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HC trustees hold public hearing on budget; public doesn't attend

By STEVE REAGAN
Staff Writer

Months of work was distilled Wednesday into about 10 seconds of silence.

Howard College trustees held a public hearing on their proposed 1996-97 budget. The public, however, declined the invitation to attend.

With no one speaking either in favor

of or against the new budget, trustees unanimously voted to institute the \$15.77 million package during their Wednesday afternoon meeting.

Major features of the budget include a 3 percent, across-the-board pay raise for college personnel and a \$478,898 deficit that it not quite as bad as it seems on the surface. College President Cheri Sparks said the deficit will be made up by dipping into the dis-

trict's \$2.9 million fund balance.

"(The raise) is more than we gave last year, so it's a significant item (in the budget)," Sparks said. "Also, we're doing some things in the way of instructive technology, and that was a significant item, also."

The new technology Sparks referred to will allow the district to expand its interactive curriculum. Once this technology is in place, for example,

instructors in Big Spring can teach students at Howard's San Angelo campus or vice versa.

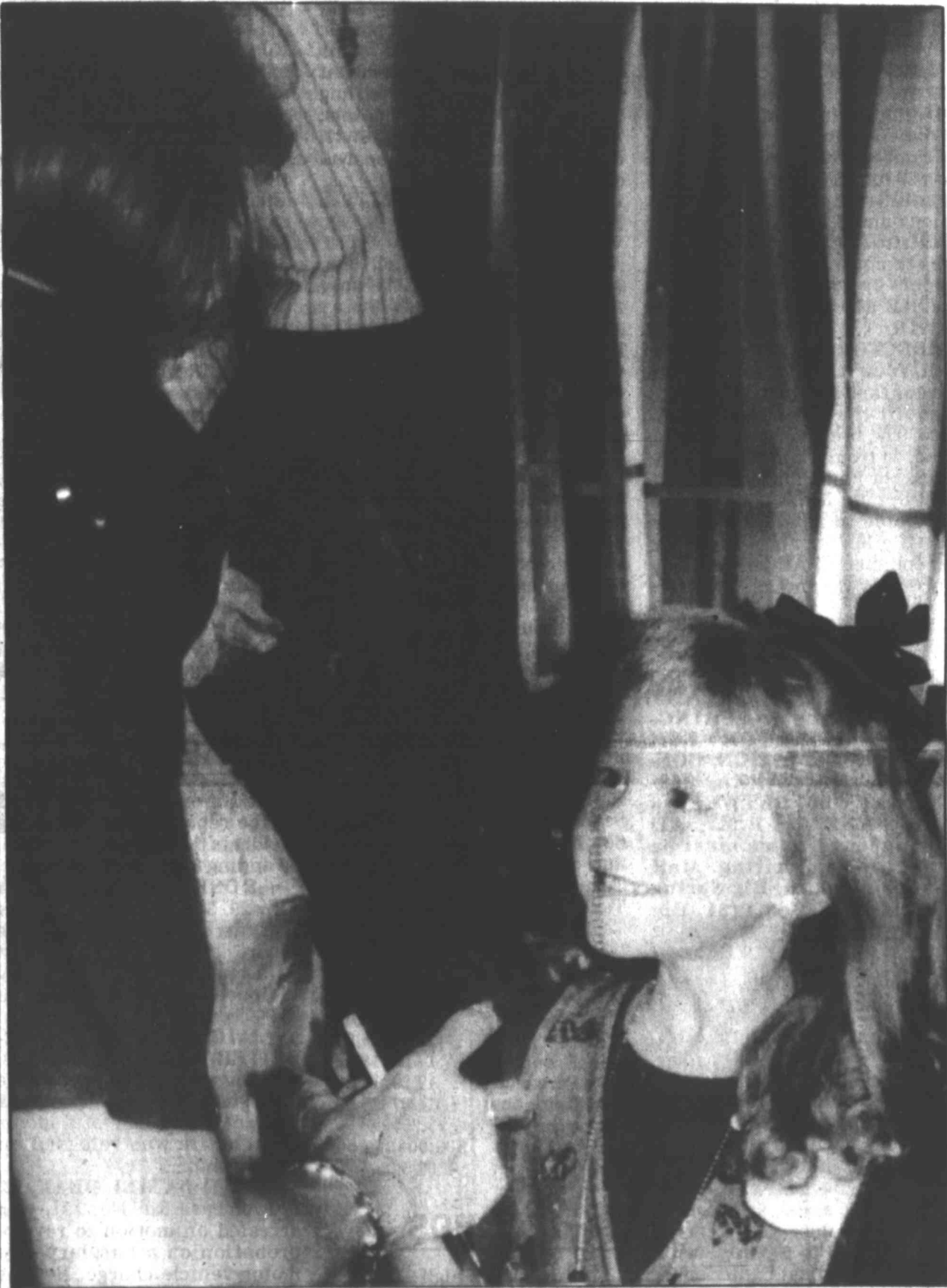
The new budget also makes provisions for a half-cent raise in the district's tax rate. A public hearing on the new rate - tentatively set at 20.5 cents per \$100 valuation - will be held at 12:30 p.m. Monday in the board room.

About \$2.18 million of the budget

will be raised through property taxes, according to district figures. The remainder of the monies will be raised through state and federal aid and various college tuition and fees.

Trustees also approved a \$4.03 million budget for SouthWest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf. SWCID's budget - which includes money for a new dormitory - is balanced, Sparks told trustees.

AN APPLE FOR TEACHER



Whitney Worthan gives an apple to her teacher, Helen Rainwater, after Whitney arrived for the first day of school at the Kindergarten Center Thursday morning. Several school districts in the area began the school year Wednesday.

Both sides rest in change-of-venue hearing on prices

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

Attorneys for both sides in the change of venue hearing for alleged price fixing of retail gas prices in Big Spring have rested their cases. The decision is now in the hands of 118th District Judge Robert Moore III, who won't make a decision until at least Aug. 28.

Defense attorneys submitted a post-hearing brief to Moore detailing their reasons for wanting to change the venue of the pending trial of six local gasoline companies and three defendants facing price fixing charges, after resting their case late Tuesday afternoon.

Assistant Attorney General Pedro Perez requested the two week delay so that the state could have time to prepare a post-hearing brief as well. As the state began presenting its case opposing the change of venue motion Wednesday morning, Assistant Attorney General Susan Huber began by requesting that Moore issue a directive verdict in the case because she claimed the defense did not meet their burden of proof.

Huber cited excerpts from the testimony of defense witnesses, including Big Spring Mayor Tim Blackshear, who along with other witnesses testified that the defendants in the case could not receive a fair trial in Howard County, but also testified that *Big Spring Herald* news articles they have read about gas prices in Big Spring have not caused them to have an opinion one way or the other in the case.

After hearing Huber's argument Moore denied the motion.

In attempting to prove that a fair trial can be had in Howard County and that the resident of the county can be fair and impartial jurors, Perez called Coahoma resident and Abilene

State School employee Lana Thomas to the witness stand.

Thomas testified that as a normal citizen she typically purchases gas at a couple of locations in Big Spring and one in

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Surveys results different for defense as well as state

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

Tuesday was the day defense attorneys presented their expert witness Dr. Larry J. Freshnoch, who presented the results of his survey of 400 Big Spring residents aimed at determining whether a fair trial can be had in Howard County - Wednesday the state got its turn.

The defendants named in the suit by Texas Attorney General Dan Morales' office for allegedly fixing retail gasoline prices in Big Spring are Big Spring Fuel Company; Southwest Convenience Stores Inc. of Odessa; Charles Byron Harris, doing business as Desert Oil Company of Big Spring; Parks Fuels Inc. of Big Spring; Ackerly Oil Company Inc. of Big Spring; Town and Country Food Stores Inc. of San Angelo; Robin Djon Stanford, vice-president of Big Spring Fuel Company; Charles Wesley Dunnam, president of Ackerly Oil Company; and Bob Charles Parks, vice-president of Parks Fuels Inc.

According to Freshnoch's testimony on Tuesday his survey

showed that 86 percent of the residents contacted by phone said the thought gas prices were higher in Big Spring than in other areas; 7 percent said they were the same, 1 percent said prices were lower; and 7 percent were unsure about the issue.

Eighty-six percent translates into 344 of the 400 people surveyed and the majority of them were unsure as to why prices were higher, but the Fina refinery being in town seemed to add a sense of mystery to the question according to Freshnoch, 12 percent said prices were high because of price fixing; 8 percent said because of greed; 2 percent because Big Spring is a small town; 8 percent said politics; and 2 percent said because of truckers and intermediaries.

Freshnoch said 62 percent of people surveyed were aware of the lawsuit filed by Morales own their own and 8 percent knew about the suit through aided awareness.

Approximately 60 percent of those surveyed received information through the newspaper; 16 percent through radio news;

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Forsan taxpayer thinks school district can do better job on meal finances

By STEVE REAGAN
Staff Writer

FORSAN - At least one Forsan taxpayer thinks his local school district can do a better job controlling its fiscal matters.

Roy Simmons, an advocate for lower taxes, said the Forsan Independent School District (ISD) has lost more than \$504,000 during the past five years in the area of food services, a figure he considers unacceptable.

According to school district figures, meal expenses exceeded income from students and government reimbursement by \$504,865 between 1991 and 1995. That averages out to a loss of almost \$154 per student, Simmons said.

Forsan ISD food service figures for the 1994-95 school year (the most recent figures available) stated that food costs outstripped income by \$99,582.

In comparison, Big Spring ISD experienced an \$88,000 food service shortfall in 1994-95. That figure shrank to approximately

\$15,000 the next year, primarily because of an increase in student lunch rates, BSISD Assistant Superintendent Ron Plumlee said.

Coahoma Superintendent L.D. Monroe said his district experienced a \$32,194 shortfall during the 1994-95 school year.

Forsan Superintendent George White said that food service shortfalls are nothing new to the district.

"It's been that way ever since I've been here," White said. "I've been here 27 years and I don't know of a year we didn't

have a shortfall (in food service) ... Hopefully, it will be a little less this year."

But the issue goes beyond it merely being a matter of the status quo. White said reducing the food service deficit is an iffy proposition.

Forsan has considered - and rejected - three possible courses of action:

- Kitchen consolidation - The district currently runs two kitchens - one at its Forsan campus (which serves the junior high and high school) and another at Elbow (which

serves the elementary school).

Consolidating food preparation under one roof would eliminate one set of expenses while creating another, White said. If kitchen service was consolidated, the district would either have to purchase equipment to maintain and transport the food between campuses, or bus students to lunch and back to campus.

"We don't feel like it would be cost-effective," White said.

- Increase student meal rates - The school district will charge students 50 cents for

breakfast and \$1 for lunch this school year. In comparison, Big Spring will charge \$1 for breakfast and \$1.25 for lunch at its secondary schools, while Coahoma will charge 50 cents for breakfast and \$1.25 for lunch to its secondary students.

An increase in Forsan's meal prices would definitely reduce the shortfall, but White said the board is resistant to such action.

"We pretty much have our (meal) prices in line with other

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Bob Dole's big night: Agonizing over every single word

SAN DIEGO (AP) - A single speech will commence his climb to the White House - or the denouement of his political life - and Bob Dole has agonized over every word. Now, it's showtime.

When he takes the podium at the Republican National Convention tonight to accept his party's presidential nomination, Dole will use plain-spoken language to focus attention on his massive tax-cutting economic proposal.

And on himself. As the convention's roll call of

states made his nomination official Wednesday night, Dole was ebullient.

"If I'd known winning the nomination was this much fun, I'd have done it years ago," quipped Dole, who failed in the 1980 and 1988 GOP primaries.

But the pressure of what could be the critical moment in Dole's campaign showed as he joked to a post-nomination rally Wednesday night. "I've got an early plane to catch tomorrow," and suggested that his wife would deliver the speech for him. Then he got serious.

"I've seen a number of Republican nominees accept the nomination and I know what a great responsibility it is. ... It's America's nomination," Dole said.

Dole is expected to use more than 40 minutes on stage to invite viewers into his history: his hard-luck youth in rural Kansas, his military service, and his contributions in Congress to the nation.

The core of his address will be his \$549-billion package of tax cuts and regulatory reforms - a plan that he sees as one of his best hopes for ousting President

Clinton. Indeed, the Dole campaign planned to publish the economic program in book form, hoping for release during the Democratic National Convention, Aug. 26-29.

After last-minute changes to the text that sent Dole's hired speechwriter packing his bags, the candidate kept his morning schedule clear today to practice his delivery. He planned just a half-hour "walk through" - a dress rehearsal without all the words - in the convention hall, followed by brief remarks to a luncheon honoring his wife.

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TODAY'S WEATHER

95 [▲] Highs **70**
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Today, sunny with a high in the mid 90s. Tonight, low around 70. Friday, high in the mid 90s, low in the upper 60s.



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OBITUARIES

Johnnie Broughton

Service for Johnnie Broughton, 69, Big Spring, will be 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 17, 1996, at the First Christian Church. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park. He died Wednesday, Aug. 14, in a Midland hospital.

Orilla Rena Strange

Graveside service for Orilla Rena Strange, 93, Dublin, was 2 p.m. today in the Pecan Cemetery in Erath County with Rev. David Leach officiating.

Mrs. Strange died Wednesday, Aug. 14, 1996, in the Golden Age Manor Nursing Home, Dublin.

She was born on Aug. 1, 1903, in Indian Territory, Okla. She married George Glenn Strange in 1928. He preceded her in death in 1977. She was a Baptist.

Survivors include one son: Glenn Strange, Dublin; two step-grandchildren, including Chuck Bagwell, Big Spring.

Arrangements under the direction of Harrell Funeral Home, Dublin.

Mary Addline Edwards

Service for Mary Addline Edwards, 87, Broken Arrow, Okla., formerly of Big Spring, will be 11 a.m. Friday, Aug. 16, 1996, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Russell Morris, from Broken Arrow, Okla., officiating. Interment will follow at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

Mrs. Edwards died Monday, Aug. 12, in Oklahoma.

She was born on Feb. 8, 1909, in Uvalde, and married John Bidy Edwards on Sept. 23, 1924, in Oglesby. He preceded her in death on June 17, 1972.

Survivors include seven sons: James Edwards, Frank Edwards, both of Big Spring, John Edwards, Jr., Winnesboro, Billy Edwards, Green Forest, Ark., Jack Edwards, Odessa, Tony Edwards, Broken Arrow, Okla., and Roy Edwards, Lamesa; six daughters: Joyce McGary, Carlsbad, N.M.; Mary Wood, Merced, Calif.; Penny Spencer, Vicky Ammons, Dolly Allen and Betty Allen, all of Broken Arrow, Okla.; 65 grandchildren; 126 great-grandchildren; 42 great-great-grandchildren; and three great-great-great-grandchildren.

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL

24th & Johnson 267-8288

Mary Lou Viera, 41, died Wednesday. Prayer service will be 7:00 PM Thursday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home Chapel. Funeral services will be 2:00 PM, Friday at Iglesia Bautista Central, with burial at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

Nalley-Pickle & Welch FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL

906 Gregg St. Big Spring, Tx. (915) 267-6331

Mary Addline Edwards, 87, died Monday. Services will be 11:00 AM Friday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Mt. Olive Memorial Park. Johnnie Broughton, 69, died Wednesday. Services will be 1:30 PM Saturday at First Christian Church. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park. John Smith 73, died Thursday. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

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John F. Smith

Service for John F. Smith, 73, Big Spring, is pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. He died Thursday, Aug. 15, 1996, at his residence.

Mary Lou Viera

Prayer service for Mary Lou Viera, 41, Big Spring, will be 7 p.m. tonight at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral service will be 2 p.m. Friday, Aug. 16, 1996, at Iglesia Bautista Central Church with Rev. Joe Torres officiating and assisted by Rev. Andres Rodriguez. Burial will follow at Mount Olive Memorial Park.



Ms. Viera died Wednesday, Aug. 14, in a Lubbock hospital following a short illness.

She was born on Jan. 17, 1955, in Big Spring. She was a lifetime resident of Big Spring and was a member of Iglesia Bautista Central Church and an employee of the Y.M.C.A. and Big Spring ISD in the Personalized Achievement Center and Job Training Partnership Act.

She is survived by her mother: Eulalia (LaLa) Viera, Big Spring; three brothers: Joe Viera, Sr., Sammy Viera, Sr., and Henry Viera, all of Big Spring; three sisters: Tina Islas, Connie Viera and Helen Hernandez, all of Big Spring; and several nieces and nephews.

Arrangements under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

VENUE

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Coahoma. "It's (gas) higher here than most anywhere else," Thomas testified.

She added that in conversations with friends and co-workers the subject of gas prices generally comes up and not only gas prices, but a lot of things in Big Spring seem to be higher than anywhere else.

The state also questioned other witnesses who echoed Thomas' testimony. Most of the state's witnesses, which weren't as many in number as were defense witnesses, also testified that they didn't read the newspaper very often or only on specific days and then only read specific sections, and that they listened to KBST and other area radio stations for music and entertainment.

"I feel most people in Howard County are fair and just people and would not make a decision until all the facts are in," Thomas said.

Howard County resident Greg Moore testified for the state that gasoline prices have not been an indept part of any of his normal conversations and that he usually reads the paper on Sunday for the sports and classified sections.

As to what influence the newspaper has and whether a fair trial can be had in Howard County, Moore said, "A few of my friends are influenced by what the read in the Herald, but I think people in Big Spring want the truth and will have an open mind."

Alan Johnson, owner of Alan's Furniture, testified that the defendants could get a fair trial in Howard County because he felt the people of Big Spring are fair, honest and Christian.

"People are aware of higher gas prices in Big Spring, but could be fair," Johnson said.

SURVEYS

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and 12 percent by word of mouth.

Freshnoch said 36 percent of the people surveyed thought the defendants were guilty; 48 percent were unsure; 7 percent said innocent; and 9 percent said they needed more information.

The state countered with John M. Pooter, who owns Pooter Consultants which is a public opinion research firm and conducted his own survey using 468 people.

Pooter started out with 1,303 people, but only 468 of the surveys were completed according to his surveying methods.

Pooter told the court that 468 out of 1,303 possible surveys meant a lower margin of error in his survey than in Freshnoch's, which used only 400 surveys after starting out with 2,800 people.

"My opinion is that a fair trial can be had and an impartial jury can be impaneled in Howard County," Pooter testified.

Pooter's results showed that only 28 percent of the people surveyed didn't think things were on track in the Big Spring area.

Pooter said that question was used in his survey to gauge the general attitude of the citizens about their community.

One-third of the people in Pooter's survey indicated that they follow local news very closely.

Less than 5 percent of those surveyed mentioned gas prices as one of the three most important problems facing the community.

Forty-four percent said yes they were aware of the companies and individuals being accused in the suit, and 59.8 percent said they could be fair and impartial jurors in the case compared to 28.4 percent who said they could not.

Seventy percent of those surveyed said Howard County could be fair and impartial and that the case should not be moved to Midland County.

Pooter's conclusions were that opinions about gas prices would not effect whether or not jurors in Howard County could be fair and impartial, and that there was not indication of hidden bias in the case.

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schools in the area," White said. "We've talked about (increasing prices), but the board felt we should stay with what we had."

Restrict salaries - White said that the most viable option in containing food service costs would be in the area of salaries, but he's hesitant to cut back in that area.

"The only way we've found to save money is to cut back on salaries," White said. "But we're not interested in cutting either the quantity or quality (of food service)."

White said the only realistic way of containing costs would be for food service supervisors to be more cost-conscious, but even that method might not result in substantial savings.

Simmons agrees that an easy solution to the problem is not forthcoming.

"To be honest, I don't know what the solution is," he said. "I wouldn't hazard (to propose a solution) on my own - I'm not the business manager for the district. My only assertion is that if the other districts in the vicinity can lower costs, certainly Forsan can."

IN BRIEF

THE COAHOMA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD of Trustees will have a special meeting at 7 p.m. Thursday in the board room of the administration building. The major item for the board-

Big Spring ON THE RUN

's attention will be further work on the proposed 1996-97 budget. Personnel matters also will be discussed.

BIG SPRING CLERGY NETWORK INVITES you to a seminar entitled "Living in a Step Family" with guest speaker John Setzer, counselor and Episcopalian minister from Midland.

The seminar is Tuesday, Aug. 20 with a continental breakfast starting at 8 a.m. and the program begins at 8:30 a.m. There will be a question and answer session from 9:15 to 9:30 a.m. It is at Comanche Trail Nursing Home, 3200 Parkway. To RSVP, call Murph Watson at 264-0500 or (915) 634-0550.

A ONE-DAY WORKSHOP FOR MANAGERS and board members of non-profit organizations is scheduled for Aug. 20 at the Dora Roberts Community Center.

"Fundraising, Time Management, Planning and Evaluation in Today's Lean Work Environment" is the title of the workshop sponsored by the Big Spring Cultural Affairs Council of the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce. The fee is \$25 for all three sessions, \$15 for individual two-hour sessions and \$30 at the door. For registration information, call the chamber at 263-7641.

THE HOWARD COUNTY FAIR BOARD OF DIRECTORS is sponsoring an All-You-Can-Eat Pancake Breakfast and fundraiser to benefit the children's Pet-A-Zoo. The breakfast is Saturday, Aug. 24 from 7 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. at Santa Fe Sandwiches in the Big Spring Mall. Tickets are available in advance for \$4 at the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, Athletic Supply and Posey Cotton Co.

SPRINGBOARD

IF YOU HAVE ANY CHANGES IN A SPRINGBOARD ITEM OR FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT GINA GARZA, 263-7331 ext. 238, BETWEEN 8 A.M. AND 2 P.M. All Springboard items must be submitted in writing. Mail to: Springboard, Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, Texas 79726; bring it by the office at 710 Scurry; or fax it to 264-7305.

Good Shepherd Fellowship Church, 610 Abrams, has services 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Spring Tabernacle Church, 1209 Wright, has free food for area needy, 10 a.m. to noon.

Big Spring Senior Citizens Center art classed, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., 55 and older.

Al-Anon, 8 to 9 p.m., Scenic Mountain Medical Center small cafeteria.

Alcoholics Anonymous, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting, 615 Settles, 8 to 9 p.m. closed meeting at Scenic Mountain Medical Center cafeteria.

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

Rackley-Swords Chp. 379 Vietnam Veterans of America, 7 p.m., 124 Jonesboro Road.

Big Spring High School football tickets sale for season ticket holders, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Closed from 12 to 1 p.m.

Friends of the Library of Howard County monthly meeting, 7 p.m., library. If you are a member of the Friends of the Library or interested in becoming one, please attend the meeting. For more information, contact Irene LeMarr at 394-4424 or any Friend of the Library. "Proud Patrol" will meet 5:30 p.m., Dora Roberts Community Center.

TEXAS LOTTERY LOTTO: 6, 22, 23, 35, 44, 46 PICK 3: 1, 7, 8

FRIDAY - Spring City Senior Citizens country/western dance, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. Music by CW & Co. Area seniors invited.

Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting and 8 to 9 p.m. Big Book Study.

Big Spring High School football tickets sale for season ticket holders, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Closed from 12 to 1 p.m.

SUNDAY - Good Shepherd Fellowship Church, 610 Abrams, has services 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.

MARKETS

Oct. cotton futures 73.65 cents a pound, down 20 points; Sept. crude oil 21.90, down 22 points; Cash hog steady at 61 cents even; slaughter steers steady at 66 cents even; Aug. live hog futures 60.65, down 32 points; Aug. live cattle futures 67.47, down 10 points. Courtesy: Delta Corporation.

Noon quotes provided by Edward D. Jones & Co. Index 5656.90 Volume 91,158,290

Table with market data including Amoco, Atlantic Richfield, Atmos Energy, Boston Chicken, Cabot, Chevron, Chrysler, Cifra, Coca-Cola, De Beers, DuPont, Exxon, Fina, Ford Motors, Halliburton, IBM, Laser Indus LTD, Mesa Ltd. Prt, Mobile, Norwest, NUV, Pepsi Cola, Phillips Petroleum, Polaris, Rural/Metro, Sears, Southwestern Bell, Sun, Texaco, Texas Instruments, Texas Utils. Co, Unocal Corp, Wal-Mart, Amcap, Euro Pacific, I.C.A., New Economy, New Perspective, Van Kampen, Prime Rate, Gold, Silver.

RECORDS

Wednesday's high 94 Wednesday's low 69 Average high 95 Average low 70 Record high 104 in 1969 Record low 62 in 1967 Rainfall Wednesday 0.00 Month to date 1.53 Month's normal 0.64 Year to date 6.50 Normal for the year 11.42 **Statistics not available

POLICE

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following incidents during a 24-hour period, ending 8 a.m. Wednesday: JOSE MANUEL JIMENEZ

JR., 21, 308 N.W. 10th, was arrested on local warrants.

MELODY LYNN GAY, 35, 120 Airbase Rd., was arrested on local warrants.

BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE was reported on the 2200 block of Morrison and the 3500 block of Calvin.

JOSE LUIS DELACRUZ, 35, 1104 Mulberry St., was arrested on a charge of criminal trespass.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported on the 1500 block of Kentucky Way.

THEFT OF GAS was reported on the 1500 block of Marcy Dr.

JOSE MENDEZ CUELLAR, 33, 1305 Elm St., was arrested on a charge of driving while license invalid.

NANCY GUZMAN, 28, 120 Airbase Rd. No. 152, was arrested on local warrants.

THEFT was reported on the 400 block of Union St.

FEDERICO SALGADO, 46, 2911 W. Hwy. 80 No. 3, was arrested on local warrants.

LEONIDES VELA JR., 18, 4103 Muir St., was arrested for unlawfully carrying a weapon.

DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported on the 800 block of W. Sixth St.

BENNY MARTINEZ, 22, Colorado City, was arrested on a Denton County warrant charging burglary of a vehicle.

LEWIS MARTIN MUNOZ, 22, Colorado City, was arrested on a revocation of probation for DWI charge.

PEDRO CHAVARRIA, 26, 1210 Marjio St., was arrested on a charge of assault-family violence.

JAMIE CHAPPELL, 19, 800 W. Marcy Dr. No. 6, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

TANYA SHRUM, 19, 800 Marcy Dr. No. 6, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

SHERIFF

The Howard County Sheriff's Office reported the following incidents during a 24-hour period ending 8 a.m. Wednesday:

ROSEND MONTANA JR., 29, 301 N.W. 10th St., was transferred from the police department following his arrest on a charge of assault-family violence. He was released on \$3,000 bond.

MICHAEL LEE MARBEITER, 21, 2612 Chanute Dr., was transferred from the police department after his arrest on a charge of burglary of a motor vehicle. He was released on \$1,000 bond.

CHAD DANIEL DEAX, 23, 120 Airbase Rd. No. 191, was arrested on motion to revoke probation on a burglary of a motor vehicle charge. He was released on \$5,000 bond.

HELEN ORTEGA, 38, 1504 Donley St., was arrested on a motion to revoke probation on a charge of indecency with a child.

LEONARD DOMINGUEZ, 36, Slaton, was arrested on charges of driving while license suspended and public intoxication.

JESUS ZARAGOSA RIOS, 62, 711 N.W. Ninth St., pleaded guilty to a charge of DWI. He was sentenced to 10 days in jail (probated) and ordered to pay \$777 in fines and court costs.

SANDRA KING, 46, 311 Driver Rd., was arrested on a charge of class C assault. She was released on \$1,000 bond.

Summer Into Fall 50% off All Summerwear Hurry In For Savings in time for Back-To-School Beth Ann's 2112 Scurry Street Big Spring, Tx. Hrs. 10 AM til 6 PM Mon.-Sat. Ph. 264-0512

Celebrating 11th Anniversary You Are Invited to a: Spiritual Refreshing! August 16, 17, 18 at Spring Tabernacle 1209 Wright St. 7:30 P.M. Nightly 7:30 P.M. Jesus said: Let him that is thirsty come to me and drink... You All Come! Evangelist Mickey, Angie & Melissa Munoz Pastors: Arnold & Mona Lue Tonn For more info: 263-2053 or 530-0509

TEXAS BRIEFS

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Texas physician returns bodies of sister, niece to state

DALLAS — A Texas physician has brought the bodies of his sister and niece, both victims of the TWA Flight 800 explosion, to the state because of family ties here.

Alecia Nelson, a former TWA flight attendant who had become a writer, was on her way to an Italian conference with daughter Twyla when the jumbo jet blew up and crashed after takeoff from Kennedy airport.

Dr. Joseph Carlos said Wednesday that the recovery of 8-year-old Twyla's body within the last 24 hours would make possible a double funeral with her 46-year-old mother Friday.

"My sister theoretically wasn't supposed to be on that flight," said Carlos. "She was on a flight that was canceled so they put her on that flight. She was supposed to fly from New York to Rome direct, but they wanted to send her through Paris. So when the plane crashed that day, I didn't think much about it."

He said he read his sister's name in a newspaper after the July 17 crash.

Government's key witness takes stand in sodomy case

SAN ANTONIO — A woman who claims an Air Force major is a lesbian has shaky credibility and wants to destroy a military career, say defense attorneys in the officer's court-martial.

The prosecution's key witness in the sodomy trial of Maj. Debra L. Meeks testified Wednesday she had an "intense" homosexual relationship with Meeks and that the officer once threatened her with a gun.

"I was her wife, essentially," said Pamela Dillard, testifying about her live-in relationship with Meeks.

In sometimes graphic detail, Dillard described sexual acts she claims the two women performed and identified cards and letters she said were "love notes" Meeks wrote to her.

"It was great, it was intense, and it was very good," Dillard said. "We had an intense emotional and physical relationship going on."

Texas congressmen request stay in redistricting case

HOUSTON — Three Texas congressmen are asking a federal court panel to halt its own order redrawing 13 congressional districts and throwing out primary election results.

The call for a stay Wednesday by U.S. Reps. Sheila Jackson Lee, Gene Green and Eddie Bernice Johnson is the first step towards bringing the contentious Texas case back before the U.S. Supreme Court.

If the three-judge panel refuses to reverse itself as expected, Jackson Lee, Green and Johnson will appeal to the high court.

The Democrats are challenging the redesign last week of Jackson Lee's 18th District in Houston, Green's 29th in Houston and the 30th in Dallas held by Johnson.

"I do not question for a moment the court's ... hard work," Keith Ellison, attorney for Jackson Lee and Green, said. "I do believe the papers we filed today (Wednesday) make clear that error was committed, inadvertently but seriously, in the redistricting of these lines."

Texas Tech researcher blames fungi for "sick buildings"

LUBBOCK — Some people are sick of their jobs. Others are sick because of their jobs.

So says a Texas Tech microbiologist who believes abnormally high fungal accumulations inside buildings with poor ventilation systems are what cause office workers to come down with "building-related illnesses."

David Straus, a researcher at the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, blames sealed windows and limited ventilation found in most modern construction for "sick building syndrome."

"You can't keep fungal spores from coming into buildings on people's clothing, through doors and other ways," Straus said Wednesday.

Study: Non-smokers wed to smokers risk heart

DALLAS (AP) — A marriage between a smoker and a non-smoker can be a dangerous affair of the heart.

A study published Wednesday in the American Heart Association journal Circulation found that people who had never smoked but were married to smokers had about a 20 percent higher risk of dying of heart disease than non-smoking couples.

The finding supports the conclusions of 14 previous studies linking heart disease and secondhand smoke, the study's authors said.

"The bottom line is that smokers should cease smoking for their own good and for the good of those about them," said Dr. Clark Heath, a co-author and vice president-epidemiology for the American Cancer Society.

Researchers analyzed data gathered by the society during a cancer prevention study. The tobacco industry obtained the same data several years ago and concluded that secondhand smoke does not promote heart disease, but the researchers said that study was flawed.

The tobacco industry's consul-

tant "emphasized the results for 'any' spousal exposure to environmental tobacco smoke, which dilutes the effects among current smokers by including former smokers," they said.

The consultants also did not consider other data, such as current self-reported exposure to environmental tobacco smoke and whether it agreed with spousal reports of current smoking, the authors said.

The cancer society looked again at the data of 479,680 single and married nonsmokers, some of whom had spouses who

smoked.

The subject group's sheer size also will help combat criticism that previous studies were too small to be statistically important, said Stanton Glantz, a cardiology professor at the University of California at San Francisco who did not take part in the study.

"This is a tremendous step forward," he said.

Volunteers in the study filled in questionnaires requesting such information as race, medication use, smoking history and alcohol intake.

'Free world pizza night' dropped at Huntsville

HUNTSVILLE (AP) — Officials say a "free world pizza night" at the Estelle Unit of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice has been canceled.

Plans were in the works for pizza for inmates to be delivered to the prison on Aug. 23.

But it was called off after some prison employees anonymously sent the local news media a copy of the memo authorizing the event. It was signed by the unit's senior warden, F. Figueroa.

Apparently, officials were arranging for pizza to be delivered to inmates at other units as well.

Wayne Scott, executive director of the TDCJ, said Wednesday he has ordered an immediate halt to the practice.

"This is totally inappropriate, and it will not be condoned," Scott said. "Consider it canceled for that night and forever."

"Inmates have privileges enough and enough to eat without free-world pizza," Scott said in a prepared statement.

It is unclear whether money from inmate trust funds or taxpayer money was being used to pay for the pizza deliveries.

According to Figueroa's memo, all inmates in medium, minimum and safekeeping security levels would be eligible to order pizza from a Huntsville pizza establishment on Aug. 23.

The inmates were given a choice of cheese, pepperoni or hamburger toppings on their pizza.

Gary Johnson, institutional

division director for TDCJ, said he plans to investigate the matter.

"I'm disturbed that such an idea was even concocted on state time, and I will put a high priority into seeing how it came about," Johnson said.

An employee at Mr. Gatti's in Huntsville told The Huntsville Item this was the first time that his business had received such a delivery request from the Estelle Unit.

But he said that three other prison units in the Huntsville area — Wynne, Holliday and Eastham — routinely requested this type of service, sometimes as frequently as every two months.

The employee, who was not identified, said he understood

that prison pizzas were paid for on a charge account, but was unclear about the specifics.

TDCJ spokesman Larry Fitzgerald said he expected to have more details today.

"Without further looking into it, I don't see how taxpayer money could have been used for it," Fitzgerald said.

According to the memo authorizing the pizza bash, the inmates had to have money in their commissary fund in order to order the pizza.

The inmates can establish a trust fund, but they do not have direct access to actual cash. They can purchase items from the prison commissary and have the money deducted from their fund.

Mexican truckers halt cargo into Laredo over border delays

LAREDO (AP) — Mexican truckers' complaints about long lines at international crossings have prompted even longer waits as drivers blocked cargo into this border city.

Truck drivers parked their rigs Wednesday in the northbound and southbound lanes of the Mexican side of the bridge, blocking all commercial truck traffic.

That backed up vehicles for blocks along Interstate 35 north of the border. More than 200 trucks blocked IH-35, along with a line six miles long in Nuevo Laredo, Mexico after the protest began at about 10 a.m.

"That's the problem, Operation Hard Line. They don't like it, but we are not going to be lenient with the operation,"

said Joe Garcia, director of trade compliance for the U.S. Customs Service in Laredo.

The protest over U.S. trade regulations was the third in the city this year and one of several similar demonstrations by Mexican truckers along the Texas border in recent months.

"Their concerns are that U.S. Customs is not processing their loads fast enough," said Richard Perez, an assistant to Laredo City Manager Florencio Pena. "They felt that they could do a better job and open more lanes to help facilitate the speedy movement of trade across the border."

Perez, along with the mayors of Laredo and Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, met Wednesday afternoon with Customs officials and

a representative for the truck drivers.

"The problem is that Mexican drivers are unhappy. The U.S. side spends an incredible amount of time inspecting cargo," said Carlos Fernandez, owner of Fernandez Transfer.

Garcia admitted that delays for cargo and drug inspections are lengthy, but said truck drivers could cut down on traffic by using another bridge 18 miles outside of town.

The second crossing, called the Colombia bridge, processes just 800 trucks daily, compared with 3,500 trucks at the downtown bridge. Yet facilities at the Colombia bridge are newer and more spacious, Garcia said.

"You have an empty bridge sitting there, while our

resources are being stretched to the limit here," he said. "It looks like 4 o'clock rush hour every day because everybody's trying to cross here."

Mexican truckers have complained that the Colombia bridge is not as convenient.

Mexican freight operators have been licensed by the state in which they work. There is a national operators license, but truckers contend it is more costly, Garcia said.

In addition, Tamaulipas officials are averse to truckers using the Colombia bridge because it would take away bridge tolls from that state.

"It's a political hot potato for them," Perez said.

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Quote of the Day

"To know all things is not permitted."

-Horace

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Powell at the podium

Neither Ronald Reagan in 1980 or 1984, nor George Bush in 1988 or 1992, ever disdained the vote of a single American. Yet somehow the idea that the GOP is an "exclusive" party — no pro-choice, people of color or affirmative-action proponents need apply — has stealthily bound the Republicans of 1996 in the Lilliputian ropes of perception. A giant burst the ropes Monday night at the GOP Convention.

It was the misfortune of Gen. Colin Powell, the former Joint Chiefs chairman and Gulf War strategist, to follow a heart-tugging film tribute to Ronald Reagan and a brief but poignant speech by the ailing Gipper's wife, Nancy. Human emotions can be wrong only so much in one night.

Nonetheless, Powell's remarks were substantive and instructive. Calling the GOP the party that best represents "the principles of freedom, opportunity and limited government upon which our nation was founded," the son of Jamaican immigrants was forthright about his differences with most of the assembled: "You all know that I believe in a woman's right to choose and I strongly support affirmative action." Yet here was Powell, the climactic speaker of the evening — flesh-and-blood refutation of the myth of a Republican litmus test.

Of course, the GOP is officially pro-life and anti-quota. These are anything but shameful positions, and, like their opposites, reveal nothing per se sinister about the hearts of those who hold them. But essentially what unites Republicans, Powell said, is the belief that big government is the enemy of freedom, economic growth and a better life for everyone. Along these lines, all must agree with him that any vestigial racism should be ripped out of society "branch and root."

Powell's words were moderate. Powell is a Republican. These facts will not be lost on voters gulled into thinking that the GOP requires a catchism. The general turns out to be a pretty fair recruiter.

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It's understandable why the Republicans in San Diego this week have chosen to take a bath in sweetness and light rather than hold a political convention with some bite to it.

The Republican Congress got itself portrayed as nasty and brutish this past year. The GOP's presidential candidate remains a light year or so behind in the polls. If the face Republicans present to TV viewers isn't pleasant and they can't hold hands with one another, the prospects this fall are dismal.

It's also less than professional for some spokesmen for the TV networks to complain so loudly that the proceedings are not to their liking as drama. Their job is to report what's happening, to be accurate, to be fair and to be undecieved, not to revel in conflict and disarray. If there's no blood on the sidewalk, it's not the journalist's job to demand someone put it there.

And it's untrue that the gathering has been wholly devoid of stimulating content. Colin Powell gave a superb speech. Senator Kay Hutchinson of Texas outlined a credible case against the ideological flightiness of the Clinton administration. Representative Susan Molinari, in a terse keynote speech, explained in

clear, practical terms how reduced taxes can improve American lives. A number of governors and others have pointed to basic political principles that to some degree differentiate Republicans from Democrats.

All that being said, the Republicans have so far ducked many of the nation's most pressing issues and, it seems to us, have assumed that a patronizing cheeriness is more politically effective than the uses of intellect. Nowhere was this more evident than when the new Newt Gingrich spoke instead of the old Newt Gingrich, who is one of the most engaging, alert, provocative and analytically minded politicians in the land. The new Newt gave us a few kind-hearted generalities. The old Newt might have detailed in precise, convincing language how President Clinton thwarted Congress's courageous effort to curb runaway spending and then — miraculously — escaped blame for his own role in shutting down the government.

The Republicans have more to say than they've been saying, and it's a shame the public won't hear much about some of their best ideas.

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Right wing now clearly dominates the GOP

By LEONARD LARSEN
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WASHINGTON — The Dole-Kemp presidential campaign and the Republican Party, now "united" and boosted by a smoothly-run and choreographed nominating convention, still face an uphill struggle from San Diego to election day.

And win or lose on Nov. 5, the election likely will mark a moment of great change for the party of Dwight Eisenhower and Barry Goldwater and Richard Nixon and Gerald Ford and Ronald Reagan and George Bush, even of Bob Dole and Jack Kemp.

In a political party — a "Reaganite" party — now so far to the right that Goldwater, the father and for a time the guiding spirit of a revived GOP conservatism, is regarded by some Republicans as a suspect leftist, Republican "moderates," if there are any left to accept that label, may become the dodo birds and carrier pigeons of politics — extinct, at least in their present form.

Should Dole — regarded most of his political life as a moder-

ate — win the White House, chances are his victory would only buy a little more time for the thinning ranks of party moderates, most of whom have already been shamed into silence or into boasting that they are conservatives, too.

Should the Dole ticket lose and President Clinton be re-elected, as polls still suggest even with Dole's "bounce" after San Diego, Dole will become unmentioned Republican history and, chances are, Republican moderates — those that can be located — will be shown the door.

What became clear in San Diego, more clear than it was four years ago at the GOP convention in Houston, is that the uncompromising right wing — the evangelicals of the Christian Coalition, the obstreperous followers of Pat Buchanan and all the other assorted single-issue activists on the right — now dominates the GOP and its machinery.

Buchanan's hate-mongering speech in Houston in 1992 was widely viewed as offputting to millions of American voters and damaging to the Bush re-election campaign. Maybe so.

But if Republican moderates

are credited with winning the Dole nomination, that's all they've won while religious conservatives and right-wing caustics have taken over control of the party, as they've intended the last several years.

It wasn't, for example, a demonstration of Dole's grip on the party convention when he — the party's nominee for president — had to back off from his instruction that the party platform contain some small but prominent notice that pro-choice views would be "tolerated" in a party platform dictated by unbending pro-life activists and other dogmatists of the right.

Even when Dole's handlers showcased a few "moderates" for prime-time TV speeches, their moderate views were required to go unspoken or — in the case of Gen. Colin Powell — were crafted only for the appearance of a "big tent" party where all were welcome.

And if there was any notion that Buchanan had disgraced himself and diminished his career in politics by his antics in Houston, it's obvious now he didn't. He survived — even thrived — in 1996 as a losing candidate running on a

shoestring in the presidential primaries. And he presided on the eve of the San Diego Republican Convention at a "Go Pat Go" rally for several thousand of his still-feverish supporters.

At that rally and the next day, Buchanan gave lip service endorsement to the Dole campaign while serving notice that he and other true-blue conservatives would rid the party of moderates and he'd reposition himself for another presidential run in 2000.

Whatever the outcome, now it would appear that moderates, most of whom seem now to lack the inclination and grit to fight for respectability inside a Republican Party turned to the right, might be recruited to a realigned third party.

And some day down the road, outcast Republican moderates, independent voters, maybe Reform Party people disenchanted with Ross Perot and — yes — disaffected Democrats fed up with a Clinton White House and Clinton politics might discuss a serious effort for a new third party.

(Leonard E. Larsen writes commentaries twice weekly for Scripps Howard News Service.)

Colorblind justice in age of affirmative action

By PAUL CRAIG ROBERTS
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In our book, "The New Color Line: How Quotas and Privilege Destroy Democracy," Larry Stratton and I document the transformation of the 1964 Civil Rights Act from a statute explicitly forbidding racial preferences into a weapon used to coerce employers to adopt quotas.

We show that quotas are based on an intentional misreading of Title VII and are strictly illegal under the 1964 Act.

On Aug. 8, the federal Third Circuit Court of Appeals agreed. The court ruled the Piscataway, N.J., Board of Education violated Title VII when it fired Sharon Taxman, an "overrepresented" Jewish female schoolteacher, to make room for a black woman under the system's affirmative action plan.

The court has ordered the school district to pay Taxman \$144,000 in back pay.

The defeated school attorney, David Rubin, understood the significance of his loss: "If this decision stands, I would certain-

ly be required to advise the districts I represent that they should completely ignore race in any employment decision."

That Rubin views the colorblind requirement as a startling development indicates how entrenched race and gender quotas have become.

The 1964 Civil Rights Act prohibits employment discrimination on the basis of "race, color, religion, sex or national origin." However, the Clinton administration supported Sharon Taxman's dismissal on the grounds that it promoted "racial diversity."

After checking the text of legislative history of Title VII, the judges found that "there is no congressional recognition of diversity as a Title VII objective."

Following the "language of Title VII itself," the court concluded "a nonremedial affirmative action plan cannot form the basis for deviating from the anti-discrimination mandate of Title VII."

Taxman's layoff was thus illegal. Taxman's Third Circuit victory comes on top of the Fifth Circuit's recent Hopwood rul-

ing, which struck down university admissions quotas. Together, the two decisions have established both the illegality and unconstitutionality of quotas.

The rulings add to the colorblind momentum created by the success of the anti-quota California Civil Rights Initiative in getting on the November ballot. The CCRI is extremely popular despite feminist propaganda that it is a plot against women.

In view of these strong rulings and the popular support for CCRI, Republican leaders should be able to do more than merely give lip service to equality before the law. Race and gender preferences are anathema to the equal application of law — the hallmark of a modern social order.

If the GOP "big tent" philosophy requires privileges for every disadvantaged group, we should recognize it for what it is — an attack on our free society.

The recent decisions by the Third and Fifth Circuit Courts have given the GOP an unprecedented opportunity to reaffirm the American founding. The equal application of law is

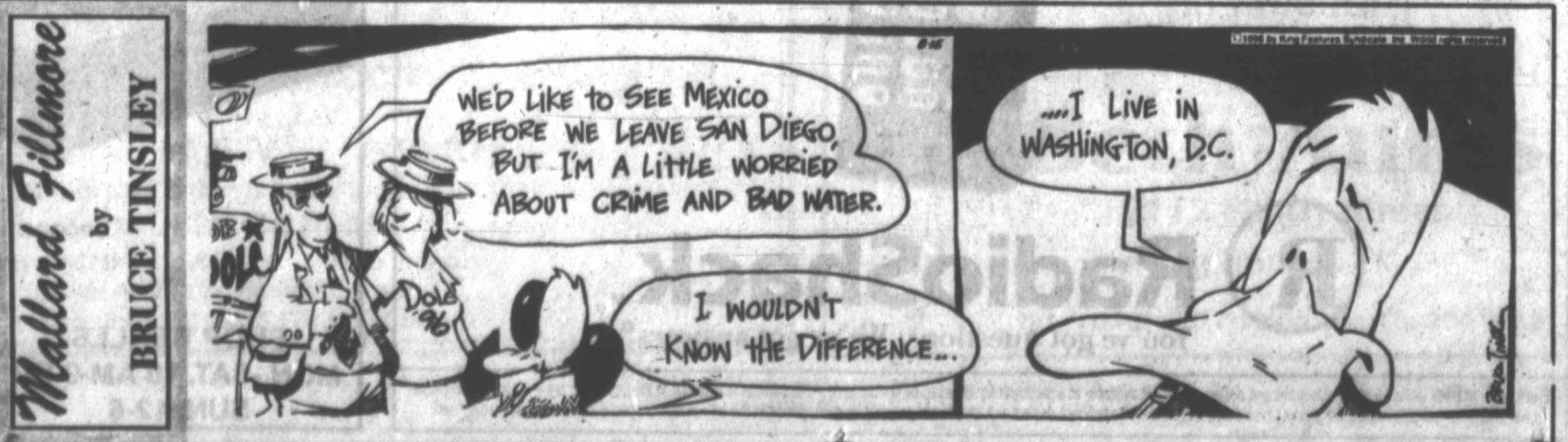
much more important than tax cuts and deserves far more attention.

The recent federal court decisions and the popularity of the CCRI have taken the sting out of the controversy over ending quotas. Judicial determinations that quotas are both illegal and unconstitutional undercut the assertion that quotas are morally justifiable.

By pledging to enact the Hopwood and Taxman decisions as federal statutes, Republicans could help our polity recover from the political alienation that is fostering the growth of a third party.

Equality before the law is a historic human achievement, the greatest of liberal society. If politicians will not defend it, they are not worthy to be leaders. The sooner citizens see politicians doing something other than bestowing privileges upon special interest groups, the sooner American culture will be renewed.

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New Chicago-based magazine created for people divorcing

CHICAGO (AP) — If it hadn't been for his wife's encouragement, Dan Couvrette might never have started his new magazine.

"I remember her exact words," he said. "They were, 'I want a divorce.'"

While going through his divorce, the Canadian publisher discovered there were no magazines geared toward people ending their marriages. Two years later, Couvrette and some associates are changing that.

This week, the first issue of Chicago's Divorce Magazine will hit the newsstands, to be followed by other regional versions and a national issue by year's end.

Subjects include finding the right lawyer and tips on re-entering the dating world. Advertisers include lawyers, financial services and real estate agents.

"This can be a very traumatic part of a person's life," he said. "The magazine will provide lots of useful information and advice."

The magazine's creators have no doubt that a market exists for Divorce: There were more than 1 million divorces in the U.S. last year, according to the World Almanac.

"It's not the kind of thing people would keep reading for years, and we're expecting a pretty high turnover rate," Couvrette said. "But like bridal magazines, we'll pick up new readers who are swimming in waters they've never been in before."

Cele Lalli, editor in chief at Modern Bride, isn't so sure about the comparison.

"There are people who would find it helpful, but I don't see it in the same light as a bridal magazine," she said. "Wed-

dings are a traditional rite of passage, something most families greet with anticipation and joy. That's not what divorce is all about."

Couvrette and editor Diana Shepard released the premier version of the magazine in Toronto last spring. The quarterly Chicago version is the first for the United States, and the contents are localized for area readers.

A national edition and regional issues for other major cities, such as New York, Los Angeles and Washington, will follow starting in October.

More than 17,000 copies will be distributed in the first Chicago run. A few thousand will go to newsstands and be available through subscription, but Associate Publisher Terri Albert said most will be free at places like courthouses and social service agencies.

Despite Couvrette's confidence, some say the magazine faces long odds.

The name and content might be too negative for readers, said Dr. Samir Husni, head of the magazine program at the University of Mississippi at Oxford. That, combined with the difficulty of maintaining a new magazine, might keep Divorce from being able to sustain itself, he said.

"Half of all new magazines die in the first year. Only three of 10 make it past the four-year mark," Husni said. "Plus, this one is addressing such a negative topic. Who's going to want to go to the newsstand to remind themselves that they're getting a divorce?"

Couvrette has another view. "When you're going through this, you think you're the only one who's suffered," he said. "With the magazine, you can know you're not alone."

Judge tentatively approves settlement of AIDS-hemophiliacs lawsuit

CHICAGO (AP) — Hemophiliacs who were infected with the AIDS virus by tainted blood-clotting products could each get \$100,000 under a settlement with four major drug companies.

U.S. District Judge John Grady on Wednesday gave preliminary approval to the \$640 million settlement for HIV-positive hemophiliacs who used the products between 1979 and 1985.

Also eligible are survivors of hemophiliacs who died of AIDS as well as relatives and others who contracted HIV from hemophiliacs. Lawyers on both sides estimate the number of people eligible for the settlement at 5,000 to 6,000.

Hemophiliacs contend the companies failed to protect them by refusing to treat the blood-clotting products with

heat that would kill the virus, and by making the products from blood taken from people at high risk for AIDS, such as drug abusers. The companies contend that reliable HIV-killing treatments weren't available until the mid-1980s.

Although some hemophilia activists contend the offer is inadequate, Grady said it "has sufficient earmarks of fairness." The judge set a Nov. 25 hearing for testimony from those affected by the settlement.

David Shrager, lead lawyer for the hemophiliacs in the class-action lawsuit, said the settlement is probably the only way many of them can get compensation for their suffering.

He said most who have sued the drug companies in the past have lost their cases. Those who

have won later had their victories overturned on appeal. Individual suits by about 800 people are pending.

"The legal obstacles have been great," he said. "There have been problems of product identification and there is the statute of limitations. This is an offer that deserves consideration."

The companies involved in the case are Germany's Bayer AG; Baxter International Inc., of Deerfield, Ill.; the Armour Pharmaceutical division of French-owned Rhone-Poulenc Rorer; and Alpha Therapeutic Corp., a division of Japan's Green Cross Corp.

Under the settlement, \$600 million would be distributed to victims and \$40 million would pay for expenses and lawyers

fees in the decade-long legal battle.

Notices will be sent next week to those affected by the settlement, and they have until Oct. 15 to notify the court whether they accept. If they reject it, they would have the option to sue the drug companies.

"The settlement is fair and reasonable and in the best interests of the companies and the plaintiffs," said Phil Beck, a lawyer for Alpha Therapeutic Corp.

The drug companies admit no guilt with the agreement and they can drop the offer if too many people reject it, Beck said.

Some advocates have complained that the same companies contributed \$240,000 per person as part of a similar settlement in Japan.

Delta flight makes emergency landing after engine trouble

NEW YORK (AP) — A Delta Air Lines 727 lost power in one of its three engines shortly after takeoff from LaGuardia Airport and had to make an emergency landing.

A resident, meanwhile, said a "sizzling" piece of a plane's engine that he assumed was from the Delta flight bounced off his neighbor's house, his house and his car before ending up in his driveway in the city's borough of Queens. Delta said the piece could not have come from its plane.

Police confirmed that the foot-long chunk of metal came from a plane but could not immediately determine whether it was from the Delta flight. The Federal Aviation Administration

was investigating. Shortly after Delta Flight 801 took off from LaGuardia for Tampa, Fla., about 7:20 p.m. (EDT) Wednesday with 132 passengers on board, the pilot saw that one engine had no power, Delta spokesman Bill Berry said.

The pilot made an emergency landing at Kennedy Airport, on the other side of Queens.

Anthony Conti, who said he has worked as a crew chief at American Airlines for 20 years, said he heard a strange noise about 7:30 p.m. as a plane passed over his house. He said he was able to see a Delta logo on the plane and saw a piece of metal falling from the sky.

Judge to allow key evidence in Oklahoma City bombing trial

DENVER (AP) — Prosecutors won a key battle in the Oklahoma City bombing case when a federal judge refused to throw out the bulk of the evidence collected against Terry Nichols and Timothy McVeigh.

U.S. District Judge Richard Matsch ruled Wednesday that Nichols' wife, Marife, had not been coerced into granting permission for several searches, and that agents had done nothing illegal during their investigation of the defendants.

"The court ruled that the government did not violate anyone's rights and the court rejected every defense motion to suppress," said Joe Hartzler, special attorney to the U.S. Attorney General.

The ruling allows prosecutors to use key physical evidence

seized against the two men. The evidence includes bomb-making ingredients taken from Nichols' property in Herkington, Kan., and McVeigh's clothing, which contained material consistent with bomb residue, prosecutors said.

The defense did win one round, when Matsch ruled that Nichols' statements could not be used against McVeigh, only against himself.

McVeigh's lawyer, Stephen Jones, said he believes that gives them a good chance to separate the trials, something Nichols' defense also wants.

"Our position has been significantly increased by his order today," Jones said.

He had argued that Nichols' statements were inadmissible because as a co-defendant,

Nichols could not be compelled to testify and thus couldn't be cross-examined.

Matsch rejected defense claims that Nichols' 23-year-old wife had been coerced into cooperating with the FBI and giving agents permission for several searches of the family home, garage and truck. He said authorities may have bent some rules in dealing with her, but they did nothing illegal.

Nichols' lawyers portrayed her as a young woman who didn't completely grasp her rights or even the English language because she was raised in the Philippines.

McVeigh and Nichols are charged with federal murder and conspiracy in the federal building bombing, which killed 168 people and injured more

than 500 on April 19, 1995. They could face the death penalty if convicted.

Nichols told the FBI he went to Oklahoma City on April 16, 1995, and picked up McVeigh near the building, authorities said. He also told agents he lent McVeigh his pickup two days later and cleaned out a storage locker for him on April 20, 1995.

The judge disagreed with defense claims that Nichols' statements should be thrown out because FBI agents questioned him after he refused to sign a waiver of his rights. Nichols went to the police station voluntarily and indicated he understood his rights.

McVeigh's lawyers had sought to throw out as evidence possessions taken from his car when he was arrested.

Child-support insurance now available in Indiana

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — John Corner, a used-car salesman since 1988, wants to make sure he can make his monthly child-support payment even if he gets laid off.

So the divorced father of two bought what is being touted as a first-of-its-kind insurance policy that would make the \$640 payment if he loses his job.

"I can get a job for the most part anywhere. There's no reason I can't find a job within a month," Corner said Wednesday. "But if I am laid off ... I have this as a backup."

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Wayne began offering the policy this month. Cigna Property and Casualty of Philadelphia agreed to underwrite it.

Randy Diller, vice president of Diller & Associates, said the policy is aimed at people in danger of losing their jobs because of corporate downsizing. People who quit jobs cannot collect.

"My research found that many of these people were faced with mortgage payments, car payments, so many things besides child-support payments," Diller said. "This allows them to go out to seek employment with the comfort of

knowing that their support obligation is being met."

The policy can be purchased by either parent, or the parents can split the cost. To qualify, the applicant must have been employed for at least a year.

Policyholders can buy one to four months of guaranteed child support. Corner, 36, of Fort Wayne, chose one month, for a \$133.40 annual premium, because he feels certain he could get a new job within 30 days.

"The bottom line is that my kids would suffer if they didn't get this money," Corner said.

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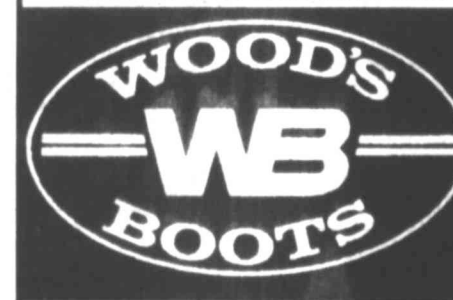
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AVISO DE ELECCION

A LOS VOTANTES HABILITADOS QUE RESIDEN EN EL DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE BIG SPRING:

FOR LO PRESENTE SE DA AVISO QUE se celebrara una eleccion de bonos dentro del Distrito Escolar Independiente de Big Spring el sabado, 14 de septiembre de 1986, como provisto en la Orden llamando la eleccion que fue aprobada por la Junta de Regentes del Distrito Escolar Independiente de Big Spring, y una copia substancial de esta Orden esta impresa abajo:

UNA ORDEN POR LA JUNTA DE REGENTES DEL DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE BIG SPRING LLAMANDO UNA ELECCION DE BONOS QUE SE CELEBRARA DENTRO DE DICHO DISTRITO; DISPONIENDO EL MANEJO Y EL DAR AVISO DE LA ELECCION; Y CONTENIENDO OTRAS DISPOSICIONES PERTENECIENDO A ESO

VISTO QUE, esta Junta de Regentes halla y determina que sera necesario y aconsejable llamar y celebrar una eleccion para y dentro del Distrito Escolar Independiente de Big Spring (el "Distrito") sobre la proposicion que esta manifestado mas abajo aqui dentro;

VISTO QUE, ademas se halla y determina que sera provechoso al publico celebrar dicha eleccion en un fecha que no sea fecha de eleccion uniforme;

VISTO QUE, la Junta de Regentes halla y declara que la junta en que se celebrara esta Orden estuvo abierta al publico, y que se dio aviso publico de la hora, lugar y proposito de la junta, segun requiere la ley; Ahora, Por lo Tanto,

ORDENESE POR LA JUNTA DE REGENTES DEL DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE BIG SPRING:

Seccion 1. Determinaciones. Las declaraciones que estan contenidas en el preambulo de esta Orden son verdaderas y correctas y por la presente estan adoptadas como determinaciones de hecho y forman parte de las disposiciones valideras de esta.

Seccion 2. La Eleccion Ordenada: La Fecha, la Formacion. Se celebrara una eleccion (la "Eleccion") para y dentro del Distrito el dia 14 de septiembre de 1986, y en la eleccion se presentara la siguiente proposicion:

PROPOSICION NUM. 1

1 Debera de estar autorizada la Junta de Regentes del Distrito Escolar Independiente de Big Spring para emitir y vender los bonos del Distrito en la cantidad principal de \$12,530,000, con el proposito de construir y equipar los edificios escolares del Distrito, incluyendo renovaciones y mejoras a las facilidades actuales, y la adquisicion de los terrenos que sean necesarios para con, y deberan de imponerse y empensarse, tasar y recaudarse cada uno los impuestos ad valorem sobre todos los bienes imponible en el Distrito que sean suficientes, sin restricciones en cuanto a tipo o cantidad, para pagar la principal de e interes sobre dichos bonos mientras que los mismos se venzan; dichos bonos searan emitidos en una serie o emision o mas, se venzaran en serie o de otro modo dentro de 40 años despues de su fecha, y llevaran interes a dicho tipo o tipos a no exceder los limites que prescribe la ley durante el tiempo de la emision, como la Junta de Regentes pueda determinar a su miramiento?

Seccion 3. La Boleta Oficial. (a) La votacion el dia de las elecciones y durante el plazo designado para la votacion anticipada en persona se mandara por uso de boletas de papel.

(b) Las boletas oficiales para la eleccion se prepararan de acuerdo con elCodigo de Elecciones de Texas de manera que permitan que los votantes voten a "A FAVOR DE" o "EN CONTRA DE" la proposicion que ya fue mencionada en las boletas substancialmente de este modo:

PROPOSICION NUM. 1

"LA EMISION DE \$12,530,000 DE BONOS PARA EDIFICIOS ESCOLARES, Y LA IMPOSICION DE UN IMPUESTO EN PAGO DE ESOB."

Seccion 4. Las Personas Que Estan Habilitadas Para Votar. Todos los votantes habilitados que residen en el Distrito estaran elegibles para votar en la eleccion.

Seccion 5. Cumplimiento Con elCodigo. La eleccion se celebrara en cumplimiento con elCodigo de Elecciones de Texas,Codigo de Elecciones (el "Codigo") V.T.C.A., excepto como modificado por otras disposiciones que estan aplicables a la ley.

Seccion 6. Precincto Electoral: Sitio de Votacion. El precincto electoral, para la eleccion y el sitio de votacion para el precincto estaran incluidos en el Documento Anexo I que esta adjunto a esto, el cual esta incorporado aqui dentro por referencia y se hace parte de esto en todos sentidos.

Seccion 7. El Nomenclato del Oficio Electoral. Por la presente se adopta el nomenclato de Ron L. Logback, el Gerente Auxiliar de Negocio, como agente para cumplir con las obligaciones del Secretario de la Junta de Regentes respecto a la eleccion.

Seccion 8. La Votacion Anticipada. Los sitios de votacion para la votacion anticipada y la direccion para la votacion anticipada por correo para la eleccion estan señalados por la presente segun el Documento Anexo I.

Seccion 9. Las Horas y Fechas de Votar. (a) El dia de las elecciones, los sitios de votacion estaran abiertos de las 7 de la manana a las 7 de la noche.

(b) La votacion anticipada en persona se mandara en los dias y durante las horas manifestadas en el Documento Anexo I.

(c) Las solicitudes para la votacion anticipada por correo estaran entregadas al Secretario de la Votacion Anticipada durante el plazo designado y a la direccion manifestada en el Documento Anexo I.

Seccion 10. Los Materiales Electorales. Los materiales electorales que estan enumerados en las Secs. 272.001, et seq., delCodigo, estaran impresos y disponibles en ingles y en espanol para uso en los sitios de votacion y para la votacion anticipada, y se los ofrecera ayuda oral a los votantes de habla espanola.

Seccion 11. Aviso de Eleccion. Se dara aviso de la eleccion por: (1) publicar una copia substancial de esta Orden en ingles y en espanol una vez entre diez (10) y treinta (30) dias antes de la fecha designada para la eleccion en un periodico de circulacion general en el Distrito, y (2) fijar, dentro de 21 dias antes del dia de las elecciones, una copia substancial de esta Orden en la tabla de anuncios que se utilizan para fijar avisos de las reuniones de la Junta de Regentes del Distrito.

Seccion 12. Las Acciones Necesarias. El Presidente y el Secretario de la Junta de Regentes y el Superintendente del Distrito, al consultar con el procurador del Distrito y el consejero de bonos por la presente estan autorizados y dirigidos a tomar cualesquiera y todas acciones que sean necesarias para cumplir con las disposiciones delCodigo y el Acto Federal sobre los Derechos de Votar con motivo de ejecutar y manejar la eleccion, sin considerar al esta autorizados expresamente aqui dentro.

ACORDADA Y APROBADA este dia 11 de julio de 1986.

/s/ Glynn Mouton
Presidente, Junta de Regentes
Distrito Escolar Independiente
de Big Spring

CERTIFICO:
/s/ Larry McLellan
Secretario, Junta de Regentes
Distrito Escolar Independiente
de Big Spring

DOCUMENTO ANEXO I DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE BIG SPRING ELECCION DE BONOS SOBRE \$12,530,000 DE BONOS PARA EDIFICIOS ESCOLARES 14 DE SEPTIEMBRE DE 1986 La Votacion el Dia de la Eleccion

Precincto Electoral: El Distrito entero formara un precincto electoral para la eleccion.

Sitio de Votacion: Cafeteria de la Escuela Secundaria de Big Spring
707 11th Place
Big Spring, Texas 79720

Fecha de la Votacion: 14 de septiembre de 1986

Las Horas de Votar: de las 7 de la manana a las 7 de la noche

La Votacion Anticipada En Persona

Sitio de Votacion	Fecha	Horas
Sitio Principal para la Votacion Anticipada: Casa de Corte del Condado de Howard 309 Main Street Big Spring, Texas 79720	16 de agosto al 16 de septiembre de 1986	de las 9 a.m. a las 5 p.m. de lunes a viernes
Sitio Auxiliar 1 para la Votacion Anticipada: Escuela Secundaria de Big Spring 707 11th Place Big Spring, Texas	16 de agosto de 1986	de las 6 p.m. a las 8:30 p.m.
Sitio Auxiliar 2 para la Votacion Anticipada: Escuela Primaria Buser 902 North Scurry Big Spring, Texas	16 de agosto de 1986	de las 6 p.m. a las 8:30 p.m.
Sitio Auxiliar 3 para la Votacion Anticipada: Escuela Primaria Marcy 2701 Marcy Drive Big Spring, Texas	17 de agosto de 1986	de las 6 p.m. a las 8:30 p.m.
Sitio Auxiliar 4 para la Votacion Anticipada: Escuela Primaria College Heights 1811 South Goliad Big Spring, Texas	17 de agosto de 1986	de las 6 p.m. a las 8:30 p.m.
Sitio Auxiliar 5 para la Votacion Anticipada: Escuela Media Humble 204 East 14th Street Big Spring, Texas	17 de agosto de 1986	de las 6 p.m. a las 8:30 p.m.
Sitio Auxiliar 6 para la Votacion Anticipada: Escuela Centro Kinder Anderson 239 Airbase Road Big Spring, Texas	17 de agosto de 1986	de las 6 p.m. a las 8:30 p.m.
Sitio Auxiliar 7 para la Votacion Anticipada: Escuela Media Goliad 2380 Goliad Street Big Spring, Texas	17 de agosto de 1986	de las 6 p.m. a las 8:30 p.m.
Sitio Auxiliar 8 para la Votacion Anticipada: Escuela Primaria Washington 1201 S. Birdwell Lane Big Spring, Texas	19 de agosto de 1986	de las 6 p.m. a las 8:30 p.m.
Sitio Auxiliar 9 para la Votacion Anticipada: Escuela Primaria Moss 811 Avenida East Big Spring, Texas	19 de agosto de 1986	de las 6 p.m. a las 8:30 p.m.
Sitio Auxiliar 10 para la Votacion Anticipada: Escuela Primaria Kentwood 2600 Merryly Drive Big Spring, Texas	19 de agosto de 1986	de las 6 p.m. a las 8:30 p.m.

El dia de las elecciones, el Sitio de Votacion Principal para la Votacion Anticipada estara abierto de las 7 de la manana a las 7 de la noche.

La Votacion Anticipada Por Correo

Las solicitudes para la votacion anticipada por correo estaran entregadas a la Secretaria de la Votacion Anticipada el partir del 16 de julio de 1986, y para el fin de las horas de negocio el 6 de septiembre de 1986 a la siguiente direccion:

Direccion para la Votacion Anticipada Por Correo: Mrs. Margaret Ray
Howard County Clerk
P. O. Box 1488, Big Spring, Texas 79721

Junta Presidencial: Leta Kirby

Junta Presidencial Alternas: Omega Hernandez

Secretaria de la Votacion Anticipada: Margaret Ray

Subsecretaria de la Votacion Anticipada: Donna Wright

Junta Presidencial de la Junta de Regentes de la Votacion Anticipada: Leta Johnson

NOTICE OF ELECTION

TO THE RESIDENT QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF BIG SPRING INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT a bond election will be held within the Big Spring Independent School District on Saturday, September 14, 1986, as provided in the Order calling the election passed by the Board of Trustees of Big Spring Independent School District, a substantial copy of which Order is printed below:

AN ORDER BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF BIG SPRING INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT CALLING A BOND ELECTION TO BE HELD WITHIN SAID DISTRICT; MAKING PROVISIONS FOR THE CONDUCT AND THE GIVING OF NOTICE OF THE ELECTION; AND CONTAINING OTHER PROVISIONS RELATING THERETO

WHEREAS, this Board of Trustees finds and determines that it is necessary and advisable to call and hold an election for and within Big Spring Independent School District (the "District") on the proposition hereinafter set forth;

WHEREAS, it is further found and determined that holding said election on a date other than a uniform election date is in the public interest;

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees finds and declares that the meeting at which this Order is considered is open to the public, and that the public notice of the time, place and purpose of the meeting was given, as required by law; Now Therefore,

BE IT ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF BIG SPRING INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Section 1. Findings. The statements contained in the preamble of this Order are true and correct and are hereby adopted as findings of fact and as a part of the operative provisions hereof.

Section 2. Election Ordered: Date: Proposition. An election (the "Election") shall be held for and within the District on September 14, 1986, at which Election the following proposition shall be submitted:

PROPOSITION NO. 1

Shall the Board of Trustees of Big Spring Independent School District be authorized to issue and sell the bonds of the District in the principal amount of \$12,530,000 for the purpose of the construction and equipment of school buildings in the District, including the renovation and improvement of existing facilities, and the purchase of the necessary sites therefor and shall there by levied and pledged, assessed and collected annually ad valorem taxes on all taxable property in the District sufficient, without limit as to rate or amount, to pay the principal of and interest on said bonds as the same become due; said bonds to be issued in one or more series or issues, to mature serially or otherwise not more than 40 years from their date, and to bear interest at such rate or rates not to exceed the limit prescribed by law at the time of issuance, as the Board of Trustees in its discretion shall determine?

Section 3. Official Ballot. (a) Voting at the Election on Election day and early voting by personal appearance shall be by the use of paper ballots.

(b) The official ballots for the Election shall be prepared in accordance with the Texas Election Code so as to permit the electors to vote "FOR" or "AGAINST" the aforesaid proposition which shall be set forth on the ballots substantially in the following form:

PROPOSITION NO. 1

"THE ISSUANCE OF \$12,530,000 SCHOOL BUILDING BONDS AND THE LEVYING OF A TAX IN PAYMENT THEREOF."

Section 4. Persons Qualified to Vote. All residents qualified electors of the District shall be eligible to vote at the Election.

Section 5. Compliance with Code. The Election shall be held in compliance with the Texas Election Code, V.T.C.A. Election Code (the "Code") except as modified by other applicable provisions of law.

Section 6. Election Precinct: Polling Place. The election precinct for the Election and the polling place for the precinct are listed on Annex I attached hereto, which is incorporated herein by reference and made a part hereof for all purposes.

Section 7. Appointment of Election Officer. The appointment of Ron L. Logback, Assistant Business Manager, as agent to perform the duties of the Secretary of the Board of Trustees with respect to the Election, is hereby approved.

Section 8. Early Voting. The Early voting places and the address for the early voting by mail for the Election are hereby designated as set forth in Annex I.

Section 9. Voting Hours and Dates. (a) On Election day, the polls shall be open from 7:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M.

(b) Early voting by personal appearance shall be conducted on the days and during the hours set forth in Annex I.

(c) Applications for early voting by mail shall be delivered to the Early Voting Clerk during the time period and at the address set forth in Annex I.

Section 10. Election Materials. The Election materials enumerated in Secs. 272.001, et seq., of the Code, shall be printed and furnished in both English and Spanish for use at the polling place and for early voting, and provisions shall be made for oral assistance to Spanish-speaking voters.

Section 11. Notice of Election. Notice of the Election shall be given by: (1) publishing a substantial copy of this Order in both English and Spanish on time at least ten (10) but not more than thirty (30) days prior to the date set for the Election in a newspaper of general circulation in the District, and (2) by posting, not later than the 21st day before the Election day, a substantial copy of this Order on the bulletin board used for posting notices of meetings of the District's Board of Trustees.

Section 12. Necessary Actions. The President and the Secretary of the Board of Trustees and the Superintendent of the District, in consultation with the District's attorney and bond counsel are hereby authorized and directed to take any and all actions necessary to comply with the provisions of the Code and the Federal Voting Rights Act in carrying out and conducting the Election, whether or not expressly authorized herein.

PASSED AND APPROVED This July 11, 1986.

/s/ Glynn Mouton
President, Board of Trustees
Big Spring Independent School District

ATTEST:

/s/ Larry McLellan
Secretary, Board of Trustees
Big Spring Independent School District

ANNEX I

BIG SPRING INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
\$12,530,000 SCHOOL BUILDING BONDS
ELECTION SEPTEMBER 14, 1986

Election Day Voting

Election Precinct: The entire District shall constitute one election precinct for the Election.

Polling Place: Big Spring High School Cafeteria
707 11th Place
Big Spring, Texas 79720

Date for Voting: September 14, 1986

Hours for Voting: 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Early Voting by Personal Appearance

Place of Early Voting	Date of Early Voting	Hours of Early Voting
Main Early Voting Place Howard County Courthouse 300 Main Street Big Spring, TX 79720	August 26, 1986 thru September 10, 1986	8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday thru Friday
Branch Early Voting Place 1: Big Spring High School 707 11th Place Big Spring, Texas	August 26, 1986	6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
Branch Early Voting Place 2: Buser Elementary School 902 North Scurry Big Spring, Texas	August 26, 1986	6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
Branch Early Voting Place 3: Marcy Elementary School 2701 Marcy Drive Big Spring, Texas	August 27, 1986	6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
Branch Early Voting Place 4: College Heights Elementary School 1811 South Goliad Big Spring, Texas	August 27, 1986	6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
Branch Early Voting Place 5: Humble Junior High School 224 East 10th Street Big Spring, Texas	August 27, 1986	6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
Branch Early Voting Place 6: Anderson Kindergarten Center School 239 Airbase Road Big Spring, Texas	August 27, 1986	6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
Branch Early Voting Place 7: Goliad Middle School 2300 Goliad Street Big Spring, Texas	August 27, 1986	6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
Branch Early Voting Place 8: Washington Elementary School 1201 S. Birdwell Lane Big Spring, Texas	August 28, 1986	6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
Branch Early Voting Place 9: Moss Elementary School 811 Kent Avenue Big Spring, Texas	August 28, 1986	6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
Branch Early Voting Place 10: Kentwood Elementary School 2600 Merryly Drive Big Spring, Texas	August 28, 1986	6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

On Election day, the Main Early Voting polling place will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Early Voting by Mail

Applications for early voting by mail shall be delivered to the Early Voting Clerk, no earlier than July 16, 1986 and no later than the close of business on September 6, 1986 at the following address:

Addressing for Early Voting by Mail: Mrs. Margaret Ray
Howard County Clerk
P. O. Box 1488
Big Spring, Texas 79721

Election Day Officers

Presiding Judge: Leta Kirby

Alternate Presiding Judge: Omega Hernandez

Early Voting Officers

Early Voting Clerk: Margaret Ray

Deputy Early Voting Clerk: Donna Wright

Presiding Judge, Early Ballot Board: Leta Johnson

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By KELLIE JO Features Editor

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SLICE of life!

Wanna bet? State-run gambling makes wagering socially acceptable

Scripps Howard News Service

America has become a nation of gamblers.

The proliferation of state-run lotteries and the recent explosion of licensed casinos have prompted an acceptance of wagering as a source of government revenue and a way for people of all social classes to have fun.

Most Americans now admit they wager more than experimentally, according to a survey of 1,025 adults conducted by Scripps Howard News Service and Ohio University.

"Entertainment gaming is something that is acceptable now," concluded Frank Fahrenkopf, president of the American Gaming Association and former Republican Party national chairman under President Reagan.

"I don't know if this has become the national pastime (rather than baseball) but our numbers indicate that tens of millions of people like to do this for recreation."

The most common form of wagering is in the wide assortment of government-sponsored lotteries in 36 states and the District of Columbia. Two-thirds of adults in the poll have bet in a lottery and 61 percent want the numbers games to continue.

"With the creation of these lotteries in the late 1960s, peo-

ple in general have accepted gaming as a form of entertainment," said David Gale, executive director of the North American Association of State and Provincial Lotteries.

Gambling opponents agree government-run wagering has led to a recent change in public attitudes.

"There is no doubt when a state declares some form of gambling acceptable, more people believe that it really is acceptable," said Bernie Horn of the National Coalition Against Legalized Gambling. "The states have changed people's opinions, especially through television advertising for the lotteries."

Still, the poll found that only slightly more than half — 52 percent — believe "state-licensed gambling is an acceptable way to raise government revenue."

Less popular is casino-style gambling. Only 43 percent want casinos in their state and most Americans say they never have bet in these wagering halls.

Overall, the poll found little reluctance in the public to admit they gamble. Fifty-nine percent said they have bet more than experimentally — at least three times in their lives — in a state lottery, at a casino, horse track or dog track, or on a football or basketball game.

"This shows gambling is at an all-time admitted high. It's

now more socially acceptable to say so," said professional gambler and industry newsletter publisher Anthony Curtis of Las Vegas. "The governments are looking at this phenomenon to see if they can use it for their benefit. They are seduced by the bottom line."

Who gambles? See page 8A

Revenue growth has been enormous. State lotteries reported selling \$32.1 billion in chances last year and netting \$11 billion in profits, up from \$9.9 billion in 1994.

Casino-style gambling has had an even faster rise, thanks to scores of gaming operations on Indian reservations and recent development of riverboat gambling in Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Missouri, Mississippi and Louisiana.

Casinos collected \$20.3 billion last year, up from \$8.9 billion in 1991.

"We can't hide from it anymore," complained Bob F., a Florida leader of Gamblers Anonymous who embezzled money from several companies to support a wagering addiction.

"Every time I stop in a gas station for a soda, people are lining up for lottery tickets. Our program says to stay away from businesses that provide

outlets for gambling, but that's now almost impossible."

Membership in Gamblers Anonymous has more than doubled in seven years. The group has grown from 500 chapters to more than 1,100.

The survey found gambling is popular among almost every social group. A majority of women now admit to wagering.

Fifty-three percent of women and 66 percent of men have engaged in some popular type of gambling at least three times. Men and women are almost equally likely to buy lottery tickets and women are only slightly less likely to enter a casino. But men are twice as likely to bet at a horse or dog track and three times more likely to wager on a football game.

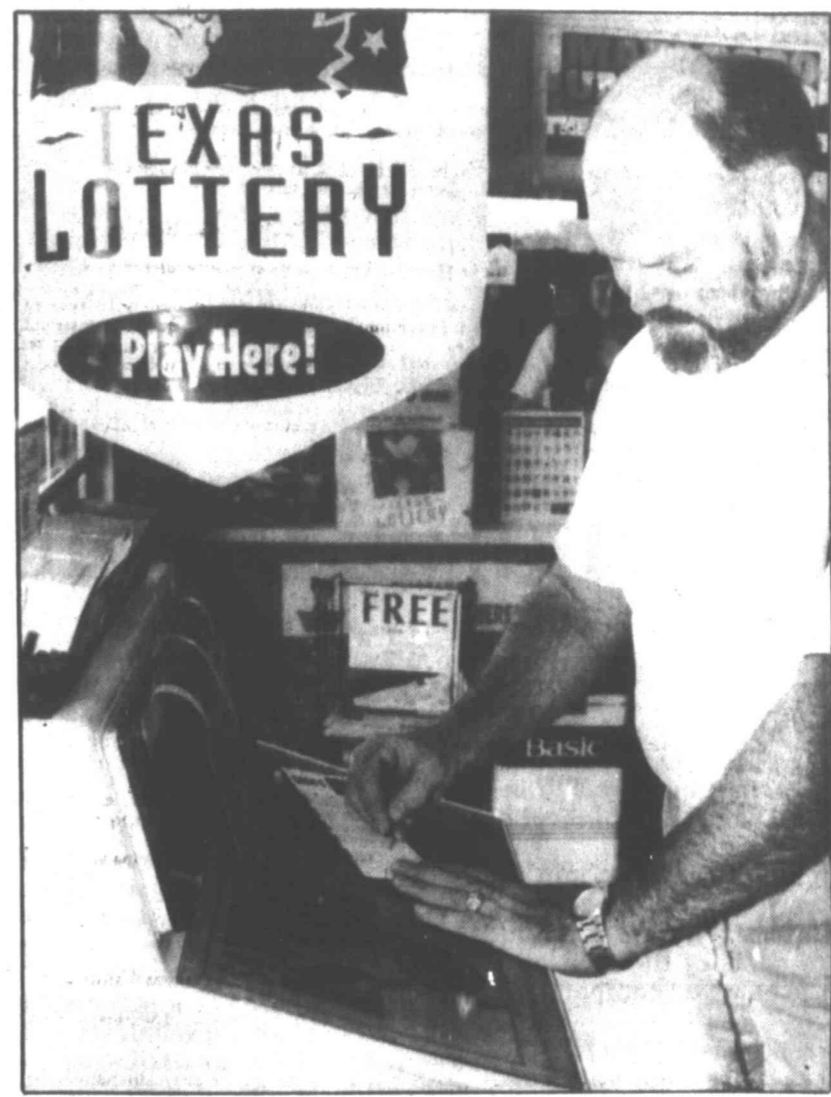
Gambling is most popular among people between 25 and 54 years of age. It is most popular in the West and least popular in the South.

Wagering is more popular among affluent, well-educated Americans living in the suburbs of major cities than in rural areas and among folks who attend a church or synagogue.

About the only group in which less than a majority support gambling are "born again" Christians.

The survey was sponsored by

Please see GAMBLING, page 8A



Alan Partee fills in a play slip for Cash 5 at Neighbor's Convenience Store recently. A study shows the majority of Americans gamble for fun and consider it acceptable for states to use this avenue to raise funds.

Olin Murrell to perform in Coahoma

By KELLIE JONES
Features Editor

It's time for the sixth annual Coahoma Concert Series to begin and is being kicked off by Folk Singer Olin Murrell. The concert is at the First Presbyterian Church, 209 N. First St., Aug. 18 at 7 p.m.

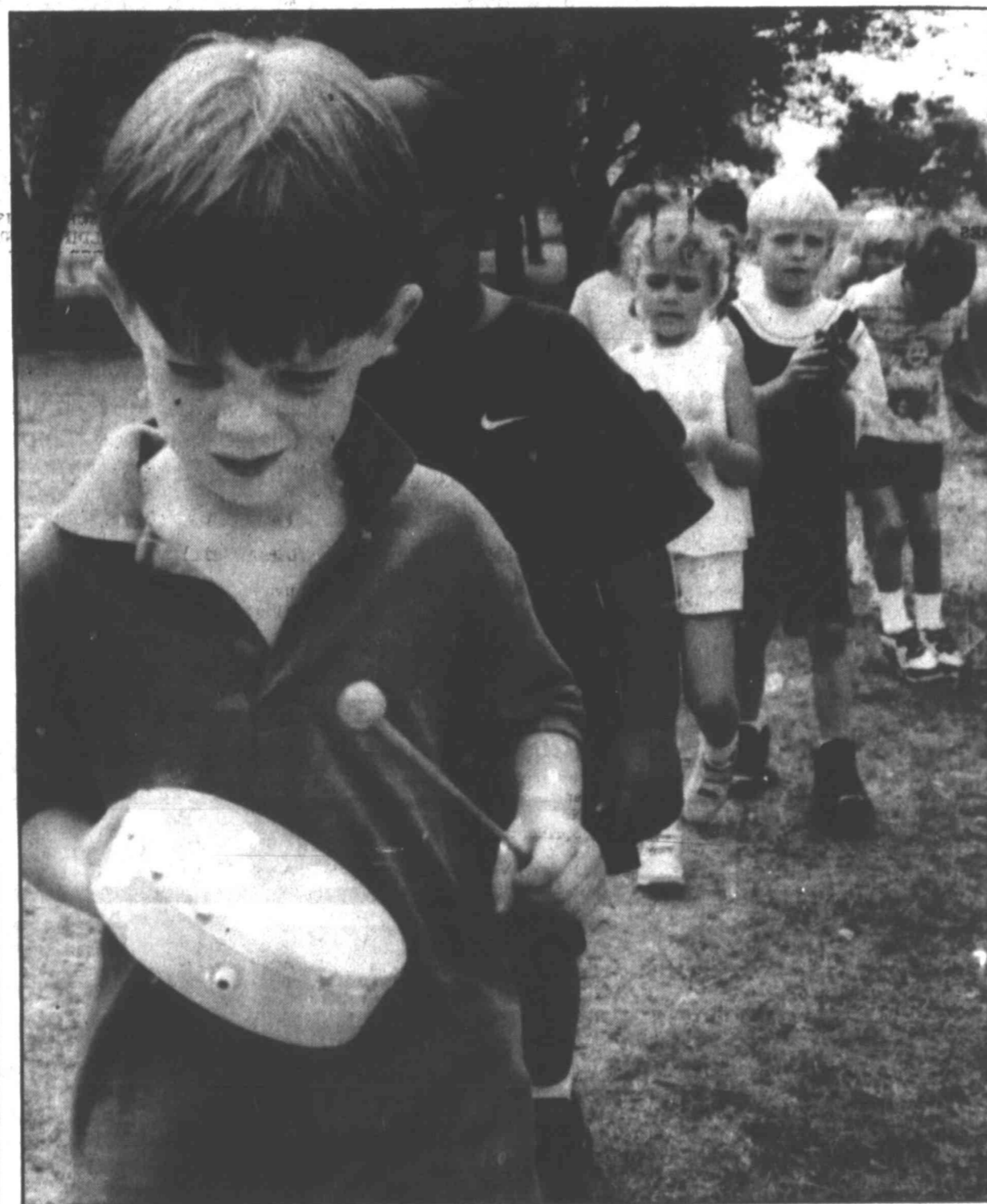
Murrell is a Texas songwriter and singer who's performed at numerous clubs and festivals in Texas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Kansas and Colorado. He has released four albums entitled "Sing Me A Story" in 1987, "Comin' Home" in 1988, "Short Stories" and his latest release, "Red River Moon." It features 10 new songs chronicling an assortment of experiences and characters, according to Murrell's press release.

He has been compared to Tom T. Hall by critics and has performed with Shake Russell, Austin Lounge Lizards, Hal Ketchum, Willis Allan Ramsey and Johnny Bush. He has played at many clubs and restaurants including Green Mesquite, Salt Lick, Saxon Pub, Sharr's Sidewalk Cafe, Red Lion and Chelsea's London Pub.

The suggested donation to the concert is \$6 per person or \$15 per immediate family.

"This is just a suggested price. I hope the price doesn't keep people from coming. All the money goes to the singer and he would rather not get as much money and play for a full house than a half-full house," said Walter Lee, First Presbyterian Church minister.

LITTLE DRUMMER BOY



Michael Lynn bangs the drum slowly while leading the pack at Birdwell Park recently as youth in the YMCA Summer Day Camp were participating in the Crazy Band.

CAREER CORNER

Occupational title: Model
Fashion models wear clothing to show retail, wholesale, individual customers, and fashion reporters new lines of clothing. Photographers pose for advertising firms and publications such as magazines.

Television models show and demonstrate products for the television market.

Industrial models demonstrate and inform prospective buyers about the product.

Some models specialize in only modeling their hands, face, or legs.

Working environment: Models may be required to work almost anywhere.

Helpful high school classes: Art, speech, home economics, English and physical education.

Continuing education/training: Junior colleges, speciality schools, fashion modeling

schools. Some sources of training or education: Barbizon School of Modeling, Diane's School of Modeling, John Robert Powers School, Mayo-Hill School of Modeling. The schools listed above are accredited, but even these schools should be thoroughly checked before enrolling.

Special requirements: Most models must meet special physical requirements before they are employed. Women should be between 5 feet 5 inches and 5 feet 10 inches tall. They should weigh between 110 to 122 pounds. Men should be 6 feet 2 inches tall and be able to wear a size 40 to a 42 regular shoe. Models for television should be a member of the American Federation of Television and Radio Artist, or Screen Actors Guild.

Salary: People working as full time models, but not in New York City earned an average salary of \$27,220.00 in 1995. Those in New York City had a higher earning average.

Job prospects: The job market is very competitive, but the opportunities are good.

New children's books with bug themes

Scripps Howard News Service

Summer's a good time for taking a close-up look at bugs:

What could you do if you were a bug? If you could run as fast as a dragonfly can fly, you could run as fast as a speeding car. If you were as strong as an ant, you could lift a truck. These are just a few of the fascinating facts in "If You Were a Bug" by Dawn Bentley (Random House). But such fascinating facts aren't even the primary attraction of this book, which features wonderful, larger-than-life pop-ups of various insects. (Ages 3-7)

Young readers can transform

themselves into butterflies with "Where Butterflies Grow" (Puffin). Author Joanne Ryder does a magnificent job at helping young readers imagine what it's like to be first a cocoon and then a butterfly. With a clear, lyrical text, Ryder entertains young readers even as she teaches them. The illustrations by Lynne Cherry are richly colorful and detailed. (Ages 4-8)

For younger readers, "Pop-up Caterpillar to Butterfly" by Elizabeth Rodger (Scholastic) uses a simple text to show how butterflies are created. The

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SLICE of life!

TIPS 'N' TRIVIA

Cleaning house

- (NAPS)—Tips on cleaning:
- Clean furniture from top to bottom, because that's the direction the dirt is going.
- After showers, shake the curtain gently to remove residual water, then leave it partway open so remaining moisture can evaporate.
- Retrieve small items from behind the washing machine with the vacuum hose. Attach an old stocking over the end of the hose, the suction will pick up the item, but the stocking will prevent it from going into the machine.
- Use disinfectant spray regularly on doorknobs and toys.



FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Step family seminar Aug. 20

Big Spring Clergy Network invites you to a seminar entitled "Living in a Step Family" with guest speaker John Setzer, counselor and Episcopalian minister from Midland.

The seminar is Tuesday, Aug. 20 with a continental breakfast starting at 8 a.m. and the program begins at 8:30 a.m. There will be a question and answer session from 9:15 to 9:30 a.m. It is at Comanche Trail Nursing Home, 3200 Parkway. To RSVP, call Murph Watson at 264-0500 or (915) 634-0550.

Garage sale Saturday

Local members of the Texas Student Nursing Association is having a garage sale Saturday starting at 8 a.m. The group needs items donated to be sold at the fund raiser. Contact Melissa at 264-0884 for more information.

Retired teachers to meet

Members of the Big Spring-Howard County Retired Teachers Association will meet Monday, Aug. 19 in the Cactus Room at Howard College. Social hour is scheduled to begin at 10:30 a.m. and lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m. Guest speaker is W.A. McQueary who will give an update on the school bond election scheduled for Sept. 14.

Retreat for widows Aug. 30-31

There will be a women's retreat sponsored by Wesley Methodist Church on Aug. 30 and 31. There will be a free meal served at 5:30 p.m. The retreat costs \$10 and will feature Sharon Sandhop of God's Windows. For information call 263-3326 or 264-0734. You must register by Aug. 19 if you want to attend the meal.

THE LAST WORD

The secret of boring people lies in telling them everything.
—Voltaire

Hope is a good breakfast, but it is a bad supper.
—Francis Bacon

The palest ink is better than the best memory.
—Chinese Proverb

Honest statesmanship is the wise employment of individual meanness for the public good.
—Abraham Lincoln

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Year off might not be ideal for high school graduate

Scripps Howard News Service

Q: I just graduated from high school and I didn't know whether to take a year off or go on to college. I have been accepted to two colleges, one out of state and one in my hometown. What should I do?

A: You don't say what your reasons are for not going to college. If you are tired of school, that is understandable.

College is so different from high school and using your high school experience as the only reason to stay away from college would be unfair to you. In college, you have more freedom (and more responsibility)

to plan your day and classes, as well as organize your life.

TEEN TALK

The problem with waiting is that one year seems to turn into a lifetime. And as time slips by, your someday never comes.

Jump into school with both feet. Don't put it off. If you go on to college now, the likelihood of finding distractions that will keep you from finishing are few. But if you wait, distractions will certainly enter your life and things won't go as you plan.

We also urge you to go out of

town for school. Get away from things that are convenient. Challenge yourself to make it on your own and see exactly what you're made of. You'll find by going out of town, you'll probably do better as a student because some of your familiar hometown distractions won't be there.

Education is the most important thing you can give yourself. You have two wonderful opportunities waiting for you, pick one and take off with your life. Get as much education as you can to better prepare yourself for the competition of a good paying career.

Nothing in life is really promised to you. Life is what

you make it! Take all the best and most positive opportunities available to you.

Education is the most important thing you can give yourself. Get as much education as you can to better prepare yourself for the competition of a good paying career

Q: I'm 12 years old. I have a guy at school who likes me, but my parents won't let me date. I think that's unfair. What can I do to change their minds? All of my other friends my age get to go out on dates. I'm really mad!

A: In a few years you will

find yourself in a much better frame of mind to date. You will be able to decide what is good

of friends in which no one is emotionally and exclusively connected to anyone — is what you should be enjoying. There's no tension and you have the freedom to enjoy your friends and be yourself. You can watch and decide what type of person you enjoy spending time with.

You might be surprised how many of your 12-year-old friends wish they had parents who loved them as much as your parents love you.

Teen Talk is a weekly feature of the El Paso Herald-Post written by teachers Carolyn Lea Wilson and Rose Mary Carbajal. Questions may be mailed to Teen Talk, P.O. Box 371965, El Paso, TX 79937.

Let children be winners all around when playing sports

Scripps Howard News Service

When a child leaves home and joins his peers at school, one of the first questions to be resolved, once the notebooks and pens are secured, is the question of whether to join in team sports.

School sports often are witness to some of the best and worst aspects of competitive sports.

One coach may stress fun and fairness more than winning, playing your personal best and taking pride in each others' accomplishments. Others may tend to stress winning at all costs.

Participating in sports can be

good for a child in lots of ways. It can help teach cooperation and the importance of playing as a team, it can build character and confidence and it's good exercise.

But sports can turn into a mentally harmful experience if the focus is on winning at the expense of self-esteem, if parents project themselves and their ambitions or inadequacies onto their children or if parents or coaches are unrealistic about a child's abilities or interest in a game.

"Taking Care," a Virginia health newsletter, asked experts on sports and child psychology and health for tips on how to make competitive sports

a positive experience for children. Their suggestions include:

- Let kids decide when they're ready to play so they're not thrown into organized sports they have little interest in. Children are more likely to stick with something if they actively choose it as opposed to being pushed into it.

- Keep the lines of communication open so kids feel comfortable telling you if they don't like the sport and want to do something else.

- Set a good example by participating in sports yourself. Teach children the rules and the importance of following them. Encourage good sports-

manship, control your emotions during a game and don't complain about officials and referees.

- Let kids enjoy the same indirect benefits you may enjoy about sports — socializing with teammates, going out after the game, getting to know new people.

- Don't live your dreams through your children, pressuring them to attain something you couldn't or didn't have the chance to. They are entitled to their own lives and sports experiences, not reliving yours.

- Prevent injuries by getting the child a medical checkup before starting a sport, having properly fitting protective

equipment, having appropriate clothing and shoes for the sport, and always warming up before starting the sport and cooling down and stretching afterward.

- Get prompt medical attention for any injuries that may occur, and be alert if a child complains of muscle soreness, strain or pain. Such complaints could be a sign of injury or a sign that the child really doesn't like the sport but is afraid to tell you, or is afraid to play for some reason.

- Check out the coach. Make sure he or she treats children with respect, teaches them skills, is fair about who gets a chance to play what positions

and makes them feel like a valued member of the team.

- Don't use sports as a baby sitter. Show up for games and be involved, make sure your child gets to practices on time and has the right equipment available.

- Pay attention. Know the rules of the game, the score at any given time and the team's standing.

- Get involved. Support the team, volunteer to help the coach, organize social events.

And one more tip: It helps if a parent smiles a lot, gives a lot of high fives and buys ice cream, pizza or candy after the game.

Books

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book has only four two-page spreads and is pocket-sized, so it's great for parents to carry along for those times when they're waiting in line somewhere with a young child. (Ages 3-7)

If your kids like bugs, the "Bouncing Bugs" series is a perfect gift. Each of the six titles in this Random House series features a different insect: "Ant," "Bee," "Beetle," "Fly," "Spider" and "Wasp." But the best thing about these books, which cost \$6.99 each, is how kids can open them to a larger-than-life pop-out of a particular bug and then hang that pop-out from a ceiling. (Ages 3-6)

The slug was smug, but his other friends were smarter. In "Some Smug Slug" (HarperCollins), author Pamela Duncan Edwards has a smashingly successful time telling how a slug slunk up a slope, only to find that he's slithered right into the face of a frog. Along the way, however, the slug had all kinds of warnings from his friends, from spider's shriek to the skink's snickering. Edwards' text is a word-play tour de force focusing on the letter "S." Younger kids won't really get it, but they'll love the idea and Henry Cole's close-up illustrations. Older

kids will love it all. (Ages 4-8)

Two books for beginning readers highlight the world of bugs:

- In "Mighty Spiders" (Scholastic), author Fay Robinson uses a lilting rhyme to provide young readers with all kind of facts about spiders. The illustrations by Jean Day Zallinger add color, and help readers see the many different kinds of spiders. (Ages 5-7)

- Author Lucille Recht Penner has combined two kid favorites — monsters and bugs — in "Monster Bugs" (Random House). Here kids can get a close-up look at the "biggest and fiercest bugs in the world," such as giant waterbugs, which "stab their victims and suck their blood like vampires." The illustrations by Pamela Johnson allow young readers to look closely at these scary bugs. (Ages 6-8)

Kids who want to learn more about bugs should try "Insects," one of the "Pockets" series published by Dorling Kindersley. Each book costs \$6.95 and is packed with information and scads of colorful photos. Best of all, the books are just the right size for carrying along on a walk. So far, 20 titles have been published in this series, detailing everything from ancient Rome to inventions. (Ages 12 up)

Gambling

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Scripps Howard News Service and the E.W. Scripps School of Journalism at Ohio University. Households were selected at random by computer. Adults from all 50 states and the District of Columbia were interviewed by telephone.

DATA ON WHO GAMBLES
An analysis of how many people say they have gambled at least three times in their lives in a state lottery, a casino, a horse track or a dog track or who have placed at least three bets on professional sporting events.

Among all adults	59 percent
Men	66
Women	53
18-24	52
25-34	67
35-44	65
45-54	64
55-64	49
65 or older	52

EDUCATION	
No High School	24
Some High School	43
High School Graduate	61
Some College	66
College Graduate	60
Post Graduate Studies	61


INCOME	
Household income below \$10,000	46
\$10,000 to \$25,000	56
\$25,000 to \$40,000	62
\$40,000 to \$60,000	66
Above \$60,000	72

WHERE THEY LIVE	
Lives in a large city	62
In a suburb of a large city	65
In a small city	59
In a rural area	53

ETHNIC ORIGIN	
White	61
Black	52
Hispanic	56
Other	56


WHAT PART OF COUNTRY	
Northeast	60
South	50
Midwest	62
West	70

RELIGIOUS FEELINGS	
Has attended church in last week	52
Not attended church	65
Considers self "born-again"	48
Not considered "born-again"	66




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Got an item?

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Marlins' Dawson to end great career

42-year-old slugger cites long-time problems with ailing knees

MIAMI (AP) — In the South Miami neighborhood where Andre Dawson grew up, a street honors one of his 437 career homers.

It's called Andre Dawson Drive.

The Florida Marlins outfielder acknowledged the end of the road Wednesday, calling a news conference to confirm he will retire after this season.

"It's pretty obvious that it's time," the 42-year-old Dawson said.

The announcement was hardly a surprise; Dawson said last month he expected to retire this year. Now on the disabled list with inflammation in one of his long-troublesome knees, he hopes to play at least one more game.

Yet the finality of the occasion made Dawson want to cry. During the news conference he rubbed his eyes, sniffled,

sighed and stopped several times to regain his composure, once pausing for more than a minute.

Dawson's wife Vanessa came to the rescue by joining him at the microphone and reading the first part of a statement he wrote.

"Some nine years ago, most critics thought that I was physically unable to continue as a professional baseball player," she read. "But I did. Now the time has come for me to bid farewell to my jealous lover — baseball."

Despite 12 knee operations, Dawson has spent 21 years in the major leagues as one of his generation's greatest talents. He played for the Montreal Expos, Chicago Cubs and Boston Red Sox before returning to his hometown of Miami and joining the Marlins last year.

"Thanks to God, I've been blessed with a wonderful career," he said.

Dawson's announcement came one day after the Marlins traded another former National League Most Valuable Player, Terry Pendleton, to the Atlanta Braves.

The Florida media guide includes rules for election to the Hall of Fame, and next to them are Dawson's career statistics. He has 437 home runs, 22nd on the all-time list, and 314 stolen bases, making him one of four players with more than 300 homers and 300 steals. The others are Willie Mays, Barry Bonds and Bobby Bonds.

"He's one of the most respected individuals in the game of baseball," Marlins general manager Dave Dombrowski said. "For the people who didn't get to see him play in his prime — you missed something."

Even in his final season, the player nicknamed Hawk stands at the plate with a menacing look few can match. And as a right fielder, he has won six Gold Gloves.

Gerald Ford was president when Dawson reached the majors in 1976. His first big-league hit — Dawson's, not Ford's — came against Steve Carlton.

In 1987, he hit 49 homers and was the NL MVP with the sixth-place Chicago Cubs. He played in eight All-Star games but never reached the World Series.

"You can't have everything, right?" he said with a smile.

As Dawson put it, he pushed his body to the limit. Bone rubs on bone in both knees, and he faces replacement surgery in 10 to 15 years.

Rangers doing no wrong during 6-game win streak

ARLINGTON (AP) — The Texas Rangers are in a stretch where they can do no wrong.

They won a game with their ninth-place hitter and four relief pitchers Wednesday night, giving them six straight victories and a three-game sweep of the Detroit Tigers.

Juan Gonzalez homered and Kevin Elster delivered a two-run single as the Rangers beat Detroit 5-4 thanks to four shutout innings from the bullpen. Gonzalez finished for his 25th save.

The Rangers now lead Seattle by seven games in the AL West, the largest lead in the club's 25-year history.

"That's what you call a good team effort," Texas manager Johnny Oates said. "Everybody contributed. We got great defense and the bullpen came through. The bullpen is going to have to come through for us. Henny did a good job of closing them out amongst the boys."

Oates said, "Elster has been excellent all year. Even when he has struggled at the plate, his glove has been there. It was a key hit tonight."

Gonzalez, who hit his second homer in August after he tied a major-league record with 15 in July, said, "The pitching staff was great. This was a very important game for us to sweep the series."

Bobby Witt (12-8) picked up the win despite giving up four runs and eight hits in five innings.

"I'm here for just one reason, and that's to get a size up on my ring finger," Henneman

said. "All I want is to get into the playoffs."

Todd Van Poppel (1-6) lost his debut with the Tigers by allowing five runs and six hits and five walks in five innings. He was claimed off waivers Aug. 8 after being released by Oakland.

"It wasn't too bad of an outing considering that his mechanics have been screwed up," Detroit manager Buddy Bell said.

"We just let him throw two pitches, a four-seam fastball and a curve. He's young and we believe he will develop. We told him it was a good outing."

Van Poppel said, "I hate to lose, but I guess it was OK for a first outing."

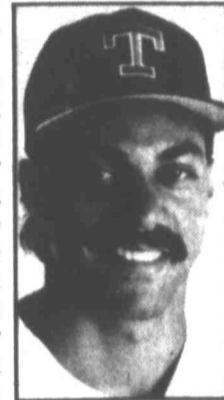
Texas played its 11th consecutive game without an error, a club record.

"This team is incredible," said reliever Kevin Gross, who went two innings and gave up just one hit. "There is a different hero every night. Either a pitcher throws a big game or a hitter gets hot. It's fun to watch."

Texas finished the season 9-4 against Detroit. The Rangers also won their series with Baltimore, New York, and Toronto and split with Boston. It's the first time in club history the Rangers had a non-losing record against every team in a single division.

Texas is 25-5 against the AL East in The Ballpark in Arlington.

Notes: The Rangers had a season-high four stolen bases. Will Clark stole his second base of the season for Texas. ... Van Poppel became the 49th different player and 14th different starting pitcher to appear for Detroit in a game this year. The major-league record for players used in one season is 56 by the 1915 Philadelphia Athletics. ... Gonzalez's homer traveled an estimated 411 feet.



GONZALEZ

Reynolds' 'bad stuff' beats Expos

MONTREAL (AP) — Terry Collins said a good pitcher succeeds without his best stuff.

On Wednesday night, Houston Astros right-hander Shane Reynolds proved his manager's point.

Reynolds became the major leagues' third 15-game winner, getting a burst of offensive support from the top of the batting order as Houston salvaged the final game of a three-game series with the Montreal Expos with a 8-3 win.

"He battled," Collins said of Reynolds, who allowed three runs and eight hits in seven innings. "That's the kind of game where he really had to work. He worked after the first inning and kept his team in the game."

"He told me he felt sluggish," Collins said. "He said that he felt like he had a dead arm. But he went out and worked. That tells me he's a good pitcher."

Reynolds' 15-6 record places him as the third-winningest pitcher this season behind Atlanta's John Smoltz (18) and the Yankees' Andy Pettitte (17).

"That's pretty good. I'm ahead of where I thought I'd be," said Reynolds, who gave credit to his teammates for the best performance in his five-year big league career.

"There were some of those games early in the season where I left losing by three and they score four and all of a sudden I'm winning," said Reynolds, who struck out four and walked none. "Those things add up. Tonight, you have to give this one to the offense and the defense. They played great behind me."

Houston's first four batters — Brian Hunter, Craig Biggio, Jeff Bagwell and Sean Berry — combined to go 10-for-21, driving in seven of the Astros eight runs while scoring six.

Hunter led the way with a 3-for-5 night, with three runs scored. Bagwell had three hits and two RBIs. Biggio and Berry drove in two runs apiece.

"You have to get the big hit," Collins said. "In the last two games, it seemed like any opportunity we had to score runs, they just shut us down. We got the hits tonight when we needed them."

Reynolds fell behind 3-0 in the first on a three-run homer by Moises Alou — who clashed with Reynolds during the bench-clearing brawl that marred the first game of the series Monday.

"That's over with," Reynolds said. "He (Alou) made a mistake and we talked about it. He thought I had done something to one of his teammates. I told him I didn't and I'm not that kind of person. I hope he believes me."

After Monday's brawl and Tuesday's flareup, there were no visible signs of tension between the teams.

The win, which allowed the Astros to maintain their half-game lead over St. Louis in the NL Central, was just the second in Houston's last nine games against Montreal.

Mariners losing ground on Rangers

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

When the Seattle Mariners began a nine-game homestand last week, they looked poised to take over the AL West lead from Texas. As they hit the

road, last place is suddenly closer than first.

Bob Wolcott gave up solo homers to Bob Hamelin and Craig Paquette in the second inning Wednesday night, and the Kansas City Royals beat the

Mariners 3-1.

Seattle, one game out of first when it came back to the Kingdome, completed its worst homestand ever at 1-8 and dropped seven games behind the division-leading Rangers.

"We didn't hit very well on this homestand, and during the middle part of the homestand we were a little sloppy defensively," Mariners manager Lou Piniella said.

Seattle, which has lost 10 of 12, had just nine homers and 31 RBIs during the homestand. The Mariners next go on a 10-game trip to New York, Baltimore and Boston.

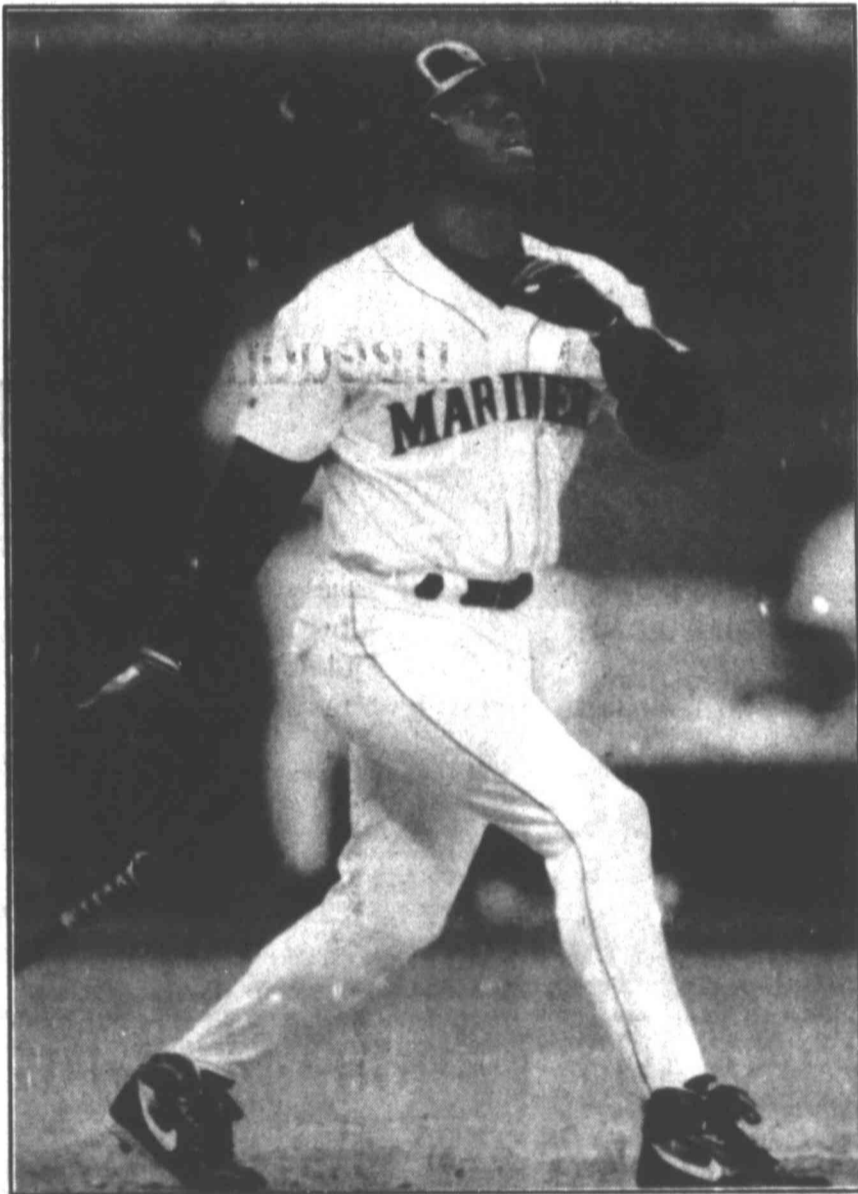
"We're due for a hot streak," Piniella said. "We've played well on the road this year. We're looking forward to a good road trip."

In other games, New York beat Chicago 3-1, Texas beat Detroit 5-4, California beat Cleveland 8-7, Baltimore beat Milwaukee 8-5, Boston beat Toronto 8-6 and Minnesota beat Oakland 13-7.

Kansas City rookie Jose Rosado (4-2) won for the fourth time in five decisions, giving up one run and six hits in seven innings. Dave Montgomery got his 23rd save as the Royals won for the sixth time in nine games.

Yankees 3, White Sox 1

Andy Pettitte (17-7) became the AL's first 17-game winner and Darryl Strawberry doubled in the go-ahead run. The Yankees, avoiding a three-game sweep at Comiskey Park, got solo homers from Tino Martinez and Derek Jeter.



Mariners standout Ken Griffey Jr. saw his team slip further behind in the race to catch the Rangers.

Fisher pleased by Oilers' last Texas camp

By The Associated Press

The Houston Oilers completed what is expected to be their last training camp in San Antonio on Wednesday, and coach Jeff Fisher could not have been more pleased.

"If this was a game, I'd say we're going into halftime with a touchdown lead," he said of the progress made in his second training camp at Trinity University and the team's sixth.

The Oilers are expected to train in Tennessee next summer, possibly in Johnson City, with their eventual move to Nashville.

"We wanted to improve, stay healthy, have a good tempo and maintain our focus. For the most part we had that," Fisher said.

Houston begins single practices on Monday at their training facility after playing the Detroit Lions on Friday night in the Astrodome.

"Camp is not over, we're just changing the scenery," Fisher said with two weeks before the Sept. 1 season opener with Kansas City. "We'll go into one-a-days and continue to install things. The intensity will go up because we're working with less people."

Fisher said the roster cut to 60 players by Tuesday will be

much tougher than last year. "That shows we're improving," he said.

The only camp negative, he said, was not being able to schedule practices with other teams, a new trend in the NFL. He said attempts to line up workouts with the New York Jets and Lions around the exhibition games were unsuccessful.

"I think those type of practices really help you, and we'll continue to work on them in the future," he said. "By and large the uncertainty of where we'd be at hurt us as much as anything. Scrimmaging the (Dallas) Cowboys twice made up for part of that."

49ers

Wide receiver Jerry Rice and defensive back Merton Hanks are expected to sign new contracts, but backup quarterback Elvis Grbac could be gone after this season.

49ers president Carmen Policy said Wednesday the likelihood of keeping Grbac when his contract expires at the end of this season is "remote" because he could be an NFL starter elsewhere and make considerably more money. Grbac, in his fourth year, earns \$375,000 a year.

Policy expects to complete Rice's revised contract soon

after Sunday's preseason game at Jacksonville. Rice makes \$2.1 million a year but will get a substantial raise "guaranteeing his presence on the team and his retirement as a 49er."

Hanks, a six-year veteran and All-Pro last season, is considered one of the best free safeties in the league.

Bengals

Guard Kevin Sargent was placed on injured reserve with a herniated disc in his neck, which was successfully operated on Tuesday.

Sargent, a fifth-year player, will likely be out for the season. The 6-foot-6, 285-pound offensive lineman started 15 games each of the past two seasons.

Sargent, 27, complained of numbness and stiffness after an Aug. 3 exhibition.

Panthers

A brief burst of optimism faded Wednesday as running back Tshimanga Blakabutuka's holdout stretched into its 26th day.

When the Panthers reopened negotiations with Blakabutuka on Tuesday, team president Mike McCormack expressed hope that the latest attempt to sign their top draft choice from Michigan would lead to a quick resolution.

Bjornson misses teacher at Cowboys' tight end spot

AUSTIN (AP) — Having never played tight end before joining the Dallas Cowboys last year, Eric Bjornson was supposed to get some solid schooling this season from five-time Pro Bowler Jay Novacek.

But not much is going according to plan for Dallas these days.

With Novacek out indefinitely due to chronic lower back problems, it will be on-the-job training for Bjornson, who must replace Troy Aikman's favorite target on third-and-short.

"The plan was to bring me along slowly and teach me the position and give me a couple years," Bjornson said. "But obviously the situation has changed and the expectation level is a little higher. But I'm really looking forward to the challenge."

Novacek, who had 62 catches for 705 yards and five touch-

downs in 1995, has been doing rehabilitative exercises, primarily in a swimming pool, and has felt less pain in the past week.

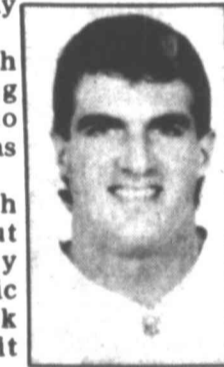
But there has been no indication that he's ready to begin practicing and test the degenerative disk in his back against contact.

Dallas also has lost powerful blocking tight end Kendall Watkins for the year with a knee injury.

Even Bjornson has battled a pulled left hamstring that he re-aggravated on Wednesday. He has missed the past 10 days of practices and is day-to-day on the team's injury report.

The Cowboys have experimented with fullback Darryl Johnston and running back Herschel Walker at tight end, but will turn primarily to Bjornson, who had seven receptions for 53 yards as a rookie last season.

"It's not the fact that we don't feel Bjornson is a good player," said Dallas coach Barry Switzer. "We just didn't want to push him into being the guy right now."



BJORNSON

Prep footballer collapses

PASADENA (AP) — A high school sophomore who recently passed a physical exam so he could play football died several hours after collapsing during the first day of practice.

Donald Ray Roventini Jr., a sophomore at Pasadena Dobie High School, died about five hours after Wednesday's workout, said a Harris County medical examiner's official.

The 16-year-old told his trainers he was not feeling well after running up the field and back near the end of the practice. He was taken after 1 p.m. to Memorial Hospital Southeast, where he was later pronounced dead.

"They were in shorts and headgear toward the end of their workout," said Pasadena school district spokesman Kirk Lewis. "He actually had sat out

the last drill." Roventini, a transfer from South Houston High School, had recently passed a physical exam allowing him to participate in football and had no known prior medical problems, Lewis said.

"The trainer was with him when he collapsed and tried CPR, but to no avail," said Caroline Osmon, a hospital spokeswoman.

Roventini's body was taken to the medical examiner's office. No ruling had been made on the cause of death, but heat and humidity could have been a factor, said the medical examiner's official, who would not give his name.

Dobie head coach Stan Label was at the hospital with family members throughout Wednesday afternoon.

SPORTS EXTRA

SPORTS BRIEFS

BASEBALL

AL Standings

Table with columns: Team, W, L, Pct, GB. Lists standings for New York, Baltimore, Boston, Toronto, Detroit.

Central Division

Table with columns: Team, W, L, Pct, GB. Lists standings for Cleveland, Chicago, Minnesota.

West Division

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STOLEN BASES—Lofton, Cleveland, 57; TGoodwin, Kansas City, 55; Nixon, Toronto, 49; Knoblauch, Minnesota, 31; Vizquel, Cleveland, 30; Litsch, Milwaukee, 24; McLemore, Texas, 22.

PITCHING (14 Decisions)—Nagy, Cleveland, 12-4, 750, 3.71; Pettitte, New York, 12-7, 708, 4.30; Alvarez, Chicago, 14-6, 700, 3.77; Swails, Seattle, 11-5, 667, 4.45; Hitchcock, Seattle, 11-5, 687, 5.22; Pavlik, Texas, 13-4, 684, 4.63; Kuhl, Texas, 13-4, 684, 3.47.

STRIKEOUTS—Clemens, Boston, 176; Finley, California, 160; AFernandez, Chicago, 149; Alvarez, Chicago, 146; Appier, Kansas City, 145; Guzman, Toronto, 141; Mussina, Baltimore, 140.

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NL Leaders

BATTING—Piazza, Los Angeles, 342; EYoung, Colorado, 338; Grace, Chicago, 338; Burks, Colorado, 334; CJohnson, Atlanta, 318; Bichette, Colorado, 318; Sheffield, Florida, 314.

RUNS—Burks, Colorado, 109; Finley, San Diego, 95; Bonds, San Francisco, 93; CJohnson, Atlanta, 91; Sheffield, Florida, 91; Bichette, Colorado, 90; Biggio, Houston, 88.

RBI—Galaraga, Colorado, 107; Bichette, Colorado, 102; Bonds, San Francisco, 98; Soxa, Chicago, 97; Burks, Colorado, 95; DBell, Houston, 94; Bagwell, Houston, 93; Hundley, New York, 93.

HITS—LJohnson, New York, 160; Grissom, Atlanta, 155; Burks, Colorado, 154; Bichette, Colorado, 153; Gruzdzianek, Montreal, 151; Finley, San Diego, 147; Lansing, Montreal, 146.

DOUBLES—Finley, San Diego, 38; HRodriguez, Montreal, 35; Lansing, Montreal, 33; DBell, Houston, 33; Bagwell, Houston, 33; Berry, Houston, 31; Bichette, Colorado, 31.

TRIPLES—LJohnson, New York, 18; Grissom, Atlanta, 8; Finley, San Diego, 8; KAbbott, Florida, 7; Mondak, Los Angeles, 6; DeShields, Los Angeles, 6; Vizzaino, New York, 6; Burks, Colorado, 6.

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Reynolds, Houston, 15-4, 714, 3.53; Gardner, San Francisco, 10-4, 714, 4.27; Naegele, Pittsburgh, 12-5, 706, 2.93; Fassero, Montreal, 12-7, 632, 2.74; Trachsel, Chicago, 10-6, 625, 2.83; Kile, Houston, 10-6, 625, 2.94.

STRIKEOUTS—Smoltz, Atlanta, 211; Nomo, Los Angeles, 173; Fassero, Montreal, 168; PJMartinez, Montreal, 161; Kile, Houston, 159; Reynolds, Houston, 154; Glavine, Atlanta, 144; GMadux, Atlanta, 144.

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Hunter course on tap

A course in hunter education will be held from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Aug. 17-18 at the Big Spring Chamber of Commerce building.

The course, offered by local instructor Boyce Hale, is required for huntersborn on or after Sept. 2, 1971.

Soccer registration ongoing

Registration for the Big Spring Youth Soccer League continues through Aug. 20. Applications can be picked up at the Big Spring YMCA, 801 Owens St.

The league is open to children ages 4-12. For more information, contact Alan Partee at 267-4038.

Little League football sign-ups begin

Crossroads Little Football League sign-ups will be held through Aug. 24 at the Big Spring Mall. Players from the third through sixth grades will need a birth certificate.

Registration will be held Monday through Friday from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

For more information, contact Bobby Lang at 263-7510 or Carla Crow at 263-7206.

Coahoma boosters meet Friday

The Coahoma Athletic Boosters and Band Boosters will host a "Meet the Bulldogs" night on Friday, Aug. 16, in the elementary cafeteria.

Football players, band members and cheerleaders will be introduced. Parents need to bring homemade ice cream, cookies, etc.

Everyone is invited. Call Ricky Stone at 393-5358.

Softball tourney on weekend

The Big Spring First Annual Sandbaggers men's softball tournament will be held Aug. 16-18. Entry fee is \$110.

There will be trophies for first, second and third place teams, and t-shirts for first and second places and all-tournament. For information call Darren at 263-4901.

Men's Major Bowling meeting Thursday

Men's Major Bowling will meet tonight, Aug. 15, at 7 p.m. in the Bowlarama Meeting Room to discuss the fall season.

All members are welcome.

ESPN's Mees dies in drowning accident

SOUTHINGTON, Conn. (AP) — Tom Mees, one of ESPN's original sports anchors, drowned Wednesday in an accident in his next-door neighbor's pool.

His wife then began screaming for help. A lawn maintenance man, Jeff Krupinski, jumped over the fence and swam to the bottom, dragging Mees to the shallow end and then onto the deck.

A rescue squad arrived seconds later, summoned by Michelle Mees' 911 call. "It looked like he was sitting at the bottom of the pool," Krupinski said.

Southington Police said an officer at the scene reported that an anguished Michelle Mees kept saying "He couldn't swim, he couldn't swim" as they tried to revive him.

Mees had no pulse or respiration when he was brought to Bradley Memorial Hospital at about 2:50 p.m., said Richard Corcoran, hospital vice president. Resuscitation efforts failed and he died about 3:15 p.m.

Since then, he worked as the play-by-play NHL commentator on sister network ESPN2, generally calling two games a week.

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NATIONAL SPORTS BRIEFS

Braves deal Whiten to Mariners

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — The Braves traded outfielder Mark Whiten to the Seattle Mariners for minor-league pitcher Roger Blanco.

Whiten was signed as a free agent June 24 after being waived by Philadelphia. He hit .256 with three homers and 17 RBIs with Atlanta.

If service time is granted in a labor settlement, Whiten would become a free agent after the season.

NL slaps Darwin with suspension

MONTREAL (AP) — The National League suspended and fined five players involved in Monday night's bench-clearing brawl between the Expos and Astros.

Houston pitcher Danny Darwin, who hit Henry Rodriguez with a pitch to set off the third-inning fight, was suspended six games and fined \$1,000.

Houston's John Cangelosi and Rodriguez, Jeff Juden and Moises Alou of the Expos were also fined \$1,000 and received four-game suspensions.

Montreal's David Segui, on the disabled list with a broken thumb, was fined \$1,000 for joining the altercation.

Graf defeats teen sensation

MANHATTAN BEACH, Calif. (AP) — Top-seeded Steffi Graf defeated 16-year-old Venus Williams 6-4, 6-4, and eighth-seeded Amy Frazier routed Italy's Silvia Farina 6-4, 6-0 in third-round matches at the \$450,000 Acura Classic.

In second-round matches, second-seeded Anke Huber of Germany overcame Kristie Boogert 5-7, 6-3, 6-3; sixth-seeded Irina Spirlea of Romania overpowered Alexandra Fusai of France 6-3, 6-2; seventh-seeded Slovakian Karina Habsudova beat Japan's Nana Miyagi, 6-2, 7-5; No. 9 Ai Sugiyama of Japan topped Canadian Rene Simpson 6-1, 7-5; and 11th-seeded Natasha Zvereva of Belarus downed Germany's Barbara Rittner 6-2, 7-5.

Wimbledon champ wins at Pilot Pen

NEW HAVEN, Conn. (AP) — Wimbledon champion and second-seeded Richard Krajicek outlasted Luke Jensen 6-3, 6-7 (7-5), 7-6 (7-2) in the second round of the Pilot Pen International.

Seventh-seeded Cedric Pioline of France, eighth-seeded countryman Arnaud Boetsch, 11th-seeded Byron Black of Zimbabwe and No. 13 Andrei Medvedev of Ukraine were all upset victims.

Seeds who advanced were No. 4 Wayne Ferreira of South Africa, fifth-seeded Marcelo Rios of Chile, 10th-seeded Jan Siemerink of Netherlands, No. 12 Daniel Vacek of Czech Republic, 14th-seeded Mark Philippoussis of Australia and No.15 Andrea Gaudenzi of Italy.

Spain's Moya reaches Croatian quarterfinals

UMAG, Croatia (AP) — Fourth-seeded Carlos Moya of Spain beat countryman Galo Blanco 6-3, 6-2 to reach the quarterfinals of the Croatian Open.

In second-round matches, Spain's Marcos A. Gorriz defeated Czech David Rikl 6-3, 6-1, Norway's Christian Ruud upset eighth-seeded Karim Alami of Morocco 6-3, 6-3, and Brazil's Gustavo Kuerten downed 17-year-old Croatian Ivan Ljubicic.

Steve Owens takes OU AD job

NORMAN, Okla. (AP) — Former Oklahoma great Steve Owens returned to the university as its athletic director, succeeding Donnie Duncan, who resigned in May.

As athletic director, Owens will be responsible for a department with an operating budget in the \$19 million range.

1st Annual TEJANO JAM Saturday, Aug. 17-Rodeo Bowl-12 noon Celebrate the 1st Year Anniversary of the New Signal Brought To You By: Taco Villa, The Cold Spot Restaurant, Hispanic Women For Progress, Coca Cola, Coors Light & Miller Light, 94.3-The New Signal. Macarena Contest, Juan Sabor Contest \$1,000, Washer Tournament, Tickets Available at R & T Music Store, Taco Villa in Big Spring & Lamesa. Special Appearances By La Tropa F ★ Elsa Garcia ★ Xelencia, Esmi Talamantez ★ Oxygeno, Amanda ★ Muchachos Crystales.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR FRIDAY, AUG. 15:

This is a year where you can get past obstacles. You possess great poise and savoir-faire. Increasing your income and professional expansion are likely. However, if anyone is going to jinx you, it will be yourself. There is a tendency to misdirect your anger. It could backfire on you. Work on expressing your feelings effectively. Watch a tendency to be overly sensitive and dramatic in your responses. If you are single, it is advisable to avoid involvement with someone emotionally unavailable. If attached, talk about emotions and listen to each other. Your relationship will benefit from honest disclosure. VIRGO is a lucky charm.

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) Details need to be worked out. Extremes occur, and you see events in a new light. Concentrate on what is happening. Your sense of direction is important with family. Consider a home office. It is time to streamline procedures at work. Tonight: Be willing to remain at your desk late. ****

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Excessive behavior is possible. You might experience a lot of emotional pull over a loved one. Directness makes you feel better than you have been lately. Reach out for another, especially a loved one, suitor or child. You might be up for planning a trip. Tonight: Be a flirt. ****

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Be in touch with feelings, and stay centered. A partnership plays a role in an important decision. Creativity is high when you brainstorm with this person. Go over an investment deal with a fine-toothed comb. You also may be up for remodeling. Tonight: A home project is fun. ****

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Be considerate of another's opinion. Communications are intense, and you are making important choices as a result. Attractiveness is high and others are responding. Return calls, and be willing to express your deeper feelings. You have the energy to meet the moment. Tonight: Strutting your stuff. ****

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Instincts are right on with finances, though it isn't impossible to act on impulse. You might be motivated by feelings of inadequacy or insecurity. Examine new ways of making money, not spending it. A business idea may appear too good to believe. Evaluate. Tonight: Your treat. ***

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Your fun side emerges with a friend, who may egg you on. Be sure you want to follow on this

path. This person means well, and is going to let you know. Analyze potential. Make the most of an offer. It may be too good to refuse. Tonight: It is your call. ****

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Look honestly at your situation. Realize what needs to happen. You might have taken another for granted. Visualize what you want from a boss or someone at work. Watch out! Events may manifest quite differently. Consider that you might not be realistic. Tonight: Take a night off. **

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Good news comes from a distance. This may take the form of a foreigner or someone quite unique in their own ways. Scenario involves expanded horizons and new friends. You feel there is a better chance of making what you want to happen. Tonight: Start the weekend early. ****

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) A partner supports you in a pet project. Break past restrictions, and open up to new potential. You see new ways of making money. Make sure you

aren't in a fantasy land about what could happen here. Enthusiasm is great, but so is realism. Tonight: Working late. ****

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Consider news and take it at face value. With a nebulous, rose-colored-glasses attitude, you might see a situation differently than it is. Feedback is important, and a partner or associate is only too happy to give it. Remember there is real caring here. Tonight: Consider a weekend escape. ****

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

Much that goes on is behind the scenes. Be more aware of another's limitations when dealing with a work-related matter. Combine diplomatic and leadership skills to be a success at work. A partner gives you information that needs to stay hush-hush. Tonight: Vanish with a loved one. ****

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Listen to another's opinion. A child or loved one could have a bellicose way of saying they love you. Maintain a sense of humor and detach. Listen to

the real message. It is wise to go along with another for now. They need to see the end results of their actions. Tonight: Visiting friends. ****

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life! Sunday deadlines

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Wedding, engagement, anniversary and birth announcement forms are available in the editorial department.

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Scientists Study Uncommon Gathering of Blue Whales OFF THE CHANNEL ISLANDS, California (AP)

Large numbers of giant endangered blue whales have gathered offshore, drawing dozens of marine biologists who want to know why.

Aboard six ships, scientists from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and other experts are working on a three-week project this summer to tag and track the whales electronically.

Three blue whales were tagged and followed last week, but scientists have seen many more.

"This is cetacean soup out here," said Fred Benko, owner of a private charter boat that shuttles scientists to and from their research area.

The mammals, some up to 100 feet long, have congregated about 20 miles west of the Channel Islands, which are about 25 miles southwest of Santa Barbara and 75 miles northwest of Los Angeles.

Scientists first noticed the increase in blue whales in local waters in 1991, and a 1993 study indicated about 2,000 blue whales along the California coast. Preliminary research suggests that the Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary contains the most concentrated blue whale population in the world.

The animals have been listed as endangered since 1966, victims of the overzealous whaling industry in the first half of the century. Scientists believe there once were 400,000 blue whales roaming the world's oceans, but now only about 12,000.

The blue whales feed on krill, a small, bright-red crustacean similar to shrimp. But since the Channel Islands are hardly the only place where krill thrive, researchers wonder what else might be drawing the whales to the area.

To tag the whales, scientists use a crossbow to fire a dart into blubber on the creature's back. A computer records the depth and length of every dive the whale takes.

"It's important for me that people know that they have a treasure out here," said sanctuary manager Ed Cassano. "This is something everybody should be proud of. It's the jewel in the crown."

Using the newspaper story, find the vocabulary words listed below, and circle them in the article. Use the context of the story to help you figure out the meaning of each vocabulary word. Then write the number of each word next to its correct meaning. Use a dictionary to check your answers.

- 1) track 3) shuttles 5) congregates 7) roaming 9) thrive
 - 2) dart 4) crustacean 6) biologists 8) blubber 10) endangered
- a. people who study animals and plants
b. to follow the course or trail of
c. in peril of no longer existing
d. came together in a crowd; assembled
e. wandering; roving
f. moves back and forth
g. grow; flourish
h. small, pointed object
i. thick layer of fat under the skin
j. an animal that lives mostly in water and has a hard outer shell

Answer key:
a)6; b)1; c)10; d)5; e)7; f)3; g)9; h)2; i)8; j)4.

PART TWO: A TREASURE WORTH SAVING:

The endangered blue whale is the largest animal ever to live. Look in an encyclopedia to find out more about this "Jewel in the crown." Using the information you've found, design a cap, t-shirt, or button displaying a message about the importance of protecting the cetacean. Are any other whales threatened?

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By BETTY DEBNAM

Beautiful and Sometimes Dangerous Creatures
Discover Jellyfish

When you are at the beach this summer, watch out for jellyfish — they can sting. Many are transparent, so you can't always see them.

Jellyfish, or "jellies," have been on Earth for at least 650 million years, way before the dinosaurs. They are exciting animals to learn about from a distance.

Jelly ingredients

- Jellyfish ...**
- are not fish.
 - are invertebrates. They do not have a backbone — they have no bones at all.
 - have no brain, no heart, no real eyes.
 - have nerve sensors that tell them if they are heading up or down, or to or from the light. But that is all.
 - are made of 95 percent water.
 - can grow new tentacles if they are damaged or destroyed.

Jelly mythology

An adult jellyfish is called a "medusa," after a woman in Greek mythology. Medusa had a beautiful face but her hair was made of live snakes. Anyone who looked at her turned to stone.

Jelly journeys

- Jellyfish ...**
- are found all over the world.
 - usually just drift along with the current.
 - can also move by pushing water in and out of their bells (creating a kind of jet propulsion).



Sea nettles such as this one live in the water off the East Coast.

The body

Long tentacles dangling from a jellyfish's bell-shaped body capture its food. In the center, wavy "oral arms" cover a long tube where the mouth is. The oral arms push the food into the mouth.

Kinds of jellies

There are more than 200 different kinds of jellyfish.

One of the largest is the Arctic lion's mane. Its tentacles can be as long as 200 feet. This is about two-thirds as long as a football field.

The smallest is the Caribbean thimble jellyfish. It is only about 1/2 inch long.

The most dangerous is the Australian box jellyfish. Its sting can kill people in three to five minutes.

What eat jellies

Many animals such as the leatherback sea turtle, some fish, some people and other jellies eat jellyfish.

Experts are not sure how these animals keep from getting stung. Maybe some animals are immune to the venom. Sea turtles have been found with tentacles all over their eyes, but they don't seem to mind.

Some sea animals might see clear plastic wrap floating in the ocean and think it is a jellyfish. This plastic garbage kills the animals that eat it.

What jellies eat

Jellyfish usually eat very tiny animals called zooplankton. They also eat babies of animals such as crabs, shrimp and fish.

The upside-down jellyfish lives on sugars made by tiny plants or algae that live inside its body. This unusual jellyfish sits on the bottom of some shallow waters in the Caribbean. Its bell-shaped body faces down. Its oral arms face up, toward the sunlight.

If the algae die, the jellyfish begins eating its own body, and often dies.

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- 1 teaspoon oregano
- 6 mushrooms, chopped
- 1/3 cup Parmesan cheese

What to do:

1. Separate biscuits and flatten each one.
2. Place on a greased baking sheet.
3. In a medium bowl combine tomato sauce and oregano. Mix well.
4. Spoon equal amounts of tomato sauce on each biscuit.
5. Top with equal amounts of chopped mushrooms.
6. Sprinkle equal amounts of cheese on top.
7. Bake in a preheated 400-degree oven for 8 minutes.

Makes 8.

SEA CREATURES TRY 'N FIND

Words that remind us of sea creatures are hidden in the block below. Some words are hidden backward or diagonally. See if you can find: JELLYFISH, ANIMALS, BEACH, STING, SEA, WATER, OCEAN, TENTACLES, DRIFT, CURRENT, MOVE, EAT, SHORE, OYSTER, SHELL, CRABS, LOBSTER, CLAW, POISON, TOUCH, PREY, TASTE.

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Mini Spy ...

Mini Spy and her friends are checking out some jellyfish at the aquarium. See if you can find:

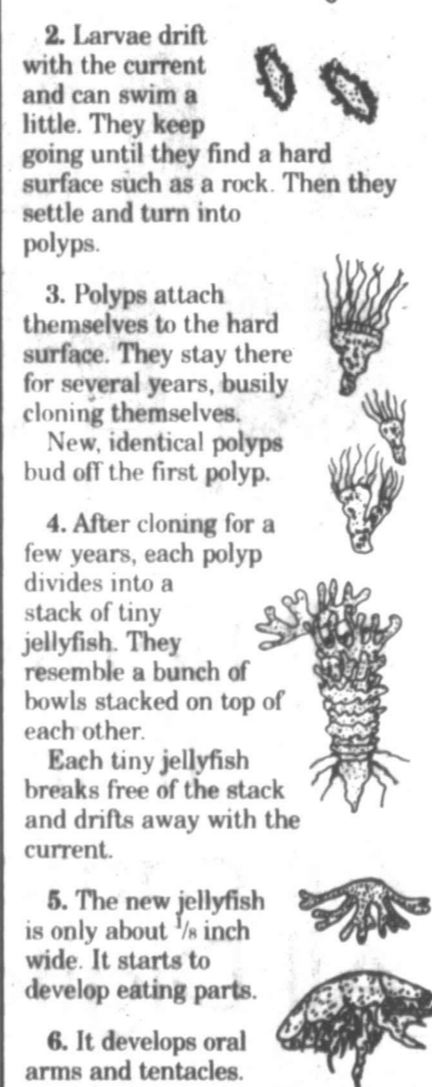
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Jellyfish and Their Relatives

Growing up

Some kinds of jellyfish go through several stages to become adults.

1. Fertilized eggs stay on their mother's arms until ready to change into larvae.
2. Larvae drift with the current and can swim a little. They keep going until they find a hard surface such as a rock. Then they settle and turn into polyps.
3. Polyps attach themselves to the hard surface. They stay there for several years, busily cloning themselves. New, identical polyps bud off the first polyp.
4. After cloning for a few years, each polyp divides into a stack of tiny jellyfish. They resemble a bunch of bowls stacked on top of each other.
5. Each tiny jellyfish breaks free of the stack and drifts away with the current.
6. The new jellyfish is only about 1/8 inch wide. It starts to develop eating parts.
7. It develops oral arms and tentacles.



The Mini Page thanks Marsha Nichols and Valerie Chase of the National Aquarium in Baltimore, and the North Carolina Aquarium.

Next week The Mini Page visits the Democratic National Convention in Chicago.

Dangers

Jellyfish sting their prey and paralyze it. Those by American shores don't usually kill people, but they do hurt.

If you see one at the beach, do not ever touch it. Even if it is dead, the stinging cells will fire if touched.

Never, never get anywhere near a jellyfish in the water. Its tentacles can stretch out for yards, but you might not be able to see them.



Benefits

- Jellyfish ...**
- are a great delicacy — at least to some people. Others say they taste like rubber bands.
 - are used to treat some cancers and heart disease.
 - give shelter to many animals who hide in the middle of their tentacles or ride on top of their bells.
 - eat animals that eat oysters.

Portuguese man-of-war

The Portuguese man-of-war looks a lot like a jellyfish and stings like a jellyfish, but is not a jellyfish. This confuses many people.

It can be found on the Atlantic Coast from Florida to Cape Cod.

Working together

The Portuguese man-of-war is not one animal, but a colony of hundreds of separate parts, all working together.

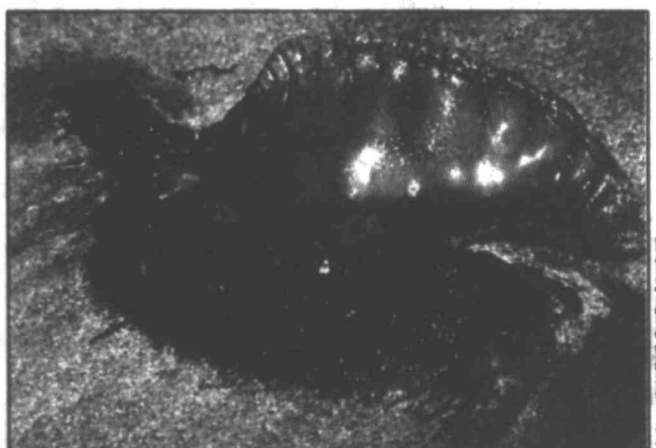
Each animal has its own job. Some parts keep the man-of-war floating; some protect it; some help it eat; some allow it to reproduce.

The sting

The man-of-war is a dangerous creature. It paralyzes small animals and fish with its stinging tentacles.

It is one of the most deadly animals in the sea. Dead or alive, it can burn anything or anyone touching it.

Some animals can get by the tentacles and eat the man-of-war. How they sting: All members of this group have individual stinging cells. These



The purple, balloon-like sac at the top of the Portuguese man-of-war is filled with gas. This enables it to float. Its tentacles can extend 50 feet in the water.

stinging cells have little threads with a kind of harpoon in them. When the cells are touched or come in contact with certain chemicals, the harpoon thread comes shooting out.

Relatives

Man-of-war, Jellyfish, Coral, Sea anemone

The Portuguese man-of-war, jellyfish, coral and sea anemones are all related. All these animals have stinging tentacles used to capture prey and defend themselves.

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3 BEDROOM, 1 1/2 BATH, carpet, extra storage, fenced yard, central/heat air, \$425/monthly, \$200/deposit. Call 263-0080 after 5:00pm.

5 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath, large living room, dining room, privacy fence, central heat/air, refrigerator/stove furnished, washer/dryer connection. \$700/month. 2524 Gunter. Call 263-3461.

PRIVATE SMALL: Prefer mature older male. \$250/month. Bills paid. 1606 Main (near). Call 267-2239.

TWO BEDROOM, two bath house. Phone 264-9349.

MEN, WOMEN & CHILDREN

Child Care 610

DO YOU want child care in a loving home environment? Have 2 openings for 18 months or older, M-F, 7:30-5:30. Call 263-5813.

IF YOU ARE LOOKING FOR QUALITY CHILDCARE GIVE US A CALL AT 263-1696, 900 GOLIAD.

IF YOU're looking for quality care in a home environment, LOOK NO MORE!! Call 264-0352.

TOO LATES

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17 FOOT BOAT. 90 Horsepower Engine, Good Condition. 393-9922.

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1995 FORD ASPIRE. Auto air, AM/FM cassette, 4 door, 29/32 MPG. Call 399-4416.

ACCOUNTS MANAGER: 18K per year. Benefit package. Apply in person. 1611 Gregg.

FOR RENT: Nice 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath, 2 living areas. \$425. Call 267-2939 after 5:00pm.

GREAT IDEA for restaurant. Contact 263-5299 or 915-969-5306.

IDEALERS WELCOME: Sale of unclaimed goods. Saturday, August 17th, 11am SHARPII A-American Self Storage, 3314 E. FM 700.

GARAGE SALE: 2205 Caella. Sat. 8:00am-1:00pm. Lots of miscellaneous.

GARAGE SALE: 807 Caprock Dr. (News Street in Highland). Friday & Saturday. 9:00am-7:00pm.

GARAGE SALE: 2613 Cindy. Saturday. 9:00am-5:00pm Only. Baby furniture & clothes, coffee table, men & women's clothes, boots, rug yarn mats & plus other things.

GIANT YARD SALE: SATURDAY ONLY!! 1 mile out on N. Birdwell Lane. Watch for signs. 8am - 7 TO HELP SPONSOR THE NURSES ASSOCIATION. DON'T MISS THIS ONE!!!

MOVING SALE: 2903 Goliad, Saturday, August 24th, 7:00 am until noon. Lots of stuff; household items, dishes, clothes, furniture, some children's things.

MULTI-FAMILY SALE: Friday & Saturday, 626 State. Tools, good clothes, lots of miscellaneous.

CLEAN TWO bedroom, one bath, garage. 1203 Stanford. \$300 month, \$100 deposit. 263-6202.

PORCH SALE: 2520 DOW. Saturday, 8am-1pm. 3 X women's clothes, 3 X men's clothes, lots of jeans all sizes, console TV, dishes, glassware, shoes & lots of miscellaneous.

SALE. 4608 WASSON Road. Friday, Saturday, 8:00-2:00. Chicken Brooder, wood products, sun hats, kno-knacs.

TWO FAMILY SALE: 906 Saunders (Coahoma). Sat. 8:00am-4:00pm. Side-by-Side refrigerator, water bed, bunk beds, fireplace, kids and adult clothes, luggage, stroller, & DKFL boots.

YARD SALE: 1210 Pennsylvania. Sat. 8:00am. Sun. 10:00am. Nice clothes, jewelry, shot gun (needs work), assorted treasures. REASONABLE PRICES.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The following described abandoned vehicles will be sold to the high bidder Aug. 26, 1996 at 10:00 A.M. Sale will be at Henson Wrecker Service, Midway Rd. South, Howard County, Texas. Bill of sale will be issued, vehicles will be sold as is, with no warranty with respect to condition of vehicles. YEAR MAKE MODEL VIN 1987 Ford PU F14HFA09233 1986 Ford PU 1FTJW3F8E8A1780 1984 GMC PU 2GTGC2M1E1645201 All efforts have failed to return vehicles to registered owners and/or lessholders. Big Spring Police Dept. 1007 August 15, 1996

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SUDAN ROUND BALES. Irr./Fert. 1200lbs. 915-756-2734 after 5:00pm or leave message.

TO GIVE AWAY: Medium size dog with short hair & Calico cat 1 year old. To good home. Call 267-1902.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

On July 23, 1996, an application was tendered for filing with the Federal Communications Commission by American Family Association, Inc., for a construction permit for a new noncommercial educational FM broadcast station to serve Big Spring, Texas. The applicant proposes facilities of 250 KW on Channel 218 from an Antenna Center of Radiation Height of 40 meters above ground level (84 meters above Mean Sea Level). The Applicant proposes to locate its transmitter at: North Latitude: 32 degrees, 11 minutes and 06 seconds; West Longitude: 101 degrees, 27 minutes and 58 seconds, to be located at: 6 miles North and 5 East from Junction Hwy. 87 and Hwy. 33. The principals in the application are: Donald E. Wildmon, Timothy Wildmon, Forrest Ann Daniels, Gayle Alexander, Grady Bailey, Bruce Green, Bobby Hankins, Bert Harper, Doc Jeter, Tim A. Lampley, Curtis Peasey, Forrest Sheffield and Jack Williams. Copies of the Application and related materials are on file for public inspection at First Church of the Nazarene, 1404 Lancaster, Big Spring, TX 79720 and the office of WAFR Radio at 107 Parkgate Drive, Tulepe, Mississippi 38801, 601-844-8888. 0822 August 6, 8, 12 & 15, 1996

EQUAL HOUSING OPPORTUNITY All real estate advertising in this newspaper is subject to the Federal Fair Housing Act of 1968 which makes it illegal to advertise "any preference limitation or discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex or national origin, or an intention to make any such preference, limitation or discrimination." This newspaper will not knowingly accept any advertising for real estate, which is in violation of the law. Our readers are hereby informed that all dwellings advertised in this newspaper are available on an equal opportunity basis.

Notice of Vote on Tax Rate

The Howard County Junior College District (Howard College) conducted a public hearing on a proposal to increase your property taxes by 7.94 percent on Wednesday, August 14, 1996

The Howard County Junior College District (Howard College)

is scheduled to vote on the tax rate at a public meeting to be held

on Monday, August 19, 1996 beginning at 12:30 p.m. at the Board Room in the Dora Roberts Student Union Building on the Howard College Campus

THURSDAY

AUG. 15

Table with 31 columns representing different TV channels (KMD, KPEJ, KERA, etc.) and rows listing various programs and their times.

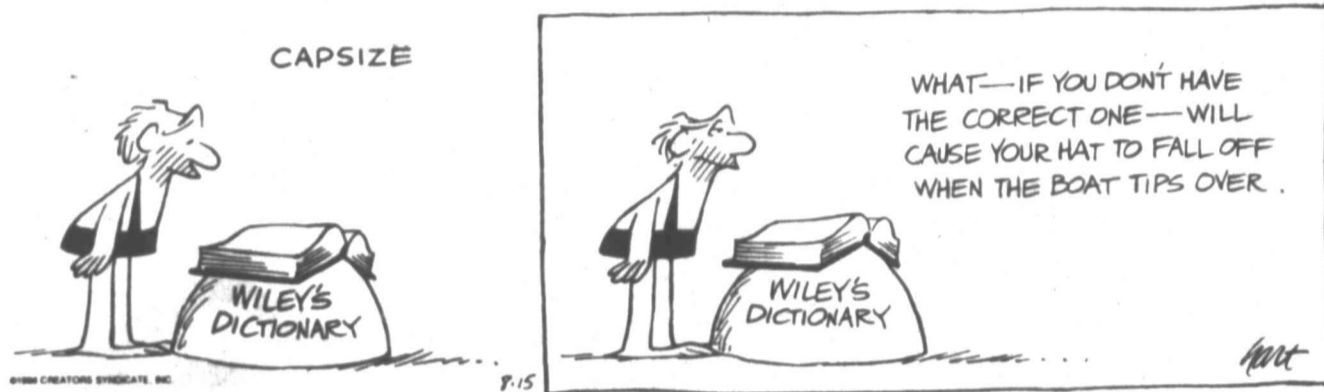
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FAMILY CIRCLE



DENNIS THE MENACE



GEECH



Mommy, could you help me find the other piece to this broken shell?

Maybe you should keep the oil and change your car.

WIZARD OF ID



THIS DATE IN HISTORY

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Today is Thursday, August 15, the 228th day of 1996. There are 138 days left in the year.

August 15, 1945, was proclaimed V-J Day by the Allies, a day after Japan agreed to surrender unconditionally. In a recorded radio message, Emperor Hirohito called upon his people to 'bear the unbearable' and lay down their arms. On this date: In 1057, Macbeth, the King of Scotland, was slain by the son of King Duncan.

In 1769, Napoleon Bonaparte was born on the island of Corsica. In 1888, T.E. Lawrence, the British soldier who gained fame as 'Lawrence of Arabia,' was born in Tremadoc, Wales. In 1935, humorist Will Rogers and aviator Wiley Post were killed when their airplane crashed near Point Barrow, Alaska. In 1944, during World War II, Allied forces landed in southern France. In 1947, India became independent after some 200 years of British rule. In 1948, the Republic of Korea was proclaimed. In 1969, the Woodstock Music and Art Fair opened in upstate New York. In 1971, President Nixon announced a 90-day freeze on wages, prices and rents. In 1974, South Korean President Park Chung-hee escaped an assassination attempt in which his wife was killed. In 1994, Ilich Ramirez Sanchez, the terrorist known as 'Carlos the Jackal,' was jailed in France after being captured in Sudan.

THE Daily Crossword by Stanley B. Whitten

Crossword puzzle grid with clues for Across and Down words.

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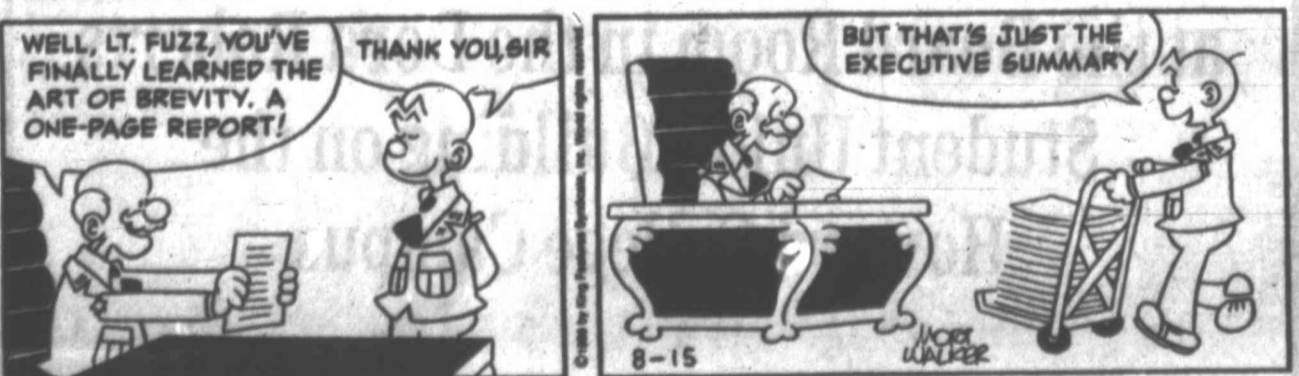


Wednesday's Puzzle solved: A grid with words filled in, including ALTAR, ISUP, JAWB, PEEVE, NASH, ALOP, EMMET, SCOOBYDOO, UPRISE, TISANE, ROSETATTOO, OMAR, LANG, DEBARK, BALLYHOO, ATELIER, YEAREND, WALLAROO, THEMES, STAY, LIPS, SPIDER, GERALD, KALAMAZOO, AREEL, ICER, LOUD, BRATS, NEXT, SERA, SYNOD.

SNUFFY SMITH



BEETLE BAILEY



Big Spring Herald advertisement with contact information: 915-263-7331 (Fax) 915-264-7205. Lists staff members like Chuck Williams, John H. Walker, etc.

Ritz advertisement for Matilda PG-13, featuring a character in a house arrest.

Cinemark Theatres advertisement for Movies 4, listing films like Frighteners (R), Adventures of Pinocchio (G), Chain Reaction (PG-13), A Time to Kill (R), and Independence Day (PG-13).