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Fraser, citizens' group credited in large part with issue's passage

By STEVE REAGAN
Staff Writer

For school bond supporters, the difference between 1991's defeat and Saturday's victory was as easy as ABC.

Action to Build for our Children, a citizens' group headed by local industrialist Steve Fraser, received a major share of the credit for Saturday's passage of the $12.52 million school bond issue.

The bond, which will be used to construct a new junior high school and air condition five Big Spring campuses, passed by a margin of 73-27.

That figure was a marked contrast from the last time a bond issue went before local voters. In 1991, a bond to build a new junior high and elementary school failed voter muster by almost 500 votes.

This time around, a major difference was the work of the ABC volunteers.

"(ABC) made a huge effort on this bond, and they deserve to be congratulated," BSISD business manager Ron Plumlee said.

It seemed you couldn't go anywhere in Big Spring the past few weeks without seeing people wearing the ABC calling card -- the tell-tale red buttons depicting a schoolhouse.

The group's members also were seemingly everywhere, placing yard signs, answering questions, registering voters and organizing rides to the polls.

And the work was not in vain, as Saturday's triumph showed.

"This is just unbelievable," Fraser said. "The entire effort was just amazing. I want to thank the committee members. Over 400 people worked on this, and they all put forth an amazing effort."

Committee members seized the moral high ground in the preelection debate by centering on issues such as safety (the current junior high is 80 years old and deficient in several safety and fire code areas) and bringing local school buildings up-to-date (the newest school building in BSISD in more than 30 years old).

By contrast, opponents' claim that local taxes already are too high almost seemed Grinch-like compared to the idea of students attending a modern-day facility.

"I believe the voters understood the importance of this issue for the kids," Fraser said. "Safety was a real big part of this, but I think it was just hard to vote against something so important for the kids -- and that was our No. 1 thing all along: What was good for the kids."

The next step in the bond process begins today when the Big Spring school board canvasses and approves the election results. Then comes the actual sale of the bonds, which should occur Sept. 26, Plumlee said.

After that, the school district will consult with its architect and go through bid process. School officials estimate that actual construction at the new junior high -- which will be located at East Sixth and Benton streets -- will begin early next year.

The new air-conditioning systems will be installed at the five BSISD campuses sometime next summer, Plumlee said.

Clinton endorsed by police group, while Dole attacks

WASHINGTON (AP) — With an endorsement by the nation's largest police group, President Clinton claims a coveted prize for crime fighting just as GOP rival Bob Dole hoped to turn Clinton's record on crime against him.

The 270,000-member National Fraternal Order of Police was giving Clinton the official nod today in Cincinnati, saying cops have "never had a better friend in the White House." At the same time, Dole heads for Philadelphia to launch a new campaign offensive on drugs and crime while continuing to assail Clinton for growing teenage drug use.

The day promised dueling photo-ops: Clinton surrounded by officers in blue while Dole and running mate Jack Kemp appeared with more than a dozen supportive GOP governors and attorneys general.

It was the beginning of what the Dole campaign promises will be an aggressive focus on drugs and crime to erode Clinton's double-digit lead in national polls.

"Under Clinton, cocaine and heroin use among teen-agers has doubled," says a new television ad the Dole campaign is spending heavily to air this week. "Why? Because Bill Clinton isn't protecting our children from drugs."

The police organization's national president, Gil Gallegos, lauded Clinton's record in a statement released to The Associated Press in advance of today's announcement.

"Rank-and-file police officers have never had a better friend in the White House than Bill Clinton," Gallegos said. "Our communities, our kids and our police officers are a lot better off today because of the leadership of President Clinton."

The police group's endorsement committee met Friday in Houston and voted 19-10 in favor of Clinton, with 10 members not voting.

Seeking to play down the endorsement, Dole campaign aides seized upon the committee vote as "less than unanimous" and portrayed it more as a nod from police union leadership than an expression of support from rank-and-file police officers.

"Obviously, there are very few cops on the street who can be happy about this administration's failure in the drug war," Dole spokesman Nelson Warfield said Sunday.

At Villanova University near Philadelphia today, Dole would pledge to use the bully pulpit of the presidency to help cut teenage drug use in half in his first

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NOISY SPIRIT



HERALD photo/Bryan Quess

Natalie Rodgers covers her ears in an effort to muffle the noise, as classmate Sarah Overton cups her hands for a big scream during a pep rally at Coahoma Junior High School last week.

Troops, families preparing for deployment

FORT HOOD (AP) — Though orders to deploy appeared delayed by politics, thousands of 1st Cavalry Division troops are getting set for training in the Middle East.

U.S. officials announced today that Kuwait granted permission for additional troops to take part in ongoing military exercises sparked by renewed threats from Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein toward Kuwait. The oil-rick nation had temporarily withheld permission Sunday.

Military officials say the approval from Kuwait clears the way for 3,000 troops to deploy, but no final orders have been issued.

"They are all eager to do what they have come to the 1st Cavalry to do," Col. Eric Olson, who commands the division's 3rd Battalion, said of the troops.

The battalion was alerted to prepare for deployment on Friday.

"Through training and showing that we can deploy — and that once deployed we can conduct operations in preparation of a combat nature — there will be a deterrent effect" on the Iraqis, Olson told reporters. "There's always a measure of confusion at first."

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> *Bradley crew gunner*

Most of the troops spent Sunday double-checking supplies, preparing equipment and spending time with their families.

"We're just waiting around to get the word," said Sgt. Peter Nieneyer, a gunner on the crew of a Bradley fighting vehicle. "I'm anxious to go. I have a problem with telling my wife goodbye three or four times."

Capt. Scott Jackson, of the 1st Battalion, said preparing family members is important to soldiers. He said having things at home in order helps them to concentrate on their training work in the field.

"The thing you always have to consider is that the wives and kids are taken care of," he said.

Two wives, Lisa Castro and Erin Aiello, said their husbands have been deployed before. But it's never easy, especially with children, they said.

"When we were told to prepare Friday, I took it OK until I started thinking about the boys," Mrs. Castro said of her 4-year-old and near-2-year-old. "They are going to miss their father."

Mrs. Aiello said not having children makes her experience a little different. But she said all of the families left behind rally together and give extra support to those families who are going through their first overseas deployment.

"We spend a lot more time calling them and organizing things to keep them busy," she said.

Mrs. Castro and Mrs. Aiello were part of a huge gathering of families and soldiers who were briefed Sunday on the possible deployment.

Olson told a packed auditorium on the base that the mission would be to train and show force in the region.

Holland expecting 500 for Cottonseed Field Day

By STEVE REAGAN
Staff Writer

As many as 500 farmers and agriculture producers are expected to be in Big Spring Tuesday for the third annual Holland Cottonseed Field Day.

Roy Holland of the company said between 250-500 farmers from as far away as Kansas are expected to be in Big Spring for the event, which apprises agriculture people on new methods and techniques involved in farming.

"This is something we do every year," Holland said. "We'll show them some of the new cotton coming onto the market ... some new chemicals and how they're used, and we're going to show how drip irrigation works."

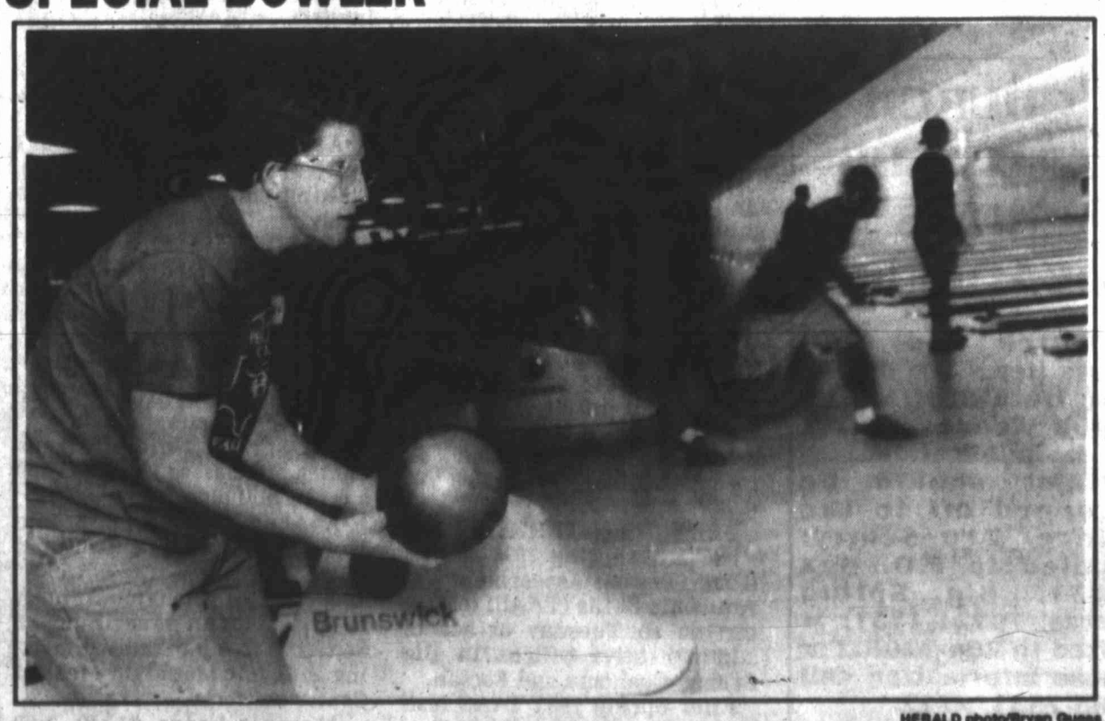
Holland is especially high on drip irrigation, a method by which farmers use slightly porous water lines to provide a slow, steady method of irrigating dryland fields.

"We feel it's the coming thing," Holland said of the irrigation method, which will be displayed by Tim Newton and Duncan Hamlin.

Also part of the field day will be a display about new chemicals by Ronnie Wood of Big Spring Farm Supply and a tour of Holland Cottonseed.

The event is sponsored by Holland Cottonseed, Big Spring Farm Supply and Newton and Hamlin.

SPECIAL BOWLER



HERALD photo/Bryan Quess

Stacy Wells of Big Spring, a member of the Hardin Simmons Athletics, practices with his teammates in preparation for the Oct. 5 Special Olympics bowling meet. The competition, which will be staged at Big Spring's Bowlorama, will include bowlers from throughout the area.

Sales tax rebates rise in September

HERALD Staff Report

The latest state sales tax rebates for West Texas and Big Spring, in particular, were sharply up over the previous quarter's payments to cities.

Big Spring received a rebate check for $297,156.91 from the state in September, an increase of more than 19 percent over the previous rebate in July.

Big Spring was not the only city reporting increases in sales tax rebates. Other cities' rebates included:

- Midland -- $933,507, up 23.1 percent.
- Odessa -- $751,225, up 24.1 percent.
- Andrews -- $65,480, up 24.2 percent.
- Lubbock -- $1.894 million, up 25.7 percent.
- San Angelo -- $668,239, up 8.3 percent.

Texas counties received rebates totaling $14.9 million in September, an increase of more than 14 percent from the same time last year.

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TODAY'S WEATHER

88 ▲ Highs
Lows ▼ 57

Tonight, clear. Low in the upper 50s. Tuesday, partly cloudy. High in the upper 80s. Tuesday night, partly cloudy with a low in the lower 60s. Wednesday and Thursday, partly cloudy with a slight chance of showers or thunderstorms. Low 60-65. High 85-90. Friday, partly cloudy and a little cooler. A slight chance of showers or thunderstorms. Low in the lower 60s. High in the lower 80s.

OBITUARIES

John T. Pitts

John T. Pitts, 64, of Big Spring, died on Saturday, Sept. 14, 1996, in a local hospital. Services will be at 3 p.m. Monday, Sept. 16, 1996, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Jess Colegrove, officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.



JOHN PITTS

He was born on Oct. 19, 1931, in Chactow County, Okla., and married Emma Anderson on May 21, 1955 in Paris, Texas.

He owned and operated John Pitts Masonry. Mr. Pitts was a member of Calvary Baptist Church and he served in the U.S. Navy during the Korean Conflict.

Survivors include his wife, Emma Pitts of Big Spring; two daughters and sons-in-law, Tina and Troy Gray of Big Spring and Delores and Earnest Perkins of Ft. Stockton; two brothers, Oscar Pitts of Paris and Charles Pitts of Bowdon Georgia; five grandchildren, Cindy Mowdry of Ft. Stockton; Christy Skaggs of Odessa; T.J. Perkins of Ft. Stockton; Karrissa and Brittany Gray both of Big Spring; and three great-grandchildren.

Mr. Pitts was also preceded in death by his parents, Frank and Jessie Pitts, and one brother, Harold Pitts.

Pallbearers will be Travis Allen Gray, J.J. Perkins, Joe Spinks, Rip Lewis, Leonard Posey and Jerry Pernell.

The family suggests memorials to: American Lung Association of Texas, P.O. Box 26566, Austin, Texas 78755-0566.

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

PAID OBITUARY

Roy Lee Barnhill

Service for Roy Lee Barnhill, 73, Stanton, were 2 p.m. today in the First Baptist Church, Stanton, with Rev. David Harp officiating. Burial was in the Evergreen Cemetery.

Mr. Barnhill died Saturday, Sept. 14, 1996, in Big Spring.

He was born on Nov. 20, 1922, in Cisco and had lived in the Stanton area over 60 years. He married Earlene Bean on Jan. 22, 1946, in Stanton. She preceded him in death on June 16, 1990.

Survivors include two sons: Franky Barnhill and Bobby Barnhill, both of Stanton; a sister: Barbara Blocker, Midland; a brother: Billy Barnhill, Stanton; one grandson; and three granddaughters.

Arrangements under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home, Stanton.

Mary Frances Rogers

Funeral service for Mary Frances Rogers, 77, Snyder, was today in the Bell-Cypert Seale Chapel with Rev. Aaron Oden officiating. Burial was in the Snyder Cemetery.

Mrs. Rogers died Saturday, Sept. 14, 1996, in Cogdell Memorial Hospital in Snyder after a lengthy illness.

She was born on Feb. 27, 1919, in Stephenville. She married Willie Rogers on April 22, 1939, in Snyder. She was a housewife and a member of the Union Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband: Willie Rogers, Snyder; two sons: Don Rogers, San Angelo, and Roy Rogers, New Braunfels; one daughter: Dixie Rogers, Snyder; three brothers: Carl Foree, Earl Foree, both of Snyder, and Marvin Foree, Sweetwater; two sisters: Mildred Permenter, Big Spring, and Earlene Wilson, San Angelo; seven grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Arrangements under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home, Snyder.

Effie Willborn Pettus

Effie Willborn Pettus, 81, Big Spring, died on Saturday, Sept. 14, 1996, in a local hospital. Services will be 2 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 17, 1996, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Rev. Lewis McGarity, pastor of Birdwell Lane Baptist Church, officiating. He will be assisted by Dale Pittman and Jesse Colegrove of Birdwell Lane Baptist Church. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.



EFFIE PETTUS

She was born on Jan. 20, 1915, in San Saba County, Texas and married Albert C. Pettus on Feb. 5, 1941, in Brownfield, Texas.

Mrs. Pettus had been a resident of Big Spring since 1934. She taught Sunday School at Trinity Baptist Church for 10 years. She and her husband ran the family business for 42 years.

She was a member of Birdwell Lane Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband, Albert C. Pettus of Big Spring; two daughters and sons-in-law, Marie Alberteen and Joe Storniolo of Irving and Jo Beth and Jack Power of Big Spring; three brothers, Oliver Willborn of Marshall, Ervin Willborn of Odessa, and Gerald Willborn of Big Spring; one sister, Ruth Myers of Colorado City; four grandchildren, Gina Parmer of Abilene, Jack Power III of Spring, Nicole Danielle Buffin of Irving and Jacquelyn Howard of Big Spring; and nine great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H.L. Willborn, and one sister, Eva Rippetoe.

Pallbearers will be Dwight Willborn, Randy Myers, Gene Brown, Dale Pittman, Warren Willborn, Larry Myers, Phillip Riddle and Nile Cole. Honorary pallbearers will be all men of Birdwell Lane Baptist Church.

The family suggests memorials to: Birdwell Lane Baptist Church; 1512 Birdwell Lane; Big Spring, Texas; 79720.

Flowers fade, memorials last forever.

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

PAID OBITUARY

Bill Jones

Service for Bill Jones, 61, Big Spring, is pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

He died Sunday, Sept. 15, 1996, in a Lubbock hospital.

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FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL
24th & Johnson 267-8288

NALLEY-PICKLE & WELCH
Funeral Home
Trinity Memorial Park and Crematory
906 Gregg St.
(915) 267-6331

Effie Willborn Pettus, 81, died Saturday. Services will be 2:00 PM Tuesday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

Bill Jones, 61, died Sunday. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

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CHURCH AND CLUB NEWS DEADLINES

Church and Club News items are due at the Herald office by noon Wednesday for Friday publication.

Items should be dropped off to the office, 710 Scurry; mailed to P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring Texas, 79721-1431; or faxed to 264-7205. For more information call 263-7331, x112.

A picture of one person who is speaking at a club or church can also be submitted.

Crime

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term, aides said. And high-profile Republican governors were to be on hand to offer their help in better coordination of federal and state crime-fighting efforts.

Aides said Dole also would add several new proposals to the anti-crime agenda he announced in May, including:

—Doubling federal funding for prison construction to at least $810 million under an incentive program for states making violent criminals serve their full sentences.

—Requiring prison inmates to work at least 40 hours a week to pay the cost of their incarceration and to compensate their victims. The idea was promoted in the GOP presidential primaries by Texas Sen. Phil Gramm.

"Clinton is very vulnerable on the issue of drugs — his lackadaisical attitude and the fact that the numbers of teens on drugs have skyrocketed," Dole campaign manager Scott Reed said Sunday. "It's indefensible and we plan on indicting him on it."

But Clinton's endorsement appearance in Cincinnati symbolizes his success at gaining ground on the traditionally Republican crime issue: it was in that same Ohio city four years ago that the police union gave its support to President Bush over Clinton.

In the past month, Clinton also got the backing of two smaller police groups, the International Union of Police Associations and the 185,000-member National Association of Police Organizations.

White House adviser Rahm Emanuel noted, in contrast, that Dole was backed by the National Rifle Association.

IN BRIEF

THERE WILL BE A grand golf tournament on Saturday, Sept. 21, and a dance following the event at the Howard County Fair Barn. Presentations begin at 8 p.m. and the dance from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. $8 in advance and $10 at the door. All proceeds to benefit the Chicano Golf Association Scholarship Fund.

For more information call 263-3589.

THE CITY'S COMPOSTING FACILITY is closed until Oct. 15. Please take any limbs or other items for composting to the landfill. The facility is being shut down to prepare it to be moved to the landfill later this year.

ENCOURAGERS SUPPORT GROUP FOR widows and widowers will meet Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. at Golden Corral Restaurant. For further information, call 398-5522 or 399-4369. They will meet Sept. 16 at First Presbyterian Church, Seventh and Runnels, at 5:30 p.m. for a program on quilts by LaVech Montgomery and on painting eggs by Dot Ditto. Dinner will follow at a local restaurant.

THE FIRST CHURCH OF the Nazarene is sponsoring a Harvest Festival of Fun from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 28. It will be on the church grounds and there will be games for all ages, rides, clowns, booths, gifts and prizes for everyone.

Donations are be requested to help fund this effort designed to brighten up the lives of children in Big Spring. Contact the church at 267-7015 for more information.

THERE WILL BE A Pow Wow meeting at 5 p.m. Thursday in the chamber board room.

METHODIST HALL-BENNETT CLINIC is sponsoring a teen parenting course through Oct. 3 from 4-5:30 p.m. The cost is $1 per session per family. Teen parents, their parents or legal guardians are invited to attend. The course is being taught by Nurse Practitioner Olga McAlister. Please bring paper, pencil and of course, the baby along with a baby seat or stroller for the child to sit in. It is open to moms and dads ages 15-18 who are currently pregnant or recently delivered a child.

PERSONS INTERESTED IN VIEWING Spring 1996 results from Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS) testing can do so Tuesday at school administrative offices in Big Spring, Coahoma and Forsan.

After Spring 1996 TAAS testing, the Texas Education Agency instructed school districts to make available for review those results. These tests include the March exit level TAAS, March grades 4 and 8 TAAS writing tests, and the May TAAS mathematics tests in grades 3-8.

Parents may review this information under the direction of school district officials, but may not photocopy any documents. Field test items, used to build future forms of the test, will not be released.

For more information, contact the Big Spring administration office at 264-3600, the Coahoma office at 394-4290 or the Forsan school office at 267-2790.

SPRINGBOARD

IF YOU HAVE ANY CHANGES IN A SPRINGBOARD ITEM OR FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT GINA GARZA, 263-7331 ext. 238, BETWEEN 8 A.M. AND 2 P.M. All Springboard items must be submitted in writing. Mail to: Springboard, Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, Texas 79720; bring it by the office at 710 Scurry; or fax it to 264-7205.

TODAY

•Big Spring-Howard County Retired Teachers Association, 10:30 a.m., Cactus Room at Howard College. Lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m.

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

•Project Freedom, Christian support group, 7 p.m. Call 263-5140 or 263-2241.

•TOPS Clubs (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) 5:30 to 6 p.m. weigh in and 6 p.m. meeting, Carriage Inn, 501 W. 17th. Call 263-1340 or 263-8633.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting and 8 to 9 p.m. at the VA Medical Center on fourth floor.

•Encouragers support group, for widows and widowers, 5:30 p.m., First Presbyterian Church (7th & Runnels). Enter by the north door. Dinner will follow at a local restaurant. For more information call 398-5522 or 399-4369.

•DAVA Unit #47, 6:30 p.m., VAMC room 224. Members plan to attend.

TUESDAY

•Comanche Lake Duplicate, 1 p.m., Dora Roberts Civic Center.

•Most Excellent Way, a chemical dependency support group, 7 p.m., Living Water Church, 1008 Birdwell Lane. Call 267-1424 after 5 p.m. or 263-3168 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

•Support Group for Depression, 7 p.m., Dora Roberts Rehab Center, Third and Lancaster.

•Al-Anon, 8 to 9 p.m., 615 Settles.

•Narcotics Anonymous, 6:30 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting and 8 to 9 p.m. closed meeting at the VA Medical Center on fourth floor.

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•Big Spring Art Association, 7 p.m., Marcy House.

•Senior Citizens dance, 7 to 10 p.m., Colorado City Civic Center. The Country Five will provide the music. Everyone is invited.

WEDNESDAY

•Line dance lessons, 2 p.m., Senior Citizens Center in the Industrial Park.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting and 8 to 9 p.m. 12&12 Study.

THURSDAY

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

•Friends of the Library of Howard County meeting, noon, Howard County Library. If you are a member of the Friends of the Library or interested in becoming one, please attend the meeting. For more information call Irene LeMarr at 394-4424 or any Friend of the Library.

FRIDAY

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

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

•Big Spring Evening Lions Club BBQ Supper, 5 to 7 p.m., Big Spring High School cafeteria. Tickets are $5 per person and plates to go available. Call Squeaky Thompson at 267-5931 or Jan Noyes at 267-6095 for more details.

SATURDAY

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, open meetings at noon, 8 p.m. and 10 p.m.

SUNDAY

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

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Longtime Corpus sports editor dies

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) — Emil Tagliabue, a former sports editor for the Corpus Christi Caller-Times who worked more than 40 years at the newspaper, died Sunday following a lengthy illness. He was 67.

Tagliabue, known simply as Tag to friends and colleagues, joined the Caller-Times in 1950 and served as sports editor until 1987. He then worked as an associate sports editor until his retirement last year.

"For the Caller-Times and its readers, he brought a passion for sports and the character that athletics builds in those that are a part of it all," said executive editor, David House. "He wrote as much as anything about the rewards of discipline, teamwork, the desire to excel and courage. We will miss him."

Tagliabue chronicled Corpus Christi high school football during its glory years, including state-championship teams at Ray and Miller high schools. He also covered Texas A&I during numerous national championship seasons.

In 1974, he was named the Texas High School Coaches Association Sports Writer of the Year, and selected the Lone Star Conference Sportswriter of the Year in 1972.

Tagliabue was inducted into the Coastal Bend Coaches Association Hall of Fame in 1991.

POLICE

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following incidents Saturday and Sunday:

• **KIMBERLY SUE PIERCE,** 25, 713 Lorilla St., was arrested on Department of Public Safety warrants.

• **BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE** was reported on the 2900 block of Old W. Highway 80.

• **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported on the 1600 block of Lancaster St. (twice) and the 1000 block of Birdwell Lane.

• **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** was reported on the 4200 block of Dixon Street, the 1900 block of Scurry Street and the 100 block of Lockhart Road.

• **EUSEVIO GALAVIZ,** 31, 411 Highland Dr., was arrested on local warrants.

• **LUIS MOLINA,** 35, 507 E. 15th St., was arrested on local warrants.

• **ASSAULT** was reported on the 600 block of North Douglas St. and the 1600 block of Settles Street.

• **PABLO ARRIOLA VIERA,** 44, 710 Willia, was arrested on a charge of driving while license invalid.

• **THEFT** was reported on the 1100 block of Lamesa Highway, the 300 block of Owens Street, the 1000 block of East 12th St., the 1200 block of 11th Place and the 2000 block of Gregg Street.

• **VICTOR TYRON PRUITT,** 28, 1307 E. 14th St., was arrested on local warrants.

• **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCES** were reported on the 1300 block of W. Third St., the 900 block of Abrams Street and the 1900 block of Wasson Road.

• **VIOLATION OF A PROTECTIVE ORDER** was reported on the 2500 block of Chanute Street.

• **ASSAULT/FAMILY VIOLENCE** was reported on the 600 block of N.W. Eighth Street and the 1600 block of Martin Luther King Blvd.

• **JACKIE DOYLE RITCHEY,** 33, HC 61 Box 491, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• **IRENE JUAREZ GOHR,** 36, Abilene, was arrested on a charge of driving while license invalid.

• **JERRY GOMEZ,** 50, 910 E. 15th St., was arrested on local warrants.

• **JOSEPH PRATT,** 45, no address given, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• **GENARO AYALA JR.,** 20, no address given, was arrested on charges of fictitious inspection sticker and no driver's license.

SHERIFF

The Howard County Sheriff's Office reported the following incident Saturday and Sunday:

• **LOOSE CATTLE** were reported on Highway 158.

RECORDS

Sunday's high 85
Sunday's low 59
Average high 87
Average low 62
Record high 103 in 1965
Record low 46 in 1993
Rainfall Sunday 0.00
Month to date 2.13
Month's normal 1.24
Year to date 15.23
Normal for the year 15.33
**Statistics not available

MARKETS

Oct. cotton futures 74.95 cents a pound, up 15 points; Oct. crude oil 23.73, down 78 points; Cash hog steady at 54 cents even; slaughter steers steady at $1 higher at 72 cents even; Oct. live hog futures 55.75, up 17 points; Oct. live cattle futures 73.47, up 20 points. Courtesy: Delta Corporation.

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Cabot	28⅛ +⅛
Chevron	62⅛ nc
Chrysler	28⅛ +⅛
Cifra	1.48- 1.52
Coca-Cola	53⅛ +⅛
De Beers	31⅛ -⅛
DuPont	85⅛ -⅛
Exxon	84 -⅛
Fina	52⅛ +⅛
Ford Motors	32⅛ +⅛
Halliburton	55⅛ nc
IBM	121⅛ -⅛
Laser Indus LTD	14⅛ +⅛
Mesa Ltd. Prt	4⅛ nc
Mobil	116⅛ nc
Norwest	40⅛ nc
NUV	9⅛ +⅛
Pepsi Cola	28⅛ - 1⅛
Phillips Petroleum	42⅛ -⅛
Polaris	24⅛ +⅛
Rural/Metro	35⅛ + 1
Sears	45 +⅛
Southwestern Bell	48⅛ +⅛
Sun	23⅛ nc
Texaco	92⅛ -⅛
Texas Instruments	49 +⅛
Texas Utils. Co	41⅛ nc
Unocal Corp	36⅛ +⅛
Wal-Mart	27⅛ +⅛
Amcap	13.94- 14.79
Euro Pacific	24.78- 26.29
I.C.A.	23.49- 24.92
New Economy	17.51- 18.58
New Perspective	17.63-⅞
Van Kampen	14.28- 14.99
Prime Rate	8.25%
Gold	382.20-382.70
Silver	4.98- 5.01

Big Spring ON THE RUN

TEXAS BRIEFS

High blood pressure, obesity might be determined at birth

DALLAS (AP) — Hypertension and obesity in adults might be determined at birth.

That's the conclusion of a study released Sunday by the American Heart Association.

The study, published in the association's journal Circulation, found that babies who weigh less than 5› pounds at birth are about 40 percent more likely than normal-weight babies to have high blood pressure when they grow up.

Babies who weigh more than 10 pounds at birth were found to be prone to mid-life obesity.

The findings confirmed the results of other studies but was the largest of its kind, said Dr. Gary Curhan, lead researcher and an epidemiologist at Harvard Medical School and Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston.

Officials mulling over $3 million debt owed by prostitutes

FORT WORTH (AP) — Prostitutes collectively owe the city of Fort Worth more than $3 million, and city officials are not having much luck with the proposition of collecting the unpaid debt.

City officials gave little explanation for the lack of enforcement of such debts, the Fort Worth Star-Telegram reported Sunday. However, they acknowledged there is backlog of 60,000 citations that were issued, not paid and not processed for warrants and another 4,000 cases pending that haven't been set for court.

There are also some instances where indigent defendants might be unable to pay fines or serve jail time.

Reformed streetwalker Carla Berliner's misdemeanor fines, mostly for prostitution, total over $27,000. The 26-year-old woman, who was released from a yearlong stint in jail earlier this month, said she has no plans to make good on her debt.

While acknowledging she deserved many of her citations, Berliner said she was often ticketed while simply standing outside.

Credit, finance companies enter phone market

AUSTIN (AP) — Retailers in a new breed of telephone service say they're out to help poorer Texans and those with credit and debt problems to get local phone service.

But consumer advocates say the credit and finance companies getting into the state's phone business could be charging too much to make bell's ring.

Lawmakers last year approved changes to the state's telecommunication laws to spur more competition. Smaller competitors now can buy service from companies like Southwestern Bell and GTE and resell it to their own customers.

Larger companies like AT&T and MCI also can resell and generate their own service after local phone companies are allowed into long distance phone market.

Suzi McClennan, the state's public utility counsel who argues utility issues for consumers, says competition will benefit consumers. But she's concerned about the credit and finance companies who have been approved to resell service.

Perot running mate, insider's insider; mom skeptical

DALLAS (AP) — He may be new to politics, but Pat Choate is no novice.

"I'm an insider's insider. That's how I've made my living. You've heard a lot of my speeches without ever knowing it," said Choate, for years the man behind the curtain for the likes of Pat Buchanan and Ross Perot.

Although he's been the Texas billionaire's running mate for less than a week, Choate has moved with ease from backstage to a leading role in the campaign. He's met with reporters almost non-stop, made several public appearances and sketched an in-person vision for the Reform Party ticket — all voids left by the press-shy Perot, who prefers TV infomercials.

Small town offers free land to stay alive

LEFORS (AP) — Since the oil bust hit a decade ago, there's not much left in this Texas Panhandle town.

A couple of swimming holes keep the few kids still here entertained in the summer and, on Thursdays, the senior citizens' club serves a mean potluck lunch. Watching a good thunderstorm blow across the rolling plains always makes for an entertaining afternoon.

But that's about it. When the oil wells were capped and the workers moved out, Lefors lost two grocery stores, a bowling alley, a bar and one-third of its population. Only about 600 people remain, and enrollment is so low that the local school is in danger of closing.

So, with ingenuity born of desperation, School Superintendent Norman Baxter and Mayor Bob Jones came up with a plan over coffee one morning: People could write in and, if they were lucky enough, they just might end up with a piece of Lefors — for nothing.

Twelve vacant lots that failed to sell at auction — worth roughly $150 to $400 apiece — are up for grabs in a drawing Oct. 14. The only requirement is that each winner put a trailer on the lot or begin construction on a house within six months.

Before the deadline passed for entries last month, more than 480 postcards streamed in from as far away as California and Maine.

Baxter and Jones are crossing their fingers that the gimmick will attract young families, restaurateurs and other wholesome, friendly folk.

"We make no discrimination," Jones says. "Of course, we'd like people with 18 or 20 kids."

But what Lefors wants and what Lefors gets could be two very different things.

Meet, for example, applicant Becky Bremmer. She lives with her husband in a trailer home south of nearby Amarillo. Both are in their 50s and don't work because of disabilities.

"We want to get farther away from our kids," Mrs. Bremmer says. "I want to say no when they ask me to baby-sit."

Then there's Susan Daughety, a Dallas nurse fed up with traffic and crowds who doesn't like the cramped quarters of her trailer home park.

"Kids play ball here and keep hitting the house and I have to keep yelling at them," she says. "I don't feel like I need a lot of other people to get along."

Not exactly kid-friendly, young families.

If history is destined to repeat itself, in fact, the last thing Lefors will get is the June and Ward Cleavers of the world.

"I wish them well, but it's not going to work. It's doomed to fail," says William W. Savage Jr., a history professor at the University of Oklahoma.

"They think they're going to attract the middle class, people with money to invest, people who are going to add something. The historical likelihood is that just the opposite is going to happen."

A century ago, during the land runs of Oklahoma homesteading, most people lured to the free land were "bums and losers" who wanted something for nothing, Savage notes. And Lefors, he warns, shouldn't expect any better.

The one thing town officials have going for them, Savage says, is that they only have 12 lots to give away.

"If they had 40, they'd be up to their hips in trouble by sundown," he says.

In more recent history, what sounded so good in Antler, N.D., quickly turned into a nightmare. Twenty years ago, a benevolent farmer advertised free land to attract families to — just like Lefors — boost the economy and keep the school open.

"If it turns out like it did here," Antler Mayor Chester Engelstad laments, "we got all the scum of the earth moved in and that was it."

About 40 people arrived, only a few with children. They put up either decrepit trailers or drafty shacks that couldn't withstand a North Dakota winter. Within months, many were in town begging for food and unable to pay their utility bills. Only one man stayed five years, long enough to claim ownership, but even he left.

" A lot of the people tried to help get them started, but they refused to work after they could find work," Engelstad says. "That was the kind of people they were."

But Lefors is still optimistic.

Town secretary Virginia Maples, a Lefors native supervising the entries, pooh-poohs any naysayers. Since the story aired on national television, she says, she has fielded hundreds of calls.

"They sound so upbeat about it," says Maples, standing next to a sign at City Hall admonishing visitors that "no profanity or abusive language will be tolerated."

"The majority of them that have called do have children," she says. "One has four children in school. They even say if their name isn't drawn, is there land they can buy?"

Surrounded by prairie, Lefors is some 70 miles from Amarillo. Most residents are either retired or commute the dozen miles to the chemical plant or prison in Pampa, a town of 20,000.

Only two city streets are paved, not counting the old state highway that deadends at the cemetery. A proliferation of trees, a rarity in the Panhandle, is the town's saving grace. They shade it from the scorching Texas summers and lend a bit of charm to an otherwise remote, desolate place.

"Lefors is just a small quiet, oil field town," a city letter to prospective residents says without apology. "Not a whole lot happens here."

Probably the biggest event in town each year is "cow patty bingo." Almost the entire population turns out to place bets on where a wandering cow will leave its mark.

Racial disparities in lending surpass 1995 state average

AUSTIN (AP) — The number of home mortgage loans obtained by black and Hispanic applicants almost quadrupled from 1992 to 1995 in a five-county Central Texas area, according to a study by the Austin American-Statesman.

However, the computer analysis report in the newspaper's Sunday editions, which used the latest data the government collected under the federal Home Mortgage Disclosure Act, showed that lenders still were biased toward whites.

The analysis found that in 1995, lenders statewide turned down about one of every four whites who applied for a mortgage loan but rejected one in three blacks and Hispanics.

Results showed greater disparities in home loan denial rates for the Austin area, including Travis, Williamson, Hays, Bastrop and Caldwell counties: 18 percent for whites but 33 percent for blacks and 37 percent for Hispanics.

"Clearly, there are still some disparities" in loan denial rates for different ethnic groups, said Robert Wilson, a professor at the LBJ School of Public Affairs at the University of Texas.

Among applicants with comparable incomes, blacks and Hispanics often had higher denial rates than whites, according to the newspaper's analysis.

Among Texans making more than $100,000 a year, the 1995 denial rates were 8 percent for whites, 14 percent for Hispanics and 21 percent for blacks.

Upper-middle-income levels had the biggest disparities in denial rates in the Austin area. Among applicants making $76,000 to $100,000 a year, lenders rejected one of 14 whites but one of every six blacks and Hispanics.

"There seems to be a pattern of discriminatory lending," said Rob Schneider of Consumers Union.

Laura Battaile, housing program director of the Association of Community Organizations for Reform Now, said: "The discrimination persists."

In Travis County, the denial rates were 31 percent for blacks and 35 percent for Hispanics.

Trial of Mexican drug lord Juan Garcia Abrego begins

HOUSTON (AP) — Juan Garcia Abrego, hauled across the border by Mexican police after he made the FBI's "10 Most Wanted" list, goes on trial today on charges alleging he smuggled 13› tons of cocaine into this country.

Few details from the government's case have been revealed since the pudgy kingpin's sensational Jan. 14 arrest.

However, the case represents years of painstaking work by federal agents, beginning in the late 1980s with a vigil on drug routes between Mexico and South Texas, leading to a dramatic foot-chase in northern Mexico, hub for the Gulf drug cartel allegedly headed by Garcia Abrego.

The trial opens today with jury selection, a task expected to take several days. Opening statements before U.S. District Judge Ewing Werlein are expected later in the week.

Garcia Abrego, who turned 52 Friday as he waited in an undisclosed detention facility, faces a 20-count indictment accusing him of conspiracy, distributing 13› tons of cocaine into the United States and illegally laundering or transferring some $8.6 million.

Conviction on most of the charges carries a maximum punishment of life in prison.

A four-member prosecution team, led by Assistant U.S. Attorney Melissa Annis, will confront a man who once was Houston's top federal prosecutor. Garcia Abrego's lead defense attorney is Tony Canales U.S. attorney for the Southern District of Texas from 1977 to 1980.

Garcia Abrego's rise from the dusty streets of the small Rio Grande Valley town of La Paloma to reputedly become one of the world's top drug dealers spawned a legend of political payoffs, intrigue, treachery and murder.

Authorities say the road from drug dealer to cartel king began in May 1984, when they say Garcia Abrego ordered the gangland-style murder of former associate Casimiro "El Cacho" Espinosa Campo in a Matamoros, Mexico, clinic.

El Cacho died, and his lieutenants reportedly shifted their loyalty to Garcia Abrego, using their Colombian connections to propel him into large-scale cocaine trafficking.

The Gulf Cartel was born.

Based in Matamoros, the cartel quickly grew into the second most powerful drug organization in Mexico. It is believed to smuggle hundreds of tons of Colombian cocaine each year into the United States.

"Things changed dramatically in the mid-1980s when he moved into the cocaine business," said Ms. Annis in a 1995 Associated Press interview. Her team, which includes three other attorneys, have been tight-lipped since Garcia Abrego's arrest and have declined to discuss the case, as has Canales.

However, authorities have attributed Garcia Abrego's success largely to connections with high-ranking Mexican officials. Millions of dollars in bribes allegedly were made.

Date-rape drug 'Mickey Finn of 90s'

HOUSTON (AP) — An illegal "date rape" drug is being dispensed clandestinely at Gulf Coast nightclubs as a clear liquid in designer water bottles.

As many as 30 people have overdosed on Gamma y-hydroxybutyrate — better known as GHB — and been treated in hospital emergency rooms in the past six months, according to Houston Poison Control reports.

The depressant is blamed in last month's death of La Porte High School student Hillory Farias. Investigators say the drug apparently was slipped into her soft drink.

Farias, 17, complained of a severe headache when she came home after midnight Aug. 4 from a night out with girlfriends. Her grandmother found her unconscious after daybreak.

Most victims in the overdose cases were rushed to a hospital because they couldn't breathe or they passed out in their cars and nobody could arouse them, said Mike Ellis, director of Poison Control.

"In all these cases, the person has admitted taking GHB. But there could be many more where the cause of the illness was unknown and the hospital didn't screen for it," said Margaret Harris, legal adviser for Harris County's multiagency narcotics task force.

Farias' death is believed to be the only one in the area and perhaps in the nation directly attributable to GHB. Her death has been ruled a homicide and police plan to interview Aug. 4 patrons of a Pasadena nightclub for any possible leads.

Harris, an assistant district attorney, said law enforcement officers in mid-August found a lab near Webster where GHB was being manufactured illegally.

"At that point, we realized this was becoming a threat," she said. "It came home that area law enforcement agencies that I met did not have much information on it."

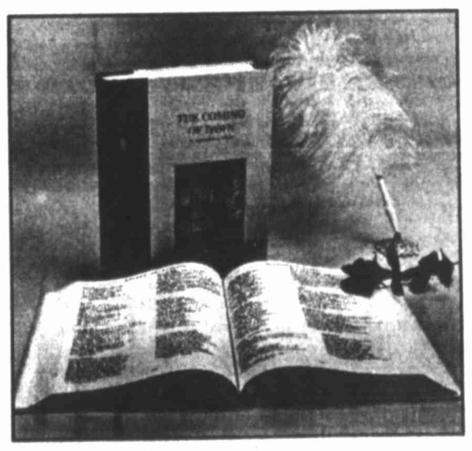
Three cases of respiratory distress in Webster, traced to GHB use, were treated in the emergency room at Clear Lake Regional Medical Center last week — after the announcement of GHB's role in Miss Farias' death, said spokeswoman Kim Boudreaux.

Law officers also are concerned that some of the people being stopped for investigation of drunken driving actually might be under the influence of GHB.

Because GHB cannot be detected with a routine drug screen, La Porte police had to specifically request the county medical examiner to test for the depressant in Farias' case.

Poetry Contest
$48,000.00 in Prizes

The National Library of Poetry to award 250 total prizes to amateur poets in coming months



The National Library of Poetry publishes the work of amateur poets in colorful hardbound anthologies like The Coming of Dawn, pictured above. Each volume features poetry by a diverse mix of poets from all over the world.

Owings Mills, Maryland – The National Library of Poetry has just announced that $48,000.00 in prizes will be awarded over the next 12 months in the North American Open Amateur Poetry Contest. The deadline for entry into the contest is October 31, 1996. Another contest begins November 1, 1996. The contest is open to everyone and entry is free.

"We're especially looking for poems from new or unpublished poets," indicated Howard Ely, spokesperson for The National Library of Poetry. "We have a ten year history of awarding large prizes to talented poets who have never before won any type of writing competition."

How To Enter

Anyone may enter the competition simply by sending in ***ONLY ONE*** original poem, any subject, any style, to:

The National Library of Poetry
Suite 5282
1 Poetry Plaza
Owings Mills, MD 21117-6282

The poem should be no more than 20 lines, and the poet's name and address must appear on the top of the page. Entries must be postmarked by October 31, 1996. "All poets who enter will receive a response concerning their artistry, usually within seven weeks," indicated Mr. Ely.

Possible Publication

Many submitted poems will also be considered for inclusion in one of The National Library of Poetry's forthcoming hardbound anthologies. Previous anthologies published by the organization have included *On the Threshold of a Dream*, *Days of Future's Past*, *Of Diamonds and Rust*, and *Moments More to Go*, among others.

"Our anthologies routinely sell out because they are truly enjoyable reading, and they are also a sought-after sourcebook for poetic talent," added Mr. Ely.

World's Largest Poetry Organization

Having awarded over $150,000.00 in prizes to poets worldwide in recent years, The National Library of Poetry, founded in 1982 to promote the artistic accomplishments of contemporary poets, is the largest organization of its kind in the world. Anthologies published by the organization have featured poems by more than 100,000 poets.

"We're always looking for new poetic talent," said Mr. Ely. "I hope you urge your readers to enter the contest. There is absolutely no obligation whatsoever, and they could be our next big winner."

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Quote of the Day

"Without music life would be a mistake."

Friedrich Nietzsche

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OUR VIEWS

Symphony deserves our fullest support

The Big Spring Symphony will kick off its new season this week, and fittingly, this year's theme will be "Celebrate the Symphony."

While the symphony's first performance will not be staged until Oct. 19, this Thursday's 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. ticket kickoff party at the Heritage Museum is the time to make sure the musical and performance arts receive the support they deserve in Big Spring.

As always, the symphony's season will include something for everyone -- from the classics of Beethoven, Mozart and Chopin, to a finale entitled "How the West was sung."

Conductor Gene Smith, having settled his contract problems with the San Angelo Symphony, will again be leading the local group when they open the season Oct. 19 with a concert featuring familiar classics.

That will be followed by a Nov. 7 performance of the Vienna Choir Boys, an organization that dates back to 1498 -- just six years after Columbus made his first voyage to the New World. The group first visited the United States in 1932 and features a broad range of offerings including time-honored sacred works and the folk music which has become a staple in Austria and throughout Europe.

The two performances that tend to be the most popular each season are "The Nutcracker," which will be staged Dec. 7 and will again feature Ballet Lubbock and dancers from the Dance Gallery in Big Spring, and the Young People's Concert" showcasing local talent set for Feb. 22.

In addition, Symphony Guild president Cynthia Scott announced that local students will be given a free performance of the "Young People's Concert" on Feb. 21.

The season's final concert will be May 3. Entitled "How the West was Sung," the performance will feature Jody Nix singing and playing with the symphony and orchestra.

With such a wide diversity of offerings, there is little reason for local residents not to take advantage of the entertainment value the Symphony Guild is offering this season.

Season tickets for the five-performance run are priced at $50 for adults and $30 for students and senior citizens. New this year, the ticket booklet has been changed to include a ticket for each concert, meaning there will no longer be an opportunity for season ticket holders to use all of their tickets for a single concert.

While tickets will be available at the door for individual concerts, there are several reasons to purchase season tickets. Not the least of these, is that the package price includes the purchaser to what amounts to a free concert.

More importantly, local symphonies -- from the largest to the smallest -- depend on the support from season ticket sales.

Considering the wide range of entertainment these concert series bring to our front door, it only makes sense to lend our support.

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Attack on Iraq smells like bologna, not policy

By LEONARD LARSEN
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WASHINGTON — President Clinton's order for missile attacks on military targets in southern Iraq after Saddam Hussein helped one tribe against another in a Kurdish fight in northern Iraq makes more sliced bologna out of U.S. foreign policy.

It looks and smells more like bologna than foreign policy when the president, in an election year and without consultation with allies or members of Congress, sets out to prove he is tough with a hostile gesture whose impact will probably register only on the White House popularity polls.

And if the Clinton explanation of the why of the Iraqi bombings is to become policy, then future foreign despots who abuse their own people or threaten their neighbors can expect to get bombed for choosing sides in tribal warfare inside their own countries and running off at the mouth against Americans.

Even if President Clinton — as it appears — intended his policy of punishment for people-abuse to apply only against Saddam Hussein, he still has moved American foreign policy far away from days when serious swordplay — like bombing campaigns — might have been reserved for serious retaliation for acts of war against America or warlike threats.

He has even moved U.S. foreign policy a considerable distance from use of American muscle to protect American interests or those of our allies, from intervention to encourage or force compliance with clearly understood American policy overseas or from simply persuading foreign governments to a well-defined American point of view.

What President Clinton did and warns he might do again was to launch cruise missiles from Navy ships in the Persian Gulf and from B-52 bombers flown half-way around the world in two attacks whose results — so far as are known — did nothing to weaken Saddam Hussein and make him a kindly dictator or to aid whichever tribe of Kurds are currently popular with the Clinton administration.

Two of the wisest observations on the Clinton intervention in the tribal upheavals in Iraq and Saddam Hussein's response to fighting inside his borders came from an unlikely pair of Texans, Republican Sen. Phil Gramm and Ross Perot, the billionaire whose avocation has become running for president.

Perot, while Bob Dole and most other Republicans were holding their tongues, suggested the obvious, that President Clinton, attacking Iraq, was playing politics and hoping to get a bump in the polls.

Gramm was less personal but just as accurate, noting that while Kurds quarrel for dominance in northern Iraq, we don't have a dog in that fight.

That's brutal but to the point. Americans don't have a dog in that fight and most Americans would be mystified at which dogs are fighting and why both Saddam Hussein and President Clinton got involved. What I think I know — because I just looked it up — is that Saddam ordered his military to help one bunch of Kurds, the Kurdish Democratic Party, because another bunch of Kurds, the Patriotic Union of Kurdistan, has become allied with Iran and that is seen as a threat to Iraq.

What is also going on in Iraq is that a third bunch of Kurds, the Kurdistan Workers Party, has been fighting and raiding inside Turkey for several years and Turkey has decided that has got to stop.

You've got Saddam sending his troops into an area of Iraq to expel Kurds friendly to Iran; you've got the Kurds friendly to Iran — who used to be our friends — asking both Iran and America for help, and you've got Turkey — our longtime friend in that part of the world — attacking their Kurdish opponents with much the same ferocity that Saddam displayed in his attack on his Kurdish opponents.

So President Clinton, vowing to enforce whatever it is that can still be understood to be American policy in the Middle East, orders the cruise missile bombings of radar installations in southern Iraq to make Saddam behave in northern Iraq. Then, to clarify American policy, the president approves not only the Turkish attack on Kurds but Turkey's plan to invade northern Iraq and impose a security zone, a concept that fits somewhat uncomfortably with the security zone imposed by Israel — another American friend — on the southern area of Lebanon.

There's one more thing. President Clinton claimed success, declaring, our mission has been achieved.

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

When lawn genie gives up, she makes a discovery

By SHARON RANDALL
Scripps Howard News Service

One of the casualties of the West Coast power outage last month was our Lawn Genie. Or so my husband claims.

"Power surge," he said, punching buttons and poking wires. "Probably fried the circuits or something."

Ever since the summer he spent two months (and almost lost his religion) putting in an automatic, computerized, abracadabra sprinkler system, our yard has not had to depend on us for water. Which is to say, it survived — actually, it thrived — for the first time since we bought the place 27 long, dry years ago.

Lord, how my husband loved that Lawn Genie. He set it up just so, with A days and B days, zones 1-12, three minutes here, 10 minutes there. I never actually saw how it worked. That was the beauty of it, he said, all the watering was done in the wee hours of the morning before he got up to take his shower. (He has a phobia about getting scalded in the shower, the result of some frat house experience, I suspect.)

Out of sight, out of mind, he said, with the Lawn Genie, we'd never have to remember to water again. Funny, isn't it, how easily we take things for granted when they do the job and don't demand attention?

Anyhow, we didn't notice the Lawn Genie had quit on us until it was almost too late. One day out of nowhere, my husband said, "Does the grass look brown to you?"

"No," I said, "it looks dead. So do the hydrangeas."

He spent an hour punching buttons and poking wires before settling on the power surge theory.

"It'll take days to order a new unit," he whined.

"Swell," I said. "Guess I'll water by hand for now."

And so I did, most every evening, tangling with a garden hose like a mud wrestler with a python.

Actually, I rather enjoyed it. Watering is one of those mindless tasks that you can get lost in temporarily, and come away rested somehow.

There is something about the movement of water — say, in the current of a river or the come and go of a tide or even the stream from a garden hose — that is mesmerizing, restorative, healing.

I'm not sure how long I'd been standing there. I was spraying water in a wide arc over the azaleas, watching it spit rainbows in the afternoon light, when suddenly, I had a feeling I was being watched.

A hummingbird. Wings awhir. Thumb-sized body. Brilliant green throat. Black, beady eyes. Inches from my face. I didn't move, didn't breathe, just stared. And he stared back, or so it seemed. How long? Not long enough. Then just like that, he was gone.

It had been ages since I'd seen or been seen by a hummer, what my grandmother called, "one of life's finer details." I had almost forgotten they exist.

Our Lawn Genie is again, as my husband says, "running like a champion," so the yard doesn't need me to water it.

And yet, I still like to go out there, especially in late afternoon, to get lost in spraying the azaleas.

I don't have to remember to water now. But there are other things, life's finer details, I don't want to forget.

(Sharon Randall, winner of the American Association of Sunday and Feature Editors and Best of the West commentary awards, writes this column twice weekly for Scripps Howard News Service.)



Anti-poverty workers, study indicate welfare myths far from truth

WASHINGTON (AP) — To those who work with the poor each day, the stereotypes about welfare recipients would be laughable if only such notions were easier to dismiss.

According to Bill Bolling, director of the Atlanta Community Food Bank, when most people think of welfare recipients, they think of unemployed, inner-city minorities who live off the government.

But the facts are something else again, which means that a new study by the private Population Reference Bureau dispelling many of the myths about poor people and welfare is no surprise to Bolling and others.

"When they're talking about cutting welfare, what politicians often do for effect is focus on large urban areas — Atlanta, Detroit or Newark — and make everybody believe that's the face of welfare," Bolling said. "Of course, the reality is far different from what you find in those 10-second sound bites."

And Jim Bland, a former welfare recipient who lives in rural Alpena, Mich., knows what it's like to bump up against such stereotypes.

"When we went to apply for benefits, the person in the agency said, 'We resent "you people" moving here,' without work," recalled Bland, who applied for assistance in 1994 after suffering a heart attack. He had had no luck finding a job following a relocation to the area in which his wife grew up.

"I mean, 'You people!' What's that mean? It's a pretty tough pill to swallow when you're sitting there, asking them to help you and your family," he said.

Bland, 39, managed to swallow his pride that day, and was on assistance for about two years. After working part-time as a grocery stockperson and a security guard, applying for other jobs all the while, he finally was able to capitalize on his social service background. He now works as a counselor for one of the agencies that helped him get back on his feet.

"I've never forgotten what that felt like," Bland said. "When you're on assistance, you don't need put-downs or anything to hold you back — you need some help to get going on your own."

And Bland himself — who is white, and lives in a non-urban community — typifies the average welfare recipient, according to the survey, which is based on an analysis of Census data from 1994 — the last year for which complete figures are available. The Washington-based Population Reference Bureau, which researches population trends and their implications, is funded by government contracts and foundation grants.

Its survey found that non-Hispanic whites make up 48 percent of the poor, followed by African-Americans and Hispanics.

The study also shows that while nearly 40 percent of the nation's poor live in families headed by a single female, 34 percent live in two-parent homes.

Among the other "myths of poverty" dispelled by the report:

—While many Americans believe that those who are poor will remain dependent, the study found that one out of three will lift themselves out of poverty within 12 months.

Fear of rebels casts cloud on Mexico's festivities

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Mexicans celebrated their country's independence from Spain under a cloud of fear today as the government stepped up security to guard against possible violence by a new rebel group.

Even President Ernesto Zedillo looked a bit nervous late Sunday when he stepped out on the balcony of the National Palace to issue the traditional cry of independence.

"Mexicans, long live our independence!" Zedillo shouted before fireworks exploded in the sky. "Long live our liberty! Long live Mexico!"

Plainclothes agents with walkie-talkies gathered in groups under the red, white and green banners festooning the centuries-old palace on the capital's main Zocalo plaza. There were no reports of rebel violence early today.

Fears of an attack by the Popular Revolutionary Army spread through Mexico after a letter purportedly written by the rebels appeared last week in major newspapers, warning people to avoid large gatherings Sunday night.

The government responded by dispatching 18,000 police officers and hundreds of soldiers to the main plaza for the traditional festivities. Similar security was expected today for a military parade down the capital's main thoroughfare.

For the first time in recent memory, police searched everyone entering the Zocalo plaza on Sunday, even small children. Two officers passed metal detector wands over a stroller carrying a toddler wearing a big straw hat.

"Because people are scared of an attack, many are going home early," said Alejandro Fernandez, a 34-year-old laborer carrying his small son through the crowd.

"There is so much security, it's frightening," said Reynaldo Hernandez, 23, a jeweler who carted his son on his back.

Despite the fears, tens of thousands of people streamed into the plaza, many of them wearing traditional floppy hats and waving Mexican flags.

The rebel group, known as the EPR, has since denied sending the threatening letter. Nevertheless, security was stepped up here and in state capitals around the nation, where similar Independence Day celebrations were to be held. Soldiers also were on patrol Sunday in the main plaza of the southern state capital of Oaxaca.

The EPR stunned Mexico on Aug. 28 with a series of hit-and-run attacks across a wide swath of the nation that killed at least 18 people, including two rebels. Most of the attacks were on government targets, such as army posts and police stations.

On Friday EPR leaders denied sending the letter and vowed not to attack any civilian targets.

"Our actions are directed against the military and police forces that are the pillars upon which this anti-popular, anti-democratic and repressive political system rests," it said in a statement distributed to reporters during a clandestine news conference in Oaxaca state.

Today's holiday commemorates the Sept. 16, 1810, "grito," or shout for independence, by Roman Catholic priest Miguel Hidalgo to his parishioners to rise up against Spanish colonial rule.

The "grito" is traditionally made before midnight on Sept. 15. Military and other parades are held on Sept. 16.

Other incidents have contributed to the tension:

—A bomb placed in a state police truck exploded Saturday night in the southern state of Chiapas. Two police officers and a passenger were gravely wounded. No one immediately claimed responsibility.

U.S. awaiting word from Kuwait's leaders on troop deployment

WASHINGTON (AP) — Embarrassed by a temporary delay, the Clinton administration awaited approval from Kuwait's government on the stationing of additional American troops on Kuwaiti territory.

Critics of the administration's response to Iraq's latest acts of aggression pointed to the confusion over the Kuwaiti deployment as an example of the failure to pull together the coalition that drove Saddam Hussein's forces from Kuwait in 1991.

It was announced Friday that 5,000 troops from Fort Hood, Texas, were preparing to go to Kuwait — a number the Pentagon said Sunday was overstated and should have been 3,000 — as part of efforts to bolster U.S. forces in the region. Defense Secretary William Perry, during a Sunday visit to Kuwait, was told that permission for the troops would have to await approval by the emirate's defense committee.

"I think the story broke in the papers before Secretary Perry had the chance to come and discuss that with them," Gen. John Shalikashvili, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, said Sunday on ABC's "This Week With David Brinkley."

"He has done so now and they are meeting on that issue, and it is my expectation that we will hear very shortly that (the Kuwaitis) will be delighted to accept those troops," Shalikashvili said.

President Clinton, asked by reporters about the planned Kuwaiti deployment, said the decision was made public "before we had done our regular consultation and the Kuwaitis had done their regular review. As far as I know, there is nothing irregular or troubling here."

The administration said Kuwait's acceptance of eight F-117 stealth fighters and Bahrain's hosting of 26 American F-16 fighters were proof of Mideast cooperation in the campaign against Saddam.

House Speaker Newt Gingrich, interviewed on NBC's "Meet the Press," said Republicans "have no idea what the president is trying to accomplish."

"If it is to protect the Kurds, it has failed. If it's to protect the Kuwaitis, they don't need protection," he said, noting the emirate's delay in accepting more American troops.

Sen. Sam Nunn, D-Ga., ranking minority member of the Senate Armed Services committee, said today that while he agrees with the buildup of forces at the moment, "we need to start looking at long-term policy."

"We're having to react to every tactical move than Saddam makes ," Nunn said on NBC's "Today" show.

"We ought to encourage the Gulf states to get with Egypt and Jordan, who have ample manpower, to help with the financing and to get an Arab front line defense so we can be the residual defense."

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Colts hit four field goals, Boniol misses one as Cowboys lose 25-24 to Colts

IRVING (AP) — The Indianapolis Colts were just one play away from getting into the Super Bowl last year. If they keep competing the way they did against the Dallas Cowboys, a trip to New Orleans could be in their future.

The Colts, who had six starters on the sidelines with injuries, including running back Marshall Faulk, had no business beating the Super Bowl champions 25-24 on Sunday, but they did it with a lot of sweat and a little luck from the football gods.

Cary Blanchard kicked four field goals, including the game-winner from 43 yards with 51 seconds left.

Chris Boniol of the Cowboys had a 57-yarder at the gun hit the crossbar and had a 40-yarder hit an upright and bounce away.

"This game is a great illustration of an old adage," Dallas coach Barry Switzer said. "Two football teams playing each other hard, and the game comes down to inches."

However, the Cowboys let the 10-point underdog Colts rally from an 18-point deficit to do it.

"I told the team that it was not unsurmountable to win," Indianapolis coach Lindy Infante said. "We came in here nicked up, and everyone was saying we were going to lose. But we came together."

The Colts knocked off another NFC kingpin last year, upsetting San Francisco 18-17.

Harbaugh, who threw two touchdown passes, said, "Not too many people gave us a chance because we had so many guys out. This might be the best win I've ever been associated with."

The Cowboys got beat by one of their best fans, Blanchard.

"When we're not playing, I root for them," said Blanchard, who once tried and failed to win a kicking job with the Cowboys and is from nearby Fort Worth. "I always wanted to play for them."

Blanchard knew his kick was on the money.

He said, "I knew it was good all the way. It was exciting to do it in my hometown. I do feel sorry for Boniol. He needed another half-yard."

Dallas (1-2) went ahead 24-22 with 13:26 left on a 52-yard field goal by Boniol, but his 40-yarder hit the right upright and bounced away with 2:48 to go, keeping the undefeated Colts (3-0) a field goal from victory.

"It's a bad feeling when you know you can't hit a kick any better and it just lacked inches of going over the crossbar," Boniol said of his attempted game-winner. "I felt it was it going to go over."

Harbaugh, who was 19-of-28 for 244 yards, hit Ken Dilger with a 28-yard pass and Zack Crockett with an 18-yarder to position Blanchard for his perfect field-goal try.

Harbaugh had touchdown passes of 48 yards to Marcus Pollard and 8 yards to Dilger. Blanchard also made field goals of 24, 25, and a career-long 52 yards

"We had to spread our offense around with Marshall out of there," Harbaugh said. "I thought we did a good job of keeping the Cowboys off balance."

Troy Aikman hit fullback Daryl Johnston with a 5-yard touchdown pass, and two more were fashioned by the defense. Tony Tolbert hit Harbaugh from behind and Deion Sanders picked up the loose football, returning it 22 yards for the touchdown.

Roger Harper intercepted Harbaugh two plays later at the Colts 44, and the Cowboys marched to their third touchdown, which came on Emmitt Smith's 2-yard run.

"When Harbaugh scrambles, it makes it tough," Harper said. "His mobility makes it very difficult for the secondary."

Aikman, who completed 17 of 27 for 184 yards, said the Cowboys have dug a deep hole.

"It's going to be a tough year for us," Aikman said. "We're going to be in a lot of close games. We're going to Buffalo 1-2 knowing it will be rough."

Dallas owner Jerry Jones said he wasn't about to panic.

"As long as we didn't have any serious injuries, I like the way we're going right now," Jones said, curiously.

4-4A teams go 5-1 behind top offensive performances

By JOHN H. WALKER
Managing Editor

With time to tune up in preparation for the 1996 District 4-4A football season running out, some of the teams seem to be in mid-to-late season form.

Sweetwater and San Angelo Lake View for example.

Sweetwater's Mustangs rolled up 418 yards of total offense in a 27-16 win over Snyder while Lake View amassed 357 yards en route to a 35-3 thumping of Class 3A Lamesa.

The two schools are the only undefeated teams in District 4-4A.

In other games Friday, Big Spring evened its record at 1-1 with a 12-0 shutout of state-ranked Class 3A Ballinger, Andrews moved to 1-1 with a 21-0 blanking of Class 3A Brownfield, Pecos leveled out at 1-1 with a 21-12 win over Class 3A Alpine and Fort Stockton fell to 0-2 with a 12-8 loss to El Paso Ysleta.

The night's big performers were Lake View quarterback Sterlin Gilbert and tailback Adam Binnix, Sweetwater quarterback Andrew Boatright and tailback Jason Blueford and Big Spring running back Antwoyne Edwards.

Gilbert, a first-team all-state selection by the Texas Sports Writers Association a year ago, completed six of 15 passes for 151 yards and three touchdowns. He also kicked three

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Big Spring Steers tailback Antwoyne Edwards looks to turn the corner against the Ballinger defense last Friday. Edwards finished with 111 yards on 25 carries as the Steers won 12-0.

Rangers retire Ryan's jersey, whip Brewers

ARLINGTON (AP) — These days, Nolan Ryan doesn't get many standing ovations as banker, rancher and state parks and wildlife commissioner.

So baseball's strikeout king was especially moved Sunday when the retirement of his No. 34 by the Texas Rangers brought a sellout crowd at The Ballpark in Arlington to its feet four times.

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"Those are very special moments; it's hard to describe," said Ryan, flashing his trademark aw-shucks look of embarrassment. "After you've been removed from it for a while as I've been, it means even more. It makes you think about how much you miss it."

Mark McLemore and Mickey Tettleton homered as Texas beat Milwaukee 6-2 Sunday on the day the team retired Nolan Ryan's number.

The Rangers trailed 2-1 when McLemore led off the sixth with a homer off Ramon Garcia (4-4). His fifth homer of the year landed in the right-field seats, almost directly under the "34 Nolan Ryan 34" sign unveiled during a pregame ceremony.

Darren Oliver (13-6) won his third straight start, allowing two runs on nine hits in seven innings, with a walk and four strikeouts.

Ed Vosberg got the final four outs for his eighth save.

The Rangers are the second team to retire Ryan's number, but only the first this month. The Astros will put No. 34 to rest Sept. 29, which will make Ryan the first player so honored by three teams.

The first team to do it was California, which hung up the No. 30 Ryan wore for them between 1972-79 in 1993, his final season.

Ryan became the first Rangers player to have his number set aside. The 20-minute ceremony, which preceded the game with Milwaukee, included speeches from Gov. George W. Bush, a Rangers minority owner, and former AL president Bobby Brown.

A video montage to the song "Unforgettable" was played, then Ryan came out of the Texas dugout with his wife, two sons and daughter for an extended ovation. The cheers continued before, during and after he spoke.

Ryan reflected on how disappointed he was in 1988 when the Houston Astros declined to re-sign him, making him a free agent. He recalled boarding a plane for the winter meetings in Atlanta, bound to sign with a new team.

"That was one of the lowest days in my life. I was discouraged that I wouldn't be finishing my career in Houston," Ryan said. "I didn't realize it at the time, but that was also one of the most important days of my career.

Texas A&M tops weekend of Big 12 disappointments

By MARK BABINECK
Associated Press Writer

The team that once boasted the Wrecking Crew has become the Reeking Crew.

The demons of Texas A&M's 29-22 loss at Southwest Louisiana Saturday, knocking the Aggies out of the Top 25, replaced any remaining sugar plums of national title consideration that might have danced in the Aggie's heads.

Though they haven't yet played a Big 12 game, coach R.C. Slocum recognizes a team in trouble when he sees it. He said there wasn't "a team in college football" the Aggies could have beaten with their eight-turnover performance.

Baylor beat Louisville 14-13 and Oklahoma State dispatched Tulsa 30-9 in the only other action involving South Division teams. No. 7 Texas, Oklahoma and Texas Tech had the weekend off.

In the North, No. 11 Michigan earned revenge for a last-second defeat to No. 5 Colorado two years ago with a 20-13 victory. Iowa State fell to No. 21 Iowa 38-13, No. 17 Kansas State beat Cincinnati 35-0, Memphis dumped Missouri 19-16 and No. 24 Kansas thrashed TCU 52-17.

The Bears (2-0) and Cowboys (2-1, 0-1) helped the division, minus A&M, to a 5-0 start against largely inferior non-conference fodder. The Aggies, conversely, are 0-2 against a decent BYU team and a lightly regarded SW Louisiana.

"We are a young team," said Slocum of the first Aggie squad to start a season with two losses since 1988. "We have to go back to work and get better."

That should come next Saturday when A&M opens at home against North Texas, one of Division I-A's weakest teams.

Where A&M's anemic pass defense allowed BYU to pick it apart last month in the first game of the year, the offense failed the Aggies Saturday. Tennessee transfer Branndon Stewart, expected to start fast for the Aggies, completed 16 of 33 passes for 181 yards. He threw four interceptions, including one on a play in which he tried to ground the ball.

Oklahoma State running back David Thompson finally shifted into star gear with a career-high 252 yards and two touchdowns in the Cowboys' 17th straight victory over Tulsa in Stillwater.

OSU quarterback Tone' Jones, who missed last weeks' Big 12 loss to Texas Tech with a sore knee, started and played until late in the game.

Baylor's defense managed to make up for a turnover-plagued offense at Louisville before improving to 2-0 for the third time this decade.

The Bears struggled "to find a way to win," coach Chuck Reedy said. Fortunately for Baylor, the Cardinals (1-2) had little trouble finding ways to lose. Despite converting two of the five Bear turnovers into scores, Louisville missed two short field goal tries and an extra point.

Oilers find defense but not fans in 29-13 win over Ravens at Dome

HOUSTON (AP) — The Houston Oilers defense lost something in Jacksonville last week. Sunday, they got it back.

The defense rebounded from a bad game with three interceptions, two by Darryll Lewis, and Chris Chandler threw two touchdown passes, as the Oilers beat the Baltimore Ravens 29-13 before, 20,082, the smallest crowd ever to see the Oilers play in the Astrodome.

"There's no question we wanted to regain our respect, not only for ourselves and the coaches, but to let the league know that we'll be all right," cornerback Blaine Bishop said. "Last week wasn't our day. Today was our day."

The defense got a stern lecture from coach Jeff Fisher after their poor showing in a 34-27 victory over the Jaguars, and they responded by giving the offense great field position.

"I knew last week we kind of got away with one," said safety Marcus Robertson, who got one of the Oilers' thefts. "We wanted to let the AFC know that we have a good defense. We played extremely well against Kansas City (in opener) and we didn't against Jacksonville. Consistency is the key."

Baltimore scored early and late with a 7-yard touchdown pass from Testaverde with 9:39 to go in the second quarter and Testaverde's 1-yard pass to defensive end Herman Arvie, who lined up as a tight end with 2:07 left in the game.

But they couldn't crack the Oilers' defense.

"I saw a lot of mistakes today," Raven receiver Michael Jackson said. "We can remedy them, but right now we have to decide if we're going to be a playoff team or take an excuse mentality."

The Oilers' (2-1) announcement last year that they are moving to Tennessee has caused their attendance to plummet. Sunday's crowd broke the previous Astrodome attendance low of 21,955 set in

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Green Bay pounds Chargers, 42-10

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NFL ROUNDUP

For the second straight season, the Indianapolis Colts beat the reigning Super Bowl champion, edging the Cowboys 25-24 Sunday when Cary Blanchard's 43-yard field goal with 51 seconds left went through the uprights and Chris Boniol's 57-yarder at the final gun went 56 yards and hit the crossbar.

The Colts finished the day as one of the NFL's six 3-0 teams, the most impressive of which is Green Bay, which rolled over San Diego 42-10 and now has outscored its three opponents 115-26.

Joining those two are Kansas City, which beat Seattle 35-17; surprising Minnesota, which beat Chicago 20-14; Miami, which overcame a 14-0 deficit to beat the New York Jets 36-27, and Denver, which beat Tampa Bay 27-23.

In other games, it was New England 31, Arizona 0; Houston 29, Baltimore 13; Philadelphia 24, Detroit 17; Cincinnati 30, New Orleans 15; Oakland 17, Jacksonville 3; and Washington 31, the New York Giants 10.

Packers 42, Chargers 10

Offense, defense and special teams all scored Sunday as the Packers ran their record to 3-0 for the first time since 1982.

Brett Favre threw three touchdown passes, LeRoy Butler returned an interception 90 yards for a touchdown, and Desmond Howard returned a punt 65 yards for a TD.

"They beat us in every which way, in every phase," Chargers coach Bobby Ross said. "There's really not much that I can say, other than the fact that we took the old butt-kicking. It started early and it didn't really stop."

Chiefs 35, Seahawks 17

Marcus Allen became the eighth player in NFL history to rush for 11,000 yards in the

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PRAYER TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN
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O Most beautiful flower of Mount Carmel, Faithful vine splendor of Heaven, blesses mother of the Son of God, Immaculate virgin assist me in my necessity.
O Star for the sea,
Help me and show me here you are my mother. O Holy Mary Mother of God Queen of Heaven and earth. I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart, to secure me in my necessity (make request), There are none that can withstand your power.
O Mary conceived without sin, Pray for us who have recoursed to Thee (3 times). Holy Mary I place this cause in your hands (3 times). Say this prayer for 3 consecutive days and then you must publish and it will be granted to you.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR TUESDAY, SEPT. 17:

This is an important year to explore thoughts and ideas. Be open to all types of information. Mental acumen plays a significant role in your success, professionally and emotionally. Choose not to do anything halfway. Precision in communication improves. Clearly express who you are, as well as your motivations. If you are single, meeting others is easy. You attract a highly sensual and rewarding relationship in the next six months.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) A conversation with a partner sheds light on finances. Your work reaches a new height because of this realization. Realize a long-term desire. Coworkers have important information for you. Do not feed negativity. You are on a roll. Tonight: Talk turkey as late as you need to. *****

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Others are energetic. The day's events stimulate creative juices. Add flirtation to your relationship. An exchange of wit could kindle a new interest. Be aware of expectations. A long-distance call or trip plays into your day. Tonight: Pretend it's already the weekend. *****

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Discussions on the home front are important. Evaluate your limits before you give the go-ahead. A change in your work and domestic situations opens a new door. You receive the monetary backing you have been seeking. Tonight: Be homeward bound. *****

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Zoom in, and observe what is happening with a loved one. A creative project needs extra attention. Open up a discussion. You can only be pleased by the suggestions that come from this brainstorm session. You are high on another's list. Tonight: Be naughty and nice. *****

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) A money offer suddenly becomes more solid and anchored. You are building your security to a higher level. A family member or roommate feels at ease with this opportunity. Your work prospers from this increased sense of comfort. Tonight: Drape yourself over the easy chair. ****

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You are full of bright ideas; express them. Count on a highly receptive audience that wants to hear your words, yet is willing to play devil's advocate. Be inquisitive and open. Catch up on messages, and clear your desk. This is a day of good news. Tonight: Hang out. *****

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Have a private or personal conversation. Seek a more complete awareness of what is going with you. Instincts may be correct about a money matter. Follow through on a notion, and get needed data. You have reason to be euphoric. Tonight: Balance your checkbook. ****

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) You are personality-plus, and others are ready to offer you everything. Pay attention to what is being put on your plate. Feedback is important and breeds a special idea. A hunch is right on target. Promptly return a phone call. Tonight: Wave your magic wand. *****

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Much is going on at work. A boss presents an idea that you need to research thoroughly. Go within, so you can determine the right course of action. You conclude that a decision is prudent, after mulling it over for a while. Tonight: Take a night off just for yourself. ***

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Emphasize success and long-term goals. Your ability to see the big picture puts you in a laudable position. Foreigners, travel and education are likely to mix. Interest opens new possibilities in a different field. Tonight: Aim high, as you are likely to get what you want. *****

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) A partner presents important information. It helps you both financially. You can get down to brass tacks. Take the lead professionally. Others respond to your ideas, and you intuitively know which way to go. Nothing is halfway. Tonight: Be willing to work into the wee hours. ****

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) You see another in a new light. Gossip leads you in a unique direction. Pick up messages, and catch up on news. Goals and data are important. Network, touch base with friends and make inquiries. A friend reaches out for you. Tonight: Have a good time! *****

Industry says balloon danger to animals over inflated



Abigail Van Buren
Columnist

DEAR ABBY: I love animals and I am concerned about our environment. I am also a responsible business person deeply involved in the balloon industry. I have served on industry boards and have testified before my state legislators regarding balloons.

I am surprised you printed the letter from "Friend of the Environment." Several years ago this type of balloon story made the headlines across the nation. It pulled at the heartstrings of animal lovers. The information was totally inaccurate and the retraction stories did not make the big headlines; they were buried.

To date, there has been no case of a death of any mammal, fish, reptile or bird that was directly attributed to the ingestion of a latex balloon fragment. Latex balloons are 100 percent biodegradable. They decompose in the environment at about the same rate as an oak leaf decomposes. They are not "colored bits of shriveled plastic," but a product made from natural tree sap.

Research shows that when latex balloons are released, many will rise about five miles and burst into spaghetti-like pieces that return to Earth dispersed over many miles. We do know that animals eat these soft slivers of rubber, but the evidence indicates the pieces pass harmlessly through the animals' digestive systems.

During the 1994 International Beach Cleanup, sponsored by the Center for Marine Conservation, volunteers scoured 5,200 miles of shoreline and found only 36,047 balloon fragments as compared to 1,283,718 cigarette butts and 122,306 plastic foam cups. Overall, balloons accounted for less than 1 percent of all beach litter.

It is unfortunate that someone as influential as you failed to check the validity of the information that was sent to you. Please set the record straight. — TERRI ADy eated that he had examined a female mallard who had swallowed a deflated balloon. Most of the balloon had passed into its gizzard, but the knot didn't and the duck couldn't eat. After drinking a little water, it died.

Another reader, Lisa Hays of St. Louis, also wrote to express concern about balloon releases. Affixed to her letter was a large fragment of pink balloon — its red ribbon still attached — she had taken from a bird she had seen pecking at it. And while I'm on the subject of potential hazards, read on for a hair-raiser:

DEAR ABBY: Bravo for printing the letter about balloons. While a friend of mine was driving on a highway one rainy night, he was horrified to see what appeared to be a human head loom up in his headlights. He slammed on his brakes and skidded to a stop beyond where he had seen the figure but felt no impact. Shakily getting out of his car, he saw a balloon floating a few feet above the roadway.

It's obvious what could have happened had my friend skidded off the road, or been rear-ended by a car behind him. — CATHERINE A. HURLBUTT, DENVER

DEAR READERS: So there you have it. I have no objections to balloons provided they are not released into the environment. How much safer it would be to keep balloons tethered so that following the event, they could be delivered as gifts to nursing homes, hospitals and hospices.

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Michigan enters Top 10 as Buffs fall

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Michigan's up, Colorado's down and No. 1 Nebraska picked up more support in The Associated Press' Top 25 college football poll.

The Wolverines, with a dramatic 20-13 win over the Buffaloes, moved into the Top 10 for the first time this season at No. 8, while Colorado fell seven spots to No. 12 after spending the first three weeks of the season at No. 5.

The Cornhuskers (1-0) got 58 first-place votes and 1,662 points Sunday from the 67 sports writers and broadcasters who vote in the AP poll.

Tennessee (2-0), Florida State (1-0) and Florida (2-0) remained 2-3-4, with the Volunteers and Seminoles each picking up a first-place vote. All were idle.

The Vols had five first-place votes and 1,561 points, while Florida State had four first-place votes and 1,536 points. Florida had 1,519 points and Penn State moved up a spot to No. 5 with its 49-0 win over Northern Illinois.

Texas moved up to No. 6, followed by Ohio State, Michigan, Notre Dame and Miami. North Carolina was 11th, Colorado 12th and Alabama and Auburn were tied at No. 13.

Southern Cal, a 46-17 winner over Oregon State, was 15th, followed by Kansas State, Arizona State, Virginia Tech, Iowa, Virginia, LSU, Kansas, Syracuse, Washington and Oregon.

Brigham Young, 14th last week, dropped out of the Top 25 after a 29-17 loss at Washington. Texas A&M, 25th last week, also fell out of the rankings after a 29-22 loss at Southwestern Louisiana.

Washington (1-1) and Oregon (3-0), a 35-28 winner over Colorado State, are in the Top 25 for the first time this season.

Central Oklahoma rolls Southwest in LSC

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Central Oklahoma didn't exactly roll out the red carpet for future Lone Star Conference rival Southwest Oklahoma.

UCO broke a 14-14 fourth quarter deadlock for the program's 500th victory.

In other games LSC teams, West Texas A&M beat Midwestern State 5-0, Texas A&M-Commerce dropped Henderson State 19-14, Tarleton State outslugged Southeastern Oklahoma State 31-25, Texas A&M-Kingsville beat Sam Houston State 41-17 and Eastern New Mexico lost to Chadron State, 20-17.

Free safety Rodney McCurry had two interceptions as West Texas A&M posted its first shutout since 1979 over provisional conference member Midwestern State.

Texas A&M-Commerce took advantage out of six Henderson State turnovers. Commerce running back scored two touchdowns on 95 yards.

Tarleton State quarterback Chad Cole completed 26 of 32 passes for 286 yards and three touchdowns, including a 62-yard scoring strike to Colin Yocom to beat Southeastern.

Texas A&M-Kingsville scored 21 straight second half points to rout Sam Houston State.

Eastern New Mexico watched Chadron State erase a 17-7 score in the second half.

This week, Abilene Christian hosts Midwestern, Angelo State visits McNeese State, Eastern New Mexico hosts Western New Mexico, Tarleton State is at East Central, Texas A&M-Commerce is at Northwestern State, Texas A&M-Kingsville hosts North Alabama and West Texas A&M plays host to Southwestern Oklahoma.

OILERS

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1973 against the New York Jets.

That's down from the 27,725 fans present for the season opener against Kansas City two weeks ago.

"It (small crowd) didn't affect us," Frank Wycheck said. "I just appreciated the fans that came. I can't imagine being in a packed house. It must be really loud in here."

Testaverde threw one interception in the first two Ravens games, but he threw two in the first half, and the Oilers made him pay both times.

"We started the game bad, and it progressively got worse," Testaverde said. "Every play was 180-degree turnaround. The first turnover was a first down for us, and then it turned into a TD for them. Then, a lot of bad things happened after that."

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extra point conversions and ran for another.

Binnix picked up 155 yards on 13 carries and scored the game's final touchdown on a 27 yard run for the Chiefs.

In Sweetwater, Boatright completed just eight of 23 pass attempts for 1855 yards and one touchdown. Boatright also rushed for 76 yards on 15 carries.

Complementing Boatright in the backfield was Blueford, who rushed for 101 yards and one touchdown on 15 carries and caught two passes for 29 yards.

Big Spring bounced back from an opening game loss at Monahans to shut out Ballinger. While the Steers defense limited Ballinger to 107 yards total offense, Edwards was busy rushing for 111 yards on 25 carries.

In Andrews, Shaud Williams scored all three of the Mustangs touchdowns — on runs of 1 and 84 yards and on a 1-yard pass reception from Cody Chesshire.

Williams had the top rushing performance in the district with 189 yards on 21 carries.

Pecos' Eagles got a pair of touchdowns from Ray Pareda, on runs of 16 and 9-yards, to key the win. Pecos had 326 yards total offense against the Bucks.

Fort Stockton had three touchdowns called back by penalties in the Panthers loss to Ysleta in El Paso.

Week three features Big Spring opening at home against Lubbock Estacado, Andrews play host to Midland High, Fort Stockton is at Lamesa, Lake View is at Austin LBJ, Monahans is at Pecos and Sweetwater is at Lubbock Frenship.

NFL

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Chiefs' victory at Seattle.

Dale Carter, a two-time Pro Bowl cornerback given additional duties on offense this week because of injuries to the Chiefs' receiving corps, caught the first three passes of his career — one a 46-yard touchdown from Steve Bono.

The TD pass to Carter was one of three by Bono as Kansas City won its 11th straight AFC West game and beat Seattle (0-3) for the 10th time in 11 games. The defense chipped in with seven sacks.

Dolphins 36, Jets 27

In Miami, Dan Marino celebrated his 35th birthday by rebounding from Aaron Glenn's 100-yard interception return with three touchdown passes and rallying the Dolphins past New York (0-3).

Trailing 14-0, the Dolphins scored on four consecutive possessions and got 33 straight points. It began with Marino's 74-yard scoring pass to rookie fullback Stanley Pritchett. He also had TD tosses to backup tight ends Frank Wainright and Brett Carolan, the first TD receptions of their careers.

Rookie Karim Abdul-Jabbar rushed for 124 yards on 23 carries, with touchdown runs of 4 and 7 yards.

Vikings 20, Bears 14

Warren Moon, back from injury, went 22-of-44 for 239 yards and completed a 30-yard pass to Cris Carter to set up Scott Sisson's tiebreaking 33-yard field goal with 7:25 to play at Soldier Field.

The Vikings, who last started 3-0 in 1975, scored the only six points of the second half on two field goals by Sisson. The Bears (1-2) were beaten up as cornerback Donnell Woolford, fullbacks Raymont Harris and Tony Carter, receiver Michael Timpson and defensive end Alonzo Spellman all went out with injuries.

Bengals 30, Saints 15

After weeks of saying that all he needed was a hole, Ki-Jana Carter finally found one, bursting through it for a 31-yard touchdown run that set up a 30-15 victory over the Saints (0-3) at Riverfront Stadium.

Carter's second-quarter run, the longest by the Bengals in two years, gave Cincinnati (1-2) a 17-6 lead. Carter, last year's No. 1 overall draft pick who missed his rookie season with a knee injury, had 63 yards on 19 carries after gaining 27 yards on 21 carries in the first two games.

Eagles 24, Lions 17

Ricky Watters, who hurt the Eagles with fumbles in each of their first two games, ran for 153 yards on 27 carries for Philadelphia (2-1).

Rodney Peete completed 25 of 30 passes for 284 yards, his highest total in two seasons with the Eagles. And second-year wide receiver Chris T. Jones chipped in with nine catches for 121 yards and a touchdown.

The visiting Lions (1-2) dropped to 13-18 in September games during Wayne Fontes' eight-year tenure as head coach.

Patriots 31, Cardinals 0

In Foxboro, Drew Bledsoe threw touchdown passes of 13 and 7 yards to Curtis Martin and 2 yards to Ben Coates in a battle of winless teams.

The Patriots (1-2) scored on their first five possessions and had 18 first-half first downs to one for the Cardinals (0-3), who were outgained 256-26. Boomer Esiason had three completions and two interceptions for Arizona before being relieved by Kent Graham.

Raiders 17, Jaguars 3

Oakland broke an eight-game losing streak as 320-pound defensive tackle Jerry Ball broke the game open by returning an interception 66 yards after Mark Brunell had led the Jaguars to the Oakland 26 in the fourth quarter.

Tim Brown caught a 19-yard scoring pass from Jeff Hostetler, making his return from injuries for the Raiders (1-2), who had not won since last November. Mike Hollis' 33-yard field goal was the only score for Jacksonville (1-2).

Redskins 31, Giants 10

Terry Allen ran for 146 yards and a game-clinching touchdown, Gus Frerotte threw a 30-yard scoring pass on a fake field goal and Tom Carter had two fourth-quarter interceptions for the Redskins (2-1), who ran for 241 yards.

The Giants, who have failed to make the playoffs the past two years, have now started the last two seasons with 0-3 records, the first time that's happened in franchise history.

Broncos 27, Bucs 23

John Elway drove the Broncos (3-0) 80 yards in 14 plays in the fourth quarter, capped by Terrell Davis' 3-yard plunge up the middle with 3:32 left to give the Broncos the win.

It was the 38th game-winning drive of Elway's career, but it was featured 12 running plays, eight by Davis, who finished with 137 yards on 22 carries

Reggie Brooks ran for 114 yards for the Bucs (0-3), who scored their first two TDs of the season, on an 8-yard run by Brooks and a 40-yard TD pass from Trent Dilfer to Alvin Harper.

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7 :PM :30	Moments "	Melrose Place (CC) (37245)	Lone Star (88993)	Highway to Heaven	Cosby Pearl	Moments "	Blooper-Palooza	Baseball: Atlanta	Cancion Amor Pobre Nina	(2639245) (:35) Movie:	CMT Presents "	(285697) "	The Usual Suspects	Movie: Wolf (CC)	(984413) Jay Sekulow	Biography (896149)	Wild Discovery	WCW Monday Nitro (CC)	R.C. Slocum Spike Dykes	Monday (687239)	Wing and a Prayer (CC)	UnReal (226603)
8 :PM :30	NFL Football: Buffalo Bills	Party Girl Lush Life	The West (CC)	Rescue 911 "	Murphy Brown Cybill	NFL Football: Buffalo Bills	Movie: Sweet Dreams (CC)	Braves at New York	Rica (368326)	Real Genius (CC)	Prime Time Country	Movie: Forget Paris (CC)	" Bedtime	(5333852) "	Benny Hinn (20993)	Poirot (996239)	Prehistoric Predators	(957581) "	Tom Rossley John Blake	Gymnastics: Pro Team	(1307142) (:45) Movie:	" "
9 :PM :30	at Pittsburgh Steelers (CC)	Tarzan: Epic Adventures	(612784) American	700 Club (693245)	Chicago Hope (CC) (19245)	at Pittsburgh Steelers (CC)	(71055) "	Mets (:35) Movie:	Cristina: Edicion Especial	(92004239) Avonlea (CC)	(115158) Club Dance	(7484806) "	(:15) To Be Announced	First Look Movie:	Praise the Lord (27852)	Miss Marple (991513)	Wildest of Tribes	NFL Head Coach	Chuck Reedy Pennant	Championships	Air Cadet (38669061)	Comicview (415103)
10 :PM :30	(836622) "	Mad Abo. You In the Heat of	Experience "	Three Stooges	News Late Show	(842264) "	News (27887) Tonight Show	The Deep (8418968)	Noticiero Uni. P. Impacto	(324245) Movie: Harry	(788429) Country News	A Low Down Dirty Shame	(3952429) "	Virtuosity (CC)	" "	Law & Order (741090)	Next Step Beyond 2000	WCW Monday Nitro (CC)	Press Box H.S. Extra	Baseball Sportscenter	" Wing and a	Talk (135887) Sanford
11 :PM :30	News Cheers	the Night Martin	News-Lehrer "	Bonanza "	" Married... With	News Nightline	Late Night "	" (:35)	Pelicula (235264)	and the Hendersons (CC)	CMT Presents "	" (:35) Movie:	" (:45) Movie:	(5078177) Something to	Schambach Pensanti	Biography (592697)	Wild Discovery	(710332) "	Boxing: Prime Champion-	" Baseball	Prayer (CC) (2429413)	Rap City (633264)
12 :AM :30	Roseanne Nightline	Universe H. Patrol	Nova (CC) (664611)	Paid Program Paid Program	Late Late Show	Ent. Tonight (:35) Rolonda	Coach	Abducted by UFOs (CC)	" "	(9569806) Abbott-Jekyll	Prime Time Country	Camille Claudel	Slamdance (7557697)	Talk About "	Van Impe Update News	Poirot (642765)	Prehistoric Predators	NFL Head Coach	ship Series (402974)	Auto Racing: Off-Road	(12:15) Movie: Blood	" "

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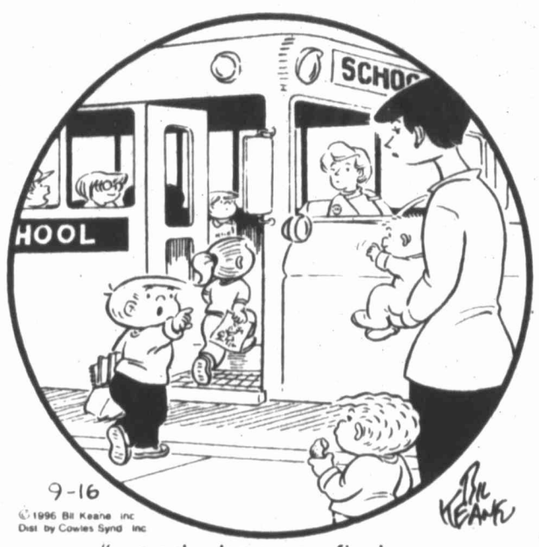
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"...and when you find my homework, Mommy, be sure to fax it to me right away."

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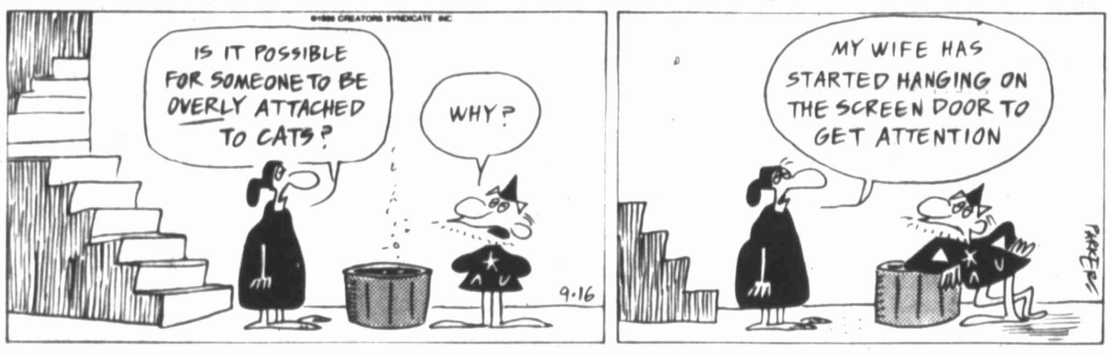


"HOW DO YOU GET THEM TO COME DOWN, UNCLE CHARLIE?"

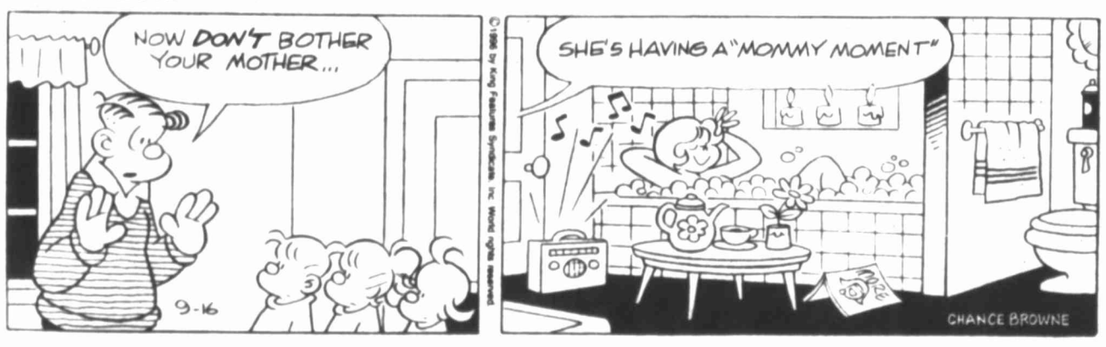
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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

Today is Monday, Sept. 16, the 260th day of 1996. There are 106 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

Thirty years ago, on Sept. 16, 1966, the Metropolitan Opera opened its new opera house at New York's Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts with the premiere of "Antony and Cleopatra" by Samuel Barber.

On this date:

In 1638, the "Sun King" of France, Louis XIV, was born.

In 1810, Mexicans began their revolt against Spanish rule.

In 1893, hundreds of thousands of settlers swarmed onto a section of land in Oklahoma known as the Cherokee Strip.

In 1919, the American Legion was incorporated by an act of Congress.

In 1940, President Roosevelt signed into law the Selective Training and Service Act, which set up the first peacetime military draft in U.S. history.

In 1940, Samuel T. Rayburn of Texas was elected speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives.

In 1953, "The Robe," the first movie filmed in the wide screen process CinemaScope, had its world premiere at the Roxy Theater in New York City.

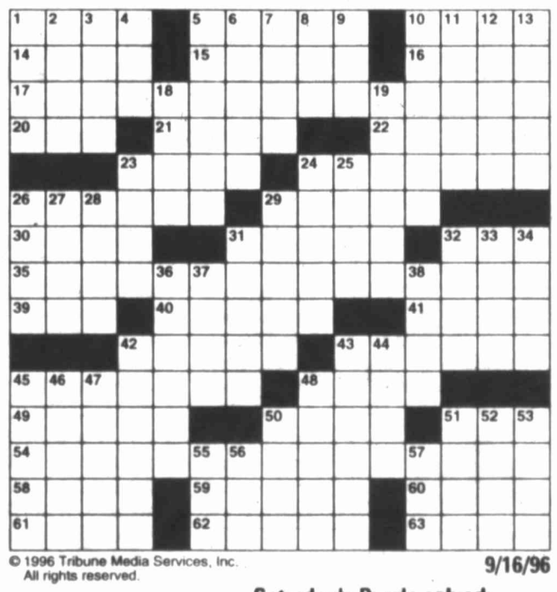
In 1974, President Ford announced a conditional amnesty program for Vietnam War deserters and draft-evaders.

In 1976, the Episcopal Church, at its General Convention in Minneapolis, formally approved the ordination of women as priests and bishops.

In 1982, the massacre of hundreds of Palestinian men, women and children by Lebanese Christian militiamen began in west Beirut's Sabra and Chatilla refugee camps.

Ten years ago: Former Delaware Gov. Pete Du Pont became the first major candidate to announce publicly his bid for the 1988 Republican presidential nomination.

THE Daily Crossword by James P. McWalters



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ACROSS
1 Stringed instrument
5 Swiss city
10 North European
14 Russian city
15 Negatively charged particle
16 Not at home
17 1955 Disney classic
20 Self-esteem
21 Wild ox
22 Concur
23 Concoct
24 Vocations
26 More indelicate
29 Lifts to judge the weight of
30 Image
31 Stiller and — of comedy
32 Copy
35 Flynn and Gardner film of '57
39 Letter from England
40 Strained food
41 Shipshape
42 English forest
43 Property
45 Maxims
48 Christiania
49 Loos or Bryant
50 Self: pref.
51 Craze
54 One of the "Star Wars" trilogy
58 Mideast nation
59 Without — in the world
60 Greek liqueur
61 Thrall of yore
62 Wearing less
63 River in Germany

DOWN
1 Cavity
2 "To — and a bone" (Kipling)
3 Make over
4 Layer
5 Pennant
6 Supply
7 Actress Moreno
8 Japanese drama
9 Comp. pt.
10 Scows
11 Cognizant
12 Debussy opus
13 Categories
18 Swiss river
19 Violent one
23 Containers
24 Terminate
25 Hair style
26 Elegant display
27 Yearn
28 Campus belle
29 — of Troy
31 Equines
32 Puzzled
33 Irish fuel
34 Punta del —
36 Rumpus
37 Artist's model
38 Division word
42 Adjust
43 Williams or Rolle
44 — gin
45 A Curie
46 Dillies
47 Giant
48 Bizarre
50 At a distance
51 Vendetta
52 Tool with a curved blade
53 Name in fasbion
55 Arrest
56 Edible tuber
57 — Blow (average citizen)

Saturday's Puzzle solved:

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FIRST KID PG-13
4:10-7:00-9:10
THE ISLAND OF DR MOREAU PG-13
4:00-7:10-9:00
All shows before 6 pm "2"
Tuesday Night all Seats "2"

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MOVIES 4
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1801 E. FM 700 BIG SPRING MALL 263-2479
$2.00 ALL SHOWS BEFORE 6 PM
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HOUSE ARREST (PG)
4:10-7:20
JACK (PG-13)
4:30-7:10
MAXIMUM RISK (R)
4:00-7:00
BULLETPROOF (R)
4:20-7:30
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