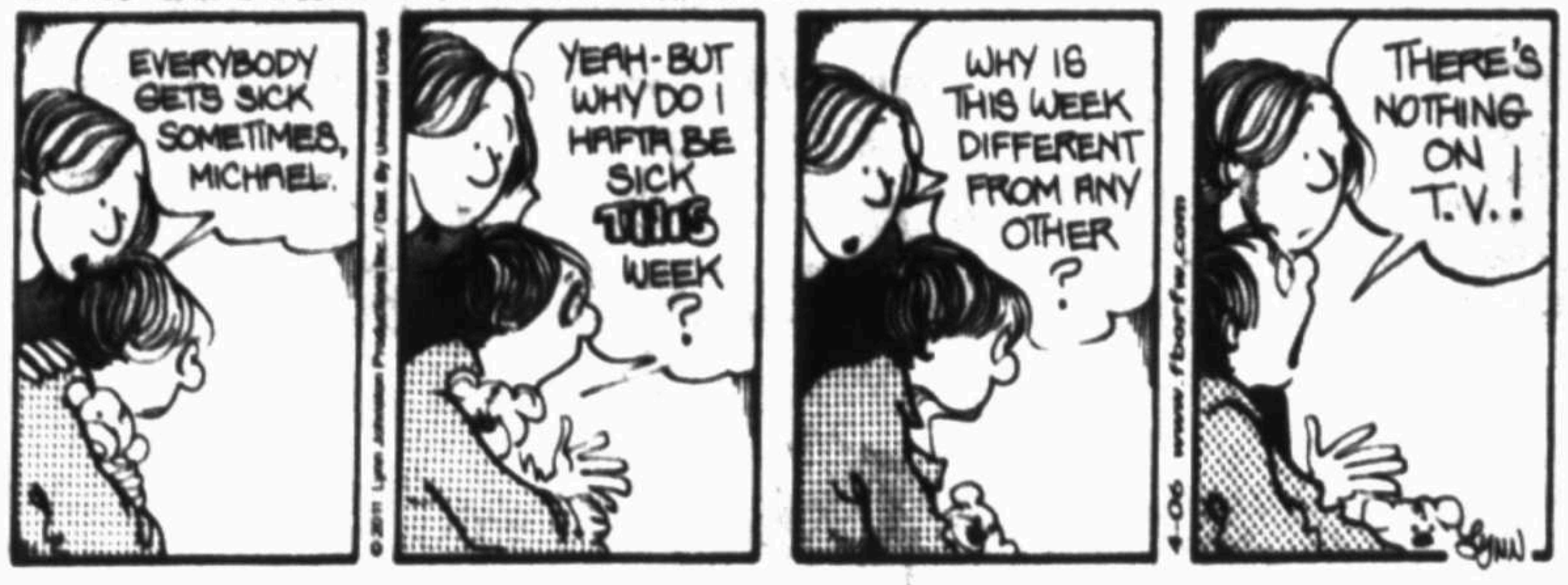
EVERYBODY GETS SICK SOMETIMES, MICHAEL.
YEAH-BUT WHY DO I HAFTA BE SICK THIS WEEK?
WHY IS THIS WEEK DIFFERENT FROM ANY OTHER?
THERE'S NOTHING ON T.V.!
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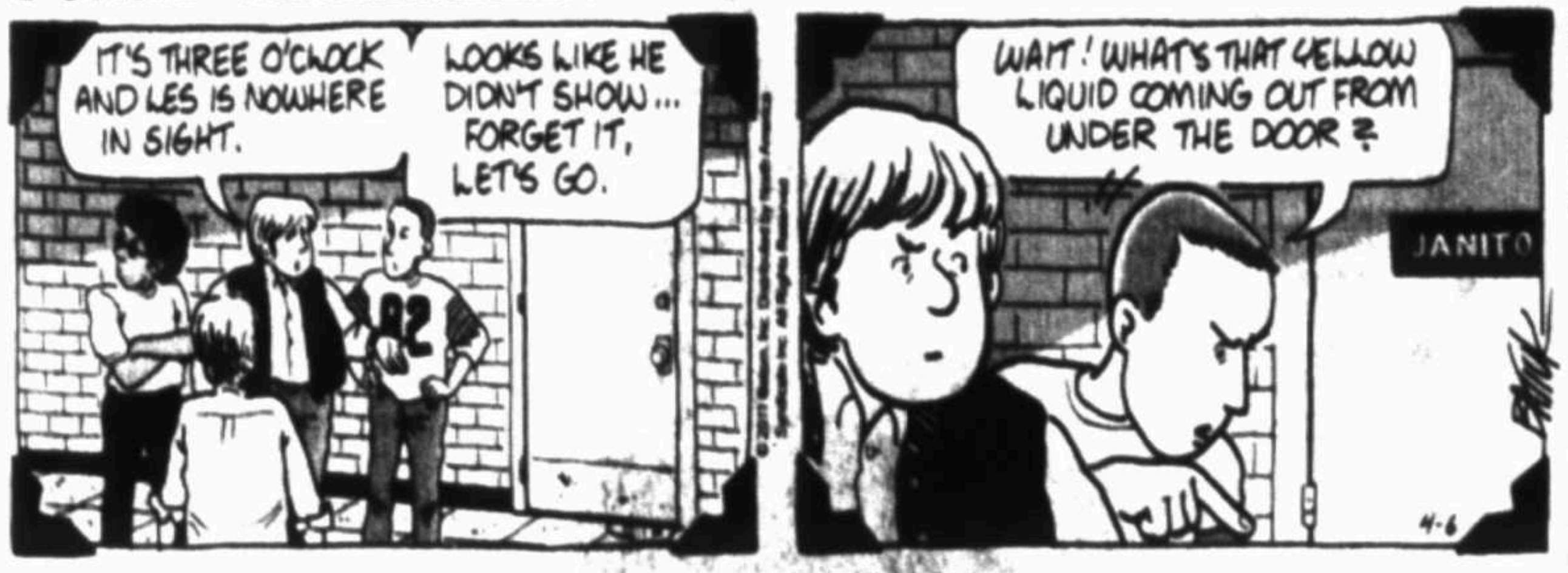
FUNKY WINKERBEAN


IT'S THREE O'CLOCK AND LES IS NOWHERE IN SIGHT.
LOOKS LIKE HE DIDN'T SHOW... FORGET IT, LET'S GO.
WAIT! WHAT'S THAT YELLOW LIQUID COMING OUT FROM UNDER THE DOOR?
JANITO
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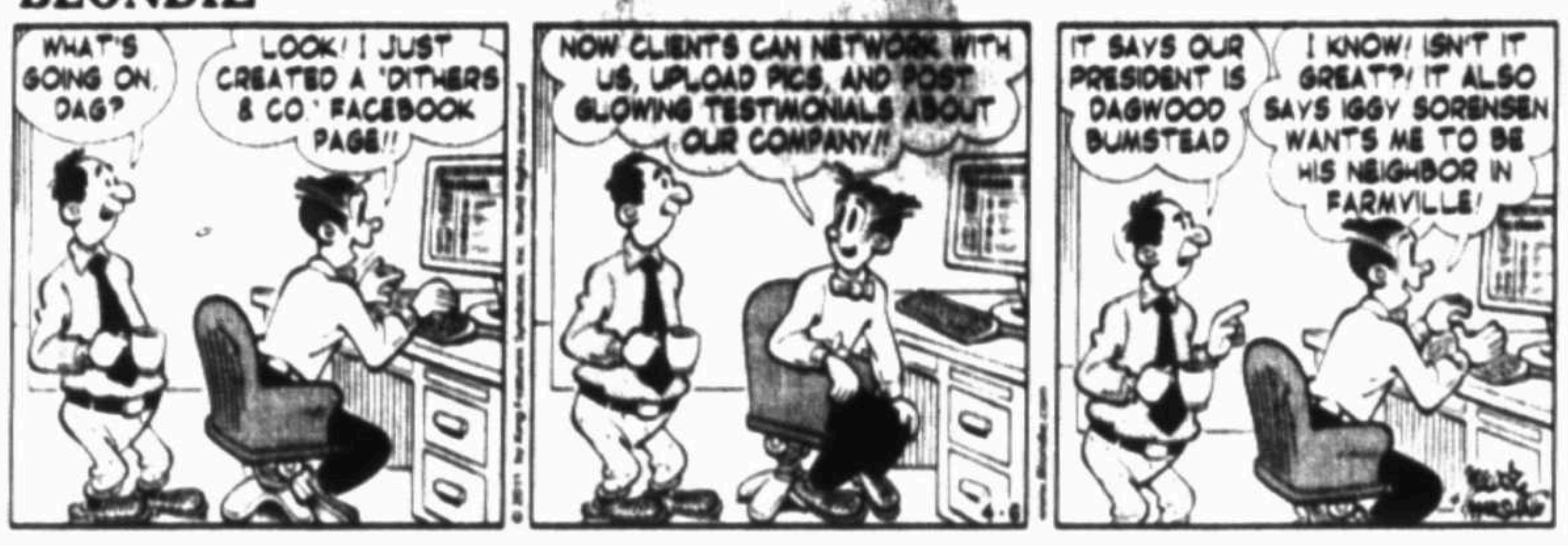
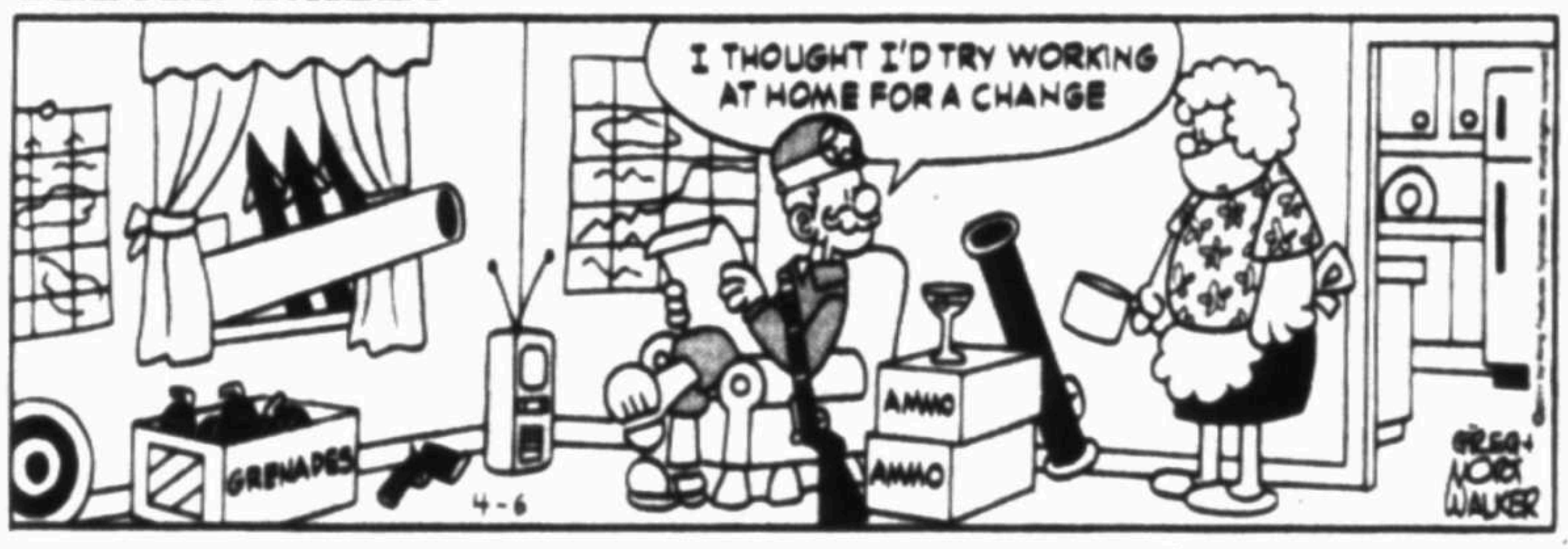
BLONDIE


WHAT'S GOING ON, DAG?
LOOK! I JUST CREATED A "DITHERS & CO." FACEBOOK PAGE!!
NOW CLIENTS CAN NETWORK WITH US, UPLOAD PICS, AND POST GLOWING TESTIMONIALS ABOUT OUR COMPANY!!
IT SAYS OUR PRESIDENT IS DAGWOOD BUMSTEAD
I KNOW! ISN'T IT GREAT?! IT ALSO SAYS IGGY SORENSEN WANTS ME TO BE HIS NEIGHBOR IN FARMVILLE!

BEETLE BAILEY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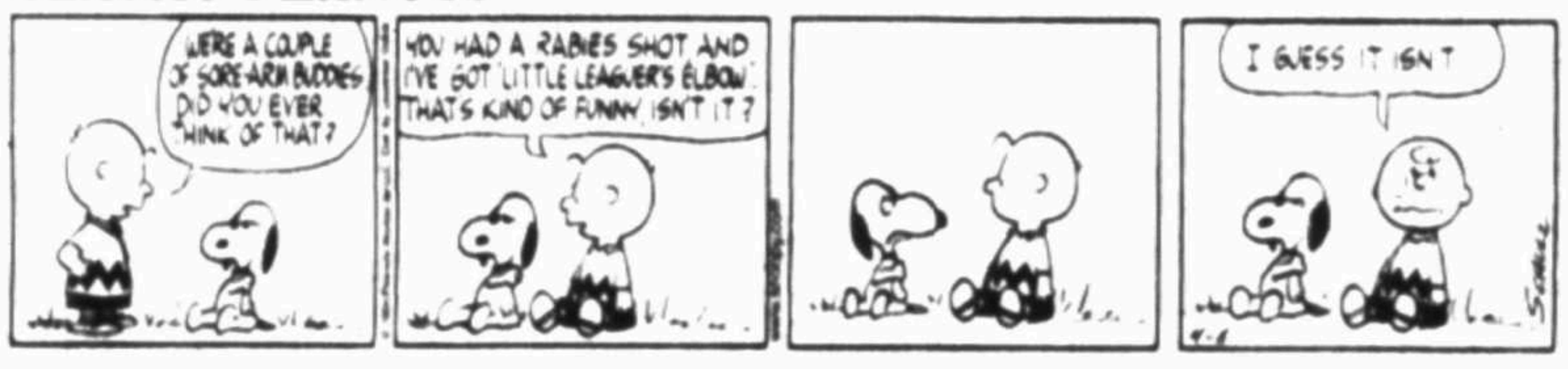
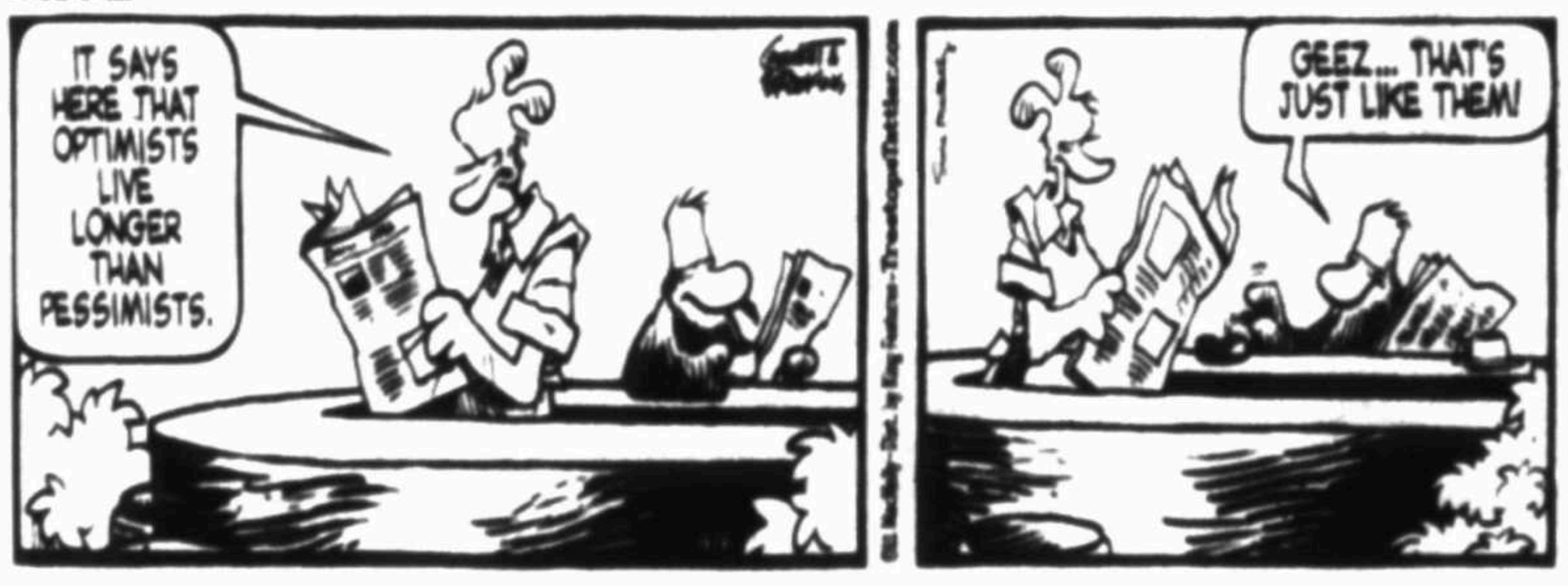
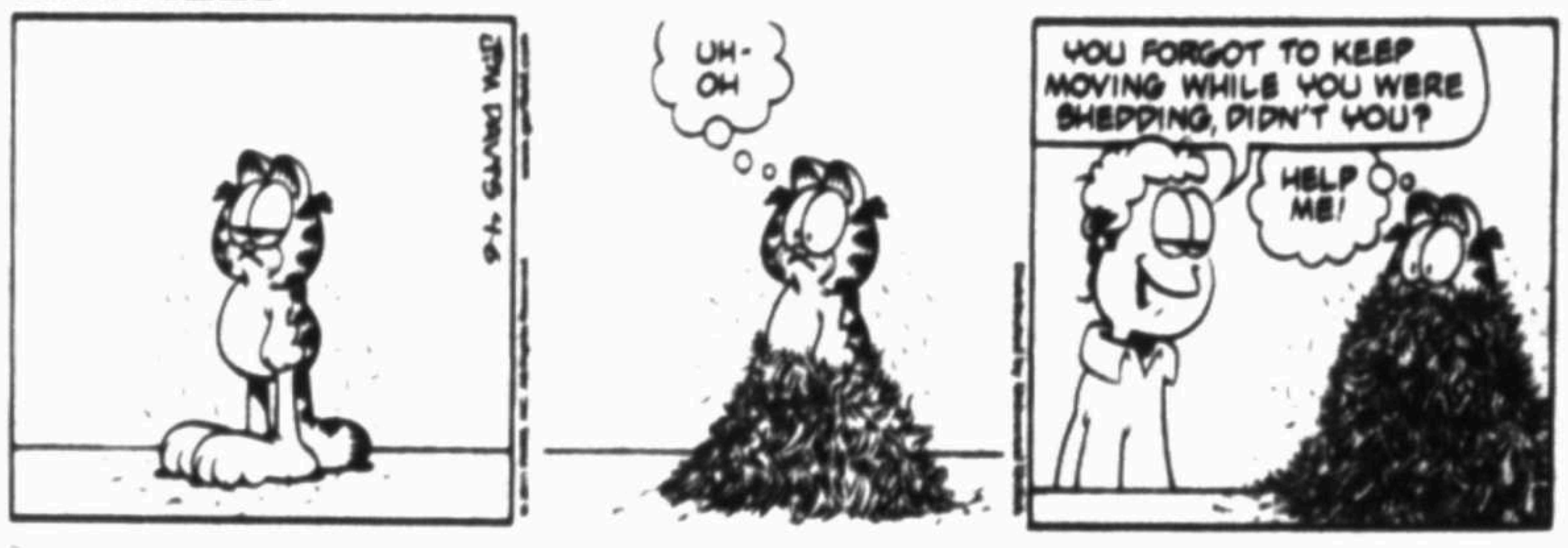

WE'RE A COUPLE OF SORE-ARM BUDDIES. DID YOU EVER THINK OF THAT?
YOU HAD A RABIES SHOT AND I'VE GOT "LITTLE LEAGUER'S ELBOW." THAT'S KIND OF FUNNY, ISN'T IT?
I GUESS IT ISN'T

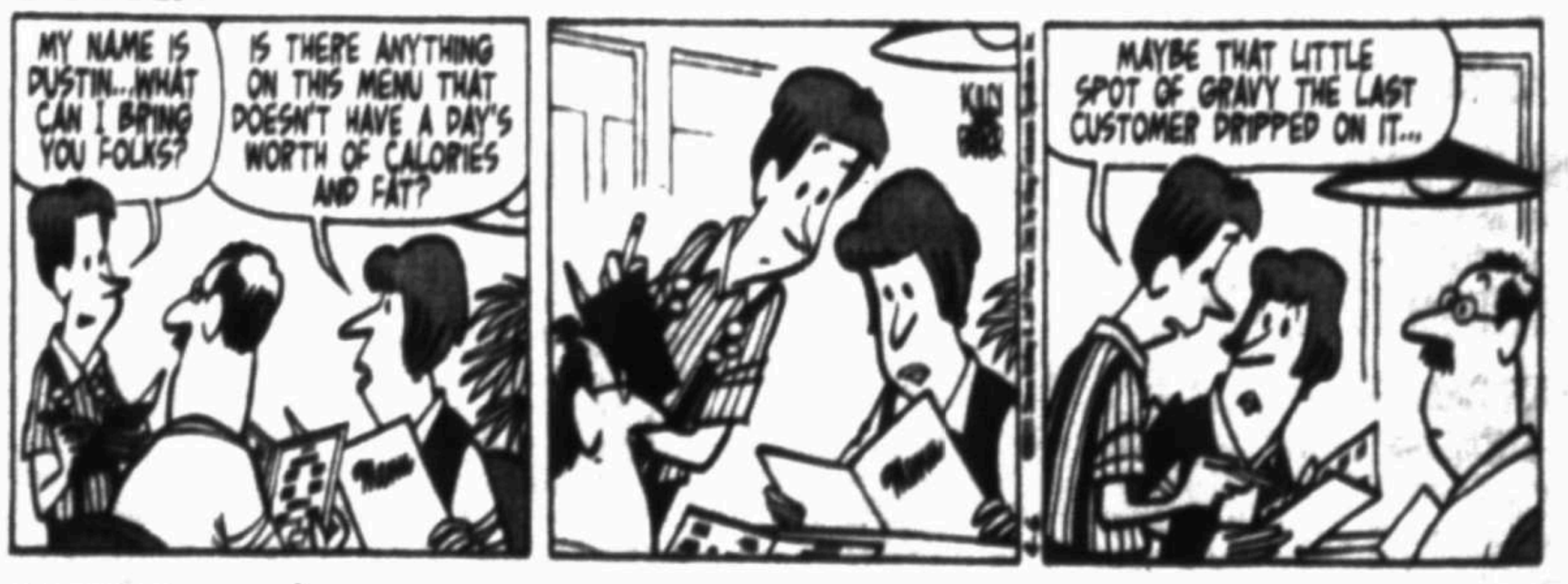
SHOE


IT SAYS HERE THAT OPTIMISTS LIVE LONGER THAN PESSIMISTS.
GEEZ... THAT'S JUST LIKE THEM!

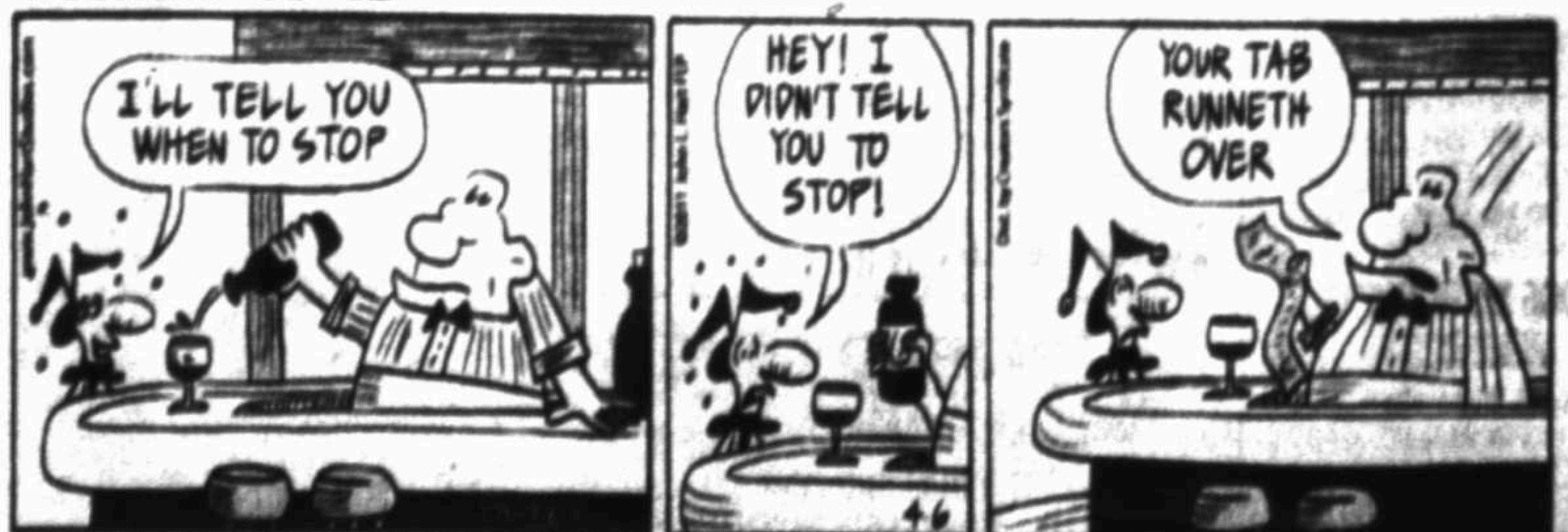
GARFIELD


JIM DAVIS 4-6
UH-OH
YOU FORGOT TO KEEP MOVING WHILE YOU WERE SHEDDING, DIDN'T YOU?
HELP ME!

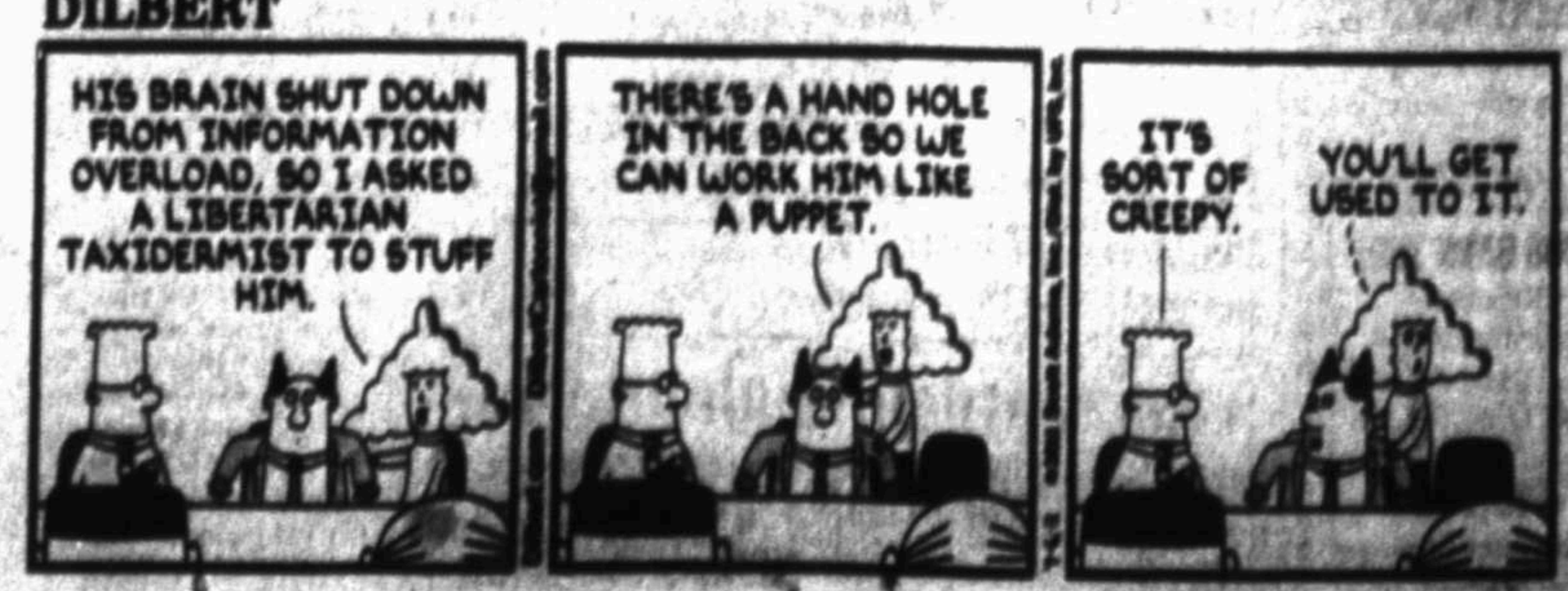
DUSTIN


MY NAME IS DUSTIN...WHAT CAN I BRING YOU FOLKS?
IS THERE ANYTHING ON THIS MENU THAT DOESN'T HAVE A DAY'S WORTH OF CALORIES AND FAT?
MAYBE THAT LITTLE SPOT OF GRAVY THE LAST CUSTOMER DRIPPED ON IT...

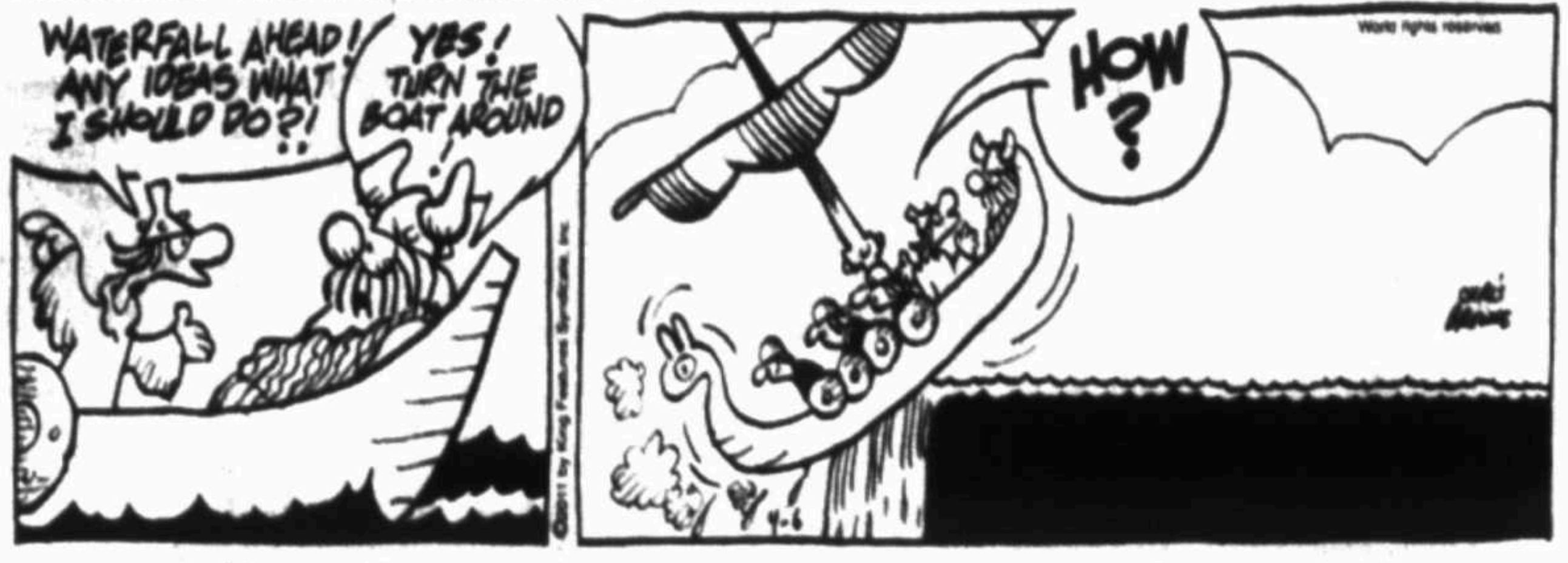
WIZARD OF ID


I'LL TELL YOU WHEN TO STOP
HEY! I DIDN'T TELL YOU TO STOP!
YOUR TAB RUNNETH OVER
4-6

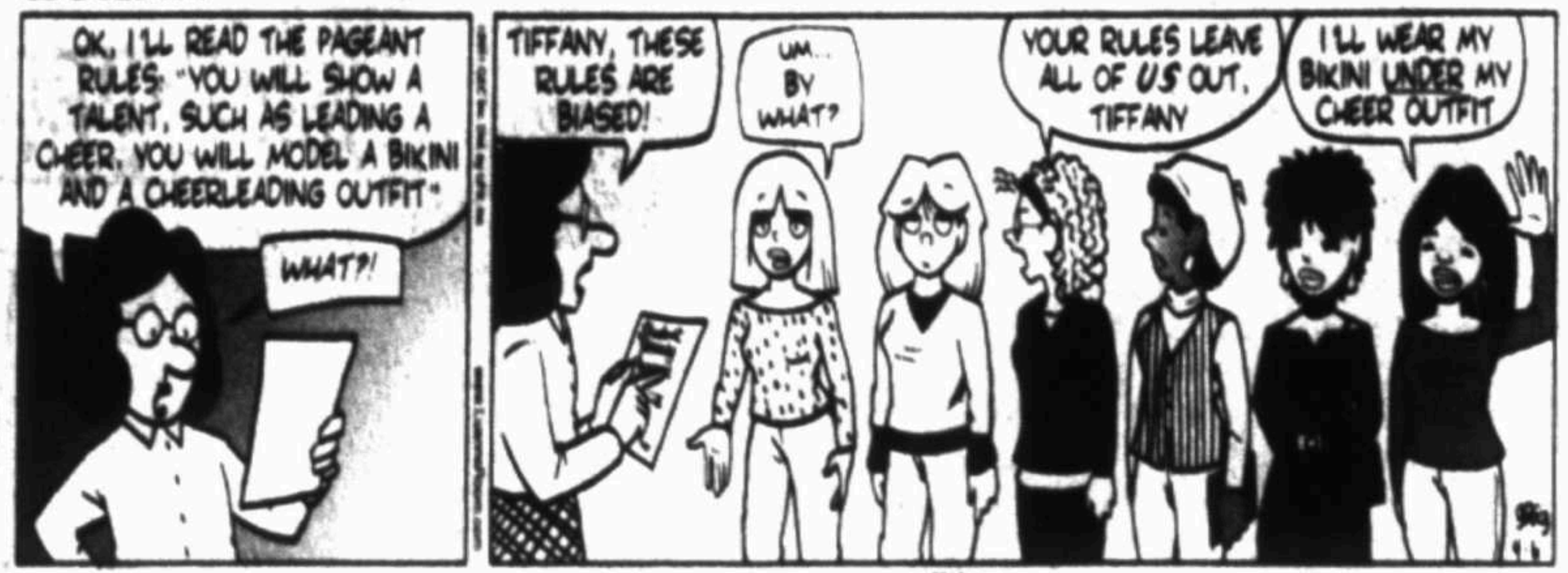
DILBERT


HIS BRAIN SHUT DOWN FROM INFORMATION OVERLOAD, SO I ASKED A LIBERTARIAN TAXIDERMIST TO STUFF HIM.
THERE'S A HAND HOLE IN THE BACK SO WE CAN WORK HIM LIKE A PUPPET.
IT'S SORT OF CREEPY.
YOU'LL GET USED TO IT.

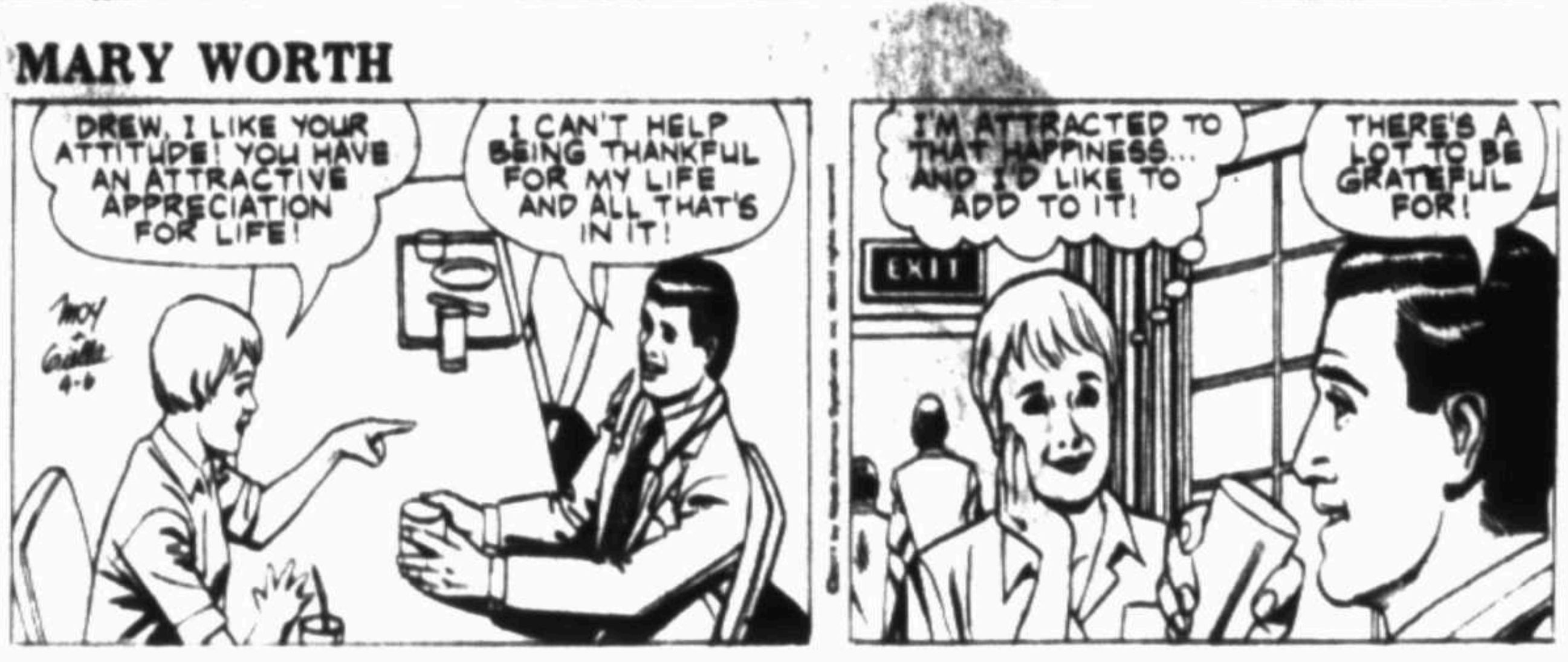
HAGAR THE HORRIBLE


WATERFALL AHEAD! ANY IDEAS WHAT I SHOULD DO?!
YES! TURN THE BOAT AROUND
HOW?

LUANN


OK, I'LL READ THE PAGEANT RULES: "YOU WILL SHOW A TALENT, SUCH AS LEADING A CHEER. YOU WILL MODEL A BIKINI AND A CHEERLEADING OUTFIT."
WHAT?!
TIFFANY, THESE RULES ARE BIASED!
UM... BY WHAT?
YOUR RULES LEAVE ALL OF US OUT, TIFFANY
I'LL WEAR MY BIKINI UNDER MY CHEER OUTFIT

MARY WORTH


DREW, I LIKE YOUR ATTITUDE! YOU HAVE AN ATTRACTIVE APPRECIATION FOR LIFE!
I CAN'T HELP BEING THANKFUL FOR MY LIFE AND ALL THAT'S IN IT!
I'M ATTRACTED TO THAT HAPPINESS... AND I'D LIKE TO ADD TO IT!
THERE'S A LOT TO BE GRATEFUL FOR!
EXIT

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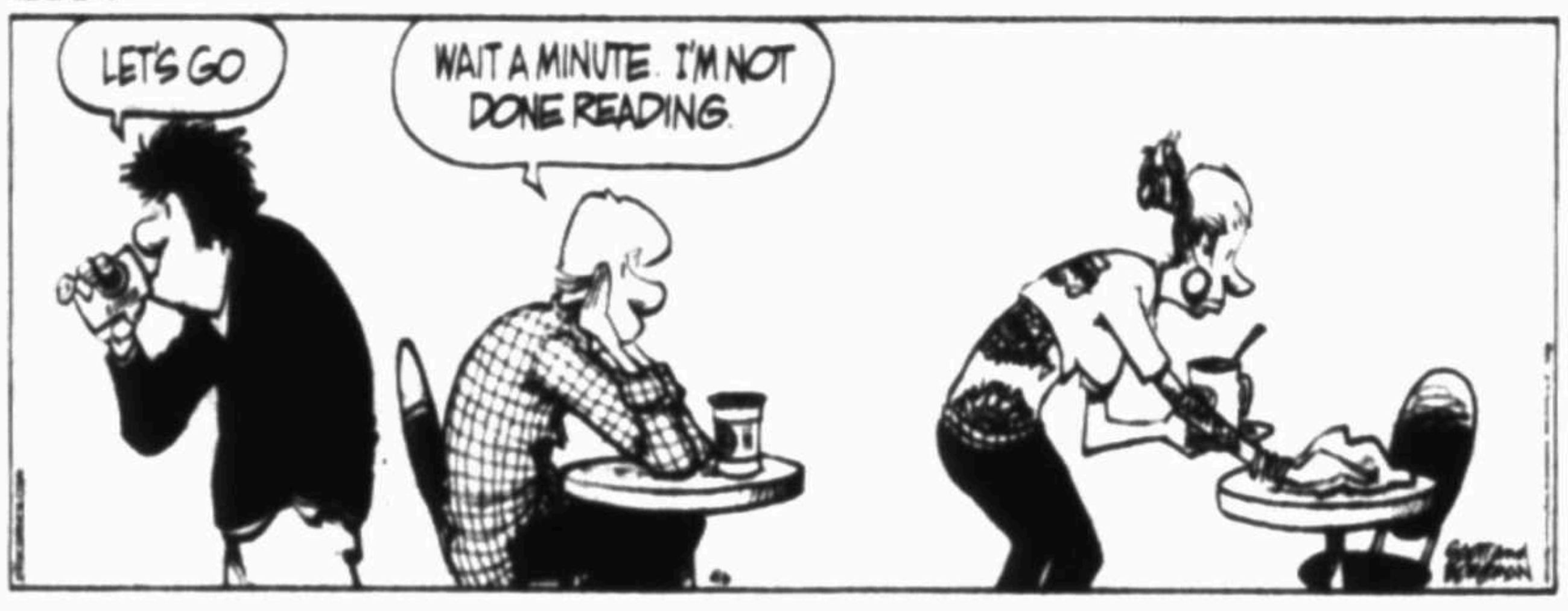
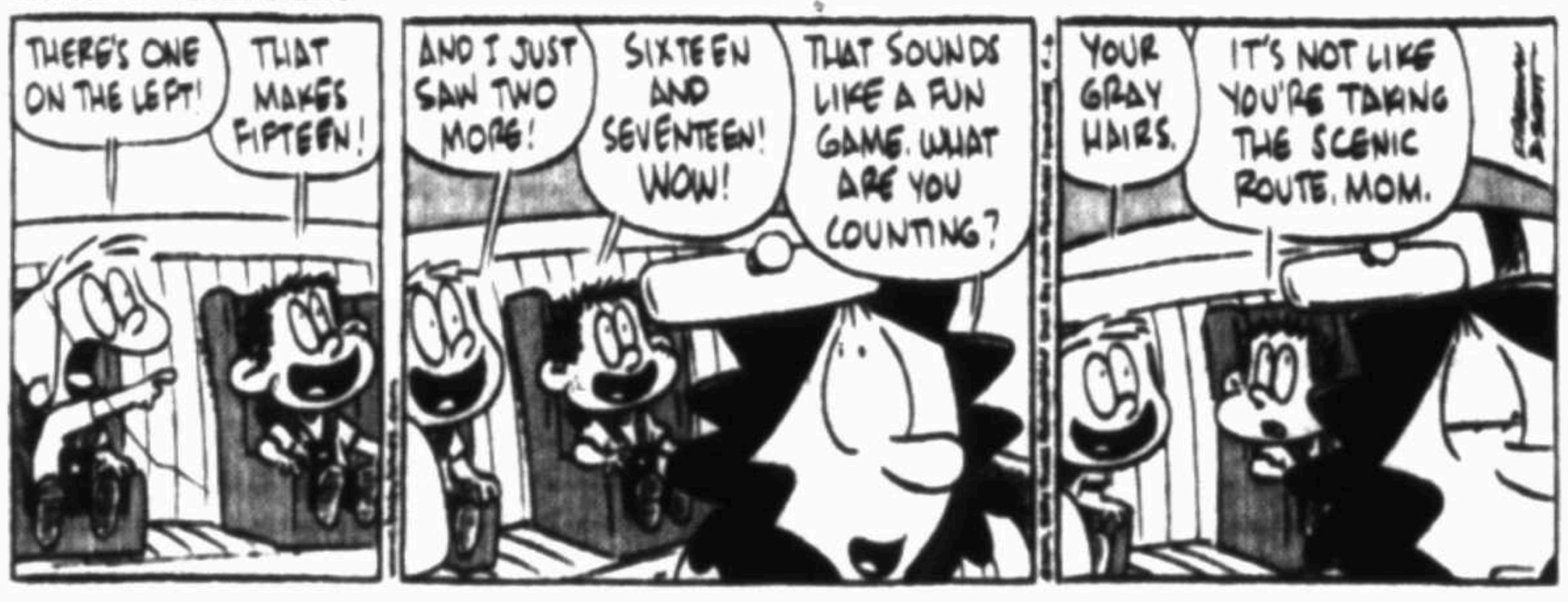
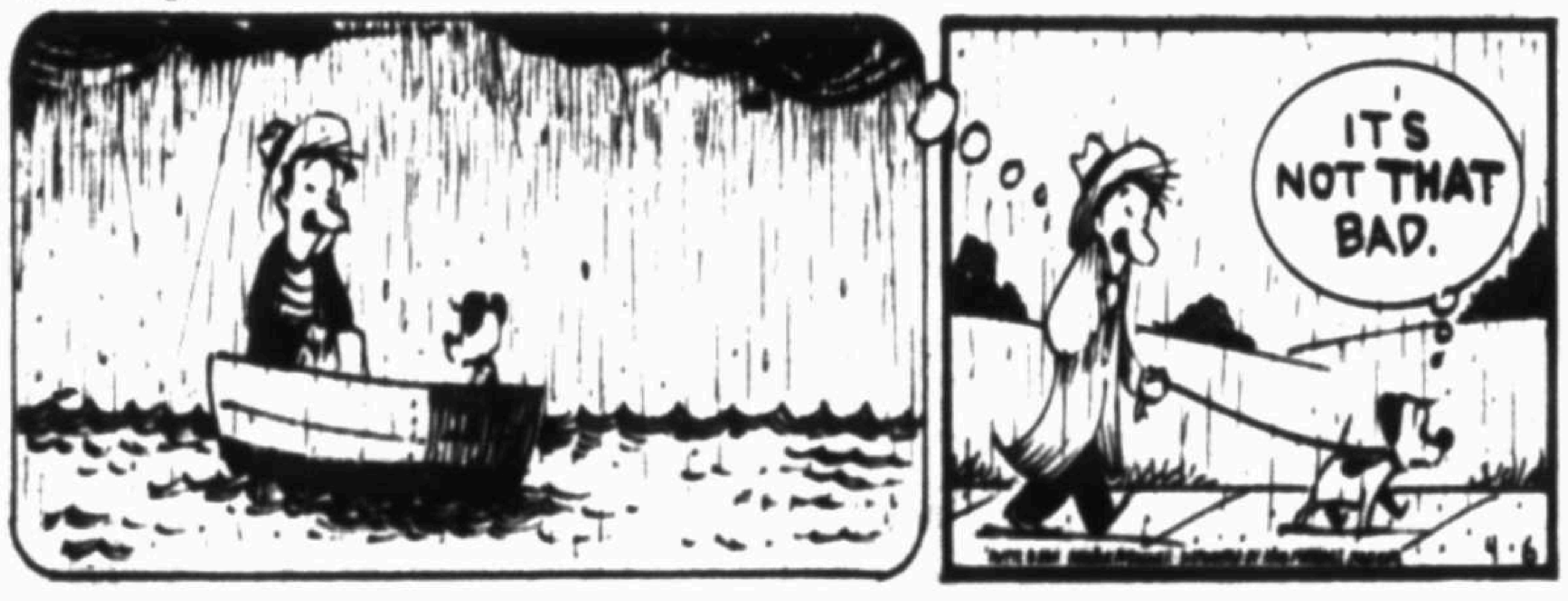

LET'S GO
WAIT A MINUTE. I'M NOT DONE READING.

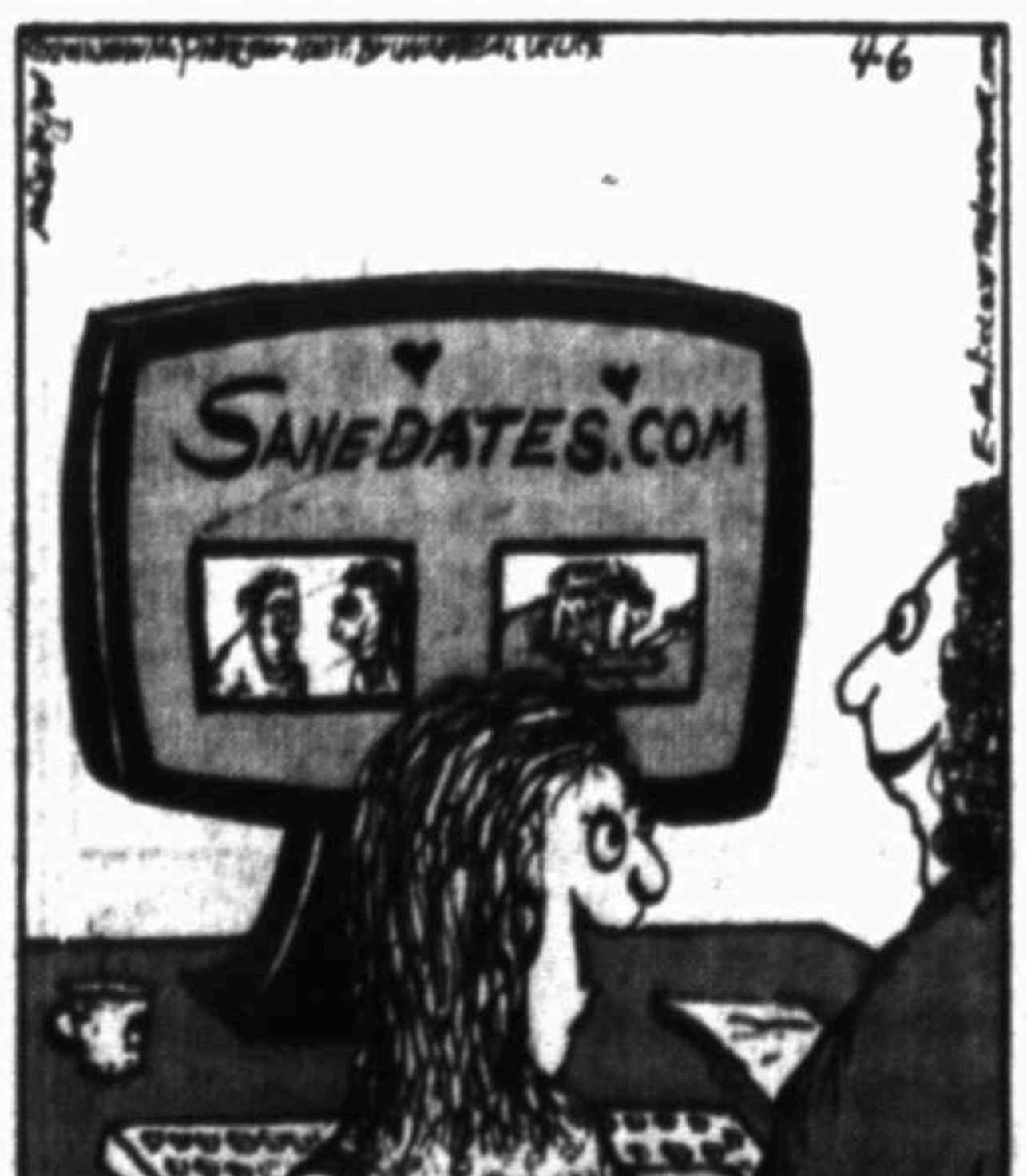
BABY BLUES


THERE'S ONE ON THE LEFT!
THAT MAKES FIFTEEN!
AND I JUST SAW TWO MORE!
SIXTEEN AND SEVENTEEN! WOW!
THAT SOUNDS LIKE A FUN GAME. WHAT ARE YOU COUNTING?
YOUR GRAY HAIRS.
IT'S NOT LIKE YOU'RE TAKING THE SCENIC ROUTE, MOM.

MUTTS


IT'S NOT THAT BAD.

CLOSE TO HOME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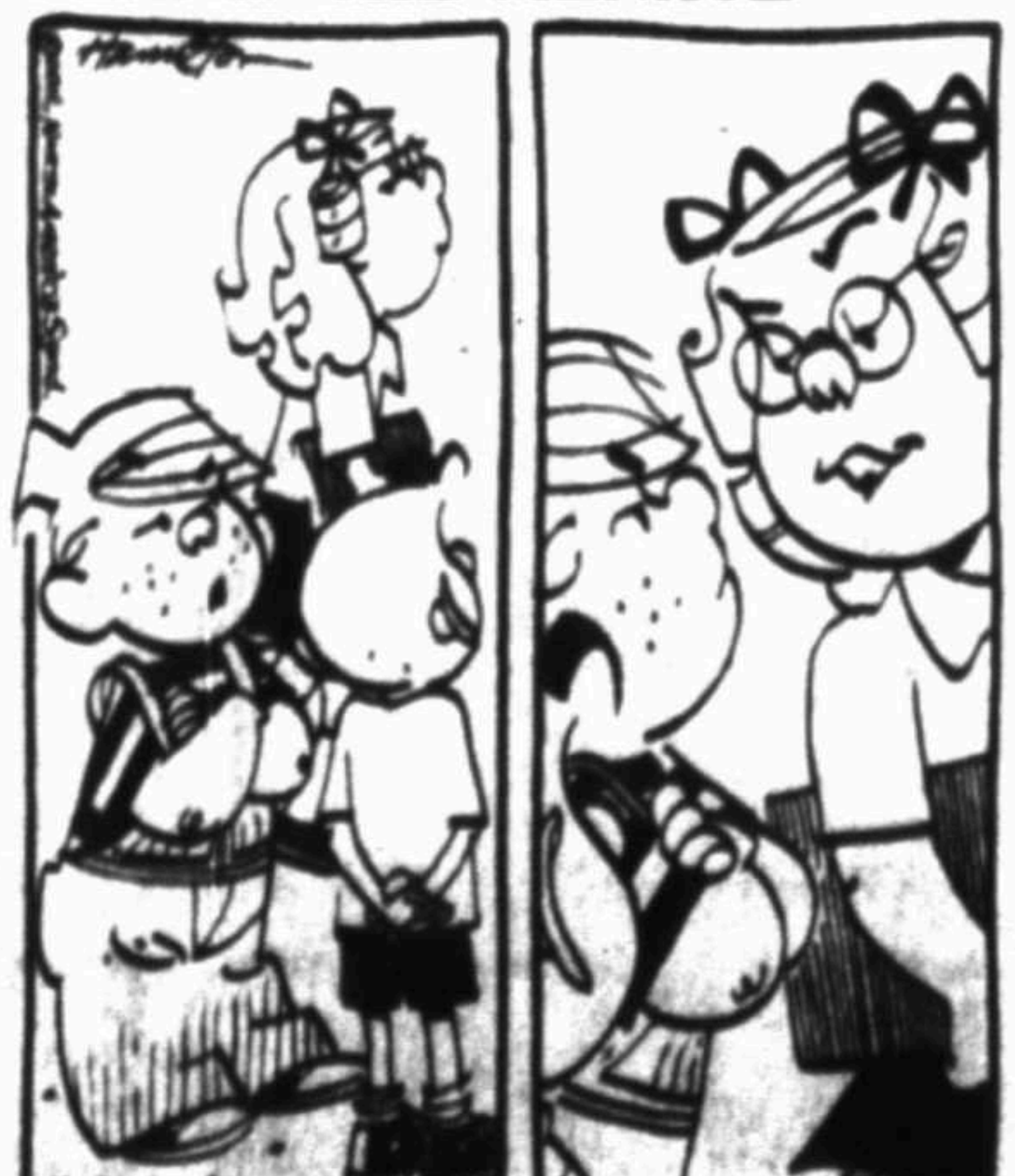

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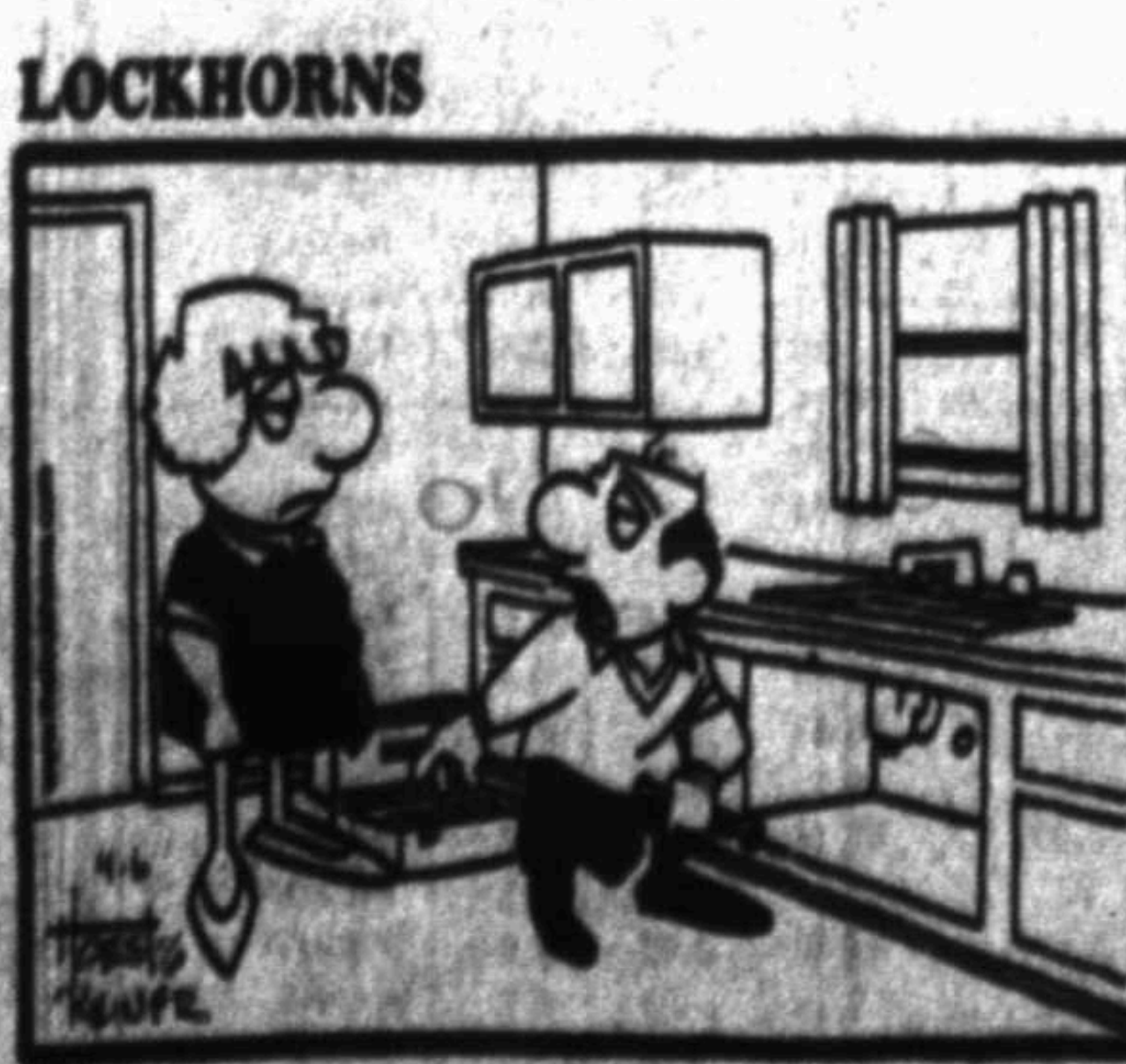

"I'LL HAVE THIS FIXED BEFORE YOU CAN TELL ME THIS ISN'T THE WAY TO DO IT."

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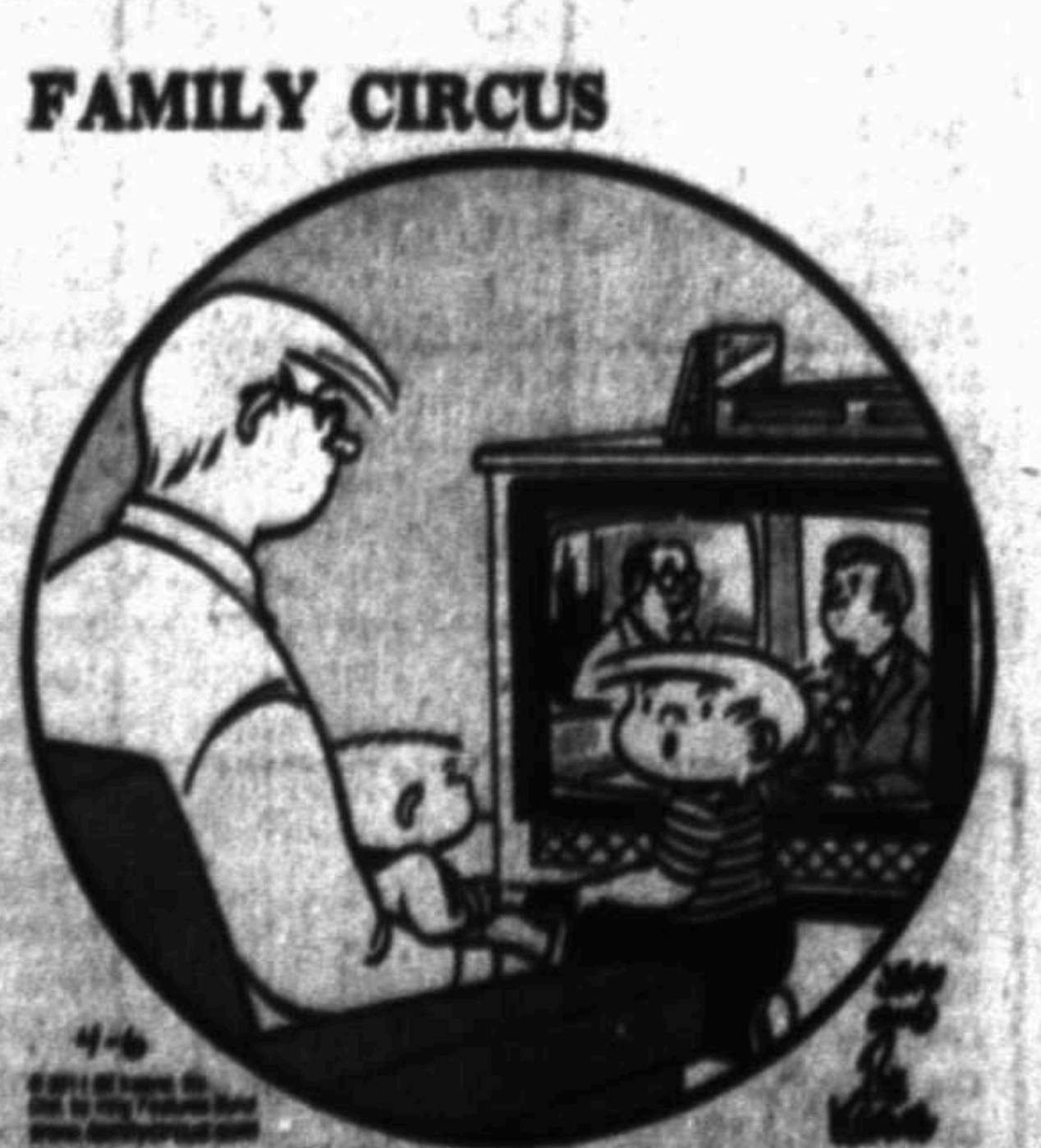

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for **Frontier Field Services, LLC in Tulsa, OK a business** enterprise of Aka Energy Group/the Southern Ute Indian Tribe Growth Fund, to provide pipeline and process engineering, technical interpretations, and construction management. Supervises field construction activities and provides business and operations support of mid-stream natural gas business ventures.

BS Degree in Engineering; seven years experience in natural gas gathering, compression, processing, fractionation, construction, and/or midstream field operations or similar industrial processes, including a minimum of three years experience as a processing engineer in the natural gas industry; and, two years experience in management and supervision of natural gas construction projects.

Closing date: 5:00 pm 4/14/11
For additional information regarding this position, visit our website at www.sugf.com/jobs.asp

SC FUELS

The SC Fuels Family is looking for motivated individuals to join our team. We have immediate openings for the following positions

CDL DRIVERS - Candidates must have a CDL license, ability to lift up to 75 lbs and a clean driving record. Multiple shifts available.

SALES – Candidates should have 2 years of sales experience in the Petroleum industry including Fuel and Lubricants. Fifty percent travel is required.

MECHANIC – Ideal candidates should have a thorough technical knowledge of all phases of truck and trailer repair as well as knowledge of DOT requirements. Experience in fleet repair with a minimum of 2 years experience with diesel engines preferred.

CREDIT ANALYST – Candidates will need to be experienced with Collections, Accounts Receivable, and/or have a background in Accounting. Candidates should be customer service oriented with strong written and verbal communication skills, and have basic knowledge of MS Word and Excel. A thorough knowledge of collection techniques including federal and state regulations governing the collection of delinquent accounts is a must.

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HEALTHCARE

Clinic Manager

South Plains Rural Health Services, Inc.

The Clinic manager is responsible for directing day-to-day operations of the assigned clinic or clinics and implementing programmatic and administrative policies and procedures in order to attain organizational goals and objectives. This is a full-time position with South Plains Rural Health Services, which is responsible for managing the Lamesa Primary Care Clinic and the Lamesa Dental Clinic. This position requires at minimum an Associates degree or one to two years related experience and/or an equivalent combination of education and experience. This full-time position offers a competitive salary, benefits, and holidays. Please mail resume/ applications to Dale Moore, South Plains Rural Health Services, Inc. 1000 FM 300, Levelland TX 79336, or fax to (806) 894-3378. EOE. No phone calls please.

Front Desk Receptionist

Confidential

Front Desk Receptionist for a dental office. Experience not required. Mail resumes to: P- 137, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, 201 E. Illinois Midland, TX 79701

LVN

Need an experienced LVN for busy Physician's Office. Must have at least 2 years experience (DIM-5055). Competitive salary and benefits offered. Please mail or fax your resume to : P.O. Box 5293, Midland, TX 79704 or fax to 432-682-2284, attn: Alesha McCoy.

Medical Assistant

Confidential **FT**

Busy doctor's office is looking for full time medical assistant with phlebotomy experience. Mail resume to: M-24 c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram 201 E. Illinois Midland, TX 79701

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Need full time experienced medical receptionist with excellent people skills. Please fax resume to 432-687-5457.

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Confidential **PT**

PRN's needed to care for the elderly. Back ground check required. Call 325-725-7285 or 214-708-9616.

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Confidential **FT**

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Surgical Assistant

Permian Basin Oral Surgery is seeking a full time surgical assistant to join our Midland staff. Please send your resume to PBOMS, attention: Surgical Supervisor, 4610 North Garfield, Suite A8, Midland Texas, 79705.

Volunteer Coordinator

Interim Healthcare **FT**

Our growing Hospice agency is seeking an volunteer coordinator. Experienced preferred. Excellent benefits including 401K, paid time off and competitive salary. Please fax resume to: 432-618-0307 or come by the office to fill out an application at: 1031 Andrews Hwy, Ste 200, Midland, TX. EOE

HOSPITALITY & TRAVEL

Maintenance

Midland, TX **FT**

Must have experience and be able to pass a background check and drug screen. Apply in person at: 5309 West Loop 250 North, Midland 79707. No phone calls.

OTHER JOBS

Assistant HVAC/ Make Ready

The Clusters Apartments **FT Position/**
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Midland, TX 79707 **Apply in Person**

Assistant Manager & Maintenance

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Blackmon Mooring is hiring cleaning techs for immediate employment. Experience in household cleaning or disaster recovery preferred. Must pass background check, drug screen and have a valid Texas drivers license. Benefits available. Pay $8 - $12/ hr. based on experience. Fax resume to 432-682-4117 or apply at 2060 Market St., Midland, TX.

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No Phone Calls Please.

Funeral Director Assistant

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Looking for Funeral Director Assistant. Must have office skills and willing to learn all aspects of the funeral business. Must be a motivated, personable individual. Salary based on experience. Call for interview. 432-682-3700.

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Confidential **FT**

Needed a full time live-in nanny/ housekeeper. Inquires should call Gary at 432-559-8145.

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Molly Maid **FT**
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D & D Machine Shopt **FT**

D & D Machine Shop has opening for SHOP FLOOR HAND / MACHINIST TRAINEE. Self-motivated, dependable individual must have reliable transportation, basic math skills. Benefits include 401K Plan, Medical/Life insurance, Vacation/Sick Leave and work in a pleasant, upbeat atmosphere. Application may be filled out at 12001 Co. Rd. 125 West, Midland, Texas. You may call 561-9429 for directions.

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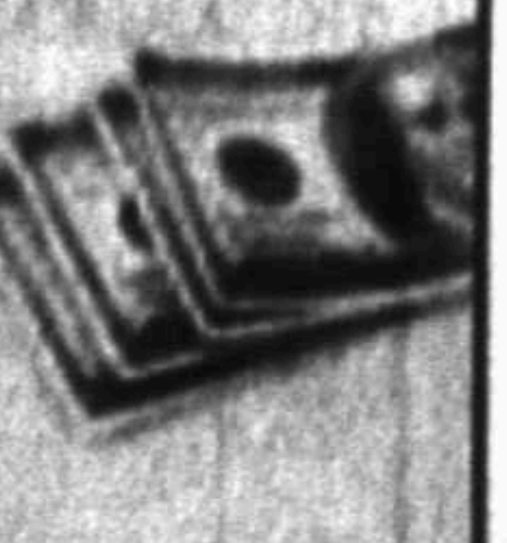

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Warehouse

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PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

CWI

ACCOUNTANT:

Clayton Williams Energy, Inc., a publicly-traded oil and gas company in Midland, Texas is seeking an accountant with 5+ years experience in Joint Interest Billing and/ or Revenue accounting. This position demands an energetic individual who is conscientious, accurate and reliable. Position also requires someone with good work ethic, self-motivation, and must work well in a team environment. Supervisory experience a plus. We are an equal opportunity employer and offer competitive salary with an excellent benefits package. Non- smoking environment.

Send resume and salary requirements to:
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Attn: Personnel,
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Midland, Texas 79705
or e-mail hr@claytonwilliams.com
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Assistant Managers & Kitchen Help

Genghis Grill FT

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Positions Available

Fuddruckers now hiring mature individuals with at least 2-3 years of restaurant experience for various hourly positions. Fuddruckers is an EOE, salary & position will vary. Qualified individuals need to have good people skills & enjoy working with the public. Applicants may apply at 4511 N. Midkiff Rd., Midland, Texas 79705.

Resident Assistants and Certified Medication Aides

Saddleridge Lodge FT
1806 W. Loop 250 N.
Midland, TX 79705

Applications are being accepting for Resident Assistants and Certified Medication Aides for all shifts. Applicants must pass a Criminal Background Verification. No phone calls please. Please apply in person at Emeritus at Saddleridge Lodge or on line at www.emeritus.com.

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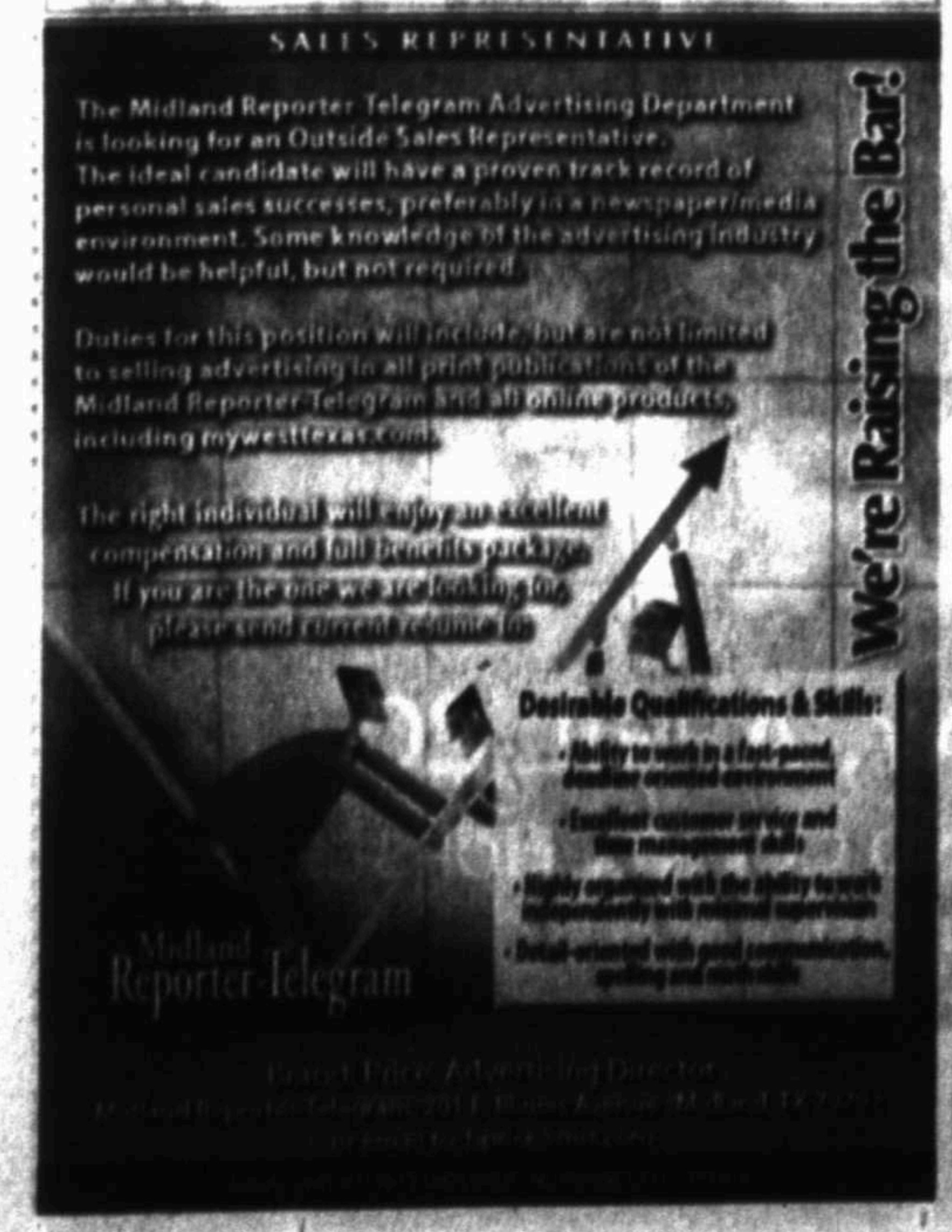

SALES REPRESENTATIVE

The Midland Reporter Telegram Advertising Department is looking for an Outside Sales Representative.
The ideal candidate will have a proven track record of personal sales successes, preferably in a newspaper/media environment. Some knowledge of the advertising industry would be helpful, but not required.

Duties for this position will include, but are not limited to selling advertising in all print publications of the Midland Reporter Telegram and all online products, including mywesttexas.com.

The right individual will enjoy an excellent compensation and full benefits package.
If you are the one we are looking for, please send current resume to:

Desirable Qualifications & Skills:

- Ability to work in a fast-paced, deadline oriented environment
- Excellent customer service and time management skills
- Highly organized with the ability to work independently with minimal supervision
- Detail-oriented with good communication, [illegible]

SKILLED LABOR

Air Conditioning/Heating Service Tech

Midland Pure Air FT

Midland Pure air is looking for air conditioning/heating service tech, who is interested in working for an established growth oriented local company, also a helper/installer. We provide a great working environment, signing bonus will be available to all new hires, please apply in person at Midland Pure Air 3241 Franklin Ave or call us at 432-570-1117.

Apprentice Electrician

Confidential FT

Apprentice Electrician wanted with some experience. Please fax work history to: 432-458-3594

Blade Operators

South Environmental Services FT

Blade Operators Needed: South Environmental Services is looking to hire experienced blade operators. Please call Justin between 8am and 5pm, Monday thru Friday only 432-894-6207.

Local Well Service Company
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201 E. Illinois
Midland, TX 79701

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Midland, TX 79706

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TECHNOLOGY

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REVENUE ACCOUNTING MANAGER

The Revenue Accounting Manager will be responsible for the accuracy and completeness of the recording of the company's oil, gas and liquids revenue, required regulatory reports/forms and the proper distribution of revenue to interest owners. Such recording, reporting and distribution shall be timely and accurately made in accordance with GAAP and regulatory agency rules and regulations.

- Minimum of Bachelor's Degree in Accounting, Finance or Business
- Minimum of 7 to 10 years of oil and gas revenue experience with at least 3 to 5 years in a supervisory/manager role
- Extensive knowledge of regulatory agency oil and gas statues, regulations and reporting requirements (emphasis on New Mexico, Wyoming and MMS Agency Reporting)
- Knowledge of professional accounting principles, theories, concepts and terms
- Proficient with Microsoft Excel, Access and Word
- Sarbanes-Oxley experience
- CPA or CPA candidate preferred

REVENUE ACCOUNTANT

The Revenue Accountant will be responsible for the overall revenue accounting associated with operated and non-operated properties, the monthly revenue closing process, and for the disbursement of revenue to joint/royalty owners.

- Minimum of Bachelor's Degree in Accounting, Finance or Business
- Minimum of 5+ years of oil and gas revenue experience
- Ability to work under pressure in a fast paced environment
- Detail-oriented, strong organizational and analytical skills
- Must communicate effectively with internal and external parties
- Highly motivated and team-oriented individual
- AS400 experience preferred
- Possess the aptitude to effectively learn company-specific accounting systems
- Flexible to work overtime during peak periods
- CPA or CPA candidate preferred

AUDIT COORDINATOR

The Audit Coordinator will be responsible for communications with various State and Federal entities concerning royalty and tax audits

- Bachelor's Degree in Accounting, Business, or Finance preferred. CPA a plus
- 5+ years of oil and gas industry revenue experience
- Knowledgeable about the MMS and State regulations (allowable deductions)
- Ability to work under pressure in a fast paced environment
- Detail-oriented, strong organizational and analytical skills
- Must communicate effectively with internal & external parties
- Highly motivated and team-oriented individual
- AS400 experience preferred, proficient in the Microsoft Office suite of products, especially Excel, proficient in data queries, as well as possess the aptitude to effectively learn company-specific accounting systems
- Flexible to work longer hours during peak periods

STATE TAX & ROYALTY ANALYST

The State Tax & Royalty Analyst will be responsible for the compliance of regulatory reporting for WY, UT, CO and TX for Yates Petroleum Corporation and Trail Mountain, Inc.

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Yates Petroleum Corporation
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TRANSPORTATION & LOGISTICS

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Duncan Disposal – Now hiring for a driver for Midland area. Need at least a Class B CDL. Experience preferred for a driver's position. All applicants must be able to pass mandatory DOT and corporate drug testing requirements. The job includes 40+ hours weekly Mon. – Fri., with some Sat. mornings. Apply in person at 8220 W. Hwy 80, Midland, TX – NO PHONE CALLS PLEASE. Equal Opportunity Employer.

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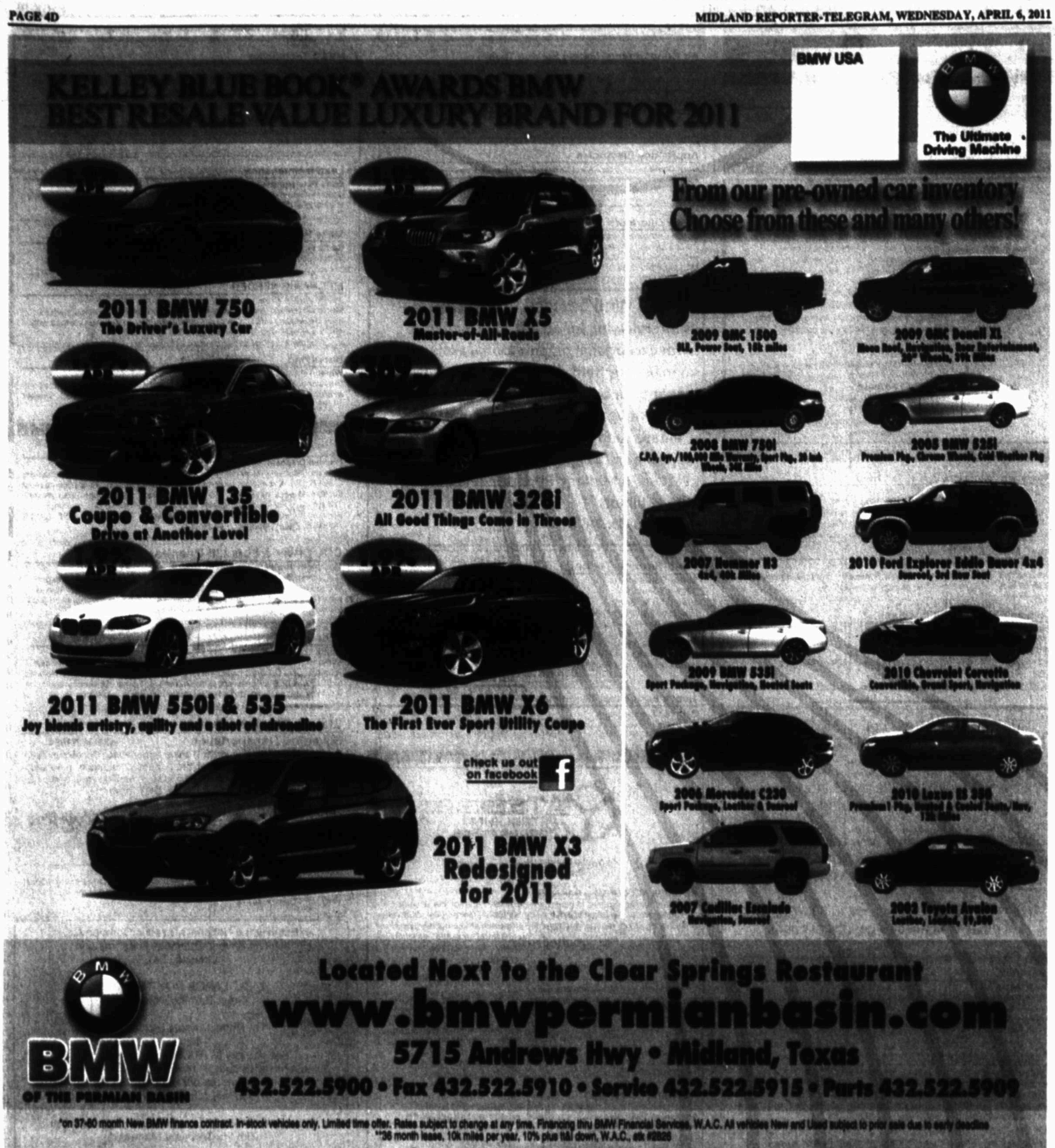

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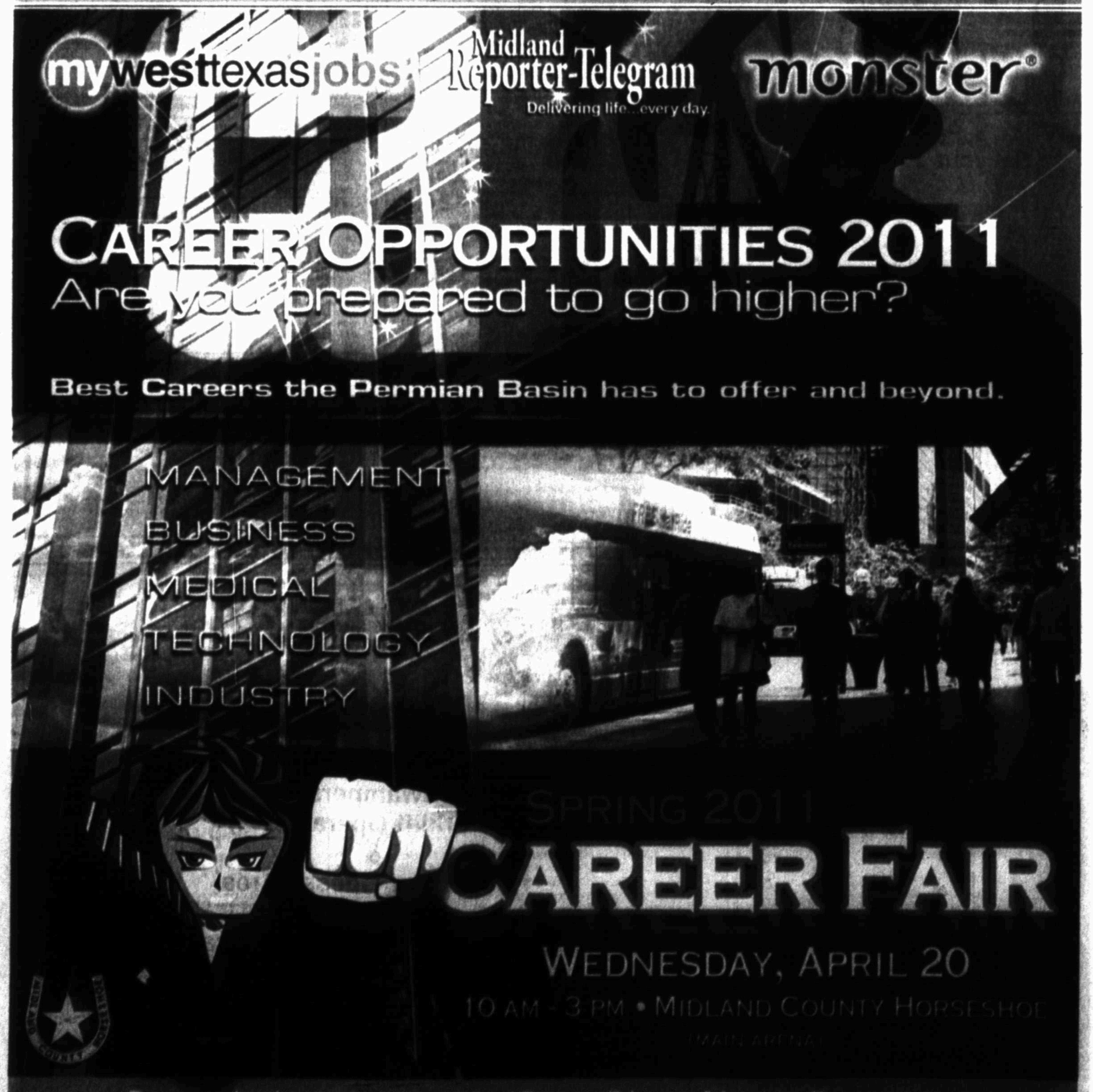

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