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Airman First class Tim Baldwin stands at the front gate of Reese Air Force Base, west of Lubbock. The Pentagon has released its base closure list which targets Reese AFB, Brooks Air Force Base in San Antonio and Corpus Christi Naval Air Station.

## Park's observation deck set on fire

By CARLTON JOHNSON  
Staff Writer

Early Sunday morning the walkway of the observation deck at the spring at Comanche Trill Park was vandalized and set on fire.

Fire department officials took approximately one hour to extinguish the fire.

Monday Acting city Manager Tom Decell said the city was still assessing the damage, but looks like it will cost some to have the damage repaired. Fire department officials later esti-

mated the damage to be around \$5,000.

Because of the extent of the damage, barriers have been put up at the damaged area.

According to Decell, the Big Spring Police Department is investigating some of the graffiti found at the scene.

Decell, upset about the incident, said, "We're busting our backsides to clean up the community and something like this happens."

Both the BSPD and fire department are continuing to investigate the incident.

## City diverts cleanup to take care of area around Moss Elementary

By CARLTON JOHNSON  
Staff Writer

Following last week's fox scare at Moss Elementary, Mayor Tim Blackshear asked Acting City Manager Tom Decell to divert the inmate cleaning crew to the Moss area.

Crew were in the Moss area Monday morning and afternoon cleaning. Decell said he wasn't sure how long the crews would be in the area because it is such a large area.

Mayor Pro-Tem Chuck Cawthon said Blackshear felt like the situation deserved priority over everything else at the present time.

Decell said the city has permission from all of the property

owners in the area and added the work crew is cleaning everything it can because of the concern about rabid animals.

The incident happened last Thursday afternoon when a fox was spotted on the campus at Moss Elementary.

School officials quickly had all kids out on the playground area taken inside the building and principal Ron Moss did not allow any children to walk home that day; a precaution that was definitely appreciated by parents.

Cawthon said, "I have a grandson who goes to school there and I think they did a good job."

Cawthon and Decell said

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## Texas bases on closure list

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Defense Department today unveiled its smaller-than-expected list of recommended base closures and realignments, taking aim at four Texas defense installations.

As expected, Brooks Air Force Base in San Antonio, Red River Army Depot in Texarkana, Reese AFB in Lubbock and Corpus Christi Naval Air Station found themselves among the targets.

If the Pentagon's plans for all four installations are ratified by the independent Defense Base

Closure and Realignment Commission, Texas would lose 11,000 military and civilian jobs.

However, the losses would be partially offset by a gain of jobs from closures or realignments in other states, leading to a total loss of some 7,000 jobs.

That total would place Texas among the hardest-hit of states in this fourth, and possibly final, round of base closures.

"It is difficult to imagine how the Clinton administration can justify its decision to target so many Texas bases," Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas, said today.

"Fortunately, the final choices will be put to a non-partisan commission, not the White House," said Gramm, who last week officially entered the presidential race. "I will assure that our communities and their leaders get a full, impartial hearing and a fair shake from the commission."

The Pentagon is recommending outright closure of Brooks and Reese Air Force bases, as well as Red River Army Depot. It is recommending realignment of Corpus Christi Naval Air Station,

Winners include Fort Bliss in El Paso, Fort Sam Houston in San Antonio, Kelly and Lackland Air Force bases in San Antonio, Laughlin AFB in Del Rio, the Lone Star Ammunition Plant near Karnack, Sheppard AFB at Wichita Falls and Naval Air Station Kingsville.

Texas Republican Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison has suggested that when all is said and done, Texas may emerge from this base-closings round with more jobs than it loses.

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## Dallas woman arrested for robbery

By KELLIE JONES  
Staff Writer

A Big Spring woman is facing robbery charges after stealing \$20 from a local convenience store.

According to reports, officers were called to the 7-11 at 401 South Johnson around 10:15 Monday night in reference to an aggravated robbery. The suspect had committed theft while placing the clerk in fear of imminent serious bodily injury. The clerk told officers the robber may be carrying a concealed handgun or other weapon.

The employee gave a description of the suspect as a white female, 40 to 45 years of age, five-foot two-inches tall, long hair and glasses.

At 11:14 p.m., an attempted aggravated robbery was reported at the 7-11 at 300 South Owens. The description of the suspect matched the one given from the previous

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## Community leader Coffee dies

### Services set for Wednesday

By CARLTON JOHNSON  
Staff Writer

City of Big Spring as well as Howard County lost a longtime resident and community leader Monday.

John R. Coffee, 63, died of Cancer in a Midland hospital. Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Wednesday, March 1, 1995 at St. Mary's Episcopal Church with Rev. James Liggett, pastor, officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial park with Masonic Rites by Staked Plains Lodge #598, A.F. & A.M. Services will be under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Coffee has been credited with being a sharp-minded person on budget matters while he was Howard County judge and also as a detailed, well-written thoroughly-researched member of the Big Spring City Council.

He was born Nov. 5, 1931 in Plainview and married Gloria Anderson on Aug. 7, 1954, in

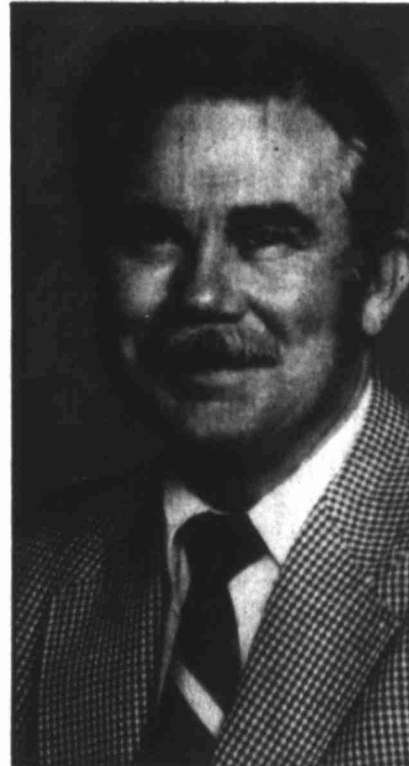
McKinney. Coffee came to Big Spring with his family when he was six-years-old. He grew up in Big Spring, graduated from Big Spring High School in 1949, and attended Baylor University School of Law, graduating in 1957.

He returned to Big Spring in 1957 and served a term as county attorney.

He then went into private law practice with his father and practiced until his recent illness. During his involvement in local politics he also served as city judge.

Coffee was an active member of St. Mary's Episcopal Church where he served as Chancellor. While at Baylor University, he was a member of The Chamber and served as president. He was also a member of Staked Plains Lodge #598, A.F. & A.M., a member and Past Master of Coahoma Masonic Lodge #992, A.F. & A.M., a member of the Scottish Rite of the Lubbock Consistory, a member of Big Spring Chapter #178, R.A.M., a member of Big Spring Council #117, R. & S.M. and a member of Big Spring Commandery #031.

Coffee was also active in scouting and was an Eagle



John Coffee

Scout.

He was also one of the first local officials to acknowledge the need for a new county jail.

Howard County Commissioner Bill Crooker said a lot of what has been accomplished toward building a new jail can be attributed to Coffee.

## Michael Flores appointed to college board of trustees

By KELLIE JONES  
Staff Writer

Michael Flores has been appointed by the Howard County Junior College District Board of Trustees to replace Charlie Gonzales who died last October. Flores will represent District 1.

The appointment was made official during the board's regular meeting Monday afternoon. Flores graduated from Big Spring High School in 1974 and earned an associate's degree in business from Howard College in 1977.

He worked in retail business for nine years at various department stores as an assistant manager. He is presently with Flores Cement Contractors, a family-owned business.

Flores is active in the Sacred Heart Catholic Church and serves as treasurer of the Holy Name Society. The newly appointed board member is also the financial secretary of the Knights of Columbus.

City of Big Spring recently appointed Flores to the Housing Task Force and he also volunteers in the Christmas in

April program.

He will serve as board member until 1998 when he will be up for re-election. Trustees Rob Etheridge, Dr. Charles Warren and Dr. P.W. Malone will be up for re-election in 1996.

### AT-A-GLANCE

The Howard County Junior College District Board of Trustees approved or discussed:

- Named the SWCID student union building The Maddux Student Union Building. It was named after one of SWCID's founders Fred J. Maddux Sr.

- Adopted the American Disabilities Act resolution

- Awarded a bid of \$5,820 to Teal Carpet of Snyder.

- Awarded a bid of \$11,667 to School Specialty Supply of Lubbock.

- Contracts for Linda Conway, assistant to the president; Terry Hansen, vice president for administrative systems; Dr. Dusty Johnston, vice president for instruction and Ron Brasel, provost for SWCID were renewed.

**TEXAS TRIVIA**  
Who is known as the Thoreau of Texas literature?  
Roy Bedichek  
Who composed "The Eyes of Texas Are Upon You"?  
John Long Sinclair

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**WORLD/NATION**

**Nation:** Millions of legitimate tax refunds are being delayed for up to eight weeks as a side effect of an Internal Revenue Service crackdown on phony refund claims. See page 3.

**World:** A vanguard of American and Italian troops consolidated positions today at Mogadishu's air and sea ports as 900 happy, singing Bangladeshi U.N. peacekeepers sailed for home. See page 4.

**STATE**

**Tarred beaches**  
Oil that spilled into the Gulf of Mexico, which hid much of it for weeks below the surface, has come back with a vengeance after a Norwegian tanker collision. See page 4.

**Gun bill filed**  
A state senator has proposed legislation that would allow voters to decide whether they want their fellow Texans to carry concealed handguns. See page 5.

**Showbiz steer dies**  
Tex, a 2,500-pound longhorn steer with friendly enough demeanor to forge a show business career, has died. See page 5.

**TODAY'S WEATHER**

Tonight **75** ▲ Highs **45**  
Lows ▼

Cloudy  
Tonight, cloudy, areas of fog, 30 percent chance of rain, low mid 30s.

**Wednesday**  
Permian Basin Forecast  
Wednesday: Cloudy, 40 percent chance of rain, high near 40, east winds 10 to 20 mph; cloudy night, chance of rain, low low 30s.  
Thursday: Cloudy, chance of rain, high near 40, east winds; cloudy night, low lower 30s.

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OBITUARIES

John R. Coffee



John R. Coffee, 63, Big Spring, died on Monday, Feb. 27, 1995, in a Midland hospital. Services will be 2 p.m. Wednesday, March 1, 1995, at St. Mary's Episcopal Church with Rev. James Liggett, pastor, officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park with Masonic Rites by Stakes Plains Lodge #598, A.F. & A.M. Services are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

He was born on Nov. 5, 1931, in Plainview, Texas and married Gloria Anderson on Aug. 7, 1954, in McKinney. Mr. Coffee came to Big Spring with his family when he was six years old. He grew up here and graduated from Big Spring High School in 1949. He attended Baylor University school of Law, graduating in 1957. He returned to Big Spring in 1957 and served a term as County Attorney. He then went into private law practice with his father and until his recent illness, he was still practicing. In addition to serving as County Attorney, he also served as City Judge, County Judge and recently served as City Councilman.

He was an active member of St. Mary's Episcopal Church, where he held the office of Chancellor. While at Baylor University, he was a member of The Chamber and had served as president. He was a member of Staked Plains Lodge #598, A.F. & A.M., a member and Past Master of Coahoma Masonic Lodge #992, A.F. & A.M., a member of the Scottish Rite of the Lubbock Consistory, a member of Big Spring Chapter #178, R.A.M., a member of Big Spring Council #117, R.&S.M. and a member of Big Spring Commandery #031. He had been active in scouting and was an Eagle Scout.

Survivors include his wife: Gloria Coffee, Big Spring; a daughter: Karen Standefer, Dallas; two daughters and sons-in-law: Lynette and David Potter, Tulsa, Okla., and Michelle Coffee and David Johnson, Annapolis, Md.; a son: John Coffee, Jr., Lake Dallas; his mother: Arian Coffee, Big Spring; a sister and brother-in-law: Barbara and Louis Heinze, Arlington; two grandsons: Russell Standefer, Lenorah, and Chad Potter, Broken Arrow, Okla.; a niece: Sarah Williamson, Amarillo, and a nephew: Edward Heinze, Arlington.

He was preceded in death by his father, John A. Coffee on

Feb. 13, 1990.

The family suggests memorials to: St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1005 Goliad, Big Spring, Texas 79720 or Hospice of the Southwest, Inc., P.O. Box 14710, Odessa, Texas 79768-4710. Paid obituary

Luis Cisneroz, Jr.

Rosary for Luis Cisneroz, Jr., 34, Loveland, Colo., will be 7 p.m. tonight at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Services will be 10 a.m. Wednesday, March 1, 1995, at Sacred Heart Catholic with Rev. James P. Delaney, pastor, officiating. Interment will follow at Mt. Olive Memorial Park under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Mr. Cisneroz died Friday, Feb. 24, at his residence in Loveland, following a long battle with diabetes.

He was born on Jan. 22, 1960, in Big Spring. He had lived in Loveland, Colo., since May of 1990 having moved there from Austin. He had worked in the oils fields as a welder.

Survivors include his father: Lupe G. Cisneroz, Sr., Greeley, Colo.; his mother and step-father: Margie and John Rodriguez, Big Spring; a sister: Delores Cisneroz, Big Spring; three half brothers: Guadalupe Cisneroz, Jr., Loveland, Colo., Robert Lee Cisneroz, Greeley, Colo., and John Rodriguez, Jr., Wichita Falls; four half sisters: Juanita Appleton, Fort Collins, Lucy Cisneroz, Greeley, Colo., Norma Cisneroz, Loveland, Colo., and Michelle Rodriguez, Big Spring; his grandfather: Luis Cisneroz, Big Spring; and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his grandmother, Delores Cisneroz in Nov. of 1993.

Bobby Padron

Memorial services for Bobby Padron, 31, Dallas, will be 5:30 p.m., Thursday, March 2, 1995, at Immaculate Heart Catholic Church in Big Spring.

Mr. Padron died Saturday, Feb. 25, after a lengthy illness.

He was born Oct. 28, 1963, in Big Spring. He grew up in Coahoma and graduated from Coahoma High School in 1982. He moved to Dallas in 1984 and was employed at the Lowes Anatole as Assistant Credit Manager.

He is survived by his parents: Pete and Lenora O. Padron, Sand Springs; two sisters: Rosie Padron Ford, Odessa, and Irma Padron, Sand Springs; four nephews; two nieces; a companion: Vincent Garcia; his grandmothers: Benita Padron, Coahoma, and Lupe Ortega, Big Spring; and a grandfather: Jesus Ortega, Sand Springs.

Arrangements are under the direction of Sparkman/Hillcrest, Dallas.

Bases

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"I don't think that we have room to complain if we gain in net jobs," Rep. Solomon Ortiz, D-Corpus Christi, said Monday. The details will be hammered out over the next four months. Now that the Defense Department has issued its recommendations, the action shifts to the Base Closure and Realignment Commission.

The eight-member panel can subtract Pentagon choices and add its own in submitting a final list to President Clinton and Congress. The commission's recommendations, due July 1, must be accepted or rejected in their entirety.

In preparing its list, the commission will visit defense installations, hold an intensive round of hearings, receive sophisticated presentations from save-the-base task forces nationwide — and no small amount of lobbying.

The Texans have vowed to do their utmost to convince the commission to remove from consideration the four Texas targets.

"I will fight to the end to prevent such a bad recommendation from becoming final," said Rep. Jim Chapman, D-Sulphur Springs, whose district includes Red River Army Depot.

The armored-vehicle maintenance facility, which also doubles as a weapons storage site,

employs 4,000 civilians from Texas, Arkansas, Louisiana and Oklahoma. Texas and Arkansas lawmakers have worked together intensively in recent weeks to save the depot.

Sen. David Pryor, D-Ark., was said to have drawn on his ties to a fellow Arkansan — President Clinton — and discussed Red River's future with White House officials Monday. His office wouldn't confirm the contact.

Brooks Air Force Base also would sustain huge hits if closed. The base, which employs some 4,500 military and civilian personnel, is one of the Air Force's so-called super labs. The lab conducts research in aerospace medicine, spacecraft development, electronics and other areas. The base also houses the U.S. Air Force School of Aerospace Medicine.

Reese Air Force Base, dedicated to pilot training, employs some 1,700 people.

Rep. Larry Combest, R-Lubbock, promised a vigorous defense of Reese, which he said was inappropriately placed on the list. "Now we are in the second half of the game," he said Monday.

"We are going to challenge the criteria the Air Force has put forward and see what we can do to make a reversal in that decision."

Fox

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Blackshear's asking the city to divert the work crew to the Moss area was a good because you you don't want children involved with a potentially rabid animal.

Decell added, "From an old country boy's point of view, if there's nothing to hide in they (wild animals) may just go away."

"Whenever the situation warrants it, we will revise our schedule and use the inmate crew to clean and clear an area. Our plans will always change when we have a situation like this."

The caution taken at Moss Elementary Thursday may have to be exercised more often in the near future if the fears of animal control officials are confirmed.

Animal Control Supervisor

Terry Chamness said, based on past experience, officials expect to see rabies spread to domestic animals sometime around the first part of March.

The most recent case of rabies was also confirmed Thursday afternoon in a fox that was found in the 700 block of W. 4th.

This brings the total number of rabid animals reported in Howard County to 12 including 10 foxes, one skunk, and one coyote.

Also, Decell said an Animal Control Warden was attacked by a fox in the bathrooms at Comanche Trail Park Monday morning. The warden was not bitten according to Decell, but the head of the animal will still be sent to Austin for testing.

He added, "I'm concerned that we could really have a problem if a child is caught in that type of situation."

MARKETS

May cotton futures 101.20 cents a pound, up 103 points; April crude oil 18.60 down 6 points; cash hog steady at 39.50 cents even; slaughter steers steady at 73.50 cents even; April live hog futures 39.32, up 20 points; April live cattle futures 73.60, up 30 points; according to Delta Commodities.

Table with market data including ATT, Amoco, Atlantic Richfield, Atmos, Boston Chicken, Cabot, Chevron, Chrysler, Coca-Cola, De Beers, DuPont, Exxon, Fina Inc., Ford Motors, Halliburton, IBM, JC Penney, Laser Indus LTD, Mesa Ltd. Prt, Mobile, NUV, Pepsi Cola, Phillips Petroleum, Sears, Southwestern Bell, Sun, Texaco, Texas Instruments, Texas Utilities, Unocal Corp., Wal Mart, Amcap, Euro Pacific, I.C.A., New Economy, New Perspective.

Arrested

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robbery. Witnesses were also able to describe what the woman's car looked like to officers.

The vehicle was spotted a few minutes later and stopped. The driver, Deborah Frances Deax, 41, of 419A Dallas, was questioned by an officer. She was identified by witnesses from both offenses as being the perpetrator.

Deax was arrested and charged with aggravated robbery and attempted aggravated robbery. Municipal Judge Bill Tune set her bond at \$20,000.

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POLICE

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

•JOHNNY DOMINIC VASQUEZ, 29 of Sunnyville, Texas, was arrested for public intoxication.

•ATANOSIO GUTIRREZ JR., 40 no address given, was arrested for driving while intoxicated.

•FERMIN SAAVEDRA, 54 no address given, was arrested on outstanding local warrants.

•DAVID LEE AYERS, 40 no address given, was arrested on outstanding local warrants.

•GEORGE ROBERT GONZALES, 30 of 305 East 23rd, was arrested for driving while license suspended. He was transferred to the county jail and released after posting a \$1,500 bond.

•SUSPICIOUS INVESTIGATIONS in the 2000 block of East Marcy, 2600 block of Wasson, 3300 block of East Interstate 20, 700 block of West Interstate 20, 1200 block of East 16th, 3400 block of West Highway 80, 700 block of East 18th and 1100 block of East 16th.

•THEFTS in the 1500 block of Scurry and in the 3300 block of Cornell.

•THEFT in the 1700 block of Owens. The complainant told officers someone stole two pit bulls from the back yard. The dogs are estimated to be worth \$500.

•DOMESTIC DISTURBANCES in the 500 block of Westover and in the 500 block of Lancaster.

•CRIMINAL MISCHIEF in the 500 block of East Marcy.

•LOUD PARTY in the 2600 block of Cindy.

•MINOR ACCIDENT at the intersection of Sixth and Gregg. A citation for not having liability insurance was issued and no injuries reported.

SHERIFF

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

•DAVID CRUZ, 27 of 607 West Ninth, was transferred to Midland County Sheriff's Department. He had been arrested on an outstanding Midland warrant on a felony charge of driving while intoxicated and bond forfeiture.

•RAUL GONZALES MARTINEZ, 37 of 406 Martin Luther King Blvd., was transferred from the city jail after being charged with injury to elderly. He was released after posting a \$1,500 bond.

RECORDS

Table with weather and record data: Monday's temp. 77, Monday's low 40, Average high 62, Average low 32, Record high 83 in 1918, Record low 11 in 1962, Rainfall Monday 0.00, Month to date 1.07, Month's normal 0.66, Year to date 1.07, Normal for year 1.27

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FIRE

The Big Spring Fire Department reported the following incidents during a time period from 8 a.m. Saturday to 8 a.m. Tuesday:

•CONTROLLED BURN at the Gregg Street viaduct.

•GAS LEAK in the 600 block of Elgin.

•STRUCTURE FIRE at the Comanche Trail Park spring. The pier and observation deck was fully engulfed in flames on arrival. The fire marshal was contacted to investigate possible arson.

•GRASS FIRE in the 3700 block of West Highway 80.

IN BRIEF

Ash Wednesday luncheon March 1

The First Christian Church, 10th & Goliad, will have an Ash Wednesday, March 1, luncheon starting at noon. The Christian Women's Fellowship, of the F.C.C., will be serving the meal. There will also be a short Ash Wednesday meditation presented by the Rev. Jack Abendschan (Ret.).

SPRINGBOARD

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TODAY

•Spring Tabernacle Church, 1209 Wright, has free food for area needy, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

•Al-Anon, 8 p.m., 615 Settles.

•Voices support group, 3:45 p.m. Call Rape Crisis/Victim Services, 263-3312.

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

•Pastoral counseling by Samaritan Counseling Center, First Christian Church, 10th and Goliad. For appointment call 1-800-329-4144.

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

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

•Most Excellent Way chemical dependency support group, 7 p.m., Cornerstone Bookstore. Call 267-1424 after 5 p.m., or 263-3168 before 8 p.m.

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

•Melissa Avila, of St. Mary's Hospital in Lubbock, will have free health screenings, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Sacred Heart Youth Center, 509 N. Aylford. Call 1-806-765-8475.

WEDNESDAY

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

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

Sheriff ordered to pay in rape case

AUSTIN (AP) — A federal judge has ordered Archer County and its sheriff to pay \$2 million to a woman who said the sheriff raped her a few hours after she shot her ex-husband in self-defense.

U.S. District Judge Joe Kendall awarded the money Monday to Gail Bennett, who now lives in Georgetown. It was the exact amount requested by lawyers Tom Kolker and Thomas Tuddenham.

In awarding the damages, Kendall ruled that Sheriff Pres-

ley Lamar Pippin had engaged in "insidious abuse of police authority." He also found the county liable because the sheriff was acting in his official capacity at the time.

Pippin declined to comment on the judge's decision.

Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home and Rosewood Chapel 906 GREGG 267-6331 John R. Coffee, 63, died Monday. Services will be 2:00 PM Wednesday at St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park. Luis Cisneroz, Jr., 34, died Friday. Rosary will be 7:00 PM tonight at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Services will be 10:00 AM Wednesday at Sacred Heart Catholic Church. Interment will follow in Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

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Leg

WASHINGTON: Legions of legislators are being delayed weeks as an Internal Revenue down on phone. So far this refunds have according to General Accounting Office's estimate. April 17 filing of 86 million of 86 million refunds will agency's effort claims are general IRS Commissioner Milner Richards for the delays her agency 1 attack fraud of \$5 billion a year.

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"It's cruel ishment," Rep R-Conn., said GOP membe Ways and Me Monday's d second signif House leader of the party's hauling well lawmakers de food stamps.

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# Legitimate tax refunds delayed

WASHINGTON (AP) — Millions of legitimate tax refunds are being delayed for up to eight weeks as a side effect of an Internal Revenue Service crackdown on phony refund claims.

So far this year, 1.5 million refunds have been held up, according to the congressional General Accounting Office. And the IRS estimates that by the April 17 filing deadline, 7 million of 86 million projected refunds will be affected by the agency's effort to ensure refund claims are genuine.

IRS Commissioner Margaret Milner Richardson apologized for the delays Monday, but said her agency must aggressively attack fraud estimated at up to \$5 billion a year, particularly on

returns filed electronically through tax-preparation services.

"We've been very concerned about the integrity of the system," she told the House Ways and Means oversight subcommittee.

After years of complaints that it was not doing enough to stop fraudulent refunds, the IRS this year began using new computer screening techniques to flag suspicious returns that claim the earned-income credit for the working poor.

It also began checking the Social Security numbers of spouses and dependents, not just the main filers, in an effort to catch phony claims for exemptions.

Tax professionals say not just those attempting fraud or making mistakes are being snared. Women who change their name because of marriage or divorce are affected if they haven't informed the Social Security Administration of the change.

"In the 40 years we have been serving America's taxpayers, this is without a doubt the most difficult tax season," said Harry W. Buckley, president of H&R Block Tax Services Inc. "Millions of innocent taxpayers have been penalized and inconvenienced."

The IRS also has stopped issuing, for electronic filers, instant notices that a refund is on the way. This has sharply cut the number of refund-anticipation

loans offered by lenders through tax preparers.

Michael Martin of the National Association of Enrolled Agents, a group of professional tax preparers, said the IRS has so reduced the advantages of filing electronically that it is putting the program — considered the cornerstone of its modernization effort — in jeopardy.

Buckley and Jennie S. Stathis, GAO director of tax policy, said the IRS did a poor job of publicizing the changes this year.

However, Rep. Nancy Johnson, R-Conn., who chairs the oversight subcommittee, said the agency, like a mother warning her children, did as much as it reasonably could to inform taxpayers.

## COLD GOING



Associated Press photo  
John Asmund clears snow off the Memorial Bridge separating Portsmouth, N.H., and Kittary, Maine Monday. Snow squalls dropped several inches of snow in the area.

# Senate ends amendment debate

WASHINGTON (AP) — The high-stakes fight over a constitutional amendment requiring a balanced budget is in its final round as the Senate ends a month-long debate with a show-down vote that seems too close to call.

Tonight's roll call on final passage hinged on five uncommitted Democrats, and both sides were doing all they could to pressure them. At least three — Sens. Sam Nunn of Georgia and Kent Conrad and Byron Dorgan of North Dakota — were demanding changes as the price for their support, either in the amendment itself or with accompanying legislation.

"They can count," said Conrad in an interview, referring to balanced budget supporters. "If they want this to pass, they're going to have to make some changes."

The senators wanted to make sure the courts would be barred from enforcing the amendment by ordering tax increases or spending cuts, and that Social

Security would be shielded from spending cuts. Any changes in the amendment would require that it be shipped back to the House, which approved it 300-132 a month ago but where the fate of a reconfigured version would be uncertain.

Also undeclared were Sens. John Breaux, D-La., and Wendell Ford, D-Ky.

The amendment would require a balanced federal budget by 2002, unless two-thirds of senators and representatives voted to run a deficit.

All but one of the Senate's 53 Republican senators were supporting the measure, bringing it within shouting distance of the 67 votes — a two-thirds majority — needed to send it to the states for ratification. Thirty-eight states must approve it for the measure to become part of the Constitution.

The lone GOP maverick, moderate Sen. Mark Hatfield, R-Ore., was under heavy pressure from his colleagues to switch, and planned to talk today with

Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, R-Kan. But Hatfield's press secretary, Julie McGregor, said late Monday, "He's planning to vote 'no.'"

Proponents of the amendment, mostly conservatives, have lost five attempts to push it through Congress since 1982, when surging Reagan-era budget deficits began to anger the public. The amendment is the keystone of GOP efforts this year to slash the size of the government, and, sensing that this is their best chance yet to prevail, they showed little sympathy for the holdouts.

"If it comes down to 66 votes versus 34, I pity those in the 34 category," said Senate Judiciary Committee Chairman Orrin Hatch, R-Utah.

Hatch and Sen. Paul Simon, D-Ill., the measure's liberal co-sponsor, met privately in a room near the Senate chamber with Ford, Conrad and Dorgan, but no one said that any new support was nalled down.

# Failed engine cause of Navy jet crash

CHICAGO (AP) — A failed engine, not pilot error, was the cause of a Navy jet crash that killed a pioneer female fighter pilot, the Chicago Tribune reported today.

A Navy report says an engine on the F-14A jet failed as Lt. Kara Hultgreen approached an aircraft carrier for a nighttime landing, according to sources who spoke to the Tribune on condition of anonymity.

The report, which was to be released today, rebuts anonymous allegations sent to members of the media that Hultgreen was unqualified and received

special treatment by a Navy determined to prepare women for combat.

Hultgreen, 29, was one of the first two women to qualify for Navy carrier operations in the F-14A jet. She was rated above average, the third of seven in her class, records show.

Hultgreen's jet rolled over as it approached the USS Abraham Lincoln off the coast of San Diego on Oct. 25. She was ejected into the ocean; her crewman in the two-seat jet ejected safely a fraction of a second earlier.

The report also raises questions about the reliability of the

F-14A, a widely used older version of the F-14, the Tribune reported.

The jet has been grounded at least twice since its introduction in 1973 and pilots have complained that its TF-30 engine is underpowered and the jet is risky and tricky to fly at low speeds and altitudes.

According to Navy records, 31 Navy and Marine pilots have died in F-14As since 1981. Last year, the F-14A had a serious accident rate of 5.76 per 100,000 flying hours, compared to 2.07 per 100,000 hours for the newer F-A-18 carrier fighter jet.

# House GOP backing away from cash welfare cuts

WASHINGTON (AP) — House Republicans are backing away from a plan to bar unmarried teen-age mothers from receiving cash welfare for the rest of their lives.

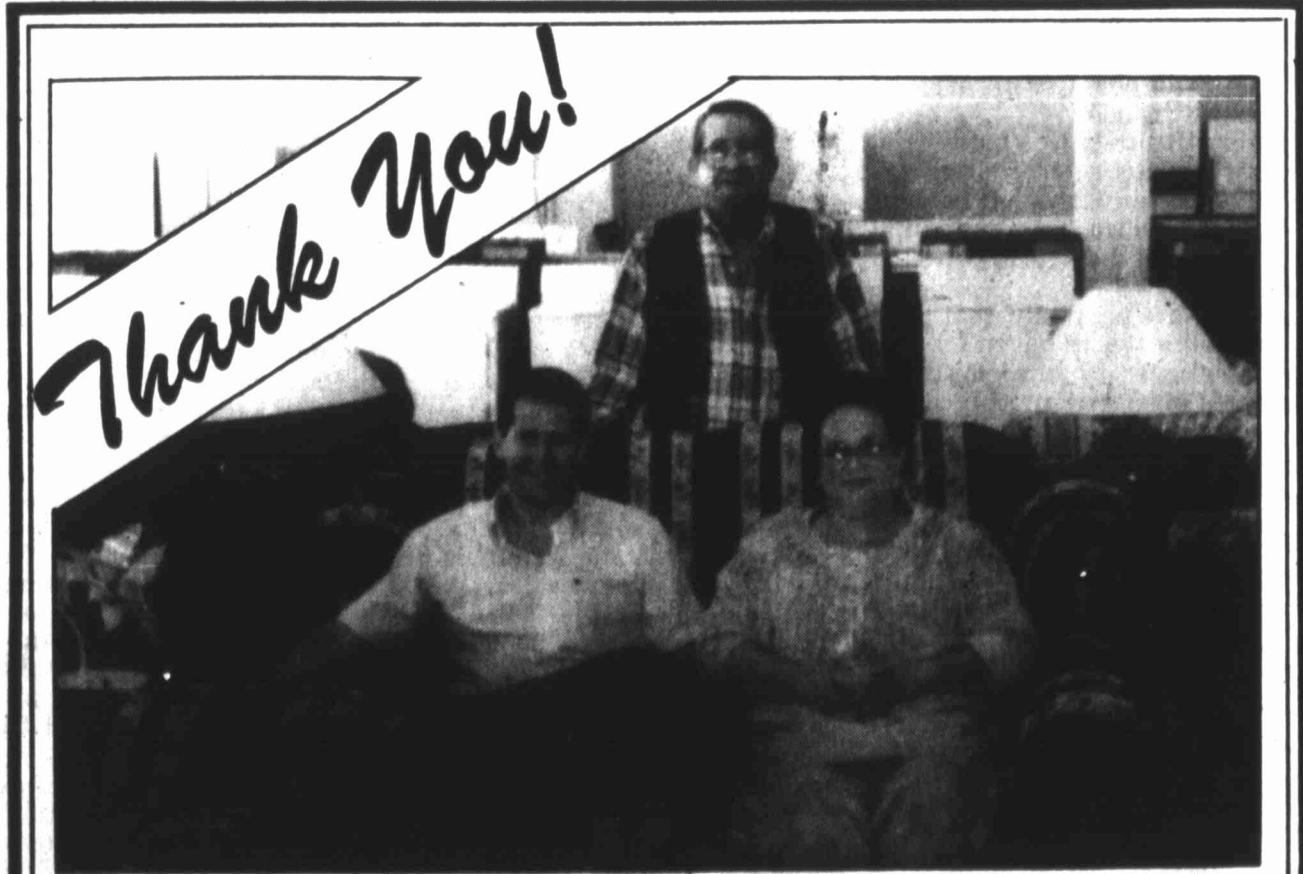
States still could impose such a ban, however, under a compromise fleshed out by Republican lawmakers Monday night.

And no single mother could receive cash benefits before her 18th birthday.

The new plan marks another softening of the GOP's welfare overhaul proposal. Party moderates and some Republican governors felt the lifetime ban was punitive.

"It's cruel and unusual punishment," Rep. Nancy Johnson, R-Conn., said after a meeting of GOP members of the House Ways and Means Committee.

Monday's decision marks the second significant rejection by House leaders of key elements of the party's blueprint for overhauling welfare. On Friday, lawmakers decided to preserve food stamps.



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## EDITORIAL

## Quote of the Day

"People love the unvarnished truth if it's about others, and hate it when it's about themselves."

Warren Rogers, author, editor, 1994

## Numskulls, learn to take care of what we've got

We're busting our backsides to clean up the community and something like this happens.

That's what Acting City Manager Tom Decell said about Sunday's act of vandalism at Comanche Trail Park.

Someone, early Sunday, set the observation deck on fire and committed other acts of vandalism. The Big Spring Police Department is investigating graffiti found at the scene.

Decell is understandably upset by the incident, as we all should be.

Whether you agree with the prisoner cleanup or have had problems with it, you have to admit our city hasn't looked this good in a long time.

Areas of town are clean that might not otherwise be so because of cost constraints.

The shame of it all is we have a few people working off their "backsides" to make our town look good: The Proud Citizens Committee, the citizens at Washington Place, groups which agree to work in the state's

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Charles C. Williams  
Publisher

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Managing Editor

highway cleanup program.

Their work can go for naught, thanks to the actions of a few uncaring numskulls.

It is hard to get out, time after time, to clean and re-clean an area of town, messed up by carelessness.

Whether it is an act of outright vandalism or just simply not thinking before tossing litter, it is ruining the budding of pride in our community.

We all want Big Spring to grow, to have more jobs and more people.

But, if we don't care about our OWN town, why should others care to come?

It is something to think about next time you miss the trashcan or see an act of vandalism.



A U.S. marine guards an entrance to the U.N. compound in Mogadishu Tuesday. American forces landed in Somalia in the early morning to assist in the withdrawal of U.N. peacekeepers from Somalia.

## Troops secure compound

MOGADISHU, Somalia (AP) — A vanguard of American and Italian troops consolidated positions today at Mogadishu's air and sea ports as 900 happy, singing Bangladeshi U.N. peacekeepers sailed for home.

The departure of the Bangladeshis left only 1,500 Pakistani peacekeepers to be evacuated by the U.S.-led multinational force that came ashore without incident Monday from a flotilla of warships just off shore.

While Somalia is no closer to democracy than when U.S. troops first landed here 26 months ago, the U.S. commander who took tactical control of the entire operation this morning said the withdrawal is going well. "If I had to give you a sports analogy, we've finished the first half," Marine Lt. Gen. Anthony C. Zinni told reporters at mid-morning. "We are well ahead of time."

The Bangladeshis had been guarding the seaport until two

companies of U.S. Marines arrived in landing craft to relieve them shortly after midnight. Eight hours later, they were sailing away in two ocean-going ferries.

The ferries will take the Bangladeshi troops down Africa's east coast to Dar Es Salaam, Tanzania, where they will board chartered jets for the flight home across the Indian Ocean.

"They were all singing and having a good time when they left," said Eddie Jones of Baltimore, who has been managing the seaport for the United Nations.

The Pakistanis will begin pulling back through American and Italian lines Wednesday and depart early Thursday, also aboard ferries for Dar Es Salaam.

The airport sits right on the seaside in southern Mogadishu. The Pakistanis have been holding positions all around the airport and at strategic locations outside it in the city.

Most of the 1,500 American Marines and the 329 Italian troops dug into high sand dunes just a few hundred yards from the sea, establishing a narrow corridor behind the dunes to the seaport, about three miles to the north.

The Pakistanis will pass through the American and Italian perimeter into the corridor and head for the port in an exercise expected to take about three hours early Wednesday morning.

After the Pakistanis sail Thursday, Zinni said it would take about eight hours for the Americans and Italians to fall back to the beach on which they landed from their positions at the port and in the dunes.

They will go back to their ships the same way they came ashore, on landing craft, Hovercraft and amphibious armored vehicles. Cobra helicopters, Harrier fighter jets and AC-130 aerial gunships will cover the final phase of the withdrawal.



## Restroom ads hit the mainstream

Pete Kass runs a grocery store in a blue-collar neighborhood in Chicago. It's a good store with fine meats, fruits and vegetables.

But it's still a neighborhood grocery store, not a gourmet shoppe or a giant supermarket.

So Pete was surprised when the mall brought him a glossy brochure offering him an unusual business opportunity.

It was an invitation for him to advertise his groceries in the washrooms at the new United Center sports stadium, which recently replaced the old Chicago stadium.

Or as the slick, glossy brochure put it:

"Why in Restrooms?" In all of his years in the grocery business, that's a question that Pete had never pondered. At least not in terms of advertising pork chops.

And he wasn't sure that he knew the answer. But the brochure answered it for him.

"In its brief history, the United Center has already become known as one of the premier entertainment venues in the country.

"Our state-of-the-art building offers many individuals the opportunity to witness a variety of sporting events, concerts and family shows.

"Young and old, men and women, all will come to view events in the United Center. (The brochure didn't come right out and say so, but most of them will have to make wewee.)

"With this in mind, we invite you to take a look at our newest advertising concept, one

which will fit any size budget.

"This year, we will be placing 2-inch-by-11-inch advertisements in all of our 100 and 300 level restrooms."

Sure enough, the brochure has a picture of a men's urinal with four advertising posters placed on the wall at eye level. The brochure says:

"This cost-efficient vehicle will provide the advertisers with the opportunity to reach our fans in a way like no other, allowing you to reach our guests in a distraction-free environment.

"Our guests (your potential customers) cannot change the channel, turn the page, or in any other way tune out the message being presented to them.

"You will receive their undivided attention."

The sales pitch goes on to say that about 2.5 million people will attend more than 125 events a year at the United Center. That's a lot of potential potty trips, so the ads will be placed above the men's urinals and on the side of the doors in the ladies' stalls.

And these will not be ordinary crumbs going to the johns. As the brochure promises, "They will be individuals who have proven themselves to possess high levels of disposable income. The kind of consumers you want to reach."

Pete the grocer thought about that for a while. Then he said, "Nah, I don't think some guy standing at a urinal downtown is necessarily the kind of consumer I'm trying to reach.

"I mean, I'm sure all of my customers go to the bathroom regularly, but that is not the basis for our relationship or a factor in what we sell them, except for certain paper items.

"Besides, what would I put in my advertising space — a head of lettuce and a message that says: 'Hey, come to our nice fresh salad bar, but remember to wash your hands first!'"

"So I'm not going to advertise in their washrooms, although it was nice of them to ask."

Although bathroom advertising might not be useful to Pete — unless he can slip posters into the bungalows of his customers — it will probably appeal to many other businesses.

What better place for some Yuppie sports bar to describe its beers than right in the face of a hockey fan who is already planning to replenish his precious body fluids?

This will surely be a money maker for the United Center. As the brochure says — it is a captive audience. The fans will be arrested if they go anywhere else.

It's surprising, really, that more public places haven't been using their bathrooms for this sort of advertising, since it is not a new or original idea.

For many years, the men's rooms of many bars in Chicago and other cities have contained forms of advertising from those who seek companionship of one form or another. The ads usually read something like: "For a good (sex act deleted) phone Joe at ..."

This form of restroom communication has surely declined, since computer bulletin boards and the Internet have made it possible to send such messages across the country or even the globe. In fact, electronic panting seems to be the major source of information being sent along the Information Highway.

So now restroom advertising is going to become mainstream.

As Pete the grocer says: "Advertising is kind of a weird business, isn't it? They say that the ads will be in metal frames and covered with glass that is tamper-proof.

"I'd say it ought to be splatter-proof."

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## Financial world still shaking from collapse of old British bank

LONDON (AP) — As the financial world reverberates from the collapse of Britain's oldest investment bank, the big question on everybody's mind is why did 28-year-old trader Nick Leeson do it?

Barings Brothers & Co. is now under the control of court-appointed administrators who are trying to assess what can be salvaged after hundreds of millions of dollars in losses in Asian futures markets ruined the bank.

Leeson disappeared from his home in Singapore's fashionable Orchard neighborhood on Thursday, as the trading irregularities became known. Neither he nor his 23-year-old wife, Lisa, had been seen at home since Friday, and a spokeswoman for a hotel in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, said he checked in there Thursday for one day.

Locksmiths opened the door at Leeson's expensive condominium apartment for investigators from Singapore's commercial crimes department, who spent 40 minutes inside, witnesses said. It was not clear if they took anything away.

Even as authorities began piecing together details of the risky trades Leeson made on the future price of the Tokyo stock market, his motive remained a mystery.

As in two other big recent trading scandals, in Orange County, Calif., and at the Wall Street brokerage Kidder Peabody & Co., a single person with the power to make huge, risky, complex trades is being blamed for big losses.

Orange County went into bankruptcy after former Treasurer Robert L. Citron lost \$1.7 billion on investments that included derivatives. Kidder

Peabody was taken over by rival PaineWebber Group Inc. after a crisis erupted over allegations that a star trader, Joseph Jett, created \$350 million in phony profits.

It shows that in the modern world of computerized finance, one person can make the bad bets that bring down an entire institution.

Leeson emerged as the key player in this latest financial drama. The product of public housing projects in the London suburbs, he rose to ruin the bank that counts Queen Elizabeth II among its clients.

News that Barings had gone bust jolted financial markets Monday, though the damage seemed limited and most stock exchanges recovered from their early lows. Wall Street was the exception, showing little immediate response before slipping in late trading on rumors that Barings' losses could exceed the \$25 billion, already acknowledged by regulators.

The London Stock Exchange was dead calm this morning. The Financial Times-Stock Exchange index was down 0.2 points to 3025.1 two hours into trading.

On the Tokyo Stock Exchange, the 225-issue Nikkei Stock Average closed at 17,053.43, up 244.73 points, or 1.46 percent. On Monday, the average had plunged 664.24 points, or 3.80 percent.

There was much speculation that Leeson made a few bad bets and doubled up, hoping to avoid getting into trouble.

"Perhaps he did a little business he shouldn't have," Bank of England Governor Eddie George suggested in a news conference Monday.

## No news, still bad for Mexico

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Even no news seems to be bad news for Mexico, whose stock market and peso have tumbled sharply yet again.

Investors worried by a lack of news about government plans to deal with the nation's economic crisis sent the Mexican stock market plunging on Monday.

The main market index fell by 106.37 points, or 6.9 percent — the largest percentage drop in more than a year. The close of 1,447.52 was a low the market had not touched since October 1992.

The peso, too, fell on Monday. Worth about 29 cents in mid-December, it closed Monday at 16.8 cents, down from 17 cents on Friday. One dollar now buys 5.945 pesos.

The government has been struggling to halt an economic plunge that started Dec. 20, when it became apparent that it no longer had the foreign reserves to protect the peso and meet short-term foreign debt payments.

Even a U.S.-led international aid package announced Jan. 30 and completed on Feb. 21 has failed to halt the market's slide, wobbles in interest rates and the peso's decline. Tough austerity measures demanded by the agreement have led to gloom about the economy.

Investors had expected the government to announce new, more skeptical economic targets for 1995 over the weekend. But none materialized, leaving crucial questions about the government's projections for inflation, interest rates, the peso, wages, government spending and the economy.

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But the 13th Court in Corpus Christi overturned the conviction and case to district court because the trial judge had been prejudiced by the state's attorney.

Judge Margaret Davis has been publicly reprimanded by the Texas Commission on Judicial Conduct for comments in several cases.

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FATAL SHOOTING



San Antonio police investigate the scene of a shooting on Interstate 35 in northeast San Antonio Monday. A 43-year-old suspect in a robbery fatally shot himself as police officers opened fire, officials said. Officer Charles Langley ordered the suspect to submit, but the suspect pulled a pistol, Deputy Chief Albert Ortiz said.

Oil spill drenching Padre Island

Oil that spilled into the Gulf of Mexico, which hid much of it for weeks below the surface, has come back with a vengeance after a Norwegian tanker collision.

More than 300 workers are cleaning up tar globs — some the size of a dime, others as big as basketballs — that have washed ashore on Padre Island.

"Apparently it sank and then, as the ocean churns, it comes back up," Bob Mann, a spokesman for the Texas General Land Office, said Monday. "And we've had some pretty bad weather, so it's been rocking around out there, coming in and going back out."

Officials said some areas within a 40-mile stretch of beach — from near Port Aransas to about 15 miles north of the Mansfield Cut — had no visible impact.

But other areas had heavy concentrations of tar globs from the spill three weeks ago.

Cleanup workers lined the Gulf of Mexico side of Padre Island, using hand shovels and machinery to collect the batches of crude oil. Sixty workers initially were dispatched to Padre

Island when tar balls first appeared there during the weekend.

"It is larger, and it seems to be getting heavier that we thought it would be," Mann said. However, he said that nearly all of the 37,800 gallons of oil that spilled from the tanker Berge Banker already have washed ashore.

The Berge Banker, owned by Bergesen dy As of Oslo, Norway, collided with a smaller Norwegian tanker on Feb. 5 about 55 miles offshore from Galveston Bay.

"We skimmed up as much as could be found. But when it acts, as I call it, like a submarine, you can't find it," said Frank Gonynor, a spokesman hired by Gard, the tanker company's Norwegian insurance company.

Blotches of oil first came ashore along Matagorda Island more than a week ago. Mann said the Matagorda cleanup is nearly completed, but efforts on Padre Island likely will last through the end of this week.

Gonynor estimated that the cleanup bill will total \$2 million.

He said the company quickly assumed financial responsibility for the cleanup, which is being conducted by private contractors, the General Land Office and the U.S. Coast Guard.

Padre Island National Seashore officials have counted at least eight birds that were grazed by oil. The federally protected shoreline encompasses most of the affected area on Padre Island.

"We'll know more about the aquatic (life) as we get farther into this," said national seashore spokesman John Lujan.

Most of the pollution occurred between Bob Hall Pier, just south of the JFK Causeway, to the National Seashore's 30-mile marker, which lies about 20 miles north of South Padre Island, officials said.

The land office said some oil patches and sheens were reported on and off the coast of Mustang Island.

The Associated Press

Showbiz longhorn dies

LAKESIDE (AP) — Tex, a 2,500-pound longhorn steer with friendly enough demeanor to forge a show business career giving rides to everyone from Santa Claus to Sylvester Stallone, has died.

Owner Rorie Cowden said he found the 23-year-old steer dead Monday in his pen at the Hidden Valley Miniature Golf Course in this Fort Worth suburb.

"He's going to be hard to duplicate," Cowden said. "I'm heartbroken."

Tex was quite an entertainer. In his career, he carried actor Charlton Heston, Miss America Phyllis George, Prince Albert of Monaco, and evangelists Pat Robertson and Jerry Falwell.

Tex even appeared on television shows "Lifestyles of the Rich and Famous" and "Real People," in addition to entertaining thousands at corporate parties.

In 1990, then-Fort Worth Mayor Bob Bolen made Tex an official goodwill ambassador for the city.

Concealed handgun bill to be filed

AUSTIN (AP) — A state senator has proposed legislation that would allow voters to decide whether they want their fellow Texans to carry concealed handguns.

Sen. Royce West said Monday he would file his bill today, coinciding with a public hearing on legislation to allow Texans to be licensed to carry concealed handguns.

"A couple of committee hearings and a floor debate or two is entirely insufficient preparation for a change of this gravity," West, D-Dallas, said.

"If citizens are deemed capa-

ble of carrying guns in public, then we are also mature enough to discuss the importance of this new privilege before it becomes a reality," he said.

Two years ago, the Legislature approved a proposed referendum on the issue. But former Gov. Ann Richards vetoed the legislation.

Gov. George W. Bush has said he would sign legislation allowing Texans to carry concealed weapons for self-protection.

The concealed gun bill's sponsor, Sen. Jerry Patterson, said he will oppose a referendum on the issue.

"This is nothing more than an attempt to kill the bill," Patterson, R-Pasadena, said. "I do not believe in a referendum on constitutional rights that I already possess," Patterson added.

Eligible Texans, under Patterson's proposal, could apply for a license to carry concealed handguns. Applicants would have to take a course in handgun proficiency and pass an exam. A four-year permit would cost \$140.

The bill is before the Senate Criminal Justice Committee today.

Brady Bill rejects 8 percent of Houston applicants

HOUSTON (AP) — Almost 8 percent of the nearly 30,000 Houstonians wanting to buy handguns since the Brady law passed last year were denied weapons after their backgrounds were checked, police records show.

The screenings blocked 2,350 of 29,762 applicants from getting guns in requests made between Feb. 28, 1994 — when the law began — and last Sunday, HPD spokesman Joe Gamino said.

Of that number, 890 were denied because of outstanding arrest warrants, he said.

"The Brady law has effective-

ly screened out and prevented tens of thousands of felons and fugitives from buying handguns over the counter," said Susan Whitmore, spokeswoman for the nonprofit group Handgun Control, which recently released a study of the law's effect.

The group surveyed 115 law enforcement agencies in states which had not previously checked backgrounds and found that 3.3 percent of applicants (19,098 of 572,224) were turned down.

Still, plenty of people question the law's impact.

"If someone truly wants a weapon, I don't know that they cannot get one," said Doug Elder, president of the Houston Police Officers Association. "We are just kidding ourselves if we think the Brady bill will take weapons out of the hands of criminals. It will not."

The law is named after White House press secretary James S. Brady, who was wounded during the 1981 attempted assassination of President Reagan.

It requires a national five-day waiting period and background check before a handgun can be bought.


Judge's comments result in conviction being overturned

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# 85 years of tradition

## Boy Scouts still going strong, providing youth leadership

This year the Boy Scouts of America is marking its 85th anniversary. Its formal birthday is Feb. 8, 1910, the date when a Chicago newspaper publisher named William D. Boyce filed incorporation papers in Washington, D.C.

At the time, few Americans had ever heard of Boy Scouts. In fact, probably more than 90 percent of the world's Boy Scouts were in England; the movement was born there in 1908 when Robert S.S. Baden-Powell, a British hero of the Boer War, published a little book titled Scouting For Boys. Within a short time, Scout troops had sprouted all over Britain.

Boyce learned about Scouting by chance on a visit to London in August, 1909. By the time he filed papers establishing the BSA six months later, there were already scores of Boy Scout troops in the U.S. and Canada.

Many early troops had been formed by the Young Men's Christian Association. Boyce, unsuccessful in getting his fledgling BSA under way, was happy to turn over the effort to the YMCA. Edgar M. Robinson of the Y's International Committee in New York City served as the de facto chief Scout executive for most of the first year, a hectic time as a tiny staff and volunteer force struggled to put the infant BSA on its feet.

The first Scout handbook was hastily compiled by Ernest Thompson Seton, an artist and naturalist who headed a boys' organization called the Woodcraft Indians. Seton patched together bits from his own Birch Bark Roll and Baden-Powell's Scouting for Boys. In August, Seton and Daniel Carter Beard, chief of another boys' program called Boy Pioneers, were the main attraction at the first Boy Scout camp held in America.

At the end of 1910, Edgar Robinson declined to continue as BSA chief executive. Chosen to succeed him was a dynamic, decisive young Washington, D.C. lawyer named James E. West. He said he would fill in for six months; he stayed 32 years.

By 1912, the BSA had enrolled more than 60,000 Scouts. To serve them, the organization began publishing Boys' Life magazine. A year later, Scouting magazine was born, in the form of a newsletter for Scoutmasters.

Membership soared. When the United States entered World War I in April 1917, more than 250,000 boys and men were registered. Their service on the home front made Scouting a household word. To help finance the war effort Scouts sold \$358 million worth of U.S. Treasury bonds and stamps. They also collected peach pits and nut hulls (used in gas masks), and made a national census of black walnut trees (used for gun stocks and airplane propellers).

Membership growth continued. In 1930, enrollment of boys and men topped 800,000. The local council system became established, and rural youth were served by Lone Scouting. The Order of the Arrow, a service organization of honor campers, flourished in many councils.

The BSA had come of age.

The Boy Scouts of America continued to thrive and expand during the Great Depression and World War II. Membership was on a steady upward curve in the 20 years after 1930, and the BSA reached out to gather in boys in both younger and older age groups.

The younger boys came first. In 1930, Cub Scouting for boys 9 to 11 got under way officially after four years of pilot projects. The program, centered in the home and neighborhood, quickly took off. From some 5,000 boys at the end of 1930, their

ranks rose to more than a quarter-million boys and leaders by the time the U.S. was thrust into World War II in December of 1941.

The Depression years of the 1930s were hard on the BSA, as they were on the nation generally. Local councils scrimped to pay the bills. A Scout troop's weekly dues averaged 5 cents. Still boys clamored to join.

The Depression brought the first national Good Turn since World War I. At the request of President Franklin D. Roosevelt in 1934, Scouts collected more than 1.8 million items of clothing, household furnishings, foods, and other supplies to help the nation's needy.

The following year, the first National Jamboree was scheduled for Washington, D.C., to celebrate the BSA's 25th anniversary. Two weeks before the opening date, however, the Jamboree had to be cancelled because of an outbreak of infantile paralysis (polio) in the capital area.

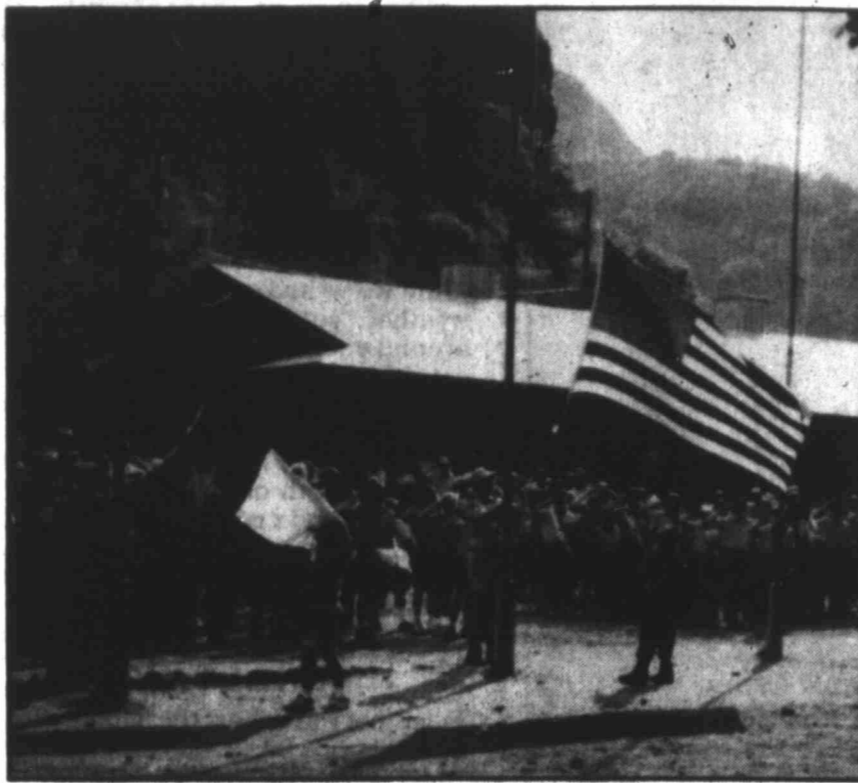
Rescheduled for 1937, the first jamboree drew 27,000 Scouts and Scouters. By that time, BSA membership topped one million boys and adults.

As they had during World War I, Scouts sprang into action on the home front in World War II. In fact, Scouts were in action from the war's opening minutes. They fought fires and helped at first aid stations and hospitals in Honolulu immediately after the surprise Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor that plunged the U.S. into the war.

During the four years of war, Scouts collected huge quantities of recyclables - rubber, tin cans, and other metals - as well as used books, milkweed (for use in life jackets) and clothing for refugees. The largest efforts were wastepaper drives; they were so successful that government officials finally begged the Scouts to stop because storage space was used up.

Almost from its birth the BSA had a problem retaining older teenagers in the program. The National Council (and some local councils) formed special units for them, offering advanced activities designed to hold the interests of older boys.

By the end of World War II, older boys could be Sea Scouts, Senior Scouts, Air Scouts, or Explorer Scouts in troops. That diversity ended in 1949 when all boys 14 and older were designated Explorers (not Explorer Scouts). Sea and Air Explorers continued their activities as before, but those in Boy Scouting could either stay in troops in special patrols called crews



Courtesy photo  
Boy Scouts learn many things during their time in Scouting, from leadership, community service to respect for country and themselves and others.

or join all-Explorer units called posts. In either case, their program was one of advanced Boy Scouting activities.

By the end of that transition for Exploring in 1949, total enrollment in the BSA was more than 2.5 million.

The two decades following World War II were, in some respects, the golden age of the Boy Scouts of America. Abetted by the baby boom, membership rose steadily, topping five million in 1959 and six million in 1967.

It was the heyday of the national Good Turn. About every other year, the BSA called on its members for national service.

In 1950-51, they collected two million pounds of used clothing for overseas relief. In 1952, their task was to place 1.8 million doorknob hangers and a million posters, to remind citizens to vote.

Two years later, Scouts tackled conservation projects, planting 6.2 million trees in the nation's parks and wilderness areas. They also displayed 41,000 conservation exhibits to educate Americans on the need for conservation.

A safety campaign and another get-out-the-vote drive were held. And in 1971 a national conservation effort known as Project SOAR (Save Our American Resources) began and continued for several years.

The second National Jamboree was held in 1950 at Valley Forge, Pa. after a long hiatus for the war. Thereafter, National

Jamborees were held every third or fourth year. The biggest was a doubleheader in 1973, with sites in Pennsylvania and Idaho attracting a total of 64,000 Scouts and Scouters.

Six years earlier, the BSA had hosted the 12th World Jamboree - the first ever in the U.S. The site was Farragut State Park in Idaho. It drew 12,000 participants from 107 countries.

Today's Exploring program, with its main focus on careers and special interests, was born in 1959. Ten years later girls were able to participate as non-registered members of special-interest Explorer posts, and by 1971 they were permitted to become full-fledged Explorers.

Cub Scouting's program also changed during this period. In 1967, the advancement plan for Cub Scouts was revamped; the most notable change was the introduction of Webelos Scouting. Ten-year-olds became Webelos Scouts after two years in the Cub Scout ranks. Their program centered on activity badges in career fields, sports, and other interests. Webelos Scouts also prepared for the outdoor life of Boy Scouting by overnight camp-outs with their parents.

During the 1960s and '70s, the BSA sought to reach more youth in the inner cities and poor rural areas. A new Scouting program, introduced in 1972, placed greater emphasis on decision-making by boys, more stress on home and community, and offered a "leadership corps" for older boys. The

Scoutmaster's role was to be more of a counselor and guide than expert in Scoutcraft and outdoor skills.

In 1978 a new Scout Handbook reemphasized traditional outdoor skills (while retaining many urban-oriented skills introduced earlier.) And most leaders welcomed the fact that basic hiking and camping skills were once again mandatory for advancement.

Since 1980, the Boy Scouts of America has broadened its sphere of service with new efforts to meet society's needs by serving more youth than ever before. One result has been an attack on five "unacceptable" - drug abuse, hunger, child abuse, illiteracy, and youth unemployment.

The BSA had fought drug abuse as early as 1972 with an in-troop program called Operation Reach. But in 1987 a full-scale battle against drugs began. A booklet titled Drugs: A Deadly Game was published for use in Scout units and schools. Also available were a videotape, a big anti-drug poster, and a guide for teachers and parents. In the same year, booklets were issued to help parents and Scouters deal with the dangers of child abuse.

In 1988, the first of five annual food collection drives called Scouting for Food was held to alleviate hunger. It was the largest national Good Turn since World War II. More than 60 million containers of food were collected the first year and greater amounts in subsequent years.

In 1991, the BSA introduced a classroom-based program for schools called Learning for Life. The mission of this BSA subsidiary, like that of Scouting, is to help instill values of character, citizenship, and fitness in young people, preparing them to make ethical choices for achieving their full potential.

In elementary grades, Learning for Life offers pupils lively activities aimed at reinforcing

tance to the Siberian Scout Association.

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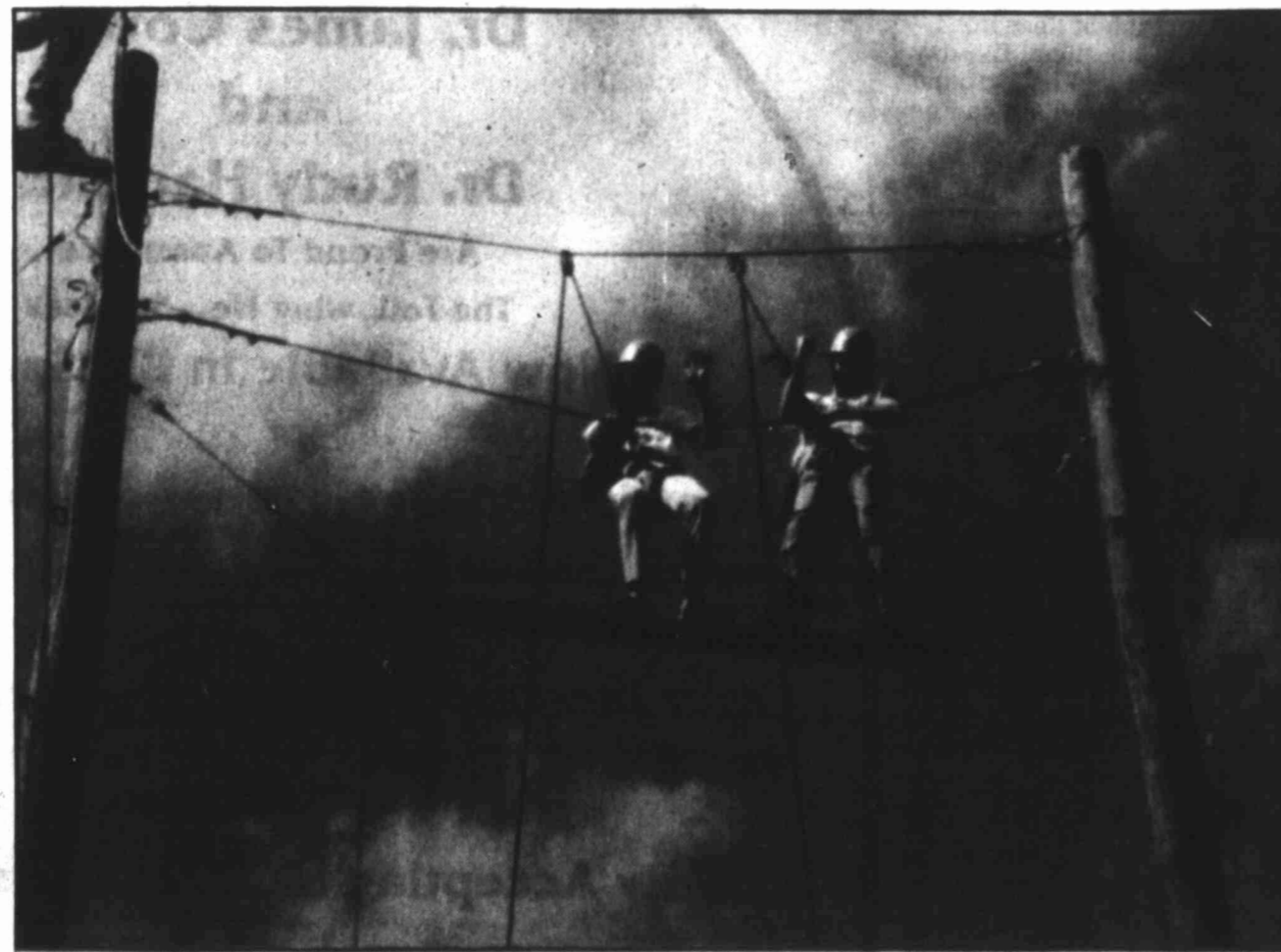
social, ethical, and academic skills. In middle school the focus shifts to career aspirations and life skills. High school programs feature career workshops helping students develop career objectives and self-awareness. In its first year, Learning for Life served 700,000 boys and girls.

The BSA renewed its commitment to bring Scouting to inner-city and minority youths. Operation First Class drew upon the country's most successful urban Scouting programs to help local councils develop traditional Scouting programs and provide positive role models for at-risk youth in inner-city neighborhoods.

Tiger Clubs, BSA enrolled boys in first grade and their parents or other adult partners. Tiger Cubs "search, discover, and share" at monthly activities of their Tiger Cub group, which is part of a Cub Scout pack. More than a quarter-million Tiger Cubs are now registered.

In the mid-1980s, the Webelos Scout program was expanded to include separate programs for boys in the fourth and fifth grades. Opportunities for older Boy Scouts were also expanded. In troops, separate groups called Venture crews brought high adventure and sports to Scouts over 13 years of age.

With the end of the Cold War, the BSA joined with other national Scout associations to help bring Scouting back to the republics that once made up the former Soviet Union. The BSA helped write a Russian Scout handbook and provided direct organizing and training assis-



Courtesy photo  
Camping and other Scouting programs teach reliance on self and on others. The programs also teach teamwork as a way to accomplish goals.

# High

Typical of high school young men, a canoe team from the Brazos Valley reached the Brazos River in the autumn.

Fourteen boys and their leaders shared in the excitement of the trip. They got off to a choppy start before the Troop 5 (Church) contingent launched the canoes. They traveled down rain all the way to the Brazos River. The Brazos Bridge Launch site Possum Kingdom (subsidized on cur-

They unloaded, got the canoes out of the stream, spotted a snake, and set up camp. A supper and eating sack.

Early next morning, pleasant weather, water again, but the canoes developed a leak. The crew had to be rescued. Scoutmaster Carl who alternately bailed out water with a bucket of Scout ingers discovered that the leak was covered with duct tape.

That morning the eight miles, ran to the Brazos River and reached the Brazos River landing, their trip was over. Some of the night, besides the light, was the autumn leaves with colors in the spectrum. Several great Blue herons were seen one or two

# How I Scouted paid for

The youth members of the Boy Scouts of America and Boy Scouts of America young-adult Explorer posts pay their parents pay Unit dues and meet expenses for activities in the Cub Scout troop, post. The membership form, handbook, payment, and pays can be Chartered organization leadership to youth in the organization. Financial records are the United Way members, founders, events, and projects. The registration Life subscription, share of the price of equipment he national organization makes Scouting available. What Do Scouts Buy?

Volunteer leadership upon the local council provide program features and outdoor facilities direction, activities.

The local council administrative Scouting movement covers a wide area that might be city, state, or state.


The council is a standing volunteer staff to handle all phases in the council. professionals train leaders, organization maintain liaison program services - relations, service club other community.

The council also service center with leaders can get insignia, advancement, and other material, the center for coordination, information, Scouting, and program aids for council communities performed by Scouts.

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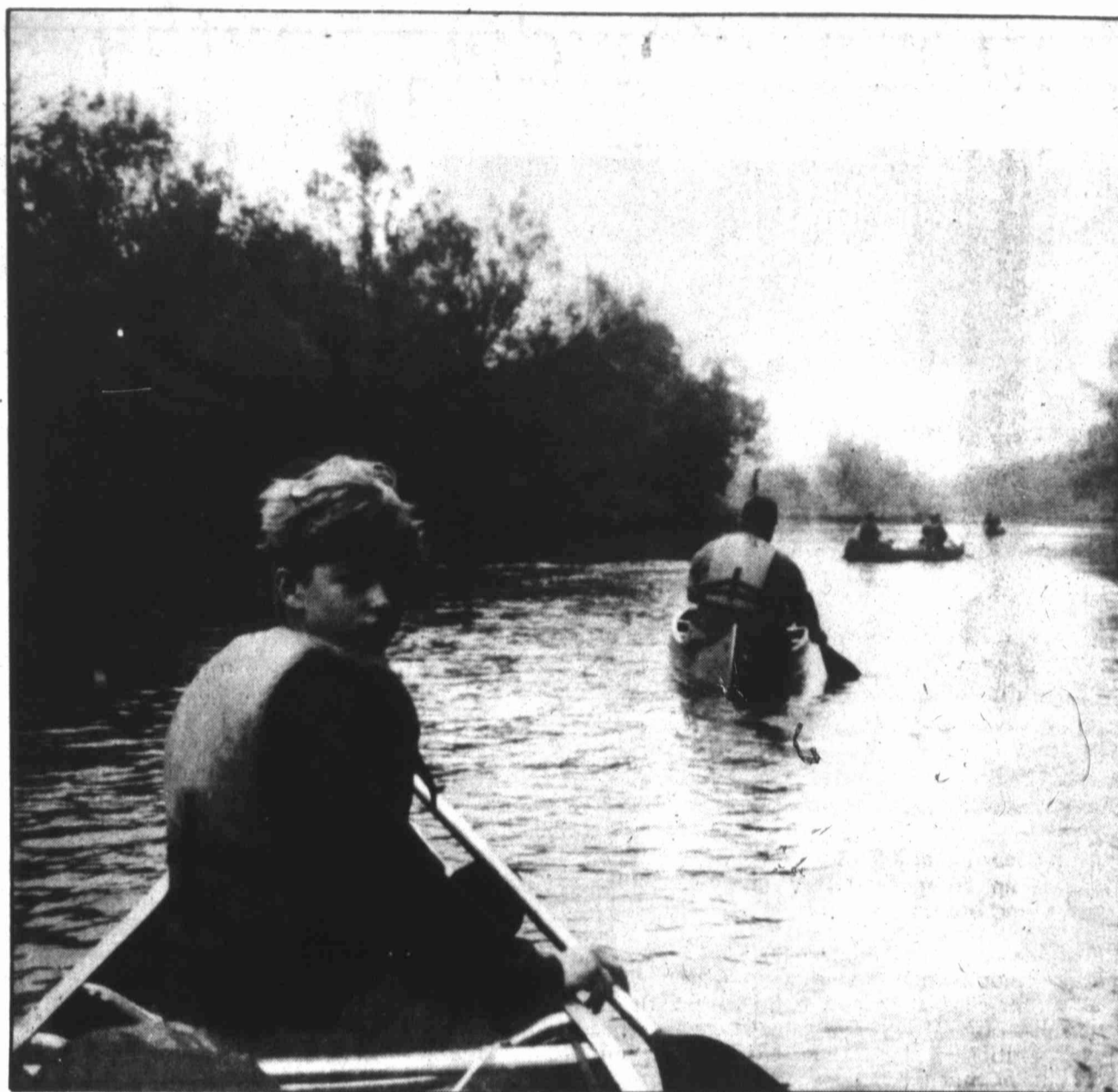
Typical of high adventure which young men find in Scouting was a canoe trip down a reach of the Brazos River last autumn.

Fourteen boys and five adult leaders shared in the fun, which got off to a challenging run before the Troop 5 (First Baptist Church) contingent ever got to launch the canoes. Believe it or not, they traveled in pouring rain all the way from Big Spring to the Brazos River bridge launch site just below Possum Kingdom dam, the rain subsided on cur.

They managed to get the canoes unloaded, gear packed in and paddled 10 miles downstream, spotted a good landing and set up camp. After cooking supper and eating, they hit the sack.

Early next morning, with pleasant weather, they put into water again, but one of the canoes developed a rip or crack. The crew had to be reduced to Scoutmaster Carl Johansen, who alternately paddled and bailed out water until, with a bit of Scout ingenuity, it was discovered that chewing gum, covered with duct tape, sealed off the leak.

That morning the troop made eight miles, ran some rapids, and reached the Camp Worth landing, their target, a little afternoon. Some of the highlights, besides the water journey, was the abundance of autumn leaves with almost all colors in the spectrum, spotting several great Blue Heron and seeing one or two bald eagles.



A canoe trip down the Brazos River provides just the kind of challenging fund a Boy Scout is looking for. Last autumn, 14 area Scouts enjoyed canoeing down the Brazos.

## How Boy Scouts is paid for

The youth members - Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts and the young adult Explorers - and their parents pay their share. Unit dues and unit projects meet expenses for supplies and activities in the Cub Scout pack, Boy Scout troop, and Explorer post. The member buys the uniform, handbook, personal equipment, and pays camp fees.

Chartered organizations provide meeting places and volunteer leadership to work with youth in the neighborhood served by the organizations.

Financial resources for the local council are provided by the United Way, sustaining members, foundations, special events, and projects.

The registration fee, Boys' Life subscription, and a small share of the price of the uniform and equipment help support the national organization that makes Scouting available.

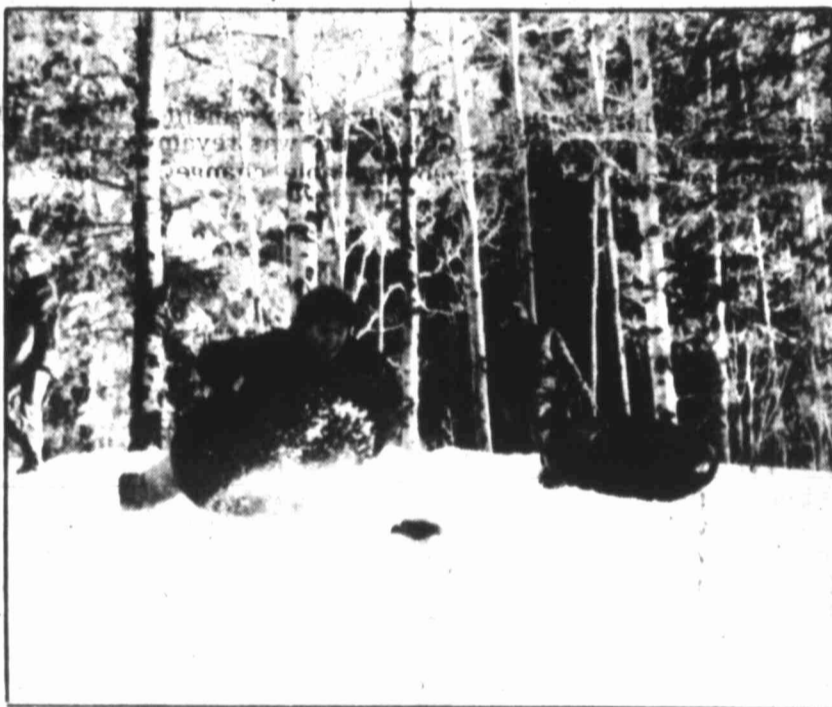
**What Do Scouting Dollars Buy?**

Volunteer leaders depend upon the local council to provide program features, camping and outdoor facilities, trained staff direction, and office services.

The local council is the administrative arm of the Scouting movement. Its jurisdiction covers a geographical area that might be a single large city, state, or states.

The council is headed by outstanding volunteer leaders. They employ a trained professional staff to handle administration of all phases of Scouting in the council. The full-time professionals train volunteer leaders, organize units, and maintain liaison with the program users - religious institutions, service clubs, PTA's, and other community organizations. The council also operates a service center where Scouting leaders can get literature, insignia, advancement badges, and other materials. In addition, the center provides overall coordination, information about Scouting, and produces various program aids for leaders. The council becomes a focal point for community service projects performed by Scouting members.

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To help other people at all times;

To keep myself physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight.

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## Ladies will take any edge they find

DENISON - Lucky ties, Tic-Tac and last-minute arrangements. Those were the going-ons Sunday afternoon at Howard College for the women's basketball team.

The Lady Hawks left from the women's dormitory at about 3 p.m., and the excitement of the Region V



Dave Hargrave  
Sports Editor

Tournament was visible anywhere you looked. Howard started their quest for a third-straight Region V title today at Denison's Grayson College.

In the coach's office, assistant coach Matt Corkery was chatting about Weatherford, today's opponent, while head coach Terry Gray was searching for Tic-Tac. That's the breath mint former coach Royce Chadwick made famous when he habitually scattered them across the floor at games. Whether protesting a referee's call or jumping for joy, Chadwick couldn't keep those things in his pocket.

Gray keeps his Tic-Tac habit more to himself. The same goes for his lucky tie.

That's right - Gray is another one of those coaches who carries a lucky tie. Problem is, the tie's powers are limited.

Gray said his tie, a Michael Jordan special, is 100 percent effective - the Lady Hawks have never lost in games he has worn it. However, he said it only works when used sparingly.

"I can only use it once this week," he said. "I can only wear it for big games."

He wore it at last season's Region V championship game and in the first game of the national tournament when the Lady Hawks upset No. 1 Florida Community College. The next day, Gray didn't wear the tie, and the Lady Hawks fell out of the national-title hunt with a loss to Anderson (S.C.).

Still, Gray feels the tie can be used only once per tournament, and as of Sunday he was debating whether to wear the tie today or later in the Region V Tournament.

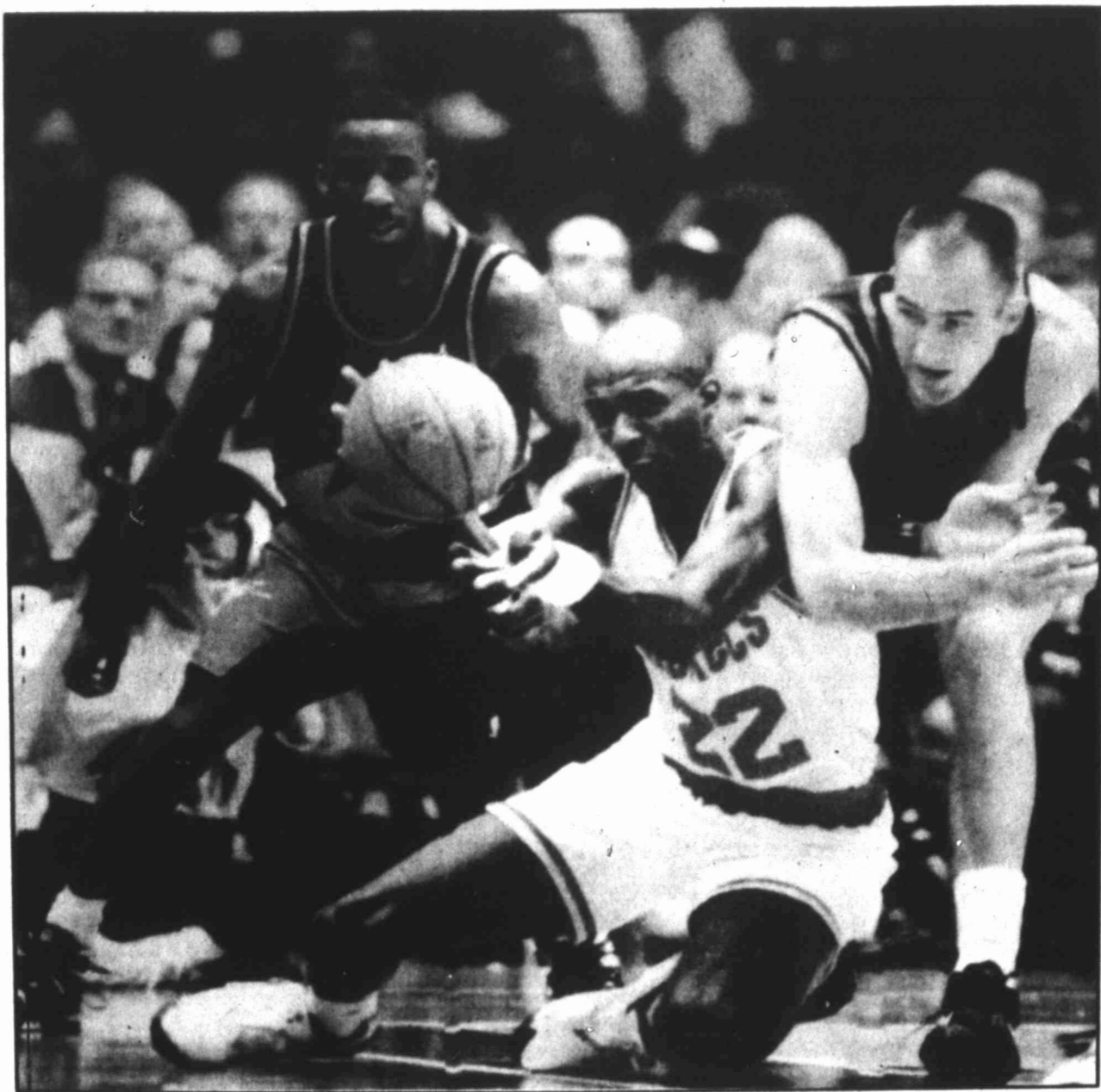
Bet you money he takes the gamble and saves the tie for Thursday's title game. For the first two games, Tic-Tac will have to do.

Tournament pressure brings out every superstition imaginable, but the Lady Hawks have a lot more going for them than a lucky tie.

On paper, the Lady Hawks don't seem to be quite as good as they were last season. Howard is ranked No. 7 - four slots lower than last season -

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## ROCKETS RIP CAVS



Houston's Clyde Drexler, center, loses control of the ball as Cleveland's Terrell Brandon, left, and Fred Roberts defend during the second half of their game Monday in Houston. The Rockets beat Cleveland 86-78.

Associated Press photo

## Steers hope to get defensive at tourney

### Annual baseball tournament kicks off Thursday

By STEVE REAGAN  
Sports writer

Big Spring baseball coach Bobby Doe says his team needs lots of work, so this weekend might be just what the Steers need.

The Steers host their annual Big Spring Baseball Tournament Thursday through Saturday. The five-team, round-robin tournament means that each team will have four games over the three days of the event.

That's just fine with Doe. "It's going slow for us," he said. "We're still trying to figure out our defensive positions, and trying to figure out some problems we've been having."

Defense is the major concern for Doe so far this season. The 0-2 Steers have dropped decisions to Sweetwater and Midland, and defensive errors were the major reason for those losses, he said.

"The two games we've lost, it's not been a matter of the other teams beating us. We basically just gave the games to them," Doe said. "That's what we're worried about the most right now. I think our offense will come around. We've got three weeks of tournaments coming up, so we're going to try

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Bobby Doe

to get our defense ironed out."

Big Spring is the tournament's defending champions. Other teams expected this weekend include Snyder, Sweetwater, Greenwood and the Big Spring junior varsity.

Doe said winning the tournament will not be the Steers' highest priority.

"Right now, we're not especially concerned with wins and losses, because we know we're behind on things right now," he said. "So we're going to concentrate on getting the mental aspect right, and try not to beat ourselves."

The season hasn't been without some bright spots, however. Doe said he's been particularly impressed with the play of junior pitcher Zach Leslie and shortstop Arzaando Gutierrez. Also, junior catcher Rogelio Cervantes has solidified his hold on the catching position.

## Speedskater Jansen wins Sullivan award as top U.S. amateur athlete

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Speedskater Dan Jansen likes the company he joined by becoming the 65th winner of the AAU's Sullivan Award as the nation's top amateur athlete.

"I was just looking at the list of past winners and I'm just proud to be on that list," Jansen said after his selection was announced Monday night. "Part of that list, there are some names I've looked up to in the past."

Two of the names that preceded the 29-year-old Jansen as winners of the prestigious award are fellow speedskaters Eric Heiden and Bonnie Blair.

"It's really an honor to be selected," said Jansen, who qualified to represent the United States in four Olympics, but had to wait until his final Olympic race to earn a medal by winning the 1,000-meter event with a world record time of 1 minute, 12.43 seconds.

The triumph thrilled a nation that agonized when he fell twice in the 1988 Olympics while trying to compete shortly after his sister Jane died of leukemia.

"When you look at the caliber of athletes here, there are 10 great finalists and to be a part of this, to be singled out is a great honor. The Sullivan is something none of us would take for granted," Jansen said before his selection was announced.

Jansen has now retired from competition, ending a career that included winning more than 20 world championship



Associated Press photo

Speedskater Dan Jansen, carries the James E. Sullivan Award after he was named the nation's top amateur athlete Monday in Indianapolis.

medals.

"Probably too much emphasis is put on winning gold medals and being first in whatever it is. As great as it is to win, I think the effort really is more important, giving 100 percent of yourself and being the best you

can," he said.

Getting to the ceremony attended by some 1,400 people at the Indiana Convention Center was not without some problems for Jansen, who was a finalist

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## Strike base

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. — Acting commission called it "a very serious" decision of the core issue head Donald Fehr tone is civil, and will lead somewhere.

But the bottom line resumption of base negotiations Monday, the strike, was that solutions were discussed the sides remained.

"Clearly, we still have work to do. The gulf is wide," Fehr said. Hours of discussions at least we're talking tone is quite civil. Discussions to continue row and throughout.

There were also some comments away from gaining table. Uni began a series of minor leaguers, twiced exhibition game Baltimore Orioles National Labor Relations continued its unfair labor practices filed by the union.

With the start of the season — and replacement player days away, represents the owners and Monday at the golf exclusive Gainey R.

They talked about their philosophies. They dealt with the for an agreement specifics such as the and other content.

"Both sides have said Boston Red Sox utility officer John one of the six negotiators. "At the work stoppage, both going to have to."

Fehr led a group of tators, including Bell, Terry Steinbach, Molitor.

The bargaining since President Clinton House on Feb. 7, or efforts collapse with

## Jansen

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His father, Harry, some fast driving the 275-mile Milwaukee and ge activities on time.

"Our 8:30 (a.m.) canceled," Jansen wife, daughter already been dropped.

## Hargrave

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and Gray is making head-coach run the postseason. Also, two consistent scorers last season - Anne and Angel Spinks.

has just one guard figure scorer - Amber. However, Howard have argued the 's has more depth than team, which finish the nation. The League eight deep, and enough to avoid a trouble. Plus, those all capable scorers aren't scorers like Spinks - but each more of them have the offense to help the scoring load.

Howard will find good it is compare Lady Hawk teams and perhaps next the best time of the When superstition just as much, if not what a team is supposed on paper.

## BOTTOM of the ORDER

### SHOT OF THE DAY



Back after all these years Pedro Borbon, a 48-year-old pitcher who hasn't played in the major leagues in 15 years, tries on a Cincinnati Reds cap as he stands next to Reds owner Marge Schott Monday. Borbon was introduced as the Reds' first replacement player.

### TEXAS SPORTS

#### Jackson may be back

DALLAS (AP) — Jim Jackson, the NBA's highest scoring guard, could play again this season. But he's not going to rush his severely sprained ankle. If all goes well, Jackson could return to the Dallas Mavericks in three to six weeks.

#### Stars, Dallas go courtin'

DALLAS (AP) — The Dallas Stars and the City of Dallas are headed for court after the team rejected a proposed lease for Reunion Arena on grounds that municipal leaders reneged on an earlier agreement.

The NHL team, in its 1993 move from Minnesota, had sought to get the same terms from the city that the Dallas Mavericks now get.

### NATION/WORLD

#### Expansion plans still on

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. (AP) — The strike could force a delay in the awarding of two new franchises, but expansion committee chairman John Harrington said officials are still aiming for a decision in March. Phoenix, which along with St. Petersburg, Fla., seems almost certain of getting one of the two teams for 1998 if owners approve Harrington's recommendation, must have a decision by March 31 to take advantage of a stadium construction tax.

#### Boxer improves

LONDON (AP) — As Gerald McClellan's chances of survival improved, British boxing officials dismissed appeals for the sport to be banned and called for a world body to supervise safety.

### ON THE AIR

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# Strike talks turn civil, but baseball labor strife goes on

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. (AP) — Acting commissioner Bud Selig called it "a very candid discussion of the core issues." Union head Donald Fehr said "the tone is civil, and hopefully it will lead somewhere."

But the bottom line after the resumption of baseball negotiations Monday, the 200th day of the strike, was that no specific solutions were discussed and the sides remained far apart.

"Clearly, we still have a lot of work to do. The gulf between us is wide," Fehr said after four hours of discussions. "But at least we're talking again. The tone is quite civil. I expect the discussions to continue tomorrow and throughout the week."

There were also several developments away from the bargaining table. Union officials began a series of meetings with minor leaguers, two teams canceled exhibition games with the Baltimore Orioles and the National Labor Relations Board continued its investigation of unfair labor practice charges filed by the union against owners.

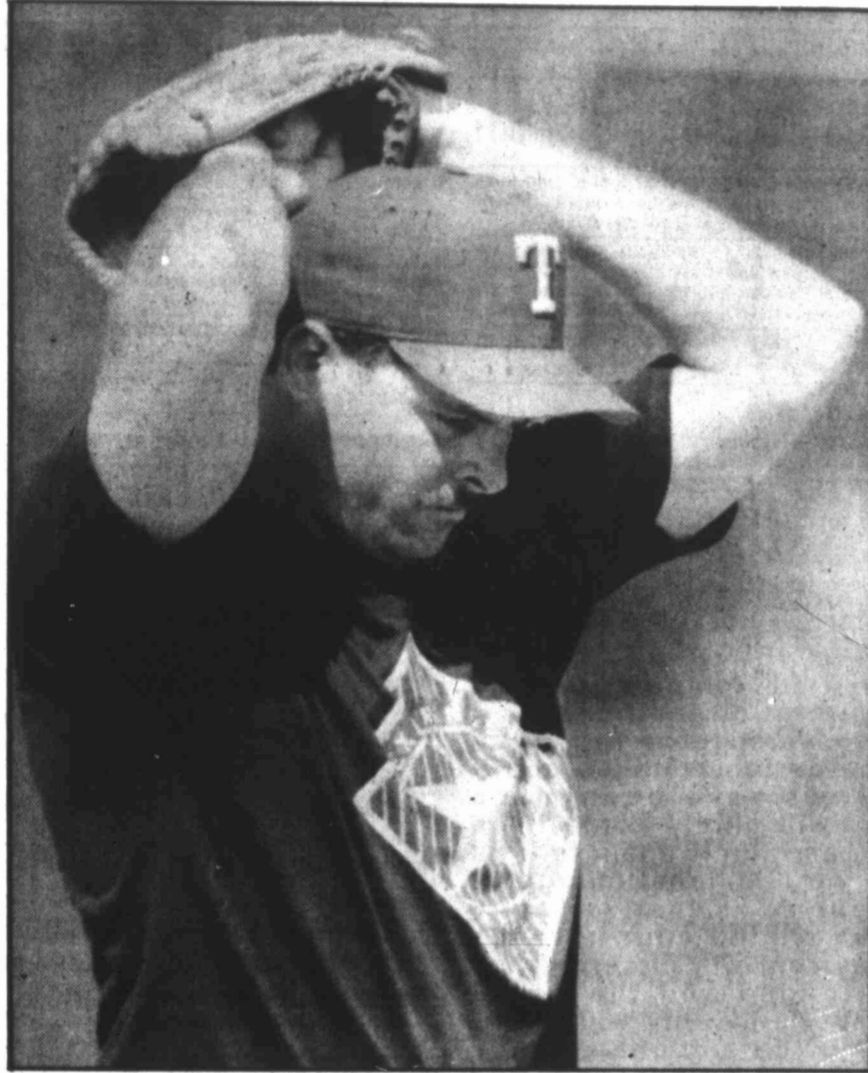
With the start of the exhibition season — and the era of replacement players — just two days away, representatives of the owners and players met Monday at the golf club on the exclusive Gainey Ranch.

They talked mostly about their philosophies and goals. They dealt with the framework for an agreement, not about specifics such as the luxury tax and other contentious issues.

"Both sides have to bend," said Boston Red Sox chief executive officer John Harrington, one of the six management negotiators. "At this stage of a work stoppage, both parties are going to have to."

Fehr led a group of five negotiators, including players Jay Bell, Terry Steinbach and Paul Molitor.

The bargaining session was the first devoted to the issues since President Clinton summoned both sides to the White House on Feb. 7, only to see his efforts collapse without a deal.



Texas pitching hopeful Jackie Davidson winds up during practice prior to the team's intrasquad game Monday in Port Charlotte, Fla.

A two-day session between Fehr and Selig last week in Milwaukee led to Monday's resumption of talks.

"This is not going to be just a quick process," Selig said Monday, "so there's no sense to have too many emotional ups and downs."

Union officials met Monday night with about 340 minor leaguers in Tampa, Fla., to discuss exhibition games. Team want to use some minor leaguers in such games, contending they have always played in exhibitions. But the union claims anyone who performs in exhibitions is a strikebreaker.

Similar union meetings with minor leaguers, many of whom feel caught in the middle in the labor dispute, are set for tonight in West Palm Beach, Fla., and Wednesday in Phoenix.

Fehr accused some clubs of purposely scheduling practices to conflict with the union meetings.

NLRB spokesman David Parker said the board will rule this week or next on the union's unfair labor practice charge. If the NLRB issues a complaint against owners, it could ask a federal judge to order the restoration of old work rules — including salary arbitration.

## BASKETBALL

### College scores

EAST				
Buffalo 110, E. Illinois 98	Providence 72, Connecticut 70			
SOUTH				
Davidson 65, Furman 55	E. Tennessee 87, Tennessee 82			
Jacksonville 86, Tennessee St. 61	Jacksonville 86, Ark.-Little Rock 70			
Marshall 83, Georgia Southern 63	Middle Tenn. 82, E. Kentucky 78.			
OT				
Morehead St. 88, Tennessee Tech 72	Murray St. 107, Tenn.-Martin 75			
W.C. Charlotte 77, James Madison 74	SE Missouri 90, Austin Peay 87.			
OT				
Tennessee 77, Towson St. 60	Troy St. 77, Mo.-Kansas City 58			
WV 75, Citadel 66	W. Carolina 97, Appalachian St. 78			
William & Mary 116, George Mason 94	MIDWEST			
Chicago St. 73, NE Illinois 65	DePaul 78, Detroit 47	Evansville 81, Wichita St. 73		
Illinois St. 66, Drake 64	S. Illinois 86, Creighton 73	SW Missouri St. 78, Indiana St. 68		
Tulsa 90, N. Iowa 75	Youngstown St. 79, Valparaiso 75	SOUTHWEST		
Oklahoma St. 77, Iowa St. 49	Texas-Pan American 58, Lamar 54	W. Kentucky 92, Arkansas St. 75	FAR WEST	
Pacific 84, UNLV 83	TOURNAMENTS			
Northeast Conference				
First Round				
Long Island U. 87, Robert Morris 80	St. Francis, Pa. 95, St. Francis; NY 76			

The top 25 teams in the Associated Press' college basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Feb. 26, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote, and previous ranking:

Rank	Team	Record	Pts	Prv
1.	UCLA(61)	21-2	1,642	2
2.	North Carolina(3)	21-3	1,546	3
3.	Kansas(1)	21-4	1,469	1
4.	Connecticut(1)	22-2	1,465	4
5.	Kentucky	20-4	1,386	6
6.	Maryland	22-5	1,298	7
7.	Arkansas	23-5	1,226	8
8.	Massachusetts	21-4	1,180	5
9.	WakeForest	19-5	1,124	10
10.	NichiganSt.	20-4	1,033	12
11.	Villanova	21-5	960	9
12.	Arizona	21-6	954	13
13.	Virginia	19-7	840	11
14.	MississippiSt.	19-5	797	16
15.	ArizonaSt.	20-7	589	15
16.	Oklahoma	21-6	581	25
17.	Purdue	20-6	511	21
18.	OklahomaSt.	19-9	406	18
19.	Missouri	18-6	404	14
20.	Stanford	17-6	386	19
21.	Alabama	19-7	346	20
22.	Syracuse	18-7	327	17
23.	Georgetown	17-7	246	—
24.	IowaSt.	19-7	175	23
25.	Xavier, Ohio	23-3	140	—

Other receiving votes: Utah 105, W. Kentucky 89, Georgia Tech 72, Oregon 35, Memphis 24, Tulsa 18, N.C. Charlotte 17, Texas 15, Minnesota 10, Penn St. 10, St. Louis 10, Utah St. 10, Georgia 8, Col. of Charleston 6, Illinois 5, Santa Clara 3, Manhattan 2, Marquette 2, Miami, Ohio, Temple 2, Memphis 2, Cincinnati 1, Ohio U. 1.

## SPORTSEXTRA

## HOCKEY

### NHL standings

All Times EST					
EASTERN CONFERENCE					
Atlantic Division					
W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
N.Y. Rangers	9	8	20	51	47
Tampa Bay	8	9	2	52	52
New Jersey	7	4	18	44	40
N.Y. Islanders	7	8	3	46	54
Philadelphia	7	8	16	50	50
Florida	7	11	15	48	58
Washington	3	9	5	35	47
Northeast Division					
Pittsburgh	14	3	20	81	58
Quebec	13	4	28	72	46
Boston	10	6	22	50	42
Montreal	7	7	18	45	54
Buffalo	7	7	17	36	38
Hartford	6	9	3	45	45
Ottawa	2	13	7	33	53
WESTERN CONFERENCE					
Central Division					
W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Detroit	12	5	12	68	38
St. Louis	12	5	25	69	51
Chicago	11	5	13	63	37
Toronto	9	9	3	59	60
Winnipeg	6	9	3	55	64
Dallas	4	10	11	43	50
Pacific Division					
Calgary	9	6	3	51	43
Edmonton	7	9	2	46	59
San Jose	7	9	2	38	55
Vancouver	5	6	16	54	57
Los Angeles	5	8	4	50	62
Anaheim	5	11	11	38	65

Monday's Games  
Boston 2, Ottawa 0  
New Jersey 6, Montreal 1  
Pittsburgh 7, Quebec 5  
St. Louis 3, Toronto 2

Tuesday's Games  
Hartford at Ottawa, 7:30 p.m.  
Montreal at N.Y. Islanders, 7:30 p.m.  
Florida at N.Y. Rangers, 7:30 p.m.  
Washington at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.

Dallas at Winnipeg, 8:30 p.m.  
Edmonton at Calgary, 9:30 p.m.  
San Jose at Vancouver, 10:30 p.m.  
Chicago at Los Angeles, 10:30 p.m.

Wednesday's Games  
N.Y. Rangers at Hartford, 7 p.m.  
Tampa Bay at Quebec, 7:30 p.m.  
Dallas at Edmonton, 9:30 p.m.  
Chicago at Anaheim, 10:30 p.m.

## TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL  
American League  
OAKLAND ATHLETICS—Signed Russ Swan, Joe Warren, Bruce Arla and Sid Arns, pitchers, and Clay Durr, catcher, to minor-league contracts.

## BASKETBALL

NBA—Announced that Houston Rockets guard Vernon Maxwell will be reinstated from his 10-game suspension after Monday night's game between Houston and Cleveland.

BOSTON CELTICS—Placed David Wesley, guard, on the injured list. Signed Robert Blackwell, guard, to a 10-day contract.

MINNESOTA TIMBERWOLVES—Waived Charles Shackelford, center.

FOOTBALL  
National Football League  
CHICAGO BEARS—Signed Joe Cain, linebacker, to a two-year contract.

DETROIT LIONS—Signed Henry Thomas, defensive tackle.

KANSAS CITY CHIEFS—Reassigned Kurt Schottenheimer, special teams coach, to defensive backs coach. Named Mike Stock special teams coach. Promoted Carl Hairston, scout and assistant defensive line coach, to defensive line coach.

LOS ANGELES RAIDERS—Named Kevin Spencer special teams coach.

MINNESOTA VIKINGS—Signed Harlon Barnett, safety, to a three-year contract.

HOCKEY  
National Hockey League  
MIGHTY DUCKS OF ANAHEIM—Recalled David Sacco, forward, from San Diego of the International Hockey League. Assigned Valeri Karpov, forward, to San Diego.

MONTREAL CANADIENS—Recalled Valeri Bure, right wing, from Fredericton of the American Hockey League. Assigned Craig Conroy, center, to Fredericton.

NEW JERSEY DEVILS—Traded Corey Millen, center, to the Dallas Stars for Neal Broten, center. Recalled Jaroslav Modry, defenseman, from Albany of the American Hockey League.

NEW YORK ISLANDERS—Announced that Kip Miller, center, has been returned to Denver of the International Hockey League.

SAN JOSE SHARKS—Traded Bob Errey, left wing, to Detroit in exchange for an unconditional fifth-round selection in the 1995 NHL Entry Draft. Recalled Oody Wood, forward, from Kansas City of the International Hockey League.

TORONTO MAPLE LEAFS—Announced that Darby Hindrickson, left wing, has been returned to St. John's of the American Hockey League.

WASHINGTON CAPITALS—Recalled Sergei Gonchar, defenseman, from Portland of the American Hockey League.

WINNIPEG JETS—Recalled Oleg Mikulich, defenseman, from Springfield of the American Hockey League.

## Jansen

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for the award for the second consecutive year.

His father, Harry, had to do some fast driving to complete the 275-mile trip from Milwaukee and get him to the activities on time.

"Our 8:30 (a.m.) flight was canceled," Jansen said. "My wife, daughter and I had already been dropped off at the airport. There was some weather problems, and I think the plane had some mechanical problems."

Added Jansen's wife, Robin: "My daughter Janie kept saying, 'Airplane broken.' We had to get hold of Dan's parents, who were already planning to drive from Milwaukee and they came and got us."

They were picked up at about 9:30 a.m. Monday and completed the trip in about 5 hours, arriving about 3:30 p.m. — 30 minutes before the time event organizers had asked Jansen to arrive.

"My father driving came in handy," Jansen said. "He's a retired police officer with 33 years experience. He made good time."

The youngest of nine children, Jansen had six of his siblings and their husbands or wives joining his parents for the announcement.

"They didn't all come last year. Maybe they knew something I didn't know," said Jansen, who was a finalist when the award went to Heisman Trophy winner Charlie Ward for his role in quarterbacking Florida State to a national championship.

Jansen picked his father, Harry, to present him with the AAU Sullivan medalion, which was awarded to each of the finalists.

"He was a little spoiled, but never out of hand," said his father of his youngest child.

Jansen is retired from competition now, but he does motivational speeches, works as a sports commentator for CBS Sports, endorses several commercial products and directs the Dan Jansen Foundation. That organization contributes primarily to amateur speedskating and the National Leukemia Society.

Other finalists for the award were Bruce Baumgartner (wrestling), Leroy Burrell (track and field), Dominique Dawes (gymnastics), Michael Johnson (track and field), Nancy Kerrigan (figure skating), Shannon Miller (gymnastics), Tommy Moe (skiing), Glenn Robinson (basketball) and Tiger Woods (golf).

Past winners, dating to 1930, includes some of the greatest athletes in sports: Bobby Jones (golf), Carl Lewis (track), Don Budge (tennis), Bill Walton (basketball), Greg Louganis (diving), Mark Spitz and Janet Evans (swimming).

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## Hargrave

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and Gray is making his first head-coach run through JUCO postseason. Also, Howard had two consistent scoring threats last season - Annette Robinson and Angel Spinks. This year it has just one guaranteed double-figure scorer - Amber Lacey.

However, Howard's players have argued the '94-95 team has more depth than last year's team, which finished sixth in the nation. The Lady Hawks go eight deep, and that should be enough to avoid any major foul trouble. Plus, those eight are all capable scorers - no, they aren't scorers like Robinson or Spinks - but each game one or more of them have stepped up the offense to help Lacey with the scoring load.

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**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20): You are cruising along. View life in a creative and open way. You might be evaluating choices and searching for your true feelings. Unexpected news from a distance could be provocative and cause change. Stay focused. Tonight: Discuss the long term.\*\*\*\*

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20): Career dominates, with exciting news on the partnership front. An unexpected change could occur. Be more open and positive. View life from a fresh standpoint to help yourself extend your horizons. A partner's gesture surprises you. Tonight: Work late.\*\*\*\*

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22): News from a distance is significant. You might need to handle an issue differently. A positive approach aids your dealings. A venture coming toward you is important, and you will handle it positively no matter what. Tonight: Rent a movie on the way home.\*\*\*\*

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22): One-to-one relating is highlighted. Be aware of your limits. Opportunities for change are strong. Be realistic about what is going on. Be ready for unexpected action from a partner. Communicate with a co-worker. Tonight: Have a discussion with a partner.\*\*\*\*

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Partners are exciting. You might need to relax and reduce stress because of what you're hearing. Nevertheless, there is a lot of fun and caring around you. Stay light and positive when dealing with a situation; you'll be better off. Tonight: Say yes to an offer.\*\*\*\*

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You gain a sense of accomplishment because of decisions you make. Be aware of your limits. Remain optimistic, and be ready for fast changes. You act in unexpected ways right now,

as do partners. Communicate what's on your mind. Tonight: Go home.\*\*\*\*

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): The unexpected occurs. You feel threatened by what you hear. A family member is likely to cause an uproar if you don't provide security. Discuss an issue freshly, and get to the bottom of a problem. Excitement surrounds you. Tonight: Talk about your feelings.\*\*\*\*

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): A responsible approach turns you in a new direction. Seek to understand what motivates you and another. A sense of humor helps. Communication between you and an associate are excellent; you get ahead as a result. Tonight: Have an important discussion.\*\*\*\*

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Make resolutions about communications. You want to be more effective. Take measures accordingly. Your charisma draws others. Make an important move while lady luck is on your side. Don't be overly serious. Tonight: Go with a loved one's suggestion.\*\*\*\*

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Expenses could be out of whack. You have a sudden, important realization about your priorities. To the extent you are aware of what you want, you can direct choices. Communication with a friend makes all the difference. Tonight: Your treat.\*\*\*

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20): The unexpected occurs in a friendship and may have you somewhat concerned. Yet with these events, you gain new insight into what motivates another. Maintain a sense of humor, while not forgetting what your limits are. Tonight: Do what makes you happy.\*\*\*\*

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Remodeling, hang doors, sheet rock  
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**RENTALS**

VENTURA COMPANY  
267-2655  
Houses/Apartments, Duplexes, 1,2,3 and 4  
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rience. CDL License with Haz-mat & Tanker  
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Table with 32 columns representing different TV channels (KMID, KPEJ, KERA, etc.) and rows listing various programs and their scheduled times.

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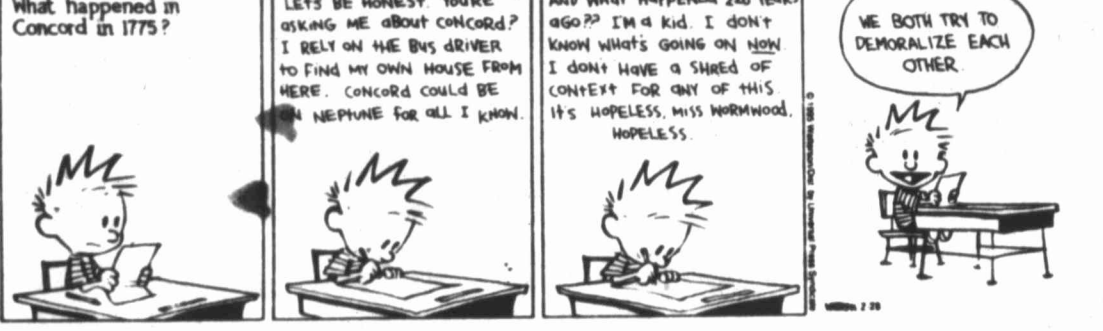
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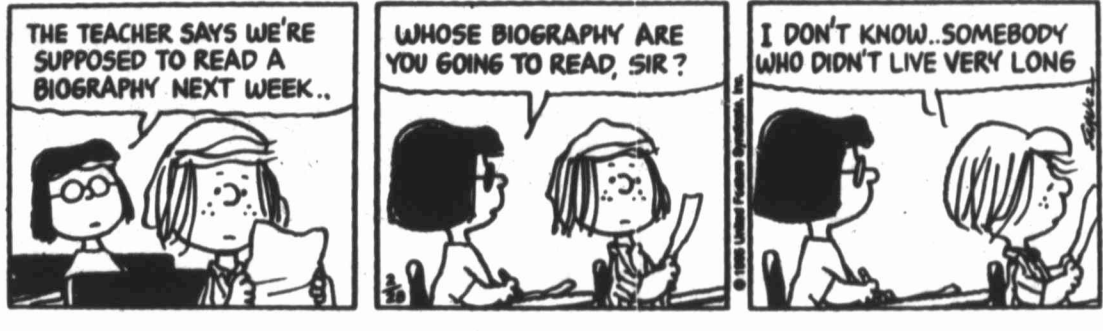
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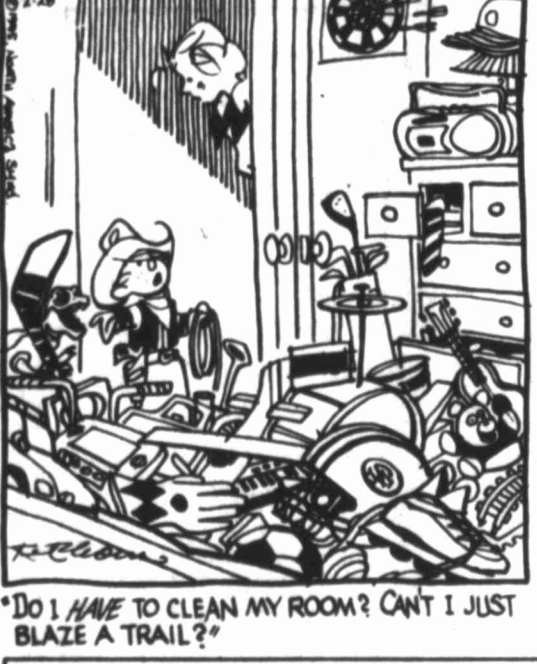


HI AND LOIS



RITZ advertisement for 'The Brady Bunch' and 'The Quick & The Dead'.

DENNIS THE MENACE



FAMILY CIRCUS



HAGAR THE HORRIBLE



SNUFFY SMITH



CINEMARK THEATRES advertisement for 'Pulp Fiction', 'Forrest Gump', 'Boys on the Side', and 'Legends of the Fall'.

THE Daily Crossword by Diane C. Baldwin

Crossword puzzle grid with clues for Across and Down words.

This date in history section with a globe icon and text about historical events.

Textual content including historical facts and news snippets, such as the USS Princeton explosion and the Branch Davidians.

Monday's Puzzle solved: A grid with the solution to the crossword puzzle.

Big Spring Herald advertisement including contact information, office hours, and a list of staff members.

THE QUIGMANS by Buddy Hickerson: A cartoon illustration of a character at a donut shop.