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Dallas' Michael Irvin, two topless dancers indicted on drug charges

DALLAS (AP) — Dallas Cowboys All-Pro receiver Michael Irvin has spent his career basking in the limelight since his days as a brash college star at Miami.

That limelight has become a spotlight since Irvin and two topless dancers were indicted on drug charges Monday stemming from a March 4 incident in a motel room in which police found cocaine and marijuana.

Irvin, 30, is one of the team's most popular players on a roster full of stars. He is also known as being among the most flamboyant Cowboys, and his love of fashion led to his creation of the "Masterpeace Ragz" clothing.

Irvin posted a $5,500 bond Monday afternoon and will await trial along with Angela Renee Beck, 22, and Jasmine J. Nabwangu, 21. No trial date has been set.

IRVIN

Irvin and Beck could face 2 to 20 years in prison and a $10,000 fine for felony possession of four or more grams of cocaine. The felony indictment against Nabwangu was for a lesser charge of possessing less than a gram of cocaine, punishable by up to two years in prison.

Irvin's friend and Masterpeace Ragz associate, former Cowboy Alfredo Roberts, was in the room but not charged.

Roberts accompanied Irvin as he left the Dallas County jail.

"I love him with all my heart," Roberts said among a swirl of reporters and photographers.

Some fans who have watched him became the team's all-time leading receiver are ready to see him and the Cowboys part ways.

"I expect for the Cowboys to release him," fan David Cohen said. "I hope they would release him or try to trade him."

Another fan, Mike Rader, expects to see the receiver known as the "Playmaker" back on the field for his 10th season with the Cowboys.

"They'll use the reasoning that it's a first offense and they'll fine him, or maybe he'll get some probation," Rader said. "I don't think the justice system would throw the maximum sentence at him."

None of the three indicted Monday has a criminal record.

The Cowboys responded with the low-key approach they have taken when other players have had brushes with the law.

"This has been a difficult week for the Dallas Cowboys organization and we want to express our deep concern for the entire Irvin family," owner Jerry Jones said in a prepared statement. "This is a matter that is in the hands of the authorities, and we hope that it will be resolved as quickly and constructively as possible."

The National Football League said it will closely monitor the case. However it is resolved, the league requires players implicated in drug-related crimes to undergo a confidential evaluation by independent doctors.

If the league enrolls him in a mandatory treatment program, Irvin could face 10 drug tests per month for two years.

At the time of the incident, police arrested only Beck because she told them she owned the drugs.

But Fort Worth television station KXAS has reported that sources say Irvin's fingerprints were found on dinner plates on which drugs were found. The station also has reported that a glass container with cocaine residue was found in Irvin's overnight bag.

"Obviously (the indictment is) a shock for all the Dallas Cowboys fans and players," Cowboys linebacker Bill Bates said at the team's Irving headquarters. "He's definitely like a brother to a lot of us on the team. I'm all behind Mike and all behind what he's going to do.

"I feel this is going to make him a better man."

It could also make him less marketable in an area where he's revered by adults and children alike, warned sports talk show host Chuck Cooperstein.

"The question is all the extra stuff Michael Irvin has," said Cooperstein, of Dallas' KTCK-AM. "The television show he has, his radio show, any other advertising he does in the market. Will people accept him in that role?"

Prison question still a question after council can't produce quorum

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

The rope in the Tug-O-War over the sale of the city's interest in its three prisons apparently tightened this morning when the council failed to reach a quorum to begin a special meeting to continue discussions on the issue.

Council members Mayor Pro Tem Chuck Cawthon, Tom Guess and Stephanie Horton waited for approximately 20 minutes after the scheduled 9 a.m. special meeting was supposed to begin, but mayor Tim Blackshear and councilman John Paul Anderson did not show up.

The purpose of the meeting was to consider amending the previously issued request for proposals (RFP) and bids for the acquisition and operations of Big Spring Correctional Centers , including the extension of the date responses are due to the RFP and the manner of opening the RFP's or withdrawing the city's RFP in its entirety.

Horton was the first to leave the meeting saying she thought Blackshear and Anderson's not showing up was intentional.

Cawthon said, "It's clear to me this was done intentionally and its upsets me. If two people can't show up for a meeting like this, they don't need to be in office."

Anderson was unable to be reached so that he could explain his absence, but Blackshear did return a call to the *Herald* and said he was in San Angelo on urgent business.

Blackshear said, "My company has recently been doing some work with Lone Star Gas in San Angelo and the recent moisture has caused some problems that needed to be taken care of right away."

He added he was about to call City Manager Gary Fuqua to see how the council voted on the issue and was unaware that Anderson couldn't attend the meeting either.

Big Spring residents Max Coffee and Gail Earls are in attendance at most council meeting and said they don't understand what the confusion is all about.

They pointed to the fact that without any action taken this morning, the council is still scheduled to open RFP's on April 4 at which time all bids, including Mid-Tex, will be opened and the city has the option to select a bid or refuse them all.

Earls and Coffee agree that a public meeting should be called to let people know exactly what going on.

Coffee said he resents the comment from a couple of council members that they don't know what they have because of the confusion.

He added, there are some legitimate bids on the table that should be looked at and the city will still not be out anything if they decide to reject all bids.

Mid-Tex President Johnny Rutherford, who was at the 9 a.m. meeting representing Mid-Tex and its investors, said, "I don't know where this leaves us. I guess we'll have to contact a lawyer to see how this affects us."

He added, "It's perfectly fine with Mid-Tex and Mr. (Ed) Davenport if the council doesn't reach an agreement, but we think we have a proposal worth looking at."

BASHING AWAY

HERALD photo/Tim Appel

Sean McAteer sits atop a junk car and hits the windshield with a bat at a car-bashing booth during the Kids Zone Walk/Wheels-A-Thon Saturday morning. Several people turned out for the event despite high winds in the morning.

Precinct 3 commissioners race only local runoff

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

Localiy, the only race on the April 9 runoff ballot is to decide the Democratic candidate for County Commissioner Precinct 3. The winner of the runoff between Marvin Wise and Bill Mims will face incumbent Bill Crooker in November.

Early voting for the runoff, which will also include the U.S. Democratic Senatorial race between John Bryant and Victor Morales, began Monday and will continue through Thursday.

Other statewide races will include positions for judge on the Court of Criminal Appeals in Places 1, 2 and 3.

Howard County Clerk Margaret Ray said 21 Democrats and five Republicans voted early Monday.

Voters are reminded that they will have to vote the same way on April 9 as they did during the March 12 primary, meaning only Democrat may vote in those two races. If you voted Democratic March 12, you must vote Democratic on April 9.

Leading up to the April 9 runoff, Wise and Mims have been very low key about the race, but still stand behind their campaigns that got them into the runoff.

Mims, former Howard County Engineer, declared his candidacy for the position of Howard County Commissioner Precinct 3 in the Democratic primary election early last December.

Mims said he is running because he has the time, energy and concern to do a good job of representing the citizens of Howard County; second, he is running because he says he knows how important it is to make sound and informed decisions; and third, he will show respect and concern for other elected officials.

"I am a lifetime resident of Howard County, and have enjoyed and benefited from the opportunities available here in the city and county," Mims said.

He added, "My purpose for seeking this office is not one of seeking a salaried position. I have always been very involved in volunteer type community service. The city of Big Spring has generally attracted good, dedicated citizens to serve on the City Council, without salaries. Their work and time required is approximately that required of this position. It's true, the commissioner's work, involvement, and time required is mostly what the incumbent makes it to be."

Mims added if elected, he will only accept one-half of the approximate $30,000 a year salary.

One of the issues on Mims' mind is the county's declining tax base.

"As everyone is aware, our declining tax base makes growth and economic development our first priority. The need for sound and informed decisions, cooperation with all taxing entities, and organizations promoting our community, is a must," Mims said.

He added, "To this end I believe my ability to work in harmony with others has been demonstrated in my past performance on the job and while serving many years in Boy Scouting, Little League and as a member of the Forsan Independent School District board of directors."

Mims also served on the board of directors of Citizen Federal Credit Union for about 16 years and and the city of Big Spring's Board of Adjustments and Appeals for about 10 years.

Mims also dropped the lawsuit he had filed against Howard County in 1994 shortly after he announced his candidacy, he says, so that he could promote a more positive image image for the county during his bid to become Howard County Commissioner, Precinct 3.

The suit was filed in Abilene last year alleging county commissioners forced him to retire in June because of his age.

"I want to see better county government and I think my background and experience will help to achieve that goal," Mims said.

He added his goals as county commissioner would be to work for a more efficient and responsible county government; make economic development the county's first priority; maintain a constant county tax rate with the exception of tax increases approved by Howard County voters; and have the county assist with the implementation of the master plan and develop a similar plan for the county.

Wise is a longtime resident of Big Spring, moving here from Coahoma in 1943. He attended Big Spring Schools and graduated from Big Spring High School and Howard College.

He served the United States as a member of the U.S. Army's 6th Airborne Ranger Battalion and he worked for the Army Security Agency.

Wise was called back into the service in 1956 and again worked for the ASA.

Wise and his wife Margaret of 38 years have three children who also grew up and graduated from the Big Spring public school system.

He is employed at Scenic Mountain Medical Center business office. His primary duty is to qualify uninsured residents for financial aid with medical bills.

Wise said, If elected, I'd like to see better relations between the Big Spring City Council and the County Commissioners' Court.

Herald seeks reader submissions

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Texas Trivia

What is Texas' official food?

Chili

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Lusitania may yield secrets

The cruise ship Lusitania, sunk in 1915 by Germans, may soon give up its long-held secrets. Page 5.

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Boot camp works

A San Marcos boot camp for youths seems to work in its efforts to straighten them out. Page 3.

TODAY'S WEATHER

Today

78 ▲ Highs / Lows ▼ 52

Today

Sunny and warm. Highs in upper 70s. Lows in lower 50s and partly cloudy tonight.

Tonight

Permian Basin Forecast

Wednesday: Partly cloudy. Highs near 80. Lows upper 40s and fair.

Thursday: Mostly cloudy, highs in 70s, lows mid-40s.

Boy Scouts are busy this time of year

Special to the HERALD

It is rechartering time in the Lone Star Boy Scout District and it appears membership is holding steady.

That was the message from Warren Wallace, district executive, during the monthly executive meeting on Monday.

Clem Jones, activities chairman, reported other activities are progressing steadily and there was good participation at the recent Scout-A-Rama. The event was in conjunction with the AMBUCS Rattlesnake Roundup.

Twenty-four adults and 91 Cub Scouts took part with Pack 179 rating a blue ribbon plus Pinewood Derby; Pack 176, red ribbon plus birdhouse project; Pack 305, red plus paper airplanes, Pack 29, presidential award plus fishing display. For Scouts, Troop 4 blue plus first aid; Troop 401 blue plus camp gadgets; Troop 16, best of show plus camping and cooking; Troop 5 president's award plus obstacle course; Troop 1, blue plus campfire with 20 leaders and 56 boys participating.

Two camp-outs are scheduled for Camp Clyde Thomas on April 26 and May 18. The April event will be for the Scouts to try and advance with the May camp-out for general camping.

April 13 is a work day for leaders and Boy Scouts at the new training center, 610 Scurry. The building now has a new roof and copy machine.

OBITUARIES

Guadalupe Garcia Olivas

A rosary for Guadalupe Garcia Olivas, 70, Big Spring, will be 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 2, 1996, in the St. Joseph Catholic Church in Stanton. Funeral service will be 10 a.m. Wednesday, April 3, in the St. Joseph Catholic Church with the Rev. Terence Brenon officiating. Burial will be in the St. Joseph Cemetery.

Mrs. Olivas died Sunday, March 31, in Midland.

She was born on June 28, 1925, in Marfa and lived in Stanton for 28 years. She had lived in Big Spring for 10 years. She married Albert Olivas, Sr., in Fort Davis.

Survivors include her husband: Albert Olivas, Sr., Big Spring; four sons: Jimmy Nunez, Long Beach, Calif., Albert Olivas, Jr., Ernesto Olivas, Sr., both of Stanton, and Jose Olivas, Sr., Big Spring; a daughter: Mary Alice Martinez, Big Spring; a sister: Beatrice Gutierrez, Almagorda, N.M.; two brothers: Manuel Aguirre, Stanton, and Henry Resa, Big Spring; 16 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Arrangements under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home, Stanton.

MYERS & SMITH
FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL
24th & Johnson 267-8288

Nalley-Pickle & Welch
FUNERAL HOME
Trinity Memorial Park and Crematory
906 Gregg St.
Big Spring, Tx. (915) 267-6331

James Gilbert "Dick" Clay, 93, died Sunday. Services will be 2:00 PM Tuesday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

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IN BRIEF

TIME TO SPRING FORWARD! Daylight savings time begins Easter Sunday, April 7. Remember to set your clocks, watches and VCR's AHEAD one hour before you go to bed Saturday night.

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STATE REPRESENTATIVE DAVID COUNTS (D-Knox City) and his West Texas colleagues in the Texas Legislature will be hosting a Law Enforcement Appreciation Day in Snyder on April 11.

The appreciation day banquet will be at the Scurry County Coliseum beginning at 6 p.m. All law enforcement officers, spouses, and staff from the Texas Department of Public Safety, the Texas Rangers, the Texas Department of Parks and Wildlife, and the Texas Department of Criminal Justice are invited to attend, as well as, area sheriff's departments, municipal police departments and justices of the peace.

Texas Attorney General Dan Morales will be the keynote speaker for the event.

Other state legislators cohosting the event include Texas House Speaker Pete Laney, as well as, State Representative Layton Black, Bob Hunter, John Cook, Allen Place, Bob Turner, and Senator John Montford.

Those planning to attend are asked to RSVP to Representative David Counts at (817)658-5012.

THERE WILL BE A HIGH PLAINS WEEVIL RECALL meeting 7 p.m. Thursday, April 11, at the cafe across from the ball park, north of the Post Office in Ackerly.

This meeting is to discuss Weevil Recall Election.

MARY SOLIS, 24, has been diagnosed with uterine cancer. She is the wife of Vintz Allen and has two pre-school age children.

There has been a fund set up at Norwest to help defray expenses and cover costs of operation in Galveston.

If you have any questions contact Brenda Claxton at Norwest.

For more information call Sonya Madry at 263-5330, or 267-7789 (work).

THE ALPINE COWBOY - SUL ROSS STATE University Lobo Baseball Reunion in Alpine will be July 4-7.

Reunion organizer Carol Lewis is asking fro help in spreading the news about the reunion. If anyone has any news of former baseball players, their addresses or phone numbers, please let them know as soon as possible.

Information can be sent to Lewis at Box 818, Alpine, Texas 79831 (915-837-2284); Dot Leavitt, 503 E. June, Alpine, Texas 79830 (915-837-2472); or Flop Parsons, Box 270, Alpine, Texas (915-837-3798).

THE HOWARD - GLASSCOCK CHAPTER of the American Cancer Society is hard at work preparing for the second annual Relay For Life, scheduled for May 17 and 18 at Blankenship Field at Big Spring High School.

This is a fun event with a great goal - to find a cure for cancer. Clubs, church groups, businesses and families are urged to get a team and join the Relay For Life.

Jay Phinney is in charge of team recruitment and information is available at the Karat Patch, 1008 11th Place, or call 267-1480.

HERE IS A LIST OF UPCOMING EVENTS in Big Spring and Howard County:

•April - Spring City Arts and Crafts Show at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum April 13 and 14; S.T.A.R.S. University Interscholastic League at Howard College and SWCID April 18-20 and Health Fair at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum on April 20.

•May - Big Spring Square and Round Dance Festival on May 3-4 at the Square Corral; Cinco de Mayo Festival on May 5 and American Cancer Society's Relay for Life at Big Spring High School May 17 and 18.

•June - Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo at the Howard County Fairgrounds and Rodeo Bowl June 26-29.

•July - Howard County 4-H Junior Rodeo at the Rodeo Bowl July 19-20; Comanche Warrior Triathlon at Dora Roberts Community Center and Comanche Trail Park July 27-28 and Dora Roberts Pro Am Summerfest at Big Spring Country Club on July 28 and 29.

THE MOBILE MEALS PROGRAM, also known as Meals on Wheels, needs volunteers to deliver meals.

If you can spare one hour per week to deliver eight or 10 meals, we need you. About 85 to 90 meals are prepared, packaged and delivered within the city limits of Big Spring. If you can volunteer, please call 267-4563 or 263-4016.

THE 10TH ANNUAL RECEPTION and Western Dance sponsored by the Big Spring State Hospital Volunteer Services Council, will be Friday, May 3.

The reception will be from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the home of Eddie and Vicki Cole, 606 Mathews, and dance from 9 p.m. to 12 a.m. at the Stampede with Jody Nix and The Texas Cowboys.

With a donation of $200 or more you become and benefactor, with a donation of $100, a patron, and with a $50 donation, you become a sponsor. Your donation entitles you to join the festivities with you name appearing on the invitation as a donor, two dance tickets, and an invitation to the pre-dance reception.

For more information, contact the Volunteer Services Council at BSSH.

THERE WILL BE A BAKE SALE at the Big Spring Mall to benefit Kids' Zone Playground, Saturday, April 6, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Volunteers are needed to bake items and donate them for the sale. Cakes, cookies, cupcakes and other items are needed. Please call 267-2070 for more information.

AN ALICE HAYNES SCHOLARSHIP FUND has been established at Howard College, 1001 Birdwell Lane, Big Spring, Texas 79720, Attn: Cheri Sparks, President.

The Alice B. Haynes Dental Hygiene Scholarship will be awarded each year at Howard College to a deserving dental hygiene student, in honor of Dr. Haynes.

Big Spring ON THE RUN

POLICE

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following incidents in a 24-hour period ending 8 a.m. Tuesday:

•FERMIN R. SAAVEDRA, 55, of no known address, was arrested on Lubbock warrants.

•BARBARA JEAN QUERNHEIM, 30, of 2904 Cherokee, was arrested for assault by threats.

•RICHARD MCCUTCHAN, 28, of 417 Westover, was arrested for outstanding local warrants. He was later released on bond.

•JERIANNE LANETTE BURNEY, 28, of 417 Westover, was arrested for possession of marijuana under two ounces and outstanding local warrants.

•PAUL MILTON GARRETT, 70, of 1107 E. 13th, was arrested for driving while intoxicated.

•THEFTS in the 1200 block of East 15th, 100 block of Algerita, 1700 block of East Marcy, 700 block of West Fourth and 1000 block of Nolan.

•POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA in the 2000 block of Gregg.

•ATTEMPTED AGGRAVATED ROBBERY in Comanche Trail Park.

•INVESTIGATING SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITIES in the 700 block of Johansen, 500 block of North Birdwell, 100 block of Owens, at West Marcy and Gregg and 3200 block of South 87.

•BURGLARY OF A HABITATION in the 400 block of Douglas.

•WELFARE CONCERN in the 1000 block of East 13th.

•BURGLARY OF VEHICLES in the 500 block of East Marcy, 4200 block of West Highway 80 and 1400 block of Scurry.

•MINOR ACCIDENTS in the 1700 block of Scurry and 800 block of West Marcy.

•DISTURBANCE/FIGHT in the 1300 block of Mobile.

•LOUD PARTY in the 1200 block of Mesa.

•INJURY TO A CHILD in the 2000 block of South Gregg.

•DRIVING WITH A SUSPENDED LICENSE in the 700 block of East 10th.

RECORDS

Monday's high 75
Monday's low 46
Average high 75
Average low 45
Record high 99 in 1946
Record low 27 in 1920
Rainfall Monday 0.00
Month to date 0.00
Month's normal 0.03
Year to date 0.41
Normal for the year 2.10
**Statistics not available

TEXAS LOTTERY

PICK 3: 2, 7, 7

MARKETS

May cotton futures 84.55 cents a pound, down 23 points; May crude oil 22.45, up 19 points; Cash hog steady at $1 higher at 50.50 cents; slaughter steers steady at 63 cents even; April live hog futures 51.80, down 60 points; April live cattle futures 64.25, up 2 points. Courtesy: Delta Corporation.

Noon quotes provided by Edward D. Jones & Co.

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ATT	63½ + 1¼
Amoco	72⅝ +⅛
Atlantic Richfield	118⅝ -⅜
Atmos	22½ -⅛
Boston Chicken	34 -¼
Cabot	31½ +⅛
Chevron	56½ +⅛
Chrysler	64⅜ +⅜
Cifra	1.30- 1.36
Coca-Cola	83⅛ -⅜
De Beers	30⅜ -⅛
DuPont	83⅛ -⅜
Exxon	82⅛ -⅜
Fina	48⅛ +⅛
Ford Motors	35¼ +⅛
Halliburton	59 +⅝
IBM	113¾ + 2⅛
Laser Indus LTD	9⅞ +⅛
Mesa Ltd. Prt	3 +⅛
Mobile	115⅞ -⅛
NUV	9⅛ nc
Pepsi Cola	63⅛ -⅜
Phillips Petroleum	39¾ +⅜
Rural/Metro	27⅛ +⅜
Sears	48 -⅛
Southwestern Bell	50⅛ +⅛
Sun	28⅛ -⅜
Texaco	85⅛ -⅛
Texas Instruments	50⅛ +⅛
Texas Utils. Co	41⅛ -⅛
Unocal Corp	32⅛ -⅛
Wal Mart	23¼ -⅛
Amcap	14.19- 15.06
Euro Pacific	24.28- 25.76
I.C.A.	22.90- 24.30
New Economy	17.33- 18.39
New Perspective	17.25- 18.30
Van Kampen	14.54- 15.27
Prime Rate	8.25%
Gold	394.50- 395.00
Silver	5.50- 5.53

SHERIFF

The Howard County Sheriff's Department reported the following incidents in a 24-hour period ending 8 a.m. Tuesday:

•ANTONY DELAGARZA, 31, of 1605 State, pleaded guilty in County Court to two charges of driving while intoxicated and driving with a suspended license. He was sentenced to three sentences of 60 days in County Jail to run concurrently and fined $405.

•GENA HAMILTON, 21, of Odessa, was arrested by the Ector County Sheriff's Department on a Howard County warrant. She was later released after a $1,000 bond was received by mail.

•BILLY THEODORE CHRANE, 66, of 2102 Allendale, was transferred from the Big Spring Police Department and arrested for interfering with child custody. He was later released on $2,500 bond.

•LOOSE LIVESTOCK on Todd Road.

•RECKLESS DRIVER on Hilltop Road.

•ACCIDENT on North Highway 87.

•CONTROLLED BURN north of Coahoma.

SPRINGBOARD

IF YOU HAVE ANY CHANGES IN A SPRINGBOARD ITEM OR FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT GINA GARZA, 263-7331, BETWEEN 8 A.M. AND 2 P.M. To submit an item to the Springboard, put it in writing and mail or deliver it to us one week in advance. Mail to: Springboard, Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, Texas, 79720; or bring it by the office at 710 Scurry.

TODAY

•Compassionate Friends, support group for parents who have experienced the death of a child, 7:30 p.m., the Family Life Center Building of the First Baptist Church. Enter by the SE door. Call 267-2769.

•Encouragers Support Group (for widow and widowers), 5:30 p.m., Golden Corral. For more information call 398-5522 or 399-4369.

•Comanche Lake Duplicate Weekly, Dora Roberts Civic Center, 1 p.m. Come early at 12:15 for mini-lessons.

WEDNESDAY

•Relay for Life committee will meet, noon, First United Methodist Church.

THURSDAY

•Genealogical Society of Big Spring, 7:15 p.m., Howard County Library conference room. Enter through West entrance. Call Bernice Cason, 267-8542.

•Masonic Lodge #1340, 7:30 p.m., 2101 Lancaster. Call Dalton Lewis, 263-8411.

•Christmas in April Repair Project meeting, 1607 E. Third. Contact Theresa Hodnett, 263-0147, for more information.

FRIDAY

•Bake sale, Canterbury North, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Proceeds go to benefit Canterbury North Resident's Activity Fund.

SATURDAY

•Wanted all types of baked goods for bake sale to benefit the Kids' Zone, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Big Spring Mall. To contribute, call 267-2070.

MONDAY

•Big Spring Commandery No. 31, stated meeting, 7:30 p.m., Maosnic Temple, 211 1/2 Main, 6:30 p.m. dinner.

•Big Spring Assembly No. 211, Social Order fo the Beauceant stated meeting, 7:30 p.m., Masonic Temple, 211 1/2 Main, 6:30 dinner.

•Tops Club (Take Off Pounds Sensibly), weight-in is from 5:30 to 6 p.m. and meeting starts at 6 p.m. Carriage Inn, 501 W. 17th St. Call 263-1340 or 263-8633.

•Big Spring Evening Lions Club, 6:30 p.m., 1607 E. Third. Call Jan Noyes, 267-5811.

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Curmudgeon vs. critic: Rooney by a landslide

NEW YORK (AP) — More than 6,000 people took "60 Minutes" commentator Andy Rooney up on his suggestion they telephone The Associated Press in response to a TV critic's call for him to leave the show.

In a March 20 column, AP writer Frazier Moore called Rooney a "chronic fuddy-duddy ... whose contribution is ending the show on a sour note."

"'60 Minutes' would be better off without you," Moore told the 18-year veteran of TV's most enduring magazine show, who has raised hackles with acerbic comments on topics from Kurt Cobain to the Catholic church.

At the close of Sunday night's "60 Minutes," Rooney put the AP's Rockefeller Center phone number on the screen and asked his viewers, in effect, to vote on his future.

By midafternoon Monday, the wire service's switchboard had handled more than 6,000 calls, with sentiment running "overwhelmingly in Andy Rooney's favor," AP spokeswoman Tori Smith said.

Rooney also commented on the flap in his syndicated newspaper column, saying the AP story was "embarrassing and I was hurt by it."

"I can understand his not liking what I do — sometimes I don't even like it myself — but I couldn't understand why he seemed to hate me. Nothing I do seems important enough to hate," Rooney wrote.

City to crack down on clowns

DENVER — Clowns who scare children instead of delighting them may prompt new regulations to control street performers.

In anticipation of the annual summer invasion of itinerant mimes, jugglers and musicians that turn the Aspen Mall into a midway, the city expects to greet them this year with a registration system.

Traditionally, musicians from the Aspen Music Festival perform impromptu sidewalk concerts on languid summer evenings, often with a violin case open for donations.

Some townspeople have complained that clowns perform with revealing holes in their jeans, use inappropriate language or demand money for their performances. A city ordinance prohibits passing the hat or advertising for tips.

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Bryant, Morales argue over money in debate

DALLAS — In their only scheduled debate, Democratic U.S. Senate candidates John Bryant and Victor Morales argued about money — how much Bryant takes from political action committees and how much Morales' wife owes in federal student loans.

The televised debate Monday was sponsored by radio and TV station KERA and The Dallas Morning News.

The two face each other in an April 9 runoff to challenge incumbent Republican U.S. Sen. Phil Gramm.

Bryant, who touts his experience representing Dallas for seven terms in Congress, and Morales, a Mesquite school teacher, self-proclaimed "everyman" and political outsider, took questions from a panel of journalists.

The two were sharply divided on taking money from PACs, which Morales eschews and Bryant deems necessary.

Man being tried for plot to blow up IRS building in Austin

TYLER — A "consuming dislike, contempt and hatred for the Internal Revenue Service" led a Tyler man to develop a plan to blow up an IRS building in Austin, a federal prosecutor says.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Jim Middleton made the statement in opening remarks Monday at the trial of Charles Ray Polk, who is being tried on six charges alleging he wanted to purchase large quantities of explosives to blow up the IRS Austin Service Center.

Polk, 45, also dreamed of "killing a judge, setting booby traps and killing law enforcement personnel," Middleton told jurors.

In opening statements Monday, both sides used the term "goofy" to describe the defendant.

A federal prosecutor urged jurors to take Polk's outlandish threats and ideas, included in hours of secret tapes of him, made by a police informant, as evidence that Polk was capable of mayhem and slaughter.

Selena's family sues funeral home over photographs

CORPUS CHRISTI — The mortuary that handled the funeral of slain Tejano star Selena has been sued because of photographs of her body that allegedly were taken and sold.

San Antonio attorney Frank Herrera Jr. filed the lawsuit late Monday, a day after fans mourned the one-year anniversary of her shooting death at a Corpus Christi motel.

Selena Quintanilla Perez was gunned down by her former fan club president on March 31, 1995.

The lawsuit accuses Seaside Memorial Park and Funeral Home in Corpus Christi of mismanaging the arrangements and exploiting her death.

The family alleges that an employee photographed Selena's body and sold copies, which family spokeswoman Alice Guerra said haven't been published.

Spill 'happened in a good place,' state officials say

BROWNSVILLE — If an oil spill can happen in a good place, that's the case with one that resulted after a runaway barge rammed a freighter that was docked in the Brownsville Ship Channel, state officials say.

Between 500 and 700 barrels of marine diesel spilled into the channel, but within three hours of the accident at 3 p.m. Monday, oil spill crews had contained a 3,000-square-foot area of fuel.

The diesel was confined to the ship channel, and a spokesman with the General Land Office says it's unlikely the spill will spread to the Gulf of Mexico.

Fortunately, said Land Office spokesman Bob Mann, the spill occurred at the end of the channel closest to the land, and winds were blowing to help keep it there.

"It happened in a good place, if an oil spill can happen in a good place," Mann said. Unlike heavier fuel oil, the diesel will evaporate, he said.

State representative's DWI trial under way

AUSTIN — The attorney for State Rep. Sergio Munoz says he shouldn't have been forced to accept one of the jurors seated for the lawmaker's trial on a charge of driving while intoxicated after leaving a topless club.

A jury of two men and four women was selected on Monday. The prosecution was scheduled to begin presenting its evidence today, and the trial could be over by Wednesday. The Democrat from Mission in the Lower Rio Grande Valley says he will testify.

Included on the jury panel is an airline pilot, who was asked Monday if he would fly after drinking two beers.

"I wouldn't be on the flight line," he said. "It wouldn't be an issue with me."

However, the juror also said it was important to have "corroborating evidence," such as a breath or blood-alcohol test, to sustain the charge instead of relying solely on witness testimony.

Groups launch anti-tobacco campaign

AUSTIN — Patty Brown, who got lung cancer nearly 20 years after quitting smoking, exemplifies the message from health organizations launching an anti-tobacco campaign in the wake of a Texas lawsuit against the industry.

"When I started smoking at 16, I didn't realize I was a target of the industry. Now I am the victim," Brown told a news conference staged by the Smokeless Texas coalition.

"When I see young kids standing on the street corner smoking, I want to show them my scar. I want to tell them about my pain," she said.

Smokeless Texas includes the Texas Medical Association; Texas branches of the American Cancer Society, American Heart Association and American Lung Association; and the Texas Academy of Family Physicians.

West Texas waste dump clears initial hurdle

EL PASO — A proposed West Texas radioactive waste dump is no doubt destined for approval now that it has cleared its first hurdle in the licensing phase, a longtime opponent of the facility says.

An environmental and safety analysis released Monday by the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission indicates the project planned at Sierra Blanca, 90 miles east of El Paso, satisfies requirements for state licensing.

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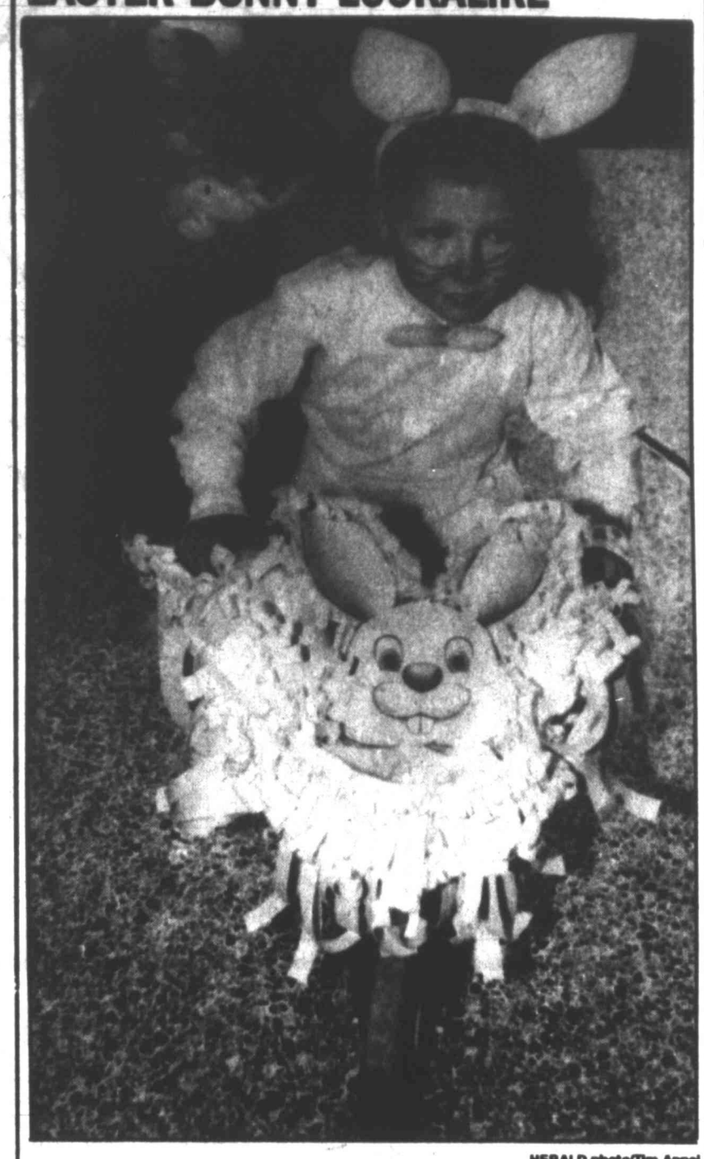

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Audrey Hagland, dressed as the Easter Bunny, rides her decorated bike and wagon through the Big Spring Mall Saturday during the children's Easter parade and bonnet contest.

Boot camp aims to straighten up youths

By MIKE TODD
Austin American-Statesman

SAN MARCOS — As the man in the white shirt and tie steps into the squeaky-clean room, 24 young men snap to silent attention.

Michael Martinez, administrator of the Hays County juvenile detention center, inspects his charges without a word. Then, at a command from their drill instructor, the youths break into a deafening yell: "Boot camp! Dedicate! Educate! Motivate!"

These teen-agers, who punctuate sentences with "Sir!" just like Army recruits, seem a world apart from the pain, crime, gangs and drugs that landed them here. The county's boot camp for boys 13 to 16 is one of a handful in Texas, and officials say the program that started in October appears to be working. The boys have a positive attitude, they say, and most of those who have finished the program are staying out of trouble.

"It seems like the boot camp program and atmosphere builds a self-esteem and pride that's really hard to do with some of these kids," said Ed Cooper, chief juvenile probation officer for the county.

"Most of these kids have never really accomplished anything," he said as the boys performed marching drills in a wide hallway. "It's pretty amazing they could do this. It's hard to realize it's the same kids."

Parents often are shocked at the change in their kids, Cooper said.

One of the boys, 15-year-old Ryan Armstrong of Buda, said the change in his life began almost immediately.

"When you first get here, they strip you down of what you knew on the streets. They start changing your morals and getting them straight," he said. "They teach you to push yourself when things get hard, not to give up."

County officials are holding an open house today at the facility, a wing of the Hays County Law Enforcement Center that was converted last fall from an adult jail to a combination juvenile detention center and boot camp.

Youths picked up for crimes are held temporarily, pending court appearances or release to their parents. The 56 in the boot camp, whose crimes include robbery, assault and drugs, were sent by juvenile court judges.

Hays County contracts with the private Community Corrections Inc. to run the boot camp, which also accepts youths from 35 other counties. The company runs a similar program in Cotulla, southwest of San Antonio.

Travis County does not use the program.

The juvenile boot camp, modeled after similar programs for young adult offenders, combines high school classes, psychological counseling and military-style discipline and physical training.

The boys rise at 4 a.m. for a day of strict routine that ranges from barracks cleanup to class to drill to counseling to time set aside for mandatory letters home — all under supervision of ex-military drill instructors. Staff and boys wear military fatigues. Hair is cropped. Errors bring immediate pushups. Taped to hallway walls are individual charts showing each boy's progress for the week.

"A kid can take a look at that graph and tell right away exactly how he's doing," Martinez said.

The idea, said Butch Campsey, county affairs director for Community Corrections, is to use military training techniques to instill self-confidence and discipline in youths whose lives have lacked it. For most it's a last-chance proposition. Without it, they would be sent to Texas Youth Commission reform schools.

"This facility is really designed as an effort to divert kids from TYC," said Campsey, who formerly was sheriff and county judge in Medina County.

The county had no juvenile detention facility before. Kids in trouble were released to parents or sent to private treatment facilities or the Texas Youth Commission. County Judge Eddy Etheredge said he was reluctant to lock up troubled kids but changed his mind after high school students told him they believed a detention center would help.

For the program to work, he said, psychological counseling and follow-up must be included. Community Corrections is doing that in cooperation with Southwest Texas State University, he said.

"I feel we have a chance at being much more successful than the traditional boot camp," Etheredge said.

While it's still early, some figures are available and encouraging, Campsey said. Fifty-six youths have graduated from the Cotulla and San Marcos boot camps since June. Of those, Campsey said, he was able to track 43 through probation officers in their 21 counties of origin. Of the 43, he said, 30 have stayed out of trouble. Cooper said that success rate — about 70 percent — is better than most youth programs.

By comparison, he said, records show that 58 percent of the juveniles Hays County sent to other residential treatment programs stayed out of trouble. At the Texas Youth Commission, where the state's most serious juvenile cases wind up, 57 percent of those released are re-arrested within a year.

Nuclear physicist says Quadro Tracker tracking device can't work

BEAUMONT — Some law enforcement officials swear by it, but a nuclear physicist says it's impossible for the Quadro Tracker device to detect items ranging from guns and drugs to golf balls, dead bodies and precious metals.

The FBI ran the device through its laboratory in Quantico, Va., and another laboratory in New Mexico and concluded it was nothing more than an empty plastic box about the size of a transistor radio with what appears to be a telescoping antenna attached.

William Llope, a nuclear physicist at Rice University, concurs with the FBI. He was the first witness to testify for the government Monday on the first day of a civil suit that seeks to put the Quadro Corp. out of business.

The government alleges that the company, based in Harleyville, S.C., has sold hundreds of the devices to school districts and police agencies around the country, primarily to find illicit drugs and weapons.

Quadro Corp. officials told prospective customers that the device has conductors, inductors and oscillators in it and is powered from static electricity generated when the operator walks around holding it.

But the device contains no such conductors, inductors or oscillators. And the corporation's lawyers said Monday that the company has offered to stop making that claim.

"It certainly could have static electricity on it; static electricity is a fact of life on objects. But I don't believe it could be used in any way to provide a source of energy for the device to function," Llope said.

Government prosecutors claim the device is a "modern-day divining rod" and that Quadro officials committed fraud when they sold it.

However, Don R. Itri, who works for the Gillespie County Sheriff's Department in Fredericksburg, testified he has used the device successfully in drug interdiction efforts.

He acknowledged he does not understand how it works.

"I don't understand a lot of things in this world, but they work. That's all I can tell you about this," Itri said.

The defense was allowed to call Itri and another witness, Musa Qutub, a professor at a university in Illinois, out of order because they had to leave. Qutub said he successfully tested the device with his students to find precious metals they had buried.

Testimony before U.S. District Judge Thad Heartfield is expected to continue for at least two more days. He must decide whether to extend a temporary injunction he signed Feb. 10 that bars the company and its officers from selling or manufacturing the product.

The U.S. Attorney's office sought the injunction after the Beaumont office of the FBI investigated the device and disputed the company's claims of its effectiveness.

Llope said he twice saw the device fail in informal tests.

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-Benjamin Disraeli

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OTHER VIEWS

Media madness

When they get to the ranch a little north of tiny Jordan, Montana, to cover the standoff between the FBI and the Montana Freemen, reporters don't have much to do but peer across wheat fields at more or less nothing and interview each other.

Little has happened there except that 20 Freemen have retreated to the ranch to escape federal charges, and the FBI and the Montana Highway Patrol have circled the place. There's no likelihood of an assault on the ranch and seemingly little chance of a breakout attempt, but that hasn't kept literally dozens of TV and newspaper journalists from their own assault on this eastern part of the state.

It's clear enough what's spurred the media invasion. Maybe, editors are thinking, this will be another Ruby Ridge or another Waco. Certainly, since the Oklahoma City bombing, the interest in militia groups has been high, and the Freemen, who don t accept any government as legitimate except one they propose to set up themselves, do seem wacky enough to add more stupidities to an already lengthy list.

Even so, all to date is calm, quiet and reasonably under control. The group is not known for violence, although it is known for such actions as invading courtrooms and conducting mock trials of public officials. While it may be appreciated by the motels, restaurants, bars, gas stations and car rental agencies in the sparsely populated region, the media interest is out of proportion to the event.

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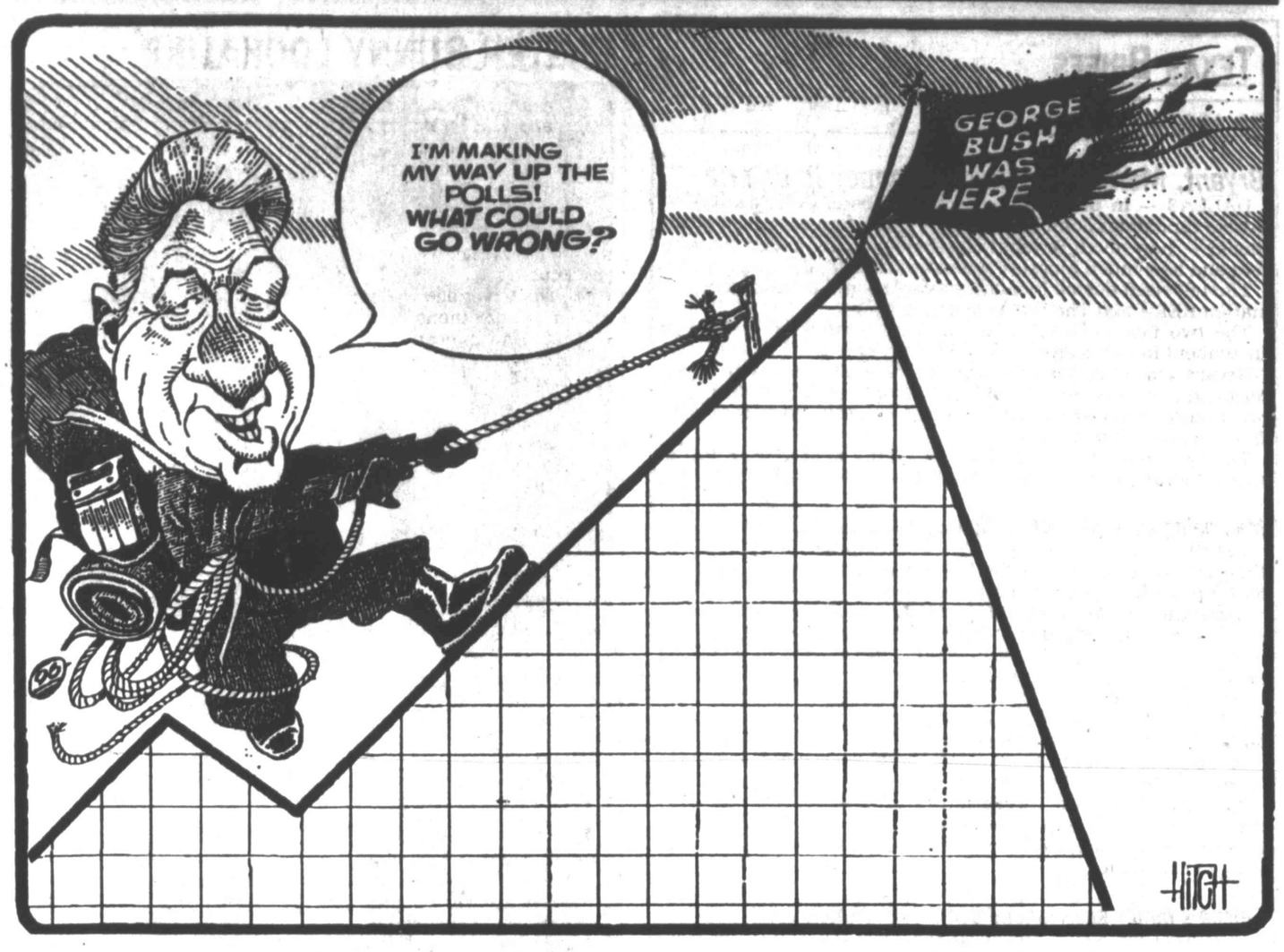

He quit smoking without crutches, why can't you?

By LEONARD LARSEN
Scripps Howard News Service

WASHINGTON — If cigarette smokers — real pack-a-day-plus people who've smoked for many years — need a nicotine nasal spray to help them quit smoking, then they probably aren't ready to quit and they won't quit.

The notion is as foolish as nicotine patches or nicotine gum to make smokers quit or magic charms or $25 sessions in crowded motel rooms while quack psychologists try to get your mind off smoking.

An ultimate foolishness is that the nicotine spray now comes recommended by non-smokers and never-been-smokers at the Food and Drug Administration who seem more intent on giving cigarette smokers crutches for their "addiction" than enough backbone to just quit.

The new nicotine nasal spray — to be available only by prescription — fits nicely with the demonization of tobacco company officials by the FDA and a few members of Congress. Not satisfied with emphasizing the plain truth that cigarettes are proved to be cancer-causing and a dangerous long-term habit that should be ended and never started, the demonologists have spent lavishly in time and money to prove other things.

Great evil conspiracies have been at work to turn little children into cigarette addicts, the public servants have said every time a TV camera was in their vicinity. The proof, said the non-smoking experts, was in reports that the conspirators tinkered with nicotine content in cigarettes and baited helpless tots with irresistible advertising of a smoking camel.

Louder now than the message that Americans should quit smoking because it might kill them is the demonologists' message that someone else is to blame for your smoking habit. The tobacco industry conspirators, as the propaganda line now runs, have hooked millions of Americans on cigarettes, just as they always intended, and the addicted victims are helpless to cure themselves.

So the wrong-headed officials of the FDA and grandstanders in Congress — aided by pack media specialists — end up sounding alarms and finger-pointing at a tobacco conspiracy instead of actually helping smokers quit.

Worse, they spread the nonsense that all smokers are "addicts," that they can't quit, that addicted smokers need crutches like arm patches or gum or now a nicotine nasal spray that's supposed to satisfy the cravings of cigarette addicts until they can get unhooked.

That's no way to get people to quit smoking. It's giving smokers an excuse to keep on smoking. And, as a onetime smoker who spent about 42 years buying and smoking — and enjoying — cigarettes before I quit, I'll stack that experience alongside whatever arguments the expert non-smokers bring to the subject.

To quit smoking, I found, doesn't require any device, and the study results on tests of the nasal spray released by the FDA would seem to support that conclusion. The studies, it was said, found that only 25 percent of smokers given the nasal spray quit smoking for at least a year, about the same results as smokers who used nicotine patches or chewed nicotine gum.

To quit smoking, I found, you have to make up your mind that you want to quit and that you're going to quit, not that you'll try to quit or quit the first of next month or think about quitting a little longer.

I came to an understanding that smoking cigarettes was at least partly a ceremony for me, a ceremony I enjoyed when relaxing over a cup of coffee or something stronger, even enjoyed at work writing. I liked the smell of it, the sight of exhaled smoke and smoke curling off a cigarette. I liked smoking and conversation with friends.

Then I began thinking — I knew — that smoking was a health hazard and increasingly bothersome to other people. I decided to give up the habit, the ceremony I enjoyed. I quit; no nasal sprays or arm patches and no humbuggery from the FDA. Just like millions of other people, I just quit.

It may be that the experts at the FDA intend to pursue their tobacco conspiracy until the culprits are all locked up in prison. Fine. But it won't help any of the smokers who've been convinced by the FDA that they're addicts and need crutches.

YOUR VIEWS

Bingo opponent tells her side of the story

To the Editor:

In response to Letha Nixon's letter published March 28, 1996.

I myself submitted a petition signed by the majority of the residents living in the area of the proposed bingo hall. Most of these residents were unaware of the location of the bingo hall since they did not have to be notified by city hall because they did not live within 200 feet of the property. Once they were made aware of the location they did not want it in this neighborhood.

The sworn statements that I acquired were signed by several individuals associated with bingo, all of which stated that cars have been broken into, windows to adjacent buildings have been broken out, children running through the parking lot screaming and honking horns. The letter signed by the chief of police states that they were called to Lions Club Bingo 13 times during 1995, and four times to College Park Bingo during 1995, which College Park Bingo did not operate the entire year. Also bingo has been robbed twice, once right after one of HCARC's sessions in which Letha Nixon was present and a gunshot went off in the building. All this is a matter of public record.

I have never put bingo players in any category, nor have I heard anyone else, except Letha Nixon stand up at the city council meeting saying that some of us thought that bingo players were irreputable. This has not come out of anyone's mouth but hers! I have only stated the facts, my proven point is that some of these children of the parents are playing bingo. Apparently security is not enough, otherwise I don't believe the police would have been called.

If Letha Nixon, HCARC, or anyone else, wanted to build a bingo Hall at the old Kmart building or in any of the other numerous empty buildings in this town, I would not have cared! Maybe Letha Nixon should consider building this bingo hall right next to her house, or next to the homes of anyone else that would like a new bingo hall.

I would also like to commend the city council members on their vote. I believe they based their decision on what the community wanted. Mayor Tim Blackshear stated that he received letters and phone calls two to one against the bingo hall being built at this site.

Now, may we let this rest!

Sharon Wilkinson
Big Spring

(EDITOR'S NOTE: The letter presented to the Herald was not signed by the chief of police, but was signed by an officer and was on police department letterhead.)

Why have P&Z hold hearings if you don't intend to listen?

To the Editor:

I'm not one to write letters, but today I was somewhat put back with the out come of the request by the HARC to build a new bingo hall. First thing that caught me off guard was the fact that even after the Planning and Zoning Commission had it's own public hearing on March 5, hearing both sides of the proposed site the commission with some recommended changes gave it's full support to the building of a bingo hall. I will not take the time to relist these changes as the *Herald* did that

Why have a Planning and Zoning commission if you are not going to trust their efforts in fact finding. I have no interest one way or the other other in the proposed site or for that matter in HARC, however, this is twice in the last few months that a proposed business was turned down by the city council based in my opinion on unfair and biased reasons stated by the council. If and area of town is zoned for light commercial then where is this business wrong in it's request to locate at this location?

I wish I could get over the idea that all this is a matter of politics but I can't, when the mayor goes on the radio (KBST 3/27/96 a.m.) and makes a statement that he has received letters at the ratio of two to one against this business locating in the proposed area. I would like the mayor to show these letters and addresses, I'm guessing, but would not be surprised if the bulk were from Lions Club members, after all look what they stand to loose (*rent in the thousands*). Bingo is one of the Lions greatest money makers. Before all the Lion members call me let me say I have no axe to grind with the Lions in anyway. While I am a bingo player two or three nights a week I play for the fun of it not so much the support of any one group.

I would like to see our city council base its decisions on fact, if our mayor can say we don't need something because we already have one (bingo hall) in town therefore we don't need another. Just maybe next time it will be your business that is turned down because we already have one like yours in town. The other business I made reference to was the Car Wash on Wasson Road. The site in this case used to be a service station. It seems to me that Big Spring will never be an industrial giant, so why kill the small business too?

Don M. Brodie
Big Spring

Long-time bingo player defends bingo players, questions council

To the Editor:

I have been attending bingo at different locations in Big Spring for the past 20 years. I was really surprised to hear from the council meeting Tuesday night of all the different things that happen on the parking lots. For all of us "so called bad or lovely" people who attend the bingo sessions, maybe we should start going to Midland or Snyder so our cars won't be in danger and where "all walks of life" are appreciated at the charity bingo."

Just had to let you know how one bingo player feels.

Maxine Hinsley
Coahoma

Community volunteer shares "Salute" with co-workers

To the Editor:

I wish to express my thanks for your recognition of my efforts with the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program in your "Salute" Editorial. I have been working with this program for the past 15 years and with the help of the dedicated VITA volunteers, we have helped many people file their income tax returns each year with no charge to them. Without the wonderful cooperation we received from the Herald, this program could not survive. Thanks for your encouragement.

Dorothy Kennemur
Big Spring

April is Sexual Assault Awarness Month in Texas

To the Editor:

Governor George W. Bush has proclaimed the month of April Sexual Assault Awareness Month in Texas. To increase public awareness about the problem of sexual assault and to encourage citizen involvement, the Texas Association Against Sexual Assault, the Texas Department of Health, and the Office of the Attorney General have adopted the theme: "Listen to the Children.....Imagine A World Without Sexual Assault."

The 1996 theme was chosen to reflect the efforts of Rape Crisis/Victim Services to create a new expectation in Big Spring, Howard County Texas — that our citizens, especially our children, be able to experience life without the emotional damage of sexual assault of the loss of personal freedom resulting from the threat of sexual violence.

Sexual assault has long been held a secret...in our families, in our churches, in our schools, and in our community. Yet most of us probably know someone who has been sexually abused or assaulted. The wounds of sexual assault — emotional and psychological in nature — are usually not apparent to the outside observer, but may have a pronounced impact on close friends and family of those victimized.

Rape Crisis/Victim Services sees not only the damage done to survivors of sexual assault, but to those who care about them as well. Sexual assault is a community problem, not simply the problem of those to who it happens.

"Listen to the Children" means learning to recognize the ways children communicate that they are being sexually abused. "Listen to the Children" means having the courage to insist that the community institutions support these children when they reveal their abuse.

It is time to take a strong stand in our community against sexual violence and the scars it has left on so many. We encourage you to join us in April in our efforts to reach out to survivors to share their secrets and we encourage every member of our community to become educated about sexual assault and the effects this violent crime has on all of us.

Colleen Craver
Executive Director
Rape Crisis/Victim Services

California sheriff's deputies taped beating two people after lengthy chase

SOUTH EL MONTE, Calif. (AP) — In a videotaped beating that recalled the Rodney King case, two sheriff's deputies repeatedly clubbed a Mexican man and woman after a 70-mile highway chase.

Television news helicopters on Monday videotaped the deputies chasing a battered pickup truck crammed with 21 people suspected of sneaking across the border. The pickup reached speeds of 100 mph before stopping on the side of the freeway.

One deputy, holding his baton two-handed like a baseball bat, was videotaped clubbing the driver on the back and shoulders with a baton, even as the driver fell, face down, on the ground.

When the woman got out of the cab, the same deputy beat her in the back with the baton, then grabbed her by the hair and pulled her to the ground. At least one other deputy struck her with his baton.

Neither the woman nor the man appeared to offer any resistance or make any attempt to get away.

The others in the pickup took off but were later rounded up by police and taken to an Immigration and Naturalization Service center for questioning.

The unidentified driver suffered bruises and a possible fractured elbow from the baton blows, police said. He was hospitalized and awaited booking on charges of felony evading arrest, throwing objects from a vehicle, and possibly assault or felony hit-and-run for allegedly side-swiping two cars.

The woman was not seriously injured.

The Riverside County Sheriff's Department immediately began an internal investigation and placed the two deputies on paid administrative leave. Their names were not released, but the department said one has been on the force for 21 years and the other for five years.

"I'm not going to stand up here and say that there was no force used, because you would laugh me out of the room," Sgt. Mark Lohman, a sheriff's spokesman, told reporters. "We saw it, we saw the same videotape that everyone's seen, and we're embarrassed."

Jose Pescador, Mexico's consul general in Los Angeles, said he was shocked by the TV footage and vowed to seek justice.

"At first I was angry, but I also was surprised because I didn't believe that those people were police officers," he said.

The American Civil Liberties Union of Southern California called for a Justice Department investigation.

"The officers just beat those people up — really hard blows," executive director Ramona Ripston said. "It didn't seem to be necessary. They didn't appear to be resisting."

"It's another Rodney King," she added, referring to the 1991 videotaped beating of the motorist by police officers after a high-speed chase. The officers' acquittal on state criminal charges led to the Los Angeles riots.

Two of the officers later were convicted on federal charges.

The midday chase began when the pickup's driver refused to stop for Border Patrol officials. They suspected illegal aliens were aboard because the truck was on a road frequently used to bypass a checkpoint about 60 miles north of the border.

The Border Patrol handed off the chase to the sheriff's deputies.

The pickup pulled over on Pomona Freeway about 20 miles east of Los Angeles, and 19 people crowded into the bed of the pickup dashed down a brushy embankment.

The color videotape showed a deputy running up seconds later and swinging a baton at the driver standing beside the cab.

The driver was knocked over a freeway guardrail to the ground. The woman clutching a purse, was pulled from the cab, beaten and yanked to the ground by her hair.

Ruling makes employers more vulnerable to age-bias lawsuits

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court made the nation's employers more vulnerable to being sued for age bias, ruling Monday that some lower courts have been reading a major anti-discrimination law too narrowly.

The unanimous decision said employers who fire workers over 40 and replace them with significantly younger people may be breaking the law even if the new employees are over 40.

The court reinstated an age-bias claim by a North Carolina man who was fired at age 56 after his supervisor allegedly told him he was "too damn old for this kind of work."

The federal Age Discrimination in Employment Act protects workers age 40 and over. Federal appeals courts had split over whether any illegal bias can occur if an employee is fired and replaced by someone over 40.

But Justice Antonin Scalia wrote for the nation's highest court that the replacement employee's age is irrelevant.

"The fact that one person in the protected class has lost out to another person in the protected class is ... irrelevant, so long as he has lost out because of his age," Scalia said.

David Gregory, a St. John's University law professor who had studied the case, called the decision "potentially very significant in this era of corporate downsizing."

"This will force employers to be more meticulous," he said. "It won't open any floodgates of new litigation but it will open things up, especially for those who are replaced by their proteges after training them."

In other action, the court:

—Ruled in a Georgia case that a death row inmate's first federal appeal generally cannot be dismissed as an abuse of the legal system even if it is filed just before a planned execution.

—Agreed to use a Mississippi case to decide whether people whose parental rights have been terminated must be allowed to appeal even if they cannot afford to pay the court fees.

—Said it will review a voting-rights dispute over how municipal court judges are elected in Monterey County, Calif. A decision could provide important new guidelines for other local elections nationwide.

—Rejected an appeal in which Tennessee officials argued that parents do not have a right to sue their state government for not doing enough to help them collect child-support payments.

In the age-bias case, lower courts had thrown out James O'Connor's lawsuit because after being fired he was replaced by someone aged 40 — not 39 or younger.

But Scalia said, "The fact that a replacement is substantially younger than (O'Connor) is a far more reliable indicator of age discrimination than is the fact that (he) was replaced by someone outside the protected class."

Scalia noted that the age difference must be significant, but did not offer a specific definition of "substantially younger."

He did say that replacing a 68-year-old employee with one who's 65 might be "very thin" evidence of age discrimination.

Robin Conrad of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce pointed to that language in the ruling to claim "a substantial victory for the business community."

"We may find more cases being filed but fewer going to trial," she said. "The scarier prospect was letting anyone over 40 sue."

Sally Dunaway, a lawyer with the American Association of Retired Persons, called the decision "a strong message" that puts employers on notice. She said a ruling that went the other way would have been "an outrageous result."

Although the decision focused on firings, it could also apply to people who say they were discriminated against in some other way — such as not being hired, or getting demoted or transferred.

O'Connor, of Cary, N.C., was fired in 1990. He had worked since 1978 as a sales manager for Consolidated Coin Caterers Corp., a Charlotte-based company that operates cafeterias and vending machines in industrial plants.

O'Connor's lawsuit alleged that earlier that year his supervisor, Ed Williams, began making derogatory comments related to O'Connor's age.

O'Connor said Williams told him he was "too old" to play 18 holes of golf five days in a row, and later that he was "too damn old for this kind of work."

O'Connor also said that Williams said within his earshot that "It's about time we started to get some young blood in this company."

When the company reorganized four sales regions into two, O'Connor was fired and his territory was assigned to a 40-year-old man.

O'Connor sued, but a federal trial judge and the 4th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals threw out his case.

Monday's decision will send O'Connor's case back to a federal trial court in North Carolina.

Cancer vaccine ready soon for human testing

WASHINGTON (AP) — A cancer vaccine that repeatedly wiped out tumors in laboratory rats may be ready for testing against a vicious type of human brain cancer by this summer, researchers report.

In a study published today in the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, scientists at the University of California, Los Angeles, say their new vaccine removes a biological disguise that cancer cells use to hide from the immune system.

Habib Fakhrai, the lead author of the study, said the vaccine uses genetic engineering to alert the immunity system to the cancer and causes the body's defenses to attack the tumor.

Fakhrai said cancers of the brain, breast, lung, colon and prostate all suppress the immune system by secreting a substance called transforming growth factor-beta, or TGF-B.

"TFG-beta cloaks the cancer cells so they are not recognized by the immune system," said Fakhrai.

To expose cancer to the immune system, UCLA developed a way to prevent tumor cells from making TGF-B.

Using rats with brain cancer, the scientists removed cancer cells and purified the tumor DNA. They then used this DNA to make a protein that blocks the genetic process that leads to secretion of TGF-B.

"We actually created molecules that attach to precursors of TGF-B and instructed them genetically to stop working," said Fakhrai.

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> Habib Fakhrai
> Lead Researcher

The new molecules were then used to inoculate a group of rats with cancer. Another group of rats with cancer received only placebo shots.

Among the rats receiving the anti-TGF-B vaccinations, 100 percent survived for the 12 weeks of the experiment and the cancers were destroyed by the animals' immune system cells. The control rats, which received only the placebo, all died swiftly.

Fakhrai said the technique has been approved for human experimentation by a committee at the National Institutes of Health and is now awaiting action by the Food and Drug Administration. Once approved, Fakhrai said UCLA researchers plan to offer the experimental therapy to patients with glioblastoma, an invariably fatal brain cancer.

"We hope to be using this vaccine technology in humans by this summer," said Dr. Keith Black, a UCLA neurosurgeon and a co-author of the study.

Carol Kruse, a cancer researcher at the University of Colorado Health Center, said the UCLA cancer vaccine was "impressive" and may offer real hope for a cancer that now is always lethal.

"This may prolong the lives of patients with brain cancer," she said. "It may not be a cure, but it could be a significant step forward for these patients."

Fakhrai said the anti-TGF-B protein worked like a true vaccine in the laboratory rats. After the first experiment, he said the vaccinated rats were injected with 100,000 brain cancer cells, about 20 times the dose that routinely kills laboratory rats. The inoculated rats were not affected, he said.

"All the rats survived with no evidence of further cancer," he said. "It seems that once the animals' immunity is boosted, they hold onto that benefit and remain immune to the cancer."

First human trials of the cancer vaccine will be in brain cancer patients with a very poor prognosis. If the vaccine works, said Fakhrai, then it may be tried later for other types of cancer that also secrete TGF-B.

Lusitania may give up secrets at last

By DAVID NORTHMORE
London Observer Service

LONDON — Following decades of claims, counterclaims, rumors and conspiracy theories, the Lusitania, the ocean liner sunk by the Germans off the Irish coast in 1915, could finally be about to give up its secrets.

Last week the Irish High Court granted an American businessman the right to challenge the Irish government's claim to ownership of cargo aboard the wreck of the ill-fated ship.

F. Gregg Bemis, a financier from Santa Fe, N.M., who bought the wreck from Cunard in the late 1980s, was also successful in having an early date set for the hearing — May 14. He had feared that during the summer months pirate divers seeking illicit souvenirs would be attracted to the wreck.

There are two key mysteries about the wreck that have yet to be solved:

— Was it carrying an illicit cargo of shells and explosives, as the German high command alleged in countering the charge that it had committed what Britain's King George called a "most dastardly crime"?

— And was the ship also carrying a cargo of valuable paintings, including works by Rubens, Titian and Monet, as maintained by the Irish government, which recently placed an underwater heritage order on the wreck?

The 31,500-ton luxury liner was hit by a single torpedo from a German U-20 submarine at 2:10 p.m. on May 7, 1915, while en route from New York to Liverpool.

A second, larger blast 18 minutes later sent the vessel plunging bow-first into 315 feet of water, with the loss of 1,201 lives among the 1,959 passengers and crew.

Over the years there have been suggestions that the second explosion was caused by large amounts of explosives, gun fuses and shrapnel shells. Classed by the British as an auxiliary cruiser, the Lusitania was also alleged to have had guns secretly mounted on its decks.

The sinking was regarded around the world as an unprovoked act of war against the citizens of a neutral country, the United States — 124 Americans died in the attack, fueling calls for the U.S. to join the Allied cause.

An inspection of the wreck two years ago led by Bob Ballard, the shipwreck specialist who found the Titanic and the Bismarck, resulted in a new theory. Using remote-controlled submarines, Ballard found that the explosion was caused by coal dust ignited by the torpedo and burning in a confined space.

Claims that a collection of paintings destined for the National Gallery of Ireland in Dublin were on board began to circulate almost as soon as the vessel went down because of an entry on the manifesto of one case of paintings belonging to the gallery's director, Sir Hugh Lane.

The claims were given credence when Ballard's team filmed cylinders that could have contained the canvases close to the wreck.

The paintings had allegedly been bought by Lane on a purchasing expedition to the U.S. He was obsessed with building up a national art collection in Ireland. Lane was last seen helping women and children into lifeboats.

Barbara Dawson, director of the Hugh Lane Gallery in Dublin, said, "We don't believe that delicate paintings would have survived all these years in sea water, which is highly corrosive. The only way the paintings would have survived is if they had been packed into lead tubes. Now who would have done a thing like that unless they thought that the boat was likely to be sunk?"

Joe Hamill, a spokesman for the Irish Department of Arts and Culture, confirmed that some of the paintings thought to have been aboard the Lusitania have in fact been located in art collections around the world.

"We have sent investigators to America and various other places, and some of these great masters seem to be happily hanging in a number of galleries and private art collections," Hamill said. "It does make you wonder what's lying at the bottom of the sea now, doesn't it?"

Bemis was unavailable for comment., but his Irish solicitor, Richard Martin, said, "Mr. Bemis is delighted with the High Court's judgment and he looks forward to the hearing on May 14 in the expectation that he will then be in a position to properly protect the wreck of the Lusitania and solve some of these outstanding mysteries."

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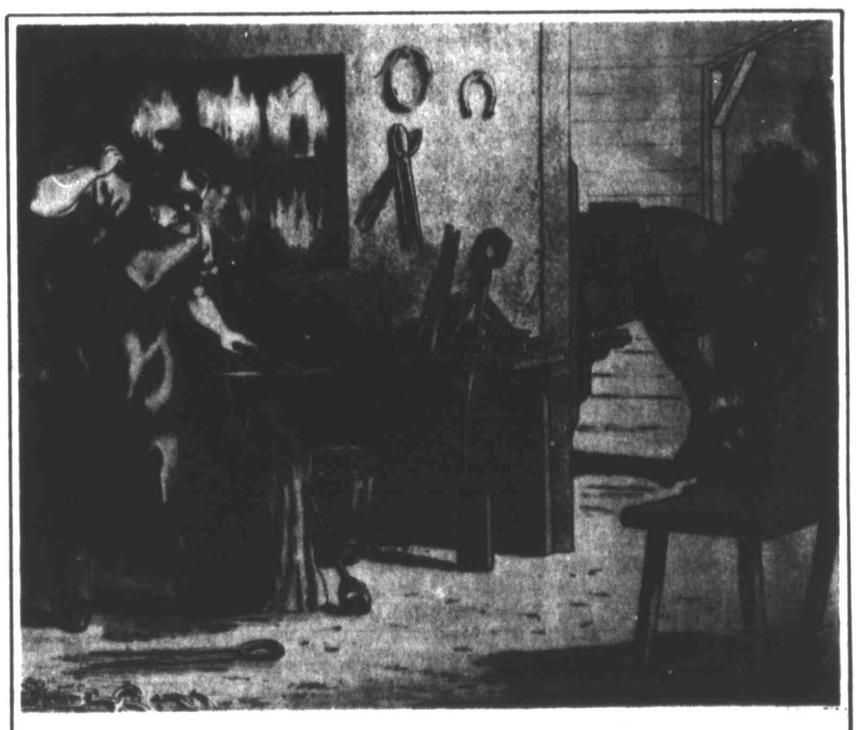

Back in the horse and buggy days, when folks needed to update their transportation, likely as not they'd turn to their local newspaper to see what was selling in the Classifieds. Nowadays, folks pretty much do the same thing. When they're looking for a good deal on a good set of wheels the Classifieds are their best source of used car bargains around. And if they've still a mind to get their shoes custom-made, chances are the Classifieds have the listings of blacksmiths for hire, horses for sale, saddles to buy and lots of other sales and services that are off the beaten track.

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BSHS girls eye meet as springboard to district

Big Spring Relays
2:30 p.m. Thursday, April 4
Blankenship Field

By STEVE REAGAN
Sports Editor

As Jay Kennedy watches his Big Spring girls' track team win meet after meet, the question remains the same: Just how good can the Lady Steers get this season?

The potential answer keeps getting better and better for Kennedy.

The Lady Steers, undefeated in track meets this season, will give local fans a chance to see what the fuss is about when they play hosts to the annual Big Spring Relays Thursday at Blankenship Field.

Every District 4-4A girls' team except Andrews and Monahans will be at the meet, as will a talented group from Hobbs, N.M.

Of course, the hosts will be fairly talented as well.

It is not just that Big Spring is undefeated – the Lady Steers have hardly been tested this season. Last week was no different: Big Spring rang up 203 points to easily run away with the meet title in Sundown.

The reason for Big Spring's success is simple: The Lady Steers field one of the deepest teams in this area, if not the state. That quality depth gives the team at least two proven point-scorers in almost every event.

"Several of the girls are very versatile, and can do different things on the track," Kennedy said. "For example, I have eight girls I could run on the mile relay and not lose much."

If Kennedy sounds almost cocky, that's because he's very, very confident about his team's abilities.

"What we've got to guard against is becoming complacent," he said. "We need someone to push us, and so far we haven't had that. We've had individuals push us, but not an entire team."

If you're looking for a weakness on this team, it's in one event. Injuries to sophomore Maggie Haddad and Zelma Evans have left Big Spring hurting in the 300 meter hurdles.

So much for weaknesses. Elsewhere, Kennedy has two or three athletes to plug into every

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Pitino and Wildcats reach promised land

NCAA Men's Basketball Championship
Kentucky 76
Syracuse 67

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) — Every year something always happened to break Kentucky's heart.

— Duke's Christian Laettner making an improbable shot from the top of the key in a 1992 regional final.

— Sam Bowie and Melvin Turpin throwing up one brick after another in the 1984 Final Four.

— Jamal Mashburn fouling out in overtime against Michigan and the Fab Five in the 1993 Final Four.

It was a rite of spring, watching the Wildcats buckle under the cumbersome expectations of an entire state. The school of Adolph Rupp and Joe B. Hall, of Dan Issel and Kenny Walker, had won a grand total of one national championship since 1958.

Make it two.

Reclaiming the blueblood status demanded by the fans of the bluegrass state, Kentucky won its first NCAA title since 1978 Monday night, beating Syracuse 76-67.

"I think this puts (our program) back on the map as a powerhouse," guard Allen Edwards said.

Not that the Wildcats had exactly fallen from prominence. Over the past decade, three seasons ended in the regional finals, another lasted until the Final Four. Still, what is considered success at some schools became a legacy of failure at Kentucky.

"In these later years, I've learned to expect defeat," said Woodson Reynolds, a fan watching on television back home and barometer of the state's championship-or-nothing mentality.

"But I haven't ever had expectations like this for a team," he added, savoring the sixth title in school history. "I've followed (Kentucky) since the 1950s, and I told my son after the first game this season, 'This is the best Kentucky team I've ever seen.'"

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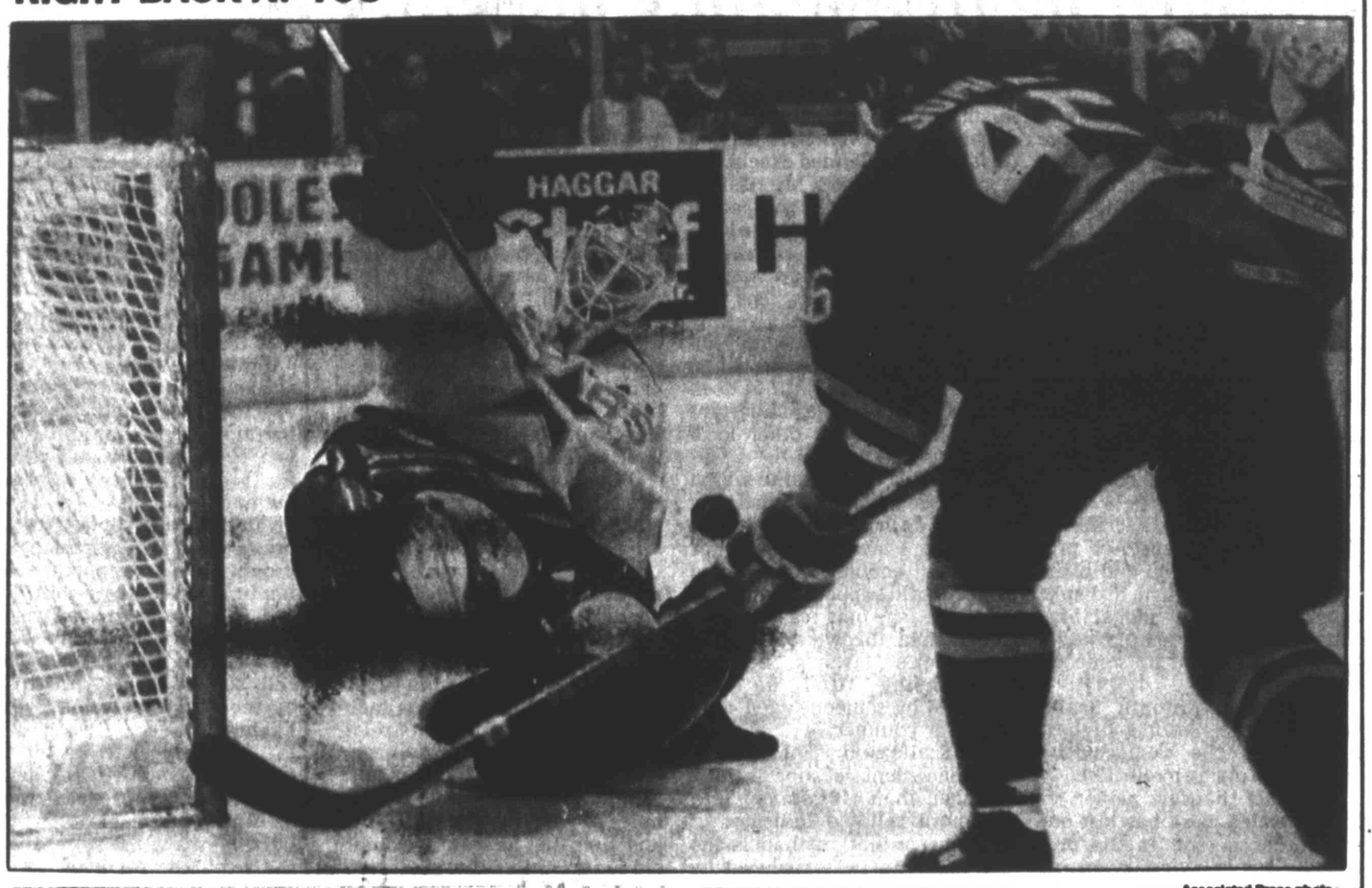

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Dallas goalie Darcy Wakaluk deflects a shot as Anaheim's J.F. Jomphe (46) waits for the puck to clear during the third period of their game in Dallas Thursday. Dallas won the game 3-1.

Ump's death casts pall on opener

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

■NL ROUNDUP

The Los Angeles Dodgers unveiled their latest candidate for Rookie of the Year, the New York Mets showed off the next Ozzie Smith and the Chicago Cubs welcomed back one of their greatest heroes.

It was another opening day in the National League, but it was overshadowed by the death of umpire John McSherry. He collapsed while working behind home plate in Cincinnati and was pronounced dead shortly thereafter, casting a pall over baseball.

"John McSherry was a wonderful man. I don't think I ever heard anybody say a bad word about him," Dodgers manager Tom Lasorda said Monday night. "He was a class guy and a good umpire who loved his job."

Lasorda saw a few things he loved at the Astrodome as his team began defense of its NL West title with a 4-3 victory over Houston. Foremost among them was the play of Hollandsworth, who the Dodgers hope will become their fifth straight Jackie Robinson Award winner.

"I told him the other day, 'You just don't know how good of a talent you have,'" Lasorda said of Hollandsworth. "'You don't know how good you're going to be.'

"He's got good foot speed, he can go get the ball in the outfield and he's got some pop in his bat."

No one has to explain that to Shane Reynolds, off whom Hollandsworth hit a decisive three-run double in the fifth inning — his fifth hit in six career at-bats against the Houston right-hander.

"He owns me," Reynolds laughed, mindful that in his brief tenure with the Dodgers Hollandsworth has reached him for two homers and a double.

Elsewhere:

— The New York Mets rallied from a 6-0 deficit — due in large part to rookie shortstop Rey Ordonez — to beat the St. Louis Cardinals 7-6.

— Ryne Sandberg's return to Chicago warmed the crowd at cold Wrigley Field, and they left happy after the Cubs beat the San Diego Padres 5-4 in 10 innings.

— Greg Maddux began his quest for a fifth straight Cy Young Award with an unMaddux-like performance, but got enough run support from the Atlanta Braves to beat the San Francisco Giants 10-8.

— Making it a big day for rookies was Pittsburgh's Jason Kendall, who caught a shutout in addition to getting three hits and two RBIs as the Pirates beat the Florida Marlins 4-0.

The Montreal-Cincinnati game was postponed until today after McSherry collapsed before a stunned crowd of 53,000 at Riverfront Stadium. The other scheduled opener — Colorado at Philadelphia — was postponed Sunday when the Phillies were presented with a forecast for heavy rain Monday. The forecast was accurate.

Dodgers 4, Astros 3

Hollandsworth, a rookie only because two injuries disabled him for most of last season, wasn't crowing over his performance before a crowd of 34,375.

"This is just one game, there are 161 to go," said the 22-year-old outfielder, who went 2-for-4. "I had a good game and it was a win for us. I don't look at it as anything more than that."

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A's, Jays and Elvis play Vegas

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Elvis was wielding a hot bat, and so were the Toronto Blue Jays.

Opening night in this gambling city began with an Elvis impersonator strumming a bat and ended with the Blue Jays beating the Oakland A's 9-6 in the first major league game played in a minor league park in 39 years.

In a stadium not much bigger than some of the Las Vegas showrooms where Elvis once played, the Blue Jays used home runs from three different players Thursday night to win their first regular season game of the year in front of a small but appreciative crowd.

The game in tiny Cashman Field was the opener for both teams, but even the players had trouble relating to it as an opening night game.

"Everybody knew it was opening night, but it definitely had a different feel," said John Olerud, whose hit a three-run home run. "It kind of had a feeling of spring training."

It wasn't exactly the Skydome or even the Oakland Coliseum. It was, however, a win for the Blue Jays, who were coming off a terrible spring training that included three straight losses in their last games in the same ballpark.

■AL ROUNDUP

"It was tough after playing three days in a row in a spring training atmosphere here," said Erik Hanson, who scattered four hits over seven innings in picking up the win. "When the bell rings, it's tough to distinguish the difference than in a big league ballpark. And there is a big difference."

The Blue Jays used homers by Olerud, Alex Gonzalez and Domingo Cedeno on a night when the wind was blowing out at about 25 mph.

The A's were forced out of the Oakland Coliseum this week because of uncompleted renovations, so they'll play their first six games at Cashman Field. The game drew 7,294 to the 9,353-seat ballpark, the home of the Triple A Las Vegas Stars.

In one of the lighter moments before the game, an Elvis impersonator joked and chatted with some of the players and played to the crowd strumming a bat.

Terry Steinbach and Geronimo Berroa connected for the A's.

"I don't know if there was a legitimate home run hit tonight," A's manager Art Howe said. "But both teams had to play in the same conditions."

Steinbach said his home run, a line shot to right field, may have been out in another ballpark as well. He noted that there were seven home runs hit opening day in Atlanta to only five in Las Vegas.

"It's a ballpark," Steinbach said. "I think pitching wise if you execute your pitches you can get hitters out. If you make mistakes, the ball can go out."

A's starter Carlos Reyes gave up six runs in five innings, including all three of the Blue Jays home runs.

"There were a couple of pitches I got up. In this park you can't do that," Reyes said. "The way this park is, you can't make mistakes."

It marked the first major league game at a minor league ballpark since Sept. 3, 1957, when the Philadelphia Phillies beat the Brooklyn Dodgers 3-2 in 12 innings at Roosevelt Stadium in Jersey City, N.J.

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BOTTOM of the ORDER

ON TAP

Today

Baseball
Andrews at Big Spring, 4 p.m.
Coahoma at Midland Christian, 4:30 p.m.

Softball
Lake View at Big Spring, 5 p.m.

STATE/NATION

Report: Test results voided

IRVING (AP) — Several Dallas Cowboys offensive players tested positive for drugs, but a technicality prohibited the NFL from acting on the results, according to a published report.

The Dallas Morning News reported today that it was told by three team sources that the league had to disregard the results because the urinalysis tests were performed three days too early.

The league's drug adviser directed all Cowboys offensive players to submit to an urinalysis last April 28, before a club minicamp, the newspaper reported.

The NFL has restricted ability to test players for illegal drugs and banned substances. The league can randomly test players once before each season, and the testing period is from May 1 through Aug. 20, the newspaper said.

CART files suit

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Championship Auto Racing Teams Inc. filed a lawsuit saying it is entitled to use the "IndyCar" brand name.

The lawsuit, filed in U.S. District Court in Michigan, is a response to a March 19 letter from the Indianapolis Motor Speedway that said the Speedway is ending a 1992 licensing agreement concerning the IndyCar name.

Strickland pleads guilty

NEW YORK (AP) — Portland Trail Blazers guard Rod Strickland pleaded guilty to hitting his former girlfriend.

Criminal Court Judge Lettitela Martin ordered Strickland to attend a program for batterers. He faces up to a year in jail if he fails to attend.

ON THE AIR

(listings subject to change)

Hockey
NHL
New Jersey at New York, 6:30 p.m., ESPN (ch. 30).

Basketball
NBA
L.A. Lakers at Charlotte, 7 p.m., TNT (ch. 28).
Sacramento at Dallas, 7:30 p.m., PRIME (ch. 28).

SPORTS IN BRIEF

Lady Mavs take track meet

The Lady Mavs of Goliad Middle School took first place at the Lamesa Track Meet this weekend.

The Lady Mavs scored 145 points to overcome Andrews, which had 140 points.

In the field events, Evin Matchke placed third in the long jump with 13-11 3/4. Angelica Hinojos placed fourth with 13-6 1/2 and Melissa Flenniken took fifth with 13-5.

Leandra Greene placed third in the shot put with 26-3 1/2. In discus throwing, Stacie Barber took third with a distance of 68-5.

Matchke won first place in the triple jump with a distance of 29-10 1/4, and Hinojos took second with 28-9 1/2.

Anna McLaughlin took fifth place in the high jump clearing 4-4. Flenniken also cleared 4-4 to take sixth place.

In the running events, Melissa Forth took third in the 100-meter dash with a time of 13.98. Angela McGee won fifth with 14.14, and Kori Lewis won sixth with 14.15.

Honey Rushing won third in the 300-meter hurdles with a time of 57.53. Leticia Reyes took fourth with 58.18, and Britania Perez with 58.66. Each runner broke the previous meet record of 58.69.

Hinojos won first place in the 200-meter dash with a time of 28.34. Matchke took third with 28.88.

Kristie Gunzelman took fifth in the 400-meter dash with a time of 71.72. April Aguilar took third in the 1600-meter run with 6:42.76.

In the 800-meter run, Reyes won fourth with 2:55.23. Aguilar took fifth with 2:56.70, and Perez won sixth with 2:59.28.

In the relay events, the team on Hinojos, Matchke, Forth and Lewis won first place in the 400-meter relay with a time of 54.16.

Hinojos, Reyes, Amando Rubio and Kaci Acri took second place in the 800-meter relay with a time of 2:01.53.

Stallings ends indoor season

Jeremy Stallings, University of Florida junior from Stanton, finished the 1996 Indoor season as the No. 4 American in the 800-meter run as reflected by *Track & Field News*.

Stallings time of 1:48.06 was the fourth best indoor time by an American in the collegiate and non-collegiate 1996 indoor season.

Stallings will run his first outdoor 800-meters at the Sun Angel Relays in Tempe, Arizona on April 6 at Arizona State University.

Teenage league tryouts scheduled

The Big Spring Teenage league will have tryouts at the Roy Anderson Complex April 9 at 7:30 p.m. The registration fee is $20. For more information, call 267-7263.

Cinco De Mayo tournament open

The Snyder Chamber of Commerce will host the first Cinco De Mayo Men's Softball Tournament May 4-5 at the Winston Park in Snyder.

Entry fee is $100 per team. For more information contact the Snyder Chamber of Commerce at 573-3558, 573-4130 or 573-1840.

Striper tournament set next month

The Texas Striper Association will hold the fourth annual Lake E.V. Spence Open Striper Tournament April 13.

Registration starts April 12 at Wildcat Marina from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.

For more information contact Wildcat Marina at 915 453-281 or Paint Creek Marina at (915) 453-2982

Bass tournament in Colorado City

The Colorado City Area Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring the Fisherman Appreciation Black Bass Tournament April 13. The contest will take place at Lake Champion and Lake Colorado City.

First place is guaranteed $2,000. Other cash prizes range from $500 to $35 for the top 20 entries, if there are 150 entries in the tournament.

For more information, call Ronney Conner at 915-728-8436 after 5:30 p.m.

Knights of Columbus schedule tournament

The Knights of Columbus will host its second annual men's softball tournament May 17-19 at Hidalgo Park, located on Orchard & Tyler in Midland.

The entry fee is $110 per team the deadline to enter is May 15.

Mail entry fee to Knights of Columbus 9215 Attn: softball tournament, P.O. Box 50743 Midland, TX 79710.

Baseball league searches for teams

The West Texas/New Mexico Baseball League is looking for new teams to enter the league. The entry fee is $150 per team, and the deadline to enter is April 1. For more information call (806) 456-5826 or (915) 335-8699.

Slowpitch softball tournament scheduled

The USSSA will host the 1996 West Texas Shootout April 13-14 at Winston Park in Snyder.

The tournment has a three game guarantee with trophies going to the top four teams.

Entry fee is $100 per team. For more information, contact Chris Maxfield at 573-6862 (day) or 573-4332 (evening).

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Washington	33	39	.458	21
New Jersey	28	43	.394	251/2
Boston	28	44	.389	26
Philadelphia	14	58	.194	40

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
y-Chicago	62	8	.886	—
Indiana	44	28	.611	19
Cleveland	41	31	.569	22
Atlanta	40	31	.563	221/2
Detroit	39	31	.557	23
Charlotte	36	35	.507	261/2
Milwaukee	21	50	.296	411/2
Toronto	18	53	.254	441/2

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	W	L	Pct	GB
x-San Antonio	53	18	.746	—
x-Utah	50	21	.704	3
x-Houston	42	29	.592	11
Denver	30	41	.423	23
Minnesota	24	47	.338	29
Dallas	22	50	.306	311/2
Vancouver	11	59	.157	411/2

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Seattle	56	15	.789	—
x-L.A. Lakers	45	25	.643	101/2
Phoenix	36	35	.507	20
Portland	36	35	.507	20
Sacramento	32	38	.457	231/2
Golden State	31	41	.431	251/2
L.A. Clippers	27	45	.375	291/2

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Sunday's Games
Orlando 98, New York 79
Atlanta 93, Boston 92
Indiana 118, New Jersey 100
L.A. Lakers 111, Toronto 106
L.A. Clippers 110, Minnesota 107
Charlotte 121, Vancouver 88
San Antonio 97, Phoenix 83
Portland 115, Dallas 100
Sacramento 105, Cleveland 100, OT

Monday's Games
No games scheduled

Tuesday's Games
L.A. Clippers at Toronto, 6 p.m.
Chicago at Miami, 6:30 p.m.
Boston at Atlanta, 6:30 p.m.
New York at Indiana, 6:30 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at Charlotte, 7 p.m.
Detroit at Milwaukee, 7:30 p.m.
Sacramento at Dallas, 7:30 p.m.
Minnesota at Denver, 8 p.m.
Seattle at Utah, 8 p.m.
San Antonio at Phoenix, 8 p.m.
Vancouver at Portland, 9 p.m.
Houston at Golden State, 9:30 p.m.

Wednesday's Games
L.A. Clippers at New Jersey, 6:30 p.m.
Indiana at Philadelphia, 6:30 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at Cleveland, 6:30 p.m.
Charlotte at Detroit, 6:30 p.m.
Orlando at New York, 7 p.m.
Sacramento at San Antonio, 7:30 p.m.
Houston at Seattle, 9 p.m.
Minnesota at Vancouver, 9 p.m.

Thursday's Games
Cleveland at Toronto, 6 p.m.
Boston at Orlando, 6:30 p.m.
Washington at Atlanta, 6:30 p.m.
Miami at Chicago, 7:30 p.m.
Utah at Phoenix, 8 p.m.
Denver at Golden State, 9:30 p.m.

HOCKEY

NHL

All Times Local

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Philadelphia	40	22	13	93	258	194
N.Y. Rangers	39	21	14	92	256	210
Florida	39	28	9	87	243	218
Washington	36	29	11	83	215	189
New Jersey	34	29	12	80	198	181
Tampa Bay	34	29	12	80	220	231
N.Y. Islanders	20	47	8	48	207	293

Northeast Division

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
x-Pittsburgh	46	26	4	96	340	261
Montreal	39	30	8	86	252	232
Boston	36	30	10	82	262	254
Hartford	31	35	9	71	221	238
Buffalo	29	40	7	65	230	246
Ottawa	15	56	5	35	171	271

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
y-Detroit	58	12	5	121	299	164
x-Chicago	38	26	12	88	254	202
St. Louis	31	31	14	76	205	230
Toronto	31	34	12	74	229	237
Winnipeg	33	38	5	71	257	272
Dallas	24	38	13	61	210	255

Pacific Division

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
y-Colorado	43	23	10	96	300	222
Vancouver	30	33	15	75	266	270
Calgary	31	34	11	73	222	222
Edmonton	30	39	8	68	229	285
Anaheim	30	38	7	67	211	230
Los Angeles	22	38	17	61	238	285
San Jose	18	51	7	43	235	329

y-clinched division title
x-clinched playoff spot

Saturday's Games
Hartford 3, N.Y. Islanders 1
Pittsburgh 2, New Jersey 1
Montreal 3, Ottawa 1
Tampa Bay 2, Florida 1
Toronto 4, Edmonton 3

Sunday's Games
Boston 6, Buffalo 5
N.Y. Rangers 4, N.Y. Islanders 1
Philadelphia 4, Pittsburgh 1
Detroit 8, St. Louis 1
Chicago 5, Dallas 3
Tampa Bay 1, Washington 1, tie
Anaheim 4, San Jose 2
Winnipeg 4, Calgary 1

Monday's Games
Boston 1, Ottawa 1, tie
Buffalo 6, Montreal 4
Florida 3, Hartford 2
Edmonton 6, Vancouver 2

Tuesday's Games
Philadelphia at N.Y. Islanders, 6:30 p.m.
New Jersey at N.Y. Rangers, 6:30 p.m.
Detroit at San Jose, 9:30 p.m.

Wednesday's Games
Washington at Buffalo, 6:30 p.m.
Florida at Ottawa, 6:30 p.m.
Boston at Montreal, 6:30 p.m.
Hartford at Tampa Bay, 6:30 p.m.
Chicago at Toronto, 6:30 p.m.
Dallas at Winnipeg, 7:30 p.m.
St. Louis at Colorado, 8 p.m.
Vancouver at Calgary, 8:30 p.m.
Edmonton at Anaheim, 9 p.m.
Detroit at Los Angeles, 9:30 p.m.

BASEBALL

National

All Times Local

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	1	0	1.000	—
New York	1	0	1.000	—
Montreal	0	0	.000	— 1/2
Philadelphia	0	0	.000	— 1/2
Florida	0	1	.000	1

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Chicago	1	0	1.000	—
Pittsburgh	1	0	1.000	—
Cincinnati	0	0	.000	— 1/2
Houston	0	1	.000	1
St. Louis	0	1	.000	1

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Los Angeles	1	0	1.000	—
Colorado	0	0	.000	— 1/2
San Diego	0	1	.000	1
San Francisco	0	1	.000	1

Sunday's Games
No games scheduled

Monday's Games
Colorado at Philadelphia, ppd., weather
Atlanta 10, San Francisco 8
New York 7, St. Louis 6
Montreal at Cincinnati, ppd., umpire's death
Chicago 5, San Diego 4, 10 innings
Los Angeles 4, Houston 3
Pittsburgh 4, Florida 0

Tuesday's Games
Montreal (Fassero 13-14) at Cincinnati (Schourek 18-7), 1:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Neagle 13-8) at Florida (Burkett 14-14), 6:05 p.m.
Colorado (Ritz 11-11) at Philadelphia (Fernandez 6-1), 6:05 p.m.
Los Angeles (Valdes 13-11) at Houston (Swindell 10-9), 7:05 p.m.

Wednesday's Games
St. Louis at New York, 12:40 p.m.
San Diego at Chicago, 1:20 p.m.
Los Angeles at Houston, 1:35 p.m.
Colorado at Philadelphia, 6:35 p.m.
Montreal at Cincinnati, 6:35 p.m.
San Francisco at Atlanta, 6:40 p.m.

American

All Times Local

East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Toronto	1	0	1.000	—
Baltimore	0	0	.000	1/2
New York	0	0	.000	1/2
Boston	0	1	.000	1
Detroit	0	1	.000	1

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Minnesota	1	0	1.000	—
Cleveland	0	0	.000	1/2
Kansas City	0	0	.000	1/2
Milwaukee	0	0	.000	1/2
Chicago	0	1	.000	1

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Seattle	1	0	1.000	—
Texas	1	0	1.000	—
California	0	0	.000	1/2
Oakland	0	1	.000	1

Sunday's Game
Seattle 3, Chicago 2, 12 innings

Monday's Games
New York at Cleveland, ppd., snow
Kansas City at Baltimore, ppd., rain
Minnesota 8, Detroit 6
Texas 5, Boston 3
Toronto 9, Oakland 6

Tuesday's Games
New York (Cone 18-8) at Cleveland (Martinez 12-5), 12:05 p.m.
Kansas City (Appier 15-10) at Baltimore (Mussina 19-9), 2:05 p.m.
Detroit (Sodowsky 2-2) at Minnesota (Robertson 2-0), 7:05 p.m.
Chicago (Alvarez 8-11) at Seattle (Hitchcok 11-10), 9:05 p.m.
Milwaukee (Bones 10-12) at California (Finley 15-12), 9:35 p.m.

Wednesday's Games
Detroit at Minnesota, 12:15 p.m.
Chicago at Seattle, 5:35 p.m.
New York at Cleveland, 6:05 p.m.
Kansas City at Baltimore, 6:35 p.m.
Boston at Texas, 7:35 p.m.
Milwaukee at California, 9:35 p.m.
Toronto vs. Oakland at Las Vegas, 9:35 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS

Monday

BASEBALL
National League
ST. LOUIS CARDINALS—Placed OF Brian Jordan on the 15-day disabled list. Recalled OF Terry Bradshaw from Louisville of the American Association.
American League
BOSTON RED SOX—Announced the resignation of Bill MacKay, director of Florida operations.
CALIFORNIA ANGELS—Placed INF Damion Easley on the 15-day disabled list.
KANSAS CITY ROYALS—Designated P Rusty Meacham and P Bart Evans for assignment. Purchased the contracts of OF Patrick Lennon, P Julio Valera and P Terry Clark, from Omaha of the American Association. Optioned P Ken Robinson to Omaha. Placed P Jim Pittsley on the 15-day disabled list, retroactive to March 22.
FOOTBALL
National Football League
NEW ORLEANS SAINTS—Waived G Kendall Goo.
NEW YORK JETS—Signed G Roger Duffy and QB John Paci.
HOCKEY
National Hockey League
BOSTON BRUINS—Recalled LW Kevin Sawyer from Worcester of the AHL.

AL

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While the wind was blowing in Las Vegas, snow and rain forced the postponement of the Cleveland Indians opener against the New York Yankees and Baltimore's game against Kansas City.

In other games, the Minnesota Twins beat the Detroit Tigers 8-6 while the Texas Rangers beat the Boston Red Sox 5-3.

Twins 8, Tigers 6

Brad Radke and Matt Lawton made sure the Minnesota Twins didn't need Kirby Puckett on opening day.

With vision problems keeping Puckett out of the opening-day lineup for the first time since 1984, Radke struck out a career-high eight and Lawton had two hits and two RBIs while filling in for Puckett.

Radke, making the first opening-day start, gave up five singles in six innings. Dave Stevens worked the ninth for the save.

After John Flaherty opened the second with a hit, Radke retired 15 of the last 17 batters he faced. Dave Hollins had two hits, two RBIs and two runs scored in his Minnesota debut before a crowd of 30,195 at the Metrodome.

Felipe Lira was the loser, giving up six runs and eight hits in three innings.

Rangers 5, Red Sox 3

Ken Hill, making his debut for Texas, allowed eight hits in 8 2-3 innings.

Craig Worthington, starting because Dean Palmer has an injured hamstring, homered for the Rangers, who drew 40,484 to The Ballpark in Arlington, about 8,000 short of a sellout.

Hill pitched for St. Louis and Cleveland last year, then signed an $8.15 million, two-year deal with Texas. He struck out seven and walked none. After Tim Naehring homered in the ninth, Ed Vosberg finished for the save.

Roger Clemens, 3-1 in seven season openers coming in, allowed four runs and three hits in five innings, struck out five and walked six.

Track

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event. From the jumping events – where Keesha Lott, Krissi McWherter and Jaclyn Owusu dominated last weekend in Sundown – to the undefeated 1,600 relay team, the Lady Steers have a look of a squad that has every intention of defending its District 4-4A title.

But Kennedy has his girls thinking even bigger than that.

"In the past, our big focus has been on winning the district meet – and to a large degree, it still is," Kennedy said. "But we're also focusing on the regional meet ... But we know there's steps we've got to take. If we don't take care of business at district, we won't be at regional."

Of more immediate concern, however, is Thursday's meet, which Kennedy sees as a good warmup to next week's district meet.

"We see it as a springboard to the district meet," he said. "We're going to do some things differently – lighten the load of some of the girls – but the girls will compete hard."

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NCAA

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Rick Pitino knew he had something special at the beginning of the season, too. The coach who rebuilt the Wildcats from the ravages of probation in the late 1980s embraced the pressure and the expectations, tempted the possibility of yet another bitter defeat for his players and staff.

"Every fan they see on campus says, 'Win it all, win it all, win it all.' I wanted the pressure to be a vehicle," Pitino said. "I really haven't had a moment to feel elated, to feel good, because I just tried to make it good pressure and just work as hard as I possibly can and make that the focal point until the last buzzer sounds.

"And now I feel great."

Senior guard Tony Delk scored 24 points and tied a championship game record with seven 3-pointers in his Kentucky finale. He'll pass the torch to freshman swingman Ron Mercer, who scored a career-high 20 points and gave a tantalizing glimpse of his potential.

"Of the other schools I had on my list, Kentucky was the only one that really had a chance in the next two years to compete for the national championship," said Mercer, considered the best high school player in the country last year. "I figured I could go in there and learn from the seniors."

Mercer learned how a team can shoot only 38 percent and still capture a championship — the lowest percentage for a winning team in the final in 33 years.

Pitino kept telling his players during the timeouts, "It doesn't matter what you do offensively, you're going to win it at the defensive end."

The Wildcats unleashed their trademark pressure defense and forced Syracuse into 24 turnovers, 18 more than the Orangemen had in a semifinal victory over Mississippi State. They attacked the offensive boards with ferocity and held an 18-8 edge in that category. Their bench, the deepest bench in the country, outscored Syracuse's 26-0.

"We probably missed 15 shots right around 10 feet," Pitino said. "But we were very good with our ball movement. We had 22 assists. And when you can shoot 38 percent for the game and win, you know you're a great defensive team."

Kentucky also has a great tradition, beginning with the sport's winningest coach. Rupp won 876 games and lost 190 over 42 seasons, including four national titles from 1948 to 1958. Overall, the Wildcats have won 1,649 games — two more than North Carolina — and the six titles are second only to UCLA's 11.

Syracuse (29-9), on the other hand, has the most NCAA tournament victories without a title.

NL

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He's trying to follow Eric Karros, Mike Piazza, Raul Mondesi and Hideo Nomo — the last four winners — and become the 16th Dodger to claim the prize that began with Robinson in 1947.

Hollandsworth's hit gave Ramon Martinez his seventh consecutive regular-season victory. Martinez allowed three runs on six hits — including a homer by Jeff Bagwell — in six innings.

Darren Hall pitched two perfect innings, striking out three, before Todd Worrell worked a spotless ninth for the save.

Mets 7, Cardinals 6

With the Mets trailing 6-3 in the sixth inning, Ordonez ranged well behind second base to stop a grounder and threw across his body to retire the batter. Then he made a perfect pivot on a difficult inning-ending double play.

In the seventh, Ordonez threw out Royce Clayton — who starts ahead of Smith at shortstop — at the plate from his knees in short left field. In the bottom of the inning, the 24-year-old Ordonez got one of five hits as the Mets rallied for four runs.

Jerry DiPoto worked two innings to get the win. John Franco pitched the ninth for the save, but it wasn't his work he wanted to discuss.

"Scary," Franco said of Ordonez' defense. "And the guys that have played with him said you ain't see nothing yet."

Willie McGee hit a three-run homer in his return to the Cardinals, with whom his major league career began 14 years ago. But the St. Louis bullpen failed, giving Tony La Russa a loss in his first game as an NL manager.

Cubs 5, Padres 4, 10

Although he went hitless in three at-bats, Sandberg flawlessly handled seven chances at second base and walked for the second time in the game before Mark Grace beat Trevor Hoffman with a single.

"It was a good day for us and a special day for myself," Sandberg said, reflecting on his first game in 22 months following an abrupt retirement. "I was just glad to be part of it."

A crowd of 38,784 cheered every move of the 1984 NL MVP.

Both Rey Sanchez and Scott Servais homered and drove in two runs for the Cubs, helping reliever Bob Patterson get the win. Wally Joyner went 2-for-3 with an RBI in his first game with San Diego.

Braves 10, Giants 8

"We're a team. If one guy doesn't do so well, hopefully your teammates will pick you up," said Maddux, in a phrase almost foreign to him.

Ryan Klesko had a two-run homer and two-run single for Atlanta. Jeff Blauser, Fred McGriff, Mark Lemke and Jerome Walton also homered for the Braves.

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Expect unusual changes. One action could unleash multiple reactions. Be deliberate in your choices, especially with partners. There may be an emotional overtone to this year. You incorporate the art of diplomacy into your language. Your career will blossom, and you might be overwhelmed by choices. If you are single, romance blooms, and you will venture in new directions as a result. If attached, recognize that each of you is changing and needs to make necessary adjustments. LIBRA can challenge you.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) A full moon and an eclipse will be testing the caliber of your relationships today, within the week and within the next six months. Be cool, calm and collected, and do not unleash any forces you might regret later. A career matter is most demanding; tend to it promptly. Tonight: Cause no conflict! *****

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Easy does it is the best policy on this highly charged, vital day, when you are attempting to merge work and personal needs. Stay on one track at a time, and forget juggling different aspects of your life. Accept a sudden offer. Tonight: Take off on your own. ***

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You are unusually frisky but unsure where to put your energy. Listen carefully to what is happening with a loved one; a low-keyed response serves you right now. Push comes to shove too easily. Tonight: Vanish with a favorite person. *****

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Pressure could be intense today, so do what you can to maintain an even keel. Focus on priorities; don't get affected by a possible uproar. You might be overly sensitive when dealing with a loved one or friend. Tonight: The trick is to not overreact. ****

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Discussions open doors, though you might experience a jolt when dealing with someone. Examine what it is you want to do with a loved one who seems needy. A friend has inspiring suggestions. Work is demanding. Tonight: Go to a favorite spot. ****

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Handle all matters concerning money with kid gloves. Do not take risks, as finances are subject to change. But until you ascertain that the change is for the better, be conservative; it may take months to understand the financial implications of this period. Tonight: Veg. ***

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) You feel as if you have been launched, you are so full of energy. One note of caution, though: Avoid being impulsive, as a lunar eclipse in your sign could herald emotional changes in the next six months. Think before you leap. Tonight: Ask. ****

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) It might be advisable to cocoon today, but so much is going on, that you might not be able to do so. Others seek you out, and you cannot help but respond. The day is filled with demands. Do take some time off to yourself to think and consider. Tonight: Now vanish! **

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Stay focused on your desires. There are many distractions. Stay secure, and create what you want despite the uproar that surrounds you. Money matters need your cautious hand. You will have positive results, if you remain anchored. Tonight: Meet an old friend. *****

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Do not launch any missives that have negative ramifications. Maintain a low profile; you will be happier in the long run. Walking a conservative course is highlighted, even for you. A change is in the offing at work. Tonight: Burn the midnight oil, if you must. ****

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Your ability to detach may be weak right now. It is up to you to strengthen it. A change in plans is bound to occur. Do not worry about what is happening — just work with it. A new relationship or a change in an existing one is likely. Tonight: Plan a favorite escape. *****

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) One-to-one relating is highlighted. Do not give ultimatums; play it cool and make solid choices. Resist letting your emotions dictate your actions. This is a period to think rather than act, if possible. A change is likely within a friendship. Tonight: Hang at home. ****

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Good story is bad history, we learn to our chagrin

DEAR ABBY: I read your column and find it entertaining and often educational. But I think you have a problem. Today I read a "true" story in your column about a woman who couldn't remember the name of someone she ran into on the street. As she racked her brain, the other lady mentioned something about her brother. Figuring it might give her a clue to the lady's identity, the woman asked, "Your dear brother — what is he doing these days?"

Abigail Van Buren
Columnist

"He's still president of the United States," she replied. (She was Calvin Coolidge's sister.)

Well, Abby, that's a cute story, but it cannot possibly be true. President Coolidge's only sister died in 1890, many years before he became president in 1923.

If you print this, please do not use my name. — TEXAS READER

DEAR TEXAS READER: Well, hit me with a history book — but please, not too hard because I'm beginning to feel like a battered woman. I apologize for the error.

DEAR ABBY: Regarding "Frank's Wife in Springfield, Va.," whose husband wouldn't help with the thank-you notes for their wedding gifts: Thank you for printing her letter. It makes me realize once again how fortunate I am.

My husband and I have been married for almost six months. Not only did he help me address and mail all 250 of our wedding invitations, he also willingly helped me write and mail all of our thank-you notes. I'm a very lucky woman and say a prayer of thanks each night before I go to sleep.

My husband cooks most of the meals (he is an excellent cook, I might add) and helps me clean up afterward. On the weekends, he might do something with a friend from work, but only if it doesn't interfere with something that we might do together. This includes going to church, going shopping and cleaning our home.

He does little things for me all the time, and brings me little surprises such as my favorite snack or a bouquet of flowers. "Anything to make you happy," he says. I hope he realizes that he can't possibly make me any happier than he made me six months ago.

I don't think this is something that will soon pass. My husband and I dated for many years before we were married, and he treated me this way when we were dating.

I wanted to send you a new twist to the "husband" letters. Your single female readers need to know that thoughtful, wonderful men do exist. — DAVID'S WIFE IN TENNESSEE

DEAR DAVID'S WIFE: Thanks for the reminder. From time to time I get letters from men telling me they are disillusioned because they were taught to treat women with respect, and for that they have gotten nothing but rejection. You knew how to recognize a man with quality. May you both enjoy many healthy, happy years together.

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Education 055

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JANITOR

Methodist Malone & Hogan Clinic has an immediate opening for a part-time janitor. Minimum qualifications include 3 years of verifiable janitorial experience. Hours will be from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. If you are qualified for this position, please apply in person to the personnel office of Methodist Malone & Hogan Clinic, 1501 West 11th Place, Big Spring, Texas 79720.

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Instruction 060

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EMPLOYMENT

Help Wanted 085

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Salary Depends On Experience

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HIRING Derrick hands & Floor hands for Drilling rig. Apply at 607 Main, Big Spring.

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LAW ENFORCEMENT JOBS
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NEED MATURE LADY to work part-time in laundry. Must have good health, own car and work well with public. Details and application at 1208 Gregg St.

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Steere Tank Lines is now interviewing for qualified drivers. Steere Tank Lines requires 12 months verifiable tractor trailer experience, CDL license with Haz-Mat & Tanker endorsements. Must be 21 years of age, pass DOT physical and drug test. Company offers 401K, life, health and dental plans, driver retention and safety incentives. Also teams needed
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Help Wanted 085

NEED WELDER with Oilfield experience. Must have own truck and equipment. Call 267-8429 for appointment.

THE CITY OF BIG SPRING is accepting applications for the position of Jailer and Dispatcher. To check minimum qualifications, closing dates, and receive further information contact City Hall Personnel at 310 Nolan or call 264-2346. Applications will be accepted through Friday, April 5, 1996 at 5:00pm. THE CITY OF BIG SPRING IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER.

WANTED: Single hand shop welder. Mig & Arc welding experience required. Call 915-264-6600.

We are looking for an energetic and responsible customer service oriented Assistant Manager. The candidate we choose will have supervisory experience in a retail environment, be detailed oriented, and well organized. We require a high school diploma and one year of job related experience. Accounting background a plus. Your duties will include opening and closing the store, setting up displays, store security, and generally assisting the manager run a well merchandised, customer friendly, and profitable store. Contact David at Howard College Bookstore. 915-264-5050.

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Jobs Wanted 090

MOW YARDS, Remove & haul trees, stumps, trash. Odd jobs and cleaning. 267-5975.

Loans 095

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MISCELLANEOUS

Appliances 299

RENT-TO-OWN
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Auctions 325

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NURSE

Methodist Malone & Hogan Clinic has an immediate opening for a full time nurse in a busy doctor's office. Ideal candidate will be an LVN with 3 to 5 years clinical experience. We will consider an RN with the right experience. Salary is commensurate to experience, and a full benefit package is available. If you are qualified for this position, please apply in person to the personnel office of Methodist Malone & Hogan Clinic, 1501 West 11th Place, Big Spring, Texas 79720.

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TUESDAY APR. 2

	KMID (2) Midland	KPEJ (3) Odessa	KERA (5) Dallas	FAM (6)	KOSA (7) Odessa	WFAA (8) Dallas	KWES (9) Midland	WTBS (11) Atlanta	UNI (13) Spanish	DISN (14) Premium	NASH (15) Nashville	TMC (16) Premium	SHOW (29) Premium	HBO (22) Premium	KMLM(24) Odessa	A&E (25) New York	DISC (26) Discovery	TNT (28) Atlanta	HSE (29) Sports	ESPN (30) Sports	AMC (31) Classics	BET (33) Black Ent.
6 :PM :30	News Wh. Fortune	Simpsons Home Imp.	C. Sandiego Science Guy	Jesus of Nazareth	News (9111) Ent. Tonight	News Wh. Fortune	News (4227) Seinfeld	Home Videos Home Videos	Lazos de Amor (75918)	Once Upon a Forest (CC)	Dukes of Hazzard	(:15) Movie: Sweet Hearts	(661666)	(685208)	Light of the Southwest	Equalizer (949918)	Beyond 2000 Next Step	In the Heat of the Night	AVP (10531)	(423918) NHL Hockey:	Movie: Seven Sinners	Thea Benson
7 :PM :30	Roseanne Coach	Kindred: The Embraced	Nova (CC) (31463)	(CC) (776024)	The Client (CC) (66531)	Roseanne Coach	Wings 3rd Rock-Sun	(:05) Movie: Road House	Marisol Acapulco	(229869) Inside Out	A Look Back: Ralph Emery	Dance (97114004)	Movie: Legends of	Movie: Boys on the Side	(893111) BJ Robinson	Biography (416005)	Wild Discovery	NBA Basket-	Sportstalk NBA Basket-	New Jersey Devils at New	(216227) Movie: The	Roc Comicview
8 :PM :30	Home Imp. Dana Carvey	TBA	Wisdom of Faith	Rescue 911	Never Give Up: The	Home Imp. Dana Carvey	Frasier Larroquette	(14066376)	El Premio Mayor	Movie: The Great Waldo	Prime Time Country	Cops and Robbersons	the Fall (CC) (2783531)	(CC) (852043)	John Hagee (73463)	Inspector Morse:	Mystery Univ. World-Wond	geles Lakers at Charlotte	ball: Sacra- mento Kings	York Rangers (CC)	Blue Angel (449956)	Video Soul (898753)
9 :PM :30	NYPD Blue (CC) (1173)	Renegade (19227)	Frontline (CC) (37647)	700 Club (764289)	Jimmy V Story	NYPD Blue (CC) (71043)	Dateline (CC) (81983)	(:20) Movie:	Primer Impacto Noc.	Pepper (252937)	(944666) Club Dance	Movie:	(:15) Movie: The Paint Job	Mi Vida Loca (CC)	Praise the Lord	Service of All the Dead	P.T. Barnum -- Showman	Hornets Inside-NBA	at Dallas Mavericks	(341821) Baseball	Marlene Dietrich	
10 :PM :30	News Cheers	Home Imp. In the Heat of	News-Lehrer	Three Stooges	News Late Show	News Nightline	News (57260) Tonight Show	Point Break (66858956)	Noticiero Uni. P. Impacto	Coal Miner's Daughter	(517937) Country News	Britannia Hospital	(45824802)	(1562531) Ring of Fire 3:	(701550)	Law & Order (415376)	Next Step Beyond 2000	Movie: Executive	Press Box Press Box	Sportscenter	The Flame of New Orleans	Benson Roc
11 :PM :30	Roseanne Nightline	the Night LAPD	Movie: The Bad and the	Bonanza	Married... With	Ent. Tonight (:35) Rolonda	Late Night		Hoy con Daniela	(CC) (524666)	A Look Back: Ralph Emery	(6077647) Return of the	Red Shoe Love Street	Lion Strike		Biography (498869)	Wild Discovery	Action (549840)	Outdoors Americana	Baseball Motorcycle	(295734) Movie: The	Screen Scene Jazz Central
12 :AM :30	Rush L. Home Shop	Extra Star Trek	Beautiful (402918)	Paid Program Paid Program	Late Late Show	(3180685) News	Coach	(12:05) Movie: Red	(118192) Al Der-Derbez	Broken Arrow (CC)	Prime Time Country	Living Dead III	(11:50) Liar's Edge	(12:10) Blackout	Rnhrd Bonnke Update News	Inspector Morse:	Mystery Univ. World-Wond	Movie: Breaking	Fishing Texas Fishing	Racing NBA Today	Blue Angel (776591)	(454753) Comicview

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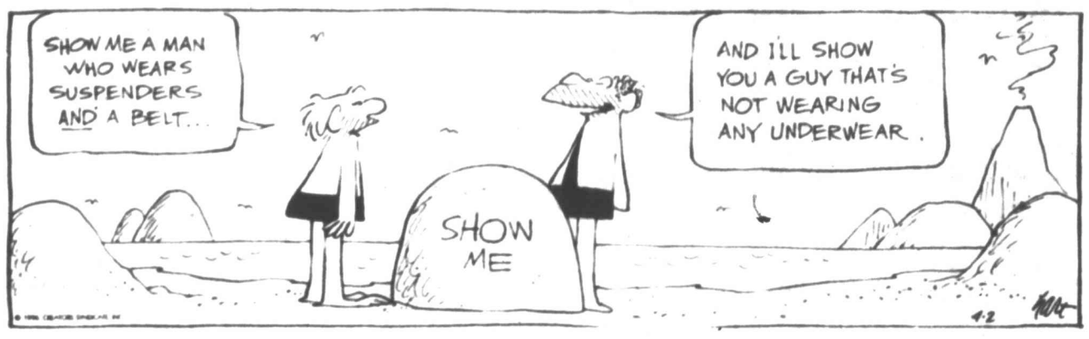

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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

Today is Tuesday, April 2, the 93rd day of 1996. There are 273 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On April 2, 1792, Congress passed the Coinage Act, which authorized establishment of the U.S. Mint.

On this date:

In 1513, Spanish explorer Juan Ponce de Leon landed in Florida.

In 1805, storyteller Hans Christian Andersen was born in Odense, Denmark.

In 1834, Frederic Auguste Bartholdi, the sculptor who created the Statue of Liberty, was born in Colmar, France.

In 1860, the first Italian Parliament met at Turin.

In 1865, Confederate President Davis and most of his Cabinet fled the Confederate capital of Richmond, Va.

In 1872, Samuel F.B. Morse, developer of the electric telegraph, died in New York.

In 1917, President Wilson asked Congress to declare war against Germany, saying, "The world must be made safe for democracy."

In 1932, aviator Charles A. Lindbergh and Dr. John F. Condon turned over $50,000 in ransom to an unidentified man in a Bronx cemetery in New York in exchange for Lindbergh's kidnapped son. The infant, however, was not returned, and was found dead the following month.

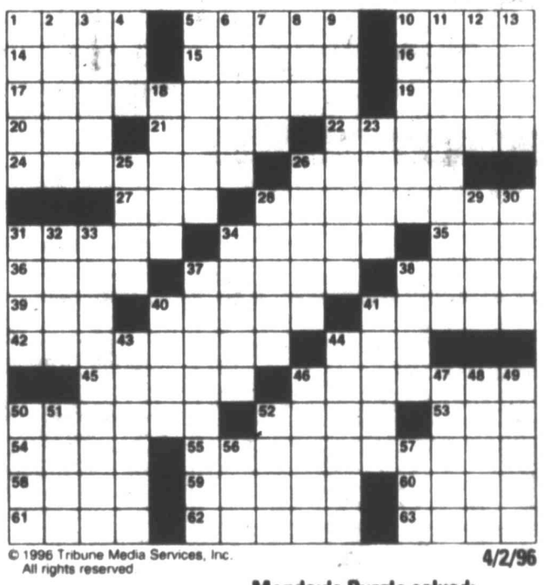
In 1942, Glenn Miller and his orchestra recorded "American Patrol" at the RCA Victor studios in Hollywood.

In 1956, 40 years ago, the soap operas "As the World Turns" and "The Edge of Night" premiered on CBS television.

In 1974, French President Georges Pompidou died in Paris.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Buddy Ebsen is 88. Actor Sir Alec Guinness is 82. The Archbishop of Chicago, Cardinal Joseph Bernardin, is 68. Actress Sharon Acker is 61. Actress Linda Hunt is 51. Singer Emmylou Harris is 49. Actress Pamela Reed is 43.

THE Daily Crossword by Mary E. Brindamour



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Monday's Puzzle solved:

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5 Persian Gulf country
10 Area meas.
14 "— a Male War Bride"
15 Weld
16 Edible fish
17 Broadway musical
19 Ethereal
20 NOW's concern
21 Elevator man
22 Temporary occasions
24 Breathe
26 Pile
27 Raw material
28 Some exams
31 Fit of resentment
34 Young salmon
35 Garfunkel
36 Peevish
37 Hollywood's Day
38 Draft status
39 Pie — mode
40 Alexander's birthplace
41 More impolite
42 Patios
44 Turkish hat
45 Goes sightseeing
46 Russian urn
50 Wheedle
52 Atmosphere
53 Guido's note
54 Muslim leader
55 Teenagers' event
58 Garr the actress
59 "You heard what —!"
60 US author, James
61 Gaelic
62 Musical sounds
63 Round up

DOWN
1 Readier to eat
2 Cognizant
3 Indian bigwigs
4 Red — beet
5 Four at cards
6 Actress Dickinson
7 Pedro's aunts
8 Bank adjunct letters
9 Comes in again
10 Position
11 Shifting ground
12 Regarding
13 Some votes
18 Kind of fabric
23 Feedbag contents
25 Serve tea
26 Lebanon's neighbor
28 Noblemen
29 Catalpa, for one
30 Night light?
31 Exam, briefly
32 Daughter of Eurytus
33 Mayonnaise containers?
34 Natives of Lodz
37 Broken down
38 Anise-flavored liqueur
40 Gauguin
41 Make new plans
43 Apartment sharer
44 Units of capacitance
46 "The World of — Wong"
47 Border
48 Make fit
49 Like an aster
50 Quote
51 Part of USA: abbr.
52 Islam summons to prayer
56 Same: pref.
57 Contented sound

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401 S. Main
Child "2" 263-7480 Adult "4"
BED OF ROSES PG
7:10-9:20
ALL DOGS GO TO HEAVEN 2 G
7:00
Robin Williams in
THE BIRD CAGE R
6:50-9:10
"HELL RAISER IV BLOODLINE R
9:00
All shows before 6 pm "2"
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