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Guilty!

Jury takes about three hours to return verdict

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

A six-man, six-woman jury took a little more than three hours to unanimously find 17-year-old Levy Lee Edmondson Jr., guilty of the Dec. 30, 1994, capital murder of Department of Public Safety Trooper Troy Hogue.

As the verdict was read by State District Judge Robert Moore, the families of Hogue and Edmondson broke down in tears. Just before Moore polled the jury at the request of the defense, he cleared the courtroom because of the commotion. Several of Edmondson's five younger brothers and sisters became very distraught. Edmondson sat quietly and

showed little emotion as the verdict was read.

Moore told the jury he would not sequester them, but his previous rules still apply. The jury was then escorted out of the courtroom.

After the courtroom was empty, defense attorney Paul Williams said he will ask the

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Spectators hang out in the hallway in front of the 118th District Courtroom Wednesday as the jury began deliberations in the capital murder trial of Levy Lee Edmondson Jr. About three hours later, the jury returned a verdict of guilty.

TAAS scores going up at BSISD

By BARBARA MORRISON
Herald Correspondent

"This is one report I'm glad to make."

Those are the proud words of assistant Superintendent of Schools Murray Murphy as he reported the district-wide results of the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS) to the Big Spring Independent School District Board Tuesday evening.

"It is our policy to report these scores to the board first before we release them to the general public," Murphy explained. "We feel this is important since board members will be fielding questions about them. It's not that we don't want to get the information to get out, we just want you (board members) to be informed first so you can answer questions."

Murphy's pleasure was due to dramatic score increases in several schools. "We're quite pleased with all of our schools," he added. "In the third grade, overall we raised our mathematics points by over 11 percent."

Washington Elementary was commended for an increase of 42 percent in mathematics and an increase of 13 percent in reading. "It's not that I'm not mentioning the other schools," Murphy was quick to add, "But these results are dramatic."

Murphy also commended Bauer Elementary for a 14 percent increase in reading and a 19 percent increase in mathematics. Goliad Middle School was acknowledged for obtaining a 91 percent rating in reading compared to the state average of 71 percent.

"These are encouraging signs

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Marcy Elementary School first grade Beth Cook dusts the globe in her classroom Tuesday morning as she prepares for the new school year. Children will be heading back to the books Aug. 17.

Property value problem nips at Glasscock ISD's heels

By MARY McATEER
Staff Writer

GARDEN CITY - A drop in property values will affect next year's tax rate, Glasscock County Independent School District officials have learned.

Members of the Glasscock ISD board of trustees met July 17.

Budget projections for the 1995-96 fiscal year lead to the same conclusions in most West Texas school districts - property values are dropping, and expenses are rising. Although the tax rate for the coming year will not be computed until August, according to Superintendent Charles Zachry, Glasscock County Appraisal District preliminary reports indicate a drop in property values will affect revenues.

The board set Aug. 14 as the date for the first workshop on the 1995-96 budget and accepting proposals for student insurance.

Home Economics teacher Margaret McCutcheon resigned, and Wendy Scott was hired to replace her.

The board discussed salary projections under Senate Bill

One, and made adjustments to the elementary principal's salary.

Bids for the 1995-96 school year were accepted. Parks Fuel of Big Spring will be providing fuel and lubricants.

Transfer agreements with Rankin, Forsan, and Reagan County ISDs were approved.

The superintendent reported on progress on construction of the new library. Work is going well, and the project should be finished around December. Amendments to the construction budget were approved.

Bill Murphy, head of the Maintenance Department, was named Integrated Pest Management Coordinator for the district. Members of the maintenance staff are being trained as applicators.

The Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission reports that district water quality is fine, although some minor changes will be made to the distribution system.

Teachers return to work Aug. 14, and students return Aug. 15. The next regular board meeting will be Aug. 21.

Budget process begins in Mitchell Co.

By MARY McATEER
Staff Writer

COLORADO CITY Mitchell County Commissioners' Court began the process of determining the 1995-96 budget during their July 18 meeting.

Commissioners met with Mitchell County DARE Officer Tommy Dill during the budget workshop. Funding for the program has been provided through grants from the Texas Agency on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, but that funding is ending.

Action is underway to transfer the program to the Criminal Justice Division for funding. Dill was to report Monday on the county's possible liability.

In other action, commissioners renewed the county's employee health insurance through Travelers' Insurance Co. Mitchell County's employee health insurance program is partially self-funded, with

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Gramm: Enough governmental control

By MARY McATEER
Staff Writer

Michael Gerber, Sen. Phil Gramm's special assistant for state projects in Texas, delivered a message in Big Spring yesterday.

"We've had our fill," Gerber said on Gramm's behalf, "of big government and intrusive regulatory agencies. It's time for government to return control over our own lives, our own communities."

Gerber described a congress energized by a "remarkable infusion of new blood," during the last two elections.

The national legislature now

is characterized by younger members than any previous congress, more diverse work backgrounds, fewer career politicians, and more ethnic and racial diversity than ever before. He says the 104th Congress shows more fiscal responsibility and conservatism and works harder than its predecessors.

Gerber lists the greatest accomplishments of the 104th Congress as the Congressional Accountability Act, which requires the congress to abide by the same rules and regulations they require of business and other government agencies; and the Unfunded Mandates Reform Bill, which will require

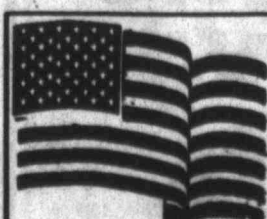
any regulation costing more than \$50 million nationwide to be subject to cost-benefit analysis before passage.

Gramm's three primary concerns are the budget/deficit, crime, and regulatory relief, Gerber says.

Admitting the most significant increases in the deficit accrued during the Reagan administration, Gerber says Gramm supports legislation "determining the size and scope of the Federal Government well into the next century," and "meaningful deficit reduction not later than 2002."

Gramm's targets are depart-

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U.S. Trivia

Who became the first black woman elected to Congress in 1968?

Rep. Shirley Chisholm, D-NY

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World: He doesn't know why, but when Thierry Rabreau was blasted through the doors of the underground train, his pants on fire and shoes blown off, his first impulse was to get back on and find his blood-soaked shoes. See page 4A.

STATE

School prayer

A new policy on prayer at Santa Fe High School is drawing criticism from the American Civil Liberties Union. See page 6A.

Littlest victim

After 98 days in hospitals and rehabilitation centers, one of the littlest victims of the Oklahoma City bombing has gone home. Holding a purple balloon and waving bye-bye to doctors with his good arm, 3-year-old Brandon Denny was wheeled out of a Dallas rehab center Wednesday. See page 6A.

TODAY'S WEATHER

Tonight



Friday



105 ▲ Highs 73
Lows ▼

Partly cloudy

Tonight, clear, low lower 70s, south to southeast winds 5 to 15 mph.

Permian Basin Forecast

Thursdays Sunny, high around 105, south winds 10 to 15 mph; clear night, low lower 70s.

Fridays Sunny, high around 105, south winds 10 to 15 mph; clear night, low lower 70s.

Saturdays Sunny, high lower 100s, south winds.

OBITUARIES

Newton Bell

Funeral services for Newton Joseph Bell, Midland, will be 9:30 a.m. Friday, July 28, 1995, at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel, Midland, with Rev. Bob Porterfield, of West Kentucky Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Evergreen Cemetery in Stanton.

Mr. Bell died Tuesday, July 25.

He was born on May 31, 1916, in Stanton. He was reared and attended school there, graduating from Stanton High School in 1935. Mr. Bell married Jo Nell Jones in 1938 in Midland. From 1941 to 1951 he worked on the Rail End Ranch near Tucson, Ariz., and on the Babbitt Ranch near Flagstaff. In 1951 the family returned to Midland, where he was a rancher and farmer in Midland and Martin Counties for 45 years. He was a member of the Greenwood Baptist Church for 43 years, where he was songleader for 17 years and taught Sunday School for many years. Mr. Bell was a member of the Masonic Lodge 623 AF&AM and was a 32nd degree Mason.

He is survived by his wife: Jo Nell Jones, Midland; two sons: Newton J. Bell, Lubbock, and Lee Milton Bell, Midland; four daughters: Nancy Winkler, Midland, Barbara Saxon, Norman, Okla., Donna Prince, Arlington, and Karis Crawford, Abilene; two brothers: Winfrey C. Bell, Midland, and Monte Bell, Oklahoma; four sisters: Eugenia Heidelberg, Evelyn Carpenter, Jeanne Nosker, all of Midland, and Audrey Smith, Houston; 17 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews. Arrangements under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home, Midland.

Jay Hanson

Services for Jay Todd Hanson, 26, Big Spring, will be 10 a.m. Saturday, July 29, 1995, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Dr. Kenneth Patrick, pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

Mr. Hanson died Wednesday, July 26, in Big Spring.

He was born on April 11, 1969, in Dallas. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Pecos. He grew up in Pecos and graduated from Pecos High School. He attended Sul Ross University and then Texas Tech University, graduating in 1992 with a Bachelor of Agricultural Science Degree. He worked in Pecos at the Texas A&M Agriculture Extension Station during his college years. He had lived in Big Spring for the last two years and worked at Western Container.

Survivors include his parents: Lavell and Gloria Hanson, Pecos; a brother: Kyle Hanson, Pecos; his grandfather: Horace Tubbs, Big Spring; grandparents: Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Hanson, Big Spring, his great-grandfather: O.C. Moore, Big Spring; and several aunts, uncles and cousins.

The family suggests memorials to the donor's favorite charity.

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

Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home and Rosewood Chapel

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ments to be eliminated and tax relief, primarily in the form of a capitol gains tax cut, which studies show would encourage more investment in business, more hiring, more people off the unemployment and welfare rolls, and more revenue.

Gramm strongly supports Vice-President Gore's Reinvesting Government program, which realigns and streamlines government agencies and departments.

Gramm sees three frightening trends in crime: crime is increasing faster in the south, crime is increasing in rural areas, and levels of violent and juvenile crime are increasing. He supports mandatory minimum sentences for repeat offenders, especially for crimes committed with guns; and eliminating loopholes in the law which present obstacles to the prosecution and sentencing of habitual criminals.

Gerber says almost 70 percent of crime is committed by only about seven percent of criminals.

Scores

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for our school district," Murphy said. "This tells us what the principals and teachers are doing is working. This is the measuring stick that the state bases our accountability on. When you see our 10th grade jumped over 30 percentage points in math, that's dramatic."

Murphy added that schools are given special recognition if the school achieves a minimum score of 70 in all tested grades in the areas of reading and mathematics.

"While this is a tentative report, it appears that Bauer Elementary and Kentwood Elementary will achieve this status," Murphy said. "And Moss Elementary is only off in one category by about 2 percent. That's tremendous."

Bush defends decision to freeze funding to treatment center

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. George W. Bush is defending a decision by state conservators to freeze funding to 35 drug and alcohol treatment providers, discounting objections from those who say they are being made scapegoats.

"For those who are complaining, to me it's indicative of the fact that maybe they're doing something wrong," Bush said Wednesday.

Bush named three people in April to take over the Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse.

Appointment of the conservators was on the recommendation of legislative leaders who determined gross financial mismanagement was rampant at the state agency.

The conservatorship board decided last week to freeze funding to 35 treatment programs throughout the state, citing findings by Texas Rangers and auditors.

Some treatment providers contend they're being blamed for state mismanagement.

"I believe that TCADA had over-contracted and mismanaged its funds, forcing them to take severe actions in order to balance its budget," said Jesse Lucas, president of Volunteers of America Houston. His organization operates three programs whose funding was shut off last week.

"In cutting funds to providers, they have tried to blame the providers for TCADA's mismanagement of funds," he told the Houston Chronicle.

Conservators said the cuts were only the first steps toward better overseeing and regulating treatment programs

nals — longer sentences might not reform those people, but it would lessen their "window of opportunity" for criminal behavior.

Gramm's regulatory relief would make every regulation subject to stringent cost/benefit analysis. In many cases regulatory decisions would best be left to local entities. While some regulation is and has been a good thing, Gerber commented, it's time for bureaucrats in Washington D.C. to quit making "one size fits all" rules for the real world.

Gerber answered tough questions from his intent audience on the issues he presented, and on concerns ranging from deregulation of the electric power company, affirmative action rulings, and disaster insurance to removing control of Webb Airbase property from the Federal Aviation Administration and returning it to the city of Big Spring. On that question, Gerber says, Senator Gramm will do all he can to help local officials achieve control of the property.

Budget

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the county paying the first \$15,000 of each employee claim through an insurance fund. After that amount has been paid, claims are paid by the company.

Commissioners approved joining the West Central Texas

Housing Finance Corporation, an agency of the West Texas Central Council of Governments. A non-profit venture of 19 West Texas counties, the agency assists low to moderate-income first time home-buyers. The county incurs no financial liability, but must be a member for residents to be eligible for funding.

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statewide, while weeding out mismanaged programs.

The funding freezes, which might be lifted following individual meetings with providers and state officials, are part of a decision to "work on designing new award criteria," said J. Michael Weiss, chairman of the conservatorship board.

Some of the providers funded by the agency had to shut their doors last week when the freeze was ordered.

"The irony was we received a June 23 notice from TCADA saying a field audit had found no problems," said Gilbert Hernandez, with the Mexican American Unity Council Inc. of San Antonio, which had three residential treatment homes.

"These programs have gone on since 1992 and had no clue there were any problems," said David Flores, a consultant to several Houston providers.

Bush said, "I have all the faith in the world in the three conservators at TCADA. I'm proud of their action."

"I'm told... that the misappropriation of revenues is huge and staggering," Bush said. "Either we can have the government stand by and watch it happen or have a proactive government."

On other issues Wednesday, Bush:

— Agreed with state Sen. Jerry Patterson that the Texas Resource Center, which provides legal help to death-row inmates, should open its books to show how it spends its money. Patterson, R-Pasadena, has sought disclosure of the financial information, but an appeals court has ruled in the center's favor.

Big Spring ON THE RUN

POLICE

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

•EUSEBIO SAIZ, 56, a transient, was arrested for public intoxication.

•RAYMOND JOE TAYLOR, 37, no address given, was arrested for public intoxication.

•MICHAEL GENE LEE, 52, no address given, was arrested for public intoxication.

•ASSAULT in the 700 block of West Fourth.

•SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY INVESTIGATIONS in the 2400 block of Alamesa, 800 block of Gregg, 300 block of Scurry, 1000 block of Scurry, 400 block of Gregg, 300 block of Main, 400 block of Main and 2500 block of Fairchild.

•DOMESTIC DISTURBANCES in the 2100 block of Gregg and 500 block of Westover.

•BURGLARY OF A BUILDING in the 400 block of Sunset.

•TELEPHONE HARASSMENT in the 1200 block of Marjio.

•THEFTS in the 4800 block of West Highway 80, 1200 block of Lloyd, 500 block of East FM 700, 1100 block of North Lamesa and 400 block of Dallas.

•CRUELTY TO ANIMALS/CRIMINAL MISCHIEF in the 1700 block of Jennings.

•AGGRAVATED ASSAULT in the 4000 block of West Highway 80.

•MINOR ACCIDENT at the intersection of N.W. Seventh and Main. A citation for failure to yield right of way and two for failure to maintain financial responsibility were issued.

•MINOR ACCIDENT at the intersection of Third and Scurry. A citation for turning left from the wrong lane was issued.

SHERIFF

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

•SCOTT HERRERA, 24, of HC 76 Box 94B, was arrested for public intoxication.

•PATRICIA ANN MCINTIRE, 38, of 2507 Green, was transferred from the city jail after being arrested for driving while license suspended. She was later released on a \$1,500 bond.

•MICHAEL EDWARD BAKER, 28, of 904 Central, was transferred from the city jail after being arrested for driving while license suspended. He was later released on a \$1,500 bond.

•TOMMY GENE CHRISTIAN, 27, of HC 69 Box 162, was transferred from the city jail after being arrested for violating a protective order and possession of marijuana under two ounces. He was later released on

MARKETS

Oct. cotton futures 77.60 cents a pound down 5 points; Sept. crude oil 17.67 cents up 17 points; cash hog steady at 48.50 cents even; slaughter steers steady at 61.50 cents even; Aug. live hog futures 47.87, down 32 points; Aug. live cattle futures 63.20, down 15 points. Courtesy: Delta

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a \$3,500 bond.

•PETE SALAZAR JR., 31, of 1504 Stadium, pleaded guilty to revoking his probation and was sentenced to 30 days in jail. He had been on probation for possession of marijuana under two ounces. He was also fined \$200 and ordered to pay \$200 in court costs.

•JOSEPH RAY BRIM JR., 25, of 2523 Dow, was sentenced to two 30-day sentences on two charges of driving while license suspended. He was also fined \$600 and ordered to pay \$445 in court costs.

•JEFFREY P. CARTER, 32, of HC 77 Box T29E4, turned himself in to the sheriff's office on a motion to revoke his probation. He had been on probation for possession of a controlled substance.

•EUGENIO CEBALLOS, 20, of 501 Union, was transferred from the city jail after being arrested for aggravated sexual assault of a child. He remains held on a \$125,000 bond.

IN BRIEF

Water valve to be replaced Aug. 1

The Public Works Department of the city of Big Spring will be replacing a (water) valve at 15th and Princeton, and 14th and Park on Aug. 1, 1995 from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Areas affected will be from State to Birdwell; Tucson to 11th place; and Settles to Birdwell from 11th Place to 16th Street.

The above mentioned areas will experience no water and or low pressure during the replacement.

Citizens for Tax Reform meeting tonight

Citizens for Tax Reform will meet, 7 p.m., Howard County Courthouse courtroom on second floor, Thursday, July 27, 1995. Items on the agenda include updating Senate Bill One, which is the new school funding handbook, a look at property revaluation and upcoming tax rates. Since Foran ISD has been revaluated, Big Spring ISD and Coahoma ISD are scheduled for revaluation probably in 1996 and 1997. For more information call 267-3013 or 267-7293.

RECORDS

Wednesday's temp. 106
Wednesday's low 77
Average high 95
Average low 70
Record high 107 in 1954
Record low 60 in 1933
Rainfall Wednesday 0.00
Month to date 0.70
Month's normal 1.73

SPRINGBOARD

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TODAY

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

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

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

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

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

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

•Alcoholics Anonymous, noon open meeting, 615 Settles.

•Masonic Lodge #598, 7:30 p.m., 219 Main.

•Country/western music and singing, 7 p.m., Kentwood Center, 2805 Lynn.

•Big Spring Alliance for the mentally ill, 7 p.m., The Corral. Call 267-7220.

•Howard County Mental Health Center, support and educational group for families living with mental illness, 6 p.m. Call Shannon Nabors or Dixie Burcham, 263-0027.

•Citizens for Tax Reform, 7 p.m., county courtroom, second floor of the courthouse. For more information call 267-3013.

•Vacation Bible School, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.; Iglesia Bautista La Fe, 406 State.

•The Church Secretary's Association, 12 p.m., Brandon Iron Inn Restaurant. For further information call Christine at First Christian Church, 267-7851.

FRIDAY

•Dominoes, 42, bridge and Chicken track, 5-8 p.m. at 2805 Lynn, Kentwood Center. Public invited.

•Survivors support group, 5:15 to 7 p.m. Call Rape

Crisis/Victim Services, 263-3312.

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

•Sober Living Skills educational group, noon to 1 p.m., Permian Basin Regional Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, 905 N. Benton. Call 263-8920.

•Euro Pacific 23.23-24.65
I.C.A. 20.92-22.20
New Economy 15.94-16.91

•New Perspective 16.95-17.98
Van Kampen 14.60-15.33
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jury for leniency for his client. He said, "Obviously my thoughts are not positive, but I'm not surprised."

He added he didn't think putting Edmondson on the witness stand hurt the defense.

Williams said he thought the testimony of the two witnesses at the scene of the murder, Deputy Clifford McCartney and DPS Trooper Darryl Sparks, had much to do with the jury's verdict.

As for the punishment phase of the trial, which began this morning at 8 a.m., Williams plans to call several friends and family members as character witnesses for Edmondson.

The next step for the defense, according to Williams, following the punishment phase of this case, is an appeal.

In Texas there are two phases to criminal trials: guilt or innocence and the punishment or sentencing phase.

The second phase acts as a separate trial and additional evidence such as the defendant's background and criminal history and character witnesses may be introduced.

The crime for which Edmondson has been convicted, capital murder, falls under the category of homicide, which also includes manslaughter and murder.

Capital murder, in this case, means he was convicted of the murder of a peace officer (Trooper Troy Hogue), while the officer was acting in his official capacity and he was aware Hogue was a peace officer.

Capital murder is punishable by life in prison or death.

After attorneys for the prosecution and defense present their

arguments during the punishment phase, the defense wanting life and the state seeking the death penalty, the jury will have to answer one or two questions.

The court will decide Edmondson's punishment based on the jury's answer to two questions during the punishment phase:

"Is there a probability that the defendant will commit criminal acts of violence and continue to pose a threat to society?"

A "yes" answer requires the jury to find reasonable doubt and to be unanimous in their decision.

A "no" answer would require at least 10 of the 12 jurors voting no.

Should a jury answer no to this question, the court would automatically impose a life sentence on the defendant.

If the jury says yes there is a probability the defendant would commit criminal acts of violence and continue to pose a threat to society, the jury would then go on to the second question.

"Are there sufficient mitigating circumstances that would warrant life sentence rather than the death penalty?"

A "yes" answer to this question means a life sentence for the defendant, but a "no" answer means the court sentences the defendant to death.

In criminal cases in Texas, there are two phases of the trial to insure fairness during the process.

Howard County Attorney Hardy Wilkerson said this is to keep the guilt or innocence of a trial focused on just that.

Evidence such as criminal history, background and character, if not pertinent to the

commission of a crime, is evidence that is presented during the punishment phase.

During very strong closing arguments in the case, prosecutor Shane Phelps asked the jury to send a strong swift message to police officers, the defendant, and to the family of Troy Hogue, by returning a verdict of guilty.

He said, "It's either this defendant or those officers (McCartney and Sparks), because they both can't be telling the truth."

Phelps asked the jury to consider the evidence as it was presented.

"Common sense will be the most important thing you take into the jury room," he said. "No verdict should violate common sense."

"Each and every rabbit trail the defense has attempted to lead you down has been cut off cold."

Williams, in his closing argument, told jurors there was no question that Hogue was killed on Dec. 30, 1994.

He said, "You are here to decide if the prosecution has proven (beyond a reasonable doubt) whether Levy Edmondson intentionally caused the death of Troy Hogue."

Questioning the testimony of McCartney, Sparks, Jonathan Simpson, and Frank Cervantes, Williams said the only answer is that Edmondson didn't intend to kill Hogue.

"The prosecution wants you to believe an incredible story," Williams told the jury.

One of Phelps' final statements to the jury before they deliberated was Edmondson was hiding behind his memory.

He said, "If it weren't for the actions of the defendant, you wouldn't be here."

and Deputy McCartney said they saw the weapon in your hand; are they lying?"

Edmondson responded, "Yes."

Phelps asked, "Did they plant the gun on you?"

Edmondson said, "No."

He added, "I remember having the gun in my boot, but not in my hands."

When asked about the struggle with McCartney and Sparks for the weapon, Edmondson said the struggle did not happen.

Effect of alcohol on people subject of Edmondson defense

By KELLIE JONES
Staff Writer

Voluntary intoxication during the commission of a crime is not a defense in Texas, according to Shane Phelps who is prosecuting Levy Lee Edmondson Jr.

Edmondson's defense attorneys called Dr. Wilton Jones to the stand Wednesday morning to discuss the effect alcohol has on people.

Jones is an expert in addiction medicine which studies how the use of alcohol can cause physical and emotional problems.

Edmondson's blood alcohol level was tested at Scenic Mountain Medical Center around 12:30 a.m., about four hours after the shooting. His level at that time was .11 with .10 as the mark for being legally drunk in Texas.

The doctor's testimony was first heard without the jury in the courtroom so Judge Robert Moore could decide if Jones could testify on Edmondson's behalf. During this time, Jones stated based on his opinion, Edmondson's blood alcohol level was in the range of .15 to .30 at the time of the shooting.

Once he was in front of the jury, Jones said it could have been .15 to .25 and probably in the higher range based on Edmondson's build and the fact he had eaten only one taco since 3:30 p.m.

Jones testified alcohol does effect a person's ability to think,

their memory and their hand-eye coordination. Defense attorney Scott Ferguson then asked would Edmondson be able to talk, gesture with his good hand and intentionally aim and fire a weapon with his other hand if he was drunk or impaired.

Jones replied, "He would have great difficulty firing a pistol. The pistol is very heavy and it would be very, very difficult to take direct aim."

Ferguson then asked if a person is impaired, would they intentionally or accidentally shoot someone. Phelps objected to the question stating it was asking for speculation from the doctor. Moore sustained the objection so Jones could not answer.

The doctor also testified if a person is drunk they can remember certain things but not others at that time but eventually their complete memory of events will return. Ferguson then questioned Jones about alcoholic blackout. The doctor said if a person is in blackout, they are able to function normally but will have no recall of what happened.

During cross-examination Phelps asked if a person would be in blackout if they could remember certain things and not others. Jones said no.

Phelps then drew a diagram to show what Edmondson's blood level was at the time of the shooting. He contended while each person absorbs alcohol at different levels, they all elimi-

nate it at the rate of .02 per hour.

Phelps says this figure is one agreed upon by the scientific community but Jones disagreed.

The prosecutor backtracked the blood alcohol level stating if a person eliminates alcohol at the same rate each hour, Edmondson's level would have been .13 at 11:30 p.m., .15 at 10:30 p.m., .17 at 9:30 p.m. and .19 at 8:30 p.m. which is the approximate time of the shooting.

"There is a wide range of tolerance. At the level I believe he was at (.22 to .23), I believe he would not have the ability to aim," Jones stated.

Phelps then asked the doctor if he believed a person should be accountable for their behavior when they are impaired (drunk) and Jones said yes.

Jones testified a person would be capable of remembering events that happened on Dec. 30 six months later. He also stated events that occurred during a blackout are hazy and they do know what they are doing at the time but may not remember it later. Phelps stated Edmondson could not have been in a blackout because he can remember getting out of the car and pointing to where a cat had reportedly been on the road but does not remember firing the weapon.

The last question Phelps had for the doctor was, "Do you think people who are intoxicated will lie about certain events?"

Jones replied, "Yes, that is the understatement of the year."

Edmondson takes stand in own defense; prosecutor takes him apart on cross-examination

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

The defense rested its case in the capital murder trial of 17-year-old Levy Lee Edmondson Jr., shortly before noon Wednesday, after a brutal cross-examination of Edmondson by prosecutor Shane Phelps.

Phelps' questions focused on Edmondson's ability to remember certain details surrounding the afternoon and evening of

Dec. 30, 1994.

At one point Phelps told Edmondson he seemed to have trouble recalling the things that would hurt his defense.

Edmondson told Phelps he didn't remember saying, "I'm sorry, I didn't mean it," to Howard County Sheriff's Deputy Clifford McCartney after the deputy handcuffed him and placed him in the patrol car after shooting DPS Trooper Troy Hogue.

Phelps asked, "Trooper Sparks



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EDITORIAL

Quote of the Day

"Ideas move rapidly when their time comes."

Carolyn Heilbrun, author, 1973

BSISD board to get what it wants in new budget

The Big Spring Independent School District has managed to do what it wanted while doing what the citizens wanted: Give local teachers a salary increase without raising taxes.

That takes a good deal of effort these days, mainly because the Texas Legislature keeps changing its mind about education funding, leaving local school boards up in the air too often.

While expenditures were up, the board managed to find places to cut its budget without affecting the most important thing - academic achievement.

Also, each taxing entity in Howard County is facing the same dilemma of declining property values.

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Now that the board has come to a conclusion on its budget, a public hearing will be set for the citizens' input into the budget. At that time, the tax rate will also be discussed.

More than likely this hearing will take place in August. Take time to obtain a copy of the budget, look it over and attend.

The board has tried hard to take care of all its needs while maintaining the current tax rate. Now is the time to voice your concerns or share your ideas on how your tax money is spent.



Not worth crossing cyberspace barrier

If you have a throbbing social conscience and need something new to worry about, consider computers and the African-American.

As a group, blacks are shunning the mad rush to put computers in their homes.

A government survey says that only 11 percent of black households have computers.

That puts them dead last - way behind Asians, 39 percent; whites, 28 percent; Native Americans, 21 percent; and Hispanics, 13 percent.

With much of the population going goofy over cyberspace, why are blacks turning away?

Newsweek magazine says there are several reasons.

One is that they believe the whole computer experience is a nerdy white guys' thing.

Two, they believe that the information highway is traveled by a lot of white bigots.

And this causes grave concerns - yes, very, very grave - that blacks will be left behind in the frantic national stampede toward computer use and computer literacy.

Other racial and ethnic groups will be confidently clicking their mice at Windows or Mac icons, creating spreadsheets, riding their high-speed modems through the Internet and the World Wide Web in search of new and amazing data and linking to a global electronic community, while blacks are doing ... doing what?

I don't know what they're doing. But whatever it is, it sure beats messing around with a computer.

Yes, by ignoring the computer craze, blacks have shown keen judgment and good sense. They are fairly accurate in their view of the cyberspace craze.

Without question, it is a nerdy white guys' thing. Just look at Bill Gates, the owl-eyed software king who is America's richest billionaire. Worst nerd I've ever seen. The man could have a trillion dollars, and he'd still look like he couldn't bench press a tuna salad sandwich.

I've looked in on the major modem blabber worlds - America Online, Prodigy, CompuServe, and eWorld. Every professional techie belongs to at least one of them.

These were the guys in your high school class who were good at advanced algebra and calculus and hated gym because they had to take off their clothes in the locker room.

Now they use their modems to go on-line to tell nerdy jokes, engage in nerdy sexual banter (Hi, my modem is bigger than your modem, hee-hee) and type hysterical insults at anyone with whom they disagree.

This is known among nerds as "flaming." That means a nerd can talk tough while quivering behind his computer and a fake name. They boldly say things they'd never say face-to-face in a tavern - or even at a Starbucks - because they would swoon from fright.

It is a world unfamiliar to any black kid who has stood in a school yard or on a street corner engaging in the mock-hostile banter that blacks call "signifying."

Or to anyone who has worked for a living while using a tool-box bigger than a pocket protector.

And if blacks have encountered racial hostility on the various popular modem services and the Internet, there is an obvious explanation: Yes, it is a popular gathering place for bigots, racists, and all kinds of nut cases.

History and science tell us that the worst bigots are men with small chins and skinny arms. Just look at Hitler's crowd of high-level geeks.

That's what you find on the info highway - snarly little right-wing creeps who believe Rush the Fat Boy is the second

coming, and self-righteous liberal creeps who don't understand why the world hasn't accepted Bill Clinton as the true second coming.

The two extremes have more in common than they know. So blacks are taking a pass on this sociological and commercial fad. They aren't missing much.

Just look at the biggest selling computer software programs.

The hottest program is something called "Printshop Deluxe."

It allows you to use your computer to print your own greeting cards, stationery, signs, posters, banners and calendars.

Think about that: Why would any sensible person spend \$2,000 on a computer (don't let the salesman kid you; it will cost you at least that much) to print greeting cards and letterhead that you can buy for \$10 at a local stationery store?

I have just saved you \$1,990. The second hottest program is called "Quicken," which can balance your checkbook. You can also do the same thing with a \$3 ledger and a \$3 pocket calculator.

I have just saved you \$1,994. And most of the other best sellers are programs that help you keep your computer running, so you can waste time on-line or printing your own greeting cards.

Of course, without a computer and modem you will miss out on some of the on-line smart talk, most of which sounds like this:

"Hey, baby."

"Huh?"

"Can I turn you on?"

"Huh? You man or woman or something else?"

"Huh? I ain't sure. How about you?"

"Huh? Hold on while I look."

So let us not rush to drag blacks into this foolishness.

Where would Michael Jordan be today if he had spent his formative years going one-on-one with a spreadsheet?

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WORLD

Victims recall bombing's horror



French gendarmes patrol on the platform of the Gare de l'Est railway station in Paris Thursday as security was tightened after a bomb killed seven people and injured 60 in the Saint-Michel subway station last Tuesday. Some 1,800 extra police were sent to train stations, airports and large shopping centers.

'It was like watching people walk out of hell into heaven'

PARIS (AP) — He doesn't know why, but when Thierry Rabdeau was blasted through the doors of the underground train, his pants on fire and shoes blown off, his first impulse was to get back on and find his blood-soaked shoe.

The regional RER train had just pulled into the Saint-Michel station when a bomb ripped through it.

It was 5:30 p.m. Tuesday. Rabdeau had just looked at his watch and was preparing to exit the train packed with commuters, mostly headed toward middle-class southern suburbs.

"At the precise moment I touched the door handle, the explosion went off. The doors literally blew to bits, and I was blasted out onto the platform," Rabdeau, a young industrial designer, told the newspaper Le Parisien.

The blast, described by one witness as a fireball, ripped open one car and shattered windows on much of the nine-car train. It tore away heavy white panels along the wall of the tunnel, blackening the concrete and filling the tunnel with black smoke.

After a few seconds, Rabdeau got up and staggered back into the train amid the screams and the moans.

"All the passengers were on the floor, piled on top of each other, spattered with blood," he said. "I don't know how to

explain this, but I went back to get my sneaker, (which was) filled with blood. I tore it out of that pile of bodies."

Above ground, on the edge of the Seine river a block from Notre Dame cathedral, the Place Saint-Michel was full of tourists and Parisians in bustling cafes, bookshops and a fountain that is the Latin Quarter's most popular meeting spot.

Witnesses outside said they didn't hear the detonation. They knew nothing of the inferno below until victims began stumbling out into the peaceful, waning daylight, their faces blackened by smoke, stained with blood and tears. Some had bloody hand prints on their clothes from other victims.

"It was like watching people walk out of hell into heaven," said Jacky Oneir, a bookstore security guard. "Everything was normal, then suddenly a disaster came from below."

The sirens began to wail and the blue lights from dozens of rescue vehicles quickly converged at the site, turning it into a field hospital to sort out victims. Helicopters landed in front of Notre Dame to pick up the gravely injured.

Down below, rescuers worked to free trapped victims, sawing off limbs of some maimed commuters.

Fire department Captain Jacques Kerdoncuff was one of the first on the scene.

"When we got there, people in shock, their clothes blackened, were trickling out. You could have mistaken them for panhandlers," he told the daily Le Monde.

Georges Krajba was in the middle of the car in which the bomb exploded. "I felt like I was being electrocuted. I lost all my strength, but I kept thinking of God, and I was able to walk out of the car," he told French television.

Two of his toes were amputated and he suffered several burns, but he smiled when interviewed in his hospital bed Wednesday.

"I feel just fine. My motto is, where there's life, there's hope," he said. "I became Madeleine, a 44-year-old civil servant interviewed by daily Le Figaro when leaving the hospital last night, suffered a leg injury in the attack."

When the bomb went off, "I felt a sharp burning and then my leg started to bleed. I fell to the floor. Next to me a woman had her leg torn off. She was screaming. Everyone around us was screaming," she said.

In the ensuing panic, victims were trampled, she said. "People were crazed, wanting to get out for fear it would blow again."

By Wednesday afternoon, seven people had died from the blast and more than 80 were injured.

Pilgrimage made by Japan's royals to Hiroshima

HIROSHIMA, Japan (AP) — Near the place where the atomic bomb fell on Hiroshima, Japan's emperor and empress offered prayers today for those killed in the world's first nuclear attack.

Emperor Akihito and Empress Michiko are on a prayer pilgrimage that has already taken them to Nagasaki, the second city to suffer an atomic bombing. Today, they laid flowers at a memorial in Hiroshima's Peace Park.

Bowing deeply, the imperial couple faced an eternal flame that burns under a small arch. Their visit came on the hottest day so far this year in Hiroshima, with temperatures reaching 95 degrees.

Later, they visited a home for atomic bombing victims whose average age was 83.

U.N. troops given authority to call NATO

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — Secretary-General Boutros Boutros-Ghali gave military commanders in Bosnia the authority today to call in NATO airstrikes without first clearing it with him.

Boutros-Ghali's announcement came hours after NATO warned it would launch preemptive and prolonged airstrikes if Bosnian Serbs advance on the U.N. "safe area" of Gorazde.

The U.N. mandate for the peacekeeping mission in Bosnia requires that Boutros-Ghali approve any request for NATO airstrikes. He has been criticized in the past for being too reluctant to do so, usually for fear the Serbs would retaliate against U.N. troops.

After the last NATO airstrikes in May, Bosnian Serbs took about 370 U.N. peacekeepers hostage.

Meeting in Brussels, Belgium, on Tuesday, NATO nations had urged the United Nations to delegate its powers to order airstrikes to military commanders in the former Yugoslavia acting jointly with NATO's Southern Europe commander, U.S. Adm. Leighton W. Smith.

Today, the United Nations said Boutros-Ghali has "delegated authority in respect of airstrikes, which he has hitherto retained himself, to Gen. Bernard Janvier ... with immediate effect."

Janvier is the commander of U.N. forces in the former Yugoslavia.

President Clinton welcomed Boutros-Ghali's move.

"It shows that he, too, is concerned that the United Nations cannot express a commitment to protect the security of people and then walk away from it," Clinton said in Washington.

Activist held in China says he falsified information

BEIJING (AP) — An American human rights activist charged with spying confessed to police that he falsified information in two exposes of China's penal system, the official Xinhua news agency reported today.

Harry Wu was detained June 19 crossing into China from Kazakhstan and was formally

arrested July 8 for stealing state secrets and other criminal activities.

Wu has only been permitted to meet with a U.S. official once since his detention and there was no way of ascertaining whether such a confession was made and if so, under what conditions.

His case is now in what the

Chinese call the "investigative" stage, which usually entails repeated interrogation. He has only been allowed one visit by a U.S. Embassy official, on July 10 in the central city of Wuhan.

Xinhua reported Wu told police he intentionally made errors editing two BBC documentary reports on forced prison labor.

Tow truck driver takes matters into own his own hands

HARRISBURG, Pa. (AP) — With survivors trapped in the freshly mangled metal and billowing smoke of a deadly turnpike crash, other motorists waited for it to explode. Tow truck driver Glenn Smith saved lives.

"Everybody was standing back, because they figured it was going to blow," Smith said. "They said, 'There's people in there! There's people in there!'"

"Well, I said, 'Get 'em out!'" Tuesday's accident on the Pennsylvania Turnpike killed a baby girl on impact when the van she was in slammed into a runaway tractor-trailer. The child's parents, her brother and sister were pinned inside the wreckage, the doors of the van jammed shut.

Smith acted quickly, connecting a chain from his tow truck

to the wrecked van and pulling it out just before the trailer-trailer exploded in a fireball.

"Flames were everywhere," Smith said. "As I was backing up, it just kept coming after us."

When the smoke finally cleared, troopers credited Smith with saving four lives.

Although 14-month-old Casia Denise Lemons died, her father, Lyle Lemons, 30, of Oklahoma City; his wife, Debra, 35; and their 8-year-old son, Brandon, were admitted to the hospital in fair condition. The other child, Alicia, 5, was not injured.

"A miracle," said Trooper Joseph D. Ruggeri. "It probably would have been a whole lot worse if he wasn't around."

Authorities said the accident began when a tractor-trailer



Glenn Smith, tow truck driver and owner of Smith Tow Truck Company, puts his foot on the bent front bumper of his tow truck at his garage in Harrisburg, Pa. Smith was driving the truck while towing another vehicle on the Pennsylvania Turnpike when he came upon an accident and stopped to help, saving lives by towing the van away from the tractor-trailer which was burning. He saved four lives but a baby in the van died.

traveling west with a load of bananas flipped over a guardrail into the oncoming lanes. The van and a car ran into the trailer.

The driver of the car was not

seriously hurt and managed to escape on his own. The tractor-trailer driver also managed to get out of the wreckage before the explosion. He suffered minor injuries and was hospitalized in good condition.

Senate votes to life arms embargo against Bosnia

WASHINGTON (AP) — In a sharp repudiation of President Clinton's foreign policy, the Senate voted decisively Wednesday to lift the arms embargo against Bosnia. Clinton decried the move, warning anew that it could inject American troops into the European conflict.

Following debate charged by fresh reports of rebel Serb attacks, the Senate voted 69-29 to require Clinton to lift the 4-year-old arms embargo that critics say has rendered the Bosnian people defenseless. Republicans and Democrats alike said Bosnia must be allowed to protect itself if the allies lack the will to carry the fight.

"People have a right to defend themselves," said Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, R-Kan., who sponsored the proposal along with Sen. Joseph Lieberman, D-Conn. The United States, Dole declared, would bear the responsibility "if more are killed and more are raped and more little boys are taken

off to camps, 12 years old, and more are hanged in trees and more throats are cut because we imposed our will on this little country."

The 69-vote majority was enough to override a promised Clinton veto, as 21 Democrats joined almost all of the Republicans in supporting the measure.

The House voted 318-99 last month to lift the embargo — more than enough votes to override a veto. But because that measure was attached to separate legislation, the House will have to vote again.

On Wednesday, 112 House members signed a bipartisan letter to Clinton calling the administration's Bosnia policy "morally bankrupt and an obvious failure."

If the bill becomes law, it would require Clinton to end U.S. support for the arms ban upon the request of the Bosnian government or within 12 weeks of the withdrawal of U.N. peacekeepers.

Contrasting images flood jurors deciding Smith's fate

UNION, S.C. (AP) — Lawyers dueling over Susan Smith's fate presented starkly contrasting images: the bloated bodies of her drowned sons and a videotape of her cooing to one of the boys, "I love you. Who loves you?"

The prosecution completed its case in the trial's penalty phase Wednesday by showing the jury grim photos of the decomposed bodies of 3-year-old Michael and 14-month-old Alex.

After spending nine days at the bottom of a lake in their mother's car, the boys were still strapped in their car seats, a sudden teddy bear on the floorboard at their feet. Their faces were not shown.

As the defense began arguing why Ms. Smith shouldn't be executed, her brother Scotty Vaughan identified family portraits during happier times. One showed Ms. Smith as a baby in her father's arms. Her father, Harry Vaughan, committed suicide when Ms. Smith was six.

Vaughan cried as he read a letter he wrote his sister in prison in January after she asked him about their father and his suicide.

The letter recalled their parents' stormy marriage, their father's violent behavior and finally the night he shot himself. "I'll never forget the hurt,

the pain I felt when she (their mother) told me Daddy was dead. Then I thought about you and how hurt you would be," Vaughan read.

Defense lawyer David Bruk also showed a videotape of Ms. Smith playing with her sons. She makes baby noises to Michael and keeps saying, "I love you. Who loves you?"

Ms. Smith, 23, was convicted of murder Saturday. Before confessing on Nov. 3 to rolling her car into the lake with the boys inside, she lied for nine days about a black carjacker abducting her sons.

Prosecutors argue that Ms. Smith should be executed because of the heinousness of the crime, which they say she committed to remove her children as obstacles to a love affair.

Her lawyers say she is mentally ill and snapped under mounting emotional pressure. Bruk was to present his last witnesses to the jury today.

Unless all 12 jurors vote for execution, Ms. Smith will receive a life sentence. If they decide on death, she could choose the electric chair or injection up to 14 days before her execution date. If she doesn't choose, she would die by injection.

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'And, they call it ...' Hog love

KEY WEST, Fla. (AP) — Chi-Chi the potbellied pig is about this close to being castrated. His crime: falling in love with another hog — a Harley Davidson.

Chi-Chi tried to have sex with the front wheel of the shiny black motorcycle he found in Walter Wyatt's yard. In the process, the 50-pound beast scratched the paint and tore the bike's fabric cover.

Wyatt's wife, Patricia, saw the whole thing from her kitchen and called police. There was at least \$100 damage to the brand-new bike, she said.

Animal control officers say Chi-Chi's fate is pretty much sealed, since state law requires them to neuter all unclaimed strays. Then it's off to a petting zoo.

But not if Wyatt and other residents in this independent-minded city have their way.

"His crime is an alleged sex act against a Harley," Wyatt said Wednesday. "We don't even know if that's a felony!"

A developer has raised \$300 for the "Spring Chi-Chi" defense fund.

Wayne Smith, president of the Monroe County Bar Association, is handling the case pro bono. "The punishment could be death or what some males may consider a fate worse than death," Smith said.

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Administration on defensive for Waco gas attack

WASHINGTON (AP) — Republican lawmakers are aiming to put the Clinton administration on the defensive for using tear gas in the final federal strike against the Branch Davidians near Waco.

As congressional hearings into the Waco disaster enter their second week, House Republicans are homing in on the gas attack, which was approved by Attorney General Janet Reno.

Reno, who is scheduled to testify Monday, said recently she consulted with a civilian Army expert who "concluded that it would not have a permanent

effect."

A chemist suggested in testimony Wednesday that the tear gas may have killed children inside the Davidians' compound on April 19, 1993. Another scientist told the two GOP-led House subcommittees that it did no harm.

George F. Uhlig, a professor of chemistry at the College of Eastern Utah, said a chemical used to carry the gas into the compound "would have suffocated the children early on."

He also said that a poorly ventilated area of the house "could have been turned into an area similar to one of the gas cham-

bers used by the Nazis at Auschwitz."

To end a 51-day siege that followed a botched federal raid, the FBI used a tank to punch holes in the compound and then filled it with the gas. Several hours after the gassing began, a fire swept through the building. Cult leader David Koresh and 80 of his followers died in what government investigators called a mass suicide.

Witnesses scheduled to testify today include the FBI's former deputy director, Larry Potts, who was removed July 14 because of controversy over his role in a deadly 1992 FBI siege

in Idaho. Potts managed that operation and the Waco siege from FBI headquarters while he was an assistant director.

Under questioning by Republicans who arranged his testimony, Uhlig said there was a 60 percent chance that the chemical used with the gas "could" have killed children.

The Justice Department immediately attacked Uhlig's findings, and a witness called by Democrats said he and his partner found no evidence that the gas caused any harm.

Uhlig admitted he was not an expert on chemical warfare agents. The Democrats' witness,

David Upshall, said he helped research the gas after it was first used in Northern Ireland.

Upshall concluded that while the deaths at Waco saddened him, he believed "that the (tear) gas played no direct part in these deaths."

Richard Scruggs, an assistant to Reno, said in an interview that the Justice Department has found no evidence the gas contributed to the deaths.

"If it had an effect, we would be very concerned about it and we would have been the first to say" there was a problem, Scruggs said.

FBI officials said they recom-

mended using gas to try to end the siege because they did not believe Koresh was on the verge of surrendering, as the sect leader's lawyer contended on Tuesday.

FBI negotiator Byron Sage, who said his team had 949 telephone conversations with Davidians during the siege, testified that the gas was pumped into the compound in an effort to get people to take their children out.

"I begged them to come out through any exit they could," Sage told the lawmakers in earlier testimony Wednesday.

GOING HOME AT LAST

■ Littlest victim of bombing finally goes home

DALLAS (AP) — After 98 days in hospitals and rehabilitation centers, one of the littlest victims of the Oklahoma City bombing has gone home.

Holding a purple balloon and waving bye-bye to doctors with his good arm, 3-year-old Brandon Denny was wheeled out of a Dallas rehab center Wednesday. He left with a plum-size hole in his brain that has rendered his right side virtually useless. He can't talk or walk on his own or even spread his smile to the right side of his face.

But his parents say they are the luckiest people in the world.

"If I can have a little boy to hug and kiss, I'm going to be happy — even if he can't kiss back," said his father, Jim Denny.

Brandon and his 2-year-old sister, Rebecca, were two of six children in the federal building's day care center to survive the April 19 blast. Fifteen children were killed in the center and another four died in other parts of the building.

"They're absolute miracles. After looking at that building, they shouldn't be here," said Denny, who manages a shop that makes oil well drilling tools.

Rebecca was hospitalized for 10 days as surgeons removed glass and plastic pieces from the left side of her face, arms and leg. More than 100 stitches left little blue scars on her face.

Brandon was hurt so badly his parents barely recognized him. His head was bandaged and



Brandon Denny, 3, gets a welcome-home greeting from his niece Malissa Denny Wednesday at Will Rogers World Airport in Oklahoma City. Brandon, a victim of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building bombing, returned home after several weeks of rehabilitation treatments in Dallas.

Denny could only see Brandon's eyes and nose. They searched among his bruises and found Brandon's red birthmark on his left thigh.

For 30 days, Denny and his wife, Claudia, didn't know whether Brandon would survive.

Debris from the blast pummeled a hole in the upper left side of Brandon's forehead. Doc-

tors had to remove some of his brain as they removed the debris. When an infection set in, they had to remove even more. In the process, Brandon underwent four brain surgeries.

Before the bombing, Brandon was a chatty 3-year-old, who talked in sentences, could recite his ABCs and count to 15.

Now, Brandon can only utter noises, a giggle, a cry, an "ugh," "oooh" or "oh."

classmates to deliver invocations and benedictions could offer prayers without those restrictions.

Glitch in juvenile code lets killer driver go free

HOUSTON (AP) — A teen-age driver who ran over an 11-year-old girl cannot be prosecuted because state laws do not allow a juvenile to be tried for violating state traffic laws.

The prohibition is a long-standing but little known glitch in the state's juvenile code.

Lori Ann Braden was struck and killed April 8 as she attempted to cross a street in northeast Houston. The 16-year-old driver kept going, but was chased down and held by witnesses until police arrived.

The young driver, whose juvenile record includes incidents involving drugs, stolen cars and evading arrest, was released the same day he was picked up.

Lori Ann, a sixth-grader, was comatose for four days before she died.

Prosecutor Elizabeth Godwin, chief of the juvenile division of the Harris County District Attorney's Office, says state law prevents juveniles from being prosecuted for violations of the motor vehicle code.

"This is a long-standing problem that stems from the way the Legislature defined delinquent conduct," Ms. Godwin said Wednesday. "It exempted everything contained in the motor vehicle code — fleeing, failure to stop and give information, failure to stop and render aid, all of it."

Lori Ann's family, already devastated by the loss of the child, was stunned to learn that her killer would not be punished.

"She was a happy, smart little girl," said Claudia McCoy, the aunt who was raising Lori Ann. "It was Sunday dinner and she wanted ice cream for dessert, so her and my niece Courtney were walking to the store to get some."

School prayer policy drawing criticism

SANTA FE (AP) — A new policy on prayer at Santa Fe High School is drawing criticism from the American Civil Liberties Union.

The policy, adopted late Monday by Santa Fe school trustees, says students will be allowed to vote on how and when prayers should be included at school gatherings, such as graduation.

That's not good enough for Anthony Griffin, the Galveston attorney who represents the ACLU. In April, Griffin filed a lawsuit on behalf of two families who challenged prayers planned for the Santa Fe high

school graduation.

The attorney said he will oppose the new policy when he and school officials meet with a federal judge on Aug. 4. "I think it's unacceptable," Griffin said. "It's the same thing we've been complaining about."

Under a federal appellate court decision involving the Clear Creek Independent School District, graduation prayers are legal when restricted to nonsectarian prayers that don't advocate one religion over another.

Santa Fe officials plan to test those guidelines. Under the new policy, seniors chosen by their

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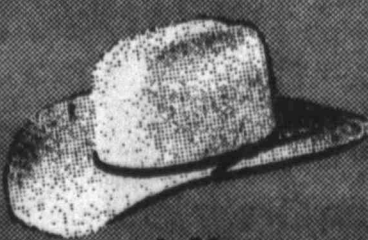
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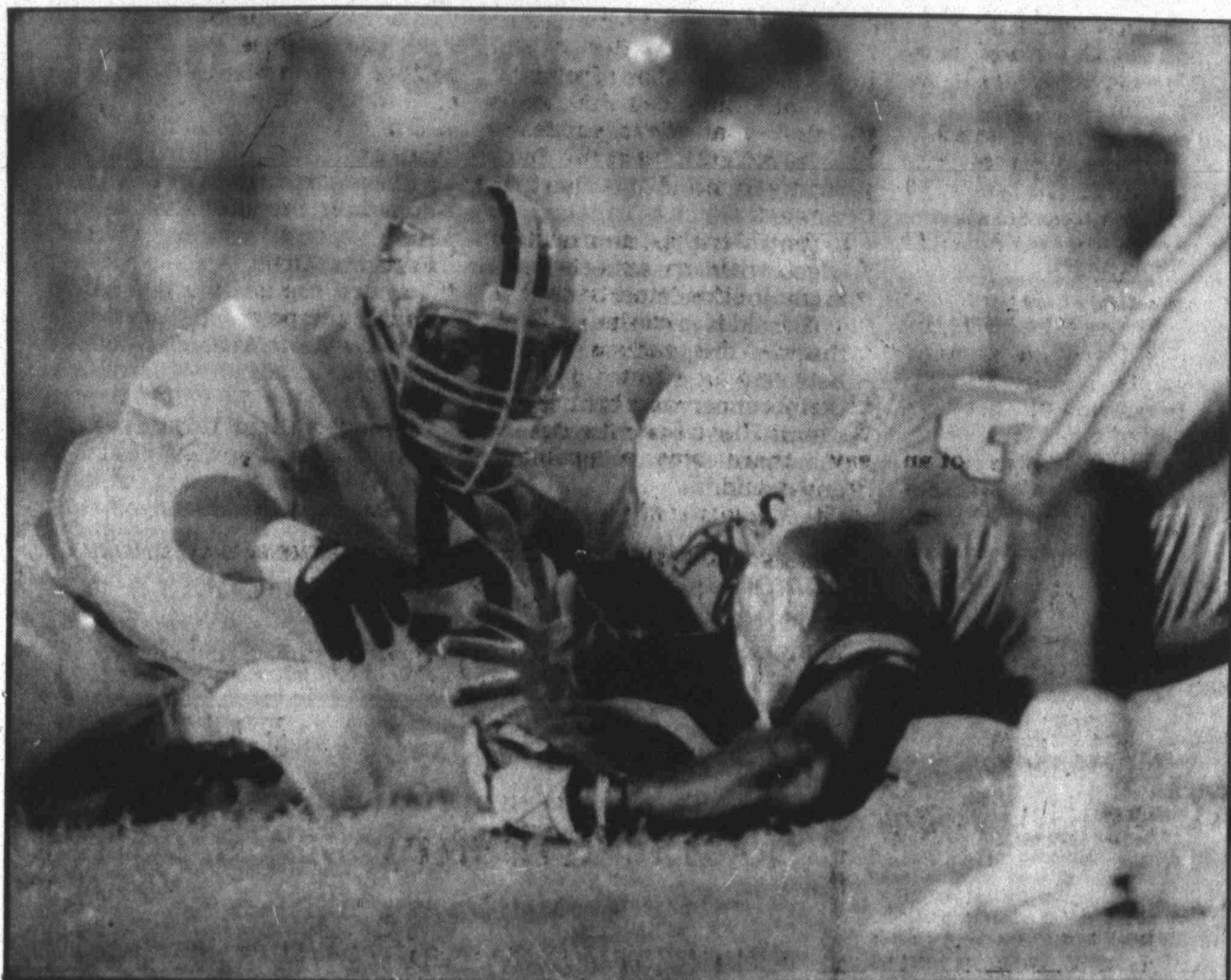
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Houston Oiler running back Sean Jackson, right, recovers his own fumble after the ball was stripped from him by Dallas Cowboy defensive end Shante Carver. The two teams scrimmaged Wednesday in Austin.

Oilers blank 'Boys
in camp scrimmage

AUSTIN (AP) — Steve McNair, the Houston Oilers' newly signed \$28 million man, showed he indeed can air it out in a scrimmage against the Dallas Cowboys Wednesday.

Given the green light to throw on most of the plays of the controlled scrimmage, McNair connected on several short passes, had a near-touchdown pass dropped and another throw in the end zone intercepted.

The Oilers were the only team to score on one of the five 12-play drives that each offense began on its own 30-yard line.

With each team's third unit on the field, Will Furrer hit Todd McNair in the end zone with a 10-yard pass over the middle.

Before McNair took the field, the most intense action of the evening was a fight during special teams drills before the offenses and defenses even lined

up. Several players took swings at each other after Houston's Willie Gaston charged the Cowboys' Alundis Brice.

With each team playing its first units for only one drive, the 14,128 fans who sat in 100-degree heat got just a brief look at star players such as Troy Aikman and Michael Irvin of the Cowboys.

Houston played quarterbacks Chris Chandler, Bucky Richardson, Furrer and Lee Williamson before putting in McNair, the former Alcorn State star who signed a seven-year contract on Tuesday.

McNair was 5-of-10 for 30 yards, including a clutch, 14-yard strike to Chris Sanders on third-and-11.

Aikman was 6-of-8 for 64 yards, including a 22-yarder to Irvin. But he badly overthrew a wide open Kevin Williams on a streak that would have been a

sure touchdown.

Irvin had two catches for 35 yards and was the victim of a pass interference penalty on Houston's Darryll Lewis that resulted in a 29-yard gain for the Cowboys.

Cowboys rookie Sherman Williams saw a lot of action with Emmitt Smith and Daryl Johnston held out to avoid injury. Williams, who had 11 carries for 41 yards, used staggering cutbacks to freeze defenders and pick up good gains, including a 16-yard run.

The Cowboys also got strong performances from Brock Marion, who had a diving interception; Shante Carver, who had a sack, a quarterback pressure, caused a fumble and recovered another; Oronde Gadsden, who had two catches for 51 yards, including a 40-yarder; and Eric Bjornson, who had two grabs for 35 yards.

SPORTS IN
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tennis camp

The Big Spring High School Back-to-School Tennis Camp will be Monday through Thursday.

The camp is open to all levels of play, with the focus on preparation for the school tennis year.

The four-day camp will run 8-11 a.m. each day. BSHS tennis coaches and local tennis professional Bill Williams will be the instructors. Registration is \$10.

Enrollment will be limited. Complete and return to: Big Spring High School, P.O. Box 100, Big Spring, Texas 79601. The camp cost is \$50.

For more information or to pre-register, call 267-8206, 263-2276 or 264-9226.

Chicano golfers play
to fight cancer

The Chicano Golf Association will host a golf tournament to benefit the American Cancer Society Aug. 12 at the Comanche Trail Golf Course.

The four-man scramble will start at 8 a.m. Deadline to register is Aug. 6, and the entry fee is \$30 per player plus green fees and cart.

To register, call the course at 264-2368. If you'd like to be a sponsor, call Diane Wood at 263-3382.

Two area players
named for all-star game

Stanton's Jerrel Lee and Greenwood's Rusty Pursuer will play in the McDonald's All-Star Football Game Tuesday in Fort Worth.

Lee and Pursuer have both graduated from their respective schools and were members of the Herald's Crossroads Country Honor Roll. Lee was the Honor Roll's Offensive MVP, and Pursuer was the only player to make the Honor Roll on both offense and defense.

4-H sharpshooters
take aim in Lubbock

The Howard County Shooting Sports Club sent 18 members to the District II Trap and Steel Shoot in Lubbock July 7-8. As has been the case all summer for local 4-H trap and steel shooters, results were impressive.

In the sub-junior division, Clay Hart took third in trap and third in

steel, and he was runner-up overall. Lorin Wolf was fourth in trap, fifth in steel; Billy Kinsey was second in trap; Travis Hipp was sixth in steel; and Orin Romine was sixth in trap.

In the junior division, Katie Gaskins was third in trap, second in steel and runner-up overall. Riley Hipp was second in trap and fifth in steel, and Weylin Wolf was fifth in trap and sixth in steel.

In the senior division, Blake Hull was the overall champion - third in steel and fourth in trap. Paul Kinsey was the runner-up - second in trap and fifth in steel. Dustin Gaskins was first in steel, Michael Brooks was second and Cody Fryer was fourth.

Lorin Wolf and Travis Hipp were the champions in the sub-junior two-man team division. Brooks and Fryer, Keith Newton and Kyle Newton.

In junior three-man teams, Katie Gaskins, Riley Hipp and Weylin Wolf won the title. In senior two-man, Dustin Gaskins and Paul Kinsey won the championship - they were third in trap and first in steel. Blake Hull and John Paul Nichols were second in trap, while Michael Brooks and Cody Fryer were second in steel.

Carmen Hipp also participated.

AJRA Rodeo Finals
Aug. 1-5 in Sweetwater

Sweetwater will host the 1995 American Junior Rodeo Association National Finals Rodeo Aug. 1-5 in the Nolan County Coliseum.

Tickets will be available at the door or in advance at the Sweetwater Chamber of Commerce on 810 E. Broadway.

For more information, call 1-800-658-6757.

Owusus starring
in summer track

Drexell and Jaclyn Owusus will be attending the National Junior Olympic Track and Field Meet in San Jose, Calif. July 27-30.

Both will be competing in the long and triple jumps.

Drexell, the two-time state triple jump champion from Big Spring High School who has signed with Rice University, won both events at the regional USA Track and Field Meet in Houston July 14-15. He jumped 22 feet, 4 inches in the long jump and 46-9 in the triple jump.

Jaclyn, an incoming freshman at BSHS, placed second in the long jump at 16-2 and third in the triple jump at 31-8.

Local triathlon building rich history

By DAVE HARGRAVE
Sports Editor

In just its third year, the Comanche Warrior Triathlon has built quite a history.

The event started in 1993, and organizers weren't entirely sure how it would be received. They need not have worried - the event drew 76 participants.

"And we thought if we got 50, that would have been wonderful," says Ron Larsen, a staff sergeant from San Antonio who completed the course in 1 hour, 26 minutes and 55 seconds. The women's overall winner was Midland's Karen Hagner - her time was 1:44:36.

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Rangers' losing skid
reaches double digits

BALTIMORE (AP) — The inability to get a clutch hit or a timely defensive play has been a key factor in the Texas Rangers' 10-game losing streak.

The Baltimore Orioles know just how the Rangers feel, because they've been there before. It wasn't too long ago, either.

The Orioles, who last month lost seven straight, finally made it over the .500 mark for the first time this season by beating Texas 7-6 Wednesday night.

Baltimore (41-40) is just 4 1/2 games behind first-place Boston in the AL East. The Rangers' drought is the longest in the majors this season and matches the third longest in team history, equalling a 10-game slide in 1976. Texas lost 12 straight in 1982 and a team-record 15 in a row in 1972.

Four of the losses in the current streak have been by one run, including each of the last three.

The Rangers trailed 7-3 before rallying to get within a run in the ninth. But that just enabled Texas to absorb yet another

one-run loss.

Leo Gomez homered for the Orioles, who also got two RBIs apiece from Rafael Palmeiro and Brady Anderson in winning for the eighth time in 11 games.

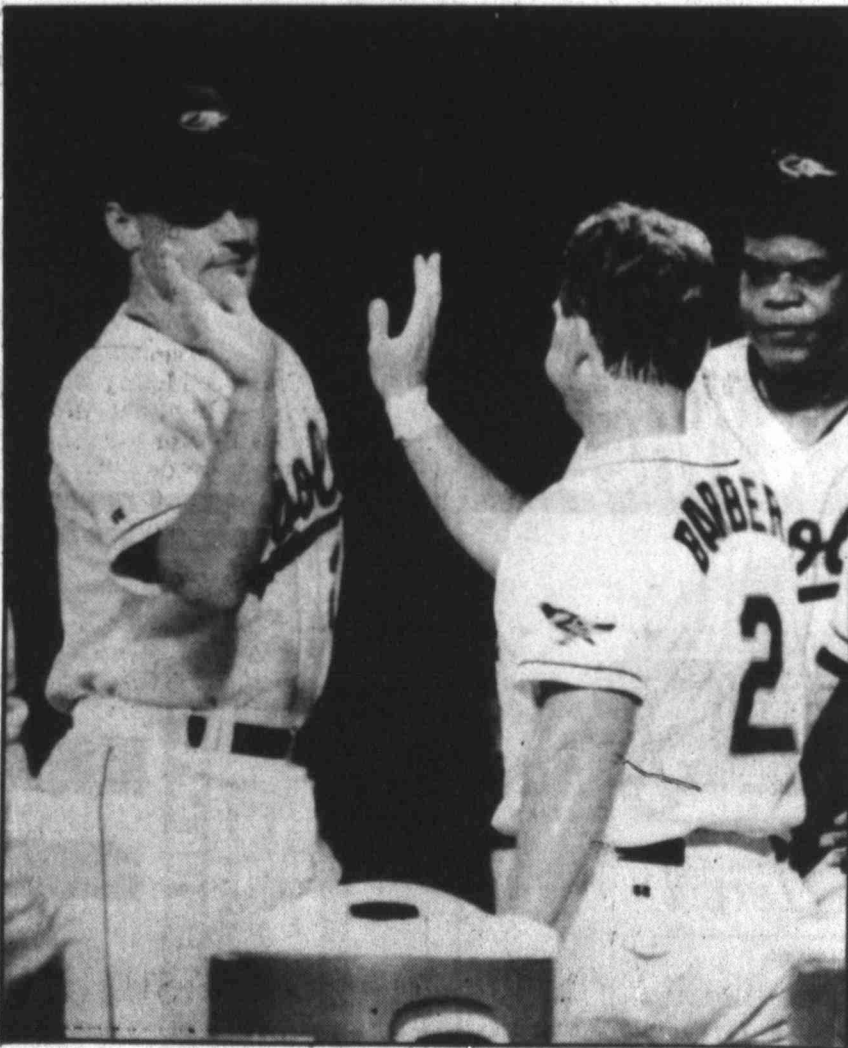
The Orioles, who are also locked in a duel for the AL wildcard spot, have 11 games left in a 13-game homestand.

Jamie Moyer (6-3) allowed three hits in seven innings, walked two and struck out three in winning his fifth straight decision.

The left-hander's biggest mistake came in the fourth inning, when he gave up Mickey Tettleton's 20th homer of the season. The three-run drive cut the Orioles' lead to 4-3, but the Rangers managed only four hits after that in losing their sixth consecutive road game.

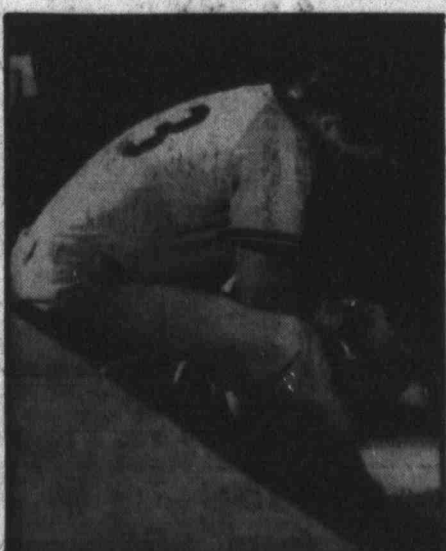
Texas made it 7-5 in the eighth when Juan Gonzalez hit a two-run, two-out single off Doug Jones. Tettleton then struck out with the tying run at first base.

Dennis Cook (0-2) started in place of Bob Tewksbury and



Baltimore Oriole Bret Barberie (2) is greeted by Leo Gomez, left, after scoring in the third inning Wednesday. Baltimore beat Texas 7-6 to send the Rangers to their 10th consecutive loss.

SHOT OF THE DAY



In the dumps
New York Yankees
catcher Jim Leyritz
sits on the steps of
the dugout after
New York's 6-5 loss
Wednesday in
Kansas City. The
Yanks lost on a
controversial play at
home plate.

TEXAS SPORTS

Winnipeg bombs San Antonio

WINNIPEG, Manitoba (AP) — Four wind-tossed field goals by Troy Westwood led the Winnipeg Blue Bombers to a 20-17 win over the San Antonio Texans Wednesday in the Canadian Football League. Westwood kicked field goals of 21, 27, 35 and 45 yards into winds gusting up to 27 miles per hour. He added a 48-yard single.

Houston defeats Colorado

HOUSTON (AP) — Darryl Kile left the bases loaded in each of the first three innings when he walked six batters before finding his control and leading the Houston Astros to a 4-3 victory over the Colorado Rockies on Wednesday night. Kile (4-10) hadn't won a game since June 19.

NATION/WORLD

Managers suspended after brawl

SEATTLE (AP) — Managers Phil Garner of Milwaukee and Terry Bevington of the Chicago White Sox were suspended for four games following their bizarre brawl last weekend at Comiskey Park. Bevington said he will appeal, meaning he can continue managing until a hearing is held with AL president Gene Budig. Garner will not appeal.

Date set for Bowe-Holyfield

NEW YORK (AP) — Riddick Bowe will fight Evander Holyfield in a heavyweight rematch Nov. 4 at Caesars Palace in Las Vegas, the same night that Don King has picked for Mike Tyson's second comeback fight, scheduled just down the Vegas strip at the MGM Grand.

ON THE AIR

Baseball

Major League
Atlanta at Los Angeles,
9 p.m., WTBS (ch. 11).

U.S. Olympic Festival

Figure skating, boxing,
canoeing and kayaking,
7 p.m., PRIME (ch. 29).

Pity the Ranger fanatics

Friends, Texans, countrymen - lend me your ears. I come not to praise the Rangers, but to bury them.



Dave Hargrave
Sports Editor

Baltimore Orioles Wednesday, marking their 10th consecutive defeat.

Texas was flying high, coming back from huge deficits to win games they shouldn't win. Journeyman Mark McLemore and Otis Nixon were turning the Rangers into a winning team - much more exciting than the all-power, no-strategy Ranger teams of the past. For once, the Rangers seemed to have chemistry.

Then came July. Having lived in Texas just two years, I have never understood the hex of the Rangers, but plenty of people filled me in. Nearly every Ranger fan will tell you - "They'll be fine until July."

The Ranger fans' bitterness irked me. They had no right to wear a three-ton chip on their shoulder - those rights belonged to Chicago Cub fans, whose team hasn't won a World Series since 1908. The Cubs haven't been in the Series since 1945.

A Red Sox fan deserved more sympathy than a Ranger fan. The Red Sox haven't won a World Series since 1918. Four times in 1986, the Red Sox were one strike away from the world championship, but each time they were denied.

Ranger fans hadn't felt such heartbreak. They've had their team since 1972, and the Rangers have never finished less than five games out of first. But now I'm starting to understand. Perhaps losing a pennant, or even choking away a title, is better than never coming close.

The Rangers are seeing a pennant slide away as we speak. The California Angels have taken full advantage of the Rangers' collapse and lead the AL West by eight games. While the Rangers fight to stay above the .500 mark - they're 42-41 - the Angels can start printing playoff tickets.

Maybe it all started with Steve Buechele. Have you noticed the Rangers haven't won since July 17 when they obtained Buechele, a third baseman who last played for the Rangers in 1991? When a team picks up a player it traded away previously, that sends a white flag shooting from every Ranger batting helmet.

Plus - gag! - Buechele is an ex-Cub. Talk about bad karma. Many people blame Texas' troubles on the heat. They say the Rangers can't withstand a 162-game season because the heat wears them down. The heat reaches its absolute worst in July, and indeed, the Rangers have had seven losing streaks in July that have lasted seven games or longer.

But that heat theory is hogwash. After more than 20 years, someone should have figured how the Rangers could use the heat to their advantage. Either that, or people should have realized the Rangers are simply a cursed team.

What else could it be?

Anyone have a better answer? Yes, I know. The Ranger brass has never learned to go for pitching first, then go for bats. But isn't it easier, and less painful, to say the Rangers are cursed and leave it at that? That way, no one gets blamed and no one feels let down when the Rangers fall short.

So, to all those Ranger fans out there, I sincerely apologize. I never dignified your pain with sympathy. From now on, I'll listen to your every complaint with a compassionate ear.

And thank my lucky stars I was born a Red Sox fan.

FISHING

West Texas

FORT PHANTOM HILL: Water stained; 9 feet low; 86 degrees; black bass are poor to fair on dark worms and spinner baits; hybrid stripers and white bass are poor to fair with some early morning surface activity; crappie are slow on minnows; catfish are fair on cut and live shad.

O.H.I.V.E.: Water clear to murky on main body and murky in tributaries; black bass are fair to good with schools feeding on the surface, best methods are working points with crank baits and plastic worms in the heat of the day; smallmouth bass are poor to fair on plastic worms and crank baits; white bass are poor to fair by trolling crank baits and watching for surface feeding activity; crappie are poor on minnows and jigs; striped bass are poor to fair in the heat of the day and river channels; channel and blue catfish are fair to good on rod and reels and trotlines baited with live, stink and blood bait, shad and minnows; yellow catfish are fair on trotlines baited with live bait; walleye are poor.

POSSUM KINGDOM: Water clear; lake full; 85 degrees; black bass are fair to good on topwaters, Rat-L-Trap, dark worms and spinner baits; striped bass are good on live bait and topwaters; crappie are slow to fair on minnows and jigs; catfish are fair on shrimp, night crawlers, cut and prepared bait.

PROCTOR: Water clear; lake full; 86 degrees; black bass to 6 pounds are fair on crank baits and worms; striped bass to 13 pounds are good by trolling Rat-L-Trap and crank baits; crappie are slow on minnows and jigs; catfish are fair on trotlines baited with shad.

SPENCE: Water clear; 32 feet low; 83 degrees; black bass to 3 pounds are fair to good on dark worms and Castmasters fished in 14 feet of water; striped bass up to 15 pounds are good on topwaters and slabs fished around Murphy, the dam and Smoky; white bass are good on topwater lures early and late and on Castmasters, slabs and Pop-Rs fished in 14 feet of water later in the day; crappie are slow on minnows and jigs; catfish are fair on shrimp and worms.

BASEBALL

American League

All Times EDT	W L Pct. GB
Boston	46 36 .561
Baltimore	41 40 .506 4 1/2

Baseball

Central Division

Toronto	34	47.420	11 1/2
Central Division			
	W	L	Pct. GB
Cleveland	57	24.704	—
Milwaukee	42	40.512	15 1/2
Kansas City	38	41.481	18
Chicago	34	46.425	22 1/2

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
California	50	33	.602	—
Texas	42	41	.506	8
Seattle	41	42	.494	9
Oakland	39	46	.459	12

Wednesday's Games

California	6	Cleveland	3
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Wednesday's Games

California 6, Cleveland 3	Detroit 10, Oakland 4
Boston 5, Chicago 3	Toronto 6, Minnesota 2
Baltimore 7, Texas 5	Kansas City 6, New York 5
Minnesota 4, Seattle 3	

Thursday's Games

Minnesota (Harris 0-3) at Toronto (Hurtado 2-0), 12:35 p.m.	Chicago (Righetti 1-0) at Boston (Suppan 0-2), 1:05 p.m.
Oakland (Stottmeyer 8-3) at Detroit (Moore 5-9), 1:15 p.m.	New York (Pettitte 5-6) at Kansas City (Gubicza 7-7), 2:35 p.m.
Texas (Pavlik 5-4) at Baltimore (Brown 5-6), 7:35 p.m.	California (Anderson 4-2) at Milwaukee (Sparke 6-5), 8:05 p.m.
Cleveland (Ogea 5-2) at Seattle (Belcher 6-5), 10:05 p.m.	

Friday's Games

California (Anderson 4-2) at Milwaukee (Sparke 6-5), 8:05 p.m.	Cleveland (Ogea 5-2) at Seattle (Belcher 6-5), 10:05 p.m.
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National League

All Times EDT

East Division

All Times EDT	
East Division	
	W L Pct. GB
Atlanta	52 30.634 —
Philadelphia	46 38.548 7

Central Division

New York	32 51.386 20 1/2
Central Division	W L Pct. GB
Cincinnati	51 30.630 —
Houston	47 35.573 4 1/2
Chicago	40 44.476 12 1/2

West Division

West Division			
	W	L	Pct. GB
Colorado	46	37	.554 —
Los Angeles	42	41	.506 4
San Diego	38	43	.469 7
San Francisco	38	45	.458 8

Wednesday's Games

St. Louis 3, New York 2, 11 innings	Philadelphia 2, Pittsburgh 1, 11 innings, 1st game
Philadelphia 6, Pittsburgh 4, 2nd game	

Thursday's Games

San Diego (Ashby 6-5 and Dishman 2-2) at Florida (Rapp 4-6 and Gardner 3-4), 2, noon	Pittsburgh (Ericks 2-2) at Philadelphia (Jaden 0-3), 1:05 p.m.
St. Louis (Jackson 2-9) at Montreal (Perez 8-2), 1:35 p.m.	

Friday's Games

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St. Louis (Jackson 2-9) at Montreal (Perez 8-2), 1:35 p.m.	

Baseball

Colorado (Freeman 3-5 or Grahe 4-2) at Houston (Hampton 6-9), 2:35 p.m.

Cincinnati (Reed 0-0) at San Francisco (Wilson 3-4), 3:35 p.m.	Atlanta (Mercer 4-5) at Los Angeles (Banks 0-3), 10:05 p.m.
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Only games scheduled

Texas League

Second Half

East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
x-Shreveport	22	12	.647	—
Arkansas	17	16	.515	4 1/2
Jackson	16	17	.485	5 1/2
Tulsa	14	19	.424	7 1/2
Western Division				
Wichita	20	13	.606	—

West Division

El Paso 15 19 .441 5 1/2
 San Antonio 13 20 .394 7

x-won first half title
Wednesday's Games
 Shreveport 4, El Paso 3
 Only game scheduled

x-won first half title

Wednesday's Games

Shreveport 4, El Paso 3	Only game scheduled
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Thursday's Games

Arkansas at Wichita	Tulsa at San Antonio
El Paso at Shreveport	Midland at Jackson

Friday's Games

Arkansas at Wichita	Tulsa at San Antonio
El Paso at Shreveport	Midland at Jackson

Texas-Louisiana

Second Half

Northern Division

Rio Grande	5	5	.500	1 1/2
x-Alexandria	4	8	.333	3 1/2
Mobile	3	6	.333	3
s-Laredo	-	-	-	-

x-clinched first-half title; s-suspended operations.

Southern Division

Thursday's Games
No games scheduled

Friday's Games
Alexandria at Amarillo
Rio Grande Valley at Tyler
Mobile at Abilene

x-clinched first-half title; s-suspended operations.

Wednesday's Games

No games scheduled	
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Thursday's Games

No games scheduled	
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Friday's Games

Alexandria at Amarillo	Rio Grande Valley at Tyler
Mobile at Abilene	Corpus Christi at Lubbock
Laredo at Pueblo	

Football

CFL Standings

All Times EDT

North Division

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a girl asked me

NATIONAL SPORTS BRIEFS

Strawberry, Yanks move closer to deal

NEW YORK (AP) — Darryl Strawberry and the New York Yankees are close to completing a contract, the team acknowledged without saying when he might join the club.

The sides hit a snag during the weekend, but several talks between owner George Steinbrenner and Strawberry's agent, Bill Goodstein, resolved some issues regarding finances and discipline.

Agassi slaps Tarango; Sampras cruises

MONTREAL (AP) — Pete Sampras, in his first match

since winning his third consecutive Wimbledon title, beat Jonathan Stark 6-3, 4-6, 6-4 in the second round of the Canadian Open.

Andre Agassi, the defending champion, beat Jeff Tarango 6-3, 6-4. Also, Michael Stich of Germany edged Australia's Patrick Rafter 7-6 (7-5), 7-5, and Michael Chang downed Petr Korda of the Czech Republic 7-5, 6-1.

In Amsterdam, Austrian Gilbert Schaller eliminated second-seeded Alberto Berasategui of Spain 6-7 (5-7), 7-6 (7-4), 6-3 in the second round of the Netherlands International.

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EL PASO (AP) — Organizers of a golf tournament that will feature as many as 40 dancers and waitresses from an adult nightclub insist it won't be a repeat of a 1993 event where witnesses said some women stripped completely naked.

Sedrick Walker, manager of operations for the club sponsoring Friday's tournament, said Wednesday:

"There's not going to be girls taking their clothes off, prostitution or sexual favors for money."

The tournament will be held at the city-owned Painted Dunes golf course, the same course where some golfers who played in the 1993 tournament complained about the nudity and provocative behavior.

"At one hole, a girl asked me for suntan lotion, then took off her top in front of me and a friend to try to get us to put lotion on her," Albert Ocegueda said. "One of them even reached for my groin. They were also offering to dance and show more skin for money."

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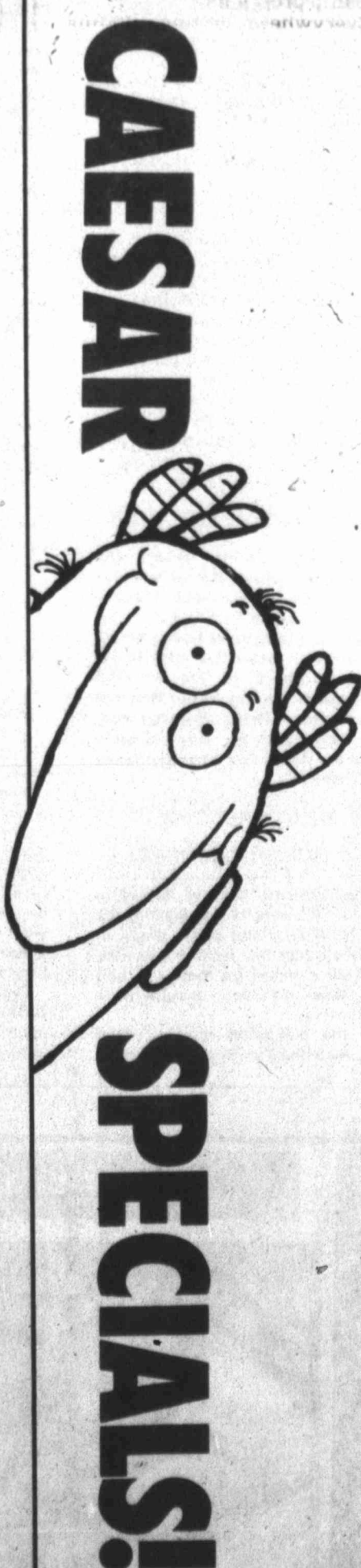
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Joe Pickle's ADVENTURE IN ALASKA

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN
Herald Correspondent



PICKLE

retired, took a cruise and tour

of Alaska.
"For Christmas last year, I thought my son and daughter-in-law were going to give me the National Geographic again," Pickle said. "But they gave me this cruise." His son, daughter-in-law and her mother accompanied Pickle on the two-week trip.
"If you want to save for one big splurge, this is it," said Pickle, whose previous travel destinations have included Austria, France and Switzerland many years ago.
"I know several people in Big Spring who have taken this trip, and nobody's knocked it

yet."
The first part of the trip was the cruise. Pickle and his group saw whales, bald eagles and seals while on the ship. They also ate liberally, watched a variety of shows and got a lot of rest aboard what Pickle described as a "floating city."
"You get the sense that you're sitting still and someone's just pulling this incredible scenery by you," he said.
Then they began a tour of Alaska by land and air.
Pickle said one word can describe his first image of the state: Beautiful.
"Everything was beautiful,"

he said. "Mountains away from the water were still snow-covered. Timbered mountains just plunged into the sea. After a while, the beauty becomes almost commonplace, you see so much of it."
Unusual features of the state included a town that was one block wide and 30 miles long. Nome, which was made a boom town by the gold rush, now has no roads leading into it. It has a "National Forest" consisting of one tree.
"Alaskans have a good sense of humor," Pickle explained.
In the town of Kotzebue, for example, there is only one

major road, and it is one mile long. Still, someone placed a sign by the side of the road that reads, "Warning: Speed regulated by radar."
Because so many towns are remote, and getting supplies is expensive, the state operates on a different price scale that we do, Pickle explained.
A beginning teacher makes a salary of \$30,000 - well above what a starting teacher makes in Texas. But on that salary, an Alaskan teacher can barely get by. He or she may pay \$800 a month for a tiny, one-room apartment.
New buildings are construct-

ed with 12 inches of insulation in the walls and 24 inches in the floor and ceiling. The average family pays \$1,000 in fuel bills during the winter.
A tour guide pointed out the spongy earth, and demonstrated to the group that 18 inches below the surface was solid ice.
In the upper mountain regions, where it snows 300-400 inches a year, Pickle said the snow cannot melt, but forms frozen rivers that are the glaciers. Aboard the cruise ship, the group saw many glaciers "calving" - parts of them breaking off.
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Work changes students' learning

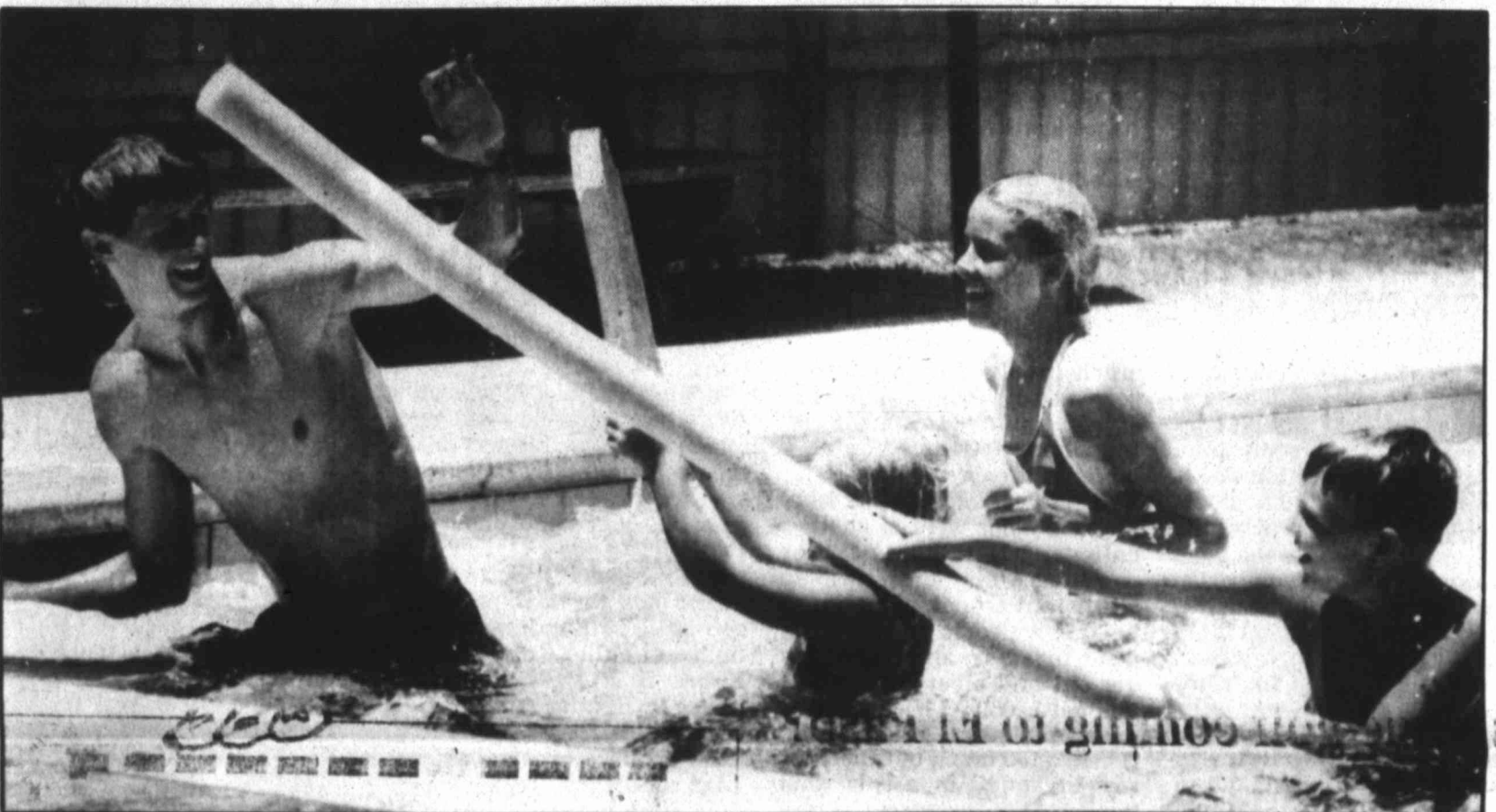
By PEGGY DILLON
Scripps Howard News Service

Kindergartners in Rochester, N.Y., are writing business memos.
Fourth-graders in Volusia County, Fla., have sold custom-made buttons and done their own bookkeeping.
Disabled high school students in Seattle work in job apprenticeship programs.
Everywhere the line dividing public schooling and the workplace - once crisp and distinct - is fast becoming blurred. What's going on?
In public schools from Florida to Washington, at all grade levels, school-to-work programs are transforming the way students learn. The programs are part of an ambitious agenda to overhaul a public educational system that some feel is close to being obsolete.
Public schools' timetables are built around a long-gone agricultural-based economy. They've also spent years grooming students for work in diminishing factory and industrial jobs.
What many schools don't do is prepare enough students to work in today's high-tech and service-based economy.
And students know that. "Teachers began to see students disengage themselves very rapidly as they went into the whole school setting," says Ginny Markell, vice president of programs for the National Parent-Teachers Association.

As a result, Markell says, schools decided to work with businesses - and to make their curricula more relevant, or at least more vocational - to bring students back into the fold.
Enter the school-to-work concept.
The theory is simple: strengthen the link between education and employment so students will be better pre-

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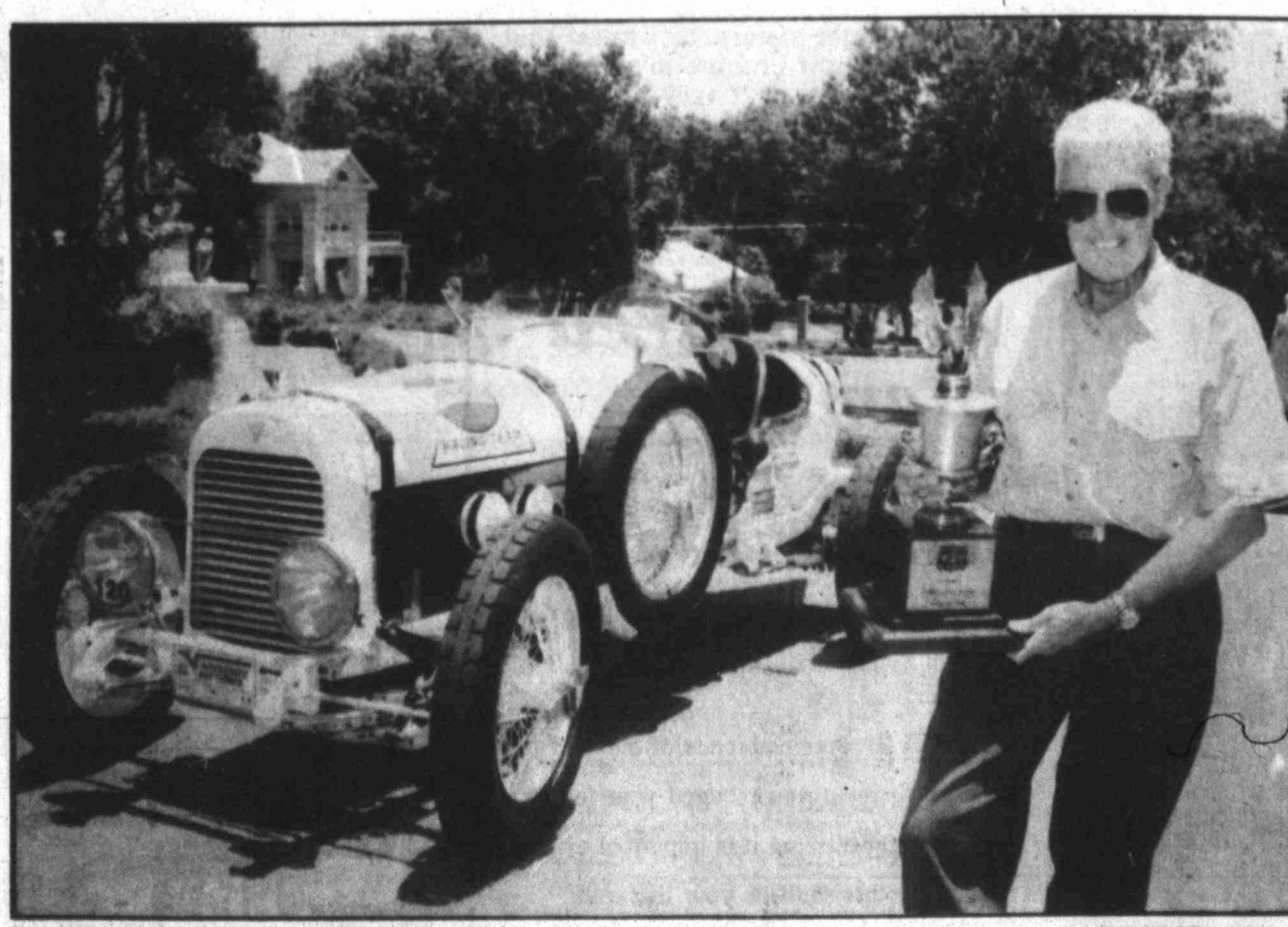


Nick Hull finds himself outnumbered by Tasha Smith, Wendy Wood and Andrew Ireton during a massive water battle. The four were at the Martin County Country Club swimming pool Thursday.

Racing 1916 Hudson powers man's joy

By RALPH WININGHAM
San Antonio Express-News

SAN MARCOS — Dick Burdick admits he has loved tinkering with engines and cars since he transformed a Ford Model T chassis and motor, plus a bunch of parts from a junkyard, into a working automobile.
An apple crate seat was his own idea of a custom feature.
More than 50 years after building his first car, the 66-year-old Burdick owns 150 antique automobiles and drives a new Ford Explorer, Jaguar or Porsche as "everyday" vehicles.
The antique cars are kept in the Central Texas Museum of Automotive History in Bastrop, where they are seldom driven.
The modern versions are maintained in his six-car garage in San Marcos, where he resides and works as a major stockholder of Thermon Manufacturing Co.
His favorite vehicle, however, is the 1916 Hudson Speedster he drove to win the World Car competition in The Interstate.
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Dick Burdick stands next to his 1916 Hudson Speedster at his house in San Marcos. Burdick won the world class event in the Great North American Race and is a three-time overall championship winner.

Kids' own company teaches business

By SHERRI VASQUEZ
Scripps Howard News Service

Students at Denver's Valdez Elementary School put their summer vacations on hold for a week recently to return to school.
In fact, they've done so periodically this summer because there are beans to be bagged.
So far the students have earned \$3,000 packaging and selling 2-pound bags of pinto beans and packets of gourmet spices. They worked after school, selling their product door-to-door and in front of several markets.
The students launched their business, dubbed the Jose Valdez Frijoles Co., in February and intend to keep it going through the summer.
Teacher James Sampair used a \$500 Public Education Coalition grant to show youngsters how to purchase, plan, market and sell a product. High school students from the Contemporary Learning Academy-Zuni, who participated in an entrepreneur training program through the Young Americans Education Foundation, assisted the students.
"It's really fun," says Dana Perea, 9. "You get to go places and you get to learn more about business and selling and how to work with a team."
Half the proceeds funded an April trip to the Keystone Science School, where 15 Valdez students learned about weather conditions and wildlife in the mountains. Learning to cross-country ski was a bonus.

Another 10 percent of the money went to Youth Ending Hunger, an international charity. That \$300 was enough to pay the annual salaries of 2-1/2 teachers in Wari, a village in Benin in West Africa. The average salary for a teacher in Benin is \$95 a year.
Remaining funds were used to buy computer software for the school.

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Look at me!
A cat meows for attention at the Brazos Animal Shelter in Bryan. Summer brings an increase in the birth of puppies and kittens and experts urge new pet owners to get their pets vaccinated as soon as possible.
(Associated Press photo)

PICTURE THIS

Sponsor a National Young Leader
Lisa Foster, who will be a junior at Big Spring High School this fall, seeks sponsorship to offset the \$825 tuition for the National Young Leaders Conference in Washington, D.C. from Oct. 31-Nov. 5. She can be contacted at Rt. 1 Box 325-B, Big Spring, Texas, 79720, or at 393-5562.

Forsan registration set
Student registration for the Forsan Independent School District has been scheduled for the following days: High school - new students, juniors and seniors will register from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Aug. 7. Freshmen and sophomores will register from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Aug. 8. Junior high and elementary schools - Students new to Forsan ISD will register Aug. 7.

LOCAL TIDBITS

Payne-Seven Wells reunion Aug. 5
Residents and former residents of the Payne-Seven Wells area are invited to the ninth annual reunion Aug. 5 in Colorado City. For more information, please call Pearl Lindsey at (915) 728-2609 or (915) 728-3796.

Canterbury presents Fall Fun Fling
Canterbury Retirement Homes is sponsoring a "Fall Fun Fling" October 4-7 to Dallas and Granbury. Trip includes transportation to Dallas, Glen Rose, Granbury and return to Big Spring. Cost is \$185 double occupancy or \$250 single.
For more information, contact Pat Johnston at Canterbury, 263-1265, or Mary Miller at Big Spring Skipper Travel, 263-7637.

THE LAST WORD

We have to face the fact that either all of us are going to die together or we are going to learn to live together, and if we are to live together, we have to talk.
—Eleanor Roosevelt

One has to accept that democracy cannot function without the media.
—Nelson Mandela

Man is man because he is free to operate within the framework of his destiny. He is free to deliberate, to make decisions and choose between alternatives.
—Martin Luther King Jr.

Pickle

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"It would sound like a pop, rumble and then a huge crash," Pickle said.

Pickle and his group got to experience the notorious long days that occur in the northernmost state.

During an overnight stay in Kotzebue, Pickle said the sun never set. When he looked out his hotel window at 3 a.m., there it was.

"During the day, the sun appeared to move as it appears to here," he said. "But it just seemed to stand still in the early morning and evening," he said. "I guess you'd get used to it, but it was awfully strange to me to see it in the middle of the night."

In a striking contrast to the urban crime that is common in the continental U.S., while the visitors were in Alaska, they heard about the recent killing of two joggers - by a bear. But they were told it is a very rare event.

Despite Alaska's interesting features and great beauty, Pickle said the weather is enough to make him glad he's a West Texan.

"I couldn't see being nearly shut down about eight months of the year," he said. "That's what the weather does to them."

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pared to enter the modern workplace.

The reality is more complicated.

School-to-work programs wear many different hats. Job shadowing. Cooperative education. Mentoring. Applied topics in the classroom.

At first glance, the programs might seem like a reinvention of the old Career Day or vocational school wheel. True, the idea has been around in some schools for years, says Lauren Jacobs, an attorney for the Center for Law and Education, a Washington, D.C., organization that helps implement school-to-work programs.

But, she says, "It was very, very uneven."

Vocational students, says Jacobs, were getting too narrow an education. That's bad, because data show that most high school vocational education students never work a day in the field for which they were trained.

College-bound students suffered as well. They couldn't apply many of their courses in the workplace and lacked direction in their careers.

And businesses lost out because their new workers couldn't do their jobs.

The 1994 federal School-To-Work Opportunity Act set out to remedy the problem for both college-bound and vocational students, says Diane Shust, senior professional associate for the National Education Association.

This year the act gave eight states pilot money to set up school-to-work programs tailored to school districts' specific needs. The money goes for programs that integrate school and occupational learning.

This change in thinking has been long overdue, says Herbert Grover, former state superintendent of Wisconsin for 12 years. "There's a lot of cholesterol in the institutional arteries," he says, noting that it takes a long time to change people's minds about what's best in education.

"We ought to democratize, individualize, customize and sensitize American school systems," says Grover.

The federal law represents the culmination of years of grass-roots efforts to implement school-to-work programs nationwide, one community at a time.

A few years back, for instance, fourth-grade teacher Kay Luzier helped turn her students into entrepreneurs. At Sweetwater Elementary School in Volusia County, Fla., they simulated a button-making business. Students designed buttons, "interviewed" prospective employees and paid "stockholders" at year's end.

Summer's heat poses challenges for family pets

By REBECCA TAYLOR

Scripps Howard News Service

Stephanie Phillips isn't going to go as far as to say that cats are smarter than dogs, but she says she couldn't help but notice that the cats in her neighborhood have stayed in hiding during the hours when the summer heat is most oppressive.

A veterinarian in

Birmingham, Ala., Phillips also has diagnosed a number of heat stroke cases among dogs during the hottest parts of the summer, but she has not seen, or even heard, of a cat suffering similarly.

"Cats are more heat-tolerant because they are historically desert animals," she says.

Still, certain precautions need to be taken to protect dogs and cats when the temperature goes

above 90 degrees.

First of all, if possible, bring them inside.

"At 90 degrees, I think they need to come in," Phillips says. But bringing them out of the sun is not enough; in two of the canine heat stroke cases she has seen recently the dogs were left in closed garages. The animals also need to have proper ventilation.

"Even if you can't bring your

pet in, I've been recommending that people place a fan outside so that they can get air flow back and forth."

Paul King, a veterinarian with Ralston Purina Co., agrees that outdoor pets need to be brought inside if at all possible when the heat becomes extreme, but he offers other tips for those who must leave their dogs outdoors.

Plenty of cool, fresh water —

whether the animals are inside or out — is the most important thing.

If dogs are tied up or confined, it should be in a shady area, and it's important that the area be shaded all day. Just because your porch is shady at 8 a.m. doesn't mean it's shady at 2 in the afternoon.

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READ ALL ABOUT IT

Test your reading comprehension by reading the story below and answering the questions that follow.

CANTON, MASS. (AP) — It wasn't where he stabled his horse for his legendary midnight ride, but a barn that once belonged to the legendary patriot Paul Revere is in danger of being destroyed.

The barn, part of the Plymouth Rubber Co. complex on Revere Street, was constructed in 1801 and is in poor condition, according to Christopher Brindley, the curator of the Canton Historical Society and a member of the conservation commission.

"The building foundation is badly eroded, therefore rendering it not only unsafe but in danger of collapse," Brindley wrote in March to the Massachusetts Historical Commission.

"The Plymouth Rubber Co. feels that it is not economically feasible for it to repair the structure for use. The company does not want to raze the building if it doesn't have to. It may give the building to the Town of Canton at no cost, but it must be relocated."

The barn is one of the two buildings on the site that date back to the original Revere Copper Rolling Mill, which Revere built on the banks of the Canton River. It produced sheathing for many U.S. ships, including the USS Constitution, and the dome of the Statehouse. The plant was the first of its kind in the nation.

Lawrence Peters of Bolivar Street, who has studied Revere's life, said Revere went to England to learn the process of rolling copper into sheets. "When he was 65, he started this whole new business," Peters said.

Looking at photos of the 2 1/2-story building, Peters said the structure could be dismantled and reassembled at a later time.

In the letter, Brindley said the post-and-beam frame and the slate roof were in good repair, but the clapboard siding is in rough shape and shows traces of lead paint.

"The barn in question was probably used by Revere to house his oxen, which were used to transport his goods to market," Brindley wrote. "It is one of two remaining original structures on the property, the other is still used for manufacturing."

Revere, who died in 1818 at 83, is best known for his horseback "midnight ride" to notify John Hancock and Samuel Adams of the approach of British troops on the eve of the Battle of Lexington and Concord in 1775.

A participant in the Boston Tea Party in 1773, Revere commanded a garrison at what is now Castle Island in South Boston for part of the Revolutionary War. A silversmith, Revere became an early industrialist, making gunpowder and cannons for the army and also designing and printing the first Continental paper money.

George Comeau, chairman of the town historical commission, wants the building preserved, but thinks the town should have definite plans for it before taking it over.

He said if the building can't remain at the original site, other locations should be investigated, including outside of Canton.

Use the information from the story to answer the following questions:

1. Who once owned the old barn that is located on the property of the Plymouth Rubber Co.?
2. Instead of tearing down the building, what is Plymouth Rubber thinking of doing with the barn?
3. Why is the historic barn in danger of collapsing?

Answer Key: (Wording may vary)

1. The old barn on the property of the Plymouth Rubber Co. was once owned by Paul Revere.
2. The Plymouth Rubber Co. may give the building to the town of Canton.
3. The barn is in danger of collapsing because the foundation has worn away.

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Summer Meteor Showers

Meteors blaze across sky

Have you ever looked up in the sky and seen what you thought was a shooting star? What you really saw was a meteor zooming through the night sky.

Meteor showers

Eight to 12 times a year, there are special meteor showers visible to the naked eye. At these times, you can usually get a really good look at these beautiful voyagers through space. The best way to see these special showers is to just look up. According to the experts, you don't need binoculars.

The best time to see them is between midnight and dawn. Remember, it's harder to see them from big cities where lights shine into the sky.

Now is a very good time to see one. Every summer from around July 23 to Aug. 20, a meteor shower lights up the night sky.

The peak time, when you might be able to see as many as 100 meteors a night, will be Aug. 10-12. From the ground, these meteors look as though they are coming from the constellation Perseus, so scientists call them the Perseid meteor showers. All of the yearly meteor showers are named for the constellations they appear to come from.



Passing comets

Yearly meteor showers are caused by pieces of discarded matter from passing comets. When the comets are close to the sun, there is more debris and so more meteors.

The comet the Perseid meteors come from passed closest to the Earth a few years ago. This means that these summer meteor showers will still be showier than usual. It will be about 130 years before it is this close again.

The making of a meteor

Meteors, or streaks of light in the atmosphere, are caused by meteoroids, or pieces of dust, rock, or metal zipping through the atmosphere.

A meteoroid hits the Earth's upper atmosphere at 6 to 10 miles per second. Friction heats it up.

Then the super-hot meteoroid heats gas molecules as it passes through the atmosphere. These burning gases form a giant streak of light.

Watch your calendars!

One of the most spectacular meteor showers, the Geminids, comes in December.

The biggest meteor display ever recorded was the Leonid meteor shower in November 1966. 100,000 meteors an hour shot over Earth. Normally, you might see five to 10 meteors an hour.

But just wait. In November of 1998 or 1999, there should be another shower just as amazing.



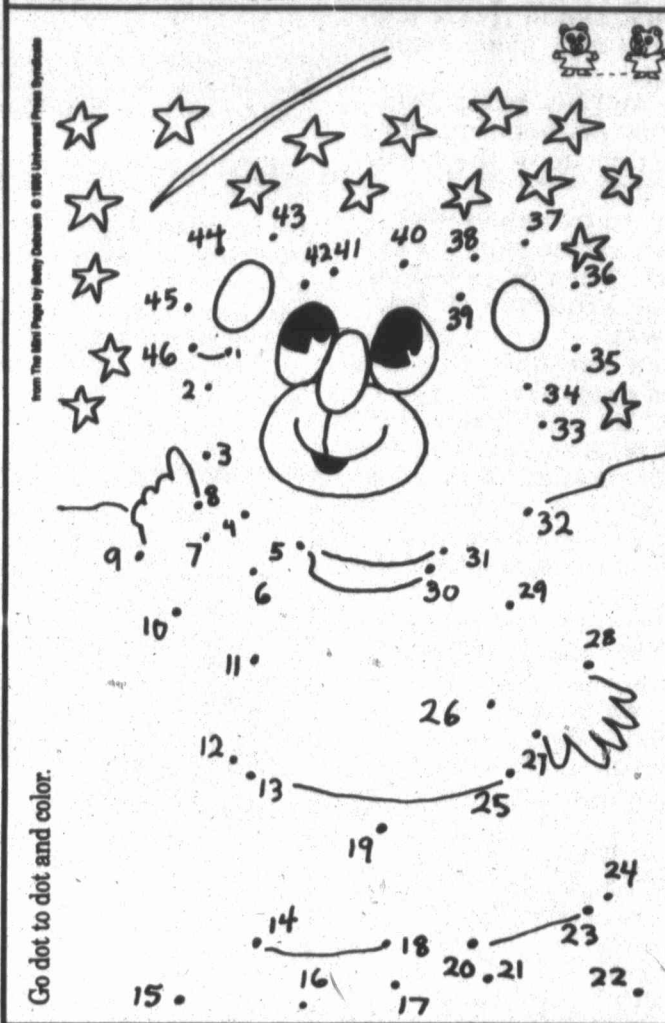
Definitions

Comet: dusty ball of frozen gas and water. It follows a regular path around the sun. Its tail of gas and dust can stretch for millions of miles.

Meteor: the burning, shining streak of light we see in the night sky.

Constellation: a familiar pattern of stars.

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MIGHTY FUNNY'S Mini Jokes

WHAT DOES UP WHEN YOU COUNT DOWN?
A ROCKET SHIP!
(sent in by Caitlin Watson)

Q: What do you call a robot out in the rain?
A: Rusty!
(sent in by Sudin Lee Davis)

Q: What is the biggest diamond in the world?
A: A baseball diamond!
(sent in by Jenni Cota)

Rookie Cookie's Recipe

Tooty Fruity Dip

- You'll need:
- 3/4 cup cream cheese, softened
 - 1/4 cup powdered sugar
 - 1/4 cup frozen pink lemonade, thawed
 - 2 cups vanilla yogurt

What to do:

1. Combine all ingredients except yogurt in a medium bowl. Mix until smooth.
2. Add yogurt. Mix until smooth. Serve as a dip for pieces of fruit. Makes about 3 cups.

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The Mini Page Teacher's Guide

For use by teachers and parents at home and at school.

For use with issue: Summer Meteor Showers
Main idea: This issue is about meteors. The following is a list of activities to be used with this issue. They are listed in order of difficulty. Ask the children to do the following:

1. Draw a picture of you and some friends looking at a meteor shower.
2. On a clear night, go outside with your family. What do you see in the sky?
3. On a calendar, mark the days it is easiest to see a meteor shower.
4. Discuss the following: Have you ever seen a meteor shower? What do you think it would be like to be a scientist studying space and meteors? Why do you think it is important that we study space?
5. Find the following numbers: the largest number in this issue, the smallest, a year, one between 10 and 20, one written out, an even one, an odd one, a speed.
6. Pretend you are a scientist studying meteor showers. Write a description of one you saw.
7. Find the following words: discarded, craters, solar, atmosphere, peak, shock wave, catastrophe. Define and make up a new sentence for each one.
8. Do more research on why the dinosaurs became extinct.

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Mini Spy ...

Mini Spy and the gang are enjoying a meteor display. See if you can find:



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experiment #1

WHAT YOU NEED: Bag of marshmallows - round toothpicks - helpful den leader (like yours, Mr. Rick) Optional: Gumdrops

WHAT TO DO: Look at the big drawing and build a lot of these. Then use the marshmallows you have left to stick them up. Every time toothpicks come together, anchor them with a marshmallow. Start with a triangle-shaped base of 15 tetrahedrons with 5 to each side of the triangle. Anchor the bottom legs together and start building upward. If you use gumdrops instead of marshmallows, you'll get a much stronger model.

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Voyagers From Outer Space

Meteors are caused by meteoroids. Meteoroids are pieces of rock, metal or dust from out in space. They have entered the Earth's atmosphere. It doesn't take a very big piece of something to make a meteor.

The shooting stars you see are really meteors. The meteoroids that cause these streaks of light might be as small as a grain of sand.



Some scientists believe the moon was created when the Earth was hit by an object the size of Mars. Debris created by this impact may have joined together to form the moon. The craters on the moon itself were probably caused by meteorite hits.

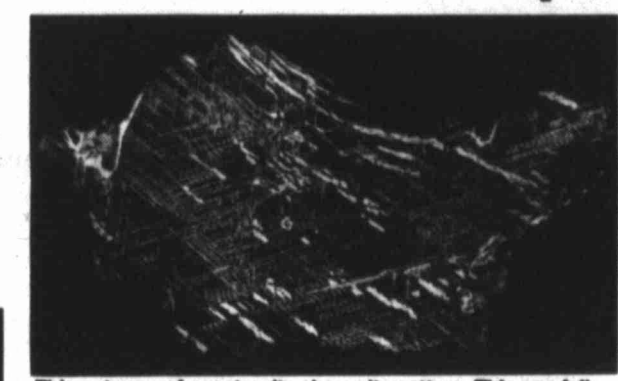
Age

Most meteorites are about 4.5 billion years old. They are made of what is probably the oldest material in the solar system. Most Earth rocks are only about 1 billion years old.

These meteorites come from asteroids that haven't changed since early in our solar system's history.

Some meteorites come from other parts of the solar system. We know 12 are from the moon. Scientists believe there are at least 10 that have come from Mars.

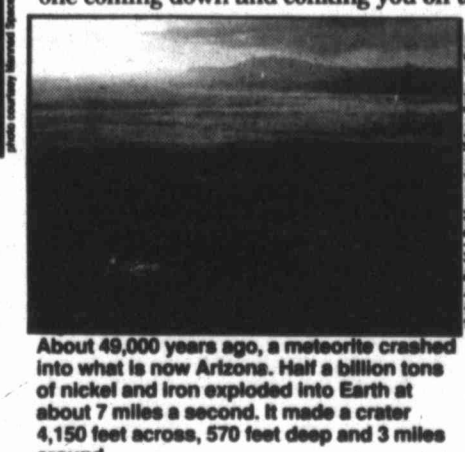
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This cutaway of a meteorite shows its pattern. This one fell on Edmonton, Ky.

Earth landings

Millions of meteorites hit the Earth every year — a total of about 50 tons a day. But most are only tiny bits of dust. Experts say you don't need to worry about one coming down and conking you on the head.



About 46,000 years ago, a meteorite crashed into what is now Arizona. Half a billion tons of nickel and iron exploded into Earth at about 7 miles a second. It made a crater 4,150 feet across, 570 feet deep and 3 miles around.

It has been 65 million years since Earth has seen a meteoroid big enough to wipe out the dinosaurs.

The biggest meteorite we know of fell 200,000 years ago in South Africa. It is an iron chunk about the size of a minivan and weighs about 60 tons. It is still in the ground.

Look through your newspaper and see if you can find any articles about space.

Next week, celebrate the 75th anniversary of women gaining the right to vote.

In the U.S.

A couple of meteorites have crashed into cars. But in the United States there have been no confirmed reports of anybody being killed by one.

In 1954 a woman in Alabama was hit as she lay in her bed, but she was only bruised.

In China

According to records of more than 500 years ago, a shower of meteorites killed thousands of people in China. There has never been any other event such as this reported.

Definitions

Meteoroid: a natural object orbiting the sun near Earth. Its orbit will eventually carry it into a collision with Earth. It's usually from a comet or an asteroid.

Meteorite: a meteoroid big enough to survive the entry into the Earth's atmosphere without completely burning up. It actually lands on Earth.

Asteroid: orbiting rock that may be part of an old planet.

What a bunch of marshmallows!

Build a dozen or so of these to start. Push the toothpicks all the way into the marshmallow. Use your imagination to connect the ends of the toothpicks.

The shape you'd get is called a tetrahedron (tet-rah-HE-dron). It's like a tripod and is a very strong shape.

SO WHAT: Your model is a bit wobbly because marshmallows are soft and gooey. But you can use it to see what a strong structure these shapes would make if the marshmallows were hard. That's why diamonds are so very hard — because of the shape the carbon atoms make attached to each other in this way. When carbon atoms are attached in a different shape, they're soft. Graphite is another kind of carbon. It's in your pencil lead, and it's so soft it's slippery.

Each one will have 1 marshmallow and 4 toothpicks.

In your model, the marshmallows will be carbon atoms and the toothpicks will be the bonds between the atoms.

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SPLASH AND GO



Kathy Plison cools herself under a water jug as she takes a break from harvesting tobacco on her farm near Vass, N.C. Temperatures were in the mid-90s.

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Hudson

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Batteries Great North American Race from Ottawa, Canada, to Mexico City during the first two weeks of July.

"This is a super car. It really is," he said of the Hudson.

"They put a lot of innovations into this car when it was built," Burdick said of the sleek racing machine built 13 years before he was born.

He began renovating the car about eight years ago and keeps it in his workshop next to his garage, taking it out for occasional spins to keep in practice. "It will top 100 miles per hour, but I've never really opened it up to see what it will do," he said with a sheepish grin.

The only three-time overall championship winner of the competition in the 13 years of the event, Burdick is one of only four drivers who have competed in the race every year since it began.

More than 100 drivers of vintage cars participated in the 4,500-mile race July 1-15, competing for \$250,000 in prizes through daily tests of controlled speed, precision driving and endurance.

This year, Burdick came up short for the overall championship.

That prize went to Curtis Graf and his navigator, Bruce Gezon, both of Irving, who were competing in a 1919 Packard.

Burdick said Graf was the first man to sign up for the first race 13 years ago and has competed every year, but this is his first win.

"In any race, there are about 12 to 15 serious competitors who can win, depending on what they do with their cars," Burdick said.

With the older vehicles, mechanical breakdowns are an anticipated hazard and must not be allowed to interfere with the precisely timed event, Burdick said.

"We drove the whole race without a hiccup," he bragged.

"You are driving for about 12 to 14 hours a day. If it rains, you get wet. If it is sunny, you get sunburned," Burdick said.

"The really great part is seeing all of the people. In Mexico, people were lined up for miles along the highway as we came into Mexico City."

While winning the World Car class in the competition with his longtime navigator Wayne Bell was a thrill, Burdick really was shooting for the overall championship trophy once again.

"Nobody really does this for the (prize) money," he said, pointing out that his expenses for each race can run about \$25,000 — not counting the money he has to spend on the vehicle and its parts.

"This is really just a chance for car buffs to enjoy their hobby and who like to get out and see these cars," Burdick said. "A lot of them have sponsors who help with the expenses."

The race is conducted on a different course each year, with tentative plans for the drivers to make a run across the northern states next year.

"We had a really terrific reception in San Marcos this year (where the competitors stopped July 9 for an overnight stay), and the people in Mexico were just wonderful," Burdick said.

"The (race organizers) never use the same route twice, in order to challenge the drivers," he said. "I like the competition, because I can compete with people who are half my age."

Burdick said the key to his success in the competition can be attributed to four elements: a car that works, steady driving, a good navigator and a good speedometer.

"A good score will only be five or six seconds off the (established race) time each day," he said.

Working with vehicles designed before most of the competitors were born, that is a tough time to beat, Burdick said.

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FOR FRIDAY, JULY 28, 1995

ARIES (March 21-April 19): The unanticipated happens; use your creativity to move past it. Reach out to someone who is at a distance; try to make changes. Accept an offer to take off. A foreigner could give you new insight. Family matters are prominent. Tonight: Go for a romp. *****

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Stay centered. Realize what is happening with a relationship. Work with the unexpected, and be willing to change plans to make things work. Your adaptability helps others. Resolutions involving family have an enormous impact. Tonight: Entertain at home. *****

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Your popularity soars. Take a partner's bad mood in stride. He may feel that he doesn't have enough control about a key matter. Lighten up, and others will find your spirit contagious. Follow your instincts about money. Be friendly. Tonight: It doesn't take much to find fun. *****

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Consider a financial matter and a work-related offer with care. A change in procedures is needed. Put your best foot forward with a cantankerous partner, and you'll come out on top. You gain because of your work performance. Tonight: Balance your checkbook. *****

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): An unexpected jolt forces you to make different choices. Pay attention to what is happening with a co-worker; don't take things personally. Events flow smoothly if you express your childlike nature. Be open to your feelings about a person in your life. Tonight: Ask. *****

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Your ideas are valued by someone who wants to hear your opinions. Your instincts are correct about a family member. Pull back before you make a decision. Simplicity carries you a long way. Ease up in your dealings with a child. Tonight: Get a good night's sleep. *****

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Focus on a friendship and your long-term goals. Live in the moment as you deal with loved one. The unforeseen occurs: with your family and career. Keep your eye on your objectives. You have drawn the wild card. Tonight: Go where the party is. *****

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Accept responsibility. Others respond to your energy when you settle a misunderstanding. You understand a lot. Discuss your long-term professional goals. Someone responds willingly. Be more conscious of your work image. Tonight: Celebrate the weekend. *****

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Reach out to someone who is far away. Knock on someone's door, and catch up on news. Your sense of humor works wonders with a loved one. Do not overdo it financially because there could be unexpected repercussions. Tonight: Try something different. *****

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Relate on a deep level. Maintain heavy eye contact with others. Break through a barker that upsets you. Recognizing your limits. A true friend supports you in a change. Talk about what really counts. Tonight: Dinner for two. *****

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You might be overreacting to a situation. Get an opinion from a friend you respect. It's OK to defer to someone else. You might not be grounded. Friends rally around you to bolster your spirit. Be positive. Tonight: Wherever you go, there is a party. *****

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Focus on getting the job done. A friend may throw you off, and you might be disconcerted by events surrounding you and this person. Refuse to brood. Relax by concentrating on your work. A friendship means a lot to you. Tonight: Do something for yourself. *****

IF JULY 28 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: Your work situation changes considerably this year; what you need to remember is that you come out on top, no matter what goes on. The year 1996 is excellent for your career. Your creativity is high, and you have an endless wealth of ideas. Be open to brainstorming. If you are single, romance will be enticing and hard to resist. Romance will flow more naturally than usual. If attached, your relationship blooms. Expect a new step or addition to this relationship. LEO is fun to be with.

THE ASTERISKS (*) SHOW THE KIND OF DAY YOU'LL HAVE: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult.

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Woman didn't mean to steal when she ate store's candy

DEAR ABBY: While reading your column about eating jelly beans from a jar in the store, I was reminded of an incident that happened to me.

I am a 70-year-old woman who loves bridge-mix candy. Whenever I would go into the store to buy a small bag of the bulk candy, without thinking I would eat a few pieces from the bag while I did the rest of my shopping. I never realized I was stealing the candy, but evidently I was.

The last time I did this, a man tapped me on the shoulder and showed me his security badge! He said he had been watching me from a window up in the office. He told me they prefer that I pay for it at the checkout counter—rather than eat half of it before it gets weighed.

I could have died of embarrassment. I wanted to crawl out the door, but I closed up the bag of candy, thanked him for stopping me from committing that crime, and continued my shopping.

How many people think they are stealing if they eat a few cherries or grapes as they walk through the produce department? I never thought I was stealing, but I guess I was.

I learned a good lesson... late in life. -- REFORMED SHOPPER, GRANTS PASS, ORE.

DEAR REFORMED: You have lots of company. People who take ashtrays and towels from hotels, pens or pencils from the office, or fail to return library books may not realize it, but they, too, are stealing.

DEAR ABBY: When I read

the letter from "Always a Mother," the mother of a daughter in her 50s, I laughed out loud. Just as that mother criticized her daughter for wearing a leather skirt and a ponytail, my sister scolded me for not wearing my hair in a proper braid or knot when I turned 30, and for wearing "undignified" clothing. I, too, wore a leather skirt (which I made myself).

I am 72 now, and I still wear my hair loosely tied back, much like a ponytail. To this day, I wear leather, and my younger brother says I look terrific; but then I know that by the admiring glances I still get.

I water-ski, cross-country ski and walk six miles every day. When I reach 104, I will probably stop water- and cross-country skiing, but I'm not sure I'll wear my hair in a "proper" knot or braid, and who knows, I may still wear a leather skirt if I want to. -- YOUNG AT HEART

DEAR YOUNG AT HEART: I admire your spirit, which obviously motivates you to live life to the fullest. Good for you!

DEAR ABBY: Your advice to "Forbidden Love" stunk -- or should I say "stank"? Anyway, stunk or stank, it sure wasn't much help to a 13-year-old girl.

Abby, can't you remember when you were 13 years old? I'll bet nobody could tell you anything either.

Give me a break and get real. I don't expect to see this in the newspaper, but at least I got it off my chest. -- ANNA MARIE IN LOUISIANA

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Charming older home suitable for office/retail. Excellent condition/location. 263-1533

Farms & Ranches 512

130 ACRES cultivated land 12 miles north of San Angelo. \$87,500. Elliott Realty 915-653-9005.

Houses for Sale 513

3-2 BRICK, KENTWOOD area. Remodeled, including new A/C. \$42,500. Call 267-7884.

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3/1 BRICK. Den w/fireplace, patio-storage, near college, schools. Newly remodeled. Owner anxious to sell. Mobile: 270-4231.

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Mobile Homes 517

On The Spot
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RENTALS

Business Buildings 520

TWO- Fenced yard, one acre with small building. 263-5000.

Furnished Apts. 521

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MEN WOMEN & CHILDREN

Child Care 610

THE LEARNING CONNECTION
Christian Preschool
8:30am-12:30pm. Opens August 17th.
2-5 years. 263-1696.

THURSDAY

JULY 27

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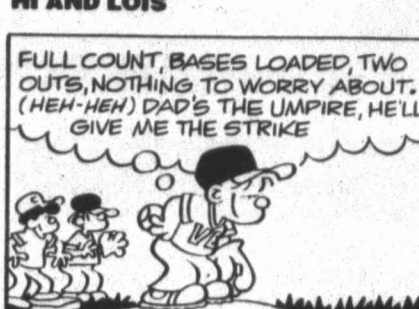
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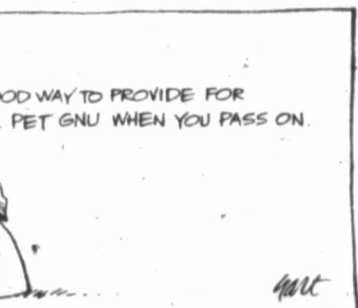
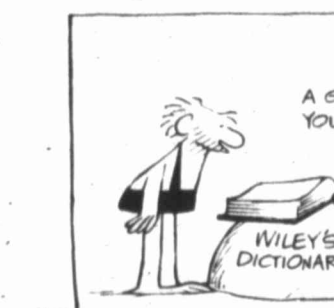
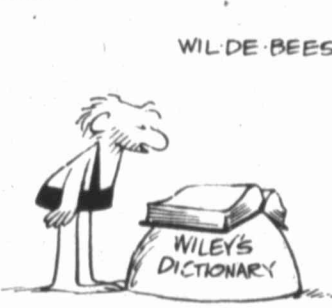
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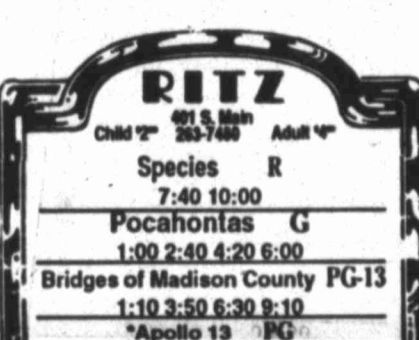
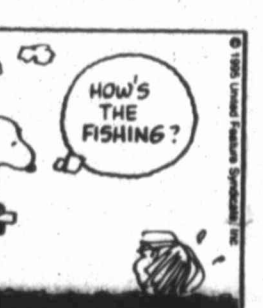
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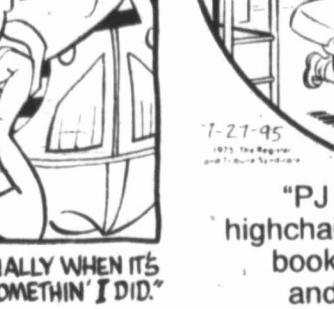
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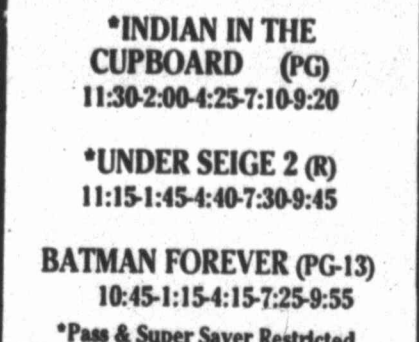
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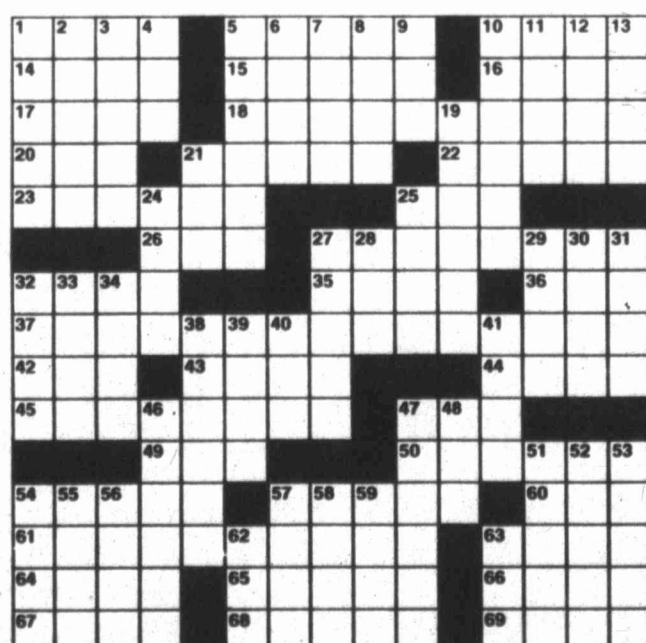
THE Daily Crossword by Harold B. Counts

ACROSS

- 1 Remain
- 5 Beat it!
- 10 Transmitted
- 14 Lagomorph
- 15 Raccoon's cousin
- 16 The Kingston
- 17 Sign
- 18 Victims of some tricks
- 20 Operated
- 21 Rest
- 22 Is vanquished
- 23 Irish district
- 25 Marsh
- 26 Terminate
- 27 Small bloomer
- 32 Thin Man's dog
- 35 Top-notch
- 36 "...a man — mouse?"
- 37 Come down hard
- 42 Coffee server
- 43 Came down
- 44 In a frenzy
- 45 City official
- 47 Thus
- 49 Winter mo.
- 50 Pact
- 54 Out of the way
- 57 Drinking bout
- 60 Besides
- 61 Wingless insect
- 63 English ruling house
- 64 Exactly
- 65 Blood vessel
- 66 Before: pref.
- 67 — bity
- 68 Bread maker
- 69 Ship part

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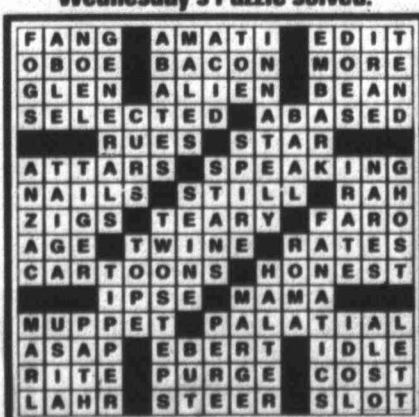
- 1 Brief
- 2 Daughter of David
- 3 Place of action
- 4 Urge
- 5 Climbed
- 6 Get along
- 7 Undercooked
- 8 Expectant
- 9 Wire measure
- 10 Straight man
- 11 Cupid



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Wednesday's Puzzle solved:



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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

Today is Thursday, July 27, the 208th day of 1995. There are 157 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On July 27, 1953, the Korean War armistice was signed at Panmunjom, ending three years of fighting.

On this date: In 1694, the Bank of England received a royal charter as a commercial institution.

In 1789, Congress established the Department of Foreign Affairs, the forerunner of the Department of State.

In 1794, French revolutionary leader Maximilien Robespierre was overthrown and placed under arrest; he was executed the following day.

In 1861, Union General George B. McClellan was placed in command of the Army of the Potomac.

In 1866, Cyrus W. Field finally succeeded, after two failures, in laying the first underwater telegraph cable between North America and Europe.

In 1909, Orville Wright tested the U.S. Army's first airplane, flying himself and a passenger for one hour and 12 minutes.

In 1940, Bugs Bunny made his "official" debut in the Warner Brothers animated cartoon "A Wild Hare."

In 1960, Vice President Richard Nixon was nominated for president at the Republican national convention in Chicago.

In 1967, in the wake of urban rioting, President Johnson appointed the Kerner Commission, charged with assessing the causes of the violence.

In 1967, black militant H. Rap

Brown held a news conference in Washington D.C. in which he said, "Violence is necessary. It is as American as cherry pie."

In 1974, the House Judiciary Committee voted 27-11 to recommend President Nixon's impeachment on a charge that he had personally engaged in a "course of conduct" designed to obstruct justice in the Watergate case.

Ten years ago: British runner Steve Cram broke the world record for the mile run with a time of 3:46.30 at a meet in Oslo, Norway.

Five years ago: Louisiana Gov. Buddy Roemer vetoed a tough abortion bill passed by his state's legislature. A mistri-

al was declared in Raymond Buckey's retrial on charges of molesting children at the McMartin Pre-School in California.

One year ago: Bosnian Serbs reimposed their blockade of Sarajevo and fired on a U.N. convoy, killing one British soldier and wounding another.

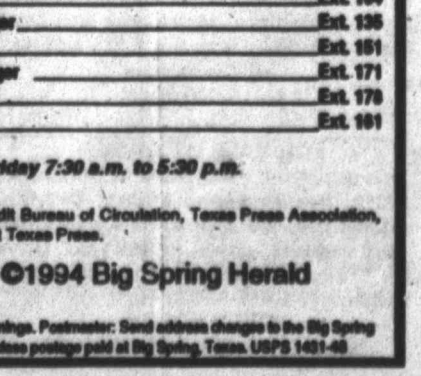
Today's Birthdays: TV producer Norman Lear is 73. Movie and drama critic Vincent Canby is 71. Actor Jerry Van Dyke is 64. Sportscaster Irv Cross is 56. Singer Bobbie Gentry is 51. Actress Betty Thomas is 47. Olympic gold medal figure skater Peggy Fleming is 47. Singer Maureen McGovern is 46.

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Child 12 & Under 263-7488 Adult 263-7489

Species R
7:40 10:00
Pocahontas G
1:00 2:40 4:20 6:00
Bridges of Madison County PG-13
1:10 3:50 6:30 8:10
*Apollo 13 PG
12:50 3:30 6:10 8:50
*Pass & Bargain Restricted
Admission Before 6 pm
Tuesday Night All Seats 12

INMARK THEATRES
MOVIES 4
BIG SPRING 263-2479
82 shows starting before 6 pm
84 shows after 6 pm

*FREE WILLY 2 (PG)
11:00 1:30 4:00 7:00 9:10

*INDIAN IN THE CUPBOARD (PG)
11:30 2:00 4:25 7:10 9:20

*UNDER SEIGE 2 (R)
11:15 1:45 4:40 7:30 9:45

BATMAN FOREVER (PG-13)
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*Pass & Super Saver Restricted

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