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State Bar suspends Edmondson's lawyer

By KELLIE JONES
Staff Writer

The attorney hired to represent capital murder suspect Levy Lee Edmondson Jr. will have his license suspended by the end of this week, according to the State Bar of Texas.

In March 1994, Angel Nunez was placed on 18 months probation and he recently violated a term of that probation thus suspending his license to practice for the next 18 months. An official with the State Bar says the chairman of the board is expected to sign the suspension by Friday and until he does, Nunez is still allowed to practice law.

The two other court-appointed attorneys, Paul Williams and Scott Ferguson, hired to help Nunez will now proceed with the trial scheduled for July 10.

Nunez did not appear at a pretrial hearing on Tuesday nor one scheduled last week. Both hearings were delayed 30 minutes in an effort to give the attorney time to show up.

One motion entered by by the defense is for discovery and inspection of disciplinary action concerning the officers involved in the incident. The defense wants to see the records of Howard County Sheriff's Deputy Clifford McCartney, DPS Trooper Darryle Sparks and the victim's, DPS Trooper Troy Hogue. Judge Robert Moore III granted this motion Tuesday.

The defense also entered a motion for the prosecution to notify them of any expert witnesses they anticipate calling during the punishment phase, if one is needed. District Attorney Rick Hamby says at this time, he does not plan on calling anyone. Judge Moore added if Hamby does decide to, he needs to make the decision by mid-June.

Other motions granted by the judge recently include giving the defense a transcript from the change of venue and bond hearings, funds for an expert witness from a mental health profession and private investigator, to order the state to not talk with the defendant without his counsel being present and to allow space, time and privacy for a mental health exam of Edmondson.

Some new motions entered Tuesday afternoon after the hearing include informing the defense if the prosecution will introduce evidence of extraneous or other offenses during the trial and the right to defend this evidence if introduced.

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Opinions of concealed weapons bill still polar

By KELLIE JONES
Staff Writer

By this time next week, Texans could be allowed to carry concealed handguns. The House passed the bill 101-46 and it now goes to Governor George W. Bush for his signature. Bush is vowing to sign it by early next week.

Bill heading to governor - 3A

This would be the first time since the 1870's Texans have legally been allowed to carry handguns.

This bill has received a lot of attention, support and negative comments from a variety of people since Bush became governor.

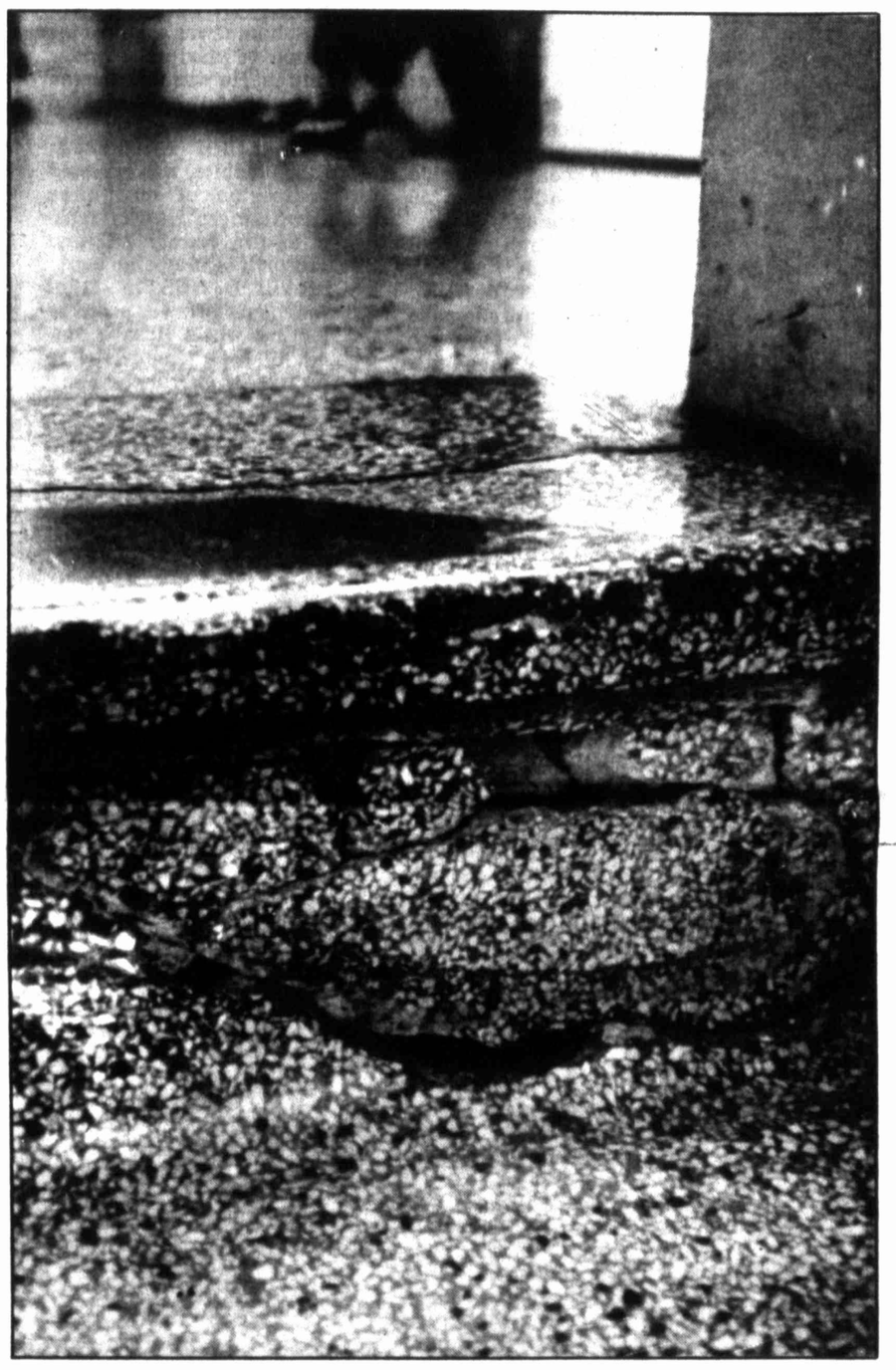
Law enforcement agencies have raised questions about the safety of people and the crime rate.

"We are concerned about the outcome of this bill just like other law enforcement agencies are. We wonder will innocent people be shot and will there be an increase in the crime rate," said Big Spring Police Capt. Lonnie Smith.

Smith adds the department will have to look at the bill's restrictions and guidelines then adjust their training accordingly.

Local gun store owner Travis Pate commented, "It appears to me in the states where they have this law, it has reduced crime. I think if they do it right, it will have some effect on crime in the way of reducing it.

"I believe it will make the criminal think twice before approaching someone with a weapon to rob them because they won't know if that person is carrying a gun."



Herald photo by Tim Appel

A stone step on the second floor of Runnels Junior High School sits cracked and badly damaged. The Big Spring Independent School District had trouble renewing an insurance policy on the school due to problems. Runnels is the oldest building in the school district.

Officials find declining tax base pressing issue

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

Declining tax base was cited as one of the pressing issues for Big Spring and Howard County during a joint meeting Tuesday.

A group of about 40 people attended the joint meeting between school, city and county officials at the Dora Robert Community Center.

The meeting, entitled "Partners In Progress," was characterized as very productive by moderator John Walker, also representing the Colorado River Municipal Water District.

City and county officials representing the Permian Basin Drug Task Force, City Council, County Commissioners, Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, Moore Development For Big Spring Inc., TU Electric, NAACP, City of Big Spring, Howard College, and the Big Spring Independent School District participated in a roundtable discussion about current and future events in Big Spring and should be done (as well as how it should be implemented) to achieve the priorities as listed in the city's Comprehensive Master Plan.

Walker said problems are just unsolved opportunities and the only way to solve them is to bring the issues to the table.

"We want to realize these unsolved opportunities because a community without vision is doomed to failure," Walker said.

As the discussion made its way around the table and local officials each citing three things they see as priorities/issues needing attention for the future improvement of Big Spring, no less than 30 different topics were mentioned.

The issues mentioned most often included increasing Big Spring's declining tax base; more teamwork and a better community attitude; and improving the city's appearance and infrastructure.

Areas such as keeping young people in Big Spring, promoting Big Spring as a retirement community as well as a nice place to live and

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Man convicted of sexual assault appealing sentence

By KELLIE JONES
Staff Writer

A man convicted of aggravated sexual assault last year is appealing the jury's decision to sentence him to life in prison.

Randall Mark Browning, 38, was found guilty of assaulting a 14-year-old girl in the women's restroom at the American Little League Park. Browning's attorney, Don Richard, had stated after the trial there would probably be an appeal filed.

It was submitted to the Court of Appeals, Eleventh District in Eastland, last August and now has been submitted to the judges for review.

Richard says there are four points to his brief filed with the court, including insufficient evidence, being denied access to the victim and her friend, an issue of the identification process and a defective indictment.

After a grand jury indicted Browning in December 1993, his family contended he could not be guilty because the composite released to the media did not resemble him, and he had an alibi during the time the incident took place.

The first composite was released on June 9, and the man was described as having a mustache, early to mid-thirties, five-feet-10-inches to six-feet tall, acne scars or pock marks, medium build, light brown or blond, curly hair above the shoulders. A composite released later the same month showed the suspect with a cleft lip.

Browning's mother stated in an earlier Herald article a driver's license picture taken of her son after the second sketch was circulated did not look like him. She says he is smiling in the picture and there is no cleft lip or scar apparent.

His mother also claimed her son drove her to Midland the day the assault occurred. He later left to rent movies with sister and returned home, where he allegedly stayed all night.

At the time of the indictment, the prosecutor's office said it stood by the grand jury's decision and said it was up to a jury to decide if Browning was guilty or not. They also contended Browning changed his appearance between the time the sketch was made public and the trial.

The victim did point out Browning in a police lineup as the man who had raped her. She also identified him during the

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Education a cornerstone in building a community

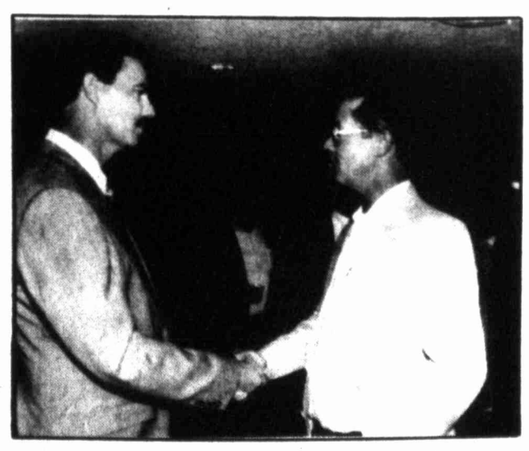
By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

The fourth of six task forces set up by Big Spring's 37-member Comprehensive Planning Committee is Public Schools and Colleges, described by consultant Carter and Burgess as vital to the economic, social, and physical composition of the community.

Problems facing school district, Howard College - 4A

The city of Big Spring has nine public schools. Despite Big Spring Independent School District and Howard College being sepa-

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Herald photo by Tim Appel

New Big Spring City Manager Gary Fuqua shakes hands with M.A. Snell during a gathering where citizens could meet with city officials at the Dora Roberts Community Center Tuesday evening.

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U.S. Trivia

What rebellion of debt-ridden farmers failed in Massachusetts Jan. 25, 1787?

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WORLD/NATION



World: A Filipino fisherman retrieves the body of a girl who was one of the victims of a ferry fire off the waters of Lucana City Wednesday. The death toll has rises to 41. See page 7A.

STATE

Can't wait

Any way you slice it, people such as Ken Taylor stand to gain if Gov. George W. Bush signs into law a measure allowing Texans to carry concealed guns. See page 3A.

Vouchers don't pass

A proposal to allow some students to use public money to attend private school has been negotiated out of legislation to overhaul Texas education. See page 5A.

Teacher suspended

School trustees have suspended a junior high science teacher with pay for allowing his students to examine a sick bat. See page 5A.

TODAY'S WEATHER

Tonight

Thursday

80 ▲ Highs
Lows ▼ 53

Mostly clear

Tonight, mostly clear, windy and cooler, low in the low 50s, west winds 20 to 30 mph and gusty, decreasing to 15 to 25 after midnight. Lake caution advised.

Permian Basin Forecast

Thursday: Mostly sunny, cooler, high near 80, northwest winds 10 to 20 mph, gusty in the morning; mostly clear night, low low 50s.

Friday: Mostly sunny, cooler, high near 80.

OBITUARIES

Cleo Bennett

Services for Cleo Bennett, 69, Big Spring, are pending with Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Cleo died Wednesday, May 17, 1995, in Midland Memorial Hospital.

Grover Brown

Grover (Skeet) Brown, 84, of Odessa, formerly of Vincent, died on Tuesday, May 16, 1995, at a local hospital. Services will be 2 p.m. Thursday, May 18, 1995, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Royce Clay, minister of 14th & Main Church of Christ, officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

He was born on April 8, 1911, in Colorado City, Texas and married Florence Pearl Garner on Oct. 18, 1947, in San Angelo, Texas. She preceded him in death on Aug. 16, 1974.

He was a member of the Church of Christ. He served in the United States Army during World War II. A longtime resident of Vincent he had lived in Odessa for three months and was a retired farmer.

Survivors include two sisters, Vera Jamison of Robert Lee and Faye Moore of Big Spring; four nieces, Wilma Doss of Odessa; Janie Ward of Jasper; Helen Craig of Odessa and Elna Duncan of Robert Lee; one nephew, Larry Moore of Abilene; several great-nieces and great nephews; three step-children, Gene Adams of Big Spring; Joan Dobson of Houston and Bobbie Wolliver of Ira; seven step-grandchildren and five step-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death also by his parents, Galion and Dollie Brown; one sister, Arbra Mathers; one nephew, G.A. Jamison and one niece, Clydene Maxwell.

Pallbearers will be Tooter Jamison, Bubba Duncan, Bobby Patterson, Ricky Washburn, Steve Hudson and Hank Adams.

Paid obituary

Donald Langley

Memorial services for Donald Langley, 68, Ackerly, will be 2 p.m. Friday, May 19, 1995, at First Baptist Church in Ackerly with Rev. Robert Moore, pastor, officiating. Arrangements are by Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Mr. Langley died Tuesday, May 16, in a local hospital.

He was born on Aug. 26, 1926, in Evant and married Blanche Doty on Oct. 20, 1972, in Cicero, N.Y. He was raised around Knox City and worked as a mechanic. He was a Baptist, a veteran of World War II, a lifetime member of DAV and was also a member of the American Legion in Syracuse, N.Y.

Survivors include his wife: Blanche Langley, Ackerly; two sons: John and Jay, both of New York; three daughters: Patricia, Susan and Debra, all of New York; two brothers: Warren Langley, Lubbock, and Frank Langley, North Richland Hills; and three sisters: Ruby Collins, Knox City, Mary Stone, Clyde, and Nettie Mae Watson, O'Brien.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother, Robert Langley.

The family suggests memorials to the First Baptist Church in Ackerly or to the donors favorite charity.

Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home
and Rosewood Chapel
906 GREGG
267-6331

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Grover (Skeet) Brown, 84, died Tuesday. Services will be 2:00 PM, Thursday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow in Trinity Memorial Park.

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J. P. Kook, 76, died Monday. Graveside services were 10:00 A.M., Monday at Coahoma Cemetery.

Don Jarrell, 47, died Monday. Services are pending.

Cleo Bennett, 69, died Wednesday. Services are pending.

Freida Garrett, 69, died Tuesday. Services are pending.

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Lawyer

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The defense also wants to sequester potential jurors during the selection process of the jury and also to sequester the jury during the entire trial. The attorneys are also requesting two separate trials. One trial would decide the guilt or innocence and if a punishment phase is needed, for a second jury to decide on that portion. They are requesting this since the prosecution is seeking the death penalty.

Judge Moore will consider these motions during another pretrial hearing later this month.

School

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rate entities, independent of local government, they play vital roles in the city's economic development efforts to attract new business and in the retention of the city's young people.

According to the Opportunities and Constraints report (the Phase I report issued by Carter and Burgess) BSISD and HC are key to the success and future of Big Spring because the two entities have a key role in training and educating of workers as well as the general population.

Generally speaking, Big Spring's elementary schools are strategically located within neighborhood areas and are within walking distance, while middle schools are focused toward a section rather than a neighborhood.

•Anderson Kindergarten is a facility that serves the entire community, but lacks vehicular access to major streets and is mixed with airpark traffic.

•Kentwood Elementary is the smallest school in the district with approximately 150 students, but has the capacity to be expanded. Any future urbanization to the east or south of the facility, on top of the escarpment, would be outside of school district boundaries.

According to the Phase I report, Kentwood would be the logical choice to serve any new development, but the district would probably have to negotiate to serve the area or annex it.

•Moss Elementary is located at the apex of a triangle formed by Interstate 20 on the north, FM 700 on the south, and Birdwell on the west, leaving little or no opportunity for future development capable of supporting the school.

Moss also houses a self-contained special education unit.

•Washington Elementary is a 350 person facility used primarily for out-of-city students transported by bus.

•Bauer Elementary is a magnet school serving student all over the Big Spring community and receives some noise impact from highway traffic.

•Marcy Elementary, according to Carter and Burgess, comes closest to typical standards for size and location and would also require negotiations or annexation to handle any new population. Because the school has an enrollment of 600, the undeveloped area around Marcy would present a strain on the facility should development happen.

•College Heights Elementary and Goliad Middle School sit on a 25-acre site that has the potential for some park and recreational use.

According to Carter and Burgess, the elementary facility, built in 1938, is functionally obsolete. Goliad serves a large geographical area with adjacent land suitable for development.

•Runnels Junior High School is built on an eight-acre site and has very little room for outside activity. It currently serves 350 eighth grade students.

•Big Spring High School serves approximately 1,200 students. Because it was designed for 2,500, the Comprehensive Plan indicates BSHS appears to have the capability to handle any major growth from the community.

BSISD enrollment, since 1989, has experienced a slight increase in enrollment averaging about 4,500 students.

Age and obsolescence are factors at Runnels and College Heights as neither will meet the Americans with Disabilities Act requirements or fire and safety regulations.

An $11.7 million bond election, which called for a new junior high school, an elementary school, new roofs on two facilities, and an upgraded air conditioning system, was defeated in 1991. The need for those improvement still exist.

Because of the BSISD debt-free status, the impact of a bond election would be less in 1995 than in 1991.

Howard College is in the middle of the city's economic development plans because it its continuing education programs for the community and because of the business development center located on the HC campus, which is focusing more on the retention and expansion of existing businesses in the community.

Another asset of Howard College is the Southwest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf, which has the distinction of being the only junior college in the world for the deaf.

Overall, with the exception of some structural problems and locale problems, the community's public schools and community college appear to be in good shape for the future of Big Spring.

Comments and concerns about education in Big Spring should be addressed to: Big Spring Comprehensive Plan Committee, c/o Education Task Force, P.O. Box 3359, Big Spring, Texas 79721.

Meeting

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raise a family, the development of future leaders, and getting more citizens involved in more things were also mentioned quite often.

As for increasing Big Spring's declining tax base, some of the possible ideas mentioned during discussions included the continued attraction of new businesses (tax paying entities) and more development in the city.

Walker pointed to the factory outlet mall coming to Big Spring and the difference an outlet mall made in the small community of Stroud, Okla., when it arrived, including monthly sales tax revenue going from $50,000 per month to $150,000 per month.

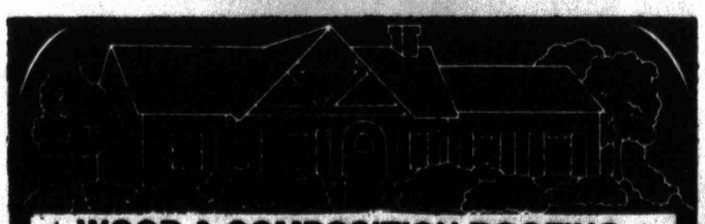
Becoming more proactive with existing businesses to increase their volumes and revenues, upgrading properties, and building on the positives of Big Spring were also discussed as methods of helping the declining tax base.

Teamwork and attitude, one of the reasons for Tuesday's meeting, was mentioned often with more cooperation between the city and county governments emerging as a priority.

Keeping Big Spring residents in Big Spring as far as retail dollars (shopping) was also mentioned as a source of lost tax dollars.

Under appearance and infrastructure, the Settles Hotel project and the continued cleanup of the city were priority items.

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Big Spring ON THE RUN

POLICE

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

•GILBERTO HERRERA, 41, no address given, was arrested for assault/family violence.

•ALBERTO GOMEZ, 18, of 1600 East Fifth, was arrested on an outstanding local warrant.

•STEVE A. HANNABASS, 37, of 1501 Tucson, was arrested for disorderly conduct by using abusive language and resisting arrest.

•BOBBY HARRIS SIMMONS, 44, no address given, was arrested for public intoxication.

•CAMERON RENEE CONNER, 18, of 1304 Wood, was arrested for fleeing to elude. She was transferred to the county jail and released on a $2,000 bond.

•ERNEST HUTTON KERR, 30, of Coahoma, was arrested for possession of marijuana under two ounces. He was transferred to the county jail and released on a $1,500 bond.

•GUADALUPE LADESMA, 43, of 1300 Mobile, was arrested for possession of marijuana under two ounces. He was transferred to the county jail and released on a $1,000 bond.

•GERALD D. AUSTIN, 21, of 538 Westover #207, was arrested for driving while license suspended. He was transferred to the county jail and released on a $1,500 bond.

•LOUD PARTIES in the 2500 block of Ent and 3300 block of West Highway 80.

•THEFTS in the 100 block of Airbase Road, 1100 block of Lamesa and 1500 block of East Marcy.

•SUSPICIOUS INVESTIGATIONS in the 300 block of N.E. 10th, 1600 block of Virginia, 1000 block of West Fourth, 900 block of Willia, 2000 block of West Highway 80, 1600 block of Cardinal, 2600 block of Hunter and 1500 block of East Marcy.

•MINOR ACCIDENT at intersection of 10th and Nolan. No citations were issued and no injuries were reported.

•MINOR ACCIDENT at intersection of Kentucky and Colgate. A citation for failure to yield right of way was issued and no injuries were reported.

•ASSAULT/FAMILY VIOLENCE in the 1900 block of Wasson.

• CRIMINAL MISCHIEF/CRIMINAL TRESPASS WARNING ISSUED in the 200 block of West Marcy.

•DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE in the 200 block of West Marcy.

•CRIMINAL MISCHIEF in the 700 block of Baylor.

•UNAUTHORIZED USE OF A VEHICLE in the 1700 block of Young.

•ASSAULT in the 1000 block of Hearn.

•AGGRAVATED ROBBERY in the 1000 block of Hearn. The complainant told officers someone he knew hit him on the head with a glass bottle and stole his pistol worth $300.

•DEBIT CARD ABUSE in the 1500 block of East FM 700.

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SHERIFF

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

•LUPE H. HINOJOS, 21, of 1003 North Nolan, pled guilty to possession of marijuana under two ounces and failure to identify. He was fined $594 and taken into custody to begin serving time in the county jail.

•AUDREY MITCHELL, 35 of 611 Caylor, surrendered herself to the sheriff's department on a charge of forgery by passing. She was released on a $1,500 bond.

•WELFARE CONCERN of grandchildren in Coahoma.

•SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY in Coahoma and at Buffalo Country Fina.

•DOMESTIC PROBLEM at residence on Highway 350.

•SKUNK IN YARD at residence in Tubbs Addition.

RECORDS

Tuesday's temp.	82
Tuesday's low	67
Average high	86
Average low	59
Record high	101 in 1971
Record low	45 in 1945
Rainfall Tuesday	0.00
Month to date	3.33
Month's normal	1.45
Year to date	6.66
Normal for year	5.23

**Statistics not available.

MARKETS

July cotton futures 100.65 cents a pound, down 48 points; June crude oil 19.88 down 20 points; cash hog steady at $1 higher at 38 cents even; slaughter steers steady at 50 cents higher at 64 cents even; June live hog futures 42.02, down 5 points; June live cattle futures 60.82, up 97 points; according to Delta Commodities.

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Cabot	41⅜ -½
Chevron	48⅛ -⅛
Chrysler	44⅛ +⅛
Coca-Cola	57⅞ +⅜
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DuPont	68⅜ -⅛
Exxon	70⅛ -⅜
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Ford Motors	29⅜ nc
Halliburton	38⅛ nc
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JC Penney	45⅜ -⅛
Laser Indus LTD	5⅛ -⅛
Mesa Ltd. Prt	5⅛ nc
Mobile	99⅛ +⅞
NUV	10⅛ +⅛

SPRINGBOARD

TODAY

•Gamblers Anonymous, 7 p.m., St. Stephens Catholic Church, room 1, 4601 Neeley, Midland. Call 263-8920.

•Survivors, 10 to 11:30 a.m. Call Rape Crisis/Victim Services, 263-3312. This is open to all survivors.

•Adult Children of Alcoholics, 7:30 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church library. Contact Murph Watson, 264-0500.

•Alcoholics Anonymous noon open meeting and 8 p.m. 12 and 12 study.

•West Texas Legal Service offers legal help on civil matters for those unable to afford their own attorney, Northside Community Center. Call 1-686-0647.

THURSDAY

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

•Salvation Army drug education program, sponsored by Permian Basin Regional Council on alcohol and drug abuse, 7 p.m., Salvation Army Building, 308 Aylford.

•Spring City Senior Citizen Center art classes, 9:30-11:30 a.m. 55 and older invited.

•Battered women support group, 2:30 p.m. Call 263-3312 or 267-3626.

•Good Shepherd Fellowship, 610 Abrams, has services at 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome to come.

•Al-Anon, 8 p.m., Scenic Mountain Medical Center, small cafeteria on first floor.

Appeal

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trial when she took the stand to testify.

Richard says the second point of his brief is he requested a chance to talk to the victim and her friend, who was the first person the victim told about the incident. "We were denied access to both the victim and the friend before the trial," he stated.

"The third point is the issue of the identification process because of the conflicting composite. The fourth point is technical and it because the indictment was defective," Richard continued.

Richard adds he made a notice of appeal shortly after the trial, and the courts turned down a chance for a new trial. He then submitted the four-point brief to the appeals court in August 1994.

A deputy clerk with the court says both the prosecution's and defense's information have been submitted to the judges. A decision on whether or not to overturn the conviction should be made in the near future.

District Attorney Rick Hamby's office said they did not comment on appeal cases until after a decision by the judges has been reached.


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Handgun bill goes to Bush

■ Texans could start carrying in January

AUSTIN (AP) — For the first time in more than a century, Texans next year will be able to carry concealed handguns for self-protection.

A ban restricting state citizens from arming themselves — the law of the land since the 1870s — would be lifted under a bill given final legislative approval Tuesday. Gov. George W. Bush said he would sign the bill into law as early as next week.

"I wouldn't be signing this if I thought it made Texas a more dangerous place. I don't think it does. I believe it will make Texas a safer place," Bush said.

Rep. Ron Wilson, sponsor of the bill, said it would give people the ability to defend themselves against criminals.

"There are instances where innocent people in this state face death every day, and because they are law-abiding they can't protect themselves," said Wilson, D-Houston.

"I'm tired of the good folks getting killed all the time. If somebody's going to die, why can't it be the bad guys for a change?" he said.

Bush disputed opponents' assertions the bill would create more violence and return Texas to crime-ridden frontier days.

"We're in the days of the old, wild, wild West right now," he said. "This presumably would take us out of the days of the old, wild, wild West by allowing innocent people to protect themselves from people who do not fear the consequences of the law in the state of Texas today."

Travis County Constable Bruce Elfant, a member of Texans Against Gun Violence, said, "Let there be no doubt: people will be hurt and killed as a result of this measure."

If the bill is signed, Texans could start seeking concealed-gun permits in September and begin carrying the weapons on Jan. 1.

The House passed the bill Tuesday on a vote of 101-46. The measure was given final approval by the Senate last week.

Senate sponsor Jerry Patterson, R-Pasadena, said the bill would return Texans their constitutional right to bear arms.

"Our constitution says the Legislature has the right to regulate the wearing of guns. That's what we've done," Patterson said.

Opponents said the bill lacks sufficient safety provisions and predicted it would spawn more violence.

"We are creating a monster," said Rep. Paul Moreno, D-El Paso.

PROVISIONS

AUSTIN (AP) — Here, at a glance, are provisions of legislation to allow Texans to obtain licenses to carry concealed handguns:

ELIGIBILITY

Individuals would be eligible for a concealed handgun permit if they are legal Texas residents for the six-month period preceding the date of application; age 21 or older; have never been convicted of a felony; have not been convicted of a Class A or B misdemeanor in the past five years; are not charged with a Class A or B misdemeanor or a felony; are not chemically dependent or of unsound mind; are not delinquent in making a child support payment; are not in default on a student loan; and are not restricted under a court protective order.

TRAINING

The Texas Department of Public Safety would develop training standards that include:

— 10 to 15 hours of handgun proficiency training, with classroom instruction and range instruction administered by a qualified handgun instructor.

— Instruction on laws related to weapons and the use of deadly force; handgun use, proficiency and safety; dispute resolution; and proper storage practices.

— A continuing education course for a license holder who wishes to renew a license.

— A proficiency exam that includes a written section and a physical demonstration of proficiency in the use of one or more handguns.

— A four-year permit would cost $140, except for the elderly and indigent, who would receive a 50 percent discount.

RESTRICTIONS

Places where concealed guns would be prohibited (current law already prohibits carrying weapons at certain places including schools, polling places, courts and government offices):

— amusement parks

— hospitals or nursing homes

— churches, synagogues or other places of worship

— businesses that derive at least 51 percent of its income from the sale of alcoholic beverages and the bar area of a restaurant

— on privately owned premises if the owner displays at each entrance a notice that it is unlawful to carry a handgun on the premises

— correctional facility or any law enforcement office where suspects are booked or held

— high school, collegiate or professional sporting events or interscholastic events

Can't wait to carry a gun

■ *Gun store owner predicts 250,000 will apply in first year*

PLANO (AP) — Any way you slice it, people such as Ken Taylor stand to gain if Gov. George W. Bush signs into law a measure allowing Texans to carry concealed guns.

Taylor owns the Bullet Trap, Inc., a Plano gun store and shooting range he calls a "gun pro shop." It's full of scores of handguns that people would be able to pack in purses or under coat jackets. The guns range from enormous, stainless steel Smith & Wesson ".44 Magnums" to .22-caliber revolvers easily palmed in the hand.

And even if they already own guns, people who want to carry would be required by law to take gun safety classes offered at places like the Bullet Trap.

"My guess is that we'll see a quarter of a million people apply for licenses in the first year in Texas," Taylor said.

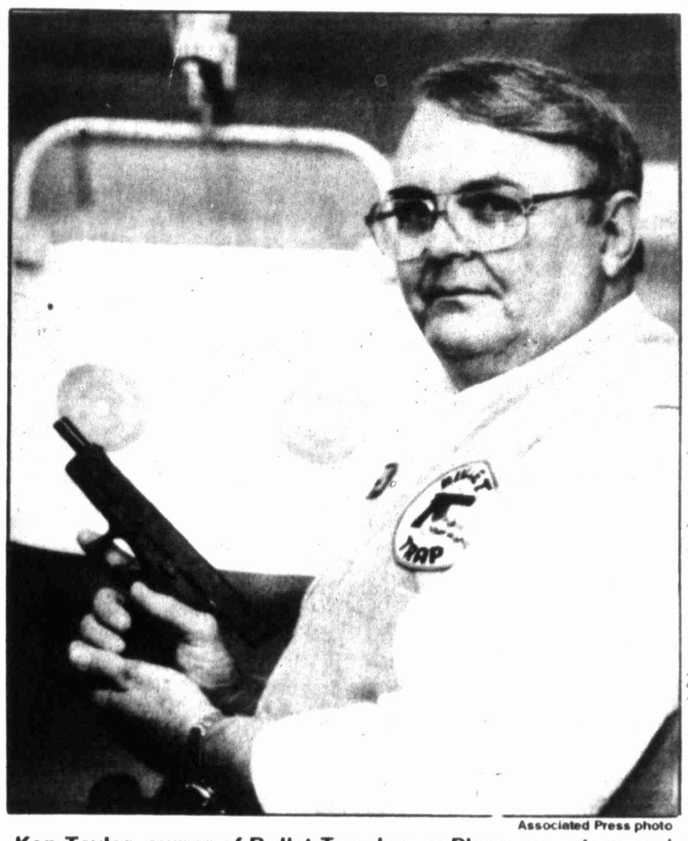
Bush has said he will sign the bill, which was given final approval Tuesday by the House.

The training provision has Taylor's support.

"We try to talk people out of buying a gun unless they know how to use it," he said. "I tell them to buy a can of Mace."

Taylor now offers basic handgun safety classes weekly or biweekly, depending on demand. The classes cover basic gun safety and include a crash course on ammunition and how it works.

At TargetMaster, a shooting range and gun store in Garland, about 20 people a week have been paying $95 each to take a basic, six-hour gun safety course.



Associated Press photo

Ken Taylor, owner of Bullet Trap Inc., a Plano gun store and shooting range, poses with a Glock 17-L target pistol. Taylor predicts a quarter of a million people will apply for licenses in the first year to carry concealed weapons.

The new law will require 10 to 15 hours of training, said TargetMaster employee Ken Hunter.

"You're going to have to know something about guns before you even take it," Hunter said. "(The class) will probably get into the law, safety, threat assessment, shoot and no-shoot situations and conflict resolution tactics."

TargetMaster will charge $200 to $250 for the new classes, he said.

Hunter said interest in the new classes was intense even before the bill was passed.

"Every other phone call has been people asking when we're going to have concealed-carry classes," Hunter said. "It's going to be big time."

Once the bill becomes law in Texas, only Illinois, Kansas, Kentucky, Missouri, Nebraska, New Mexico, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma and Wisconsin will prohibit carrying weapons, according to Handgun Control Inc., a Washington-based anti-gun group.

Taylor said he hopes those states follow Texas' lead.

"The law has nothing to do with bad guys. It has to do with licensing good guys," he said.



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EDITORIAL

Quote of the Day

"Every mind was made for growth, for knowledge; and its nature is sinned against when it is doomed to ignorance."

William Ellery Channing, minister, reformer, 1840

Master planning still seeking ideas, input

Work on the city of Big Spring's master plan continues.

What is being developed is a highway for the city to follow as it faces the challenges of a new century.

This highway look at elements as diverse as quality of life, water, education, economic development and weaves all these elements into a one-lane highway for the city officials now and in the future to tread.

As is the case with any endeavor of this nature, input from the citizens who will live along this highway is being sought. In fact, this input is necessary for the best highway to be built for all concerned.

To become a builder of this highway all you have to do is write the comment on a piece of paper, put it into an envelope and mail it to Master Plan, P.O. Box 3359, Big Spring, Texas, 79721.

It is our future we are building with this plan. We all need to be a bolt securing it.

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Class of 71 – gaining, losing



Rheta Grimsley Johnson
Columnist

MONTGOMERY, Ala.--Mike Washington smiled a lot. I remember that much about him.

Each week during our boisterous, high school pep rallies, the legendary, tough Coach James Chafin would recognize Mike and other stars for their amazing feats on the football field the Friday before. The gymnasium would erupt with applause and approval and anticipation of watching the Generals pulverize a brand new opponent.

Mike Washington would smile his shy smile, acknowledging our adoration. He was one of the chosen, as football heroes are wont to be.

After high school, his success continued. He played cornerback for Bear Bryant back when the Crimson Tide dominated Southeastern Conference football. Then he had nine seasons with Tampa Bay before coming home, to stay.

I can see him across the familiar cafeteria, the one where we threw rolls.

Tonight he's being inducted into the high school's hall of fame, along with doctors and rocket scientists and a surenuff judge, all former students.

When they call his name, Mike Washington ambles forward, tall and athletic yet. And smiling. But soon enough he gets serious. He notes that of the 10 students being honored, four are from his Class of 1971. That class, he insists, was different. He is the first to mention it.

It was the first graduating class after massive integration in Montgomery - Cradle of the Confederacy, as the car tags said - the first year the school had more than just a few token blacks.

"I was one of 200 angry black students who came here that year," he says. Angry because their own school had been closed. Angry because everyone was in those days.

It was hard not to be angry, what with the Earl of Anger, George Wallace, blocks away in the statehouse, defiant and persuasive, predicting the move would ruin our schools and result in bloody riots.

Funny, I never thought of the new students as angry. They had seemed anything but.

Soon, and without trouble, we had accepted one another the way kids can if the adults will keep out of it.

"The white students gave up things, and I want them to know we knew it, and that we appreciated it." Mike Washington says. He is thanking us, all these years later.

We had quit singing "Dixie" as our football "fight" song and had put away the Rebel flag. Small gestures.

Afterwards I wanted to tell Mike many things, but a crowd of family and friends surround him.

I wanted to say that the white students gained much more than they lost, that our lives were forever made better by the discovery that people are more alike than they are different.

I want to say thank you for coming to this high school and proving the bigots wrong, for helping make a mockery of the grim forecasts.

The Class of 1971 was different, all right. It was diverse for the first time in the high school's history, and some of its members are still relishing the landmark year because of what it taught us about human nature - and about ourselves.

Mike Washington, football hero, native son, proudly clutches the big statue of the school's namesake, Gen. Robert E. Lee, and walks into a balmy Montgomery night.

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MASTER PLAN

Infrastructure, funds trouble BSISD

By KELLIE JONES
Staff Writer

Functionally obsolete and little space for outdoor recreation are phrases used by the Comprehensive Plan Committee to describe Runnels Junior High and College Heights Elementary.

Runnels was built in 1917, is the oldest building in the Big Spring Independent School District and once served as the high school. College Heights was built in 1938, is overcrowded and the campus seen as being functionally obsolete.

In 1991, school board trustees proposed a $11.7 million bond issue to replace both schools thereby bringing the buildings up to code.

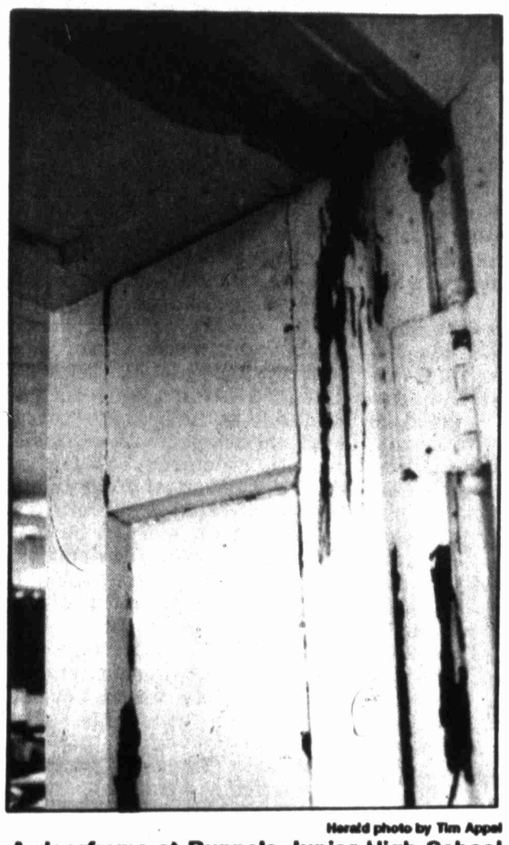
The bond issue failed and now the district is faced with trying to come up with the funds to "get by" until they can have another bond election.

The district recently renewed its insurance policies on the various buildings in the district and had a hard time finding a company who would insure Runnels. The school does not meet current American with Disabilities Act requirements to provide facilities for the handicapped. There are no elevators and the stairs are old and in need of replacement.

"Retention of this school (Runnels) to serve a single grade may not be a valid concept if the city has any major growth in the future," states the committee's plan.

Task Force Committee member and high school junior Jeff Suggs comments about Runnels, "It is in bad shape. It's falling down everywhere. There were times water would soak through the walls of the rooms on the first floor when they were watering the lawn.

"There were times when I was attending they had to rope off parts of the classrooms because the floors were not sturdy. The air conditioning was awful and it was hot in the summer. Also, there are only three sets of stairs going to all three floors and during a fire drill, it was mass hysteria."



Herald photo by Tim Appel

A doorframe at Runnels Junior High School bears the scars of termite damage on the first floor of the school.

The bond issue would have provided a new building that met safety, fire and handicapped codes along with roofing and cooling systems upgrades.

The bond issue would have built a new elementary school to house 500 students replacing College Heights and it would have also met the required codes. Because of the failure, the tax rate was increased in 1991 from $1.30 to its current rate of $1.422 to help replace the roofs and to fix some of the problems.

"Since the overall tax rate cannot exceed $1.50, the BSISD would have to have appreciable help from the state to pursue another bond issue.

"The overall funding picture for the district continues to be somewhat cloudy with the current legislative changes being proposed. Unfunded mandates and other requirements could force the district to further raise its current tax rate, making a bond proposal somewhat questionable," said Board President Dan Wise.

Another key issue the Public Schools and College Task Force says is important is parental involvement in education.

Task Force member and College Heights Principal Janice Rosson says involvement does not mean just volunteering time in a child's classroom or being part of the PTA.

"Parental involvement means something closer to home. I can attest to the fact the value the parents place on education is the single factor that determines whether or not their child will succeed in school," said Rosson.

Most education reform won't affect BSISD

By KELLIE JONES
Staff Writer

A state House and Senate conference committee is busy hammering out the differences in their respective education reform bills.

So far, they have agreed to reduce the no-pass, no-play rule from six weeks to three weeks and allow the student to practice during the suspension.

They have also agreed to a two-year $170 million facilities fund to help districts with priority going to low-property wealth districts.

School districts must provide for a period of silence at the beginning of the first class of each school day during which a student may reflect or meditate is another provision legislators have agreed on.

Those districts that teach sex education must focus on abstinence and cannot distribute condoms.

Here is a list of the reforms being proposed by the House. The Senate's ideas are in parentheses and the differences between the two bills are currently being negotiated in the committee. It also lists how Superintendent Bill McQueary says it will effect the local district:

•Instructional year remains at 180 days and the teacher contract expanded to 190 days, giving more time for planning and development. (The Senate has proposed to reduce the school year to 175 and the teachers contracts to 185 days). McQueary commented, "We feel like it is a good idea to increase the staff days for the teachers to plan."

•No pass-no play - the committee has agreed to cut it from six weeks to three weeks. "We are in favor of leaving it as it is. It has never been an issue with this district. The kids are used to it and know they have to pass in order to play. In fact, during the various varsity sports seasons, the students grades are higher than when they aren't playing," McQueary said.

•Home rule/voucher program - The House proposes students may transfer from a low-performing public school to another district, with the receiving district's approval but there is no voucher program. (The Senate has introduced a pilot voucher project for 20 districts allowing disadvantaged students to use state and local tax money to attend private schools that agree to abide by certain state regulations).

"The pilot program would have no effect on Big Spring, Coahoma or Forsan. We are against the voucher system. The state has never properly or adequately funded public education and when they do fully fund what we've got now, then we would be ok with the voucher system. Don't take away money from the public school system. It sounds good and has been getting good press but it will hurt public education funding," McQueary said.

He adds Bush will not sign the education reform bill unless a voucher system is attached to it.

College committed to technology in education

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

The Public Schools and Colleges Task Force of Big Spring's Comprehensive Planning Committee is attempting to address several areas it sees as vital to the future of education in the Big Spring community.

One of those areas is technology in education.

According to task force member Barbara Brumley, one reason for the positive change in the educational outlook in America is partnerships developed between secondary schools, community colleges, business/industry, and community leaders.

The Tech-Prep and School-to-Work movements are pushing for these partnership which are proving to be successful and technology is right there in the middle.

Brumley added research has shown more than three-fourths of all future jobs will require less than a baccalaureate degree, but more than a high school diploma. This is primarily due to the large numbers of technical positions opening in various areas such as engineering, business, information management, health, and certain human services areas.

The task force's position is if community colleges are going to answer this need for technical education, they must plan and provide for major advancement in technology.

Brumley said Howard College is committed and doing its share to meet the challenge to provide advanced technology in education, evident by efforts to open communications and work with local high schools and business/industry on defining specific needs and competencies in education for technical needs.

One drawback to staying up with technology, according to Brumley, is budget restraints.

Another obstacle is faculty training, which is difficult because of the constant changes in software and hardware.

Although technology will continue to play a major role in the future of education, local officials also see the School-to-Work Opportunities Act, which, according to U.S. Education Secretary Richard Riley, is based on the notion of partnerships involving schools, businesses and labor, parents and teachers, students and employers, and states and the federal government.

Big Spring has one of the largest and oldest vocational programs in Texas and many of the city's current business and civic leaders are products of this system.

Computers are also an important part of the technology in the classroom idea. Because the U.S. has become more knowledge-based as opposed to industrial-based, even students must know how to access information quickly.

Where Howard College is concerned, Howard County and the state have experienced a financial setback due to the oil bust of the 1980s. Though state appropriations based on an increase in student population have increased, appropriations based on the formula calculating the cost of instructional delivery have declined 27 percent since 1986.

Decreased oil production and legislation changing the way mineral valued are assessed has caused Howard College's tax rate to reach its 20 cent maximum.

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Approval given to waste compact

WASHINGTON (AP) — A key congressional subcommittee has given swift approval to a proposed agreement allowing Maine and Vermont to ship their low-level radioactive waste to West Texas.

The action by the House energy and power subcommittee occurred by unanimous voice vote Tuesday without any disagreement.

The Texas Low-Level Radioactive Waste Compact has provoked controversy in Texas circles, with several Texas congressmen and a citizens' group fighting an agreement supported by Gov. George W. Bush and the Texas Legislature.

Congressional approval is required before Texas, Maine and Vermont can consummate a deal allowing the Northeastern states to ship to Texas waste generated mostly from the dismantling of nuclear power plants.

Vermont and Maine each would pay Texas $25 million in exchange for being freed from having to store their own radioactive waste.

Supporters argue the compact allows Texas to dictate its own destiny and protects the state from being forced to receive waste from many other states.

But opponents point out that the compact is hardly regional in nature — as Congress intended with its 1980 legislation pushing states to band together to find a common solution for their radioactive waste problems.

A key compact critic, Rep. Ron Coleman of El Paso, was discouraged by the subcommittee's quick action. While the Democrat promised to wage battle at the full committee level and on the House floor, he acknowledged the opposition faces an uphill battle.

"We don't have the votes. I can count," said Coleman, who testified before the subcommittee last week in opposition to the compact. "It looks like this is a train that will be very hard to stop."

Rep. John Bryant, D-Dallas, who also is fighting the compact, agreed. "There is no reason for people from other states, who are going to solve their problems by dumping their waste in Texas, to oppose this," he said.

Program for sharing medical expenses closed

FORT WORTH (AP) — Operators of a Tyler-based program that allowed Christians to share medical expenses have been temporarily shut down by the Texas Department of Insurance.

The state department got Judge Wendy Ingham Hunn to issue an emergency cease-and-desist order Tuesday to temporarily shut down the All Saints Program, saying the program amounts to an unauthorized insurance company.

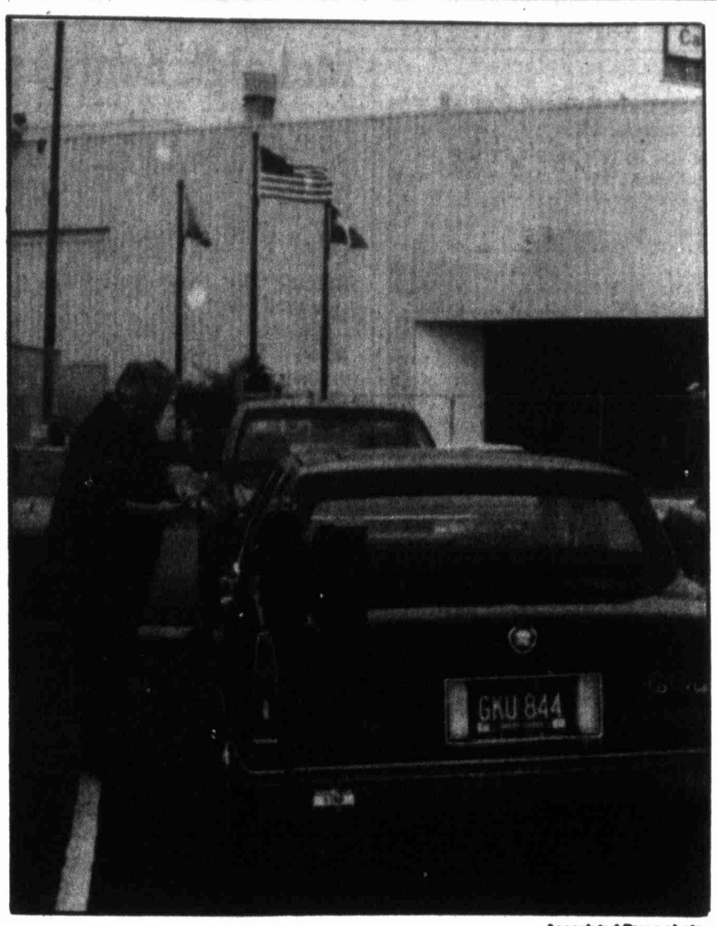
Jack Prater, owner of the program, said the order infringes on program members' freedom of religion and will be appealed.

An Austin judge is expected to rule in a few weeks whether the program which has 5,000 members, including 3,000 in Texas, should be permanently closed.

The program, which has no link with Fort Worth's All Saints Episcopal Hospital, began in 1991 as a vehicle for its members to share medical expenses. Membership is open to Christians only.

Members are required to pay a monthly amount, similar to a premium, based on the number of people in the program, and the number and amount of medical claims filed that month by the group.

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Harry Joyce, a contractor doing a study on a truck conveyor system, leaves work at the General Motors Corp. plant in Arlington Tuesday. GM is planning to convert the Arlington plant sometime next year to truck production rather than rear-wheel Buick Roadmaster, Cadillac Fleetwood and Chevrolet Caprice and Impala SS production it has been handling.

Texas plant converting to truck production; heavy cars out-of-date

DETROIT (AP) — The big, heavy rear-wheel-drive cars that for decades have been symbols of American industrial might are coming to the end of the road.

The last Buick Roadmaster, Cadillac Fleetwood, Chevrolet Caprice and Impala SS models will roll out of a General Motors Corp. plant in Arlington, Texas, sometime next year, victims of changing automotive tastes, GM said Tuesday.

The move represents the end of an era.

"These are the big, heavy-bodied cars that tamed the frontier of the highway," Michael Marsden, dean of arts and sciences at Northern Michigan University and a scholar of the automobile in American culture.

The Roadmaster, Fleetwood and Caprice are direct descendants of Detroit's iron of the '50s and '60s, when tail fins, acres of chrome and massive V-8 engines symbolized the strength of the nation and its carmakers. Buick used terms like "carnivorous" to describe the vertical bar grilles of its portholed Roadmasters of that era.

But most of today's buyers aren't looking for two-ton road locomotives with soft suspensions and steering that isolates drivers from the road.

Chrysler Corp. stopped making its "boats" in the 1980s, and three Ford models are the only other comparable vehicles in the market.

GM is converting the Arlington plant to truck production because that's where the money is. Its sales of light trucks have doubled since 1975.

Vouchers negotiated out

■ *Compromise made for easing class size for home schools*

AUSTIN (AP) — A proposal to allow some students to use public money to attend private school has been negotiated out of legislation to overhaul Texas education.

Sen. Bill Ratliff, co-chairman of the House-Senate education conference committee, offered to take the Senate-backed voucher pilot proposal out of the bill in return for an agreement to ease class-size restrictions for proposed home-rule school districts.

His "double-barreled" compromise — approved 9-1 Tuesday by the committee — would enforce class-size limits only on home-rule campuses with unacceptable academic performance. The 22:1 student-teacher ratio applies in kindergarten through fourth grade.

Home-rule districts, created with local voter approval, also would be free from many other state requirements. The House had wanted class size limits to apply to all home-rule campuses, and it had rejected a voucher program.

Ratliff's compromise was greeted with dismay by Sen. Jane Nelson, R-Flower Mound, a voucher supporter who wanted home-rule districts to be entirely free of class-size restrictions.

"I feel like I've been just shot with a double-barreled shotgun," she told Ratliff, R-Mount Pleasant.

The only member of the conference committee to vote against the compromise proposal, Mrs. Nelson noted that the voucher plan would target disadvantaged students. The voucher pilot program is among ideas supported by Republican Gov. George W. Bush, who campaigned on shifting more control of education to the local level.

Supporters say the idea would improve public schools through competition and give a way out to students stuck in poor-quality schools.

But opponents say it's wrong to funnel money that's needed in the public school system to private entities — even if they agree to abide by some state requirements, as would have been required under the voucher proposal.

Bush wouldn't say Tuesday whether he would veto the bill if specific items, such as vouchers, aren't included.

"This bill must empower local people, must encourage innovation, must have strict accountability, must have a concept of zero tolerance (for school violence). I believe it will," Bush said.

Teacher suspended in rabies exposure

CARTHAGE (AP) — School trustees have suspended a junior high science teacher with pay through the end of the school year for allowing his students to examine a sick bat that turned out to be rabid.

Meeting in executive session Tuesday night, the Carthage school board discussed the incident with science teacher Herman Reed Jr. before announcing the suspension in open session.

A woman who answered the telephone at Reed's home Tuesday night said he would not comment on the suspension.

Reed and dozens of students began undergoing a series of monthlong rabies inoculations last week because up to 200 students handled the bat, and at least one of the students kissed it, officials said.

Convict walks away from a state work squad

ABILENE (AP) — Authorities searched Tuesday for a convicted thief and forger who walked away from a state prison work squad, prison officials said.

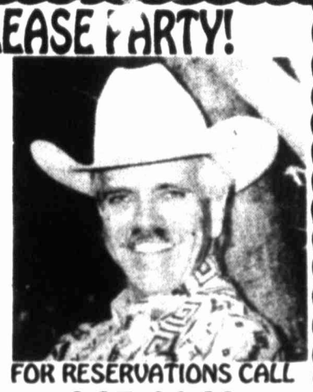
Ricardo Salinas, a 27-year-old prisoner at the Robertson Unit, was working in a squad on Jones County Road 476 when he disappeared about 2:45 p.m., said prison spokesman David Nunnelee.

"He just walked away from that squad unnoticed," Nunnelee said.

The work site was about 15 miles north of the Robertson Unit. Authorities were searching the area with dogs Tuesday afternoon.

Salinas had served 2› years of a 12-year prison term for theft and forgery from Hidalgo County.

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Clean water rewrite's future uncertain

WASHINGTON (AP) — A House-passed rewrite of the nation's premier clean water law faces an uncertain future in the Senate where moderates are expected to balk at its rollback of wetlands protection and easing of pollution controls on industry.

The House passed the sweeping legislation by a 240-185 vote Tuesday after supporters argued the 1972 Clean Water Act is too costly to industry and local governments, gives too much power to federal bureaucrats and is unfair to property owners.

The bill was denounced by Democratic and Republican moderates, as well as the Clinton administration, as an extreme measure that would roll back two decades of water quality improvements. But it gained the support of a solid coalition of 195 Republicans and 45 Democrats, many of whom complained about the impact wetland protections are having on farmers and other landowners.

But Rep. Bud Shuster, R-Pa., chairman of the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee and the bill's chief sponsor, characterized opponents as "extreme environmentalists" and derided suggestions that water pollution would be increased.

"The people at the local level have a better understanding of their water quality affairs than self-important bureaucrats" in Washington," Shuster insisted.

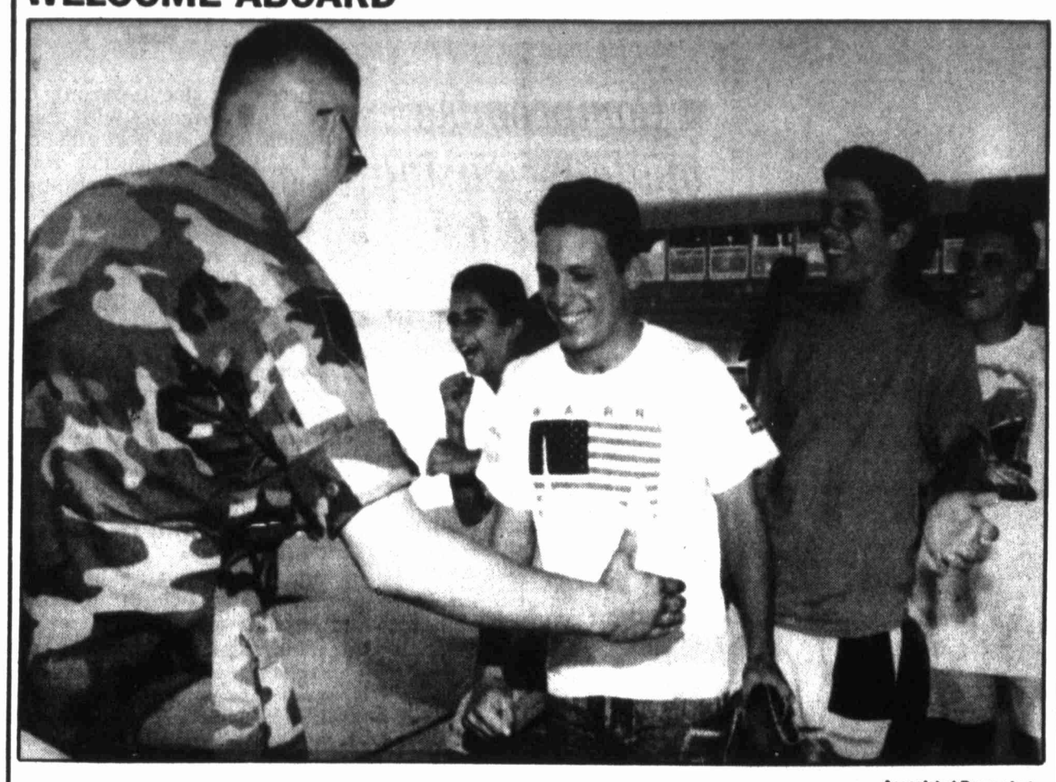
The legislation would revamp the federal government's protection of waterways from urban, industrial and farmland pollution, giving local officials a greater say in meeting water quality standards.

Rep. David Bonior of Michigan, the No. 2 Democrat in the House, said the changes "turn back the clock" in protecting lakes and streams from polluters and "fundamentally weaken one of the nation's most successful environmental laws."

Bonior said he expected a presidential veto if the bill should survive the Senate and noted the margin of victory was short of what would be needed to be veto-proof.

The bill was expected to have a tougher time in the Senate, where Sen. John Chafee, R-R.I., chairman of the Environment Committee that would consider the bill, views it as far too extreme.

WELCOME ABOARD



Associated Press photo

A U.S. soldier shakes hands with Cuban immigrants as they board a Miami Air jet bound for Homestead Air Force Reserve Base Tuesday at the Guantanamo Naval Base. There were 173 passengers on the flight to Homestead.

Cable deregulation bill approval expected

WASHINGTON (AP) — House Republicans will take their first step Wednesday toward dismantling regulations that hold down cable television prices. The regulations have saved customers an estimated $3.5 billion since 1993.

The provision to deregulate cable rates is just one piece of a big bill that would reform the nation's 61-year-old telecommunications laws, freeing local, long-distance and cable companies to get into each others' businesses.

Supporters of the bill say consumers would benefit from added competition, while opponents say the measure would lead to higher cable rates.

The House Commerce Committee's telecommunications subcommittee — the same panel that wrote cable rate regulations less than three years ago — is expected to approve the bill, including cable deregulation, despite a battle by key Democrats to salvage rate controls.

Two forces are behind the change: Republicans, who were reluctant to regulate rates in the first place back in 1992, are now in charge of Congress. And potential cable competitors — notably high powered satellites and telephone companies — are looming larger than ever.

Under the GOP bill, rates for "small" cable companies — defined as having less than 1 percent of all cable customers nationwide — would be immediately deregulated. Rates for the rest of the systems would be deregulated once a competitor moves into a local market or within 15 months after the bill becomes law.

Since rate regulation took effect in September 1993, cable customers have saved $3.5 billion, or $4 a month, according to the Federal Communications Commission. The regulations apply to most of the country's 11,000 cable systems.

Opponents of deregulation assert that the current telecommunications bill would wipe out these savings.

"Cable consumers are going to be paying a lot more for what they are getting today," predicted Rep. Edward Markey, D-Mass.

Supporters of deregulation say that cable companies, facing new competitors, would be especially sensitive to pricing and that consumers would gain access to new products and services.

What were plans for mail-order plague?

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — A man who said he was a white supremacist was arrested for allegedly obtaining bubonic plague bacteria through the mail, and investigators say they are trying to learn what he planned to do with it.

Larry W. Harris had "rather radical views" and told colleagues at a food testing lab he was a white supremacist and sympathetic to the militia movement, Superior Labs spokesman Brad Starrett said Tuesday.

"He's very open about it," Starrett said.

The company fired Harris Monday because he used lab equipment and certification without permission to obtain the bacteria, Starrett said. Harris was a well and tank inspector at the suburban Dublin lab.

He was charged with buying $300 worth of yersinia pestis, the bacteria that causes bubonic plague. Police say he bought the vials through the mail by falsely claiming he owned a laboratory.

Murderer knows philosophy of money vs. morality

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — One of four finalists in a philosophy debate over money vs. morality won't be able to attend the championship round. He's in prison for murder.

Phillip Torsrud was among 700 entrants in the Great American Think-Off, a philosophy contest in the west-central Minnesota town of New York Mills.

McVeigh confession questionable

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — Timothy McVeigh says he bombed the federal building because it housed several government offices, but that he didn't know a day-care center was inside, The New York Times reported today.

McVeigh admitted responsibility to two unidentified sources who said they talked to the suspect in jail after his arrest 75 minutes after the explosion, the newspaper said.

McVeigh's attorney, Stephen Jones, doubted any such jailhouse confession had been made. Jones said inmates often come forward with purported confessions in order to settle a score, gain publicity, or cut a better deal for themselves.

"I guess I look at it a little differently than the media because I have practiced law nearly 30 years and I was trying to remember if there had ever been a capital case where the death penalty is being sought and somebody didn't come forward and say, 'John Doe confessed in jail and this is what he told me,'" Jones said late Tuesday.

He said 41 people, mostly attorneys, have met with McVeigh since he was arrested on traffic and weapons violations in Perry, about 60 miles from the federal building. He was jailed there for two days before being transferred to a federal prison in El Reno.

McVeigh and his friend Terry Nichols are the only people charged so far in the April 19 attack that killed 168 people, including 19 children. Both face the death penalty if convicted.

McVeigh said he was surprised to learn that children had died when the 4,800-pound truck bomb tore the face off the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building, the Times said.

Although McVeigh accepted responsibility, he didn't think he had committed a crime, the paper said.

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Legislators indulge in pregame budget dealing

WASHINGTON (AP) — One group of Republicans won assurances of regulatory relief to cushion the impact of deficit reduction on farm programs. A lawmaker with a key committee post gained $1 billion for aeronautical research at the nation's space agency.

A committee chairman bargained with Republican leaders over the fate of billions of dollars in trust funds that help finance transportation programs. Yet another lawmaker, a freshman, sought help with a Veterans Administration hospital and other concerns back home.

It's all part of the pregame deal making as the House GOP leadership brings the party's massive budget blueprint to the floor.

While House Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., confidently predicts victory in voting Thursday, he and the GOP high command have been working their way through numerous sticking points to gain enough Republican votes to assure passage, even though as many as 10 Democrats may wind up supporting the measure.

"A lot of people just want some assurance," says Rep. Robert Walker, R-Pa., a key ally of the speaker, who, as chairman of one committee, is involved in easing concerns of some GOP lawmakers. "They want to be sure that everybody's taking hits on this thing. And believe me, everybody's taking hits."

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Suspected carriers negative for Ebola

KINSHASA, Zaire (AP) — Fears that Ebola had reached Zaire's capital eased today after news that two suspected carriers are no longer believed to have the virus that has killed at least 86 people in central Zaire.

Officials in Kinshasa, afraid Ebola could reach the capital city of 6 million people, set up a 20-bed isolation unit in Ngaliema Hospital on Tuesday.

A nurse who fled Kikwit, where the virus broke out, has tested positive for typhoid fever, but isn't believed to have Ebola, WHO spokesman Sammy Chumfong said

A riverboat captain who fled Kikwit was released after tests showed he was suffering from amoebic dysentery, not Ebola.

There is no vaccine or cure for Ebola, which is spread through bodily fluids and kills 80 percent of those who contract it. Victims die within days with blood pouring from their eyes, ears and noses.

WHO expects a significant rise in the number of Ebola victims soon because of the disease's incubation period, spokesman Philippe Stroot said today in Geneva.

"There will be a considerable number of new cases because many people are in a period of incubation, which lasts a minimum of six days and up to three weeks," Stroot said.

At Ngaliema Hospital, isolation rooms are ready on Ward 5.

"Even the doctors and nurses who work here will not be permitted to leave," said the hospital's director, Dr. Maseb a Mwang Sulu. "This area will be quarantined for maximum, maximum, maximum protection."

During Zaire's first Ebola outbreak in 1976, Ngaliema Hospital treated two nuns and a nurse; all three died. President Mobutu Sese Seko posted soldiers around the hospital with orders to let only doctors enter or leave.

A nurse who cared for the two nuns said she would refuse to work in the quarantine ward.

"It was terrible," recalled Marie-Jose Boteko Ilefo. "Their faces, arms, legs were covered with a bright red rash. Their gums bled, they vomited blood and had diarrhea that was only blood and water."

ANOTHER BODY FOUND



Associated Press photo

A fisherman retrieves the body of a girl Wednesday, one of the victims of a ferry which caught fire off the waters of Lucena City, 50 miles south of Manila, Philippines, Tuesday. The death toll rose to 41 as two more bodies were fished out near the site. The accident occurred early Tuesday when passengers panicked and jumped overboard without life jackets after the overloaded ferry caught fire as it approached Lucena port. Nineteen more are still missing.

Sarajevo again brunt of fighting

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — Old Town vendors rushed to cover and city residents hid in bomb shelters Tuesday as hundreds of shells slammed into Sarajevo in the worst fighting in two years.

Battles for the city's front lines claimed the lives of the innocent, including a 12-year-old girl unlucky enough to be outside when government forces and besieging Serbs began battling for five areas of Sarajevo.

Clouds of smoke wafted over the Bosnian capital during a day in which shells began falling from the sky at a rate of up to three a minute. An armored vehicle manned by Russian peacekeepers was set afire by heavy machine-gun fire; the occupants escaped without casualties.

By nightfall, 10 hours after the shelling began, officials reported the girl and two others dead and 17 wounded — latest victims of a conflict that has left 200,000 people dead or missing since Bosnia seceded from the former Yugoslav federation in 1992.

The usually packed streets of the Old Town area were deserted Tuesday for all but those who dared dash across streets looking for shelter or on business important enough to risk their lives. Shopkeepers abandoned their goods on the stands to seek cover.

There were conflicting accounts of who started Tuesday's fighting. The United Nations said the Bosnian army shelled a Serb-held suburb and attacked a Serb supply road south of the city.

The mostly Muslim army said the Serbs attacked first. And Serb sources said their fighters were trying to take out government snipers harassing civilians and traffic from Debelo Brdo, a hill confrontation line.

Palestinian guerrillas attack Israeli outpost

MARJAYOUN, Lebanon (AP) — Palestinian guerrillas attacked outposts in an Israeli-occupied strip of southern Lebanon today, triggering one of the area's bloodiest clashes this year.

At least one Israeli soldier and a guerrilla were killed. Seven others were wounded, including two Israelis, two Palestinians and three Lebanese, according to Lebanese police and an Israeli-sponsored militia.

In Israel, the army command confirmed the Israeli casualties. It said Israeli gunners and allied militiamen of the south Lebanon Army responded to the attack "with fire and hit terrorists."

The South Lebanon Army militia said one of its fighters was wounded in the 6 a.m. hit-and-run assault at outposts in the middle of the territory occupied by Israel to shield its northern border from guerrilla attacks.

Police in the town of Nabatiyeh, outside Israeli-held territory, said the attack was staged by the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine-General Command, an opponent of Yasser Arafat's peace accord with Israel.

Israeli helicopters strafed the guerrillas' escape route.

France has new president

PARIS (AP) — France's presidency, the most powerful in Western Europe, changes hands today for the first time in 14 years as Socialist Francois Mitterrand gives way to his former archrival, Jacques Chirac.

Their enmity now replaced by mutual respect, Mitterrand and Chirac take part in a day of pomp and symbolism, starting with a meeting where the new president receives the secret code for ordering France's nuclear arsenal into action.

Within hours of his swearing-in at the Elysee Palace, Chirac is expected to name the outgoing foreign minister, Alain Juppe, as his prime minister. The Cabinet, likely to be announced Thursday, is expected to be more youthful and less male-dominated that its predecessors, with orders to mount a swift attack on France's 12.2 percent jobless rate.

Chirac is expected to address Parliament next week and also plans a quick start on the diplomatic front, heading Thursday to the eastern city of Strasbourg to meet Chancellor Helmut Kohl of Germany. It will be a chance for Chirac to outline his economic program to a key ally and ease doubts that arose during the campaign about his commitment to closer European union.

The swearing-in culminates a long political odyssey for Chirac, 62, who until Tuesday was mayor of Paris for 18 years. Never lacking in ambition or perseverance, Chirac lost in the first round of the 1981 presidential election, then lost in a runoff to Mitterrand in 1988.

That election followed two often stormy years in which Chirac was prime minister of a conservative Cabinet that sparred frequently with Mitterrand. At one point, Mitterrand refused to sign a Chirac decree on privatization; during their campaign debate in 1988, each implied the other was a liar.

More recently, Mitterrand has said Chirac is a wiser, more mature politician than during the '80s. The outgoing president made a point of letting the president-elect share the podium on May 8 when France played host to scores of world leaders.



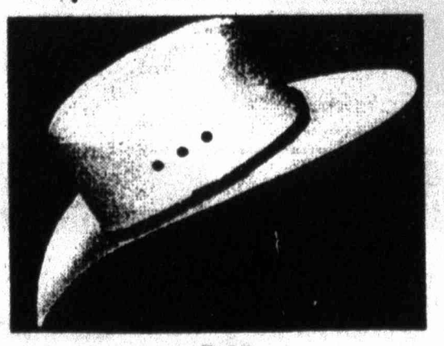
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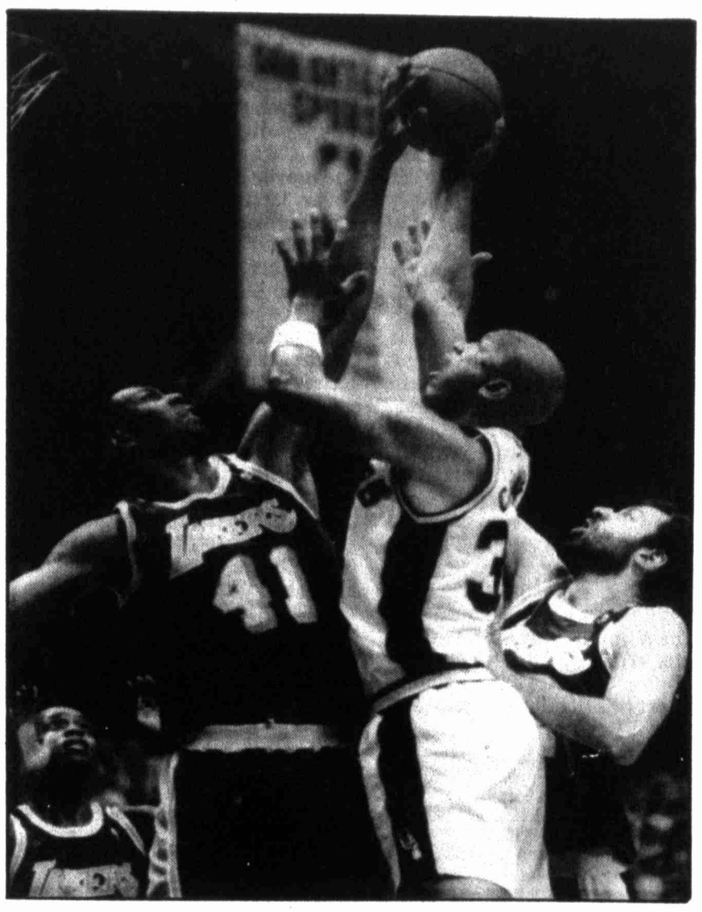
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BIG SPRING vs. Canyon Randall, 7 p.m. Thursday, Lubbock.
COAHOMA vs. Ozona, 5 p.m. Thursday, San Angelo.

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Associated Press photo
San Antonio's Terry Cummings (34) tries to get a shot past Los Angeles' Elden Campbell (41) and Vlade Divac (12) Tuesday. Los Angeles won 98-96 in overtime, but the Spurs still lead the series 3-2.

Can Steers stay on a roll?

By STEVE REAGAN
Sportswriter

The Big Spring Steers have had the luxury of decreased expectations this season. One more win, however, may change all that.

Few expected the Steers (17-11-1) to challenge for much besides the District 4-4A cellar this year. But a combination of Zac Leslie's pitching and the team's timely hitting has earned Big Spring a spot in the Class 4A baseball area playoffs, where they'll meet Canyon Randall (20-10) in a one-game playoff 7 p.m. Thursday at Lubbock Christian University.

It might be unfair to compare this year's Big Spring team with its predecessor, which advanced to the state finals before losing to Belton. The farther the Steers advance in the playoffs, however, and the more inevitable the comparisons become.

Nobody realizes that more than the Steers, who return only three starters from last year's state tournament team.

"We're a lot more confident now," senior first baseman Trey Terrazas said. "We're hitting the ball a lot better than we were before. I think we're believing in ourselves now. Once we got past the fifth inning in Alpine (when Terrazas' grand slam gave Big Spring the lead for good), we saw we could do it.

"People are always going to be comparing the teams," Terrazas added. "I don't think it's fair to compare this team to last year, because we had a lot of really good players who aren't here anymore."

Terrazas is one of the big reasons the Steers still find themselves playing baseball this time of the year. His grand slam proved pivotal in Big Spring's 13-6 win over El Paso Jefferson in last week's bi-district playoff game.

Terrazas has been the team's leading hitter of late, batting above .500 since district play began. His has not been the only big stick in the lineup, however.

Senior second baseman John Oliva also has been making contact, averaging less than a strikeout a game. As is the case sometimes, his potential hits have found their way into fielders' gloves.

"I have no idea why it's happening," Oliva said of his recent slump. "The only thing I can do is keep taking my cuts in practice."

Oliva, the designated hitter on last year's squad, also understands why people might start drawing comparisons between this year's team and the 1994 edition.

"We had a lot more talent last year," he said, "but we've got some talent on this year's team, too."

Because the Steers have only one proven pitcher – Leslie – they will pin their hopes on one-game playoffs, instead of the best-of-three format they used last year, for as long as they're alive in the postseason.

BSHS coach Bobby Doe likes that approach.

"It seems like this team plays its best when its back is against the wall," he said.

The winner of Thursday's game plays the Fort Worth Arlington Heights-Granbury winner in the regional semifinal.

Thursday's playoffs, and how to get there...

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7 p.m., Lubbock Christian University
- Highway 87 North to Lubbock
- Loop 289 North/East to 19th Street exit
- 19th Street to Eileen Dr., which is the second light on 19th
- Right on Eileen Dr., which leads to the road surrounding the LCU campus

■NBA Playoffs

Lakers stun Spurs; Rockets stay alive

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — The Los Angeles Lakers are still alive in the NBA playoffs because Nick Van Exel found a way to revive them.

San Antonio's agony became Van Exel's glory Tuesday night as he tied Game 5 of their conference semifinal with 10 seconds left in the fourth quarter, then sank a 3-pointer with 0.5 seconds left in overtime for a 98-96 victory. The Spurs still lead 3-2, but Los Angeles takes the momentum home for Game 6 on Thursday.

The Spurs lacked a killer instinct, and even though they recovered enough to lead by four with 1:25 left in the fourth quarter and by six with 2:33 left in overtime, they couldn't put the game away.

Los Angeles didn't exactly have a hungry look to it, either. The Lakers led by nine early in the fourth, then went nearly seven minutes without scoring and more than nine without a field goal.

Down the stretch, Van Exel was their only hope. He scored seven of their last nine points and two of their three fourth-quarter field goals, including a long 3-pointer with 10 seconds left that tied it 88-88.

In overtime, Los Angeles began hitting its shots, closing to 96-95 with 1:15 to play. The Lakers went for two with 5.6 seconds left in overtime when Elden Campbell drove for a layup. His miss was swatted around, with Robinson tipping it away from Rodman and Johnson trying to grab it.

Instead, Vlade Divac got the ball and passed to Van Exel, who put up a high-arching shot over a charging Robinson.

"I wanted it," said Van Exel, who led Los Angeles with 22 points. "There was no way I was going to pass it off. I guess God was on my side."

Rockets 103, Suns 97

PHOENIX (AP) — "We're still alive, and there's got to be some things going on in their minds now," coach Rudy Tomjanovich said Tuesday night after his Houston Rockets defeated the Phoenix Suns 103-97 in overtime of Game 5 to stay alive in the Western Conference semifinals. "We're coming after them."

The Suns still lead the best-of-7 series 3-2, with Game 6 in Houston on Thursday night.

Hakeem Olajuwon had 31 points and 16 rebounds and scored the final basket of regulation, a turnaround jumper from the lane, to tie it 92-92.

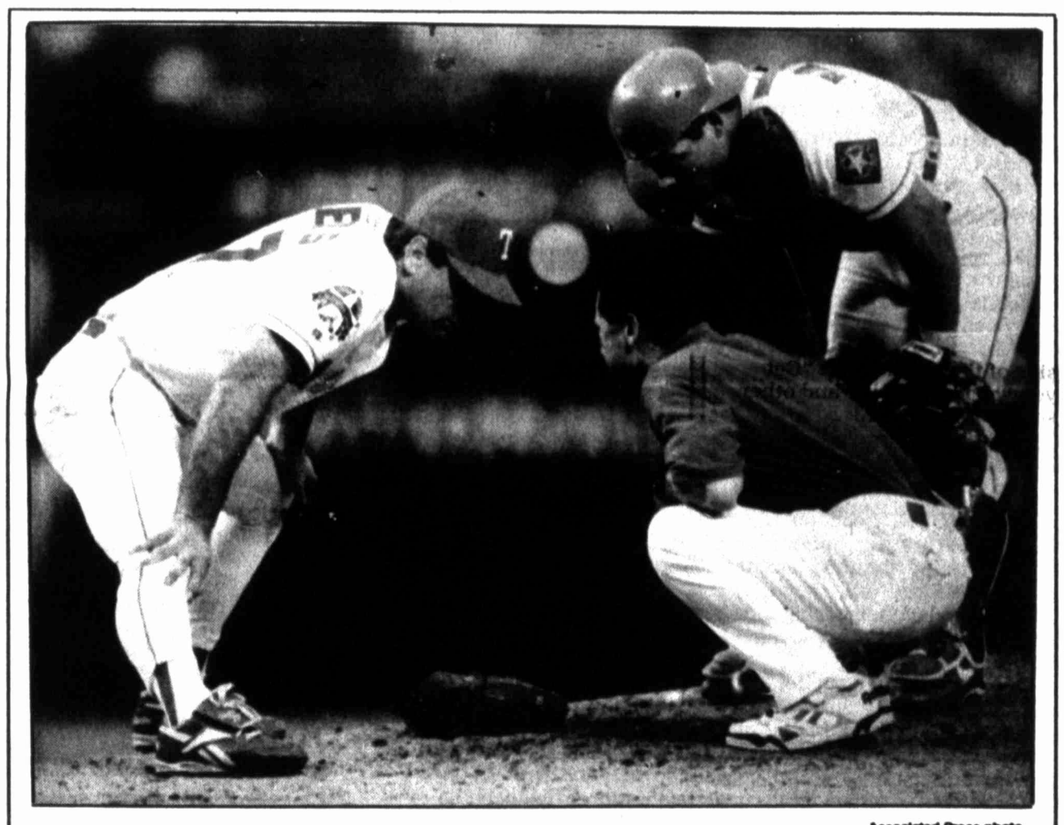
He scored again 23 seconds into overtime, but Charles Barkley tied it 94-94 for Phoenix with 3:43 to play. Robert Horry's 3-pointer gave the Rockets the lead for good with 3:12 to go, and Horry got a rebound basket with 2:01 left, putting Houston ahead 99-96.

Kevin Johnson scored 28 points and Barkley had 17 points and 20 rebounds for the Suns. Kenny Smith scored 21 points for the Rockets.

Magic 103, Bulls 95

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — Horace Grant scored 24 points and had 11 rebounds Tuesday night in the Orlando Magic's 103-95 win and is averaging 20.4 points and 12 rebounds in the series.

Grant was one of four Orlando starters to hit for 19 or more. Shaquille O'Neal scored 23. Orlando leads the series 3 games to 2.



Associated Press photo
Texas Ranger pitcher Kenny Rogers, left, stretches on the mound as teammate Ivan Rodriguez, right, and trainer Ray Ramirez watch Tuesday. Rogers earned the win as Texas beat Toronto 6-1.

Rangers worry over pitching ace

ARLINGTON (AP) — Kenny Rogers is prospering in his first season as the official ace of the Texas Rangers pitching staff.

That's why Rangers manager Johnny Oates was especially cautious Tuesday night with Rogers, whose hamstring was giving him problems from the third inning on.

Rogers gave the Rangers 2-hit shutout pitching over five innings and Terry Burrows finished up with four innings of 2-hit relief as the Rangers beat the Toronto Blue Jays, 6-1.

"I'm concerned when anybody isn't 100 percent," Oates said. "He was very impressive until he threw five balls in the top of the sixth. Until then he looked normal to me. We just didn't want to take any chances."

Rogers seemed upset when he went to the dugout, but Rogers (3-2) said that was the product of frustration, not anger that he was pulled from a game he was dominating. He extended his string of scoreless innings to 17 and has a 0.90 ERA in his last three starts. He said the injury was minor and he wouldn't miss his next start.

The Rangers offense backed Rogers with a six-run third keyed by Dean Palmer's two-run single as Texas won for the fourth time in its last six games.

Mets 1, Astros 0

HOUSTON (AP) — Bobby Jones struck out five over seven innings for his third straight victory, beating Houston 1-0 Tuesday for the Astros' fourth straight loss.

Jones (3-1) didn't give up a hit after the third inning. Doug Henry earned his first save. Shane Reynolds (1-2) took the loss.

SPORTS IN BRIEF

Buy Angels tickets from American League

Tickets for the May 27th Midland Angels game can be purchased from any American Little League player as part of the league's annual fundraiser.

Tickets are $4 for ages 5 and up. The league is also having a prize giveaway.

For more information, ask an American League player or call Kenda Jones at 263-8612.

Howard Lady Hawks sign two recruits

Howard College announced the signings of two recruits last week.



SHERLOCK

Niki Sherlock, 6-foot, comes to Howard from Longview High School where she averaged 10 points and eight rebounds per game. During her career, Longview won four district titles and the Grapeland and Dr. Pepper tournaments.

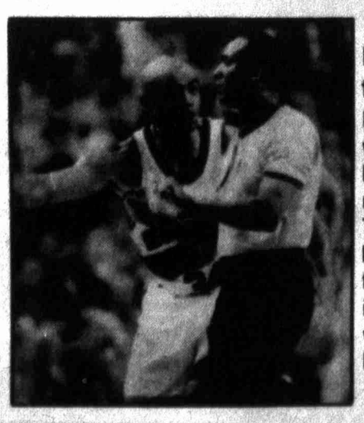
Sherlock was a four-year varsity player.

Howard also signed 5-8 guard Neitra Hudson from Yates High School. Hudson was prolific scorer, pouring in 25 points per game. She also averaged four steals.

Hudson was the No. 2 scorer in Texas for the top-scoring team in the Houston area. She was First Team all-District 18-5A and Third Team all-Greater Houston.

BOTTOM of the ORDER

SHOT OF THE DAY



Friends till the end
Phoenix Sun forward Charles Barkley argues with referee Eddie Rush Tuesday. Houston beat Phoenix to force a sixth game in their series, which will be Thursday in Houston.

TEXAS SPORTS

Has Kidd won the award?

DALLAS (AP) - The Dallas Mavericks called a news conference for 11 a.m. today "regarding the Rookie of the Year award."

The Fort Worth Star-Telegram reported Tuesday that Jason Kidd's strong finish in the 1994-95 season was just enough to pull the Dallas guard into a tie for the award with Detroit Pistons forward Grant Hill.

SFA athletic director resigns

NACOGDOCHES (AP) — Dianne Baker, an assistant athletic director and softball coach at Stephen F. Austin State, has resigned to become head softball coach at her alma mater, Texas Woman's University in Denton.

NATION/WORLD

NHL fines referee

NEW YORK (AP) — Referee Andy Van Hellemond was fined by the NHL for mistakenly disallowing a goal by Quebec's Joe Sakic in the Nordiques' 3-2 overtime loss to the New York Rangers in Game 4 of the first-round series.

NHL commissioner Gary Bettman said Van Hellemond made a "glaring error in judgment" and has been "reprimanded and disciplined for his error."

Montana signs with NBC

NEW YORK (AP) — Joe Montana was to join NBC today as a studio analyst, just a month after the four-time Super Bowl champion quarterback retired from the Kansas City Chiefs.

ON THE AIR

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Colorado at Atlanta, 6:30 p.m., ESPN (ch. 30).
Pittsburgh at Los Angeles, 9:30 p.m., ESPN.

Basketball
NBA Playoffs
Indiana at New York, 7 p.m., TNT (ch. 28).

SPORTSEXTRA

BOWLING

Local Leagues

SUMMER PIN POPPERS
RESULTS - Team Two over Team One, 8-0; Team Four over Betty's Boops, 6-2; A & B Farms over Go-Go Girls, 6-2; h i sc. game Betty Petty, 205; hi sc. series Ranae Carr, 520; hi sc. team game Betty's boops, 509; hi sc. team series Team Two, 1388; hi hdcp game Betty Petty, 205; hi hdcp series Ranae Carr, 520; hi hdcp team game Betty's Boops, 646; hi hdcp tem series Team Four, 1751.
STANDINGS - Team Two, 8-0; Team Four, 6-2; A & B Farms, 6-2; Betty's Boops, 2-6; Go-Go Girls, 2-6; Team One, 0-8.

MENS MAJOR BOWLING
RESULTS - Parks Ins. Agency over Hagan T.V. Repair, 8-0; O'Daniel Trucking over Pollard Chevrolet, 8-0; Rocky's over Denny's, 8-0; Fina Engineers ove rBob Brock Ford, 6-2; Freds Construction over Parks Conv. Center, 6-2; Trio Fuels over Walker L.P. Gas, 6-2; Bob Brock Body Shop over B.S.I., 6-2; hi game Terry White, 300; hi series Lee Everett, 810; hi team game Fina Engineers, 1199; hi team series Parks Conv. Center, 3413.
STANDINGS - Walker L.P. Gas (Champions), 164-116; Bob Brock Ford, 159-121; Fina Engineers, 159-121; Rocky 's, 158-122; Parks Ins. Agency, 154-126; O'Daniels Trucking, 153-127; Parks Conv. Center, 148-132; Freds Construction, 142-138; Tric Fuels, 138-142; Denny's, 130-150; Pollard Chevrolet, 126-154; B.S.I., 121-159; Hagen T.V. Repair, 107-172; Bob Brock Body Shop, 96-184.

DENNY'S MIXED TRIO
RESULTS - Denny's Babes over Los Indios, 6-2; Denny's Boppers over Becky's Crew, 6-2; hi sc. team game and series Denny's Boppers, 424 and 1236; hi sc. game and series (men) Ron Wales, 178 and 498; hi sc. game and series (women) Betty Wales, 135 and 372; hi hdcp team game and series Denny's Boppers, 581 and 1707; hi hdcp game and series (men) Ron Wales, 212 and 600; hi hdcp game (women) Betty Wales, 208; hi hdcp series (women) Becky Lancaster, 589.
STANDINGS - Denny's Boppers, 32-16; Denny's Babes, 309-18; Los Indios, 20-20; Becky's Crew, 20-20; Team 6, 10-22; Big "D", 8-24.

VA COUPLES
RESULTS - Team 4 over Team 5, 6-2; Team 6 over Team 2,8-0; Team 3 over Team 12, 6-2; Team 9 over Team 11, 8-0; Team 1 over Team 7, 8-0; Team 10 over Team 8, 6-2; hi sc. team game Team 6, 723; hi sc. team series Team 9, 2124; hi sc. game (men) Shane Yeager, 255; hi sc. series (men) Manuel Gutierrez, 643; hi sc. game and series (women) Dee Carpenter, 209 and 544; hi hdcp team game Team 8, 905; hi hdcp team series Team 10, 2455; hi hdcp game (men) Shane Yeager, 286; hi hdcp series (men) Manuel Gutierrez, 697; hi hdcp game and series (women) Dee Carpenter 246 and 655.
STANDINGS - Team 9, 19-90; Team 3, 178-102; Team 6, 177-103; Team 11, 170-110; Team 10, 163-117; Team 4, 148-132; Team 1, 128-152; Team 2, 121-159; Team 7, 113-167; Team 8, 110-170; Team 12, 96-184; Team 5, 86-194.

BASEBALL

AL Standings

American League
All Times EDT

East Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	12	5	.706	—
New York	10	8	.556	2 1/2
Toronto	9	10	.474	4
Detroit	8	10	.444	4 1/2
Baltimore	6	11	.353	6
Central Division				
Cleveland	12	5	.706	—
Milwaukee	10	8	.556	2 1/2
Kansas City	8	9	.471	4
Chicago	6	11	.353	6
Minnesota	6	13	.316	7
West Division				
California	11	8	.579	—
Seattle	9	8	.529	1
Oakland	10	9	.526	1
Texas	9	11	.450	2 1/2

Tuesday's Games
Detroit 9, Baltimore 8
Cleveland 10, New York 5
Texas 6, Toronto 1
Kansas City 4, Seattle 2, 4 1/2 innings, rain
California 9, Minnesota 6
Oakland 7, Chicago 1, 5 innings, rain
Boston 5, Milwaukee 0
Wednesday's Games
Boston (Sele 2-1) at Milwaukee (Bones 2-0), 2:05 p.m.
Detroit (Groom 1-1) at Baltimore (Brown 2-1), 7:35 p.m.
Cleveland (Martinez 3-0) at New York (Perez 1-0), 7:35 p.m.
Toronto (Darwin 1-1) at Texas (Gross 0-3), 8:05 p.m.
Seattle (Johnson 3-0) at Kansas City (Gubicza 1-2), 8:05 p.m.
California (Finley 0-3) at Minnesota (Tapani 1-1), 8:05 p.m.
Oakland (Harkey 1-1) at Chicago (Alvarez 1-2), 8:05 p.m.

NL Standings

National League
All Times EDT

East Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Philadelphia	14	5	.737	—
Montreal	12	8	.600	2 1/2
Atlanta	10	9	.526	4
New York	8	11	.421	6
Florida	5	14	.263	9
Central Division				
Chicago	12	6	.667	—
Houston	9	9	.500	3
St. Louis	9	11	.450	4
Cincinnati	8	10	.444	4
Pittsburgh	5	13	.278	7
West Division				
Colorado	12	7	.632	—
Los Angeles	10	9	.526	2
San Francisco	10	10	.500	2 1/2
San Diego	9	11	.450	3 1/2

Tuesday's Games
Chicago 2, San Francisco 0
Philadelphia 9, Florida 7, 10 innings
Montreal 7, Cincinnati 3
Atlanta 15, Colorado 3
New York 1, Houston 0
Pittsburgh 2, Los Angeles 0
San Diego 1, St. Louis 0
Wednesday's Games
Chicago (Foster 2-1) at San Francisco (Portugal 1-1), 3:35 p.m.
Philadelphia (Schilling 3-0) at Florida (Hammond 0-0), 7:05 p.m.
Cincinnati (Rijo 1-2) at Montreal (Fassero 4-0), 7:35 p.m.
Colorado (Swift 1-0) at Atlanta (Maddux 2-0), 7:40 p.m.
New York (Jacome 0-3) at Houston (Swindell 1-1), 8:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh (White 0-0) at Los Angeles (Nomo 0-0), 10:35 p.m.
St. Louis (Jackson 0-3) at San Diego (Ashby 1-2), 10:35 p.m.

Texas League

Texas League
First Half
Eastern Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Arkansas (Cards)	23	13	.639	—
Shreveport (Giants)	23	14	.622	1/2
Jackson (Astros)	14	21	.400	8 1/2
Tulsa (Rangers)	13	23	.361	10
Western Division				
S.Antonio(Dodgers)	23	16	.590	—
El Paso(Brewers)	19	20	.487	4
Midland (Angels)	19	20	.487	4
Wichita (Royals)	16	23	.410	7

Tuesday's Games
Wichita 4, Jackson 3
San Antonio 4, Shreveport 0
El Paso 2, Tulsa 1, 13 innings
Midland 4, Arkansas 2
Wednesday's Games
Jackson at Wichita
Shreveport at San Antonio
El Paso at Tulsa
Midland at Arkansas
Thursday's Games
No games scheduled

BASKETBALL

NBA Playoffs

NBA Playoff Glance
All Times EDT
CONFERENCE SEMIFINALS
(Best-of-7)
Tuesday
Orlando 103, Chicago 95, Orlando leads series 3-2
L.A. Lakers 98, San Antonio 96, OT, San Antonio leads series 3-2
Houston 103, Phoenix 97, OT, Phoenix leads series 3-2
Tonight
Indiana at New York, 8 p.m, (TNT)
Thursday
Orlando at Chicago, 8 p.m. (TNT)
San Antonio at L.A. Lakers, TBA (TNT)
Phoenix at Houston, TBA (TNT)
Friday
New York at Indiana, 8 p.m. (TNT), if necessary

HOCKEY

NHL Playoffs

NHL Playoff Glance
All Times EDT
CONFERENCE QUARTERFINALS
(Best-of-7)
Monday
Detroit 3, Dallas 1, Detroit wins series 4-1
Vancouver 6, St. Louis 5, OT, Vancouver leads series 3-2
Chicago 4, Toronto 2, Chicago leads series 3-2
Calgary 5, San Jose 0, Calgary leads series 3-2
Tuesday
N.Y. Rangers 4, Quebec 2, N.Y. Rangers win series 4-2
Pittsburgh 7, Washington 1, series tied 3-3
Tonight
Chicago at Toronto, 7:30 p.m.
Calgary at San Jose, 10:30 p.m.
St. Louis at Vancouver, 10:30 p.m.
Thursday
Washington at Pittsburgh, 7:30 p.m.
Friday
Toronto at Chicago, 8:30 p.m., if necessary
Vancouver at St. Louis, 8:30 p.m., if necessary
San Jose at Calgary, 9:30 p.m., if necessary

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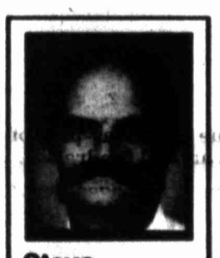
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BASEBALL
American League
BALTIMORE ORIOLES—Traded Jack Voigt, outfielder, to the Texas Rangers for John Dettmer, pitcher. Assigned Dettmer to Rochester of the International League. Designated John Shea, pitcher, for assignment.
CLEVELAND INDIANS—Sent Ruben Amaro, outfielder, outright to Buffalo of the American Association.
NEW YORK YANKEES—Agreed to terms with Jim Leyritz, catcher-infielder, on a one-year contract. Optioned Andy Pettitte, pitcher, to Columbus of the International League. Recalled Mariano Rivera, pitcher, from Columbus.
TEXAS RANGERS—Assigned Eric Fox, outfielder, to Oklahoma City of the American Association.
National League
LOS ANGELES DODGERS—Agreed to terms with Ramon Martinez, pitcher, on a one-year contract.
MONTREAL EXPOS—Placed Cliff Floyd, infielder, on the 60-day disabled list.
PITTSBURGH PIRATES—Optioned Gary Wilson, pitcher, to Calgary of the Pacific Coast League. Activated Rick White, pitcher, from the 15-day disabled list.
HOCKEY
National Hockey League
NHL—Fined Andy Van Hellemond, referee, an undisclosed amount for disallowing a goal by Quebec's Joe Sakic in Game 4 of the Eastern Conference quarterfinals against the New York Rangers.
DALLAS STARS—Sent Zac Boyer, right wing, and Travis Richards, defenseman, to Kalamazoo of the IHL.
VANCOUVER CANUCKS—Signed Bert Robertsson, defenseman.
COLLEGE
MICHIGAN—Named Lloyd Carr interim football coach and signed him to a one-year contract.
SOUTH CAROLINA—Announced the resignation of Steve Liebler, men's golf coach.
STANFORD—Named Scott Schuhmann assistant athletic director.

Cheers for Steers; jeers for their fans

The good thing about this year's Big Spring High School baseball team is that it has exceeded expectations. The bad thing, however, is that it probably won't meet the expectations of some fans.

Among sportswriters in this area, it's an accepted fact that Big Spring fans are the worst in District 4-4A. Of course this is not true of every Big Spring backer, but for a small-but-vocal contingent fans, it is undisputed gospel.



Steve Reagan
Sports Writer

These "fans" – and I use the term loosely – seem to believe that being a fan means they have to hurl disparaging remarks at A) officials; B) players; C) coaches; or D) all of the above.

I don't necessarily have any complaint with tossing a few insults the officials' way, especially in baseball. After all, some blue language hurled in the umps' direction is as much a part of the sport as bunts and double plays.

I do have a problem, however, with griping at the players and the coaches, especially when you're talking about the 1995 BSHS baseball team.

Because I'm a smoker (and please, don't tell me I need to stop. I know), I frequently have to sit in the stands at sporting events. Doing that gives me the unfortunate advantage of hearing whatever wit the loudmouths decide to unleash at the moment.

At the Steers' playoff game against El Paso Jefferson last week in Alpine, I had to move a couple of times just to escape the above-mentioned loudmouths.

During the first few innings, when the Steers were behind, you would think the fans would be encouraging the team. For the most part, this was true, but the loudest

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Big Spring's coaches also have found themselves the object of these folks' wrath.

Now, I ask you – just what kind of baloney is this?

OK, OK ... I know many folks think buying a ticket gives them the right to say whatever they think. That's their opinion.

They're full of hooey. That's my opinion.

God bless freedom of opinion.

Again, I don't want to paint with too broad a brush, but I really don't think a lot of folks appreciate just what this year's baseball team has accomplished.

Look at what this team lost from last year's state finalist – which is just about everybody – and you're forced to agree the Steers shouldn't be playing this time of year. On paper, there's no way Big Spring should have made the playoffs.

Instead the team has made the area round of the playoffs and is three victories away from making a repeat trip to the state tournament.

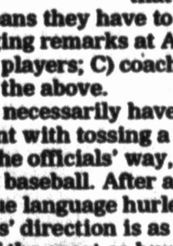
The players deserve praise for what they've accomplished.

So do the coaches.

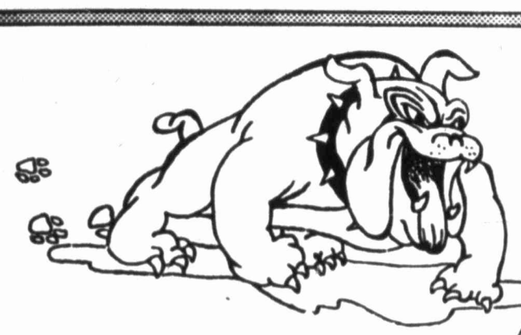
In all probability, the Steers' season will end short of the state tournament. For most Big Spring fans, the mere fact the team made the playoffs will be cause for celebration.

For some, however, the Steers' next loss will bring misery.

And that's a shame.



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LITTLE LEAGUE

The Herald encourages all youth baseball and softball leagues to bring game reports and league standings to the sports department.

If you have any questions, call the Herald sports department at 263-7331.

Angels 17
Rockies 9

Sam Tindol and Caleb Allen each had a single to lead the Angels past the Rockies in Coahoma Minor League action May 8.

Allen, Tindol, Dan Griffin and Ben Griffin played well defensively for the Angels, while Toby Jackson and Chance Grantham played well for the Rockies.

Angels 20
Dodgers 11

The Angels improved to 7-4 in Coahoma Minor League action by winning their slugfest with the Dodgers.

Sam Tindol had a triple and home run, Dan Griffin added a double and triple and Kody Jackson had a double to lead the Angels.

Richard Thurman had three hits, while Tom Guzman and Frank Morphis had two hits each for the Dodgers.

A's 14
Lions 13

The National Little League A's improved to 7-3 for the season with their win over the Lions May 13.

Jon McKinnon picked up the win while Kyle Kunz earned the save for the A's. Kyle Nichols was tagged for the loss for the Lions.

Four A's – Robert Garcia, Landon Adkins, Jesus Valdez and Zac Hall – had two doubles apiece. Collin Stanley had a triple and Toryn Haynes a double for the Lions.

Roy Bell 17
Da Brats 12

Da Brats of Big Spring lost their first game of the Odessa Softball Tournament to Roy Bell of Odessa April 29.

Misty Padilla, Melissa Martinez, Julie Garza and Delanna Gunselman had good offensive games for Da Brats.

Da Brats 9
Od. Div. III 8

In their second game of the tournament, Da Brats outlasted Odessa Division III.

Jessica Canales and Julie Garza each had two RBIs, while Honey Belew, Melissa Martinez and Trish Trevino each batted in a run.

Claives 15
Da Brats 13

Da Brats dropped a close game to Odessa Claives in their tournament finale.

Melissa Martinez had a home run and three RBIs, while Jodi Lelek also had three RBIS.

Da Brats 23
Hot Steppers 4

Back home in Big Spring, Da Brats improved to 4-0 in local UGSA play by defeating the Hot Steppers.

Honey Belew and Jodi Lelek combined for the win, while Delanna Gunselman had four RBIs for Da Brats.

TLC 25
Red Hots 7

TLC improved to 8-0 for the season by defeating the Red Hots in UGSA softball action May 11.

Ashley Long picked up the win on the mound, receiving excellent offensive support from Amanda Rubio, Amy Fierro and Jamie Long, who each had home runs.

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Another coach bites the dust in Boston

BOSTON (AP) — Chris Ford will be fired as coach of the Boston Celtics today, the Boston Herald reported.

The newspaper said its information came from sources it did not identify.

Ford and club officials were to meet today.

"I can't really have any reaction until they tell me, but I'm a little surprised it's happening (today)," Ford said.

Just last summer, M.L. Carr, the team's director of basketball operations, extended Ford's contract. In the recently completed season, however, the Celtics went 35-47 and were ousted in the first round of the NBA playoffs.

Ford also had disagreements with several players and reportedly did not like Carr's optimistic projections about the team's future.

The Herald reported that Carr met Tuesday with owner Paul Gaston and general manager Jan Volk and the trio decided to fire Ford.

Afterward, Carr would only say, "We're scheduled to meet (today). We're just going to continue with the discussions that have been ongoing. This is another one of those meetings to see where we are as a team."

Carr did not return a call to his home this morning from The Associated Press.

If Ford is fired, the Celtics would still have to pay him the $1.6 million he is due under the remaining two years of his contract.

The team reportedly had hoped that Ford would land a new job and resign, which would have eliminated their obligation to continue paying him. The Detroit Pistons reportedly considered Ford for their head coaching job before selecting Doug Collins.

The Golden State Warriors also have expressed an interest in Ford, but that team is reportedly interested in hiring former Portland Trail Blazers coach Rick Adelman.

Ford, 46, took over the head coaching job five years ago. Before that, he was an assistant coach and former Celtics player.

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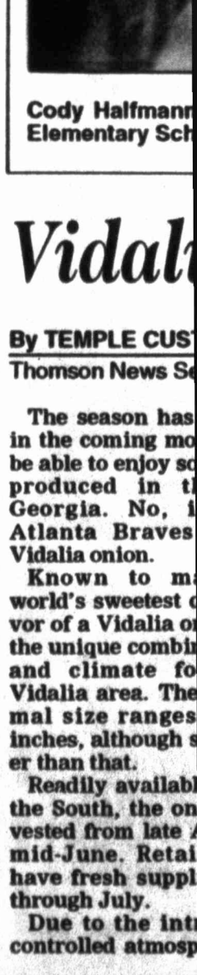
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For Coahoma students, excellence is its own reward

By MARY McATEER
Staff Writer

Coahoma High School's Awards Assembly Thursday was highlighted by the presentation of special awards in citizenship to Pedro F. Requena.

Requena, one of 55 seniors graduating May 25, was presented citizenship awards by Sergeant O'Connor of the Marine Corps, and Martha Cummings of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Coahoma Principal Larry Hudson comments that Pedro, an immigrant, gives "a lot of people who take citizenship for granted something to think about."

In an emotional moment, Pedro was presented the flag that has flown over the high school the last several years. Faculty members and classmates watched him walk across the stage to return to his seat and see kiss the flag he was holding to his chest.

12 Coahoma sophomores achieved 100 percent mastery of the Texas TAAS examinations: Aaron Barr, James Best, Joe Best, Cindy Birdwell, Lisa Foster, Kim Green, Krissi Hayes, Craig Milliken, Chandra Mullins, Amanda Phinney, Emily Sanders, Tonia Sparks, and Marshall Wright.

Coahoma students achieved an overall 92 percent rating in the reading requirements of the TAAS testing, 100 percent in the writing component, and 68 percent in the math. Hudson commented about the latter score, "We still have a ways to go there," but this year's score is an 11 percent improvement over last year's.

The top 10 students of the 1994-95 school year are: Denyce Hayes, valedictorian; Jennifer Sullivan, salutatorian; Justin Wood, Jerriann Mitchell, Amanda Calhoun, Lori Brockman, Mandi Herring, Angie Requejo, Lynda Harmon, and Jason Edens.

Scholarships presented at Thursday's assembly include the following:

Denyce Hayes, Valedictorian Scholarship, WalMart Scholarship, Honor Graduate Scholarship, UTPB Academic Scholarship, and Carr Academic Scholarship.

Jennifer Sullivan: Salutatorian Scholarship, Permian Basin Honor Scholarship, Honor Graduate Scholarship, Wendall Lawrence Scholarship.

TaNeal Anderson: Athletic Booster Club Scholarship, J.D. and Mattie Miller Scholarship, and Doris Tiller Memorial Scholarship.

Lori Brockman: Honor Graduate Scholarship and J.D. and Mattie Miller Scholarship.

Henry DeLaRosa: Athletic Booster Club Scholarship and Angelo State Scholarship.

Mandi Herring: Athletic Booster Club Scholarship and Honor Graduate Scholarship.

Rocky King: Athletic Booster Club Scholarship and South Plains College Music Scholarship.

Justin Wood: A & M Agribusiness Scholarship, Sandhills Stock Show Scholarship, Cap Rock Electric Scholarship, State Fair of Texas Scholarship, and Howard County Stock Show Scholarship.

Shaundra Walker: AJRA Scholarship, A & M Agribusiness Scholarship.

Jeriann Mitchell: Permian Basin Honor Scholarship, Honor Graduate Scholarship and Wendall Lawrence Scholarship.

Linda Harman: Wendall Lawrence Scholarship and Honor Graduate Scholarship.

Jason Edens: Honor Graduate and Business Scholarships.

Brandon McGuire: Rice Athletic Scholarship.

Bucky Williams: Wendall Lawrence Scholarship.

Michael Lopez: Yearbook Scholarship.

Amanda Calhoun: Honor Graduate Scholarship.

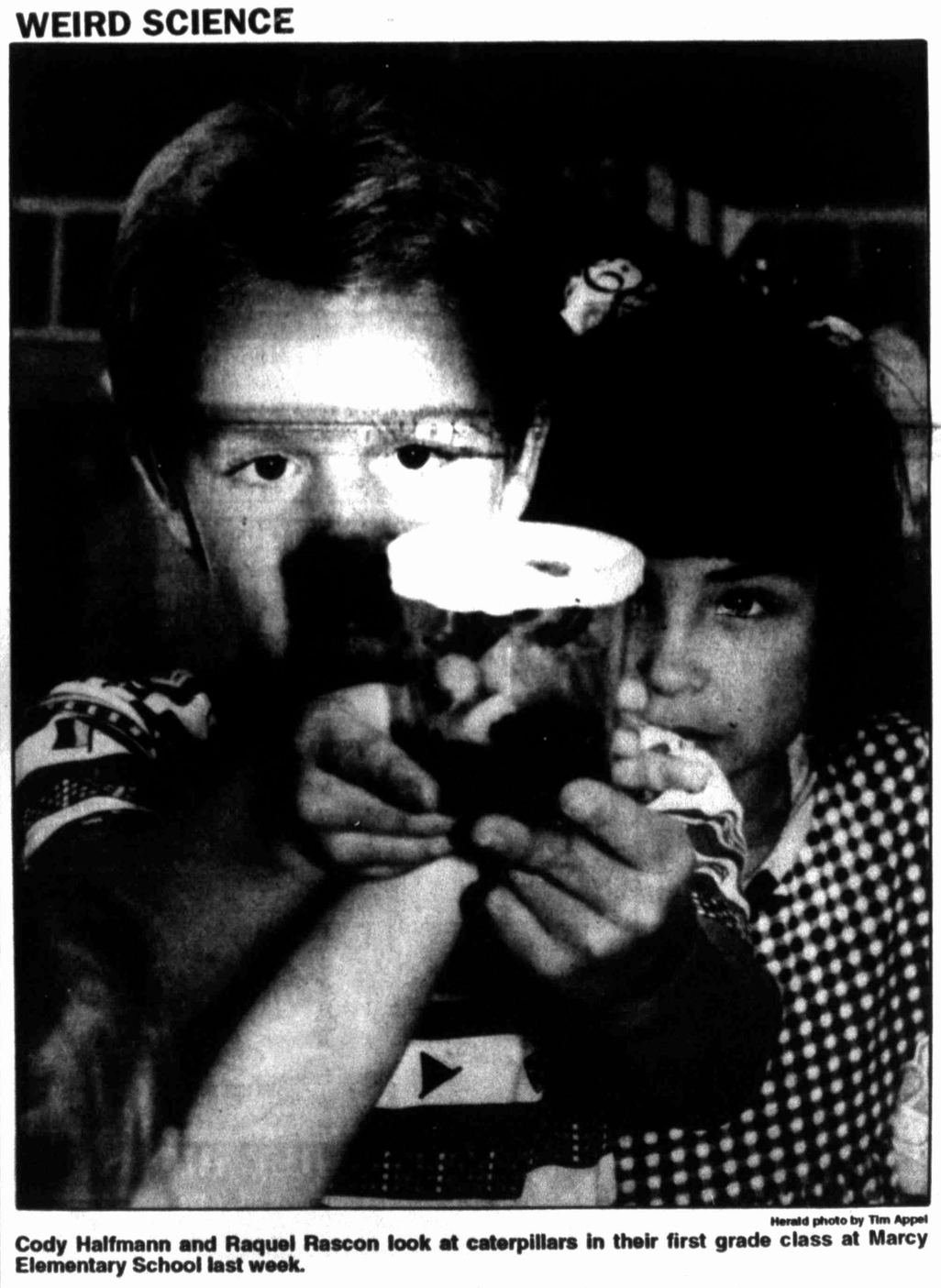
Angie Requejo: Honor Graduate Scholarship.

Veronica Moran: Carrie Carnahan Memorial Scholarship.

Teacher Awards for Best Performance were presented to the following: Shana Earnest, Rendee Herring, Jill Allen, Marshall Wright, Stephanie Stone, Krissi Hayes, Jason Gonzales, Taneal Anderson, Elizabeth Mansfield, Andrea Cevallos, Pedro Requena, Jerod Weatherman, Jason Edens, Denyce Hayes, Justin Wood, Jennifer Sullivan, Steven Prater, Renea Rister, Jerriann Mitchell, Darby Dorton, Misty Logsdon, Bucky Williams, Julie Hernandez, Chad Winn, Hennifer Horn, Shana Earnest, Lucas Phinney, Tara Sterling, Chandra Mullins, Matt Hamilton, Jason Gonzales, Jason Archibald, Ernesto Requejo, and Stephanie Stone. Christy Hambrick, Joe Best, Melissa Guzman, Lahoma Goodblanket, Adrian Delarosa, Michael Thompson, Kim Green, Ryan Wright, Cash Berry, Belinda Brito, Kevin Rich, Adam Batson, Jason Henry, Michale Brooks, Allison West, Robb Walker, Joel Hernandez, Karolyn Carver, Karen Best.

Teacher Awards for Most Improved were presented to the following: Jason Arguello, Kevin Olson, Leslie Rodriguez, David Miramontes, Sherman Moseley, Cindy Birdwell, Brock Carter, Namon Blevins, Riley Hipp, Brandon Shifflett, Jennifer Smith, Amanda Herring, Jason Henry, Diane Johnson, Mica Weatherman, Balinda Turner, Daniel Gonzales, Bo Reagan, Shawn Reid, Pedro Requena, Jason Gwyn, Brock Carter, Terri Kirkpatrick, Krista Jeffcoat, Tina Ruiz, Chad Winn, Mandy Calhoun, Tina Melendrez, Ladonna Hale, Justin Gamble, Melissa Guzman, Misty Logsdon, Bucky Williams, Julie Hernandez, Joe Best, Lucas Phinney, Aaron Arthur, Deric Calhoun, Laura Wyatt, Maria Martinez, Misty Collins, Rene Martinez, Lisa Foster, Jamie Piper, Lahoma Goodblanket, Chad Winn, and Jerod Weatherman.

WEIRD SCIENCE



Herald photo by Tim Appel

Cody Halfmann and Raquel Rascon look at caterpillars in their first grade class at Marcy Elementary School last week.

Exercise: Just plain good for you



Dana Tarter
Extension Agent

Individuals who exercise regularly have a lower risk of heart disease and a lower blood pressure than those who don't, according to a recent study of approximately 15,000 Harvard male alumni.

Sedentary alumni had a 35 percent greater chance of developing hypertension. Alumni exercising vigorously had a lower blood pressure and effects independent of body weight.

Still another study found the relative risk of hypertension about one and a half times greater in sedentary individuals than in non-sedentary persons.

What makes exercise have this blood pressure-lowering effect? Most likely the desirable changes in body weight, body composition or by stress reduction. The question arises as to whether regular exercise can reduce high blood pressure rather than prevent its development.

Many studies have been conducted to see if exercising results in a significant reduction in blood pressure. In a 10-week study, sedentary men with mild hypertension reduced their blood pressure levels to high normal levels. It took 30 minutes of aerobic exercise, such as walking briskly, bicycling or running for four times a week at a level well within the comfort level to be effective.

Other types of isometric exercise such as lifting, pushing, holding or hanging movements may not be recommended for people with hypertension, or at least these exercises should be monitored.

If you or a family member has problems with hypertension, contact your physician for the exercise recommendations for your particular problem. The overall impact of exercise on reduced risk of disease and improved quality of like makes it a logical and important part in both the prevention and treatment of hypertension.

Besides changing your sedentary lifestyle, you can also improve your eating patterns by following the dietary guidelines which tell us to cut down on sodium, fats, sugar, alcohol, to increase complex carbohydrates, to eat a wide variety of foods in moderation, to drink enough water throughout the day and attain and maintain a weight appropriate for your height and bone structure.

Start following the United States Department of Agriculture "Food Guide Pyramid" or another dietary guide that may be recommended by your physician today for another positive lifestyle change.

As with any diet or exercise program, consult your physician before starting. If you would like additional information on the "Food Guide Pyramid" or recommended dietary guidelines, contact the Howard County Extension Service, First Floor East, Howard County Courthouse, 264-2236.

Vidalia still the top sweet onion

By TEMPLE CUSTER
Thomson News Service

The season has arrived, and in the coming months you will be able to enjoy something only produced in the state of Georgia. No, it's not the Atlanta Braves — it's the Vidalia onion.

Known to many as the world's sweetest onion, the flavor of a Vidalia onion is due to the unique combination of soils and climate found in the Vidalia area. The onion's normal size ranges from 1 to 3 inches, although some are larger than that.

Readily available throughout the South, the onions are harvested from late April through mid-June. Retailers usually have fresh supplies available through July.

Due to the introduction of controlled atmosphere storage, stored Vidalia onions are available through December.

To store in the refrigerator, consumers should wrap the onions separately in foil, which can preserve it for up to year. Another method of storage is to place them in the legs of clean, sheer pantyhose, tying a knot between each onion, and hanging them in a dry, ventilated area.

They can be chopped and dried in the oven or frozen by chopping them and placing them on a cookie sheet in the freezer.

If you haven't had a Vidalia onion, you'll want to sample one soon. The taste is much milder and sweeter than other varieties, and they add a distinct flavor to any dish.

STEAK AND VIDALIA ONION SALAD
(from Vidalia Onion Committee)

1 pound flank steak
1 1/4 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon ground black pepper
4 cups leaf lettuce, torn into small pieces
1 medium Vidalia onion, thinly sliced about 2 cups
2 cups thinly sliced cucumber
1 cup sliced sweet red pepper
1/4 cup olive oil
3 tablespoons lime juice
1/4 cup chopped fresh dill

Preheat broiler. Season steak with 1/4 teaspoon of salt and 1/8 teaspoon of the ground black pepper. Broil 1 to 2 minutes from the heat until desired doneness. Cut into thin slices; cool slightly. Place in a large salad bowl with lettuce, Vidalia onions, cucumber and red pepper. Set aside.

In a cup, combine olive oil, lime juice, dill and remaining salt and pepper; pour over salad and serve.

Rookie of the year

■ Female police officer breaks barriers

By NORA LOPEZ
The Dallas Morning News

DALLAS — Katherine Stewart was 15 when her father plopped a "Parade" magazine in front of her and pointed to the cover.

"You can do this," he told her, pointing to a photograph of the first woman to graduate from the U.S. Military Academy.

In 1986, she proved him correct. From West Point to Operation Desert Storm to a budding career with the Dallas Police Department, the former Ms. Stewart, now Officer Katherine Witzgall, credits her family's can-do attitude for success in life.

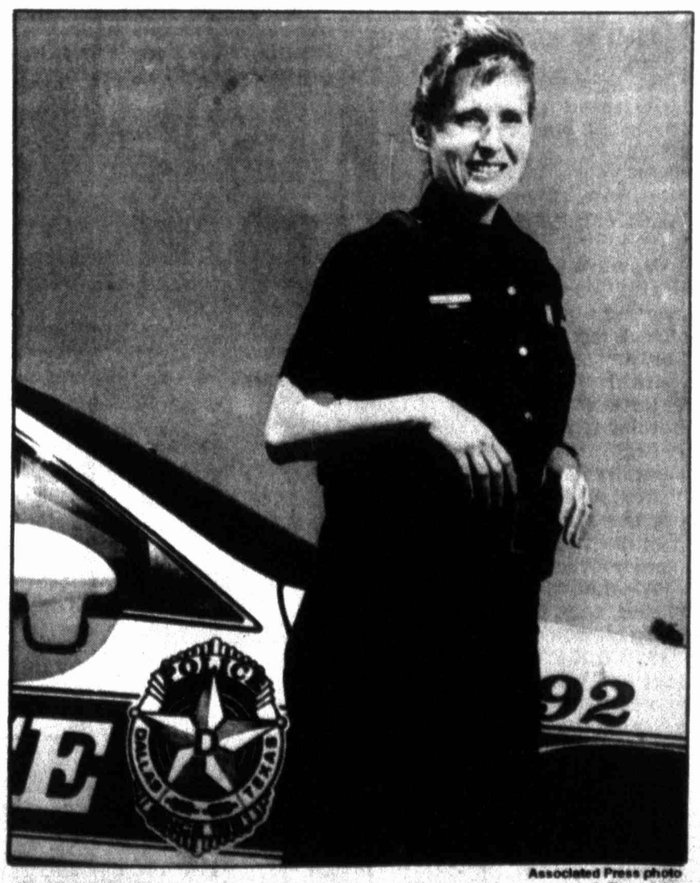
"They never said, 'Girls don't do that,'" she said. "They always told me I could do whatever I wanted to do."

After five years of active Army service and a brief stint in retail sales, she decided that what she most wanted to do was be a police officer.

Two weeks ago, she was named Dallas' top recruit, the first woman in department history to receive the Johnny Sides Rookie of the Year Award.

"Everyone is making a big deal out of it," she said. "When my family found out, they were

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Associated Press photo

Katherine Witzgall, the first woman officer to be named Rookie of the Year for the Dallas police department, credits her family's can-do attitude for her successes. "They never said 'Girls don't do that,'" she said.

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SUPPORT GROUPS

MONDAY

•Al-A-Teen, 7:30 p.m., 615 Settles.

•Turning Point A.A., 8-9 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 10th and Goliad. Open to all substance abusers.

•TOPS weight support group, 6:30 p.m., Canterbury South, 1700 Lancaster. Weigh-in, 6 p.m. Call 263-1340 or 263-8633.

•Project Freedom, Christian support group for survivors of physical/emotional/sexual and/or spiritual abuse. Call 263-5140 or 263-2241 for dates/times of upcoming groups.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting.

TUESDAY

•Widow/Widower support group, May 23, 5:30 p.m. First Presbyterian Church, Eighth and Runnels (enter through patio). Program presented by Dr. Lee and Mrs. Butler, followed by dinner at a local restaurant. For more information call 398-5522.

•Support for MS and Related Diseases, 6:30 p.m. second Tuesday of each month, Canterbury South. Public invited. Call Leslie, 267-1069.

•Al-Anon, 8 p.m., 615 Settles.

•Seniors' diabetic support group, 2 p.m., Canterbury South. Call 263-1265.

•Compassionate Friends support group for parents who have experienced death of a child, 7:30 p.m. first Tuesday of each even-numbered month, room 113 of the Family Life Center Building, First Baptist Church, 705 W. Marcy. Enter by southeast door. Call 267-2769.

•VOICES support group for adolescent victims of sexual abuse, incest, rape, date rape, any other crime of indecency. 3:45 p.m. Call Rape Crisis/Victim Services, 263-3312.

•Diabetes support group, second Tuesday of each month, 7 p.m., Scenic Mountain Medical Center classroom.

•Cancer support group, first Tuesday of each month, 7-8 p.m., VA Medical Center room 213. Call Beverly Rice, 263-7361 ext. 7077.

•"The Most Excellent Way" drug and alcohol support group meets Tuesdays at 7 p.m., Cornerstone Bookstore, 1909 Gregg. For more information, please call 263-3168 or 267-7047 from 8:30 a.m. until 5 p.m., after 5 p.m., call 267-1424.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting and 8 p.m. closed meeting.

WEDNESDAY

•Gamblers Anonymous, 7 p.m., St. Stephen's Catholic Church, room 1, 4601 Neeley, Midland. Call 263-8920.

•Survivors support group for survivors of sexual abuse, 10-11:30 a.m. Call Rape Crisis/Victim Services, 263-3312.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting and 8 p.m. 12 and 12 study.

•Adult Children of Alcoholics, 7:30 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church library. Call 264-0500.

THURSDAY

•Salvation Army drug education program, sponsored by Permian Basin Regional Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, 7 p.m., Salvation Army building, 308 Aylford.

•Battered women support group, 2:30 p.m. Call 263-3312 or 267-3626.

•Al-Anon, 8 p.m., Scenic Mountain Medical Center, small cafeteria on the first floor.

•Howard County Mental Health Center family education meeting 6 p.m., last Thursday of each month. Followed by Big Spring Alliance for the Mentally Ill, 7 p.m. Call Shannon Nabors or Dixie Burcham, 263-0027.

•Big Spring Alliance for the Mentally Ill meeting 7 p.m., last Thursday of each month following the TXMHMR family support meeting. Call 267-7220 for more information.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting and 6:30 p.m. women open meeting.

•A.D.D.A.P.T. non-profit support and learning organization about attention deficit disorder, learning disorders and dyslexia. Monthly meetings during September, October, November, January, February, March, April and May, second Thursday of these months at the Cerebral Palsy building, 802 Ventura, Midland.

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AIRBORNE



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First-round leader Cole Mikacich of Sacramento, Calif., goes airborne durign the qualifying round at the Budweiser Water Ski Tour and Wakeboard Series at Oak Hollow Lake in High Point, N.C., May 12.

Don't be fooled; your eyes lie

By VIK KIRSCH
Thomson News Service

GUELPH, Ontario, Canada — Your eyes are a funhouse mirror.

University of Guelph psychology professor emeritus John Hundleby is determined to find out why.

What he and his researchers have discovered to date is riveting: many people of both sexes perceive their body size to be larger than it actually is. But there appear to be genuine differences in perception between the sexes, with women exaggerating size even more than men.

Hundleby's field of study focuses on this curious tendency of people to believe they're larger than they are.

"I felt it was an area that was not well served in research," said Hundleby. He and teams of university students are changing this.

Probing perceptions of those suffering from anorexia and bulimia led him to a broader study of estimation and size, discovering in that process that image distortion is common.

He's examined, in a series of studies, about 900 university students who were asked to estimate the size of their bodies and the bodies of others, as well as common household objects. The result makes him wonder how people manage everyday tasks such as parking cars.

The British-born scholar's career has been a diverse one since he left the Royal Air Force to gain a master's degree in psychology in 1953 from the University of Edinburgh in Scotland.

The London subsequently obtained a postgraduate diploma in organizational industrial psychology from Birkbeck College at London University while working in the audience-evaluation section of the BBC.

Among his early interests was adolescence, including drug abuse and juvenile delinquency. Eating disorders, typically a part of adolescence, were what led Hundleby into his current area of study. Early findings disputed the common belief that exaggerated body images are associated mainly with those suffering from anorexia or bulimia, or who have recently lost significant weight.

What he determined in studies in which ordinary students were asked to recall size using calipers was that they believed their bodies wider than they were — up to 40 percent wider.

"This wasn't really expected," he said.

He then tested to determine if students viewed objects accurately. There was, he concluded, a high correlation between body and object perception. "Those who saw themselves bigger also saw these objects bigger."

In all, he's conducted perhaps 10 studies to date, all with similar results.

A study of 30 women and 40 men indicated females exaggerate size more than males.

Hanging out the wash can be fun



Christina Ferchalk
Columnist

My friend had lived in a major city all of her adult life and only recently moved to "the sticks."

"What I don't understand," she said to me, "Is the fascination women around here have with hanging their laundry out on a clothesline. Haven't they ever heard of the machine age? I don't get it."

I wasn't about to explain it to her. I'm one of those women who can't wait for winter to end so I can get out there, wipe down the clotheslines and feel that warm sun on the back of my neck again.

A lot of big city apartment complexes prohibit residents from hanging laundry outside. They feel it gives the place a seedy, tenement look. That's one of the many reasons I could never survive as a city girl.

Years ago, when women were house-bound, hanging the wash provided a rare form of social interaction. When I was a kid, all the women in the neighborhood would be out in their back yards early every Monday morning. As they hung the laundry they'd call back and forth to each other. It was a block party atmosphere.

I'd trot along behind my mother and grandmother, dispensing clothespins and feeling very self-important. I was impatient to become a part of this community of women.

I noticed that a woman who was sick, in late pregnancy or had just given birth would be given a hand by the other women. If it started to rain later in the day women who had already brought in their wash would run to help their neighbors gather theirs. From this chore of hanging the wash I learned early on the invaluable lesson that women are supposed to look out for each other.

A few years ago I wrote a column about how much I love being able to hang the wash that first spring morning following a long winter. For me it's a red letter day. As soon as those sheets and pillowcases are dry they come off the line and go right back on the beds. That night I crawl between those great smelling sheets and bury my head in the pillows.

To my amazement, I heard from women all over the country who understood. They, too, consider hanging the wash to be their all-time favorite domestic chore.

They made it clear, however, that this task is only fun when it's an option.

I think I enjoy hanging the wash primarily because it affords me a few minutes of peace and quiet. I bolt for the back yard and bask in the solitude. When you're the mom, you learn to utilize any and all forms of escape.

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just so excited and proud. I just feel honored."

At the award ceremony last month, Police Chief Ben Click spoke highly of Officer Witzgall's skills, describing her as a woman who has broken down barriers all her life.

"She represents the quality not only of our women officers, but of all our officers in the department," he said.

Officer Katherine Witzgall grew up in Bristol, Conn., and met her future husband at Fort Hood, where she was assigned after graduating from West Point.

Her husband finished his tour three years before she did, and she moved to Dallas when he joined the police department in 1988; he was runner-up for Rookie of the Year himself. When she decided to follow him into police work, she said, his reaction was not what she expected.

"It's about time," he told her.

Her husband said he knew all along that law enforcement was her calling.

"She likes a disciplined life," he said. "She likes to be into things and help people. Frankly, I was surprised that she first went into retail."

Her supervisors at the department's southeast operations division have no doubts that Officer Witzgall could succeed at anything she wanted.

"Any company in Fortune 500 would probably love to have her," said Sgt. Robert Hinton, her supervisor. "She's got an incredible head on her shoulders. (She's) just a very intelligent person."

Officer Witzgall, who is 5 feet 3, is extremely physical. She scored the second-highest marks in her physical training test at the police academy. She finished first in academics and graduated first overall in her class.

Her supervisors said she is quickly becoming one of the department's best foot soldiers — the 1,458 officers who patrol neighborhoods responding to all calls, from parking violations to burglaries to shootings.

In December, she helped collar the suspect accused of fatally shooting Officer Thomas Bond, for which she received a commendation from Chief Click.

Since she completed her field training four months ago, she has answered more than 300 calls for service, made 12 felony arrests and assisted in another 100 arrests.

"She is a real, real good, solid officer we can count on," Hinton said. "She is already reacting to some situations in a more seasoned manner than we would expect from a rookie officer."

Off-duty, in the Army reserves, she commands a military police detachment as captain. She also is a member of the Cops Are Tops program, through which she tutors at Rosemont Elementary School and is a torch runner for the Special Olympics.

West Point, she said, provided excellent training for police work.

"I gained a lot of leadership skills there," she said. "I think I also learned how to treat people. You get a lot more out of someone if you say 'Please' and 'Thank you' and by telling them why you want them to do something."

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Support

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•Nurses Hospice Grief Support Group will start meeting on April 13, 7 p.m., First Presbyterian Church. Meetings will be held every other Thursday. For more information contact Nurses Unlimited, Inc., at 264-6523.

•West Texans Living With CFIDS/FMS, chronic fatigue syndrome/fibromyalgia support group, noon and 6:30 p.m. third Thursday of every month, HealthSouth facility at Hwy. 191 and Loop 250 in Midland. Call Linda Hagler, (915) 520-3500, or Marsha Brunet, (915) 337-4829.

FRIDAY

•Survivors, 5:15-7 p.m. Call Rape Crisis/Victim Services, 263-3312.

•Turning Point A.A., 8-9:30 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 10th and Goliad. Open to all substance abusers.

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

•Sober Living Skills educational group, which focuses on relapse prevention, problem solving/conflict resolution and support group orientation, 12 noon to 1 p.m., Permian Basin Regional Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, 905 N. Benton. Call 263-8920. Newcomers welcome.

SATURDAY

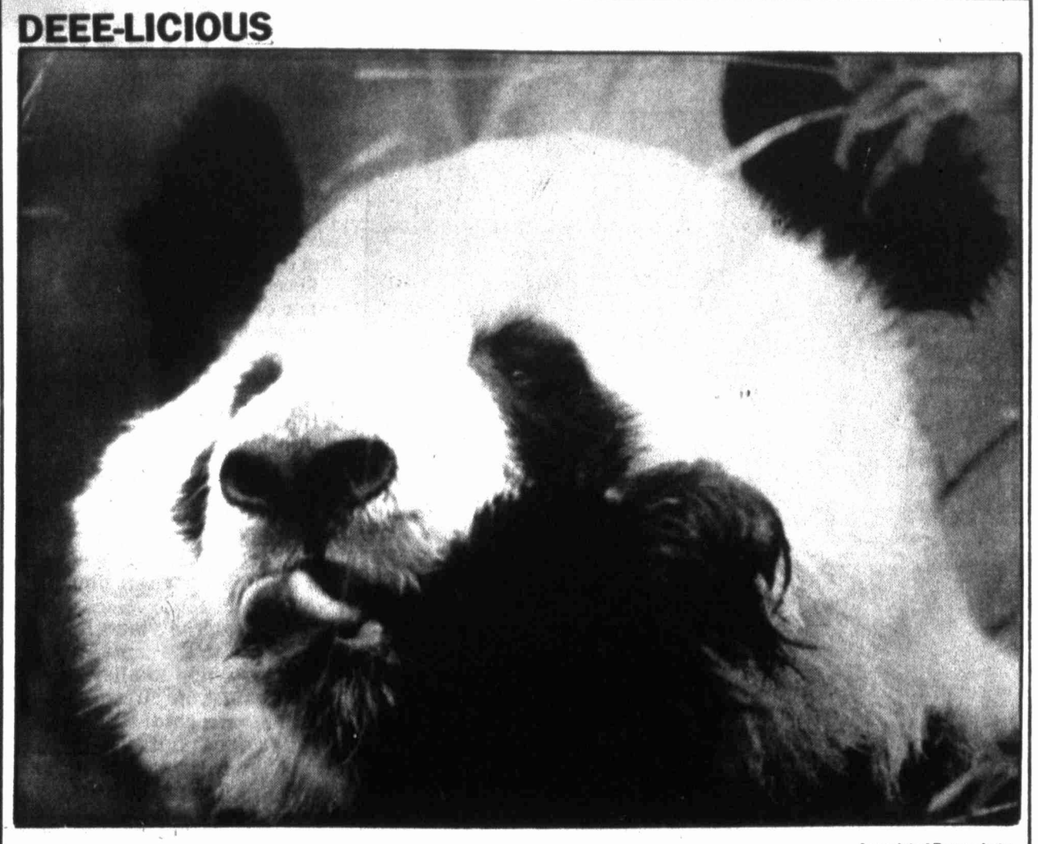
•Family support group for current and former patients and their families, 1 p.m. weekly, Reflections Unit of Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Call Beverly Grant, 263-0074.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting and 8 p.m. closed meeting.

SUNDAY

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, 11 a.m. closed meeting and 7 p.m. open meeting.

DEEE-LICIOUS



Associated Press photo

Female panda Yan Yan munches bamboo in her new cage in Berlin. Yan Yan was flown in from China to be paired with Berlin's panda Bao Bao, the 17-year-old surviving panda of a pair given by China in 1980. Yan Yan has been loaned to Berlin by the Chinese government for five years.

Bring butterflies to your garden

By LESLIE RUBINKOWSKI
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Butterfly gardens have become popular in recent years — not just for the way they look, but for the winged company they keep.

Most butterfly-friendly flowers are perennials. Trax Farms in Finleyville, Mo., has published a guide for a garden with 20 plants, including buddleia, veronica "goodness grows," lythrum, monarda, phlox, daylily, sedum "autumn joy," aster "frikarti" and chives.

To attract hummingbirds along with butterflies, Trax suggests a variety of other nectar-rich plants, like iris, linium, lupinis, nepeta and scabiosa.

Besides plants, a butterfly garden needs a sunny, protected spot. Gardeners need to provide a source of water. A fountain or birdbath serves the purpose; try burying a bucket filled with moist sand and mushroom manure.

Country Living Magazine offers a tip for supplying butterfly bait until the garden blooms: stir up a mixture of brown sugar or molasses with overripe bananas or other fermenting fruit; ferment for a few days. Add a can of beer, pour into shallow bowls and place in the garden.

The rise in butterfly gardens has spawned a small industry of butterfly garden accessories. The houses sell in the neighborhood of $20; the feeders cost about half that.

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IN THE BAG

Look to the range and your recipe imagination for a chance at the Pillsbury Bake-Off's new million-dollar grand prize, the largest ever in any consumer cooking competition.

Entry blanks are available by calling 1-800-598-8753 through Sept. 30, 1995; entries must be postmarked by Oct. 16, 1995. The 37th Bake-Off is scheduled for Feb. 24-27, 1996, in Dallas.

New recipe categories are 30-minute main dishes, quick treats and snacks, special side dishes, simple breads and special-occasion desserts.

New qualifying products (those that can be featured in the recipe entries) include Old El Paso and Progresso brands, since Pillsbury's 1995 acquisition of Pet Inc.

Beefed-up prizes will total $1,079,000, including $1,000,000 for the grand prize (one of four recipe-category winners of $10,000 each). All 100 finalists will receive $100 and a $50 gift certificate from co-sponsor Sears, besides travel expenses to Dallas.

The exact method for assessing consumer appeal this time around has not yet been set, but this is the company's statement: "Pillsbury will conduct research with consumers across the U.S. to help insure that the 100 finalists' recipes meet today's cooking challenges. This market research will be coupled with judging by a panel of food experts to determine the final cash prize-winning recipes."

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Slow cookers are definitely back. Two new cookbooks are coming out this fall, one from a Texas author and one from a California author. Publishers estimate slow cookers are selling at a rate of 4 million a year now.

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School program rewards students, police officers

By NANCY DONISI
Plano Star Courier

PLANO — Sitting in a cube of an office near the cafeteria at Plano East Senior High School, a jittery 17-year-old student, tearing a scrap of paper to shreds, admits in a quivering voice that this is his first run-in with the law.

Plano Police Officer Rick Moore, PESH's school liaison officer, attempts to cushion the blow for the high school junior while explaining that his failure to stop and check on a pedestrian he hit with his car in the school parking lot is a criminal offense.

"I try to diffuse everything with humor," Moore said. "A lot of these kids don't know what to expect of a police officer. (The officer liaison program) gives kids a different view of us that there's no other way for them to get."

Concluding its 12th year in the Plano Independent School District, the School Liaison Program continues to strive toward its goal of strengthening the bonds between the law enforcement agency and the citizens it serves — mainly PISD students.

"I mainly just let them know I'm here for them," said Moore, who has been on the PESH campus for five years. "I do a lot of listening, offer a few options .. they tell me stuff that they wouldn't tell anyone else."

That rapport with the students is the cornerstone of the program — a friendly esteem that is obvious through the halls of the six campuses where the officers currently work.

Moore's a confidante, says PESH junior Amanda Bartlett. "He's not intimidating and he's so into the kids. In many ways, he's like a second father," she said.

"We all trust him and think he's pretty cool," sophomore Heather Dolan said of Vines' school liaison Officer Alan Breitenbuecher. "I think everyone really respects him. Not too many people don't like Officer Al."

Like Dolan, many students have nicknames for the officers. A group of students at PESH shout "5.0" when the see Moore and facetiously drop face-down in the school hallway. "I didn't do it" and "It wasn't me, I swear" are phrases the officers hear, jokingly repeated throughout the day as they walk by a group of students.

"God gave me the heart to work with kids." Moore said, "In a way, I'm a servant to these kids, and I want to help them any way I can."

Often, for the school liaison officer, that help extends to the students' personal lives.

"They'll come to me with friend or family problems," said Breitenbuecher, a school liaison officer for five years. "A lot of these kids are not mature enough to always make rational decisions, and most mistakes are made based on emotion rather than rational thinking."

School administrators who work with the liaison officers on a daily basis say the program has been beneficial and has touched many students' lives,

Teresa Lippa, administrative assistant at Vines High School, said the officer gives a secure feeling to the campus. "Officer Al is always at ease, but he's always aware. We just never feel threatened."

Recently, Breitenbuecher and other officers questioned some teen-age suspects in connection with a bomb threat at that school following the disaster at the Oklahoma City federal building,

"I think it's good for the kids to see us doing that, too. It shows that we can be their friend, but we will not tolerate anything that's not appropriate behavior,' he said. "You earn their respect when you play both sides."

Moore said he views his role on campus in the same light.

"We're trying to alleviate the 'cops against the citizens' mindset," Moore said. "Enforcing dress codes and other little school stuff, I really don't perceive that as my job. If i was doing that all the time, the kids would see me as just another administrator."

Program supervisors and participants alike say there is no measure of the kinds of impact the officers have on the students.

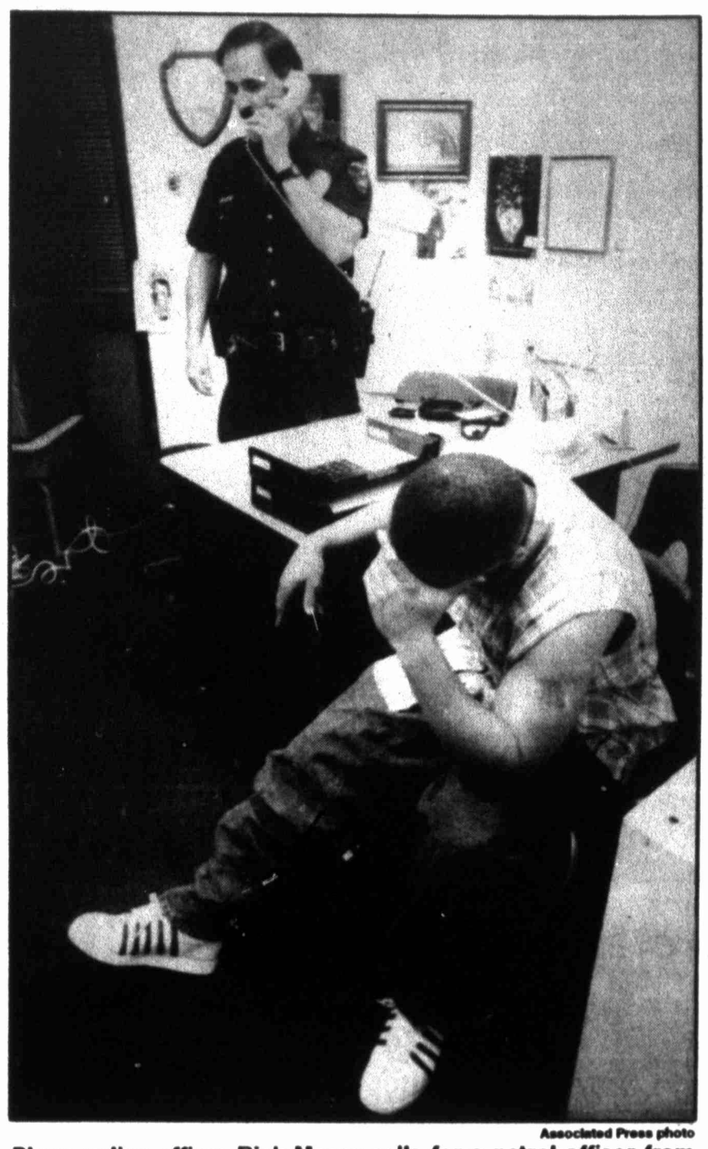
"It really is hard to measure what we do here. It's not like working the street when you almost immediately see the results of your efforts," Breitenbuecher said. "Sometimes you wonder how much you really have helped them."

Moore said that "extended contact" with the students is one way he rates his performance.

"It doesn't really shock me anymore, but you'll see a lot of pregnant girls, people talking about sexually transmitted diseases. That's the part that breaks your heart," Moore said. "Some things you just can't drop. I'm willing to go as far as I can to help these kids.

"Sometimes I feel so unqualified to even listen to them. They're looking for overnight answers," Moore said. "I just listen and pray .. sometimes that's all I can do."

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Plano police officer Rick Moore calls for a patrol officer from his office at Plano East Senior High School after student Rico Hall was hit by a car in the school's parking lot. Moore is Plano East's school liaison officer.

HOROSCOPE

FOR THURSDAY, MAY 18, 1995

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Take responsibility, settle a complicated matter and stay upbeat. What was confusing yesterday is clear today. You have reason for celebration. Acknowledge your creativity when dealing with a boss. Solutions come from out of the blue. Tonight: Put in extra hours at work. ****

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Your spirit soars as you identify problems and change your thinking. A positive approach permits new insights. Go with your creativity and desires. Your understanding demonstrates clarity. Listen to your instincts. Great ideas flow. Tonight: Try a new restaurant. *****

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): One-to-one relating is highlighted, and you settle a current crisis. A partner is there for you, and your creativity opens a new door. Resolution comes in the most unexpected manner. What may seem an impulsive move on the surface is right on. Tonight: Be with a loved one. *****

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You are personality-plus, and you simplify a dilemma. Listen to your instincts. Realize your limitations. Your choices are important when dealing with partners who are full of ideas and focus on pleasing you; listen to them. Tonight: Go out on the town. *****

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You are inspired when dealing with a complication. Work presents a new venture, and enlightenment comes easily. Be aware of what life offers and your choices in a key situation. Your creativity and understanding are high. A boss is eyeing your performance. Tonight: Work late. ****

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Focus on romance and potential. Rec ognize your limitations and potential. Be aware of what you want. You understanding reaches a new level, enabling you to take on a challenge in a creative manner. Tonight: Anchor in on what's important. *****

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Domestic matters need care. You deal with a problem effectively. Your perceptiveness is important as you deal with a situation. Be aware of what others are asking. Be aware of what others are asking. Creativity surges if you are open to new opportunities. Be fun-loving. Tonight: Entertain at home. ****

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Your talkative side emerges. By handling yourself in a new way, you get to the core of a dispute. Communications are excellent. Follow an inspired idea. You are prescient. Do not minimize how important you are to someone. Tonight: Go where there is music. *****

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Deal carefully with financial matters. Tackle a problem early on; it is important to approach it positively. You need to look at matters in a more creative, open way. Listen to your inner voice. You are very centered. Tonight: Consider your options. ****

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You are on a roll, and you feel good. Someone sensitive to your energy wants to be close. Communications excel because of your upbeat attitude and ability to hurdle obstacles. Others may see you as eccentric, but you are right on. Tonight: Go to a favorite spot. *****

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Instinctively you know what you are doing, though others may question it. Your home life gives you a real sense of centering. You don't have to answer to anyone. Focus on security. Listen to a family member's input. Tonight: Fluff up up your pad. After all, tomorrow is Friday. **

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Focus on long-term goals and your desires. Stay committed to your priorities. Someone may not understand where you are coming from but is interested in how you view a situation. Listen to your inner voice when making decisions. Tonight: Plan exciting and fun events. *****

IF MAY 18, IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: This is a special year when your life flows naturally and you feel together. Communications are excellent, and you do well because of your choices. Goals and friendships take you in new directions. If you are single; Romance comes from out of the blue; a friendship means much more to you than you thought; and a relationship feels inspired. If attached: This is a year when working on a common goal brings you very close together; do not minimize the importance of a relationship; work on togetherness and understanding. CAPRICORN helps you feel grounded.

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Don't get taken - check handymen's work

Scripps Howard News Service

Once you find someone to build your shelves or install your new light fixture, be careful about the business arrangements you make, warns Russ Ader, criminal investigator in the consumer fraud unit of the Denver district attorney's office.

His advice: Be sure you check out the person's background before allowing them to go to work on your house. He recommends having the prospective handyman come to your home to give you an estimate. During that visit, record this information:

•The person's full name, full address and current telephone number.

•Information from the driver's license: Name, address, date of birth, issuing state, license number. If the person won't show you a driver's license, find someone else.

•A description of the person's vehicle, including the license plate number.

•Names, addresses and telephone numbers of some past customers.

•Proof of a government license to do this type of work, and insurance.

•Get an estimate for the work in writing — even if it's just a tiny job — and say you'll think it over and be back in touch.

Then:

•Call your city or county building department to find out if the person must be licensed to do the work and whether the person holds a current license.

Plumbers, electricians and major structural workers are required to have government licenses to work on your home.

Timely advice for tardy friends



Abigail Van Buren
Columnist

DEAR ABBY: You missed it in your answer to the woman who complained about the chronic lateness of her mother and younger sister.

People who are always late don't merely need to know how one feels about their lateness; they need help. A friend of ours who was always late was urged to get psychiatric help -- which she did -- and she became a completely different person. Not only did she change her ways, she became a very happy and outgoing individual.

Sometimes the chronically late need to obtain help, and they should be strenuously urged to do so. -- BARTLETT BURNS, OLYMPIA, WASH.

DEAR MR. BURNS: You make an interesting point, and one worth considering. That letter must have touched a nerve, because it stimulated a ton of mail. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: In reference to "Had It in Cincinnati," whose mother was always late: Start the events without waiting for the late ones! I've done it. Or, tell them to come an hour and a half before you want them to show up. That also works.

But do NOT depend on them. And don't let them spoil your day. Only you are responsible for your own happiness. -- AURELIE HOWARD, BROOKINGS, ORE.

DEAR ABBY: My reply to "Had It in Cincinnati" would have been to tell her mother and sister that a 6 p.m. celebration was actually an hour or so earlier. I have tried it, Abby, and it works! -- LAURA IN SCHENECTADY, N.Y.

DEAR ABBY: Over the years, when the stress was getting too much and I was late to every social event, my solution for my grown family was as follows:

I asked them not to tell me the actual time of the event, but to name a time somewhat earlier. I would still be late, but not as late as I would have been if they had told me the correct time.

Perhaps this will help the hosts to stay within their comfort zones -- and the stressed-out victims will be able to relax a bit, too. -- DOROTHY CALENDER, SEATTLE

DEAR ABBY: I, too, had finally had it with my in-laws who were always late. I laid down a firm rule: Dinner is at 6 p.m. Those present eat; those who are tardy will have to fend for themselves. If we are eating dessert when they finally arrive, they have to scrounge around the kitchen and do the best they can, because I do not get up to wait on them any longer.

Surprisingly, they began to arrive on time! "Had It" needs to be firm. If guests can be rude enough to be habitually late, you can be aggressive enough to go on with your plans. -- FEELING BETTER IN DALLAS

P.S. I told my doctor, barring some emergency, I wait 20 minutes. After that, his fee diminishes by my hourly salary. I rarely have to wait, and the doctor said it forced him to do a better scheduling job.

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DEADLINES

Sunday - Friday 12 Noon For Next Day Publication
Too Lates....8:00 am For Same Day Publication
Sunday Too Lates 5:45 pm Friday.

CLASSIFIED RATES

1-15 WORDS, 1-3 DAYS.....$11.25
4 DAYS..... $12.75
5 DAYS.....$14.25
6 DAYS.....$15.75
2 WEEKS.....$27.75
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CANCELLATIONS

ADS MAY BE CANCELLED UNTIL 12 NOON THE DAY PRIOR TO THE NEXT PUBLICATION DAY

HOW TO WRITE A CLASSIFIED AD

Start your ad with the item for sale, service you are offering, or job title of the person you're looking for. Be descriptive. The detail information is what sells the item to the reader. Always include the price of the item. Avoid abbreviations they only confuse the reader. Run your ad for an ample length of time. Remember, always check your ad for correct phone numbers, addresses, etc. on the first day of publication.

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MISCELLANEOUS

Antiques 290

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Appliances 299

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RENT-TO-OWN
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Auctions 325

SPRING CITY AUCTION-Robert Pruitt Auctioneer, TXS-079-007759. Call 263-1831/263-0914. We do all types of auctions!

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AUCTION
2000 W. 4th
7:00pm
Thursday, May 18th

Collector plates, Owl collection, coins, Kerosene lamp, brass items, Main and Tail shampoo, cast iron skillet, golf clubs, stereos, TV's, Cosden fuel can, Louie LeMour books, new and used hand tools, vacuum cleaners, linens, lamps, fans, water dispenser with bottle, old trunks, poster bed, bookshelf, wood dining chairs, metal table and chairs, chests, dresser, baby bed, sewing machines, table and chairs, high chair, sofas, evaporative air conditioners, ref. air conditioner, electric organ, Pedestal porcelain sink, brass hall tree, microwave, refrigerators, stoves, dryers, washer, freezer, 5 cent pinball machine, yard tools, exercise bike, weight bench, rowing machine, lawnmowers, edger, weedeaters, two wheel trailer, propane tanks, boat gas cans.

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Building Materials 349

REPOSSESSED 2 STEEL Buildings. 40x40, 50x100, Quonset style, never erected. Sell for balance. Larry 1-800-221-0615.

Dogs, Pets, Etc 375

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Garage Sale 380

❑2618 FAIRCHILD: Friday & Saturday, 8:00am-1:00pm. Bicycles, satellite dish, China and lots of miscellaneous.

❑BIG BACKYARD SALE: 1009 Sycamore. Friday & Saturday. 8:00-5:00. Everything Cheap!

❑GARAGE SALE- Wednesday and Thursday, May 17th-18th. 603 Tulane. Lots of Stuff!

❑GARAGE SALE: 608 Linda Lane. Friday-Saturday, 9:00am-6:00pm. Quilt tops, dishes, jewelry, cross stitch and art books.

❑GARAGE SALE: Thursday-Friday, 900 South Abrams-corner of 9th & Abrams. Tires, furniture, antiques, pictures, clothing, too much to list.

❑YARD SALE: Saturday, 7:00-? 446 Armstrong (On Old Base). Dryer, furniture, clothes, dishes, burritos, miscellaneous.

Lost & Found Misc. 393

LOST: 1103 Runnels. Red male Dachshund w/blue collar. If anyone knows the whereabouts call 915-728-5783 collect.

Miscellaneous 395

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Cemetery Lots For Sale 510

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Commercial Real Estate 511

NICE 60'x80' SHOP. Built new in 1981 with 4 acres, yard fenced-in with 7ft. chain-link fence with an additional 6 acres. Price- $65,000. Call 267-3126, 8:00-5:00.

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Houses for Sale 513

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6 :PM	News	Full House	C. Sandiego	Waltons	News (3123)	News	News (5765)	Who's Boss?	Agujetas	Jack and the	American Sky	(:05) Movie:	(8951456)	(159833)	Prime Time	Rockford	Beyond 2000	In the Heat o	Snowbrd.	(465949)	(:15) Movie:	Happen. Now
:30	Wh. Fortune	Simpsons	Science Guy	(695185)	Ent. Tonight	Wh. Fortune	Coach	Who's Boss?	Rosa	Beanstalk	News	Coma	On Set: Tide	"	Praise	Files	Next Step	the Night	Press Box	Major League	Orchestra	Out All Night
7 :PM	Roseanne	Beverly Hills,	National Geo-	Shade	Rescue 911	Roseanne	Life in the Fat	(:05) Movie:	Maria Jose	Movie: Cool	Full Access:	(14423630)	Four Wed-	Weekend at	(819104)	Biography	World of	NBA	Major League	Baseball:	Wives	Roc
:30	Ellen	90210	graphic's the	Shade	Movie: A	Ellen	Lane II	Fatal Vision	(98272)	Runnings	Diffie	"	dings and a	Bernie's II	Creflo Dollar	(909765)	Discovery	Basketball	Baseball:	Teams to Be	(40045938)	Comicview
8 :PM	Grace Under	Sliders (CC)	Great Indian	Rescue 911	River Runs	Grace Under	Dateline (CC)	(67054543)	Prisionera de	(CC)	Music City	Movie: Body	Funeral (CC)	"	Mario Murillo	American	Invention	Playoffs:	Toronto Blue	Announced	Gotta Dance!	Video Soul
:30	Coach	(27746)	Railway	"	Through It	Coach	(23340)	"	Amor	(435388)	Tonight	Bags	(505123)	DieHard	Van Impe	Justice	Next Step	Teams to Be	Jays at	(CC)	Movie: Can-	(355543)
9 :PM	Primetime	Star Trek:	Nature (CC)	700 Club	(CC)	Primetime	Law & Order	"	Fuera	W.C. Fields:	(499611)	(7380681)	Movie: Short	Dream On	Praise the	20th Century	Brain Our	Announced	Texas	(817814)	Can	"
:30	Live	Next Gener.	(41340)	(234098)	(521017)	Live	(CC) (43104)	"	Sensacional	Straight Up	Club Dance	(:35) Movie:	Cuts (CC)	Sanders	Lord (96843)	(905949)	Univ.	Inside-NBA	Rangers	Major League	(3714982)	"
10 :PM	News	Fresh Prince	MacNeil-	Father	News	News	News (24982)	"	Noticiero Uni.	(1487036)	(533475)	Knights	(91554727)	Crypt Tales	"	Law & Order	World of	Movie: The	(846727)	Baseball:	(:45) Movie:	Roc
:30	Cheers	In the Heat of	Lehrer	Dowling	Late Show	Nightline	Tonight Show	"	P. Impacto	Hardy Boys	News	(5033543)	"	Movie: Mind	"	(908036)	Discovery	Beastmaster	Press Box	Teams to Be	"	Jazz Central
11 :PM	Roseanne	the Night	Hollywood	Bonanza	"	Ent. Tonight	(CC) (24562)	(:05) Movie: A	Movie: Los	Zorro	Full Access:	(:05) Movie:	"	Twister	Jerry Savelle	Biography	Invention	(122678)	Indy	Announced	Orchestra	(261185)
:30	Nightline	Northern	Confidential	"	Married...	(:35) Rolonda	Late Night	Death in	Gavilanes	Elfego Baca	Diffie	Paris, Texas	"	(8380659)	Duplantis	(932253)	Next Step	"	Collector	(CC)	Wives	"
12 :AM	Rush L.	Exposure	Women in	Paid Program	Jon Stewart	(2765524)	(CC) (98098)	Canaan	(514272)	"	Music City	(26719017)	(12:10) Blood	(12:05) Dan-	Munroe	American	Brain Our	"	La. Downs	(549901)	(69439982)	"
:30	Dennis P.	Who's Boss?	Rock	Paid Program	"	News	Extra	(7382833)	"	The Littlest	Tonight	"	In... Blood	gerous Liai-	Prime Time	Justice	Univ.	Movie: Red	"	Sportscenter	Gotta Dance!	Comicview

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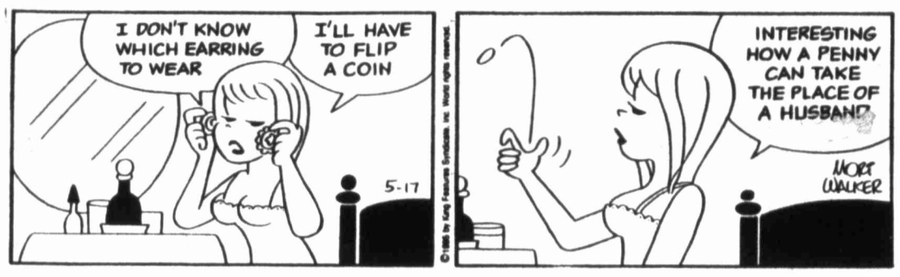
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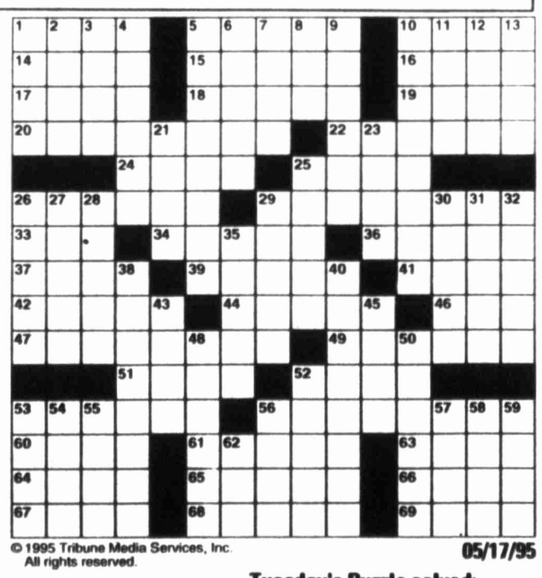
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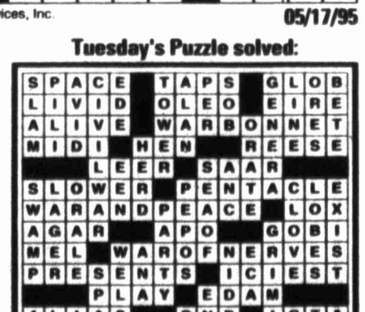
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22 With 56A, Hepburn drama
24 As well
25 Fires
26 Alpine abode
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34 Sniggler
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63 Nautical word
64 Speed
65 Competitive personality
66 Hebrides island
67 Sea eagle
68 German city
69 "The — Hunter"

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1 Rooster topper
2 General Bradley
3 Skirt type
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5 See 53A
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Tuesday's Puzzle solved:



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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

Today is Wednesday, May 17, the 137th day of 1995. There are 228 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On May 17, 1954, the U.S. Supreme Court issued its landmark "Brown versus Board of Education of Topeka" ruling which declared that racially segregated public schools were inherently unequal.

On this date:

In 1792, the New York Stock Exchange was founded by brokers meeting under a tree located on what is now Wall Street.

In 1814, Norway's constitution was signed, providing for a limited monarchy.

In 1875, the first Kentucky Derby was run at Churchill Downs in Louisville. The winner was "Aristides."

In 1938, the radio quiz show "Information, Please!" made its debut on the NBC Blue Network.

In 1938, Congress passed the Vinson Naval Act, providing funds for a two-ocean navy.

In 1939, Britain's King George the Sixth and Queen Elizabeth arrived in Quebec on the first visit to Canada by reigning British sovereigns.

In 1940, the Nazis occupied Brussels, Belgium, during World War II.

In 1946, President Truman seized control of the nation's railroads, delaying a threatened strike by engineers and trainmen.

In 1948, the Soviet Union recognized the new state of Israel.

In 1973, the Senate opened its hearings into the Watergate scandal.

Today's Birthdays: Actress Maureen O'Sullivan is 84. Former Watergate special prosecutor Archibald Cox is 83. Opera singer Birgit Nilsson is 77. Actor-director Dennis Hopper is 59. Energy Secretary Hazel O'Leary is 58. Nebraska Gov. Ben Nelson is 54. Boxer Sugar Ray Leonard is 39.

Thought for Today: "The past is never dead — it is not even past." —William Faulkner, American author (1897-1962).

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