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## 450 summoned as Edmondson trial set to start

By KELLIE JONES  
Staff Writer

Parking is expected to be a problem around the Howard County Courthouse on Monday in anticipation of the capital murder trial of Levy Lee Edmondson Jr.



EDMONDSON

County Judge Ben Lockhart and District Judge Robert Moore III are advising people there are several places around the courthouse where for those summoned for jury duty may park. You may park north of the courthouse in the old Permian Building parking lot, at the old Bluebonnet Savings and in the

parking lot across from the Heritage Museum.

The district clerk's office has sent out 450 summons for residents in the 118th district. If you received a summons, it is important to note what time of the morning or afternoon you are scheduled to be at the courthouse.

There will be two sessions Monday, with the morning session beginning shortly after 9 and the afternoon session beginning about 1:30.

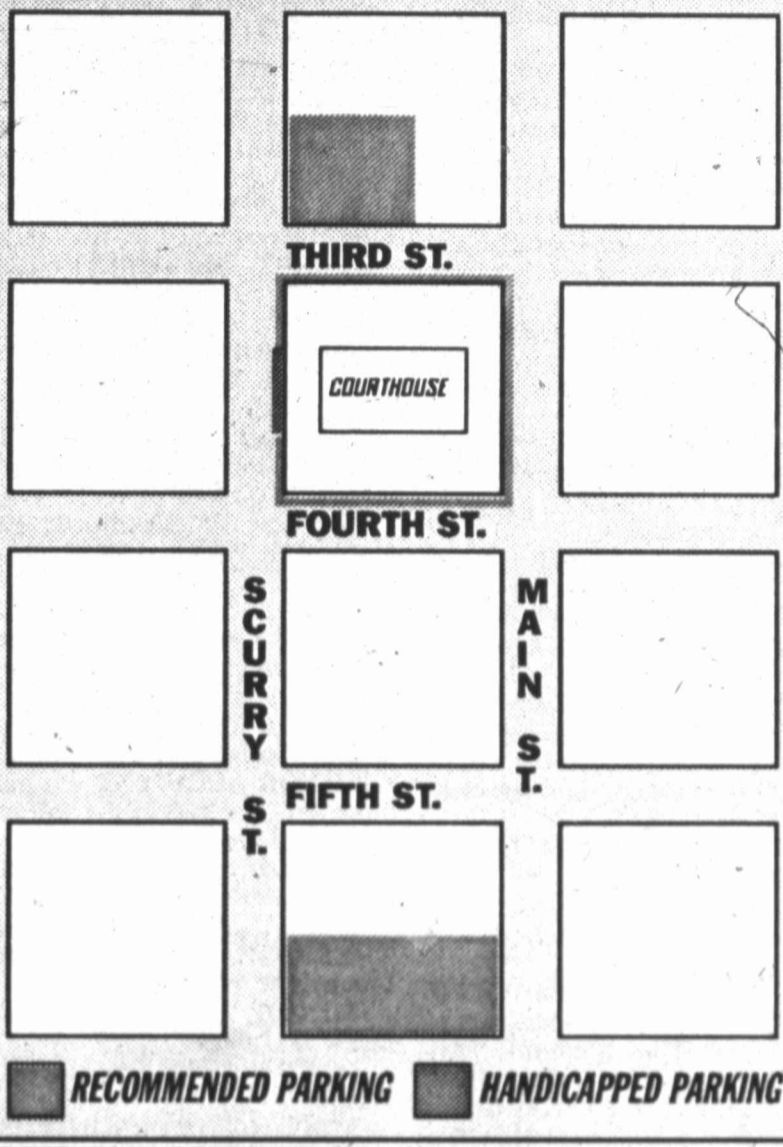
The time people are scheduled to arrive has been staggered into 75-person groups at 8:30, 8:45 and 9 in the morning and 1, 1:15 and 1:30 in the afternoon.

Due to the number of people being called, the times were staggered in order to speed the process through the metal detectors.

Edmondson is accused in the shooting death of Department of Public Safety Trooper Troy

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### SUGGESTED PARKING FOR MONDAY'S JURY SUMMONS



## Crash ignites mail delivery; no one injured in blaze

By MARY McATEER  
Staff Writer

If you mailed anything at the Big Spring Post Office Friday, you may want to call the recipient to make sure it arrives.

A transport truck belonging to Mitchem and Sons, Inc., of Big Spring, carrying mail from Big Spring to the Postal Service Center in Midland collided with a vehicle driven by John Staulcup. The Staulcup vehicle, which had just been fueled, burst into flames, igniting the truck. Both vehicles and their contents, including the mail in the Mitchem and Sons truck, burned.

According to Staulcup, he was approximately five miles from Midland International Airport on his way to meet his wife on an incoming flight when the truck, driven by Aubrey Conway, ran into him. He and Conway escaped with cuts and bruises. "We're both lucky to be alive," says Staulcup.

Midland County Sheriff's deputies, officers from the Texas Department of Public Safety and Postal Service workers attempted to fight the fires and rescue the mail, but most was either burned or water-soaked, according to Staulcup.

A statement from Big Spring Postmaster Richard Saxton says customers who sent mail on the earlier truck at 1:45 p.m. will have no problem with damaged mail. Customers who mailed personal bills and mail for payments, or cards will have no problem with burned or damaged mail on the 5:30 p.m. truck.

Saxton stated the damaged mail was mostly isolated from the majority of letters and flats and was limited to only about 3 to 5 percent of the overall mail dispatched. Most of the damaged mail was VA Hospital mail.

Customers who have damaged mail will be notified in writing from the Big Spring postmaster

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## Freshmen and the faithful: Guns, Waco, government is the enemy

By JILL LAWRENCE  
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RICHMOND, Ind. (AP) — The earnest freshman congressman, his sleeves rolled up and his professionally lettered charts on display, had just described his party's ambitious and potentially explosive plans for balancing the budget and revamping Medicare.

But many of the constituents who showed up at Rep. David McIntosh's town meeting had

other things on their minds: Parental rights. National ID cards. The federal ban on assault weapons. A government that thinks farmers are "dumb." Civil liberties abuses in a new anti-terrorism bill. Tragedies involving the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms.

"A lot of people don't realize that twice as many children were killed at Waco than Oklahoma City," one man said angrily. "There needs to be something done."

Welcome home to the heartland.

Boostered by a weak opponent and the national GOP landslide, McIntosh won a congressional seat last fall in a district long held by moderate Democrat Phil Sharp. It's a classic American mosaic of farms, factories, tiny towns and a handful of small cities. McIntosh returned here in the midst of Congress' Fourth of July recess.

Richmond, population 38,705, was settled in the 1800s by Quakers. Their pacifist legacy

endures in Earlham College; modern times are reflected in gangs, several recent shootings and the Old Trails Rifle and Pistol Club, which has doubled its membership since President Clinton took office.

The Richmond City Council is split 5-4, Democrats to Republicans. "The town is quite bipartisan. Every eight years or so they switch to a mayor of the other party," said Dick Holden, Earlham's publicity director and a 25-year resident of the area.

"There's a lot of independent thinking and common sense," says Sally Hutton, a house cleaner, health-care aide and city council member who chairs the county Democratic Party.

McIntosh, 37, is unwaveringly conservative. A graduate of Yale and the University of Chicago law school, he once held one of the most polarizing jobs in Washington — director of the Dan Quayle competitiveness council aimed at dismantling regulations. Now he's a freshman-class leader in the van-

guard of the GOP assault on big government.

The young lawmaker's "town meeting" was attended almost exclusively by gun-club members and alumni of his campaign. He said he visits nursing homes, meets with union leaders and talks with plant workers on their lunch breaks to hear from other types of voters — people he'll need to keep his seat.

According to McIntosh, he

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### Three busted for drug possession

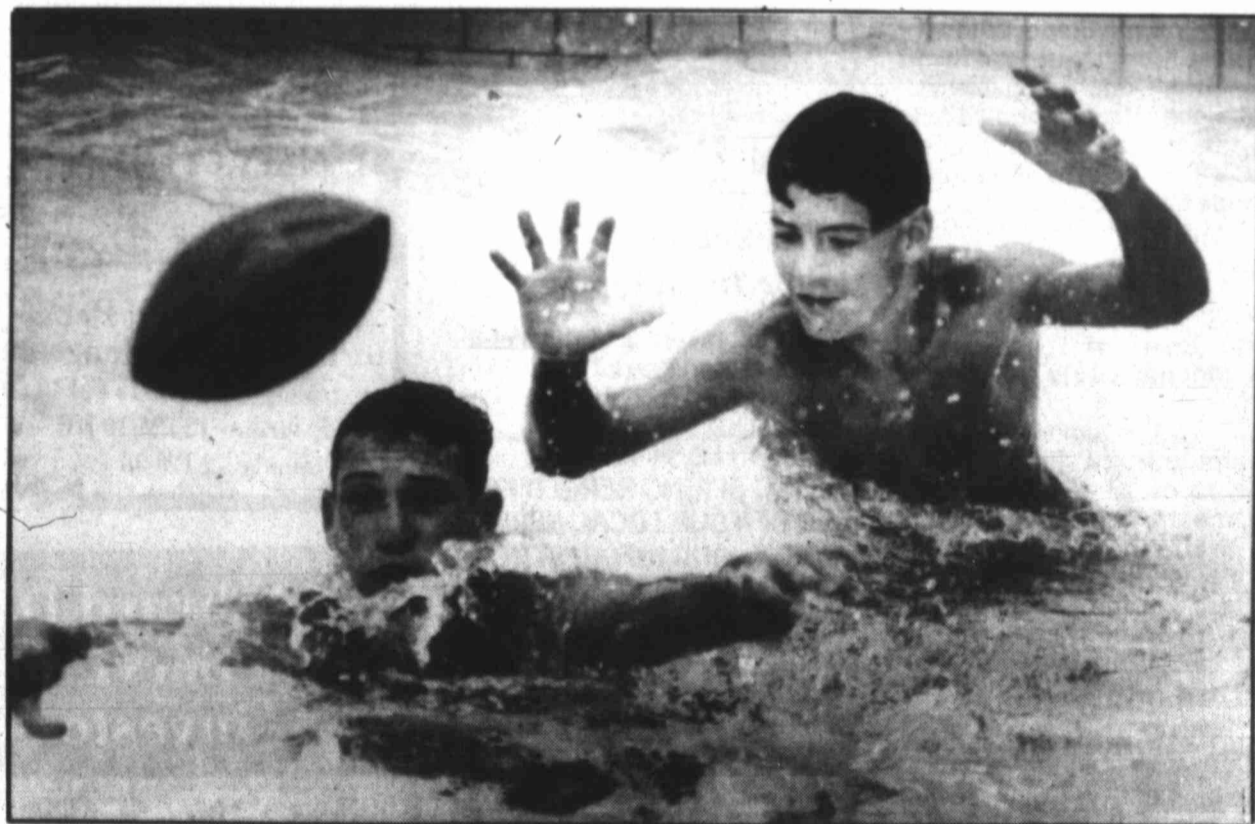
By MARY McATEER  
Staff Writer

Big Spring Police and members of the Permian Basin Drug Task Force arrested three people in a raid Friday night.

Tammy Jo Kidd, 34, of 1105 E. 12th St.; Alan Wayne Kidd, 39, of HCR Box 89, Denver City; and George Edgar Ford, 31, of 1105 E. 11th Place, were arrested on charges of possession of a controlled substance, a second-degree felony, and possession of marijuana, a Class B misdemeanor.

In other matters, a juvenile problem in the 1900 block of Wasson Road led to several arrests. Joseph Granados, 21, of 1905 Wasson, was arrested for assault; and Donnie Rodriguez, 22, of 1905 Wasson, was arrested on charges of disorderly conduct — fighting, public intoxication, and evading arrest or detention. Three juveniles were charged with assault.

### GOING FOR THE GOLD!



Chris King and Matt Mims battle for the ball at the Forsan swimming pool Saturday. The two were playing a game of keep-away at the Forsan swimming pool Saturday afternoon.

## Base closings raise concerns about U.S.'s military readiness

By JOHN DIAMOND  
Associated Press Writer

FORT HOOD (AP) — The 63-ton M-1 Abrams tank, its turbine engine whining, rumbles up to a berm and, with a jaw-rattling boom, fires a 105 mm round down range.

The dummy shell hurtles across the arid range toward its target, then skips along the ground like a stone on a still pond. Here at the largest installation of armored forces in the Western world, the vast array of military challenges that mean "readiness," come down to this.

To both the untrained eye and to the military experts, this tank, attached to the 3rd Battalion, 66th Armored Regiment of

the 2nd Armored Division — the legendary "Hell on Wheels" of World War II fame — stands ready to fight.

"I would feel comfortable telling mom and dad, 'I will take your son to war and he will fight and win and there's a reasonable chance he will come back alive,'" said Col. James J. Grazioplene, commander of the 2nd Armored's 1st Brigade.

But 1,200 miles away in the basement of the Pentagon, on computer screens at the Army's Operations Center, the 2nd Armored Division is considered "category 3," or C-3, the next-to-lowest rating on the military's four-step readiness scale.

The 2nd Armored Division

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**U.S. Trivia**

What did the Massachusetts Supreme Court outlaw in 1783, noting the words in the Bill of Rights "all men are born free and equal"?

**Slavery**

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**WORLD/NATION**

**Nation:** The image of Susan Smith as a victim of abuse, will be put to the test when her trial begins Monday. See page 5A.

**World:** Partially submerged trees. People wading through chest-deep water. Rooftops that look more like rafts on swollen rivers. More scenes of flooding emerged Saturday from southern China. See page 8A.

**STATE**

**Approved**

Despite protests that the funding will mean federal meddling, the State Board of Education has approved an education program under which Texas schools could get millions more federal dollars. See page 6A.

**Crime watch captain dies**

A crime watch block captain who was shot while in pursuit of four suspected burglars has died, while police have arrested the man they said claims to have fired the fatal shot. See page 6A.

**TODAY'S WEATHER**

Today **96** ▲ Highs **67**  
Lows ▼

**Sunny**

Today, mostly sunny, high mid 90s, south to southeast winds 5 to 15 mph; tonight, mostly clear, low mid 60s.

**Permian Basin Forecast**

**Monday:** Mostly sunny, high mid 90s, southeast winds 5 to 10 mph; fair night, low mid 60s.  
**Tuesday:** Mostly sunny, high mid 90s; fair night, low upper 60s.  
**Wednesday:** Mostly sunny, high mid 90s.

Tonight **67**

**Clear**



### PROCEEDS GO TO THE ANIMALS



Dorothy Taylor looks at a set of cups she found amongst the piles of items at the Big Spring Humane Society garage sale Saturday. The sale continues Sunday from 2-5 p.m. at Fourth and Galveston.

Herald photo by Tim Appel

### Ready

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was one of three combat divisions cited by the Army last fall for a decline in readiness.

Readiness refers to the ability of a ship, squadron or ground force to carry out all of its possible wartime missions. It encompasses manpower, training, and equipment condition and maintainability.

Some in the military give the term a wider meaning, including such intangibles as the quality of life, the adequacy of pay, benefits and recreational facilities, and time with family.

President Clinton repeatedly calls readiness his top priority. Defense Secretary William Perry says the critical problem is ensuring future readiness by modernizing and replacing aging equipment.

Perry rejects Republican criticism that the U.S. military has gone "hollow." He told his top commanders that in budget negotiations "they could trade off any other requirement that

I've given in this budget in favor of readiness." They replied that they were satisfied with their readiness budgets.

The Army got an extra \$3 billion from the Clinton administration, most of it to improve readiness this year.

For next year, the House added \$2.8 billion to Clinton's \$92 billion request for operations and maintenance, a key readiness-related account that pays for training and equipment upkeep. And the administration is seeking a new "readiness protection authority" to enable it to cope with the costs of unexpected deployments without having to dip into training accounts.

Clinton also has added \$25 billion to his own long-term defense spending plan and the House favors spending \$50 billion more. Already, spending per soldier, a key measure of military readiness, now stands at historically high levels.

Military critics contend readiness is being used to whip up support for greater defense

spending. Said Rep. Barney Frank, D-Mass.: "If anyone wanted to invade the United States the best time to do it would be in November because that's when the military every year says they're in bad shape."

But the military's supporters say the problem is real.

Low readiness, said Army Gen. Gary Luck, the commander in South Korea, "translates usually into more territory and battle damage and more lives lost."

Gen. Gordon Sullivan, who just retired as the Army chief of staff, warns that the military is at "the razor's edge" of readiness.

"Everyone wants to know where the edge is: Where do you break readiness," Adm. Richard Macke, the U.S. Pacific commander told the House National Security Committee earlier this year. "To be honest, I can't tell you. But I think we're near the edge of the envelope."

### Freshmen

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stood firm for the huge tax cut in the GOP budget plan because so many blue-collar workers told him to "just cut our taxes." He also said nursing-home residents warned him in no uncertain terms to leave Medicare alone — leading him to conclude that any cost-cutting plan needs to retain the current system as an option.

Republicans are proposing massive \$270 billion savings in Medicare — a prospect McIntosh presented in the rosiest light possible at the outset of his town meeting. "Preserve, protect, improve," is the GOP theme, he said.

Though most of his audience was elderly, only two people brought up Medicare. One made a statistical point and the other wanted to share all the waste, fraud and abuse she observed as a driver for the program.

People won't focus on what Republicans are doing to Medicare "until it affects their pocketbook," Hutton said. Her party is holding meetings across the country telling senior citizens the GOP is planning major

Medicare disruptions in order to finance a tax cut that benefits mainly the wealthy.

"We're anticipating they will get the message that is calculated to make them fearful," McIntosh says. But he also acknowledges that "right now is a somewhat precarious time for Republicans" because the party has made a commitment to slow down the Medicare growth rate without saying how it will achieve that.

At his town meeting, McIntosh got off easy across the board. Only one person questioned a new Republican policy — a local official who sought and received reassurances that small towns would get their share of the many new state-administered block grants in the pipeline.

Many people asked about issues central to the hard-line conservative agenda. They were happy with what they heard.

The very first questioner asked McIntosh where he stood on a "parental rights restoration act" creating a presumption that parents have the right to determine how their children

are raised and disciplined.

"Right now we've got the closest thing to martial law that I've ever seen, the way welfare can come in and take a child over a phone call, an anonymous phone call," said the agitated questioner.

"I think that's wrong," McIntosh told her, and said he'd already committed to co-sponsor the bill.

The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms "frankly needs some controls," he said in response to another question. A new anti-terrorism bill making it easier for the government to wiretap phones and examine financial records "tramples on a lot of liberties" and "goes in the wrong direction," he said.

McIntosh also assured his audience that Congress would hold hearings on Waco in July and vote on the weapons ban before the end of the year. He said he still supports repeal, a position criticized by the local newspaper.

"People who are gun-owners feel that elected officials ... have betrayed them," McIntosh said later.

### Trial

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Hogue on Dec. 30, 1994. Howard County Deputy Clifford McCartney was called to the scene of an accident on Interstate 20 that evening. Hogue and his partner, Trooper Darryle Sparks, responded to provide assistance.

Edmondson was reportedly driving a vehicle that veered off the interstate and onto the service road. Reports say when the

troopers arrived, the suspect was sitting in the passenger seat of the deputy's car and was asked if he had been drinking.

Edmondson was asked to step out of the car so the questioning could continue with Hogue standing between the vehicle and the guard rail. Edmondson allegedly stood up, pulled a gun and shot Hogue once in the head.

Capital murder is punishable by either death by lethal injection or life in prison. The district attorney's office is seeking the death penalty.

Edmondson was indicted by a grand jury on Jan. 17 and he has pleaded not guilty to the charge. He has been in the Howard County Jail since his arrest and bond was later set at \$500,000. A change of venue request by his attorney was denied by Moore in April.

### St. Thomas festival set for July 14-15

The "Annual St. Thomas Mid-Summer Festival" will take place this week, Friday and Saturday, July 14 and July 15. St. Thomas Catholic Church property corner of Sixth Street and North Main St. Grand drawing tickets will be sold until Saturday night. Grand prize is a shopping trip, spending \$1100 at Sam's in Midland and at Bealls in Big Spring. There will be plenty of food both days!

### Mail

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within the next week and the damaged mail will be returned to them.

Saxton stated customers who lost mail in the fire, unfortunately have little recourse on

the damaged mail unless it was insured or had other payable indemnity services on it at the time of mailing and can be proved.

Postal operations were back to normal on Saturday morning.

**Life! Section Sunday Deadlines**  
All Sunday items (weddings, anniversaries, engagements, birth announcements, Who's Who, military) are due to the Herald office by Wednesday at noon.

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EDITORIAL

"If I loosened the reins on the press, I would not stay in power three months."

Napoleon, French emperor, c. 1799

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Storing waste at plant producing it workable good idea

Nuclear waste has to go somewhere, that is simply something we cannot get around in this nuclear age.

TU Electric has petitioned the National Regulatory Commission for permission to have the Comanche Peak nuclear plant in Glen Rose to accept high-level nuclear waste. If granted, Comanche Peak would nearly double the amount of waste it stores.

Federal officials have said it is likely the request will be granted but watchdog groups objected to the proposal saying it would turn the plant into a "defacto dump site."

The questions of safety and health risk always are there with nuclear power and storage. While nothing is every foolproof, safeguards are taken to minimize these risks as much as possible.

If there is storage there at an active plant, surely, you would hope, the vigilance against leaks and other problems would be doubled.

The question is: Is that really a bad idea? When you sit down and think about it, it isn't. Already the site has met the requirements for the building of a nuclear plant, surely it is as good a site as any for storage of the waste it produces.

In fact, the nuclear regulatory commission should incorporate this idea of waste storage into future nuclear plant sites.

It saves wear and tear on areas such as West Texas who don't have the political clout to avoid becoming a waste dump.

As we all know, Hudspeth County is being considered for a nuclear dump site and a main reason for selecting the site is the lack of people to raise a stink.

It might be the solution to the problem: Each nuclear plant taking care of its own waste instead of shipping them elsewhere - like Texas.

Public funds and 'Wide Awake'

Just two years back, the Supreme Court unanimously upheld a religious speaker's after-hours access to public schoolrooms. Yet last week, the court split 5-4 over allowing a campus religious magazine to share, along with 14 non-religious publications, in printing subsidies drawn from mandatory student activity fees. What is going on here?

Two differences between the cases explain their contrasting fates. First, the speaker in the 1993 Lamb's Chapel decision sought to address the subject of child-rearing from a religious point of view. The University of Virginia student magazine, "Wide Awake," at issue in the 1995 case, was evangelistic through and through, its mission "to encourage students to consider what a personal relationship with Jesus Christ means."

In the former case, the justices readily agreed that it would have been illegal "viewpoint" discrimination to bar from a limited public forum only those talks on family life grounded in religion. By contrast, last week's four dissenting justices held that in excluding "Wide Awake" from funds, the university barred not a viewpoint but an entire subject, religion, which the guardians of a limited public forum may do.

Second, money is special. The "establishment of religion" banned by the First Amendment means, centrally, the pub-

lic funding of a faith. Mandatory student activity fees at a public institution resemble taxes, and, as the dissenters stressed, "Wide Awake" is more akin to worship than to the study of religion.

While the Virginia case was a difficult call, the majority got the better of the argument. To be eligible for printing funds, student groups had to raise some money of their own, freely associating for self-expression. They also had to sign a statement making plain that the university in no way endorsed their "goals or activities." "Wide Awake," it seems to us, was no establishment of religion.

Religious liberty — and separation of church and state — had a pioneering champion in Thomas Jefferson, founder of the University of Virginia. Yet even he never sought to exile religion from university property. He even planned for services to be held in its main building, the Rotunda, according to a 1987 history published by the university's press.

Today's academic administrators in Virginia and elsewhere should consider whether any university funding of special-interest publications, from Christian to feminist to gay, is wise — but the Supreme Court is surely right that religion must not be singled out for exclusion.

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THADEUS & WEEZ



by Charles Pugsley Fincher

Just who taught who at Camp RYLA?

Let's go camping now, I even learned how!

That's right, I learned all about the joys of camping and being a counselor for eight 17-year-olds and one 14-year-old girl.

Hey, cut the groaning out, it wasn't as bad as you might think given the age of the girls. When you get right down to it, I learned more than they did. I even learned new meanings to the word warped! Now, don't you find that hard to believe?



DD Turner  
Managing Editor

When I was asked to be a counselor at Camp RYLA, a Rotary leadership camp for girls (there is also one for boys), I jumped at the chance. You see, I had never been sent away for a camp in my life. My Mom couldn't bear to be parted with me - not!

I didn't think about it, just said "sure, that sounds like fun!" Little did I know! First things first, the bus was six hours late getting on the road Sunday. It didn't even make it to Odessa, the first pickup point. We were all there at 7:45 a.m. to get on a bus that didn't show up until 2:15 that afternoon.

While the girls didn't appreciate it much, it was a blessing in disguise for me. I had forgotten to do an important piece of work and only remembered it on the way home. I could just see myself trying to get in touch with someone on a Monday morning and try to explain what I wanted over the phone. It's hard to explain visual items over a phone. Minds see things differently and it is hard to put into words what is essentially a drawing.

What made it worse was the project was running Monday, no ands, ifs or buts about it. But, let's give these teens their due, there was very little whining and complaining about the bus. They all handled it with aplomb and patience - something many of us adults

As Delia Mays pointed out, many of the girls found God on top of the pamper pole!

could learn. We finally made it to the camp, which was near Taos, N.M., sometime in the wee hours of the morning New Mexico time. There were people waiting up for us, helping us find those cabins in the pitch black darkness. Then, finally, blissful sleep - for about four hours.

Up at 6 a.m.! No way! Thank goodness, Robbie saw fit to bring an alarm clock. It was one cool rooster, serenading you awake each morning. By the end of the week everyone was about ready to kill it.

Every day it was up at 6 a.m. and into bed late, even though lights out was supposed to be at 11 p.m.

Up for something called energizer. While it was fun to watch what the girls came up with to get you going in the morning, it didn't work on me until about the third or fourth cup of coffee. That's what I call energizing!

Then it was breakfast time. I didn't think the food was that bad. In fact, I ate more pancakes than I had in my life. I felt bad for my Mother, who used to make pancake animals in a vain effort to get me to eat pancakes.

Then there were the speakers, who were all good. It's amazing how much you can learn when you listen, even at my advanced age.

My cabin had to introduce speakers the second day. At least I had a day to try and catch up. We worked on introductions that night and Marsha Kay was a wealth of ideas - some good, some bad, most funny.

The speakers we got to introduce were Rotary's District Governor Doyle Moore, Liz Lowery, Sylvia Stern, Ralph and Billye McLaughlin.

Think of these poor folks in the hands of some imaginative teens and let your own imagination run wild. Is it this wild?

Nine girls are lined up on stage. The first begins reading

a portion of the biography of the speaker but can't make it through because she is starting to have about-to-toss-your-cookies heaves. She hands the paper to the next girl, who suffers the same fate.

You're getting the picture now, right? Each girl is getting sick while reading the biography of the speaker. Finally, Stacy asks: "What's the matter with you?" "Ralph's coming up!" is the reply.

Thank you, Mr. McLaughlin, for being a good sport with the girls. They thoroughly enjoyed your introduction and truly had the most fun with it. They couldn't stop laughing long enough to come up with the other introductions!

Didn't I tell you I learned new meanings to the word warped?

Ok, maybe I should have been a tad more controlling. But, I figured as long as it wasn't too far out of the bounds of good taste, it was their butts on their on the stage doing all this. Granted, it reflected back on me as their counselor, but I'm a journalist so what can I say. I got to where I was looking forward to their next idea as long as there was time to rest the muscles cramped from laughing.

There was so much to this camp, it is hard to sum it up in a few inches of copy.

There were the ropes courses. On the low ropes course, you learned to trust your fellow campers to catch you, hold you up and not drop you to the hard ground below.

The high ropes taught you to trust yourself and believe you can do anything including climb a 20-foot telephone pole (called a pamper pole), stand on top of it and jump off while trying to ring a bell and all that's holding you is a harness and a rope.

I knew that one would be hard. I can get up but getting down is a whole other story. Which is why I thought the zipper would be easy.

Yeah, until I saw the tree you had to climb to get up to where

the pulley and harness were, a good 35 feet in the air.

Now, you have to remember, West Texas girls don't have much experience climbing trees, which made the trip even harder. First, overcome your fear about heights, then do something you're not even remotely used to doing - climb a tree.

They made it up. Took them a while to get to the top of the tree but they did and did it the hard way!

Not me. I drew on my experience with trees, not being a native of West Texas. In other words, I went up it like a monkey.

However, getting down was different because you didn't climb down. Monkey Girl up could have been Monkey Girl down.

But nooo! You had to push yourself off the platform and hope the harness and pulley would hold while you slid down a wire to the bottom.

Zipper was easy. Easy until you looked down onto the TOPS of other trees. Never look down, just never look down!

It didn't matter how often the conductor of the course explained about the tensile strength of the wire, the harnesses or the fact no one had ever been injured. You believed it until you were at the top.

As Delia Mays pointed out, many of the girls found God on top of the pamper pole!

How do you explain about the friendships made, the bonding with the group of girls over which you were made counselor. We didn't know each other - Yesenia, Summer, Marsha Kay, Robbie, Stacy, Candl, Lindsey, Erika, Jennifer and I. I came away with a better understanding of today's teenagers, what they face and how they cope with the pressures.

It isn't easy being teen-age today. Probably wasn't easy at any time to be a teen, but today with AIDS, teen-age pregnancy, college tuition costs, environmental problems it has to be extremely tough.

These more than 80 teen-aged girls, though, proved we will be leaving the world in good hands. Hope hasn't vanished, we just haven't been looking in the right places.

How to's of paying for Medicare

WASHINGTON CALLING

WASHINGTON — Congressional Republicans have decided to ask the wealthy elderly to pay more for Medicare.

GOP thinkers are betting they can convince elderly voters that what Medicare premiums take away, they'll soon get back in tax cuts.

Look for well-off seniors to be asked to cough up between 20 and 25 percent of the cost of hospital insurance (from nothing today). The share of Part B doctors insurance will be raised gradually from 25 percent today to 50 percent for most beneficiaries.

Deciding who is well-off is the tricky part. Conventional wisdom sets the annual income threshold at \$75,000, but there's big bucks in dropping it to the \$50,000 neighborhood.

House Speaker Newt Gingrich wants to recruit actor Tom Hanks and former astronaut Jim Lovell to save NASA's manned space station.

The idea is to have Hanks and Lovell — but particularly Hanks — lobby House Republicans on behalf of the space station, which NASA says will cost \$17.4 billion but which the GAO says

will cost \$94 billion. Hanks plays Lovell in the summer's box office smash "Apollo 13."

In addition to being a computer geek and a dinosaur buff, Gingrich is also a space groupie sometimes dubbed "Newt Skywalker."

"I am very, very worried (about space station funding)," said Gingrich. "In this atmosphere, everything is on the table — including things you love."

Word in Pentagon hallways is that it will be sooner rather than later that U.S. troops will be dispatched to help the U.N. peacekeepers in Bosnia pull out of an ever-worsening situation.

The Pentagon isn't thrilled about the prospect of helping the international troops withdraw — a potentially risky mission that could require 25,000 U.S. troops or more.

Of course, there's always that new 12,500 British-French-Dutch "rapid reaction force"

designed to put spine in the United Nations peacekeeping forces in Bosnia. How fearsome will it be?

The Europeans last week officially dropped the word "rapid" from the name, and now call it a reaction force.

Despite burst of media attention to immigrants storming America's gates, legal immigration actually dropped last year by 9 percent, biggest decline in 15 years. Part of the reason is that the law allowed 10,000 foreign "investors" to live here if they create new jobs, but only 444 decided to come.

Less than 24 hours after Federal Reserve voted to slash interest rates by one-quarter percent to avert a recession, a government report showed the economy may be stronger than believed.

Unemployment in June fell to 5.6 percent and 215,000 new jobs were added, better than predicted by most forecasters. That means further reduction

in interest rates is unlikely unless the economy takes a summer nosedive.

Veterans Administration survey of 11,000 vets shows surprisingly little clamor for some VA benefits. Only 44 percent of the veterans polled said they'd used GI education benefits; about 40 percent said they had used the VA home loan guaranty program, and only 11 percent said they want to be buried in a national or state cemetery.

House Ways and Means Committee Chairman Bill Archer, R-Tex., enthuses to the tax reform commission headed by former Rep. Jack Kemp that it's possible to push through reform package this year if they can get it together by September. But Sen. Connie Mack, R-Fla., deep sixes the idea, says the Senate's plate is full and tax overhaul should be part of a new "Contract with America" GOPers will run on in the 1996 campaign.

Bet on Mack.

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# Susan Smith finally facing trial



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Alexander, 14-months, and Michael Smith, 3, are shown in this file photo taken the month before their death in October 1994. Their mother, Susan Smith, faces a possible death penalty if convicted of murdering her sons when she rolled her car into a

## Abuse defense put to the test for Smith

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UNION, S.C. (AP) — The image of Susan Smith as a victim of abuse will be put to the test when her trial begins Monday.

Since the day he was hired, attorney David Bruck has focused on the mental state of the woman who drowned her two sons last year.

"Only someone who is crazy, who has something wrong with their head, could do this to their own children," Bruck said after Ms. Smith was indicted for murder in November.

Now, so she can avoid the death penalty, he must persuade a Union County jury to see her as a repentant, suicidal sex

abuse victim, rather than a killer who watched her sons slowly disappear below the surface of John D. Long lake.

The 23-year-old Ms. Smith already has taken her community on an emotional roller coaster.

For nine days, the rural mill town rallied behind her claim that a black carjacker had kidnapped her boys on the night of Oct. 25. Then the town turned against her when she confessed to rolling her car, with 3-year-old Michael and 14-month-old Alex strapped in their car seats, into the lake.

"Hold your head up! You're a baby murderer!" one woman shouted as Ms. Smith was escorted into the courthouse, a coat hiding her face.

Now that Ms. Smith's family secrets are common knowledge, some have softened their opinions.

"Maybe she couldn't help herself," said Linda Williams, who lives near the lake. "I mean, we've heard so much about how she was hurt and abused. There's no way to tell if she hasn't always been crazy."

In her confession, Ms. Smith wrote that she was an "absolute mental case" when she drove to the lake that night.

"When I left home on Tuesday, October 25, I was very emotionally distraught," she wrote. "I didn't want to live anymore. I felt I had to end our lives to protect us all from any grief or harm."

She never explained why she saved herself while allowing her sons to die.

If jurors find Ms. Smith guilty but mentally ill, they still could sentence her to death. That means she understood what she was doing was wrong but could not conform her action to the law.

A verdict of innocent by reason of insanity, which means she didn't understand that what she was doing was wrong, would send her to a mental hospital. If later she is declared sane, she could be released.

Court documents chart a secretly troubled life for the young woman voted "friendliest" by her classmates at Union High School.

In 1978, when she was 6, her father, firefighter Harry Vaughan, shot himself to death.

During the next 10 years, she tried to kill herself twice by overdosing on aspirin and was hospitalized for depression after her second attempt.

In 1988, when she was a teenager, her stepfather, Beverly Russell, admitted sexually assaulting her. She and her mother, Linda, did not press criminal charges.

After all that, some townspeople said they can't stomach the idea of executing her.

"I keep thinking of my own daughter when I think about her," Mrs. Williams said. "Susan grew up here in town where everybody knows everybody. I just can't see coldly telling somebody to kill someone I know."

Others have changed their minds for different reasons. Jeweler Amy Sanders said she was ready to lead a lynch mob for months after Ms. Smith confessed. Now, she's not so sure

death is the best punishment. "If they kill her, it's over," Mrs. Sanders said. "If she stays alive, she'll have to think about what she did for the rest of her life."

Prosecutor Tommy Pope has stood firm in seeking the death penalty, a move supported by the boys' father, David Smith, who divorced her on May 5.

Pope said he would keep in the courtroom a picture of the boys that David Smith gave him, with the inscription, "Don't give up on Michael and Alex."

Pope plans to portray Ms. Smith as a manipulative, adulterous woman who used murder to get rid of her children when they got in the way of a relationship with her boss' son, Tom Findlay.

In her confession, she said her breakup with Findlay left her suicidal, with nowhere to turn.

"I felt I couldn't be a good mom anymore, but I didn't want my children to grow up without a mom," Ms. Smith wrote. "I had never felt so lonely and so sad in my entire life."

What jurors decide Ms. Smith was thinking that night may well be what decides her fate, experts said.

"If she was intent on suicide the night of Oct. 25, why did she get out of the car?" said Dr. Harold Morgan, a forensic psychologist in Columbia. "And when she decided not to kill herself, why did she leave the boys in the car?"

The image of Ms. Smith crying and begging on television for the return of her sons also may be difficult to overcome.



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The Mazda driven by Susan Smith, in which her two sons drowned, begins to sink after being rolled into John D. Long Lake during a re-enactment of the crime May 24, 1995 in Union, S.C. Mrs. Smith is charged in the Oct. 25, 1994 drowning deaths of her sons Michael, 3, and Alex, 14-months.

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# Answers to privatizing base jobs sought

WASHINGTON (AP) — Looking for ways to lessen economic pain for California and Texas, President Clinton directed Pentagon officials Saturday to provide more answers about prospects for privatizing jobs at military bases in the two states.

Clinton met for 90 minutes with Defense Secretary William Perry, Gen. John Shalikashvili, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and other top officials to discuss the latest recommendations from a commission on military base closings.

The Independent Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission has recommended that maintenance centers at McClellan Air Force Base in California and Kelly Air Force Base in Texas be shut down and the work be parceled out to other bases. In the case of Kelly, the commission left privatization as an option.

Perry has yet to give Clinton a formal recommendation on whether to accept the commission's plan, but he has made it clear that he favors shifting some military work to private employers as a way to preserve jobs. At Saturday's meeting, Clinton asked for more information about prospects for privatizing jobs at both bases, aides said.

"He is concerned about mili-



Associated Press photo

San Antonio City Councilman Juan Solis, right foreground, leads fellow council members Roger Flores, left foreground, Henry Avila, right back, and Jeff Webster down the steps of City Hall Friday with some of the thousands of letters going to President Bill Clinton showing support for Kelly Air Force Base. More than 2550,000 letters asking to take Kelly off the base closure list will be delivered to Clinton in Washington Monday.

tary effectiveness and the cumulative economic impact of the decision," said White House spokeswoman Mary Ellen Glynn.

McClellan's future has become a hot political issue because of the impact of previous base closings on California and because of the importance of that state's 54 electoral votes

to Clinton's re-election hopes.

A White House official who spoke on condition of anonymity said Clinton was looking at various options related to privatization but that there was a "pretty unanimous view on how to proceed" overall. The official said Clinton's questions related to what authority for privatization already exists.

# Thousands march in support of Kelly AFB

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — About 1,000 people marched through downtown on Saturday to show support for embattled Kelly Air Force Base.

The march, from the Alamo to the Alamo, responded to recommendations from the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission that maintenance centers at Kelly and California's McClellan Air Force Base be shut down and the work be parceled out to other bases.

In a march to the Alamo,

protesters held signs reading, "When war comes, will America be ready without Kelly?" and "Keep Kelly working."

The turnout was smaller than the 30,000 people organizers had predicted. But organizer Orlando Cisneros said voices from the rally will be heard in Washington.

Some San Antonio-area residents have forsaken hope for the base's future before a federal closure commission. But commissioners did leave priva-

tization as an option in Kelly's case.

Many still want President Clinton to reject the panel's recommendation.

Jesse Salcedo, union leader for Kelly's civilian employees, is scheduled to join other representatives to fly to Washington on Monday for a labor rally in an attempt to sway the president's decision.

President Clinton has until July 15 to rule on the commission's proposals.

# Man shot chasing burglars dies

FORT WORTH (AP) — A crime watch block captain who was shot while in pursuit of four suspected burglars has died, while police have arrested the man they said claims to have fired the fatal shot.

John Jasper McPherson, 33, died at John Peter Smith Hospital on Friday, officials said.

Meanwhile, gang unit officers arrested Jose Garcia Jr., 19, in the shooting, which occurred about 4:45 a.m. Thursday in front of his home, police said.

Garcia, who faces a capital murder charge in the shooting, was jailed without bond on a probation revocation, officials said.

Three others, including Garcia's brother, were arrested shortly after the shooting and

remained jailed Friday on suspicion of burglary and attempted capital murder. Their bonds were set at \$125,000 each.

Garcia told police he was angered that a Fort Worth couple chased him and the three others on what he considered his turf, so he said he jumped out of the car, got a gun from a nearby house and opened fire on them, officials said.

Police said four shots were fired at the McPhersons' car, one striking McPherson in the back of the head. His wife, Shirley, was not injured.

The McPhersons had chased the men after catching them burglarizing cars, police said.

On Friday, fire department divers unsuccessfully searched

the Trinity River for the gun used in the killing. Officials said Garcia told detectives he cut up the gun and threw it in the river.

Mrs. McPherson told police the couple began chasing the men after she heard noises outside their home, looked out and saw a group of young men burglarizing her son's car.

The McPhersons called 911 twice on a cellular phone to report their location, what kind of car they were chasing, the license tag number and other information.

Because police already were looking for the burglary suspects, the car was stopped six blocks from the shooting and three men were arrested.

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# State approves Academics 2000

AUSTIN (AP) — Despite protests that the funding will mean federal meddling, the State Board of Education has approved an education program under which Texas schools could get millions more federal dollars.

Meanwhile, supporters of the funding application said the fears are unfounded.

"For the past 13 years as a school superintendent in Texas, I have been a proponent of local control. I have been an opponent of more mandates from the state or from the federal government," Education Commissioner Mike Moses said in recommending continued Texas participation in the federal Goals 2000 program.

"This is not an application that seeks to promote anything other than academic excellence in our schools," Moses said of Texas' plan.

The state board approved the program 10-5 Friday.

It will be monitored to ensure it doesn't require Texas schools to follow requirements that are unfunded or inconsistent with state policies, officials said.

The proposal, which is called Academics 2000, focuses on students' early mastery of basic academic skills.

Texas got about \$7 million in the first year of the program, and would get about \$29 million in the second year beginning July 1, according to information presented to the board.

At least 90 percent of funds

must be awarded to school districts. The state already gets about \$1.6 billion a year from the federal government for various programs, Moses said.

Besides applying for funding, Moses noted, the board action requests designation of Texas as an "Ed-Flex" state, which would free it from certain federal education regulations.

He also said the plan in no way promotes school-based health clinics, as feared by opponents. Board member Will Davis of Austin, among the plan's supporters, agreed.

Davis said he has carefully read the plan and "I can't for the life of me find any of the buzzwords that are giving everybody a stomachache."

# Two arrested in crime spree which killed 5

DALLAS (AP) — Two suspects have been arrested in a seven-hour crime spree in which five people were killed and three others wounded, but police said they can find little to explain the brutality of the attacks.

"It's extremely brutal and the only possibility we can think of is they wanted to make sure they were dead," Dallas police spokesman Ed Spencer said. "Beyond that, we can't explain why they did it like they did it."

Michael Anthony Martinez, 21, and Luis Moracio Canales, 19, both of Dallas were in the Lew Sterrett Justice Center on Saturday on bonds totaling more than \$3.25 million each.

Each was booked on five counts of suspicion of capital murder and three counts of suspicion of attempted capital murder, officials said. Also, each man was being held on one count of theft and outstanding traffic tickets.

"There is a substantial amount of investigative work to be done, and at this point, formal charges have not been filed with the (district attorney)," Spencer said.

The men were arrested on traffic warrants Thursday afternoon, Spencer said.

# FINALLY CROWNED



Miss Texas for both 1940 and 1941, Gloria Byrns Evans of Port Arthur, front, finally receives her crown Friday in Fort Worth. Evans, 73, did not receive her crown in the 1940s because of World War II resource restrictions.

# Shark attacks surfer along jetties at Mustang Island

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) — Mark George, a 34-year-old Corpus Christi insurance agent, was bitten on the foot by a shark while surfing at the Fish Pass jetties on Thursday at Mustang Island State Park.

But that won't keep him out of the water, he vows. He loves surfing too much to quit, he said.

"You have something like this happen, it shouldn't stop

you from doing what you like to do," George told the Corpus Christi Caller-Times from the Bay Area Medical Center.

Bill Gathright, superintendent of Mustang Island State Park, said he considers the Fish Pass to be as safe as other beaches in the area.

Sharks "are always out there" along Coastal Bend beaches, Gathright said.

"It's not unusual. Surfers see

them all the time," Gathright said, but called the attack on George an isolated incident.

George was attacked about 6 p.m. Thursday while he sat on his surfboard about 100 yards offshore, he said.

The fish appeared to be a sand shark that was about 4 to 5 feet long, George said. It quickly swam away after the attack, which lasted only two or three seconds.

# Pr

PHILADELPHIA Police have arrested a man, including a woman, who abducted a priest, dropped him, N.J., and back.

The Rev. Marvin L. Dulaney, who survived and on Friday fathomed the assaultants. "Well Father, will have to face one of the assaultants as he was laughing at the shooting. The Rev. recalled. "I played dead

# Debate over help

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He also stressed political and economic stance in Southeast Asia — emerging import east Asia — certain country economic the United States countries," he said. He also said Vietnam's key role in region and will soon join Association of Nations, a group had close ties

# Brushfire

SCOTTSDALE, More than 400 firefighters tamed a brushfire that spread across 2,000 acres forced the evacuation of more than 250 homes.

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# Priest abducted, left for dead

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Police have arrested three people, including a 15-year-old boy, who abducted a Russian Orthodox priest, drove him to Camden, N.J., and shot him in the back.  
The Rev. Mark Schinn survived and on Friday was unable to fathom the callousness of his assailants.  
"Well Father, I guess the Lord will have to forgive us now," one of the assailants said with a laugh as he walked away after the shooting Thursday, Schinn recalled.  
"I played dead and waited for

the sound of them leaving," he said. "Then after two or three minutes I slowly turned my head to make sure they were gone."  
Jose Casiano, 23, Alfredo DeJesus, 20, and the teen-ager, whose identity police withheld because of his age, were arrested and charged in Camden with aggravated assault and robbery. Police said the three Camden residents also stole Schinn's wallet and the \$80 it contained.  
The suspects also face charges of kidnapping and Camden police Lt. Joe Richardson expects additional charges to be

filed in New Jersey. "We have to consider this a carjacking and we could call it attempted murder," he said.  
Schinn, a squat balding man with thick glasses and a long black and gray beard, returned home early Friday after treatment at a Camden hospital. He said the pain from his wounds had diminished to a dull ache by afternoon.  
With blood from the wound soaked through his bandages and shirt, the 48-year-old cleric recalled the suddenness of the attack the night before as he returned home from visiting a

hospitalized parishioner. He had just exited his van near the rectory at Saint Andrews Russian Orthodox Church.  
"They hit me in the head with a gun," he said. "They were shouting at me and then they pushed me into the back of the van, threw a blanket on top of me and one of them got on top of me."  
"They were driving around and talking about a place to kill me," he said. "They knew I was a priest. ... They were laughing and whooping and having a grand time. My killing would have been the icing on the

cake."  
The assailants drove him to Camden, just across the Delaware River, dumped on the roadside and shot him.  
Schinn, bleeding from where the bullet entered his back over the shoulder blade and from where it exited his shoulder, pulled himself to his feet and walked to a nearby home.  
"I'm a priest from Philadelphia and I've just been shot. Can you please call an ambulance?" Schinn asked the man who opened the door.  
Within minutes, Camden police arrested two young men

and a boy in the Schinn family's 9-year-old van. Inside the van, police found three handguns and a sawed-off shotgun, Richardson said.  
The suspects, who had ski masks in their possession, were arrested outside a bar.  
The priest, who has led the 180 parishioners of Saint Andrews for the past decade, has no plans to leave the city.  
"This could have happened to anyone, anywhere, at any time," Schinn said. "I just happened to be the one who was at the wrong place and wrong time."

## Debate intensifies over Vietnam's help id'ing MIAs

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Clinton administration is praising Vietnam's cooperation in identifying the whereabouts of missing American servicemen, rejecting claims by MIA advocates that Hanoi is holding back.  
The debate over Vietnam's cooperation is intensifying as President Clinton nears a decision on whether to re-establish full diplomatic relations with the former communist adversary after a 20-year lapse.  
State Department spokesman Nicholas Burns appeared on Friday to foreshadow a decision by Clinton to take that step.  
"I think a lot of people in our government believe that we have reached a new level of cooperation with the Vietnamese on the issue of POWs and MIAs," Burns told reporters.  
He also stressed Vietnam's political and economic importance in Southeast Asia.  
"Vietnam is a country of emerging importance in Southeast Asia — certainly an important country economically for the United States and other countries," he said.  
He also said Vietnam plays a key role in regional security and will soon join the six-nation Association of Southeast Asian Nations, a group that long has had close ties to the United

States.  
But veterans and family groups are arguing against diplomatic recognition on grounds that Vietnam has not lived up to the demands for an accounting that Clinton had set as a condition for normal relations.  
These groups have been increasingly active since word spread last month that Secretary of State Warren Christopher had recommended to Clinton that, after 20 years, the time for normal relations had arrived.  
The National Alliance of Families, based in Washington state, admonished its members last week to "Call, telegraph or write the president now! We must stop normalization. If you already have called and written, do it again and again."  
The National League of Families of American Prisoners and Missing in Southeast Asia, based in Washington, also is active in the campaign.  
Asked about her plans, Ann Mills Griffith, the league's executive director, said Friday: "Truth. We've got the facts."  
She said group members will be taking their case to Congress. John Sommer, executive director of the Washington office of the American Legion, said his group plans a similar strategy.

### RESCUED



Everett firefighter Brian Zelter carries Lucy Fay, 86, from her burning house in Everett, Wash., Friday. Fay, who suffered smoke inhalation and burns, was being treated at Harborview Medical Center in Seattle. Her condition was unknown. Officials said the house sustained about \$60,000 in damage.

## 'Far right' GOP blamed for blocking welfare reform

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton accused conservative Republican senators Saturday of trying to hold welfare reform hostage to extreme political views in demanding that unwed teen mothers be denied assistance.  
"This approach would punish the innocent children of unmarried teen-agers for the mistakes of their parents," Clinton said in his weekly radio address.  
With Senate Republicans sharply divided over the shape of welfare reform, Clinton is trying to help steer the GOP-controlled Congress toward legislation he would be willing to sign into law.  
The issue took on increased political importance after the failure of Clinton's centerpiece health care reform plan and the GOP sweep of the 1994 elections in which Republicans successfully used welfare as a campaign issue.  
"Let's settle our differences on welfare reform without resorting to legislative trench warfare designed to stop real reform at any cost," Clinton said. "A small minority shouldn't be able to get away with 'just say no' politics."  
Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, R-Kan., had hoped to begin debate on legislation to overhaul welfare last month, but was forced to postpone action until mid-July because of divisions within his party.  
The GOP bill pending in the Senate would shift responsibility for Aid to Families with Dependent Children over to states as a block grant. States would be allowed to decide whether to support unmarried teen mothers.  
Rep. Lauch Faircloth, R-N.C., and Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas, are among those pushing for an outright ban on aid to teen mothers, tougher work requirements and turning more welfare programs over to the states.  
Faircloth said the ban on aid to young mothers was needed to combat illegitimacy, which he said is at the root of welfare dependency.

## Brushfire consumes 2,000 acres

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. (AP) — More than 400 firefighters battled a brushfire today that blew down from the mountains across 2,000 acres of desert and forced the evacuation of more than 250 homes.  
"I saw an incredible wall of fire that you usually don't see around here. I've seen 40-foot flames," said Collin Williams, a Rural-Metro Fire Department spokesman.  
Some residents of million-dol-

lar homes below the McDowell Mountains in north Scottsdale were evacuated by helicopter Friday night, and more could be pulled out today, said Jim Payne, another fire department spokesman.  
"I just grabbed the photo albums and my teddy bear," said Alice Sobol, who waited with her husband, Norm, at a nearby country club.  
One firefighter was treated for heat exhaustion.

## Veto of mail election bill urged

SALEM, Ore. (AP) — Democrats and Republicans alike are urging Gov. John Kitzhaber to veto a bill that would make Oregon the first state to conduct all elections by mail ballot.  
"There's a groundswell of people saying, 'Hey, time out. We the people didn't say we wanted to do away with polling places altogether,'" state Democratic Chairwoman Jana Doerr said Friday.  
State Senate President Gordon Smith, a Republican, said he has changed his mind and would now welcome a veto of the bill authorizing mail voting

in state and presidential primaries and general elections. Local elections in Oregon already are conducted via mail.  
The Democratic governor hasn't made up his mind whether to sign the bill, said Bob Applegate, Kitzhaber's communications director.  
Kitzhaber is troubled by the fact that the bill passed both houses with little discussion in the last hours before the Legislature adjourned June 10, Applegate said.  
"The governor wants more public discussion on the pros and cons before deciding

whether doing away with the polling place is merited," he said Friday.  
July 21 is the deadline for the governor to veto or sign bills passed by the Legislature.  
Under the bill, voters would receive their ballot by mail about two weeks before the election date. Polling places no longer would exist, although the bill gives voters the option of dropping off their ballots at specified locations on election day.  
Supporters of the measure say voting by mail is cheaper and would boost voter participation.

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Residents of Coronillas, Mexico, cry at the funeral for eight of the town's residents in San Miguel Totolapan, Mexico in the Pacific coastal state of Guerrero Friday. Twelve people were killed in a shootout Wednesday by six gunmen dressed as judicial policeman. One child survived the shootout.

## Victims of massacre buried

SAN RAFAEL, Mexico (AP) — Walls of grief mingled with prayers as villagers on Friday mourned 12 massacred peasants. The sole survivor, a 14-year-old boy, said three of the six gunmen were dressed like judicial policemen.

The government blamed a family feud, or perhaps drug trafficking — suggestions that the villagers vigorously rejected.

It was the second massacre in a week in the western state of Guerrero. Police last week killed 17 peasants on their way to an opposition protest. Ten state police have been arrested

for those killings.

"I am so sad! How can I live without my mother?" wailed Aurelia Garcia Jimenez as she clung to the light blue casket of Escolastica Jimenez de Garcia, 40, flanked by the coffins of three other relatives. She wiped her tears as several dozen other women on benches prayed the Hall Mary.

Her mother was among 12 peasants, including two children, who were gunned down on a red dirt road Wednesday night as they returned from a fishing trip. All were related.

The sole survivor, the dead woman's son Hilario Garcia

Jimenez, said the family was attacked by six armed men who jumped from behind trees and stopped their truck as they were returning home.

Three of the men were dressed like judicial police officers, wearing dark-colored T-shirts, the boy told reporters nervously. He said the other three wore the white cotton shirts of the region's peasants.

Despite the presence of Acapulco and other resort cities in Guerrero, it is a poor state with a tradition of drug trafficking, family and land feuds and violence.

## Floods kill 1,179 in China

BEIJING (AP) — Partially submerged trees. People wading through chest-deep water. Rooftops that look more like rafts on swollen rivers.

More scenes of flooding emerged Saturday from southern China, where nearly 1,179 people in 10 provinces have died in floods since May.

China has refused to let Beijing-based foreign correspondents travel to the region but nationally televised newscasts show the degree of devastation.

Vice Premier Jiang Chunyun witnessed the disaster during a tour Saturday of Jiangxi province in southeastern China. Jiang was shown riding a boat on a swollen river and visiting

shantytowns crowded with people who had fled rising waters.

The rains that have hit south China this year have been unusually heavy, and the levels of all waterways are higher than normal. The death toll likely would quickly escalate if the Yangtze also overflows.

The river, China's longest, has risen steadily since June. According to the official Xinhua News Agency, the Yangtze is now the highest it has been since 1949.

An 83-year-old man gripped Jiang's hands and told him that he had never seen the waters so high. Jiang told the man the ruling Communist Party would not let anyone starve.

The affected areas are prime rice-growing regions, where land development and deforestation may be exacerbating seasonal flooding. Last year, more than 4,300 people died.

Hardest hit so far this year has been Hunan province, with 540 of the flood deaths. Of the more than 1.3 million people displaced by the flooding, a million have been in Hunan, the ministry said.

Some 900,000 thousand houses have collapsed and over 2.7 million acres of crops have been wiped out. Nearly half the unsalvageable crop land was in Jiangxi, where 242 people have died in the flooding.

## U.S. activist charged with espionage; faces execution if convicted

BEIJING (AP) — A U.S. human rights activist who sneaked into Chinese prisons to expose abuses was charged Saturday with espionage and could face execution if he is convicted.

Harry Wu, 58, a Chinese-born American citizen, has been in custody since June 19, when he tried to enter China from Kazakhstan.

The government-run Xinhua News Agency reported that Wu was formally arrested and charged Saturday in the city of Wuhan, thousands of miles from the Kazakhstan border. It did not explain why or how he was taken to Wuhan.

The charges were "entering into China under false names, illegally obtaining China's state secrets and conducting criminal activities." Espionage carries a maximum penalty of death.

Xinhua said Wu used aliases to enter China several times in the past four years, went into areas off-limits to foreigners and "engaged in espionage and bought secret information and stole secret documents."

Wu's arrest comes at a low point in U.S.-China relations, already battered by a visit last month to the United States by the president of Beijing's rival government in Taiwan.

## Twice bitten, mosquitoes faring badly in match against humans

HELSINKI, Finland (AP) — Lapland is a summer favorite for two groups who just don't get along — humans and mosquitoes — and the inevitable bloodshed has broken out.

About 40 mosquito-haters, including Finns, Swedes and Germans, were readying their reflexes Friday for the first round of the third World Championship of Mosquito Killing in Pelkosenniemi, 600 miles north of Helsinki.

In the qualifying round Friday, five competitors get five minutes each to kill as many mosquitoes as possible. The finals are set for late Saturday.

## Cosmonauts accuse astronaut of being a whiner

MOSCOW (AP) — Russian cosmonauts were shocked by U.S. astronaut Norman Thagard's "whining" about life aboard the Mir space station, a newspaper said Saturday.

In interviews from space during his nearly four-month voyage aboard the Russian orbiter, Thagard said the food was dull and that it was bothersome to record every meal for doctors on the ground.

He also complained that he heard hardly any world news,

was lonely without his family and, while fluent in Russian, was unable to talk to anyone in English.

"The cosmonauts regret Norman Thagard's scandalous interviews," said the influential daily newspaper Izvestia. "The common assessment was that he had been whining."

The newspaper said Russian space officials saw that the 115-day flight had become difficult for Thagard during televised interviews with the crew, when

the astronaut appeared passive and reluctant to speak.

"However, it was hardly reasonable for Mission Control to switch into English," it said. "And, it was impossible to set a separate table for the American."

Thagard blasted off into space on a Russian Soyuz rocket from Kazakhstan on March 14 with cosmonauts Vladimir Dezhurov and Gennady Strekalov. The three returned to Earth on Friday aboard the Atlantis.

## Catholic clergy accused of having role in Rwanda's genocide

PARIS (AP) — A liberal Catholic newsletter Friday published a list of clergy it says played a role in Rwanda's 1994 genocide, and the paper's editor claimed France was harboring at least one priest guilty of complicity.

Editor Christian Terras reiterated accusations against the Rev. Wenceslas Munyeshaka, who is living in a small parish in France's Ardeche region. In its Friday issue, the newsletter Gollas charged that Munyeshaka was living "under the protection of the Church of France."

A spokesman for the Bishops of France, Monsignor Jean-Michel Di Falco, issued a "solemn protest" that Terras "put gravely into question the Church of France, in a totally inexact manner."

Gollas, citing "numerous witnesses," said Munyeshaka delivered male Tutsis who took refuge in his church in Kigali, Rwanda, to marauding Hutu militias and had sex with female Tutsi refugees. It alleged that he was regularly seen in militia dress, with a bullet-proof vest and a gun.

About 500,000 people, mainly minority Tutsis, were slaughtered by marauding Hutus in months of violence that started in April 1994. The Hutu regime eventually was ousted by Tutsi-led rebels.

Gollas claims Munyeshaka was but one case in a wider circle of involvement by members of Rwanda's Catholic clergy.



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## 7 Sidewinders in YMCA semis

SAVANNAH, Ga. - Seven members of the Big Spring Sidewinders gymnastics groups advanced to the semifinals of the National YMCA Gymnastics meet this weekend.

The top 80 overall gymnasts at the meet advanced to the semifinals, which were held Saturday night.

Top individual finisher for the Sidewinders was Hayley Whiteside, who placed 15th with an all-around score of 35.95 and 11th place finishes on both the balance beam and floor exercises.

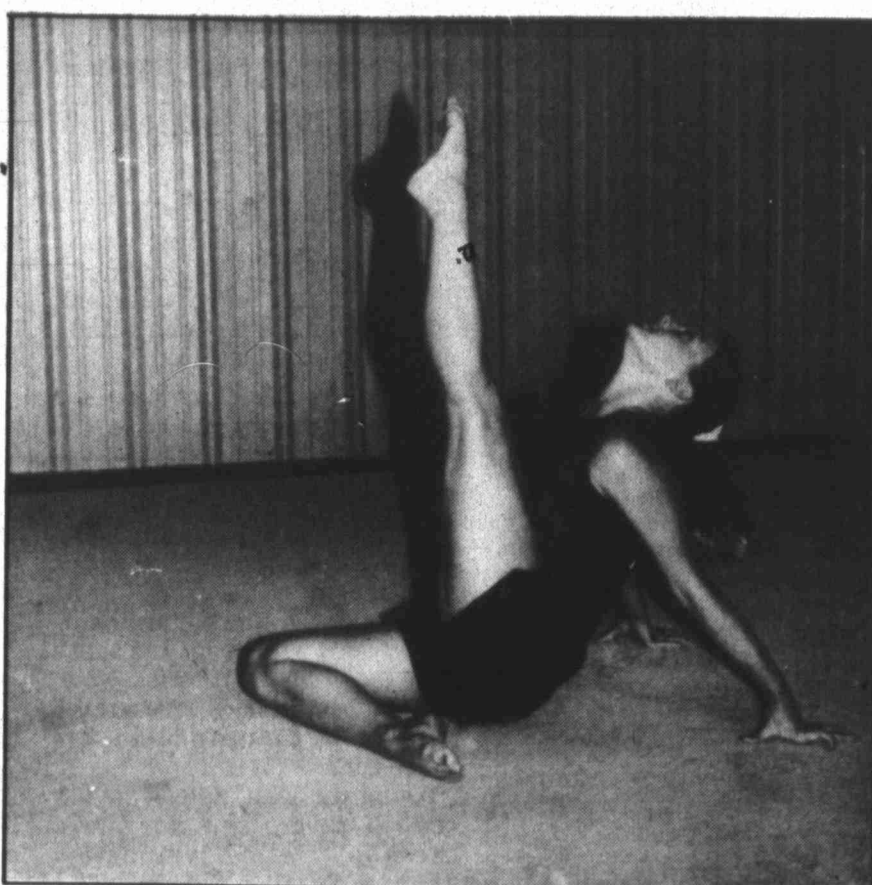


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Kristen Myers and Casy McKim tied for 18th place after the quarterfinals with all-around scores of 35.675. Myers had a fifth-place finish in the floor exercise and a 21st on the beam, while McKim was 14th on the beam and 16th on the floor.

The newest member of the Sidewinders, Brooke Lawrence, had the next-highest finish at 37th, with an all-around score of 34.75. Other Sidewinders qualifying for the semifinals were: Rachelle Guinn (40th, 34.7), Stephanie Stewart (53rd, 34.125) and Lindsee Dickerson (63rd, 33.775).

Sidewinders not qualifying for the semifinals were Christie Drew (32.975), Jana Duncan (31.3) and Emily Mouton (31.175).



Herald photo by Tim Appel

Kristin Myers, shown practicing her floor routine last week, was one of seven Sidewinders who qualified for the semifinals at the national YMCA gymnastics meet in Savannah, Ga.

## Midland Western walks past Junior all-stars

### Pitching fails Big Spring at District 3 tourney

By STEVE REAGAN  
Sportswriter

MIDLAND - Midland Western didn't so much beat Big Spring's Junior League all-stars as much as it walked past them.

Western took advantage of an even dozen walks and five errors to down Big Spring 14-3 in the District 3 Junior League tournament Friday evening.

Western barely out-hit Big Spring, six hits to five, but Big Spring manager Randy Gee said his team's pitching woes were the ultimate difference in the game.

"Walks, walks and more walks," Gee said. "We can't win this tournament with only one pitcher. (Starting pitcher) Mario Garcia started off good but never got comfortable ... You can't have 12 walks with only one strikeout and expect to win the game."

Garcia and relievers Gene Rodriguez and Ricky Solis struggled throughout the game, but in the early going it didn't matter, because Western

starter Cory Simmons and his teammates had troubles of their own.

Midland committed three errors in the first inning, which allowed Big Spring to take the early lead. Solis led off with an infield single, went to second on an error and stole third and scored when catcher Joe Frazier's throw to third went into left field. Rodriguez, who had reached on a single to left, also scored on an errant throw by Frazier.

After the first two innings, however, Western cut out its mistakes, and when the errors disappeared, so did Big Spring's lead.

Western chased Garcia with a seven-run third inning that was built on three hits, two errors and four walks. First baseman Colter Marcum had the big slam of the inning for Western, a two-run double to deep center, and Frazier atoned for his earlier mistakes by scoring a run and adding a sacrifice fly.

After that, Simmons took over, allowing only a harmless run by Solis in the bottom of the fifth. For the game, the Western pitcher struck out seven while walking five.

Big Spring's lopsided loss came on the heels of an even more lopsided victory, a 29-3

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## McEwen prefers low-key approach to coaching

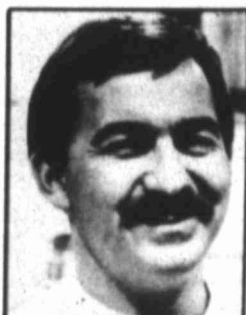
By STEVE REAGAN  
Sportswriter

If there's anyone lonelier than a Maytag repairman, it might be one of Russ McEwen's insurance customers.

Like a Big Spring version of Clark Kent, McEwen is a mild-mannered insurance salesman by day. At about 4 p.m., however, McEwen becomes the not-so-mild-mannered coach of the Big Spring YMCA Sidewinders, one of the top gymnastics teams in the state.

Almost every afternoon, McEwen can be found at the local YMCA, cajoling his charges to do one more vault or dismount or flip, "and this time, let's try to get it right."

This is not to say that McEwen is a screamer or intimidator. He just wants things done right.



McEWEN

"He'll never give up on you," said Lindsee Dickerson, 12, who makes the 90-mile round trip from Midland daily to train with McEwen. "If the routine is not coming along, he'll keep at it. He won't say, 'Just forget it.' He's real patient. He's just a good coach."

There are times, however, when McEwen's cool facade crumbles. When preparing a big meet, like this week's national YMCA championships in Savannah, Ga., he has been known to start cracking the whip.

"Russ has PMS," assistant coach Casey Jones warned last week. "Pre-Meet Syndrome."

McEwen laughed when told of Jones' comment. But he didn't deny it, either.

"When you're going to a big meet, and you have a good, quality squad, you want to make sure you're doing everything possible for them to do their best," he said. "A coach can't make a gymnast great, but he can help them do their best."

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## Who should pick All-Star starters? Fans, of course

It's the oldest and most boring debate in the baseball world.

Should the fans pick the All-Star teams?

The All-Star Game is Tuesday at The Ballpark in Arlington, and, like every year, fans and media folks from all over the country are whining about who made the All-Star team.

And who didn't.

In particular, look at Houston Astro outfielder Derek Bell. Call it a fluke if you wish, but Bell is leading the National League in hitting. The main reason the Astros are still in the playoff hunt is because Bell picked up the slack during Jeff Bagwell's horrible start.

Bell did not make the National League All-Stars.

Because of this, and various other All-Star snubs concerning Andres Galarraga and other players, people are up in arms saying baseball fans are idiots. Sports 'experts' left and right are on television and radio or in the newspaper saying the

vote should be taken away from the fans.

Baseball players and managers would know better, they say. Let them pick the team.

What all these 'experts' are forgetting is that, for the most part, the managers do pick the team. The fans have the privilege of picking the starting lineup, which boils down to eight players on each side. Fans are not allowed to pick the starting pitcher.

The rest of the team - all of the reserves and the entire pitching staff - is chosen by the managers. This season, Felipe Alou of Montreal and Buck Showalter of the New York Yankees are the managers. They alone have control of the reserves and the pitchers, though they certainly conferred with their All-Star coaches.

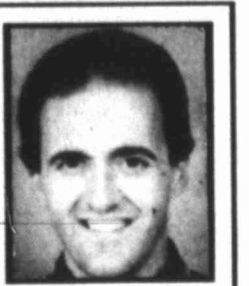
At least you'd think they would.

If you're upset about Bell not making the NL All-Stars, don't blame the fans! Did you expect the fans to choose Bell over perennial favorites Barry Bonds, Lenny Dykstra and Tony Gwynn? Who would you rather see at bat against Dennis Eckersley in the ninth inning of the All-Star Game?

Derek Bell doesn't come to mind. Bonds, Dykstra and Gwynn do.

Point your anger toward

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Dave Hargrave  
Sports Editor



Associated Press photo

Steffi Graf, right, and Spain's Arantxa Sanchez Vicario embrace across the net after the Ladies Singles Final on Centre Court at Wimbledon Saturday.

### WIMBLEDON

## Graf wins classic for title

WIMBLEDON, England (AP) - As Steffi Graf clutched the cherished silver winner's plate Saturday for the sixth time at Wimbledon, Arantxa Sanchez Vicario yanked it away, stealing it a moment, wishing she could take it home.

Sanchez Vicario gave it back ever so reluctantly, for she knew that the giant plate had been within her grasp, that few women had ever played so well, so doggedly, and so long, for the championship and been beaten.

The runner-up plate felt too puny after a match like this, with its epic, 32-point game in the third set highlighting one of the greatest women's finals in the Open era.

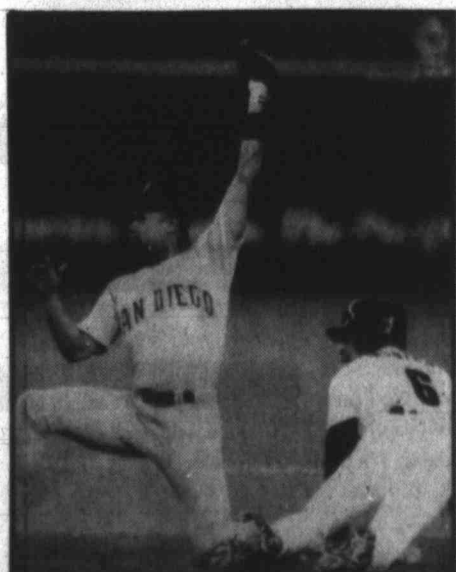
"Oh, you could give me that one," Sanchez Vicario playfully told Graf, but the German smiled and took it back, yielding nothing now after earning such a brilliant victory, 4-6, 6-1, 7-5.

"I thought it was nice to have the big trophy because it could have been mine," Sanchez

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### SHOT OF THE DAY



### Ole!

Houston's James Mouton, right, steals second base as San Diego's Andujar Cedeno looks for the call during their game Friday night in Houston.

### TEXAS SPORTS

#### Doctor: Mantle doing fine

DALLAS (AP) - The surgeon who performed a liver transplant on Mickey Mantle one month ago discounted reports that some of the cancerous tissue from a malignant liver tumor could not be removed.

Dr. Robert Goldstein, the lead surgeon on the transplant at Baylor University Medical Center, was responding to comments made by another doctor who assisted in the procedure.

Goldstein said the New York Yankees Hall of Famer looks and feels well, goes to the golf course almost daily and makes regular hospital visits.

"I'm not totally convinced there was anything left behind. It appeared to me we got what we could. In cancer cases, you just don't know. It could recur in three months or it could recur in three years," Goldstein said.

### NATION/WORLD

#### Villeneuve blazes to pole

ELKHART LAKE, Wis. (AP) - Jacques Villeneuve's record-smashing final lap in Saturday's qualifying gave the Canadian the pole position for Sunday's Texaco-Havoline 200.

Villeneuve earned his second straight pole - and the second of his Indy-car career - with a blazing lap of 142.206 mph on his final trip around the four-mile Road America circuit.

#### McGwire beamed

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) - Mark McGwire left the Oakland Athletics' game against the Toronto Blue Jays on Saturday with a mild concussion after being hit on the helmet by a David Cone fastball in the third inning.

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San Francisco at Atlanta  
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Western Open  
3 p.m., CBS (ch 7)

#### Auto Racing

IndyCar  
Havoline 200  
1 p.m., ESPN

# Tech clears itself of wrongdoing in Jackson probe

LUBBOCK (AP) — Texas Tech failed to rigorously oversee a former basketball player's academic progress but broke no NCAA rules, a review by the university found Friday.

Red Raider coaches bestowed no special benefits on Nate Jackson by inquiring whether the player could take a correspondence Spanish course from a junior college that typically does not offer such credit, the review said.

Questions about Jackson —

one of the nation's most sought-after recruits in 1991 — surfaced last weekend after the Houston Chronicle reported that Jackson gained academic eligibility through one over-the-phone exam.

Howard College in Big Spring gave Jackson a C grade and four semester-hours worth of credit even though the 6-foot-9 forward never left his California hometown for the summer class.

"No serious impropriety can

be assigned to anyone from Texas Tech," the four-page review concluded.

"However the fact that coach (James) Dickey and (former) coach (Doc) Sadler were new to Texas Tech and were engaged in initiating a basketball program does not mitigate the fact that there should have been oversight and follow-up on the progress of Nate Jackson."

The Red Raider was red-shirted in his first season and played in 11 games during 1992-

93 before Tech suspended him for academic troubles.

This review by Robert Sweazy, Tech's athletic faculty representative, came together through interviews with Jackson, Dickey and Howard College professor Harlen Thorton. Sweazy said he would send his findings to the NCAA.

"We're aware of the situation," said NCAA enforcement director Chuck Smrt, who said officials would take Tech's findings under consideration.

Bob Bockrath, athletic director at Tech, said he considers Dickey absolved of culpability.

"He knows the rules and he follows them," Bockrath said in a statement. "He doesn't cut corners or attempt to compromise the integrity of the university or its student-athletes."

The review traced the source of trouble to a D grade in Spanish 101 that was stymying Jackson's attempt to transfer to Tech from College of Southern Idaho.

So Dickey called Howard College's new basketball coach — Jeff Kidder, along with Dickey a member of the Kentucky staff in the 1980s — to ask if Howard College offered Spanish.

The Big Spring school enrolled Jackson and eight other students in a course: "Meaning," the review said, "that a special section of Spanish 1402 was not arranged for Nate."

## Relief pitcher legs it out for Astros

HOUSTON (AP) — Doug Brocail used his arm and legs to get the Houston Astros a 3-2, 17-inning victory over the San Diego Padres on Saturday in the opening game of a doubleheader.

Brocail (2-0) set the Padres down in order in the top of the 17th and then led off the bottom of the inning with a perfect bunt down the third base line for a single. He was sacrificed to second and scored on Craig Biggio's single to end the 4-hour, 29-minute game that was Houston's third straight win over San Diego in their final at-bat.

"Running is the only thing I know how to do. I'm good running on the straightaways," he said. "When I looked up going around third, I was indecisive on whether to slide or stand up."

"What a mess it was. As I came in, I saw the ball was on the way. I was in between a slide and running through the plate. I think I hurt my back," he said with a laugh.

Brocail's bunt and Biggio's single were off Brian Williams (1-7) and meant a win over Brocail's former team.

### Indians 7 Mariners 3

CLEVELAND (AP) — Kenny Lofton tripled twice, drove in two runs and scored twice — once by stealing home — as the Cleveland Indians overcame an early three-run deficit and beat the Seattle Mariners 7-3 Saturday.

Albert Belle homered and Wayne Kirby tripled for the Indians, winners of 10 of their last 13 games. Seattle has lost five of six.

Charles Nagy (7-4) won his third straight game, yielding three runs in the first inning but then blanking the Mariners on three hits over the next eight innings. He retired the last 14 batters and finished with a five-hitter for his first complete game of the year.

## BASEBALL

### Blue Jays 9, Athletics 6

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — Paul Molitor's two-run homer in the seventh inning broke a tie and led the Toronto Blue Jays to a 9-6 win Saturday over Oakland in the first game of a doubleheader that included the beaming of the A's Mark McGwire.

After McGwire was hit by David Cone in the third, Oakland pitchers Doug Johns and Mike Harkey were ejected for throwing at Blue Jays hitters, and both benches emptied in the seventh after Joe Carter was hit by a pitch. There were no fights.

Molitor's sixth home run of the season broke a 3-3 tie, and Devon White and Joe Carter had three RBIs apiece for Toronto.

### Orioles 5 White Sox 2

CHICAGO (AP) — Curtis Goodwin drove in two runs and Mike Mussina won his fourth straight start Saturday as the Baltimore Orioles won their third straight, a 5-2 decision over the Chicago White Sox.

Goodwin went 3-for-4 with a pair of RBI singles, including a seventh inning base hit that gave Baltimore a 5-1 lead. It was his 18th multi-hit game of the season.

Mussina (9-5) gave up eight hits, struck out four and walked one in 7 2-3 innings. He is 4-0 in his last four starts, giving up just eight earned runs over 29 1-3 innings.

### Dodgers 12 Reds 2

CINCINNATI (AP) — Carlos Hernandez homered and drove in a career-high five runs Saturday night as the Los

Angeles Dodgers emerged from a deep offensive slump and ended a five-game losing streak with a 12-2 win over the Cincinnati Reds.

Hernandez put the Dodgers ahead to stay with a three-run homer in the fourth. He added an RBI single in a four-run fifth and singled home another run in the eighth.

### Pirates 3 Mets 2

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Don Slaught hit a two-run single and 27-year-old rookie John Ericks won his second consecutive start as the Pittsburgh Pirates beat the New York Mets 3-2 Saturday night.

Slaught's single came in the third inning after Mets rookie starter Bill Pulsipher (1-4) had nearly pitched out of a bases-loaded, no-out jam. Jacob Brumfield doubled, Jay Bell singled and Carlos Garcia walked before Pulsipher struck out Jeff King and Steve Pegues. Slaught then grounded a 2-1 pitch up the middle.

### Royals 4 Tigers 1

DETROIT (AP) — A strong start by Mark Gubicza cooled off Detroit, helping the Kansas City Royals end the Tigers' five-game winning streak Saturday with a 4-1 victory.

Jon Nunnally homered for the Royals, who stopped a three-game losing streak with only their sixth win in their last 19 games.

A crowd of 36,905, the second-largest of the season at Tiger Stadium, included about 10,000 bleacher fans who obtained tickets purchased by Detroit slugger Cecil Fielder.

The Tigers, trying to win a 10th straight home game for the first time since 1975, instead lost for just the third time in their last 11 overall.

The camp starts at 9 a.m., with registration beginning at 8 a.m. Players ages 15-21 are welcome. Players should bring their own equipment, and American Legion players need to have proof of permission from their post commander or coach.

### Padres tryout camp will be in Snyder

The San Diego Padres will host a tryout camp Monday at Snyder High School. The camp is open to all players ages 15-22.

For more information, call coach Roland Herrera at (915) 573-1355 or Bernie Dwyer at (713) 850-0562.

## McEwen

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McEwen helped launch the Sidewinders' program more than 12 years ago. At the time, he considered himself an insurance agent who spent his spare time teaching gymnastics. Now, he's a gymnastics instructor who sells insurance in his spare time.

Along the way, he has steadily built the program into one of the top YMCA gymnastics groups in the nation. The Sidewinders finished ninth at the 1993 national meet and qualified 10 gymnasts, the most-ever, for this year's event.

With that kind of reputation, it's no surprise that Dickerson and several other gymnasts from throughout the area travel to Big Spring to study under McEwen. Of the 10 Sidewinders at the national meet, only three live in Big Spring.

Brooke Lawrence, an 11-year-old from Odessa, said McEwen is a demanding but fair taskmaster.

"If you do what he wants you do, then everything's OK,"

## Hargrave

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Alou. Point it at Showalter if you can't understand why Rafael Palmiero didn't make the AL All-Stars. But lay off the fans!

Heck, baseball's lucky it had fans that wanted to vote this season after the eight-month strike that nearly sank the sport. A record of 14 million-

## Graf

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Vicario said. "It felt good to have it in my hand. I know now I can play very well on grass. I know one day I can win and hold the big trophy for real."

For the moment, though, the 23-year-old Spaniard is still second best to Graf, who claimed her 17th Grand Slam title and improved her 1995 record to 32-0. Only a month ago, Graf won the French Open, beating Sanchez Vicario in a much easier final.

Graf, playing her finest against an inspired opponent at her own best, smashed 10 over-heads and 10 volleys, scorched the lines and corners with her forehands, and won that spectacular game in the final set to earn that trophy and the \$25,000 that went with it.

If the 18-16 tiebreaker between Bjorn Borg and John McEnroe in 1980 defined the ultimate in the men's game, the 32 points and hundreds of shots Graf and Sanchez Vicario endured in the 11th game of the third set defined the ultimate in women's tennis. McEnroe won that tiebreaker but lost in five sets. Graf won this classic game to secure the match.

"It's a game that will stand

out for many, many years," the 26-year-old Graf said. "Never in my career had I played such a long game with so many quality points. We both didn't give anything to each other. I was really tired at the end. There were some incredible points there."

"That definitely produced the best tennis of both of us. Neither of us played any loose points. Nobody gave up."

It was 5-5 in the final set, Sanchez Vicario serving, and they had been panting in humid, 102-degree heat for an hour and a half of breathless rallies. Now they began a game that lasted 20 minutes through 13 deuces, eight game points for Sanchez Vicario, and six break points for Graf.

Far from playing scared, each boldly went for winners, going for the lines, the corners, dusting the chalk all over the court. Graf grabbed her sixth break point with a rally that epitomized the fever of the match.

Here were two players at the height of their game, reminiscent of such classic women's finals at Wimbledon as Martina Navratilova's three-set triumph over Chris Evert in 1978, Evert's three-setter over Evonne Goolagong in 1976 and

"Both are extremely good motivators, as far as pulling the best out of kids, and that's the ultimate goal," Jones said. "But (McEwen) can do that without scaring them into it. I wouldn't call Russ a stern or strict coach. You've got to push him to his boiling point for him to yell at you."

"My major priority is to help the kids do as well as they can possibly do, but not to the exclusion of them enjoying the sport," McEwen said. "If they do well, they get praised. If gymnastics is not a positive experience for the kids, then we've failed them. I want the kids to be happy."

As to what makes McEwen happy, the answer's obvious.

"Gymnastics has given me a great deal of enjoyment, or I wouldn't have done it as long as I have," he said. "A few years ago, I questioned whether I still wanted to do this. Now, there's no question. It's exciting. It's fun."

Insurance, it seems, will just have to wait.

lotting?

Baseball has dumped on its fans enough. Fans don't need more heat from sports 'experts' or self-righteous purists who want to base the All-Star teams solely on statistics.

All-Star balloting is a lot like political elections.

The people complaining the loudest are usually those who didn't vote in the first place.

Margaret Court's 14-12, 11-9 victory over Billie Jean King in 1970.

This time, the pivotal game began with a long exchange of crisp shots, then rose to another level when Sanchez Vicario hit a daring backhand drop shot crosscourt. Graf raced in from the baseline to scoop it up with a backhand, Sanchez Vicario caught up to that to drill a forehand crosscourt, and Graf leaped out to put it away with a volley.

## District

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bashing of West Odessa to open play in the tournament Wednesday. Gee admitted the team needs to regain its equilibrium fast.

"They've got (until Sunday) to get ready for the next game," Gee said. "It's up to them. If they want to stay in the tournament, they need to get their act together. If they have any character, which I think they do, they'll come back."

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## SPORTS IN BRIEF

### BSHS boys' hoops camp will start Monday

The Big Spring High School boys' basketball camp will start Monday at the BSHS physical education gymnasiums.

The camp is Monday through Thursday: 8 a.m. - noon for grades 4-6 and 1-5 p.m. for grades 7-9.

Cost is \$35, and campers can register the first day of camp. For more information, call BSHS boys' coach Gary Tipton at 267-8002.

### Junior rodeo starts July 20

The Big Spring American Junior Rodeo Association rodeo will be July 20-22 at the Big Spring Rodeo Bowl.


Nightly performances will begin at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$4 for adults and \$2 for children under 12.

The event is sponsored by the Howard County 4-H Clubs.

### Red Sox camp comes to Howard College

The Boston Red Sox will host a tryout camp July 14 at Howard College's Jack Barber Field.

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# On All-Star Eve, fan displeasure with baseball still evident

Trevor Wilson heard the fans, loud and clear. The San Francisco starter was shelled a few weeks ago, and the Candlestick Park crowd let him know exactly how bad he'd been. "I could hear what they were saying clearly," he said. "I could hear them saying things about my mother-in-law." Chances are, that was nothing

ing compared to what people are saying about all of baseball these days. And at All-Star time, when the sport and its fans should be celebrating, who can blame them? The commissioner's job has been vacant for more than two years. His office on Park Avenue in New York is now used, at times, as a stock room.

There's no agreement in sight between players and owners, and there's no definitive promise from either side that the expanded playoffs and World Series won't be wiped out again. Attendance is down about 25 percent, and even the lure of free tickets, open seating and promotions galore haven't brought people back to the ball-

parks. Tuesday's All-Star game at The Ballpark in Arlington is listed as a sellout — that's tickets sold, not actual attendance — although for the first time in years, it's said to be easy to get a ticket. Ken Griffey Jr. and Matt Williams won't be at the game. They're injured, two of the many stars who have missed action this season. So is Eddie

Murray; he got his 3,000th hit on June 30, but still was left off the AL team, even at a time when baseball tries to proudly point to its history. Greg Maddux is hurt, too. The three-time Cy Young winner strained his groin last week, and that may mean Hideo Nomo — one of baseball's few bright spots this year, along with the Cleveland

Indians and Cal Ripken — will start for the NL. "I think more people want to watch him pitch than me," Maddux said. "He's unique. He's different. There's a certain mystique which I don't have." Darryl Strawberry, however, may be back in the majors soon. That announcement was enough to instantly make David Letterman's monologue.

## Some suggestions on how to fix what's broken with sport

Of course, baseball needs a commissioner and a collective bargaining agreement. Those things, though, won't arrive for a while.

In the meantime, what can be done to help revive the game? Interleague play, speedup rules, earlier starts for World Series games and new stadiums have been mentioned as remedies, but there are many more ways to build up the sport.

A list of 10 suggestions — some big, others small, a few for the future, a couple starting this week — to improve baseball and bring back people to the park:

1. **START HIDEO NOMO IN THE ALL-STAR GAME.** This might seem like a no-brainer, but ... he's created that special buzz caused by 19-year-old rookie Dwight Gooden in 1984, Mark Fidrych in 1976 and Vida Blue in 1971. Fans want to tune in Tuesday night knowing they'll see Nomo trying to strike out Frank Thomas, Albert Belle and Cal Ripken.
2. **SCHEDULE DOUBLE-HEADERS.** At least three for every team, preferably on Sundays and holidays. What youngster during the 1960s didn't grow up circling the date of doubleheaders in January, then looking forward all spring to that big day on July 4?
3. **REINSTATE PETE ROSE.** It's been long enough, already. Allow him back and make him eligible for the Hall of Fame under one condition — that he spend the next two years travel-

ing the country, talking up baseball to anyone who will listen.

4. **GIVE AWAY FOUL BALLS.** It just looks bad to see a ballboy or ballgirl pick up a grounder and drop it into a bag while kids are begging for the souvenir. What would it cost — \$100 per game? The good will is worth it. Some teams give them away now, but not enough.

5. **STIFFEN SUSPENSIONS.** No more of this Steve Howe and Darryl Strawberry stuff that drives fans crazy. When a guy gets caught with drugs, he sits for a long time — and no more sneaking back by appealing to an arbitrator. When a player bumps an umpire, he's gone for five games — no argument.

6. **PLAY IN NEUTRAL SITES.** Places like Buffalo, Washington

and Vancouver want to see big leaguers, and not in meaningless exhibitions. It's worked in the NHL and NBA, and it used to broaden baseball's fan base in cities like Newark and Milwaukee (after the Braves and before the Brewers).

7. **HOLD HOME RUN DERBIES.** They lasted into the 1970s, and always were popular, when the likes of Mike Schmidt, Greg Luzinski and Richie Hebner would tee off against Steve Garvey, Dusty Baker and Ron Cey between games of a doubleheader.

8. **ELIMINATE SALARY ARBITRATION.** The No. 1 reason there are so many overpaid millionaires, and the main cause of baseball's economic problems. Players, though, must get something in return, perhaps increased free agency.

9. **GET KIDS ON THE FIELD.** Whether it's running the bases after the game (some teams do it), setting up autograph days or bringing back camera days. Kids love to be part of the action — be it banging into the padded outfield walls or bouncing on the turf.

10. **MAKE ALL-STAR ROSTERS FLEXIBLE.** There should have been room this year for Eddie Murray after he got his 3,000th hit, and it wouldn't have hurt to allow Andre Dawson one final appearance. In 1993, baseball made a big mistake by not adding Nolan Ryan in his final year.

### SIGN IN, PLEASE



Texas Rangers All-Star catcher Ivan Rodriguez, right, signs autographs for fans at the Ballpark in Arlington before the Rangers' game with New York Thursday.

## Ballpark pays homage to other sites, times

ARLINGTON (AP) — When players from all 28 major league teams gather Tuesday at The Ballpark in Arlington for the All-Star game, several of them may look around the 1-year-old stadium and feel right at home.

Detroit players will instantly recognize a tribute to Tiger Stadium with The Ballpark's so-called Home Run Porch in right field. Red Sox players may notice a tricky, asymmetrical outfield much like Boston's Fenway Park.

Kansas City players may be comforted by the grassy hitter's backdrop in center field, similar to Kauffman Stadium. Baltimore players will see a resemblance to Camden Yards, their modern home with a throwback look and feel.

There's always something to see or do at the \$195 million Ballpark.

Hungry? Go to the upscale Diamond Club restaurant hidden behind windows in left field, or check out the view from Friday's Front Row Grill sports bar in right field. There's also plenty of concession stands with great names like Bambino's Pizza, Home Run Bakery and Cy Yogurts.

Want to know more about the game? Take a stroll through the



The Ballpark in Arlington, shown in this file photo, will host Major League's All-Star Game Tuesday evening.

Legends of the Game Baseball Museum and its learning center.

The museum and a sports art gallery are located in the part of the stadium that truly makes The Ballpark unique: there's a building inside.

Because the stadium is in suburban Arlington, a booming city midway between Dallas and Fort Worth, there were no warehouses or downtown buildings to use as a backdrop, as at

Baltimore's Camden Yards and Denver's new Coors Field.

So, architect David Schwarz decided to put in his own and use the four-story structure to connect the sections of seats in left and right fields. Tenants include the Texas Rangers team offices, a radio station, an orthodontist and the Troy Aikman Foundation.

The building was Schwarz's way of fitting a traditionally round facility into a square

block, another nod to some of the great ballparks of yesteryear.

It fits in perfectly, and when people are on the balconies facing the field, it's hard not to think of fans in Chicago watching a game at Wrigley Field from atop their apartment buildings.

Surrounding the building are several old-fashioned billboards, but the sign that draws the most attention doesn't advertise anything, except a chance for sluggers to improve their wardrobe.

The "Hit It Here, Win A Free Suit" sign atop the second deck of Porch is marked at 501 feet, but likely is farther. There's no sponsor, although Texas Gov. George W. Bush, a Rangers part owner, once joked he'd give away one of his own.

For the really ambitious sluggers, Schwarz has added another target to swing at by leaving a sliver of daylight between the Porch and the right field seats. It's the only spot a ball literally can be hit out of the park.

The 49,178-seat park was sold out for 21 of 62 games last season. Even without the 20 games lost to the strike, Texas shattered its single-season attendance record by averaging 40,374 per night.

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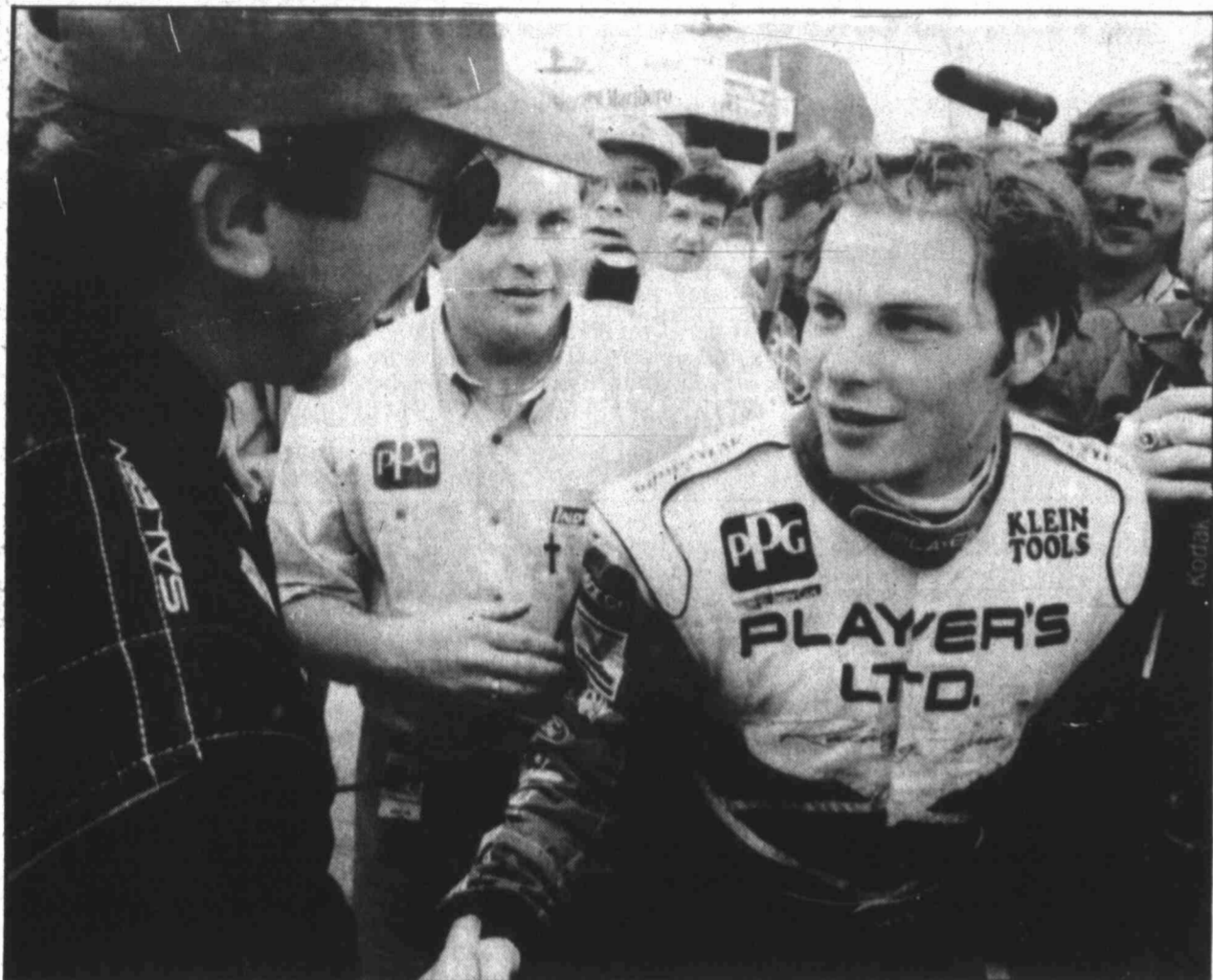
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IndyCar driver Jacques Villeneuve, right, is congratulated by TV actor Tim Allen after winning the pole position for Sunday's Texaco/Havoline 200 in Elkhart Lake, Wis.

Duo tied for Western Open lead

LEMONT, Ill. (AP) — Brett Ogle birdied the 18th hole Saturday to tie Steve Lowery for the lead heading into the final round of the wide-open Western Open.

Ogle shot a 3-under-par 69 and Lowery a 70 to move past second-round leader Jay Haas with a three-day total of 7-under 209. Haas led until the 16th hole but bogeyed the last two to fall one shot back. Bob Estes and Grant Waite were another stroke off the pace.

Tom Watson, looking for his first PGA Tour victory since 1987, headed a group of five golfers three behind the leaders. Watson had a 1-over 73 Saturday despite making the shot of the day — a 45-foot sand shot for an eagle on the par-5 15th hole.

Eighteen golfers were within four strokes of the lead and 24 were within five, which promised a wild Sunday at the Cog Hill Golf & Country Club.

Sponsor Motorola increased the purse 67 percent to \$2 million — making the Western Open one of the tour's richest events — and the golfers are playing for a \$360,000 top prize.

On Thursday, when Ogle bogeyed No. 18 after hitting a poor drive, he called the hole a "stinker."

On Saturday, following a perfect 1-iron tee shot, he knocked a 7-iron within 10 inches of the cup. He smiled and said: "The hole's not a stinker. It's just my stinkin' thinkin.' Today, I was smart."

Watson, tied with Larry Mize, Billy Mayfair, Scott Simpson

GOLF

and Scott Hoch, expected he would need at least a 67 Sunday to snap an eight-year drought.

Hill holds lead at Kroger

MASON, Ohio (AP) — Graham Marsh shot a tournament-record 8-under-par 63 in the Kroger Senior Classic on Saturday, and Isao Aoki had a second straight 66.

But neither could overtake first-round leader Mike Hill, who takes a two-stroke advantage into Sunday's final round at The Golf Center at Kings Island.

Hill shot a 66 to tie the tournament record with a 12-under 130 total. Aoki is two back and Marsh is another stroke behind.

"I'd rather be two strokes up than two strokes down," Hill said. "But it will take another 66 to win it. I hope I hit 15 or 16 greens tomorrow to make sure that they're going to have to beat a good score."

Aoki briefly moved a stroke ahead of Hill with a birdie on No. 16, but three-putted No. 17 and put his approach in the lake in front of the 18th green for his first back-to-back bogeys of the tournament.

"I will try not to do that tomorrow," Aoki said through an interpreter.

Hill birdied three of the first four holes and the par-5 ninth. But then he played the back-

side in even par, salvaging par on No. 11 with a 30-foot chip that he called the key to his round.

Wright leads by one at Farr

SYLVANIA, Ohio (AP) — Pam Wright had birdies on four of the last six holes Saturday to move into a one-shot lead over three players after two rounds of the LPGA Jamie Farr Toledo Classic.

Wright, a native of Scotland, finished with a 5-under-par 67 round over the 6,319-yard, par-71 Highland Meadows Golf Club. She completed two rounds at 5-under 137.

She held a one-shot lead over first-round co-leader Colleen Walker, Muffin Spencer-Devlin and Kathryn Marshall.

Walker had a 72 Saturday after shooting 66 in the first round, and Spencer-Devlin and Marshall each shot 71.

Wright, the LPGA tour's 1989 rookie of the year, has yet to win a tournament in seven seasons as a pro. Her best finishes are seconds in the 1990 Atlantic City Classic and the 1989 Nippon Travel-MBS Classic.

Wright was third in the Rochester International last month, but has missed the cut seven times in her other 12 tournament appearances this year.

Deb Richard shot a 67 Saturday to join a group at 139, two strokes off the pace. Also at 3-under were Beth Daniel, Brandie Burton and Hall of Famer Betsy King.

United States downs Chile

PAYSANDU, Uruguay (AP) — Eric Wynalda scored two first-half goals as the United States beat Chile 2-1 on Saturday for its first ever victory in the America Cup.

Wynalda opened the scoring in the 15th minute, converting a cross from Ernie Stewart from 5 yards out. The striker made it 2-0 14 minutes later, bending a 19-yard free kick past goalkeeper Marcelo Ramirez.

Wynalda has 17 goals in 61 appearances, passing Hugo Perez for second place on the U.S. career list.

"Today's two goals helped the team win an important game in an important tournament."

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American League

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## Take a walk on the WILD SIDE

Even here on the edge of the desert, wildflowers grow rampant. Take another look at those colorful spots that make green and brown fields just a little livelier.



This star-shaped wildflower is silver-leaf nightshade. Its blue petals and yellow-gold anthers make it striking to view, but don't pick it - its thistles will hurt!

Story by Mary McAteer  
Photos by Tim Appel

**N**othing to do? In need of exercise or entertainment?

Take a walk on the wild side.

Before you get out the maps and start planning what motel you'll stay in, stop. Take a walk around the block - the wild side is just outside your door. Growing in a crack in the sidewalk, angling up a wall in an alley, spreading over that vacant lot down the block are wild things - wildflowers. That's right - wildflowers.

There are over 5,000 varieties of wildflowers to be found in the state of Texas, and several thousand of the most spectacular grow on the Edwards Plateau, which encompasses all of the area in Howard, Martin and Mitchell counties.

The Edwards Plateau is described as "hill country" - high desert with shallow soil over a limestone or caliche base. The Western side of the plateau is typically prairie land or semi-desert grasslands, sparsely populated with Spanish oak and cedar.

The most common wildflowers probably grow right in your backyard, or along the fence. Milkweed, for example, is a wildflower in the fields and a weed in the garden. Milkweed is the only food choice of the Monarch butterfly and its caterpillar, and the fluff is a favorite nest-lining for goldfinches. Back in the days when candles were more commonly used than they are now, milkweed fluff was preferred for candlewick, because it burned cleaner and slower than cotton, without the nasty smoke a cotton wick makes when it's blown out.

Many varieties of sunflower can be found in the Big Spring area, from the early-blooming coreopsis with its small dark-brown center and sunny yellow petals to the Mexican Hat with its distinctive tall central cone and velvet-brown petals rimmed with gold. The Brown-Eyed Susans and



Thelesperma, also called green-thread, has yellow petals with yellow to brown centers. It's a member of the sunflower family.

Arkansas Lazy Daisies are in bloom now. Sunflowers come in an astonishing range of colors, from the deep, rich yellow most people associate with them to a dark, velvety brown.

The common dandelion is a member of the sunflower family, and is abundant in the backyard, the garden, and the alley. Dandelion greens, picked when they're young and tender, are still an element in gourmet salads, and thrifty homemakers used to make wine from the flowers.

One of the most distinctive and easy to spot wildflowers around Big Spring is the Buffalo Gourd with its long, grayish-green leaves and



The common sunflower has yellow petals and a red or purple disc flower. The Indians used it for medicines, fiber and food.

bright orange-yellow blooms. Found trailing over sunny hillsides and along ditch banks, the Buffalo Gourd is actually a member of the melon family, and is related to the familiar watermelons and cucumbers of local gardens. The small, striped green fruit is reported to have been boiled and eaten by Indians, and the roots were crushed and used in clothes washing. Attractive to look at and useful in their habit of growing over old junk and rough ground, Buffalo Gourds smell unpleasant if crushed.

Although they're more common in open country, the tall, salmon-colored blooms of the Indian Paintbrush can be found in some of the fields and vacant lots around Big Spring. Also called the Texas Paintbrush, this flower is a summer bloomer, brightening open areas and fields from early May until late fall.

Early morning walkers will find their energy rewarded by several varieties of morning glory. Morning glory takes its name from its habit of blooming in the cool early hours. The delicate, chalice-shaped flowers usually close up during the heat of the day. The colors range from the maroon and deep blue of the cultivated variety to the

pale pink of the sharp-leaved wild morning glory to the white with pale pink or blue veining of the most common wild morning glory. Also known as bindweed.

If you're an afternoon or evening person, you'll still find something beautiful or unusual waiting just along the street or around the corner. The Scarlet Musk Flower, also called Devil's Bouquet, has a cluster of tiny, chalice-shaped blooms with delicate white-tipped anthers. The flowers open in the evening and close during the heat of the day.

If your bump of curiosity is large, you can find a number of good wildflower guides at Poncho's, but you don't need a book to enjoy what you're seeing. So take a walk on the wild side - you never know what you might meet.



Camphor weed looks more attractive than the name would imply. Its rose or coral flowers draw interest not only from wildflower watchers, but from a butterfly looking for food.

## Dear Santa: You have five months to find me a Hovercraft

Last week I was in a group of people and overheard the most remarkable conversation.



Barbara Morrison  
Columnist

There were three individuals in a group, and the talk went something like this:

"Boy, I want a remote control submarine for Christmas. I can't wait. If I don't get one for Christmas,

then I'm still gonna get one. I'll just have to pay for it myself."

The next boy said, "Well, if you get that, then I'll ask for a remote control Hovercraft. I think that's neat because we could build a ramp and then we could jump it off the ramp and into the pool. That would be just sooooo cool."

The third boy agreed. "Well, I want a remote control speedboat. Make that a helicopter with pontoons, because then I could play in the water with you two!"

About that time, my youngest son ran up and, upon hearing the tail end of the conversation, said, "Dad, if you get the helicopter, can I play with it too?"

Yup, you guessed it. The three "boys" involved in the conversation were my husband and two of his friends.

Grown men, yes. Boys, forever.

A perfect example of this is something that happened in our family about three years ago. It was Christmas time and we made the trek to Florida to spend the holidays with hubby's family.

Now, these trips are usually more oriented towards his idea of fun than mine. I get to spend the time helping the women cook and clean up after an immense army of Morrisons, and then I chase around Grandma's house trying to pick

up after the terrible trio. Yesirree bud, that's my idea of vacation, but that's another column.

Anyway, this particular December, Santa Claus had brought the two legitimate boys (ages seven and eight) remote control airplanes.

No, not the expensive ones - Santa was too cheap for that. We bought them the kind on the wire.

I remember the shopping experience quite clearly.

There was hubby, face pressed to the glass showcase at the toy store, wishing and drooling over all of the expensive remote control items.

"Michael has been wanting a

basketball," I said.

"Oh, anyone can have that. He'll like these better," was his comeback.

"Willis has been wanting a Sega game," I tried.

"He'll love these," said the adult.

"Just what exactly do you want so bad that you are going to buy and give them for Christmas?" I asked, cutting through the bull.

"Why, these remote control airplanes," he said, somewhat amazed that I couldn't tell.

So, on Christmas morning, there were the planes and yes, the boys loved them. All day they kept after their dad to go outside and fly them.

"Just wait," he answered. "I need to show you how."

Finally, hubby and his brother took the boys out to the beach to fly the planes. About two hours later, in came the foursome. Leading the way were two little boys with tear-streaked faces, looking devastated.

"What happened?" I asked, concerned.

"Dad and Uncle Robbie wouldn't let us fly our planes, and then they crashed them and now they won't fly," said both boys at once.

The boys never did get those planes working. And now, the big boys are asking for some...ha!

# WEDDINGS

## Roberts-Harrison

Keisha Louise Roberts, Abilene, and Preston Wayne Harrison, Big Spring, were united in marriage June 17, 1995, at the First Church of the Nazarene with Lee Rushing, pastor of CrossRoads Community Fellowship, officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Elizabeth Roberts, San Angelo, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Roberts, Dallas, and Mr. and Mrs. Steve Collie, Boyd.

He is the son of Garland and Peggy Harrison, Coahoma.

The couple stood in front of an arch candelabra with a seven-candle candelabra on each side and the couple's unity candle, all accented with ivy.

Pianist was Vanessa Burchett, and organist was Glenda Coker. Beverly Warren and Clifton McFadden were the vocalists.

Given in marriage by her mother, the bride wore a white crystal taffeta gown accented with a sweetheart neckline. The fitted bodice was covered with lace, pearls and sequins. The gown featured fitted lace sleeves that pointed at the wrist, a full skirt and a chapel-length train, covered with matching lace applique heavily beaded with sequins and pearls.

The bride carried a bouquet of white satin roses accented with white baby's breath, purple and lavender flowers and pearls.

Maid of honor was Christina McCuistian, Big Spring.

Bridesmaids were Tina Roberts, sister of the bride, San Angelo, and Paula Thiel, sister of the groom, Abilene.

Flower girl was Lauren Sage, Big Spring, and ringbearer was Mykel Wagner, Big Spring.

Best man was Gabriel Franco, Houston.

Brandon Johnson and Randy Paige, both of Big Spring, served as groomsmen.

Jimi Dorland and Steve Howard, both of Big Spring,



MRS. PRESTON HARRISON

were the ushers and candle-lighters.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the fellowship hall.

The bride's table had a purple tablecloth with a white lace overlay. The table featured a four-tiered white cake with purple and lavender roses and white swans and tulle. It was topped with a handblown heart shaped cake topper accented with swans and lovebirds. The table also featured the bride's bouquet and a punch bowl.

The groom's table had a lavender tablecloth with a lace overlay. The cake was cross-shaped chocolate accented with purple and lavender roses. The table also had two purple candles with two angel figurines at the foot of the candles.

The bride is a 1991 graduate of Coahoma High School and a 1995 graduate of Stenograph Institute of Texas. She was employed by the law offices of Thomas W. Choate.

The groom is a 1985 graduate of Big Spring High School and attended Howard College. He is currently employed by Southwest Tool Co.

Following a wedding trip to New Mexico, the couple will make their home in Coahoma.

## Marshall-Willis

Michele Marshall, Big Spring, and Shane Willis, Lubbock, exchanged wedding vows June 17, 1995, at Fredericksburg United Methodist Church with Rev. Keith Wyatt, of Corpus Christi Methodist Church, officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Jimmy and Joyce Marshall, Fredericksburg.

The groom is the son of Kyle and Paula Willis, Spring.

The couple stood before two large arrangements in glass cylinders of calla lilies, tuber roses, Casablanca lilies and Queen Anne's lace tied with white French organdy ribbon. Brass candelabras tied with ivy and white French organdy ribbon were placed on either side of the altar.

Claudia Sechrist was the organist, and E.W. Hallford played the trumpet. Laurie Jenschke was the vocalist.

Given in marriage by her parents, the bride wore a gown of Italian satin with an alencon re-embroidered lace bodice, full-length sleeves and sweetheart neckline. The full skirt, leading into a cathedral train, was embellished with alencon lace and three rosettes at the back of the gown at the dropped waist. Her veil was a halo of silk rosettes with a pouf of tulle cascading to the fingertip.

She carried a bouquet of cascading Casablanca lilies, tuber roses, porcelain roses and English ivy.

Maid of honor was Rebekah Jackson, aunt of the bride, Austin.

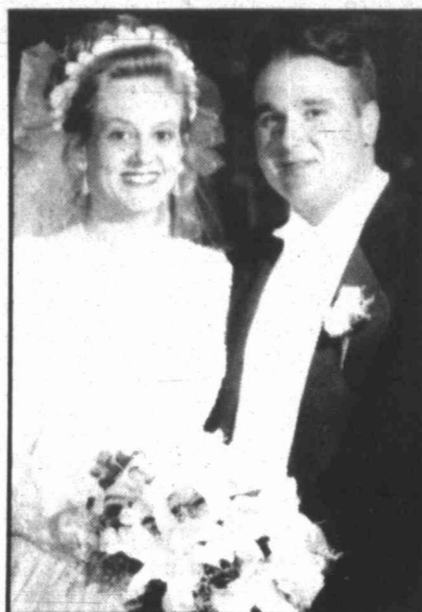
Bridesmaids were June Cowan, San Antonio; Jogay Tunnell, Stanton; Mykel Anne McClendon, Spring; Mafshay Wuest, cousin of the bride, College Station; and Jeri Marshall, cousin of the bride, Snyder.

Tana Dockal, cousin of the bride, was the flower girl. Ovary Kelso served as ringbearer.

Best man was Rodney McMillian, Big Spring.

Groomsmen were Mike Baumann and Adam Guillen, Spring; Brian Anderson, Lubbock; Jeremy Willis, brother of the groom, Spring, and Allen Marshall, brother of the bride, Fredericksburg.

Following the ceremony, a



MR. AND MRS. SHANE WILLIS

reception was held in the Adelesverein Pavillion in Market Square, Fredericksburg.

The tables were covered in white linens and held a large hurricane with white candles and rose petals. Tulle and English ivy accented the centerpieces.

The bride's cake was a three-tiered Italian creme cake with apricot filling, topped with fresh lilies and English ivy. The bride's table held baskets of cerise rosebuds filled with birdseed. Two champagne flutes from Harrod's of London, tulle and votives completed the table.

The groom's cake was a chocolate buttercream cake with amaretto filling, topped with chocolate glazed strawberries.

The bride is a 1989 graduate of Fredericksburg High School and a 1994 graduate of Texas Tech University with a bachelor of science in elementary education. She is employed the Big Spring Independent School District.

The groom is a 1989 graduate of Spring High School and a 1995 graduate of Texas Tech University with a bachelor of science in exercise and sports science. He is employed by the Tomball Independent School District.

Following a wedding trip to Cancun, Mexico, the couple will make their home in Tomball.

# ANNIVERSARIES

## Banks



THE BANKS, THEN AND NOW

William R. and Doris E. Banks will celebrate their wedding anniversary with a reception from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. today at the Berea Baptist Church, hosted by their children.

He was born in Loraine, and she was born as Doris E. Ruehlow in Toppenish, Wash. The couple met in January of 1945 through mutual friends in Tacoma, Wash. They were married Feb. 9, 1946, in Satus, Wash., by the Rev. Elmer Zamzow. They are celebrating their anniversary now when all five children can be present.

The couple's children are Dianne Oliphant and Bill Banks, III, both of Big Spring; Randy Banks, Beaverton, Ore.; Ron Banks, Puerto Ayacucho, Venezuela, and Dorothy Leach,

Orlando, Fla. They have 10 grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. Banks have lived in Big Spring during their entire marriage. Mr. Banks is retired and previously worked at Cosden Oil & Chemical Refinery as an electrical and instrument supervisor. Mrs. Banks is also retired and previously worked at the Big Spring Health Food Center. She also enjoys sewing, reading, crafts and traveling. He enjoys traveling, woodwork, making things work and garden and yard work.

They commented, "We have enjoyed taking care of each other down through the years. We are still sweethearts. We both love working for the Lord."

## Art deco and space age collide in new furniture

By MIKE PELLEGRINI  
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Larry Laslo is going about things in exactly the opposite way Frank Lloyd Wright did.

Wright made his mark with signature houses that stunned the design world, then applied his ideas to just about everything that could be found inside the homes — tables and chairs, lamps and sofas, silverware and sheets.

Laslo earned his reputation with interior spaces that wowed clients with their rich mix of references, and now is working his way from inside to outside with Laslo-designed tableware by Mikasa, Laslo-designed carpets by Transocean and Laslo-designed boutiques and showrooms for Takashimaya and Bergdorf Goodman.

"I really should get around to designing a house one of these days. That would be a lot of fun," said Laslo, who laughed with delight at the thought while visiting a showroom in Pittsburgh, Pa., filled with the Laslo-designed furniture that has been winning such rave reviews of late.

His furniture is at once flamboyant and restrained, avant-garde and classical. It's different — but not too different —

and therein lies its appeal. Perloria is the exclusive dealer in Pittsburgh.

"We've really needed someone like him. Furniture has been so boring for so long. He's brought a breath of fresh air to the business," said Perloria's Perry Sigesmund, who with wife Lora invited Laslo to help them celebrate the store's first anniversary two weeks ago.

Laslo's Satellite line is contemporary, but restates ideas about comfort often found in period furniture, such as French Provincial.

Its techno-sounding name alludes to the pieces' ray-gun, rocket-engine feet, but the large sofas, chaises and chairs reek of Old World languor.

Among them is the "Spock" chair that Perloria is advertising heavily. Price: \$1,677. The sofa is \$2,390; the chaise, \$1,970.

His Retro line is, well, retro, recalling the Art Deco furniture popular in the United States in the '30s and '40s.

Laslo calls his style Zen Deco. In the retro line, that translates to bigger-than-average pieces covered in taupe and black chenille. The sofa (\$2,129) is a small check. The herringbone chair is \$1,460, and the striped ottoman is \$619.

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## Traveling the western end of the C&O Canal

By MIKE SAWYERS  
Thomson News Service

Certainly there can be no more linear an outdoor recreational experience than the C&O Canal, a national historic park that begins in Washington, D.C., and ends 184 miles to the west in Cumberland, Md.

Bikers and hikers make up the bulk of the long-distance users of the canal's tow path, so called because mules walked along it towing canal boats.

It might be a tow path but it is your toes that will get a workout on this relatively level, mostly smooth historic path westward into what was once the Appalachian frontier.

The canal was a feat of 19th century engineering. Built between 1828 and 1850, its aim was to provide a navigable waterway parallel to the rapids-ridden Potomac River.

But time and technology overtook the canal. By the time the canal was completed, railroads had emerged as a more efficient means of shipping goods — and the canal fell into neglect until the National Park Service took over in the late 1930s.

Today, use of the canal mimics centers of population. More people spend more time on the stretch from Washington, D.C. to Harper's Ferry.

West from Harper's Ferry, to the terminus in Cumberland, is

a more rural stretch of canal and path. But it has much to offer, including a one-mile long tunnel through a Maryland mountain not far from Paw Paw, W.Va.

The tunnel eliminated six miles of towpath along the river — for which mules were undoubtedly thankful. Today, the 20-minute walk through the tunnel provides an interesting and dark variation to the other 183 miles of the park.

A guardrail will help guide you but a flashlight is recommended as you walk past 6 million bricks used to line the 3,118-foot tunnel which lies at mile marker 155.

Those who would rather stay in the daylight may hike over the mountain on Tunnel Hill Trail. The two-mile pathway is described as strenuous and will take about two hours.

The canal is dotted with hiker-biker campsites as well as camping areas that can be driven to from access roads. Between Horsepen Branch and Everts Creek, there are hiker-biker sites about every five miles. Group campgrounds are found at the Marsden Tract, Antietam Creek and Fifteen Mile Creek.

A favorite summer hike or bike can begin at Little Orleans (don't fail to stop in Bill's Place for refreshment and a trip into the local past) and end at across the Potomac River from Paw Paw, W.Va.

## GETTING ENGAGED



Erin Stewart and Charles Myers, both of Lubbock, will unite in marriage Aug. 19, 1995, at Berea Baptist Church, Big Spring, with Bro. Monroe Teeters officiating. She is the daughter of Clay and Mary Gamble, Big Spring. He is the son of Bill and Charisa Myers, Big Spring.



Shauna Blaine Richardson, Lubbock, and Chad Alan Hittle, Hugoton, Kan., will unite in marriage Aug. 5, 1995, at the First United Methodist Church in Lubbock with Rev. Keith Wiseman, associate pastor of the church, officiating. She is the daughter of Don and Sharon Richardson, Big Spring. He is the son of Jim and Connie Hittle, Hugoton, Kan.

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# Insurance center launches new telephone service for vets

Medical Center Director Cary D. Brown confirmed that Mary K. (Katie) Lara, RN accepted the position of Chief Nursing Service. She is expected to arrive this month from the San Francisco VA Medical Center, where she currently holds the position of associate chief nurse.

Lara was a staff nurse at the Big Spring VA Medical Center

1977-78. She was associate chief nurse at the Bosie VAMC prior to her tenure in San Francisco, a highly complex facility.

We look forward to welcoming Lara, an outstanding nurse, back to Big Spring and to the medical center's leadership team.

The Department of Veterans Affairs Philadelphia Insurance Center has launched an interactive voice response (IVR) telephone service.

VA policyholders can use IVR by dialing the Insurance Center's toll-free number, 1-800-669-8477. Callers without touch-tone service are automatically routed to an insurance specialist for assistance. IVR is currently available between 6:30

a.m. and 9 p.m. (ET), Monday through Friday.

On Friday, June 30, 1995, Big Spring VA staff bid a fond farewell to three longtime employees. Sandra McCutchen, RN, Nursing Service and Jimmy Leal, Medical Administration Service, retired after 30 years of faithful service with the Federal Government. Carl Reynolds, Medical Administration Service had been with the federal government 25 years. We wish them all a healthy and happy retirement!

The following employees recently joined the Big Spring VA staff:  
Bette Dixon, Registered Nurse

Troy Gray, Thomas Stevens and Kyle Ditto, Licensed Vocational Nurses Mary Flores and Cindy Lyle, Nursing Service; Donna Reed, Recreation; April Gillham, Thomas Lewis, Clyde Fields, Robert Grant and Jimmy Skelton, Environmental Management Service; Benjamin Douglas, Sidney Parker, Joseph Robertson, and Kimberly Wilkinson, Engineering Service; Manuel Information Resource Service; and Kimberly Brett, Acquisition and Materiel Management Service.

A Big Spring welcome to all!

Q. What Department of Veterans Affairs' benefits are available to women veterans?

A. Female veterans are eligible for the same VA benefits as male veterans. VA also is required to provide appropriate and timely medical care to any eligible woman veteran for gender-specific disabilities.

Women veteran coordinators have been designated at each VA Medical Center to counsel women veterans seeking treatment and benefits. At the Big Spring VAMC eligible women veterans receive the following services: complete physical exams that include breast and pelvic examinations; gynecological services; and referrals for necessary services that may not be available.

VA also provides counseling to overcome psychological trauma resulting from physical

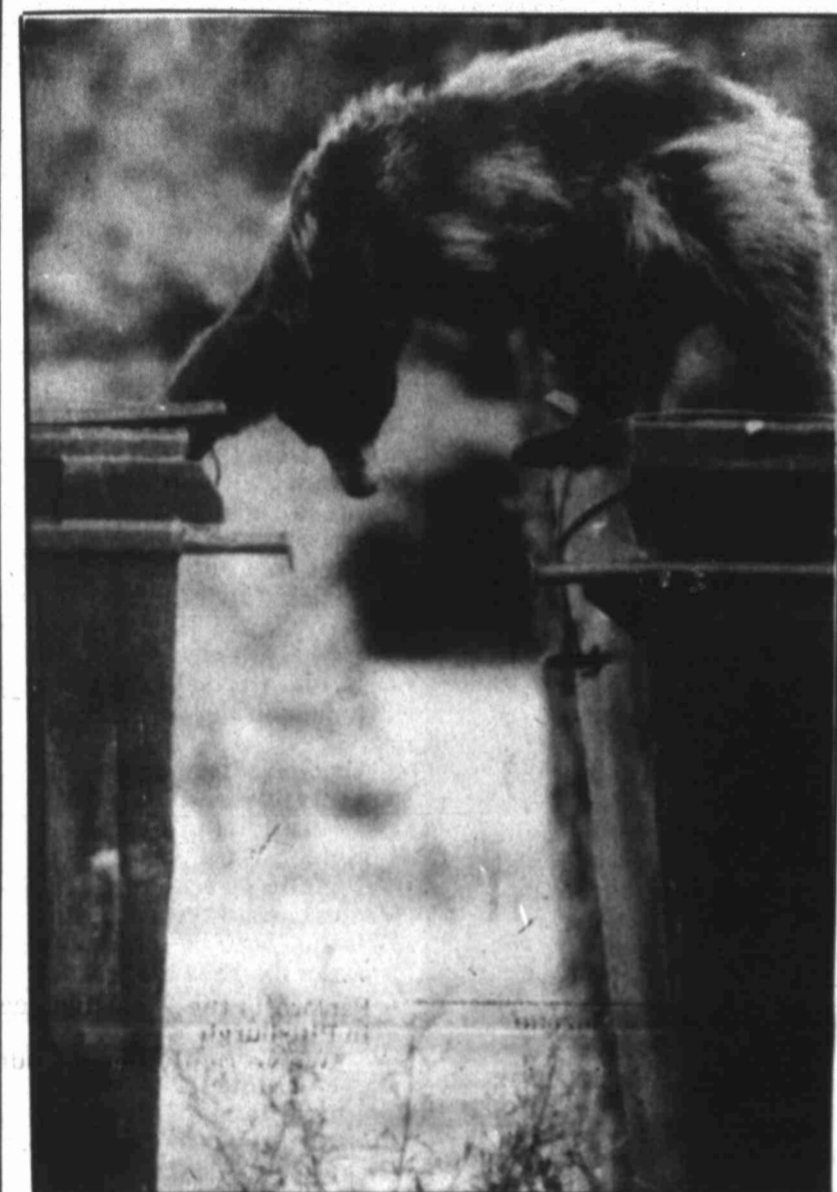
assault, battery of a sexual nature, or sexual harassment during active duty. The counseling is provided at VA Medical Centers and vet centers.

Carolyn Reber, RN, is the Women Veterans Coordinator at the Big Spring VAMC. Reber may be contacted by calling 264-4831.

Q. I am a former member of my state's National Guard. At one time I served a six-month stretch on active duty. Am I eligible for VA medical benefits?

A. National Guard members are only eligible for VA medical benefits if they have an established service-connected disability incurred or aggravated in the line of duty while serving on active-duty training.

## CAREFUL THERE, BEAR



Ignoring caution signs, a 2-year-old black bear straddles dumpsters behind Rattlesnake School in Missoula, Mont. The bear dug for garbage for a few hours before Warden Sgt. Lloyd Acker of the Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks arrived to drug and remove the bear.

## Discipline yourself before disciplining children

By JUDITH NEWMARK  
St. Louis Post-Dispatch

We talk about how to discipline our children. But for the best results, we grownups have to learn to discipline ourselves.

So says Chicago psychologist Thomas W. Phelan. He's come up with a system — "1-2-3 Magic," he calls it, in a video and a book of the same name — that, he says, works effectively, quickly and just about painlessly with children aged 2 to 12.

In less than two weeks, he says, it's possible to get rid of behavior you don't want, like arguing, fighting, screaming, tantrums and teasing.

Phelan's program sounds instantly familiar to anyone who, trying to cope with a misbehaving child, has come out

with something along the lines of "By the time I count to three ... " In his program, you also count to 3. If you reach it before the child has stopped misbehaving, the child has to go to his or her room.

When the set time is up, you do not (except in rare cases involving serious issues such as personal safety) rehash the episode.

This, you may think, is not a behavior program; this is a conversation your great-grandmother could have had with her kids (and probably did). For this kind of "discipline," did Phelan really need that Ph.D from Loyola?

As a matter of fact, he says, it was being a father that got him started on developing the program. His son had attention

deficit disorder, barely understood at the time, more than 20 years ago. What was clear was that the boy was a real handful — or, as his father put it, "a human H-bomb."

He devised the 1-2-3 system with his son in mind. He found it was effective with other kids with similar problems whom he worked with as a psychologist. But it also proved effective with their siblings, kids like his daughter who had no special issues. And yes, he says, it does have a basis in common sense and ordinary parental instincts.

But it also has refinements that he considers vital for success:

— Parents must be consistent. If you start counting, you have to keep counting. You

have to give the kids their chance to "count on" you to stick with this style of discipline.

— Parents must follow the no-talking, no-emotion rule.

No talking means that you do not interrupt yourself ("I — You look at me when I'm talking to you, young man. OK, that's 2! One more and you're history.")

No emotion means you don't get angry. You don't get sucked into fighting with (or like) a child. You don't squabble; you don't yell; you certainly do not hit.

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"Pudge" and "Smiley" both black Chihuahua mix, 2 1/2 years, both weight 8-10 lbs., perky and good companions.

"Inky," "Little Lady Black" and "Naomi" adult male and two females, all black chow mixes; small and all three very affectionate.

"Raven" 2-year-old male rottweiler/Australian Shepherd mix, friendly and likes to play.

These, plus many more dogs and cats are awaiting adoption. Adoption fees for dogs are just \$45 and cats are \$35. This includes spaying or neutering, vaccinations, wormings and rabies shots. Also covers feline leukemia tests for cats. All pets come with a two-week trial period.

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Joshua Jordan Vance, June 13, 1995, 4:33 p.m.; parents are Jason and Michelle Vance.  
 Grandparents are Jim and Carolyn Potteiger and Maurine Vance, all of Sulphur Springs.

Michael Anthony Salazar, June 17, 1995, 6:50 a.m.; parents are Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Salazar.  
 Grandparents are Bill and Myrtle Wilson and Frank and Ruth Salazar, all of Big Spring.

Alexis Nicole Parks, June 17, 1995, 6:19 p.m.; parents are Russell and Lisa Parks, Big Spring.  
 Grandparents are Russell and Lanell Parks and Bert and Pauline Hillger, all of Big Spring.

Alexis Rachelle Feezel, June 15, 1995, 11:49 p.m.; parents are Lisa Tatum Feezel and Shawn Feezel, Houston.  
 Grandparents are Donna and Tom Feezel, Houston; Beverly and Richard Yarbar and Johnnie and Douglas Tatum, all of Big Spring.

Jacoby Joe Allen, June 20, 1995, 1:32 a.m.; parents are Dana Newsom and John Allen.  
 Grandparents are Joetta Sloane, Big Spring; Dan Newsom, Hamilton and Freddie and Suzy Allen, Sterling City.

**WHO'S WHO**

Andrea Fryrear, daughter of Kenny and Cindy Fryrear of Midland and granddaughter of Bill and Sherry Fryrear and James and Bo Fryar of Big Spring, was named a United States National Award Winner in science, math, English and art. She attends A-Bell Junior High and will appear in the United State Achievement Academy Official Collegiate Yearbook, published nationally.



Hillary Twining, daughter of Nancy Twining of Big Spring, was on the President's List at Texas Tech for the spring semester. She received a 4.0 grade point average.

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It was all pork. No beef. Two hundred forty-one cooks lined a riverside park in Memphis waiting for the judges to come by and taste their ribs, shoulder or whole hog.

A hog-calling contest featured human squeals and grunts, the likes of which I've never heard before. A beauty contest for 300-pound women dressed as determined hogs would wear the "Miss Piggy" crown. Prizes were awarded for showmanship and a talent contest displayed various skills.

The cooking teams paid at least \$500 to enter. The fee is based on the square footage of the cooking area. Some were quite elaborate. The US Porkmasters' Cooker was an actual mail carrier's jeep. The

Porky Pilots smoked their hog in a Federal Express plane. The Paddlewheel Porkers' rig was a replica of a Mississippi River paddlewheeler. The Fossil Fueled Porkers' cooker is a replica of the TVA steam plant, with smoke stacks and all.

I guess the most surprising thing to me as a Texan was noticing the type of beans they serve with barbecue in Memphis. They're the kind you find in a can of pork and beans. They call them barbecue beans up there. They're sweet. They also serve cole slaw with their pork barbecue. It's sweet, too.

Eighty-five thousand people attended the three-day event. This is the 18th year for the cook-off, which the Guinness Book of World Records describes as the largest barbecue contest in the world. Seventeen states and eight foreign countries have completed in the pigfest.

In 1993, a new division called Patio Porkers was designed to accommodate novice teams. That same year a sauce competition started. Five years ago a fun category called "Anything But Pork" began. Teams cook

special dishes of chicken, fish, beef and other. This year's "other" included emu and rat. Only the pork cooks can compete for the \$25,000 in prize money.

The contest is part of the Memphis in May International Festival, designed to breathe new life into downtown. The founders decided to exploit the city's reputation as the barbecue cooking capital of the world. The event was inspired by the region's appetite for pork barbecue and its mysterious sauces.

The month long celebration includes a blues festival on Beale street (home of B.B. King) and a symphony orchestra concert on the Mississippi which attracts 100,000 people to the banks of the river. Numerous parties take place during the month, some which attract Hollywood and New York luminaries.

The 400 judges (I was one) were given score cards with two parts. One was for the judge to score the barbecue, the other was for the cook to judge the judge. Each judge had to put his or her social security



**Tumbleweed Smith**  
Columnist

**Hearing aids free woman from bonds of silence**

By PAMELA PERCIVAL  
Abilene Reporter-News

ABILENE — Until a few months ago, Jessie Mayberry's deafness forced her to live in a world of silence.

But modern technology, in the form of a special new hearing device, has literally enabled her to hear again.

"Prior to getting this device, I couldn't hear my dog bark or even the door slam in my house. I was in absolute silence — nothing," said the 88-year-old grandmother from Hamlin. "I had begun to withdraw from people and not want to be around them because I couldn't understand them."

Mayberry has "sensineural" hearing loss (often referred to by laymen as "nerve deafness"), which had gradually grown worse over the past 20 years. She is now basically deaf and had been communicating mostly by reading lips as best she could and having her family write notes. But after being fitted with a combination hearing aid/FM transmitter-receiver, she

received a new lease on life. As she talked about the things she's hearing these days, Mayberry's voice filled with emotion.

"It's just such a joy to be able to hear anything at all," she said. "You can't imagine until you've not heard what a handicap it is. I live alone and when you can't hear anything, you just don't know what's going on at all."

The first Sunday Mayberry had her hearing device, she asked her pastor, the Rev. Larry Crumpton at First United Methodist Church in Hamlin, to place the transmitter on the pulpit so she might hear his sermon.

"I told the preacher afterward that I could outline his sermon!" Mayberry said excitedly.



Jessie Mayberry, left, is able to carry on a conversation with her daughter, Margaret Calhoun, in Abilene thanks to a new type of hearing aid that receives signals from a wireless microphone unit, one of which is around her daughter's neck.

"It was the first time in 15 years that I had heard a word in church. I was very touched and so was the congregation. It seemed like the whole congregation came up to me after church and asked 'Did you hear, and I answered 'Yes!'"

Crumpton says he remembers that day well.

"I just took the device and laid it on the pulpit, and she was able to hear me speak," the pastor recalled. "You could see the light in her eyes and the glow on her face when she realized she was going to be able to hear what was said. Anytime you see someone have that kind of a joyful experience, it's one of those things you remember."

Mayberry's new hearing device combines a conventional hearing aid with a radio transmitter and receiver to send sound directly into her ear. The radio receiver fits behind her ear and has a tiny antenna protruding from it. The person speaking to her loops a lightweight transmitter around his or her neck and speaks into a microphone, which transmits the sound into Mayberry's ear.

"She can hear the speaker as if the sound is being transmit-

ted into her ear," said Sue Ann Holland, assistant director of audiology at the West Texas Rehabilitation Center in Abilene. "It's a lot easier for her to piece the information together this way" because distracting, external noise is not so much of a problem.

Holland helped Mayberry obtain her new "Extend-Ear" through WTRC, one of only three places in Texas which handles the devices (Others are located in Houston and Lubbock). Holland urges anyone with hearing loss to look into what's new in hearing devices because advances are constantly being made.

"There's just more hope now for the hearing-impaired," Holland said. "There is so much, technologically, that is going on in amplification — no matter what your hearing loss is — you really should look into what is available for you now. For Mrs. Mayberry, that device restored activity in her life. But there are all kinds of things that might be more appropriate for other people, depending on what their problem is."

Holland adds that WTRC's audiology department is fre-

quently contacted by manufacturers about new hearing devices and has participated in research projects to examine such devices and help analyze their performance. An "Extend-Ear" set-up for a hearing-impaired person costs in the range of \$1,278 to \$2,700, depending on exactly what equipment is needed. Holland said such hearing aids are not traditionally covered by Medicare, but are often partially covered by private insurance.

Mayberry and her family say the device has definitely been worth the expenditure. "With a conventional hearing aid, we could still communicate, but it was very difficult and getting more so as her loss progressed," said Mayberry's daughter, Margaret Calhoun of Hamlin. "Mother's understanding is very much enhanced with this device — she can understand me, one on one, so much better."

Mayberry concurred, adding that her "Extend-Ear" enabled her to carry on a real conversation with her grandson for the first time in years.

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**IN THE MILITARY**

Navy Seaman Ronald S. Ledbetter, son of Gary L. and Norma T. Ledbetter, Big Spring, recently completed a six-month overseas deployment to the Western Pacific and Indian Oceans and Persian Gulf aboard the guided missile frigate USS Jarrett. He joined the Navy in March 1993.

Robin Headrick, son of LeRoy and Jane Headrick, Big Spring, retired as a master sergeant (E7) from the Kansas Air National Guard effective June 30, 1995.

He is a graduate of Coahoma High School and attended Howard College. His wife is the former Lorraine Davis, daughter of Frances and Mike Mathie of Big Spring, and the late Aubry Davis of Brownfield.

Navy Petty Officer 1st Class Royce W. Harvey, son of Shirley A. Scott, Big Spring, recently completed a six-month overseas deployment aboard the guided missile cruiser USS Lake Erie which included duty in the Persian Gulf near Iraq.

The 1975 graduate of Big Spring High School joined the Navy in February 1975. Harvey is a graduate of the University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, N.M.

Julian Reyes III has joined the United States Army under the Delayed Enlistment Program.

Reyes, a 1995 graduate of Grand Prairie High School, will report to Fort Sill, Lawton, Okla., on July 27, for basic military training. He is the son of Julian L. Reyes Jr., Colorado City, and Hermelinda A. Reyes, Grand Prairie.

Army National Guard Pvt. Frank Briseno has entered basic training at Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C.

Briseno is the son of Aida Valenzuela and Eugene Briseno, both of Colorado City and is a 1993 graduate of Colorado City High School.

Army Spec. Shane D. Hultt has completed the U.S. Army primary leadership development course at Fort Richardson, Alaska.

Hultt, an administrative specialist at Fort Richardson, is the son of Roger Hultt, Big Spring. He is a 1987 graduate of Big Spring High School.

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## Computer mogul Bill Gates tops billionaire list with an estimated wealth of \$12.9 billion

NEW YORK (AP) — Microsoft Corp. mogul Bill Gates is the world's richest private individual with a \$12.9 billion fortune, displacing a Japanese real estate magnate from the top of the annual list compiled by Forbes magazine.



GATES

Gates' wealth rose from \$8.1 billion during the past year as Microsoft's stock price soared, Forbes says in its July 17 issue.

released Tuesday. Gates was the richest American a year ago, but ranked second worldwide.

Investor Warren Buffett was

second with \$10.7 billion, up from \$7.9 billion a year ago. Stock in Buffett's investing company, Berkshire Hathaway, rose 38 percent in the past year.



BUFFETT

It was the first time in the nine years that Forbes has been compiling the list that two Americans were on top.

Japanese real estate magnate Yoshiaki Tsutsumi, who had held the No. 1 spot for the last eight years, fell to a third-place tie even though the stronger yen made his net worth climb \$500 million to \$9 billion.

The heirs of the late retailer Sam Walton remained the world's richest family with \$23.4 billion, slightly less than a year ago.

Among the ranks of Texas billionaires, sometime presidential hopeful Ross Perot of Dallas led the list, with an estimated wealth of \$2.5 billion.

Three members of Fort Worth's Bass family made the ranks. Robert M. Bass, 47, and Lee M. Bass, 39, were each worth an estimated \$2 billion. Big brother Sid Richardson Bass, 53, checked in at \$1.73 billion.

Margaret Hunt Hill and family's worth was put at \$1.1 billion, while Ray Lee Hunt and family had an estimated \$1 billion.

Forbes said it excludes from its list royal families and heads of state, because their fortunes

come more from political heritage than efforts in the realm of economics.

That excludes the Sultan of Brunei, head of an oil-rich Pacific island nation and often described as the world's richest man. His family's oil, gas and real estate fortune has been estimated at upwards of \$30 billion.

Microsoft stock has been rising in spite of well-publicized setbacks for the world's largest maker of software for personal computers. It dropped a \$2 billion bid for Intuit Corp. in the face of opposition from the Justice Department, which also is investigating the proposed Microsoft Network on-line service. Lengthy delays have plagued the release of Microsoft's Windows 95 operating system, now due out in late August.

Tied with Tsutsumi in third place was Hans Rausing, the Swedish head of packaging company Tetra Laval.

As a group, the billionaires club is growing. Forbes counted 388 private individuals or families with at least \$1 billion net worth, up from 358 last year. The group has a total net worth of \$893 billion.

Asia was well represented among the richest. Two of the 10 wealthiest individuals are from Hong Kong, one is from South Korea and one is from Taiwan. Indonesia turned up six more billionaires this year, bringing its total to 10.

"Where there's extraordinary growth, there's extraordinary opportunity," Forbes said.

A year ago, Mexico had 24 billionaires, the most except for the United States, Japan and Germany. But the peso's deval-

uation late last year cut 14 Mexican billionaires off the list.

Canadian Kenneth Thomson was ranked eighth with an estimated worth of \$6.5 billion. Thomson is involved in media, including newspapers, retailing and real estate.



THOMSON

This year, the United States had 129 billionaire fortunes, followed by Germany with 53; Japan, 37; Hong Kong, 14; Thailand, 12; France, 11; and Indonesia and Mexico with 10 each.



Nails 4 U and Gifts owners Mary Chau, left, and Tran Rose Chau are surrounded by manicure equipment and Oriental artwork in their shop at 1308 Gregg Street. The shop is open Tuesday-Saturday from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. and on Sundays 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

### New nail salon and gift shop opens in Big Spring

By MARY McATEER  
Staff Writer

Nails 4 U is open for business.

Owners Tran Rose Chau, Eden Van Chau and Mary Chau cut the ribbon celebrating the grand opening of the unique business Wednesday morning.

Trained as a manicurist in Vietnam, Rose Chau worked at the profession until the family came to Big Spring in 1975. The years since then have been filled with family and children.

Chau is joined in the venture by daughter, Mary, who received her Texas state license last year.

Nails 4 U and Gift Shop offers the latest styles and colors in nails - everything from a simple manicure to a pedicure to an elaborate acrylic wrap. French and American manicures are available, as well as hot oil treatments for nails, and repairs and overwraps. Men are invited to come and experience professional care for hands and nails. Walk-ins are welcome.

The gift shop features an extensive line of lacquerware and artwork. A number of paintings done with mother of pearl are on display on the walls of the business, along with one composed of eggshells.

The artworks, imported from Vietnam, are new to the United States, since trade with Vietnam was prohibited for many years by the embargo.

Nails 4 U and Gifts, 1308 Gregg Street, is open from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

### Insects and weather play role in crop conditions

Weather has certainly been the key factor as what condition crops are in and not at all a general county-wide situation. Cotton ranges from barely emerging in a few fields that were planted for the third or fourth time as late as last week to the second to early square stage in a few fields. Some rainfall occurred in some parts of the county, but most are still dry at the time of this writing.



Don Richardson  
County Agent

The beet army worm threat is slacking off some but remains fairly high in some fields. Not many egg masses or small worms were reported this week, indicating we are probably on the down side of this activity, according to our Extension Entomologists, Warren Multer and Doug

Paxton in Glasscock and Martin counties. They caution, however, that with the right wind patterns we could see another influx of moths anytime. Control has ranged from fair to excellent with most of the products used.

Cabbage loopers are plentiful this season and some producers are confusing them with the beet army worm. They are both green in color but the loopers have that characteristic "hump" in their backs as they crawl along, responsible for creating their "looping" name. The army worm does not exhibit this characteristic. Loopers are foliage feeders and do not cut terminals like the beet army worms. They can cause defoliation in high numbers, however.

Aphids remain light but occasional spots have been located in some fields. Predators seem to be keeping them in check so far. Predator insects are increasing in older cotton but are still light in young stands. Spiders, pirate bugs and lady beetles are most common. Some lacewings are evident, however.

Late planted cotton will require special management if the weather pattern continues as it has in June. Our heat unit accumulation has been good but at the rate it is going it will be very important to set all the squares we can until first bloom. After boll set begins, it will be important to maintain as many bolls as possible for the first three weeks. Other bolls will be retained by the cotton plant and will contribute to yield, but the quality of lint from the later bolls is a concern. The bolls that develop in the later part of the season will accumulate less heat units than would be needed for quality fiber development. It is not uncommon to have a discount of 10 cents per pound for low micronaire cotton. This has been proven in result demonstrations conducted in Howard County for the past three years.

Copies of the bloom tagging demonstrations done in 1991-1993 and the plant mapping demonstration done in 1994 are available still in the county extension office. Give us a call at 264-2236 if you would like copies of these demonstrations.

### It's rodeo time for Department of Transportation employees

By KELLIE JONES  
Staff Writer

Two Big Spring residents recently competed in a rodeo. Not rodeo, but rodeo. The event was sponsored by the Texas Department of Transportation.

James Gilbert and Esequiel Chavarria are Howard County maintenance section employees with the local transportation office and recently competed in the rodeo.

The rodeos test driving skills and preventive maintenance knowledge with many transportation districts participating.

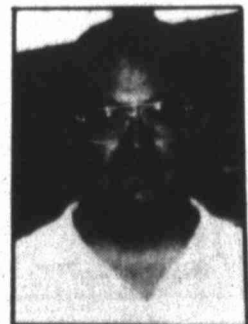
Gilbert and Chavarria finished first and second, respectively, to earn the right to compete for district rodeo honors.



GILBERT

Contestants had to take dump trucks through a six-part driving course testing such skills as stopping on a line, backing up to a loading dock, navigating a serpentine course and dri-

ving through narrow corridors. They also had to identify 10 maintenance problems during a five-minute vehicle inspection.



CHAVARRIA

"We are happy to have a program that will finally give the drivers the recognition they deserve," said Dan Richardson, Big Spring area engineer.

Finals will be in September.

### WETLANDS BANK



Associated Press photo

Debbie Figueras, who is coordinating Browning-Ferris Industries' wetlands project, stands on the project site in the Katy Prairie west of Houston. BFI, the trash-hauling company, is creating the 236-acre wetlands mitigation bank and will sell wetlands credits to companies who need them as compensation for destroying wetlands elsewhere during property development.

### LOCAL

#### Local television station sweeps ratings

KWES-TV was ranked number one in all news programs for the month of May, according to the A.C. Nielsen Ratings Service.

NewsWest Nine's share of the audience for their 6 a.m. show was 28, KMID with a 20 and KOSA with a seven. At 5 p.m., KWES had a 26, followed by KMID with a 15 and KOSA with a 14.

At 6 p.m., KWES had a 26, KMID an 18 and KOSA with a 14. At 10 p.m., KWES scored a 31, KMID showed a 22 and KOSA with a 15.

A share represents the percentages of televisions that are actually in use during a specific time period.

The station has added additional SkyCams to provide instant video for weather and emergency situations, plus created a team of meteorologists to better cover four news broadcasts. Equipment has been installed across West Texas allowing the station to broadcast live from over 25 West Texas and Southeastern New Mexico communities.

### BUSINESS HIGHLIGHTS

#### Thomson newspapers sold

Thomson Newspapers Corporation and Forum Communications Co. announces Forum will purchase three Thomson dailies.

The Dickinson Press, N.D.; The Daily Republic, Mitchell, S.D. and the Daily Globe, Worthington, Minn. are among 25 U.S. newspapers Thomson recently announced were for sale as part of its strategic long-term organization.

These newspapers have circulations ranging from 7,900 to 13,200. The sales are scheduled to close at the end of July.

#### American Airlines sets record

FORT WORTH (AP) — American Airlines said Monday it has set an all-time traffic record, which the airline said shows the peak summer travel season is off to an "exceptionally good start."

On Friday, American flew 377.3 million revenue passenger miles, or the number of miles flown by all paying passengers. The previous record was 372 million revenue passenger miles set Aug. 1, 1992.

The Fort Worth-based airline said its percentage of full seats was nearly 84 percent for the day.

#### Mesa considers sale

DALLAS (AP) — Mesa Inc.'s board voted to consider a sale or merger following pressure from an investor group threatening to wrest control of the struggling natural gas company from founder Boone Pickens.

The directors adopted a "poison pill" takeover defense plan, which is designed to make an unwanted takeover prohibitively expensive by allowing shareholders to buy stock at half price if there is a raid on the company.

**PUBLIC RECORDS**

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The addresses listed are the last known addresses. Names on this list remain until all fines have been paid. If any problems with this list, please contact China Long's office at 264-2226. There were no bad checks/warrants issued this past week.

**Marriage Licenses:**  
Anthony Jon Stevenson, 31, and Brenda Kay Robertson, 46.  
Michael Oscar Yanez, 22, and Terri Lynn Ferguson, 30.  
Allan Caballos, 21, and Terra Ann Butts, 18.  
Jesse Arroyo Perez, III, 44, and Laura Colombo Perez, 35.  
Alan Wayne Kidd, 38, and Laurie Jean Crider, 21.  
Neiberto Flores Gusman, Jr., 21, and Alma Luz Cervantes, 18.  
118th District Court:  
**Filings:**  
Margie Gutierrez vs. Mitchell Gutierrez.

Sandra Gail Payne vs. Pablo DeLeon.  
**Injuries & damages with a motor vehicle:**  
Cleo Jarrell vs. George Frank Dillon.  
**Divorce:**  
Keith Wade Garcia vs. Teresa Gail Gamel.  
Carlos Rodriguez vs. Ida Correa Rodriguez.  
Betty Lou Smith vs. Thomas Evans Smith.  
Connie Sue Moore vs. James Clifford Moore, Jr.  
Kristy LEA Anderson vs. Shane Eddie Anderson.  
Mary Caskaddon Burton vs.

Chris Dane Crenwelge.  
Rodney Ray Roberts vs. Margaret Jean Roberts.  
David Scott Warneke vs. Virginia Robles Warneke.  
**Injuries & damages:**  
David Gomez vs. Roy L. Beel.  
Lorraine J. Painter vs. Mike Roman.  
**Accounts, notes & contracts:**  
Texas, State of vs. Bobby Joseph McCracken.  
Citizen's Federal Credit Union vs. David E. and Donna Pace.  
**Rulings:**  
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Howard County, Et Al vs. Jimmy D. Shanks and Sandra K. Shanks, tax-dismissal.  
Lupe and Delfino Chico Zarraga vs. Howard Hornsby, D.C., IDO-judgment.  
Ruth Brock vs. Antonio Garza, IDM-judgment.  
Joe Guzman vs. Bob Brannon, IDM-judgment.  
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Roger Lynn Sweatt vs. Jonetta M. Sweatt, div.-granted.  
Diana Lu Currie Nichols vs. David Eugene Nichols, div.-

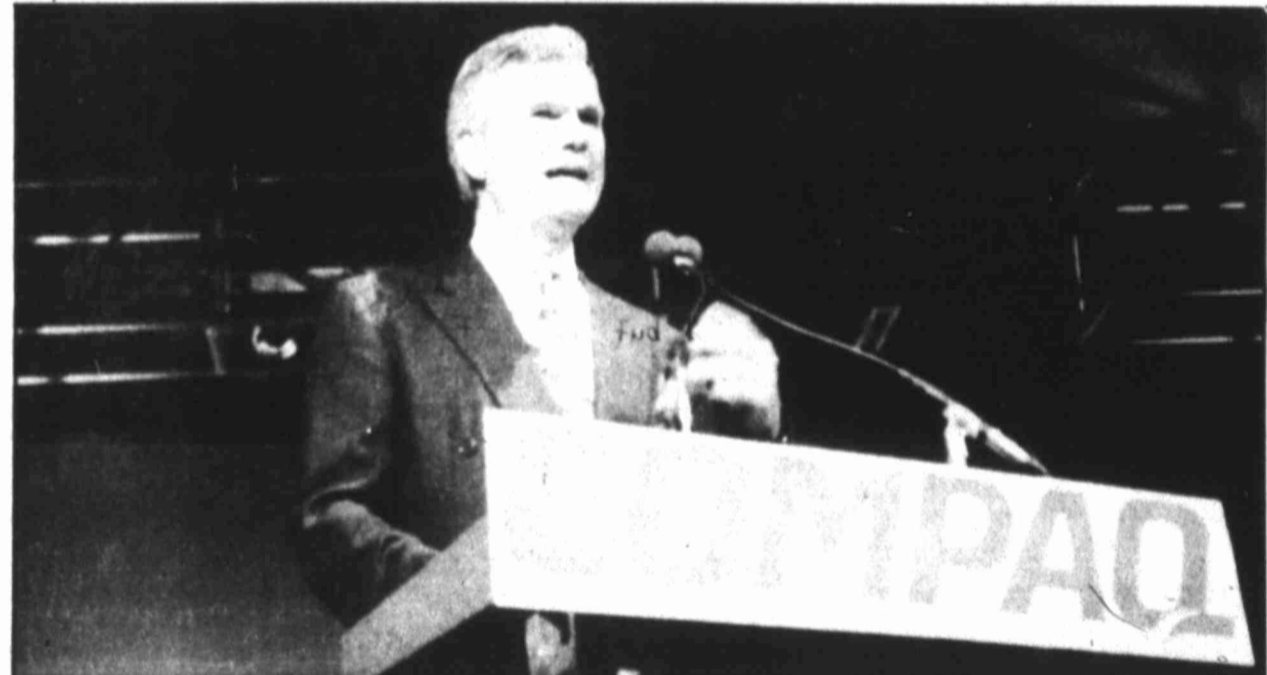
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Cynthia Klaus vs. Randy Ray Klaus, div.-granted.  
Etta Rene Nolting vs. John Eric Nolting, div.-granted.  
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Leslie Marie Kimble vs. Joe Arvis Taylor, Jr., family law.  
Bernice Castillo Darden vs. Michael Lee Hodnett, family law.  
Lee Bennett vs. Carla Bennett, family law.  
Viola Hilario vs. Gilbert  
Please see RECORDS, page 7B

**Compaq shoots and scores; can a dynasty be built?**

NEW YORK (AP) — Eckhard Pfeiffer pointed to the rafters in late 1993, declaring Compaq Computer Corp. would be the No. 1 personal computer seller by 1996.  
Instead, the company won the championship two years early.  
And on Tuesday, Pfeiffer, Compaq's chief executive since 1991, gets to hang the banner on the arena ceiling by giving the keynote speech at PC Expo, one of the nation's largest computer shows. He will declare surprise at the growing influence of the personal computer.  
"It now defines the computer industry and will come to define the consumer electronics industry as well," Pfeiffer will say, according to an outline released in advance.  
He won't discuss Compaq's surge past International Business Machines Corp. and Apple Computer Inc. last year nor how it plans to stay in front.  
But the company's PC Expo booth will rely on a basketball figure from its hometown to make an impression about stay-

ing power — Hakeem Olajuwon, center for the Houston Rockets, which recently repeated as NBA champions.  
Compaq may be building a Rockets-style dynasty in computers. Analysts say it will ship 5.5 million to 6 million PCs in 1995, up from 4.8 million last year and well in front of the rest.  
"We don't expect either Apple or IBM to do 5 million units," said Richard Zwetchkenbaum, analyst at International Data Corp. "This is not to say Compaq can't screw up. But the horse race is not as tight as it used to be because Compaq has extended such a lead."  
Compaq, one of the first companies to clone IBM's PC, seized control of the industry in 1982 when it cut its operating margin and lowered prices, forcing others to follow. Those with high expense structures, like IBM, were clobbered by the experience.  
For investors, Compaq's performance since that time has been a dream. Its stock has gone from \$8 in July 1992 to \$40

today, adjusted for splits. And it earned more money in the first quarter of this year, \$216 million, than in all of 1992, \$213 million.  
But there are challenges for Compaq. It hasn't been able to get past Packard Bell Electronics Inc. in the consumer market and has again slipped behind Toshiba Corp. in notebook computers. The company has signed up two Taiwanese manufacturers to help out.  
In its core market, computers for businesses, Compaq is facing renewed vigor from IBM and the growth of Hewlett-Packard Co. and Digital Equipment Corp., which are taking advantage of their reputations and marketing relationships in bigger computers.  
Though eager for more customers to think PCs and PC networks are reliable for critical data, Compaq executives want to distinguish the company from those rivals, which draw a lot of sales in mainframes and minicomputers.



Eckhard Pfeiffer, Compaq's chief executive officer since 1991, rehearses his keynote speech at the Jacob Javits Center in New York recently. Pfeiffer gave the keynote speech at the PC Expo, one of the largest computer shows.

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HOROSCOPE

FOR SUNDAY JULY 9, 1995  
ARIES (March 21-April 19): Let your imagination go, and try unusual activities. You enjoy an adventure with friends. Be open to new experiences, different styles and, if you are single, a romantic stranger. You gain perspective by pulling back from a problem. Tonight: Try a new restaurant. \*\*\*\*\*  
TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Togetherness is the theme of the day. Make time to be with a significant other. Romance flourishes for those of you in relationships. Sharing and becoming intimate strengthens a friendship. If you are single, be open to someone's suggestion. Tonight: Be a duo. \*\*\*\*\*  
GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Your popularity soars, and you understand how much you have to offer. Hook up with friends for a fun day. If you are single, you have many choices. Carry your little black book. If attached, be sensitive to a partner's desires. Togetherness flourishes. Tonight: Make merry. \*\*\*\*\*  
CANCER (June 21-July 22): Veg out today to recharge your batteries. Be sensitive to someone in your daily environment, and share a favorite pastime. Eliminate red tape to make more time for the pleasures of life. Go the easy way. Tonight: Get a head start on tomorrow. \*\*\*\*\*  
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Your playful, frisky side delights those who are fortunate enough to be close to you. Think before plunging into a new relationship. Don't settle for one choice - you could have more. Honor your needs. A loved one adores you. Tonight: Heat up the night. \*\*\*\*\*  
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Don't pressure yourself to do anything today, and you will be happier. Share your creative ideas with a close friend. A relationship flourishes in a lazy, fun atmosphere. Open up, and build a strong foundation. Joy surrounds your home. Tonight: Order in Chinese food. \*\*\*\*\*  
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Awareness results from a key conversation. A friendship or love relationship is very important to your well-being. Be sensitive to alternatives in your day-to-day life. Catch up on news, return calls and make plans for a visit with a friend in the early evening. Tonight: Go out. \*\*\*\*\*  
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Focus on security and increased financial strength.

Check out an expenditure with care before buying; know what you want and expect. Being a knowledgeable consumer will serve you well. Decide what to offer a significant other. Tonight: Indulge. \*\*\*\*\*  
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Your magnetism shows. You are personality-plus. If you are single, make a point of going out and enjoying yourself. You will draw others to you. Evaluate what is important to you. Your sense of humor puts a grin on a partner's face. Tonight: As you like it. \*\*\*\*\*  
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You make instinctive decisions today. Honor your feelings, and spend some time alone to sort through recent events. Sensitivity to a partner with a case of the blues can change your relationship for the better. Share insights with a trusted friend. Tonight: Early to bed. \*\*\*\*\*  
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Realize what is going on with a friend. Make time for special celebration - be sure to include a partner in the fun to prevent jealousy. If you are single, be open to the different people you meet. Focus on enjoyment. Tonight: Continue the party wherever you are. \*\*\*\*\*  
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): You enjoy being in the limelight. You make a "must" appearance, handle responsibilities and get rewarded. Someone admires your capability and demeanor. Don't minimize what is happening. Stay focused; don't let others distract you. Tonight: Go out on the town. \*\*\*\*\*  
IF JULY 9 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: This is an exceptional year for you when your work develops in a much more opportune manner than it has in the past. Organization is the key to handling the hectic yet rewarding pace. Do not lose sight of your health and diet. Relationships flourish in 1996, and you will be able to use your social skills to gain professionally and personally. If you are single, romance is present in the second part of the year. You are likely to meet this person through work. If attached, your relationship strengthens because you share day-to-day work stories. Plan a romantic vacation for 1996. SAGITTARIUS helps you budget your time.  
THE ASTERISKS (\*) SHOW THE KIND OF DAY YOU'LL HAVE: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult.  
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GENERAL STORE - U.S. STYLE



John Huang, of the National Performance Review, shows services provided by the federal government over the Internet as Margaret Milner Richardson, Internal Revenue Service commissioner, center, and Rep. Sheila Jackson Lee, D-Texas, listen following a ribbon cutting ceremony at the first U.S. General Store Thursday in Houston. Vice President Al Gore has agreed to locate a prototype federal "U.S. General Store" in Houston as part of the administration's overall effort to "reinvent government."

One-stop federal assistance center hoped to be wave of future

By MICHAEL GRACZYK  
Associated Press Writer

HOUSTON (AP) — Federal officials on Thursday formally opened a prototype of a government services store for small businesses where they hope bureaucracy will wind up in the businessman's corner, rather than in his face.  
The one-stop federal center, dubbed the U.S. General Store for Small Business, is the product of the National Performance Review, a task force headed by Vice President Al Gore to make government more efficient.  
"Small business owners across the country have told me dealing with the federal government can be a nightmare," Gore said in a statement read by Internal Revenue Service Commissioner Margaret Richardson. "Small business owners here will get answers, not more red tape."

and Naturalization, IRS, Social Security, Occupational Safety and Health and others. "This is a big deal," Woods said. "This is customer driven. This is a new way of government delivering service to the public."

THE QUIGMANS by Buddy Hickerson



THE Daily Crossword by Sefton Boyars

A crossword puzzle grid with clues listed on the left and right sides. Clues include: ACROSS 1 Walked on, 5 Feathery scarfs, 9 Great reviews, 14 Residence, 15 — mated, 16 Animated, 17 Bedouin, 18 James or Jimmy, 19 Saltpeter, 20 Novice, 21 Dogged drummer?, 23 Check, 25 To's partner, 26 Filthy place, 27 At a discount, 30 Vagabond, 32 Dr. and Babe, 33 Promptly, 34 Org. for dogfights?, 38 Elicit, 39 — polloi, 40 Quickly, 41 List of options, 42 Hourglass material, 43 Froth, 44 Large quantities, 46 Arranged, 47 Beverage in Birmingham, 50 Harry's successor, 51 Anchored float, 52 Dogged fictional lawman?, 55 Gemstone, 59 Acouston, 60 Congers, 61 Colorful cabbage, 62 Lowest point, 63 — gin, 64 Single entity, 65 Attire, 66 Method: abbr., 67 Encounter.

Friday's Puzzle solved: A grid with words filled in, including COWL, DOWER, ZOLA, HAH, EMILE, IBIS, ETON, MANET, NODS, WHOOPINGCRANES, PLO, TORI, BASILICAS, YAWPS, ODIN, COB, CASH, EW, RAT, HEXAGON, ORE, ETUDES, CUE, COSA, REPEL, SAND, APER, CLOP, WHOOPING, PAIR, AFFN, ECRU, POEM, SLASH.

Advice to assaulted umpire causes readers to cry foul

DEAR ABBY: I have never written to you before, but I have to comment that you made a major mistake in your answer to "Retired Ump in Atlanta" in your column. By saying, "Never remove your mask during an altercation," you implied that an umpire should stay ready to be struck, and then you joked that the guilty party should be traded to the Giants.  
No umpire, referee or other sports official should ever be struck or even touched in anger by anyone. Any player who attacks an official should be ejected from the game, the team, and maybe even all organized sports for life.  
An umpire is hired, or volunteers, to keep order and make decisions. Players and fans who threaten the safety of officials threaten all organized sports and cannot be tolerated! — DUSTEN GALBRAITH, SILVUS, ILL.

DEAR DUSTEN: Thank you for speaking out. The volume of letters I received criticizing my cavalier response to "Retired Ump in Atlanta" while decrying violence in (and out of) sports was noteworthy. Read on:  
DEAR ABBY: The amazon who struck "Retired Ump in Atlanta" shouldn't be traded to the Giants; she should be sitting in jail for assault and battery! Can you imagine the hue and cry that would have gone up if a MALE player had

struck a female umpire, even if the man were smaller than the woman? What makes it different in "Retired Ump's" case? The argument that men are more physically powerful than women can't be used because, in this case, the woman was stronger physically.  
No matter how many civilized societies teach gentlemen from childhood that they should not hit women, being female is not a license to beat and abuse others. Violence is wrong no matter who's doing it. — A PEACEFUL WOMAN NEAR ATLANTA  
DEAR PEACEFUL WOMAN AND A.T.D.: Of course you are right. Violence is violence regardless of which sex commits it. I should not have made a joke of it. No act of violence should be overlooked or made light of. My sincere apologies.  
Good advice for everyone — teens, seniors — is in "The Anger in All of Us and How to Deal With It." To order, send a business-sized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Anger Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)  
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Abigail Van Buren Columnist

PUBLIC NOTICE  
The Foran Independent School District will accept bids for the following: Property Insurance, Fleet Liability, and Legal Liability. Specifications may be obtained from the Superintendent. Sealed bids will be accepted until 10:00 a.m. on August 11, 1995, at which time they will be opened in the Superintendent's Office and examined. Bid envelopes shall be clearly marked "insurance bid". The bids will then be presented to the Board of Trustees for action at the regular board meeting in August, 1995, at 7:00 p.m. Questions should be directed to the Superintendent, Foran ISD, Foran, Texas. The Foran ISD reserves the right to reject any and all bids.  
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PUBLIC NOTICE  
CITY OF BIG SPRING  
NOTICE TO BIDDERS  
Pursuant to the authority granted by the City Council of the City of Big Spring, Texas, sealed bids will be received until 4:00 p.m., Tuesday, July 18, 1995, for the purchase of two (2) 3/4 ton Pickup Trucks. Bids are to be opened and read aloud in the Big Spring Municipal Court Chambers, Second Floor, City Hall, 310 Nolan Street, Big Spring, Texas 79720, with award to be made at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Big Spring City Council. Bid information and specifications may be obtained from the Office of the Purchasing and Material Control Manager, 1380 Alpark Drive East, Bldg. #19, Big Spring, Texas 79720. All bids must be marked with the date of the bid and a general description of the bid items. The City of Big Spring reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any or all formalities.  
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PUBLIC NOTICE  
CITY OF BIG SPRING  
BIG SPRING CORRECTIONAL CENTER  
NOTICE TO BIDDERS  
Pursuant to the authority granted by the City Council of the City of Big Spring, Texas, and a management agreement with Midtex Detentions, Inc., sealed bids will be received until 5:00 P.M., Tuesday, July 18, 1995, for the construction of the INS Court Building at Big Spring Correctional Center III, Flightline Unit. Bids are to be opened and read aloud in the Conference Room located in the Midtex Detentions, Inc. offices at 610 Main Street, Big Spring, Texas 79720, with award to be made at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Big Spring City Council. Plans and specifications may be examined at The Design Place, 2513 Wesson Road, Big Spring, Texas 79720, telephone (915) 287-3251. Bid documents may be obtained from Bill Brooks at The Design Place for a non-refundable charge of \$40.00. Bids must be hand delivered or mailed to Linda Rutledge, Big Spring Correctional Center, 610 Main Street, P.O. Box 3470, Big Spring, Texas 79721-3470, on or before the time of the bid opening listed above. All bids must be marked with the date of the bid and a general description of the bid items. The City of Big Spring Correctional Center reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any or all formalities.  
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